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> STAR POINTS. "For still we hope That in a world of wider scope. What here is faithfully begun

A suggestive scrap snatched from an exchange: "Millions for Santa Claus, not much for Christ."

Since every cold is called "la grippe" nowadays, it may be said that almost everyoody in Boston has, or has had, or will soon have, "la grippe."

We are easily reconciled to the number of portraits of Bishop Brooks that are now being given to the public, since the bishop is such a fine looking man.

The Christian Advocate remarks that when the body is in a healthy condition it is not restless. . May not the same thing be also said of the soul? There is, in these days, too much of both physical and spiritual restlessness.

There are said to be a million Indians in Brazil. Three years ago, a whole village of nearly three thousand people was poisoned by that higher type of civilization which is so fond of charging the savage with cruelty.

Are you an admirer of the better elements of the old Puritan character? If so, what think you of Dr. Gregg's recent declaration in Brooklyn that "were the Puritans alive they would be leaders in the Prohibition party."

When discouraged, don't whine. If you must finally stop and change your course, do so bravely and even hopefully, but don't whine. A strong man may have to change his aims or methods, but he will never whine. Whining is a mark of weakness. Don't whine. Don't!

A Chicago man says that the prevalence of "la grippe" is due to the use of electricity, and that there are scientists who are ready to prove it. He says: "Pat out your electric lights and stop your dynamos or the grip with its complications will kill your people faster than you can bury them." Now for the scientists!

The increase of murders and of "cranks" that intend to murder may be attributed, to a considerable extent, to the corrupting influence of a venal press that, for the sake of money, publishes the details of numberless crimes, the details being the more full according as the crime is the more heinous and horrible. What are we coming to?

It is stated that the "Keeley cure" for drunkenness has gained the confidence of capitalists all over the country. The right to administer treatment in every Northern and in several Southern States has from \$20,000 to \$100,000. It is to be Necessity has created a good many These in addition to eight sent by Bro. D. guilty before God. hoped that the cure will accomplish much vocations that thrive on human distress, lately. Rev. L. Dexter of Rochester, N. H.,

better than that of the Missourian whose cure for drunkenness was given in the following terms: "Quit yer drinkin'."

The recent transfer of the parochial schools in Fairbault, Minnesota, to the control of the public school board, is a move that will be watched with much interest. All the expenses of these schools are paid out of the public funds, but in all essential particulars they are still parochial schools. The "sisters" are retained as teachers, the priests have the same relation to them as before the transfer, save that they must do their work either before or after the regular school hours! At this distance it looks as though the Catholics had won their case, and the citizens of Fairbault are being duped.

The following extract from the report of Mr. Riehle, superintendent of schools in Fairbault, upon the above mentioned transfer has rather a foreign sound to say the least. He says: "The Bible is a religious book, and as such it has no place in the public schools to promulgate religlous doctrine; but having merit of great historical, moral, and literary value, it may be used for these qualities. If, however, to any class of persons this is obnoxious, the Board should require the discontinuance of its use." Why not say the same of the public school itself, where it is 'obnoxious to any class of persons?"

This is the vote of the 28 cities of Massachusetts that have voted on the license question during the present month; also

for last year:				
18	1891		1890	
Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	
Boston28,637	21,314	28,157	13,910	
Brockton 1,692	2,646	1,665	2,283	
Cambridge 3,565	4 051	3,611	4,165	
Chalsea 1,754	2,171	1,442	1,524	
Chicopee 949	582	824	630	
Fall River 4,337	3,428	5,147	2,100	
Fitchburg 1,394	1,582	1,690	1,231	
Gloucester 1,326	1 691	1,324	986	
Havernith 2,05-1	2,150	2 038	1,545	
Holyoke 2,499	1,138	2 418	847	
Lawrence 3,182	3,03)	3,326	2,655	
Lowell 6,037	4,223	7,506	2,970	
Lynn 4,207	3,456	4,344	2,541	
Maiden 877	1,711	933	1,582	
Marlboro 1,022	1,358	1,156	1,203	
New Bedford 1,964	2,219	2,435	2,017	
Newburyport 1,286	775	1,352	694	
Newton 501	1,379	857	1,990	
Northampton 1,006	885	963	844	
Pitt-field 1,406	654	1,794	762	
Quincy 835	1,659	720	1,339	
salem 2,264	1,630	2,160	1,053	
Somerville 1,054	2,598	999	2,282	
Springfield 3 418	3,065	2,806	2,369	
Taunton 1,452	1,433	1,613	1 218	
Waitham 1,367	1,272	1,321	1,187	
Woburn 1,322	775	1,310	725	
Worcester 5,773	6,174	6,398	5,172	
Total83,974	78,413	91,331	70,122	

Cambridge, Pittsfield, and Newton, there es, in some instances, do not seem to umn over last year, to which is added Fitchburg, Haverhill, New Bedford, and Worcester. The total gain is 15,648. "Yes" loses 7,357, "no" gains 8,291. Last year the majority for license was 21,209, this year 5,561. The total vote on the question in the 28 cities for 1891 is 162,387; in 1890, 161,453,—showing that only 934 more persons voted this year than last year. So it would seem 14,714 voters have been converted from "yes" to "no." When we make due allowance for the first-time voters it is evident that the cause is progressing. If any one doubts it just examine the returns from the Hub!

### BEING BETTER THAN DOING.

what we are than by what we attempt, STAR. If you want to accomplish your more by our characters than our activi-To others as well as ourselves there

is an inspiration and inducement in a neglected by those who are charged noble and lovely character. If we stop with special denominational interests. and consider what it is which has done most to shape our thoughts and our and findings frequently in the STAR, let purpose in life, we shall see that it is them use its columns often to reach those some winsome and impressive character which has been uplifted before us, and which has drawn us by its pre- themselves more amply sustained in eminent attractiveness, rather than by their work. "A word to the wise is any precept or injunction which has sufficient." been spoken to us by instructors. And as it is ourselves, so it is with others. Everything that raises our personal standard of thought and purpose, everything that brings us nearer to the stature of the completed one in Christ, cle is by the editor, Rev. J. Fletcher, and is increases our power for good and entitled his "Farewell." It is an able and makes us more and more a power in dignified utterance, with here and there a the world about us.

When we crave the privilege of doing for others, it is well for us to realize the privilege of being for others, and for leaves the hand of the General Baptist Magour Master, whose assurance to his leved ones is: "Herein is my Father Magazine will take it up and bear it aloft glorified, that ye bear much fruit, so and afar, a light to lighten the Baptist churches shall ye be my disciples;" not, that ye leader of the movement among the General sow much seed, but that in pure charac- Baptists which has resulted in union with the ter ye bear much fruit; "for the fruit of larger Baptist body, has an article dealing apthe Spirit is in all goodness and right- preciatively with the past and hopefully with eousness and truth."

#### TRAFFIC IN HUMAN TROUBLES. "It is unpardonable that trade should thrust its wares upon grief, and, ghoul-

like, seek to prey upon it." most sterling dailies was provoked by the appearance of the first number of The the "funeral card" business, which Baptist Union Magazine. seems to consist in sending samples to families where some one has just died the STAR last week. Rev. B. G. Blaisdell of and soliciting orders for copies of an Depauville, N. Y., sent eleven, the largest embellished memorial in deep mourn-

ness. The habit of profiting by others' misfortunes in the way of trade carries an uncanny temptation with it; for self-interest may get the better of benevolence, and wreckers will always watch

We remember the horseback traveler in the old song, who, taking a tumble one day in his ri le through a mountainous region, had his sprained ankle bound up by an old peasant woman and paid her liberally for it.

"So he mounted his horse and rode gingerly on, While she jingled the fee that her surgery won; And sang to the sound of its musical chime, 'I wish he'd come often—and fall every time.'"

The peculiar attitude of mind which one gets into whose business depends chiefly on human accidents and sufferings is hardly enviable; but it can be a sort of benignant selfishness, after all, that keeps one on the alert for somebody to "fall." We must draw the line somewhere. It is possible to feel like Prince Arthur when he told Hubert:

"I would you were a little sick, That I might sit all night and watch with you;' but that is not quite to the purpose. To live by human misfortunes without insulting them is, however, easy enough -as our worthy doctors, lawyers, and undertakers demonstrate every day.

Scandal-mongers, funeral-haunting advertisers, sensational reporters, and watchers for post-mortem legacies have no professional excuse for being. Their office is not curative. They never earn their fees.

#### OUR STATE AGENCIES.

In several States our churches have what are known as State agents, who act as local missionaries, looking after destitute churches, engaging in revival work here and there, collecting useful statistics, etc. The office is a useful one and the men who are now occupying it in various States are able and devoted preachers.

We want to say two things. One is that the churches ought to see that these State agents are fully sustained and assisted in their important duties. To put a man into the field and expect him to accomplish much without constant and ample support is not only unjust to him, it is unfaithfulness to the cause. A pastor writes us: "In our State Bro. As will be seen, with the exception of | -is doing a fine work, but the churchrealize its importance nor back it by contributions and general co-operation." This is, to say the least, discreditable to those churches.

The other thing we want to say is that these State agents ought to be heard from much more frequently than they are in the columns of the STAR. Brethren, what do we have a denominational paper for, if it is not to be used by you in the furtherance of your special denominational work? It is one thing, and a good thing, to address congregations, larger or smaller, gathered in the churches. It is another thing, and a very important thing, to address the largest of all our congregations gathered at their In the long run we can do more by firesides, through the columns of the whole work, make more use of the STAR! We are frequently surprised by the extent to which this most valuable means is

Let our State agents report their work whom they seldom or never see in the churches, and possibly they will find

### NOTES.

The General Baptist Magazine for December is the last issue of this long known and highly esteemed exponent of Free Baptist doctrines in England. The opening artitouch of pardonable pathos in view of the extinction of an organ that has done efficient service in the preservation of the faith once delivered unto the saints. "As the torch azine," however, "the Baptist Union throughout the kingdom." Dr. Clifford, the the future. Of the union now formed he says: "A union so perfectly accordant with the mind of the Lord Jesus will result in more and better service for him, and the souls he has redeemed, effected through an organization larger and more compact than that which we have left behind." May God grant it! This indignant remark in one of our We shall await with pleasant anticipations

Thirty-three new names were received for number yet at one time by any one person since we began to make these reports. Rev. good, though its method can hardly be but there does not seem to be any sent three in addition to five recently sent.

"necessity" for the funeral-card busi- Several others sent two each. We are inclined to tabulate the "returns" and give and swe do well to keep this in mind. them in full. Does any one object? Keep the But we must not forget that he is also matter going, brethren.

Respecting the publication of sermons in saying, "I have an impression that sermons are not much read, and that half a dozen articles covering the same space would be better." But lately we have received another letter which runs as follows:

"I am greatly pleased with the recently adopted idea of having a sermon each week in the STAR, and I think that many like myself whose age and circumstances in life do not allow them the privilege of the house of worth ship on the Sabbath will bless you for the ship on the Siddath will bless you for the chance to read a good Gospel sermon in the old STAR (yet always new). I call it old because I have been one of its readers for sixty-six years, and though I am growing old its weekly visits are still joyfully received, and but little of its contents are allowed to pass unnoticed. If Free Baptists would but read it, you would not want for subscribers. Tell it, you would not want for subscribers. Tell our ministers to send along some of their best sermons, that we who are in strange and poor pastures may find such food in the STAR."

Unquestionably there are some people who like to read sermons. We wish we could vou are not likely to find more inclinaknow to what extent, among all classes, the sermons recently printed in the STAR have

The matters presented in Dr. Ball's com- The longer you neglect, the less inclina- to keep secret, for I do not wish to munication and our reply, are worthy of discussion in a manner that is perfectly "frank" and fair. As Plato said, friends engage in discussion for the advancement of what is

Fifty-three numbers compose the volume of the STAR now closed.

### Contributions.

### THE UNATTAINED.

BY LIZZIE AROLYN CAVERLY. He climbs; the clouds about him sail; The sturdy cedars dwarf and fail; The plain spreads like a map below, But wrapped in everlasting snow

The barren peaks above him tower. He sails amid the tropic isles; The jasmine decks their palm-walled aisles; The perfumed winds toy with the surge; But over the horizon's verge He fancies fairer lands will rise

He treads the borderland of thought, Essays the heights the sages sought; He climbs the hilltop of renown, To see, through mist-wreaths settling down,

A boundless realm untrod beyond. FAREWELL TO THE OLD YEAR.

Farewell, old year, we walk no more together; I catch the sweetness of thy latest sigh,

And, crowned with yellow brake and withered heather, I see thee stand beneath this cloudy sky. Here in the dim light of a gray December We part in smiles, and yet we met in tears; Watching thy chilly dawn, I well remember

I thought thee saddest-born of all the years. I knew not then what precious gifts were Under the mist that velled thy path from

I knew not then that joy would come un-To make thy closing hours divinely bright.

I only saw the dreary clouds unbroken, I only heard the plash of icy rain, And in that winter gloom I found no token To tell me that the sun would shine again.

O dear old year, I wronged a Father's kind-I would not trust him with my load of care; mbled on in weariness and blindness, And lo, he blessed me with an answered

Good-bye, kind year, we walk no more together, But here in quiet happiness we part;

And from thy wreath of faded fern and heath-I take some sprays and wear them on my -Sarah Doudney.

### A WORD WITH THE UNSAVED.

BY THE REV. WM. HURLIN.

Probably most of the readers of this paper are Christians, and that is a matter for thankfulness. But there are some who are upsaved; and I feel moved to say a few things to you, and give you some reasons why you should give immediate attention to spiritual things.

First, because you are guilty before right in your general conduct; you read the Bible sometimes, and you attend public worship. But what are the mobecause you love God and wish to please wish to maintain a good appearance before others and to preserve your own self-respect, or because your education and your surroundings are such that you have no taste or desire to indulge in gross evil? Very likely you promoting the intellectual, moral, and religare a thoughtless lover of pleasure. You claim that you do nothing that is very wrong, and that what you do that is not quite right is from thoughtlessness. You wish to enjoy yourself; and | reading-rooms, and gymnasiums, and endeavoryou take up with what you think will give you pleasure, without thinking much about it. But does not this constitute you guilty? Has not God created you for a higher purpose than mere enjoyment? You are not butterflies, but reasonable beings, and God claims your service. And whatever may have been your conduct and your character, von know that you have done things the subject there will be no more silver dolhave left undone things that you ought Treasury Department under the present law to have done, and therefore you are

that God is a kind and loving Father, HOW A STATESMAN CONTROLLED in this character he has enacted wise the STAR, a brother wrote us some time ago, and just laws, and that penalty is attached to the breach of these laws. And discussion arose between them. also that as God is righteous these laws denly an usher entered, and handed must be executed, and that as God is the Minister a note. On opening it he o uniscient there is no possibility of and assumed a quiet and urbane manescape by concealment or evasion. And ner. Puzzled as to the contents of the therefore as God liveth ever, the sinner note, and by the marked effect it had

> Thirdly, because it is foolish to neglect or delay in this matter. You will sheet of paper, without a scratch upon find no better oppor unity than the present. Of course there are obstacles in your way now. But you will not escape the usher, to whom he was well these by delay. You will always find known, for he himself had been Mindifficulties in the way of commencing a tion by waiting. I know that many persons think that something is to be gained in this way. But it is a mistake. tion you will have. The Holy Spirit still says, as ever, "To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts." And do not forget that you are losing the present happiness which is the privilege of the Christian. In the Old Testament we read of the "perfect peace" in which God keeps those who trust in him; and in the New Testament of "the peace of God which passeth understanding," which keeps the hearts and minds of those who avoid all anxiety, and by prayer and supplication make their requests known unto God. You have been mistaken in the way you have sought happiness, for "godliness is profitable unto all things, having

> that which is to come." Be persuaded then, and give attention to your spiritual welfare immediately. You cannot undo the past, nor atone for your sins by future obedience. But Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners; the Father sent him for this purpose; and Jesus declared, "Him that cometh to me, I will in no wise that cometh to me, I will in no wise that cometh to me, I will in no wise cast out."

Antrim, N. H.

### WASHING FON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23, 1891. Congress adjourned to-day to meet on the 5th of January. Short sessions of both Senate and House were held, but the only important business transacted was the announcement of the standing committees by the Speaker of the House. A feeling of sadness existed in the Senate owing to the entirely un-expected death of Senator Piumb of Kansas, Bible pupil's spelling-book and a child on Sunday Senator Plumb was a general favorite, largely on account of the sterling integrity he has at all times displayed during the fifteen years he has been a member of the Sen-

During the past few days a number of petitions have been received here to be presented to Congress, asking that the \$5,000,000 loan, which the managers of the World's Fair will ask from Congress, shall be made conditionally on the exhibition being closed on the Sabbath day. It is always well to confront facts, whether they agree with one's own opinions or not; therefore I deem it fit- Luke by way of refreshing his memory. ting to say that unless there shall be much greater pressure brought to bear upon Con- he has added some cubits to his gress then there is at present any indication stature. of, there will be no action taken to prevent opening of the Exposition on Sunday. As prominent a representative of the dominant in the Old Testament. It is a poor party in the House of Representatives as Mr. Springer of Illinois has already put him self on record as favoring the opening of the Exposition on Sanday. It will require work, and a great deal of it, to overcome the influence of such men.

What think you of a donation party composed of more than thirty thousand persons, where the donations are from a single potato to a barrel of flour, and from a pair of socks God. Probably you are moral and up- to a complete suit of clothes? Washington had that sort of a party to-day, and the donors to be able to pick out the best characwere the pupils in our public schools, which closed to-day for the Christmas holidays. It was choice. The child who can see no other a sight well worth seeing to visit the various tives that lead you to act thus? Is it schoolhouses when the donations were piled brethren than the fact that Joseph had up previous to being turned over to the ashim? Or is it not rather because you sociated charities, the Grand Army of the reading by somebody who regards the Republic, and the police, to be distributed Bible as a museum of curiosities. It is among the poor. It was an object lesson in a good thing to know that Abel did not practical charity that the youngest pupil will always remember.

The United Christian Commission, which was organized one year ago for the purpose of ious welfare of the army and navy by suggesting needful national legislation and administration, the securing of well-qualified chaplains, encouraging Sabbath observance. promoting temperance, multiplying libraries, ing to arouse the sentiment of the nation to a sense of its obligations to this class of citizens, held its first annual meeting here yesterday. The general plan of the society will closely follow that of the Christian Commission which did so much good during the late Civil War.

The coinage of the trade dollar bullion into standard silver dollars authorized by the last Congress was completed yesterday, and until there is some new Congressional legislation on that you ought not to have done, and lars coined, as the silver purchased by the is stored in the vaults in bars. A movement has been started here to raise

a subscription for the starving, famine-stricken Secondly, because you are in positive Russians, and it is probable that a public and imminent danger. It is quite true meeting will be held for that purpose.

HIS TEMPER.

When M. de Persigny was French the governor of the universe, and that Minister of the Interior, he received a visit one day from a friend, who, on sending up his name, was shown into the great man's sanctum. A warm at once changed his tone of voice, is in absolute, positive, and imminent suddenly produced upon the Minister, his friend cast a furtive glance at it, when, to his astonishment, he perceived that it was simply a plain

ister of the Interior. "You have," said he, "just handed new course, and you must "strive to to the Minister a note, folded up, enter in at the strait gate." And then which had a most extraordinary effect upon him. Now, it was a plain sheet of paper, with nothing written upon it.

What did it mean?" "Sir," replied the usher, "here is the explanation, which I must beg you compromise myself. My master is very liable to lose his temper. As he himself is aware of his weakness, he has ordered me, each time that his voice is raised sufficiently to be audible in the anteroom, without delay to place a sheet of paper in an envelope, and take it to him. That reminds him that his temper is getting the better of him, and he at once calms himself. Just now I heard his voice rising, and immediately carried out my instructions."-Selected.

#### NEW YEAR'S SONG.

Come, new year,
And strew pale roses for thy sister's bier!
Loves are turned cold that at her birth leaped high.

When thou art old, thou, too, forgot shalt lie,
With all thy golden glories faded, sere.

Come, new year! promise of the life that now is, and of

Sleep, dead year! For dear delights are flown, and days are drear, For oh, for oh! bleak lie the fields and bare; Woe is me—woe—winter is everywhere; With eyes that see not, ears that never hear, Sleep, dead year!

Come, new year! But silently! let fall no foolish tear

Sleep, dead year!

Sleep, dead year! Soon on Spring's breast young violets shall peer, Burst from earth's casket for thy pleasuring, Purple and gold, her tender treasuring. Come, new year! -Agnes Gerard.

#### THE BOOK IN THE HANDS OF THE CHILD.

The first book to put in the hands of ought to know how to spell before he dabbles in philosophy.

When he has read Matthew well enough to be able to name the principal events in the life of Jesus and to quote some of his golden sayings it may be well to take him through Mark and Luke-partly as a review and partly to complete his conception of the life of Jesus. If however he has taken quick hold of the first Gospel he may be taken at once to Genesis for a course in the Old Testament and afterwards brought back to Mark and then to He will not be ready for John until

Not until the child has the Gospel story clearly in mind should he be put way to begin with Joseph and up to Jesus. He will learn Joseph quicker for having first learned of Jesus. A few chapters in Genesis may be omitted. You will easily recognize them. But don't forget to impress it upon the child that the passages passed over are not skipped because they are unimportant or uninteresting but because he is too young to enter into them. If he reads Genesis under wise direction he ought when he is through ters in it and give the reasons for his difference between Joseph and his a superior coat has been quided in his bring to the altar the same kind of an offering that Cain did, but the important thing to know is the difference between the two brothers who stood before the Lord.

When he is through Genesis pick out the historical parts of Exodus and in short all the historical chapters up to Chronicles. Then let him skip to

The child who takes this course under the eye of a faithful parent will hardly trouble you for help in his future Bible studies.—Bible Reader.

### PLEASANTRIES.

"A little nonsense now and then Is relished by the wisest men." "There is a time to laugh."-SOLOMON. "What is the matter, dearest?"

"Somein awful's happened, mother."

"Well, what is it, sweetheart?"

"My d—doll—baby got away from me and bwoked a plate out in the pantwy."—Harper's Young People.

-Gentleman: "And so you are a news-paper man now, Uncle Rastus?"

Uncle Rastus: "Yes, sir; I'se de editor ob de job depa'tment."

Gentleman: "Editor of the job depart-

ment?"
Uncle Rastus: "Yes, sah, I carries in coal, an' scrubs de flo', an' washes down de win dow, and all sich editin' as dat, sah."

### Devotional.

FORESHADOWED. BY MIRIAM.

The apple trees are brown and bare, A chill is in the wintry air; No sign of buds upon the trees, No hint of summer in the breeze. Yet we are sure another May Will bring the robin, bitthe and gay; And brown, bare limbs that now we see, Bouquets of fragrant bloom will be; And summer sun and southern rain

Will make the earth alive again. A little grave upon the hill, And underneath a form so still. Just a white stone to mark the place

face. A shadow on the coming years, The agony of hidden tears Yet something tells this heart of minemething I cannot yet define-That joys which now deep buried lie Shall bloom more bright beyond the sky; And I shall have my boy some day, Sure as the year will have its May.

Where I bade good-bye to the dear sweet

#### SLIPPING AWAY.

Tuey are slipping away-these sweet, swift Like a leaf on the current cast;
With never a break in their rap'd flow,
We watch them as one by one they go
Into the beautiful past.

As silent and swift as the weaver's thread, Or an arrow's flying gleam;
As soft as the languorous breezes hid, That lift the willow's golden lid. And ripple the glassy stream;

As light as the breath of the thist'edown; As pure as the flush in the sea-shell's throat: As sweet as the wood-bird's wooing note, So tender and sweet they seem.

One after another we see them pass Down the dim-lighted stair; We hear the sound of their steady tread In the steps of centuries long since dead, As beautiful and as fair.

There are only a few years left to love; Shall we waste them in idle strife? Shall we trample under our ruthless feet Those beautiful blossom, rare and sweet, By the dusty ways of life?

There are only a few swift years-ah! let No envious taunts be heard: Make life's rare pattern of rare design, And fill up the measure with love's sweet But never an angry word! -Selected.

### SERMON.

BY THE REV. C H. SPURGEON " Lay hold on eternal life."-1 Tim. 6: 12.

Paul was very anxious about Timothy, his own son in the faith. He loved him greatly, and he had much confidence in him; but still he felt that the work of preaching the Gospel was such a responsible undertaking that he could not be too prayerful for him, nor too steadfastness in those things which he had received. So "the old man eloquent," whose very pen seems to have borrowed some of the burning ferver who are to preach the Gospel of the which is really Carist living in us.

connection. In the same verse Timo- If it can come to an end by any process seems to say, "Let any thing else go, an I ever! Amen. thy is told to "fight the good fight of whatever, then it is not eternal. Tais faith." From this it is evident that if is as clear as words can make it. . he lays hold on eternal life, he will have to fight for it; and that if he has that is perfected in glory. It goes on ing!" Yes, but if you lost a living and hold upon eternal life with tenacious world, to a very high degree. There is with all his heart and soul.

community where Timothy was called life. to lab r, each with different views of some who intermeddled with social ciple. He that hath it is blessed inmight conspire against their masters, hath it not is dead while he liveta. and try to rectify the unquestionable wrongs which existed in that day. Paul desires, as much as anybody could do, that injustice should come to an end, we this eternal life? If we do, let us most surely overcome rather than by any | tells us to "lay hold on" eternal life. hasty social change, he says to Timo- That is the main course of my present fellowship is with the Father, and with harvest." hold on the eternal life. You are not nal life? There are degrees in the re- sometimes to sit down and anticipate seriously interested; one to whom the sions. But the ministry is a long way tics and to set things right socially; man who fully apprehends that for inheritance? let it be sufficient for you to lay hold on which also he is "apprehended of eternal life, and to call upon the people | Christ Jesus." The Spirit of God lays | special word. Who are the people that | the world-worn excuse of "a more conto do the same. Every man to his own hold of us in order that we may lay ought chiefly to luy hold on eternal venient season." Returning at tea-time, calling, and that is yours. Lay hold on hold on eternal life; how we are en- life?

Round about Timothy too there for consideration. buzzed a set of men full of questions and difficulties, and discoveries of a believe in it as true. The very beginfalse science, which Paul calls "pro ning of our hope is when the Lor1 leads fane and vain babblings"; these were us to believe that there is such a thing in a most unhealthy state, "sick about as eternal life; and that it is a tangible dow this afternoon. Suddenly he ran not yield to the Oue who is pleading for it and will give more for it. In these questionings and disputes of words," as thing, not a dream or a vision, but a away, and I thought, "What made him your love? O brother, I am praying days no man need be ignorant. Knowlthe apostle's language in verse four reality to be laid hold of. I certainly go?" I found out that though I had that you may find this peace which is edge is more easily obtained than any may be literally rendered. Concerning believe in the existence of a thing that not heard the voice some one had beyond compare," said the sister, in anx. thing else. The reading of one number such he says to Timothy, "Do not an- I can lay hold upon. If " seeing is beswer such wranglings of men corrupted lieving," laying-hold is even a more Imitate that boy. Go about this world in mind and bereft of the truth. Do thorough mode of believing. Believe, as men who have been called by a voice I don't mind saying that I do want the of Christ. Pastors should urge missionnot worry yourself about them. Let then, that there is a higher life than that nobody has heard but you. Has S wiour who has been such a help and ary literature upon their people. the bees of the wasp buzz as much as nature ever can create. If unconverted, God called you to himself? He means comfort to you; and I'll seek for him, they like; as for you, lay bold on eter- you do not know any thing about this in you to come away from your old self, and too."

called you, the glorious work of saving he can give you. souls. Let those who like such questions fight them out to the bitter end;

but, as for you, lay hold on eternal life." Then Paul had noticed that at Ephesus there were certain men who were members of the church who seemed to counting that gain was godliness, and were the better men for it. But Paul says to Timothy, "Leave money alone. Having food and raiment, let us be Therefore, since you can have only one, gracious gift." see that it is the vita! thing. Lay hold on eternal life."

I like this plain dealing of the Apostle. The great complaint which we have to make against many is, that they seem to be looking after the odds and ends, the paraphernalia, the minor affairs of life; but they do not seem to ain at this point—eternal life. Is it not so in praying?

How much there is of our prayer which is only language; how much of our praise which is only music! How much there is in our churches which is something that may have to do with the betterment of the people, but is not salvation, not winning souls for Christ!

tion, and press it upon each one here hold on eternal life."

1. First, then, WHAT IS ETERNAL LIFE?

In attempting to answer this question, I remark what should be perfectly obvious: it is a gift of God, the fruit of a divine operation upon the heart. One of the first works of the grace of God is to put within us eternal life. No man can create it, either in himself or in his fellow-men. Just as our physical life was bestowed upon us apart from any effort of our own, the device of man; it must be imparted by the Spirit of God. At first God created the breath of life; and man became a and then to keep it. living soul;" and waen, in Christ, man becomes a new creat on, the work is as wholly and as really God's.

This eternal life, given thus freely, is a present possession. "Eternal life" may sometimes be employed to set out in which we are regenerated we receive the first germs of life everlasting.

of his heart, pours out his very soul to the soul. The Holy Spirit comes and young Timothy in the earnest desire breathes God's life into dead men

This, then, is eternal life-a new

abled to do this is our present subject

First, if you would grasp this gift,

this eternal life, in the power and reality of it; and whenever Satan tempts you called you out from among men? Do timony of the Word of God and the and have you responded, "Here am I; be sacrificing everything else to gain, abundant witness of those who have for thou didst call me; speak, for thy gone before you, rejoicing in the power servant heareth"? Oh, if God has that if they could get rich they really of it. Every child of God has times favored you with a special and effectual when he questions himself; but still call, then lay hold on eternal life with he can truly say, "I am not what I used to be. I have teelings both of pain and let it go! Come what may, resolve that therewith content. Your hand is not joy that come not of the old life, but of you will hold to this gift of God in life, b'g enough to lay hold of two things. | the new, which has come to me by God's | in death, and throughout eternity.

> If any of you have not experienced by believing that there is such a thing as eternal life.

But you do not lay hold of a thing by simply believing that there is such a thing. You must go further. Appropriate it. There is a book and I believe that it is there; but if anybody told said, "All that you have to do in order hold. O you that have named the to have it is to lay hold upon it," I name of Christ, and have put him on by should understand that he meant, not that wonderful symbol of death and only that I was to believe in its existence. but that I was to take it up and carry it eternal life." home with me. That is how you are to I am going now to take this exhorta- it is, this is a thing which, though it is thy, to the service of the Christian min- to attract them most, it looks powerful of entbusiasm, for prayer and tears, for so simple, we cannot make awakened istry; you that have been permitted much like inconsistency to me. present, asking God to bless it. "Lay sinners understand. That eternal life in any way, even in the Sunday-school, is God's free gift put within their reach to speak of Christ to children; you to and that they are to take hold of it for whom the Lord has committed his Gos. to me by Bert's sister, who still has a their own salvation, seems harder for pel that you may impart it to others,intricate puzzle. Yet this is, perhaps, never do much in this work unless you soul. He is still wandering afar—the the clearest aspect of the great matter have eternal life within your own soul.

The exhortation means more than that, however. Having appropria ed it, dead souls? A dead teacherkeep it. Hold to it, and never let it go. Hide it in your heart as a choice treasure; and if any me would rob you life have free course and be glorified? of it, or frown you out of it, or laugh at A blind man discoursing of colors, or a ly legitimate at such a season become a divine life cannot be evolved by any you because you prize so highly what dumb man teaching music, is not more power for evil which cannot be estimatthey so lightly esteem, lav hold on it still out of place than a man without eternal ed They are a snure of the devil's more. This is the work of the grace of life trying to tell out the Gospel. What own contriving. man, "and breathed into his nostrils God which enables you first to take can he do? "Lay hold on eternal life,"

An i then, furthermore stay yourself upon it. According to the text, you have to "fight the good fight of faith." Every now and then you will get an ugly knock, a bruise, a bleeding wound earnest in exhorting him to continued the giories of heaven, but not often; it A!ways lay hold on eternal life again, call, "Lay hold on eternal life," come is a thing possessed here. In the day and it will strengthen you, staunch your wounds, and make you once more strong in the day of battle. I would This life is, in fact, the life of God in have you think much of this.

Farther, I think that the Apostle, by let every thing else go, but lay hold on eternal life. Hold you Once more, this eternal life is the life to that." "Oh, but I should lose a liv-

grip. Every Christian man is a soldier, a very great difference between the that. Fight, and as you fight lay hold and tender. The words spoken to him and no man will war a good warfare new-born babe and a full grown man, upon the victory. While you are run- last evening were still ringing in his unless he lays hold upon eternal life and there is a great difference between ning for heaven, often anticipate the ears, and had found a lodging in his Great Commission. the believer who has just received eter- joys of heaven. I think you and I do heart wholly unlooked for: "Why are The whole chapter forms a sort of nal life and that riper saint who has not go to heaven often enough. "Well," you not a Christian? 'Why halt ye bepreface to the text. Three classes come to the fullness of the stature of a says one, "I thought we should go tween two opinions? If the Lord be of people seem to have existed in the man in Christ Jesus; but it is the same there when we died." Yes, if you are a God, tollow him?" believer in Christ, that is secure; but Bert had come to the place which we policies. They told the slaves that they deed among the sons of men. He that made us sit together in the heavenlies to an issue to-night." in Christ." Do you not know that the It was a season of unusual interest in Having thus considered the nature of lower ends of all the streets of heaven the church. Meetings of great power this possession, we come back to the are near here? Victory-that is and the felt presence of the Lord were question we have asked already: Have heaven; well, we even now overcome held each night; and gray-haired men through the blood of the Lamb. Peace who had spent the best of their lives unhappily, cannot be confined to the is heaven; but even to-day "truly our working in the vineyard "white with thy. "Leave that matter alone. Lay discourse. How do we lay hold on eter- his son Jesus Christ." Is it not good sent to cleanse the Angean stable of poli- ception of this life, but happy is the the day when you will come into your

III. Now I have to finish with just a

First, those who are called. This is the reason the Apostle gives to Timo- these meetings. thy: "where unto thou art also called." Beloved, there are some of you that ing pretty well?"-with a tender kiss. have been called. A boy who had called him, and therefore he was gone. lous, tearful tones.

for the one thing for which God has a thing. There is life in Christ which have you lay hold on life eternal. God fond sister; and taking Bert's arm never singles us out in this way unless | they went for their evening meal. Believe, my brethren, you that have he means to bless us. He never says, your whole heart and soul, and never

> Next, those who have confessed Christ ought specially to lay hold on eternal such a change, begin as I have told you, life, "whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession courage or watch him as he came forward to confess Christ. This, then, was a double reason why he should me that it was a present for me, and hold fast that on which he had laid burial and resurrection. "lay hold on

And, especially do I say this to those See to that first. A dead preacherwhat can she teach? A dead instructor. or else quit this talse position; lest when the Lord comes he should say to you, "What hast thou to do to declare my statutes, or that thou shouldest take my covenant in thy mouth ?"

You, poor sinner, as you go after from your enemy. What are you to do? your follies and amusements, may the to you until you shall obey it and quit | neither lose the blessing ourselves nor such trifles! And you, Christian man, prevent others from receiving. Let us when you get into the world, and are tempted to make gain by sin, while you a word. Let us be careful; aye, let us will suffer loss by righteousness, may take care to ourselves that our lives be the exhortation, "Lay hold on eternal you hear a voice, "Lay hold on eternal consistent. Let us be in the Spirit, that that he may find in him a true success- There is nothing everlasting in itself life," meant, let other things go. Here life!" And any of you who get the "cold our eyes may be open to see opportunior; one who, when he is compelled to but God, and there is no life toa is is a brother, lately converted, who has shoulder" and the rough side of men's ties; and God help us to use them as he lay down his trusteeship, will take it everlasting except that which comes been accustomed to keep his shop open tongues, when you begin to think that wills. up, and be faithful to his Lord and to from the ever asting One. The gift of on Sunda s. He lives in a street where you cannot bear it, hear the voice saythe Gospel, when his father in Christ is. God is not only the gift God gives, but the best business is to be done on that ing again, "Lay hold on eternal life." taken away from him. We cannot be Go i is the gift that is given. He it is day, and if he shuts up his shop, he will Cling to that, for God for Christ, for to anxious about our young brethren who breathes into us this eternal life, very likely be a great loser. What eternity, for heaven. The eternal life should he do? I thank God that the is the only life worth living for. God Again, eternal life is a life which man has not asked anybody what he help you to live for it always; and, if This passage of S ripture, "Lay hold never dies. We speak very positively should do; he has done the right thing, you do, it will be of his own grace, and realized that the great commission was on eternal life," is suggestive from its here. Eternal life cannot have an end. and trasted in his God. The apostle to him shall be all the glory, for ever spoken to him! Suppose every Chris-

#### QUENCHING THE SPIRIT. B LIZZIE YOUNG BUTLER.

He was pacing back and forth through

why not go there now? The Christian's all reach sooner or later, where he felt complished if the Church arose to the task the best method of teaching those principle, a divine principle, an inex- position is unique: he is in two worlds as though he must decide; but, driving around them. First of all there were haustible, unquenchable, immortal prin- at once. Our Lord hath quickened us, the thought from him, he went out, say-"and hath raised us up together, and ing to himself, "I will bring this matter | tolic fire; then think what a Pentecostal

Bert Anson was one of those most voice, still and sweet, seemed most imto yield, ever putting the Spirit off with who could not, except in soul, join in when the test for the admission of can-

"How are you to-night, Sissy? Feel-"Yes, pretty well; but so anxious for

nal life. Stick to your business. Go in your own experience; but there is such cease to live the old life: He would "Seek, and ye shall find," said the swered the prayers of his people in the

Bert entered the prayer-room that "Seek ye my face," in vain. Has God | night with heart open and ready to receive. He was a little early, but he to think that it is a fiction, a dream, a you feel what your parents and friends found a number of young people assempiece of enthusiasm, an idea born of at home don it feel? Is there a call bled, discussing -not the meetings, as striving to be rich, certain even of the fanaticism, resist him by the plain test to you like that call, "Samuel, Samuel," he supposed and hoped, for he was into apathy and indifference? Nothing waiting for a seasonable word, but a social time to be given the next night at one of his Christian girl-friends.

"Bert, you must certainly come; for we can't get along without you to keep us fron getting blue," said Fan, who was "getting up" the gathering, laughing gayly at her unattempte i rhyme.

it be that there was very much inportance to be attached to this matter of before many witnesses." Ti nothy had religion when those who wore the badge been baptized, and probably there had and professed to be marching beneath been a great number of persons to en- the banner were planning amusements which would lessen their zeal, and, perhaps, bar the entrance to the kingdom? Could it be that in such a way they were thoughtlessly quenching the Spirit?

To the pl-ading eyes of his sister, Bert next day indifferently said, "I've concluded there isn't much in it. Sissy. I do believe in old tashioned consistency; and when those who should be just "lay hold on eternal life." Strange as who have been consecrated, like Timo- the reclaiming of souls find other things

O the pity of it all! for this is not fancy sketch, but the facts were related sore spot in her heart towards those who some to grasp than if it was the most .. Lay hold on eternal life." You will so effectually turned the drift of Bert's young man who was so near the kingdom! Would that this were the only what is he, but a mocker of incident in which the young peopleand it may be those older-break away to something else during special meetof a Bible-class-how shall the word of ings of interest in the church. Amusements which at other times are perfect-

> Let those of us who love the Lord permit nothing to draw us away from the meetings which are called for the special reviving of our own souls and for the ushering in ot other souls to the haven of light. Let us retrain from even the appearance of evil; an 1 inamuch as possible coin leisure for prayer and pleading and help, that we may seize upon every opportunity to speak

#### PRAYER-MEETING TOPIC. For the week beginning Jan. 3.

ALL THE WORLD FOR CHRIST .- Mark 16: 15. 1 Should not this be the motio of every Christian? Suppose everybody tian felt bound to go or else send a substitute. But is not this the written and the unwritten obligation of our sonship? In an army where all are soldiers, who can escape obeying the "marching orto fight, he can only fight by laying developing, and matures, even in this saved your life, what would you lose? the room, hands clasped behind his ders"? The push of Christianity into And it means, in my text, more than back mind disturbed, and heart touched the "regions beyond" has always been proportioned to the number of believers

> 2. If so great a missionary work as this century has witnessed could be wrought for the Master when the Church has been but partially converted to the idea of missions, what might not be acas one man? What if every man were only just touched with the Pauline aposbaptism would mean!

3. The Church will do more for missions when she knows more about missions. "My people are destroyed for lac's of knowledge," is a charge which, ance which God winked at" are still enough continued to consign to us some ministers who take no interest in misahead of the laity in its loyalty to misperative and clear. Yet he was loath sions and missionary literature. Still, many clerical libraries could be improved by devoting larger space to books and periodicals relating to this he ran in to talk a bit with the sister subject. I hope the time is coming didates to the ministry will be based not so much upon the technics of theology as the possession of the missionary spirit.

4. When the Church knows more come upon an errand stood at my win- you, brother. Why is it that you do about the work she will believe more in of Dr. Pierson's magazine will make a "Don't worry about me, Sissy; though | missionary of any sympathetic follower

> 5. The Church needs to pray more for this cause. God has wonderfully an-

past. Men and money have been forthcoming in answer to prayer. When steam and electricity shall have robbed missionary labor of nearly all its self sacrifice, when the home church shall come to give unstintedly but out of her abundance, what can hinder a relapse can save us but prayer. Said Dr. Pierson at Northfield on mission day this year: "Were I asked what above all else the Church needs for the new century of missions now before us, I would say, not men, or money, or zeal, but an outpouring of the spirit of believing PRAYER." Shall not the monthly con-Recoiling as from a blow, Bert made cert of prayer for missions be more some answer and went slowly from the largely observed in 1892 than it has been room with his mind in confusion. Could in the past? Pastors, much depends upon your zeal and perseverance to make this possible.

6. Prayer will awaken and keep alive the missionary spirit. Said Dr. Storrs recently: "It is a vastly critical time in the progress of Christ's kingdom, with all the world uprising before us, with wealth enough and men enough to meet the need, with only the spirit to use them wanting. Let us settle it in our minds that the world is not to be converted to God by good people sitting in pews and listening to sermons, even the best, or sitting in rocking chairs and reading at this time spending every energy for good books. The work is vast, difficult, possible,-a work that calls for the labor sweat-drops, and perhaps for blooddrops. Contributions of money are not enough. Our very life must be in it, in the temper of the divine self-sacrifice." G. L. WHITE.

### Obituaries.

Particular Notice. Obituaries must be brief and for the public. For the excess of over one hundred words, and for those sent by persons who do not patronize the STAR, it is expected that cash will accompany the copy at the rate of four cents per line of eight words. Ferses are inad-missible.

Berry.-Dled in Lewiston, Ma., Dec. 16,1891, Mrs. Laura A., wife of Jacob Berry, aged 67 years. Our sister was born in New Hampyears. Our sister was born in New Hamp-shire, and in early life was drawn to own her Saviour, with whom she has walked in life-iong communion. Forty-three years ago she was married to Bro. Berry. They have together held membership in the Free Biptist church, having been successively connected with churches in Alton, Dover, Pittsfield, and Piers. Lawley on Davis, the church and Pine St., Lewiston. During the pastorate of Bro Cate they were received toto the Main St. courch. Sister Berry has lived a faithful Curistian life, being most constant in her church attendance and devoted in her home. Her summons was very sudden and came with a sense of shock to the whole parish Tue hu-band, a sister, three brothers, and Miss May, the daughter, mourn her loss. M. SUMMERBELL.

Whaley .- Mrs. Miranda (Ferguson) Whaley was born in Hanover. Chautauqua County, N. Y. Oct. 28, 1818. She was married D.c. 28, 1857, and rem ved to Michigan in 1845, where her long and useful life was terminated by cancer of the mouth, Oct. 25, 1891. She had been the mother of nine children, four of who a with their aged father are left enjoy the recollection of an example and life-work worth more than all the riches and work worth more than all the riches and pleasures of the world. She had long been an exemplary, useful member of the Freewill Baptist church and Sabbath school in Reading, where, with undeviating devotion and faithfuiness in the family, constant earnestness in Christian work, and kindness to all, she secured a degree of public esteem seldom realized. The spirit and large attendance at the funeral indicated the public appreciation and personal feelings of all concurred. May God grant that this great loss may stimulate the church and others to greater earnestness in the work from which our sister is removed.

Dyer.—drs. Eliz. T. Dyer, wife of Dea. S.

Dyer .- Ars. Eliz. T. Dyer, wife of Dea. S. B. Dyer, passed from each to heaven upon Nov. 24, 1891. She was the daughter of Dea. Ephraim Locke of Epsom, N. H., where she was born May 30, 1811, and united with the Freewill Baptist church in 1829. Being the daugh er of one of the fathers of the denomination, an ordained lay worker with Elder Randall and others, her early experience and a sociations were peculiar, and her acquaintance with the STAR and general de-nominational enterprises continuous from the who were obeying the principle of the rian; devoted but not superstitious; cheerful rian; devoted but not superstitious; cheerful and pleasant but not van; with a sunny face and nopeful smile reflecting light in times of darkness. In 1832 she married a son of Rev. S. much B. Dyer of sacred memo.y, with whom the responsibilities, joys, and sorrows of life for sixty years have been met with the faith so affectually taught by their respective parents. A severe fever ten years ago and a paralytic stroke gave her a sick-bed experience of ten years, which was endured with patience until the peaceful end. One daughter had passed on before, but the other daughter and her husband are left to other daughter and her busband are left to remember with gratitude their faithfulness to the departed, and with trusting hope to anticipate the future. R. DUNN.

George.—Addie L. George, beloved wife of Charles E. George, died suddenly at her home at Franklin Falis, N. H., Dsc. 13, 1891, aged 38 years. The whole community was snocked at the sudden death of our sister, although her health had not been at its best for some time. But always cheerful and full of hope none were thinking the end so near. The Tuesday before Sister George's death she buried her mother who had suddenly been taken away and to whom she had most tenand that slavery especially should be swept off the face of the earth, as it has largely been by the influence of the Gospel. But, taught of God, and seeing that it was by the proclamation of ing that it was by the proclamation of Cospel that these evils would be swept off the face of the earth, as it has seeing for the face of Bright's disease was doing its work, and no human skill or love could arrest its course. In the death of Sister George a large vacancy is made in many places. Seven years ago it was the privilege of the writer to baptize her and receive her i ito the Free Baptist church at Franklin Fails, where she remained a worthy and constant member until her death. She was a sweet singer, and her voice always added much to the worship; she loved music and gave a good deal of aitention to it. She was connected with the Pemigewa set Colony of Pilgrim Fathers, Colfax Rebreca Lodge, and Franklin Lodge of Good Templars, where her presence will be greatly missed, as in many other circles. For several years she had had charge of the furnishing department of the Hon. A. W. Sullaway's hoslery manufactory. Her life was full of work—and good works. For years a serious heart trouble constantly and frequently reminded her that the end was near, and she felt what she did she must do quickly yet cheerfully, and persistently she pressed on to the end. No matter how pressing or binding were her daily duties she found time to help some one and commune with her God. Her Bibie shows how she fed upon its promises and bathed her heart in its living waters. She was a woman of strong convictious and always exerted her influence on the side of the right. A very large company met at her late home Noy. 16 to attend her funeral. The Congregational, Christian, and Unitarian clergyman were present. The funeral was attended by the writer. We buried her justed bestufful cemetery overlooking the Merrimac. In a bed of flowers we placed her body, watered by the rains of heaven and the tears of the many friends, to await the time when the righteous shall come forth to that new and better life in Him "who hath called us unto his eternal glory".

### Missions.

MOME AND FOREIGN

"Go ye into all the world, and preach the Jospel to every creature."

THE CONCERT CALENDAR, 1892. Jan. 3.—General Outlook of the World.

Peb. 7.—China and Thibet. Confucianism.

March 6.—Mexico, Jentral Americs, West Indies, Cuba. Evangelization in Cities.

April 3.—India, Ceylon, Java. Brahmanism.

May 1.—Burmah, Slam, and Laos. Buddhism.

June 5.—Africa. Freedmen in the United

States.

July 3 — Islands of the Sea. Utah and Mormonism. North American Indians. Chinese and Japanese in America.

Aug. 7 — Italy, France, Spain. Papal Europe.

Sept. 4. — Japan, Korea. Medical Missions.

Oct. 2. — Turkey, Persia, Arabia, Mohammedanism. Greek Church. Normal Chris-

Home Missions,
Dec. 4.—Syria, Greenland. Jewish Missions.
Educational Work.

TO THE FREE BAPTIST WOMEN OF INDIANA.

DEAR SISTER At the State Association held in September at Ricgeville, we, the women of the missionary society that were present, realizing that the State of Indiana has done but little for missions, tried to lay plans for the present year whereby we may increase the interest and raise more money through our auxiliaries to help the cause. We planned to try to raise \$300 this year ending Sept. 1, 1892. Three months of the year having passed by, it behooves us and the Quarterly Meet- five thousand lepers in India. ings that are not fully organized to begin work at once. We have a State organization, and desire an organization in every Quarterly Meeting and an auxall the money we raise is to go to the support of a new missionary to India as support of a new missionary to India as soon as the needed salary is raised with the help of some of the Western States. The other half is to go toward the support of a State evangelist whose duty is to visit weak churches, open new fields to visit weak churches, open new fields of labor, and encourage the work generally all along the line, that our beloved cause may prosper. Can we not help us. There are about one hundred have a society in every Quarterly Meet- missionary doctors in China; one thouing, and in every church an auxiliary? Now, dear sisters of our denomination, please do not pass this by without a thought, but begin at once by organizing in every church where you have no society; and if there is no Quarterly Meeting society, at your next session get together and organize one, choosing your most active and devoted women for the responsible positions. Some may say, "We do not know how Feb. to begin work." If you will send to Mrs. I. E. G. Meader, 14 White St., Pawtucket, R. I., you can obtain constitutions, blanks, leastets, manuals, etc. The price of the manual is 10 cents, and each officer in the society should have one. Now let us all, brothers and sisters, give at least \$1 per year, 25 cents per quarter, or whatever amount you feel able to give. But let us give something in the name of Jesus, and we will be well repaid. Let us pray that God will open our eyes, hearts, and understanding, that we may accomplish this work that seems to have fall-

A word to our pastors. Will you as pastors please help our sisters of the different churches and Quarterly Meetings by preaching missionary sermons, helping them in public meetings, and co-operating with them in all their work? Some of our churches are lu farming communities where the sisters feel it almost impossible to conduct monthly meetings; and they have decided to hold public meetings quarterly, having a program, taking the neeessary collection, paying their dues, and reporting at each Quarterly Meeting session. Let all who can take our own magazine, The Missionary Helper, which is only 50 cents per year; and a helper it is indeed. We can find food for our monthly, quarterly, and public meetings. It can be obtained by sending to Mrs. Ella H. Andrews, Publish- time and a mixing of allusions render the world; but "the wicked willfully shut ing Ageat, 453 Washington St., Providence, R. I. My heart is in the work. I wish I could say more to interest you, I wish more of our members were taking our denominational papers, so they might see and feel the great need of missions. But let us not be discouraged, remembering that those who work for God can never fail. I am willing to answer all questions so far as I am able pertaining to our Indiana societies. Let all moneys be sent to the State secretary, Mrs. Belle R. Kennan, Wawaka, Noble Co., Ind., who will ward to the treasurers. Let us send our money as often as we have an amount sufficient to pay, so it may be doing good. May God bless the missionary work-

en into our hands as women.

ers in the State of Indiana, and may we have greater zeal and ambition for the cause than we have ever had.

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### A MODERN WILLIAM CAREY.

A pastor in New York State writes the following very interesting incident. One day in going the usual round of his labors he stepped into the shop of one of his best members, intending to have a little chat. Finding the front store empty, he walked through into the repair shop. He heard talking, and expected to find two persons, but to his surprise found the cobbler alone, and talking to himself after this fashion, as

feels. whack!) "I wonder if the amount lacking couldn't be divided up among all our members." (Whack! whack!) "I'm willing to pay my share of it." (Whack! waack!)

The pastor turned and stole softly away without disturbing these profound meditations. He knew that the silvered head bowed over that lapstone had worked and planned to such go d purpose in the past that far more than his share," as men count shares, had been from the heart-which maintains fidelity. paid out of his hard earnings; and who could tell what inspiration would come to him now as his heart warmed and

3 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is a syculon theer because he trusteth in thee. Trust ye in the Lord forever: for in the Lord Jehovah is an everlasting rock. glowed over the thought of the world's conversion.

It makes one think of that shoemaker, who was called by some the "consemillions of people, and to furnish such a wonderful illustration of his own evermemorable words: "Attempt great things for God. Expect great things from God."-Epworth Herald.

#### ITEMS.

Before Christianity entered India, lepers were treated with shocking in-humanity. Many of them were builed alive. The English rulers have put a stop to this custom, and for fourteen years there has been a special Christian mission to the one hundred and thirty-

When Burmah was under its heathen rulers the use of opium was prevented by severe penalties. But since England seized the kingdom opium smoking has in every Quarterly Meeting and an aux- become a common practice. As God is iliary in every church to help in this just and cannot be mocked there is a grand and noble work. One-half of day of reckoning coming for the British Or, "Even the feet of the afflicted, the steps nation's infamous conduct in regard to of the weak," i. e., God's people. The same

skilled surgeon will always find his hands full. We ask our friends of the medical profession to come over and sand are necded."

### Sunday-School.

LESSONS FOR FIRST QUARTER. The Kingdon of Christ. Isa. 11:1-10.
A Song of alvation. Isa. 26:110.

17. Overcome with Wine. Isa, 28: 1-13.
24. Hezekiah's Prayer for Deliverance.
Isa, 37: 14-21, 33-38.
31. The Suffering Savour. Isa, 53: 1-12.
7. The Grac ous Call. Isa, 55: 1-13.
14. The New Covenant. Jer. 31: 27-37.
21. Jeholakim's Wickedness. Jer. 35: 19-

31.
Jeremiah Persecuted. Jer. 37:11-21.
The Downfail of Judah. Jer. 39:1-10.
Promise of a New Heart. Ezek. 36:
25-38. " 20. The Bissings of the Gospel. Isa. 40:

" 27. Review Exercises. A SONG OF SALVATION.

Sunday-school lesson for Jan. 10, 1891. See I. LESSON INTRODUCTION,

The part of Isaiah between the last lesson and the present one is mainly ocforeign nations. Chapter 22 refers to events at Jerusalem, and chapter 23 has next paragraph, we take from The Sunday School Times.

Chapters 24-27, it is generally held. constitute one prophecy. They tell of stood literally as indicating the strength of the desire which fills the mind in the time coming upon God's people are depicted Early: The American Revisers recommend in chapters 26 and 27, and these as a earlestly. For when thy judgements, etc.: a fitting climax to the previous prophetics (chaps. 13-23). It has been urged by modern critics that the remarkable elevation of thought, etc., point to an author much later than Isaiah. But not behold the majesty of the Lord. is indicated by the allusions in the prophecy.

The time is, probably, before the last Assyrian invasion, but the precise point is uncertain. The indefiniteness of the would banish pride and its attendant sins from the exegesis difficult.

In that day, etc. The prophet anticipates the time when the suffering and oppre-sion to which the people of God had been subjected should come to an end. The picture is ideal. The new Jerusalem had no need of walls; yet the purpose of the prophetical revelation was practical, for the comfort and admonition of the present generation. The language is the utterance of a joyful confidence in God, and thanksglving for the great salvation which he shas wrought: "The land of Ju. Pastor and People. make the proper distributions and for- dah is the Lord's land, where his temple was in which he was worshiped, where his people dwelt, and the Lord had his habitation in the midst of them." The Jews had been afflicted and in bondage for their sins, but now in the period contemplated by the prophet their sorrows and distresses were at an end. Judah stands for the people of God, so it was not merely a national victory which the prophet was celebrating, but the triumph of God's people; so the land of Judah may not God's people; so the land of Judah may not be considered as a particular geographical terplan evil doing, as he sits at the comritory, but the abode of the true worshipers munion table or in the prayer-meeting; of Jehovah. Of the strong city salvation will and a missionary doesn't atways go take the places of walls and bulwarks. God wrong when he has or heathen or himself is the wall of defense (Zech. 2:4, b). cannibals around bim. More depends "He surrounds his people with his salvation, on what is Wittin a man, than on what his omnipotent delivering grace (Ps. 125:2; Isa. 60:18); and this is the only wall they or his ill doing .- H. Clay Trumball, D. need for their protection." The reference is D. to ancient means of protection. The city was first surrounded by walls, and, to render civi ization, we can scarcely realize an approach more difficult for a besieging army, there were added " bulwarks."

Open ye the gates, that the righteous nation which keepeth truth may en er is.

he bent over his work: "I wish we ceed from heaven. Compare Isa. 40:1-6. A and bars and gates. No more vivid had raised the twelve hundred thousand for missions this year." (Whack! place of absolute safety; but the church tri-whack! striking as if to nail that umphant, represented as a city whose walls of the church tri-whack! striking as if to nail that nuch.) "I wonder how the chaplain salvation would easily repel the attacks of the the chapter begins,—portraying the feels. What will he say." (Whack! most formidable fees, is in no danger; it is a time when God's salvation shall take time of peace, and the gates are to be unbarred and thrown open. Notice that it is the righteous nation, not the Jewish nation as such, that is to enter this divinely protected city. The American Revisers would substitute faith for truth in this verse. The warders of the city, whether angels or porters usually in charge, are directed by God or the prophet to give free access to the righteous nation—the one which obeys the law of God

Thou wilt, etc.: Margin, "A steadfast mind thou keepest in perfect peace;" or Hebrew "peace, peace." One confiding in divine protection will not be disturbed cra'ed cobbler," but who soared on the by outward causes of disquiet. Because wings of his love for a perishing world he . trusteth: God will not disappoint from a cobb er's bench to a translater's the expectations of those who confide in desk, to give the Bible to two hundred him. The fourth verse may read: "Trust ye in Jehovan for ever, for in Jah Jehovah Je have a Rock of Ages." Notice that in this verse Jehovah is used once in the Common Version, one of the four times when Jehovah is properly used instead of LORD. The other three are, Ex. 6:3; Ps. 83:18; Isa. 12:2. Jehovah is the Rock of his people, a solid base to rest upon. See Deut. 32:4; Ps. 18:2.

5 For he hath brought down them that dwell on high, the lofty city: he layers it low, he layers it low even to the ground; he bringth it even to the oust. The foot shall cread it down; even the teet of the poor, and the steps of the needy.

The expressions of verse 5 are borrowed from Isa. 25:12, where the humiliation of Moab is spoken of as a signal instance of the complete destruction which awaits all those who are hostile to the kingdom of God. The prophet is looking back to the time, when all the foes of God and his church have vanished from the earth. Even the feet . . . needy: word in Hebrew expresses poverty and humble-mindedness; the same word, plainness or straightness, and uprightness. These defenseless classes are now, under immediate divine protection.

7 The way of the just is uprightness: thou that art upright do t direct the path of the just. 8 Yes, in the way of the judgement. O Lord, have we waited for the; to thy name and to thy memorial is the desire of our soul.

Uprightness: A right way, or even, smooth The prosperity that attends the plous is referred to. "God smooths their way before them and brings them to a happy termination." The reverse seemed true. Judah had been subjected to severe afflictions and trials; but God has conducted them safely through, and now all is made plain. Yea, etc.: The church, or God's people, seems to be the speaker. "Indeed, knowing this-that thou hadst a hatred of all that exalted itself, we looked out for thee to traverse the earth in the path of thy judgments, those judg ments which, according to the prophets, were to open the Messianic period." The prophet and his disciples had a desire for the manifestation of God's character which was connoted by his name, "and which was handed down in the historical memorial of his deeds of power and love." His "memorial" is a synonym of name (Ex. 3: 15).

With my soul have I desired thee in the night; yea, with my spirit within me will I seek thee early; for when thy judgments are in the ear h, the inhabitants of the world learn right. cousness.

The church or people of God is the speaker, Through the long, dark night of sfliction (21:11) that earnest soul-longing continued; "yea, the inmost spirit concentrated its strength on the work of looking out for the light of God's presence." Says Professor Green: "The triumphant church of the latter cupied with detached prophecies against day is represented as looking back over the militant period through which it has passed, and describing its yearning desire for God's appearing, and his intervention on the side another prophecy against Tyre. The of truth and righteousness, and to put an end to the prevalence of wickedness, to rectify all wrongs, and promote all that is pure and good. In the night: Either to be underupon one city (unnamed), probably usually given to repose and slumber, or figur-Babylon. The blessings of salvation atively the night of affliction and distress. usually given to repose and slumber, or tigur-Early: The American Revisers recommend consequence of the deliverance he has "Impunity emboldens evil-doers. The just wrought. The tone of the whole is ex- retributions of God's providence startle men alted and evangelical; the passage forms out of their security, and show them that sin

The goodness of God should ever lead men to repentance and right living, but, alas, it often, too often, has the opposite effect! Will not behold the majesty of Jehovah: " A due consideration of God's transcendent excellence their eyes to the greatness and the glory of the Most High, whom they are under the highest obligations to honor and obey."

1 In that day shall this song be sung in the land of Judah: We have a strong city; salvation will be appoint for walls and bulwarks.

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Let favor, love, tenderness, compassion be shown to the wicked, yet he will not l arn righ eou ness. In the land of uprightness, where everything is right and all goes honorably, will be deal wrongfully and will not behold the majes you the Lord. The will ully reb-lious will abuse all the goodness of God. For such he has judgment. To some the Gospel is life; to others death (2 Cor. 2: 16)."—The Treasury for

Goodness doesn't come as a matter of course with good surroundings, and badness doesn't go as a matter of course with the same surroundings. Adam didn't do as well in Elen as Daniel did in Babylon. And when you and I hear it said that good and evil are a simple matter of environment, we know better,-whether the man who says so does or not. A man is liable to give is round about him, for his well doing

what it must have been to dwell in a land where "the inhabitants of the villages ceaced," and where men dared not live in isolated houses, nor even in Open ye the gates: The call seems to pro- beammunitles, unless protected by walls

the place of walls and bulwarks; when the gates shall stand open; who n men shall go in and out without ques ion; when there shall be no alarm by night or by day, but, trusting in Jehovah's guard alone, all shall be kept in pe fect peace. It was a dream never here'ofore realized in the history of the Isra-litish nation, save during the short reign of Solomon, the transient type of the messianic kingdom of peace. Today, in its desolation, that land, as we wander over its hills and valleys tells the story of its past history. Every hill-top, or "tell," as it is called, is crowned with a grass-grown desolate tesp from which ragged stores protrude, or are scattered over its surface. What are these? If we dig into them, we find that they are all the ruins of walls which once encompassed the old cities of Israel and Judah, now laid low even to the ground, - brought even to the dust, and trodden down by the foot f the poor and needy. No less than 2,770 names of ancient sites have been recovered, and laid down in the maps of the Palestine Exploration Fund, the greater part of them being those of ancient walled towns now laid low .-H. B. Tristram, D D., LL. D., F.R. S., Canon of Durham.

#### THE TEACHER AS A PERSONAL FORCE.

[From the Rev. Dr. W. W. Newton's Life of Dr. Mühlenberg.]

The distinguishing vice of educators has always been an overweening confidence in the efficacy of some theoretical method of instruction. The assumption has been that the perfect method would insure the perfect school and the perfect education. The great Comenius was a conspicuous offender in this regard, and even the exquisite treatise of Milton betrays its author's lack of practical experience in the teaching ait by its perpetual lapses into this besetting sin; while the overrated work of Rousseau is little more than the impracticable dream of a conceited enthusiast.

It is the characteristic of Dr. Mühlenberg that he thought little and wrote less about methods of instruction, while attaching absolute importance to the living spirit of the teacher. Education was not the impartation of knowledge, but the communication of a spirit; not the training of an intelligence, but the development and inspiration of a soul; not the discipline of powers, but the formation of a character; not familiarity with principles, but the perfection of manhood. This is a demand which no method can satisfy,—a task for which no method can ever be adequate.

Had this great educator's ideal of education been less exalted and noble, he doubtless might have followed in the beaten path of the humdrum schoolteacher. From his own inner consciousness in this case it would have happened that the perfect theory of education-method and all completewould have been infallibly evolved and given to the world with the glib phraseology of the soul satisfied vender

in educational wares. Another would have been tabulate in the history of pedagogics; another system-maker would have claimed a niche in the temple of the literary and educational bureau. But this was never his way. Instead of describing the model system of education, as Plato described the modern republic, be set about in the most matter of fact manner to evolve his model school. Instead of expending his power in building into symmetry a beautiful and elaborate theory of culture, he set to work to produce the results of true education in the

shape of tholoughly developed men. We have seen how much the experiment coat. From the threshold of a life of assured success, and of national if not world-wide fame in his profession, he deliberately consigned himself to years of obscurity and monotonous drudgery, with the grave prospect of very possible failure as his hope of reward in this world. Yet this is the only true method in education. No science of teaching can ever make a school; no theory of method in teaching can ever develop a character and train a soul, any more than the classifications and analyses of the botanist can construct a flower.

Mülenberg knew that what is wanted first and always is a teacher. And the true teacher will find his own method, which will infallibly be the right one for him. The real teaching force 1esides in the individuality of the teacher, which the Lord has made and not man, and which is worth more than all the

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### Correspondence.

"A FRANK WORD."

KEUKA COLLEGE, N. Y., Dec. 21. My DEAR "STAR" :- I am surprised and grieved over statements and arguments contained in an editorial of Dec. 17, under the above head. First, because of the reproach cast upon the memory of one of our most manly and broad-minded ministers, now in heaven. Rev. S. D. Bates, who led the work of founding Ridgeville College, should not be accused, even by implication, of the folly imputed to him. He was a man of sound judgment, broad views, and honest purpose. He found certain local interests centered at Ridgeville, and thought it wise to utilize them. repeatedly told me that the money invested in Ridgeville College could not be diverted from that locality; that nearly all of it had to be used there or nowhere. He knew the facts better than anyone else, and it is not becoming to question the correctness of his judgment. The lament, therefore, over \$40,000 loss to us in the Ridgeville College undertaking," as the Free Baptist and the STAR put it, is not justified by the facts. The school did a good work for years,-a work that no other school would have done. Who shall decide that the investment was a loss to the Free Baptists or to the world?

There was Geauga Seminary founded as a denominational school, by funds widely collected from other churches. It flourished and did a grand work for many years, declined and was sold out, a very small percentage of the invest-ments going to Hillsdale College. Was that a loss to the denomination? Was it unwise to found it? Would it be just to reproach the founders and managers for mistaken zeal? There are just as good reasons for it as for the interence drawn from the sale of Ridgeville College; and better reasons, for the funds invested at Geauga were not local, and beyond the reach of our general work, as at Ridgeville.

But the most serious point in the article is the attack made upon Parker College and Keuka College. The article says, "The moral may be not only drawn from the Ridgeville failure, but also anticipated in connection with other ventures now making with possibly no better reasons for being than had Ridgeville College as a Free Baptist institution." The aim of this language is obvious. The "ventures now making" are condemned, and failure " anticipated." Is such a criticism f ir or just? "It is but a continuance of public and private criticisms which have been going on for months. For the STAR says truly that "more than one article contributed to these columns of late has called attention to two classes of failures that have injured our denom-

inational work in recent years.'

Now, to make clear the injustice of this criticism on the endeavor of the Central Association to found Kenka College and Assembly, I beg leave, in the briefest possible way, to state a few facts. Our first college began at Ann Arbor, Mich. It was afterwards moved to Hillsdale. Dark days, strife among of General Conference, was soon located leaders in Hillsdale and active men in New England. In the meantime the England men, determined to annul the theological school at Whitestown, and to remove it to New Hampshire. The New York Yearly Meetings protested the General Conference soon to meet.

The case was argued before Conference. We urged that one theological school, centrally located, with a colical plan of education among us that we could adopt. The Hillsdale interest and the New England interest united and voted us down; the theological Another theological school was started in the long run. at Hillsdale; Wnitestown Seminary and New York educational interests were crushed. By these moves the loss to great. I felt then, and feel now, that a very serious mistake was made. Yet we, in the central portion of the denomilected the work in our own territory, because we did not feel that the denomination was then able to do more than \$50,000 has been con ributed to those

undertakings. The time finally came when the Central Association felt that the neglect of logical school and consequent failure met with that kindly sympathy and encouragement that we had reason to ex-But in spite of prophecies of failure, in spite of unfriendly critistroy us. in spite of active agencies to take from us funds which properly belonged to this enterprise, we have gone lien upon it. We have a school of one hundred and fifty young men and sympathy for educational work East and West, and desire confidence and sympathy in return. If we can recover to us, and to the whole denomination, by the removal of the theological school from New York, and the failure of Whitestown Seminary, and a general paralysis of courage and hope among us, why should we be hindered? Why should anyone East or West find fauit Why should obstacles be thrown in our way? Is it not better that we help rather than hinder one another? Have we not in the Central tion; we believe in Keuka Assembly;

eral Conference referred to? Though THE NEW HAMPSHIRE YEARLY my words are "frank" they are not unkind. I do not, and will not, believe that the STAR, and the authors of articles heretofore published by the STAR, intend to injure the young institutions named, but they are injuring them by words and arguments which are contrary to facts and tend to division and discouragement.

Yours very truly. GEORGE H. BALL.

Now really, Bro. Ball, this is all "too

When we received the foregoing and began to read it, we were surprised. As we continued reading, surprise became amazement. Then, as it is said that by a single step one may pass from the sublime to the ridiculous, amszement yielded to a sense of the ludicrous and we had to laugh! But the serious aspect of the case immediately re-asserted itself and we also felt somewhat 'grieved" as well as "surprised." Now as Bro. Ball and ourselves are both surprised and grieved," let us see if we cannot say some things that, if rightly received, will tend to restore us both to our ordinary states of thought and

We certainly hope to be believed when we declare that in writing the editorial referred to we had no definite thought of Keuka College in mind. Nor did we have any educational institution especially in mind save Ridgeville College. And even that we thought of only as it was presented by The Free Baptist from which we quoted. And the alleged "failure" of that enterprise served us simply as an occasion for making again the point that our denomination is not likely to sustain decently more than two denominational newspapers. We referred, indeed, to two classes of failures in the past-educational and journalistic, and said that the moral drawn by The Free Baptist may be "also anticipated in connection with other ventures now making with possibly no better reasons for being than had Ridgeville College as a Free Baptist institution;" but our thought, as the tenor of our whole article shows, had special reference to newspaper rather than educational ven-

In assuming that we were making an attack on Keuka and Parker Colleges, Dr. Ball puts up a man of straw and then assails him, with lance set, as vehemently (will the Doctor forgive us?) as Don Quixote assailed the windmill. To one of these institutions we have made a contribution of money, all articles advocating their claims have been freely admitted to the STAR, and toward neither of them do we have leaders, despair came, and deliverances any but the kindliest feelings. There also attended the effort. About the have been times when we doubted same time a theological school was the wisdom of starting them, but now that they are what they are, at Whitestown, N. Y. Then Bates Col- may our pen refuse to write before lege came, with serious objections from | we "attack" them with any hostile spirit or purpose! We make the ex-Education Society, controlled by New pression thus emphatic because we mean what we say. Some one or more act of General Conference, locating the of our present educational ventures may be doomed to failure, like others before them. We have not, however. life, and many of the fairest pros- managers of periodicals have in many against this movement, and appealed to the slightest wish or purpose to do anything to bring on such failure. The optimistic view presented by Dr. Ball, which enables one to see success in a lege in Michigan and another in the failure, has something quite attractive East, was the wisest and most econom- to us; nevertheless we prefer the kind of success that does not take the form of a failure, and we are strongly persnaded that any other kind is not very school was moved to New England. beneficial to our denominational work

made mistakes. Does any one suppose our denominational work has been very that Dr. Bates, in what he did for Ridgeville College, anticipated and expected of hope. The sailor in the storm with- under obligation to make such selecwhat has now befallen it? Not even nation, kept on contributing to educa- Dr. Ball holds the memory of Bro. Bates tional work East and West, and neg- in higher and tenderer esteem than do of the waves is in no more danger than know how to run a paper except the him before he died, and when any one utilitarian policy. was being attempted East and West. accuses us of "casting a reproach" upon From this central district more than his memory, he knows not what he says! All the facts relating to Ridgeville College we do not pretend to know. Our impressions as to that its local educational work should not school have been received from brethlonger continue; that the great loss sustained by the removal of the theoit than we. We sincerely wish it could of Whitestown Seminary should be re- have become what Bro. Bates fondly In this endeavor we have not hoped and be leved it might become to us as a denomination. For the good it tion, the indications of Providence, and cles of an average length. Two brief has done, and may yet do, God be the influence of the spirit that God re- notes, casually thrown off at the writpraised. Whatever lesson there may cism, in spite of active sympathy with be in its loss to us as a people, let our enemies who were seeking to de- us fully learn that we may grow wiser. The special point and scope of Dr. Ball's assumption against us appears forward and now have a properly worth in the following: "Now, to make clear made uch "by the will of man" but by of mention, both of them had a real or of this accommodation is found in our the injustice of this criticism on the the spirit of God. Their obligation in supposed bearing on the interests of own country. Some religious bodies women. We have not failed, and do found Keuka College and Assembly," not expect to fail. We feel the warmest etc. This is - well - astounding! In leaping to the conclusion which appears in the words which we have italicized ministers are to do his work as best that of this paper. In one of the artito a degree the great loss which came the Doctor performs a feat in mental they can even though others fail in cles in question, I recommended a athletics which is more creditable to his their duty in sustaining the cause. secular paper for family use. Upon my agility than to his charity. We are They are his "witnesses" and must inquiring why it was not published, he amazed almost beyond expression to testify to his doctrines and claims. simply asked this question: "Would know that in the editorial referred to They are his "preachers" and must you think it wise to encourage a comtion and Keuka Assembly! Really,

Bro. Ball, this is "too bad." Just hear

us! We believe in the Central Associa-

MEETING

The next session of the New Hampshire Yearly Meeting will be held with the New Durham church. It is the centennial year of the Yearly Meeting, and appropriate exercises will be held in connection with the usual program of the annual meeting. The members of the mother church are anxious to entertain the hundredth session on the ground where the denomination had its birth. The unanimous invitation of the church to have this meeting held with them shows a spirit of enthusiasm akin to that which fired the hearts of the fathers of the first church.

The committee on program will in due time publish a list of historic subjects to be presented, which will doubtless be of great interest to all who are engaged in our denominational work. It is hoped that a very large number will attend the centennial Yearly Meeting on the historic ground of New Durham next E. H. PRESCOTT, Sec. Concord, N. H.

### THREE CLASSES OF THEOLOGI-CAL STUDENTS.

1. Some are professional. They study, pray, and plan with reference to sermons and salaries, professional success and reputation, pleasantness of work and worship. They assume that the people need and will support such a profession, as they support lawyers, physicians, and teachers, and upon the same general principles, valued according to the supply and demand, and bought and sold like other labor.

2. Others, mistaking utility for be-

nevolence, are only anxious to "do the most good." They thus reverse the order of heaven, that "godliness is profitable unto all things," affirming that whatever is profitable is godliness, that the end sanctifies the means. That right will ultimately result in the greatest good to the universe, and that consequences long continued sometimes indicate the will of God and man's duty, is true. But man's obligation depends upon his moral nature and relations, and the law of God is his rule of life. To make the supposed consequences of actions the rule of duty would justify the pastor in using arsenic for the relief of the sick who are incurable, the brigands of Italy in the robbery of money for the poor, the man who neglects his own family if he can do more good elsewhere, the robbery of the rich when their money can be more useful in other hands, and the murderer who kilis a man who is an injury to society. This theory of success as evidence of rightness may appear plausible to some wno, regardless of the voice of conscience in the relations of life, the moral judgtruth and the law of God, imagine them. patrons may justly complain, and deselves supremely benevolent in ignor- mand that their paper be stopped. ing Biblical doctrine and ecclesiastical consistency for utilitarian policy. This amenable for the subject matter they theory offers no encouragement to the wailing prophet wao as "the cities are wasted without innabicants" asks, the weeping Jeremiah who seemed to so state with respect to individual accomplish so little with such terrible articles containing objectionable sentiloss and suffering, and risk of life. ments, either by denying the truth of Some of the most unpromising efforts them or refuting them by argument. have been most successful even in this pects for "doing the most good" have respects the advantage of us. Editors little wasting child whose life thus time, than we can well be. They have can know what will do the most good general features of a paper, best suited Some of the best men that ever lived knowing that in some way, at some time, of course, for its highest success. Besuccess is as sure as the promise of the sides, they have other piles of manu-Almighty. This is the only sure ground scripts waiting to be used, and they are out a compass who, by his own flicker- tion as is best suited to the present needs. ing lights, steers his vessel by the looks | The trouble is that everybody seems to we. We came to know him and to love the minister who shapes his course by editor himself, who of all men ought to

3. There is another class of theologcal students deserving of more atten- probably we are all in the same class, if tion in this connection than the limits of we have written much for the public this paper will permit. They are press. The writer of this article has Apostolic, "sent of God," not by official been a regular (paid) correspondent of succession, but in spirit and fact; not The Morning Star, for instance, fiftysent to fill out a professional program, two years, and has escaped a quarrel nor work out a successful policy from with it thus far. During that time, as their own narrow views of utility, but near as I can conjecture, I have furhaving concluded in the light of revela- nished for its columns a thousand artiquires them to preach the Gospel, they ing, have gone to the shades of that dismake this the question of life, # What mal receptacle before mentioned. It wilt thou have me to do?" As Christ happens that both of them were rejected was not called for nor provided for by by the late Bro. Burn of sacred and lovthe world, so his ministers are not ing memory. And what is quite worthy this respect arises from relations to the STAR. Touch that, and you were from the first condemned slavery and their forefathers and stirring up the Christ. And although all the members sure to touch the apple of his eye. I of his body are equally and mutually never knew a man of greater singleness bound to promote his Gospel, yet his of devotion to an interest than he to we attacked the whole Central Associa- proclaim his call of mercy. They are petitor to our own paper?" I did not themselves to it, receiving slaveholders his "friends" and must show their quite see the point then, not having as others into their fellowship. Pursu-"laborers" and must work by his direc. Baptists-let us hope "few and far in the South, and with the advantage of the people-God's ancient people-

for reconciliation to God. These men have a special call to a special work for special purposes, and secular laws of labor and trade will not exactly apply in their case. We have many such theological students who have more regard for principle than policy, for convictions than convenience, for truth than taste, for the call of God than the call of men. They may for awhile weep with Jeremiah, "suffer want" with Paul, but when God makes up his jewels they will be there, and when he calls the roll of his friends these faithful ones will answer, "Here am I." .

RANSOM DUNN. Hillsdale, Mich.

#### SOMETHING ABOUT CORRESPOND-ENTS.

Sometimes there is friction between the writers for periodicals and their immediate managers. Articles furnished for them are sometimes altered, or

THEIR RELATION TO EDITORS.

mangled, as their authors would say. Sometimes, on account of length, the sentiments they contain, certain deficiencies in general style, or modes of expression, they are consigned to the waste basket, that dismal sepulcher of many a lost hope and blasted expectation. This is wont to grieve, if it does not irritate, their authors more than one would think.

Now it should be borne in mind that all periodicals that appeal to the public for support have certain definite principles to be maintained, and certain specific objects and ends to be secured. These are made known, sometimes by formal announcement in the periodicals themselves, at others by the general and accustomed features with which they are characterized. Editors differ somewhat with respect to their responsicility. Some are employed by companies, or associations, to wnich they are answerable for the ability they put into their work and for the character it maintains. In other cases the editors themselves may be the proprietors and sole managers. They are directly responsible to the subscribers wno take their paper for the objects and ends set forth directly or indirectly as named above. There is in this an implied contract by which each party is morally bound. Sho uld the editors or managers in any way contravene the principles thus announced, or persistently cause to be published aught that manifestly defeats the end for which the paper is furments of mankind, and the claims of nished, the contract is violated, and its

It will be seen, then, that editors are furnish the public. I know they sometimes disavow responsibility for the sentiments of their correspondents, but "Who hath believed our report?" or they are so held, unless they specifically

It is well to bear in mind that the atterly failed. How little tne mother of are, from experience and otherwise, John Wesley thought or knew of the better judges of what is suitable for the uitimate consequences while with a "make-up" of a paper for a certain mother's love sne was watching that number, and at a certain period of saved will undoubtedly yet influence before them piles of the ablest and best hundreds of thousands in the way of conducted periodicals in the land, and eternal life. How little one knows or may from them be able to judge of the only as he is true to God and truth, for the objects it proposes to itself, and, know.

In respect to condemned manuscript,

proved. His answer to an inquiry of mine was sharp and stinging, viz., "What would you think of a merchant who should go about the streets decrying his own goods?" I did not quite feel the force of the point, and so took refuge in silence, sometimes the safest and always the surest retreat from an impending conflict. J. F.

Lewiston. Me.

### RELATIVE GROWTH OF RELI-GIOUS BODIES.

Religious bodies, like men, differ in

height, breadth, and thickness. The reasons are not always clear, as are not the reasons why one man, in spite of himself, is a dwarf, while another is uncomfortably overgrown. Some reasons for denominational distinctions seem apparent, and may be contemplated with profit. One and another of these bodies took their rise under widespread favorable conditions. Everywhere a feeling prevailed and grew intense that reform or advance was imperative. The denominations rising just then and answering to this prevalent feeling struck the high tide and gained decisive advantage. So Lutheranism, Presbyterianism, Methodism, began. Much earlier or later Luther had not been Luther, nor Calvin nor Welsey the lights they were.

The demand was not so much for a new doctrine as for a new life. The spiritual life of the great body of Christendom had departed. Aroused to thought men came to feel at once, and intensely, that the spiritual life of the soul, of the Church, is the supreme thing. No example of such uprising as that of the Reformation has ever occurred for merely doctrinal issues.

Again, the personality of the founder or founders of sects has seemed to enter largely into the denominational growth. The founder was a great man naturally,-a genius of intellect, of culture, of skill, and a natural born leader. He at once attracted and commanded men. He drew men like himself, every man a magnet of power. The multitudes all but irresistibly were drawn into their wake.

So powerful have been such personal traits in the leader that we could all but old city walls covering the prophetic know the denomination by the man, or the man by the people who have admired him. Wesley is seen in every successive leader in Methodism.

Another denomination took its rise in men were divided, and only a part could growth of the sect has been less. It, besides, the founder or founders were it not marvelous? tame men, however good,-not personnot ambitious to be great, not contemplating great ends nor making great plans,-the results will correspond. command great agencies nor reach great results. Some outside tributary must rise and flow into such, or an Amazon or a Mississippi will not be

Again, boldness of issues and boldness of propagation and defense have seemed the chief elements in the growth from the United States-will resound of some bodies. The issues, doctrinal and practical, were made vital, and emphasized as though they were.

The founder and followers knew well that they would antagonize other bodies and be antagonized, and prepared for the contest. This startled and drew general attention. Some of the issues were possibly well taken and well supported. Men fell in with these, and accepted or endured others. They were vigorously opposed; and this was interpreted by them into persecution, and won sympathy. These elements beget zeal, persistence, aggressiveness. The membership partook of the spirit of their leaders, and seconded their efforts. Find one of these where you may and you find him with his armor on and sword drawn. He has his proof texts and no lack of assertion. He knows he is right and means you shall know it. Such elements will win numbers,—would for even a bad cause. They would

make a sect if nothing better. Another element of denominational growth may be defined as ingenious ac- ways. The prophet names "horses commodation to popular sentiment. It may be sanctified or it may not. The minating in what may possibly be inleaders keep a sharp eye upon the trend of popular thought and feeling, and shape measures and direct agencies accordingly. The pope of Rome has always been characterized by this wisdom. Herein refused to receive slaveholders to church hearts of the Jews everywhere and fellowship. This, of course, shut them turning their wistful eyes toward their out of the South wholly until since the patrimony,-His holy hill of Zion. And war, and does still, virtually; only the lowest classes are yet wholly free of the | Egypt to Assyria;" and it is already on old prejudice. The embarrassment in the the tapis to make a branch to Port Said North was little less. But the larger bodies, while pronouncing slavery wrong, saw no way out of it, and accommodated

nor necessarily unsanctified, have tended strongly to turn the popular current of religious society in the direction of these larger bodies. Little doubt that so it is to be.

On the same principle pedobaptist bodies have had advantage. Assigning to baptism whatever mode people desire it, and obligating children to themselves by so-called infant baptism, they pave the way for larger accessions, by many. The Baptist body, it is true, has kept pace with the pedobaptist; but they are among the earliest, have had strong leaders, and have made baptism a bold issue, and won by advantage of argument. Had they kept baptism in the background, apologized for bringing it forward at any time, tacitly recognized the common validity of pedobaptism by a mixed church polity, they would never have attained their present proportions. Their pronounced baptism, with the manifest Scripture support, is the chief element of their strength. We may add their pronounced denominationalism, a natural product of their pronounced issues with pronounced defense.

O. E. BAKER. Lincoln, Neb.

#### JERUSALEM REVIVING.

GROWTH AND IMPROVEMENT. "Is not the rapid improvement of Jerusalem marvelous? It seems almost supernatural. No water, no products, nothing to make a city, and yet one is springing up as if by magic!"

Such were the animated remarks uttered by my friend H. Gillman, Esq., late United States consul in Jerusalem. on meeting him in the street shortly before his recent departure. He had been several years in the holy city, witnessing its expansion and extension, its rapid improvements, its growth in population, mainly of Jews, and the rising up of comparatively stately structures on every side.

Time was, and that not long since, when the streets of Jerusalem used to become a slough of despond after every heavy shower. Now they are stone paved and there are scavengers to keep them tolerably clean. New Jerusalem -the extension of the town beyond the ground described in that weighty chapter of Jer. 31: 38-40-has stone footpavements too; rather rough, it is true, but still a great improvement on the past. And now a plot of valuable doctrinal issues chiefly. But upon these ground is being surrounded by low walls and iron railings to inclose a pubgo in any one way. The issues were lic garden; while in the center a pretty local and limited. As a result, the structure is rising up, intended for a reading room for Turkish officials! Is

There are post-offices and telegraph office, by which messages can be flashed to remote lands; and one building at least, a mill belonging to a Hebrew Christian banker, is nightly illumined by Small men do not easily attract and the electric light! And the railway, that mighty civilizer,-the "highway and a way" of Isa. 35: 8,-is progressing and advancing, too slowly for impatient Europeans but with wonderful rapidity in the estimation of the lazy natives; and by April next, it is asserted, the engine's whistle-engines and re-echo over the walls of Jerusalem! Is it not marvelous?

In Isa. 62: 10 we read, "Go through, go through the gates,"-the narrow defiles in the mountains?-"prepare ye the way of the people,"-the persecuted. exiled Jews from Russia, Roumania, Ionian Islands, etc. P-"cast up, cast up the high way; gather out the stones." And every time I go down to Jaffa and come up to Jerusalem I watch the process of gathering up stones into wagons on a side line of rails for casting up the high way, forming the railroad embankment yonder, with intense inter-

Are not the "Kircaroth" of Isa. 66:20 the railway cars, carts, rather than the "swift beasts" of the Authorized Version or the marginal "dromedaries" of tne Revised Version? The primary significations of the word, to whatever root it be referred, are rolling, circling round, dancing, conveying the idea of swift motion; and in common parlance we speak of the rolling stock of railand chariots, coaches and mules," cultended to represent the swift dromedary but more probably the swifter railway

"And there shall be an highway for the remmant of his people" (Isa. 11:16); and it is accordingly being cast up and made just when persecution is driving thousands from Russia to the land of then will come the "highway out of in Egypt, and another to Damascus, eventually to extend to the Euphrates valley and thence to India.

Is it not marvelous? Oh, yes; and identity with him. They are his learned, as he had, that there are Free ing this policy they grew prodigiously political horizon, big with the destinies tion. They are his "stewards" and between "-who would discontinue of political prejudice and popular favor and their land, to confound skeptics, Association waited long enough for interests East and West to grow, before attempting to repair the great damages we suffered, from what seemed to us bassadors" and must plead in his name | STAR which I supposed might be im- of numbers and superiority, not always | Book-God's written, inspired word.

BUILDINGS.

tower of Hananeel unto the gate of the prompt acknowledgments. corner" (Jer. 21: 38). And it is so being built. During our first months in Jerusalem in the autumn of last year, Presbyterian Alliance Mission House. we were constantly startled-morning, noon, and evening-by artillery-like sounds, as if a bombardment were in progress. It was the blasting of stones right and left for building purposes. Now we have got accustomed to it, as also to seeing long strings of camels fetching wrought stones from distant valescent hospital for poor Jews, and places. Building goes on incessantly and houses great and small keep rising up on every side.

The Armenians are one of smallest-I may say the smallest-religious communities in Jerusalem, but yet they possess valuable properties and building plats of land. Their convent, the residence of their patriarch, with its gorgeous church, covers the most prominent site on Mount Zion, most probably the very site of David's palace. Parallel with it they have a garden, at the southern end of which is David's tomb, now inclosed within a mosque with a tall minaret; and if David's, then also those of most of the kings of Judah. Over the tomb or tombs situated in a vault is a large "upper room,"-the Cenaculum, where tradition asserts the Lord's Supper was instituted; a very unlikely spot. To the west of the Jaffa road they-this small body of Armenians—own a large tract of land which they are covering with buildings to let; and among these, over rows of shops and stores, they are covering are than Monday forenoon in order to insure laser than Monday forenoon in order to insure constructing a two-story hotel of over one hundred rooms. It will be the largest building outside the walls; the Russian barrrack-like buildings alone surpassing it.

Near it and this mission house the French sisters of charity are building a solid, large hospital; and yet there is by baptism nearly every month this fall. Still another French hospital not long finished. Not far from it the Russians are rearing up another extensive building. And the race goes on constantly between Latins and Greeks, Russians, Armenians, Copts, etc. In fact, to describe the various multifatious ecclesiastical buildings of the several Christians sects in Jerusalem would fill no a volume of considerable size.

Go to Bethlehem, Beit Jala, Ram Allah, or Ain Karim, -all peopled almost exclusively by native Christians,-and the same spectacle presents itse f. The or in course of construction-belong to work of the church is prospering. ecclesiastical bodies.-Latins, Greeks. Russians, etc. Large sumptuous convents for men and women, some lookenough for far larger numbers than! really adhere to the schools; from both sexes, internal and external; pensionaries; hospitals, richly endowed and larger far than need be; episcopal and and so forth.

sums in the aggregate-come from? | have the heartfelt thanks of all." Taose erring, hellicose sects seem to be lavish in providing for these religious ecclesiastics are in no way stinted for means; they get all they want and more than they really need. Our Episcopal and Lutheran brethren in Jerusalem tals, etc., of considerable value and extent. Even the German Hoffmanites-a heterodox, small, . modern sect-have no difficulty in procaring what they

And would it be believed that up to this hour the non-Episcopal churches and people of evangelical Christendom have not an inch of ground they can faction in having eaten at least one good square call their own for any religious purpose in Jerusalem! The "upper room" of this mission, in which Presbyterians and Wesleyans, Baptists and Congregationalists, Quakers and Brethren, have met of this society this fall except to work on the to worship God during last traveling two. An album with names of donors neatly season, and when they will meet again this season, and unitedly sit at the Lord's table, is still but a hired room! Would it be creditable to them,-to their missionary spirit, their zeal, their liberality, their "heart's desire and prayer to God " for the salvation of the Jews, for whose spiritual welfare this mission exists and of whom there are about, or may se over, 40,000 now in Jerusalem,-would it be creditable to them that it should be so much longer? I am persuaded in the Lo.d. that the response of thousands of God's people of all denominations will be an emphatic "No!" But some may say, "Tell us how our freewill offerings unto the Lord for providing Jerusalem with an evangelical, non-sectarian hall and mission premises can reach you safely whether large or small?"

I reply, I have this day, Nov. 13, opened a "Mission-building Fund" at the Jerusalem bankers, Messrs J. Frutiger & Co., who will send receipts to all contributors sending by banker's checks (on London, New York, Paris, Berlin, or any other city), bank notes, greenbacks, and postal orders. But as I cannot ask them to do more than sign tue receipts, all communications and remittances had better be addressed to

me,-letters of importance registered; the city has been engaged in widening and im-"And the city shall be built from the and generous donors will receive proving Greenwich Street, and this has made Address:

Rev. Ben Oliel, Jerusalem, Palestine, l'urkey in Asia.

A dear Christian lady working for the Lord at Bethany, the home of Lazme land freehold for building a conperhaps also for children; but Jerusa- and the painters are now at work upon the "an house of prayer for all people" (Isa. 56: 7).

My prayer and hope and heart's desire is now before the Lord and before hearts of many of his stewards, to whom he has confided the silver and gold which are his, to contribute of their substance; and others of his children to collect for this great and noble purpose to his own glory and praise in righteousness.

To be continued with mission notices a fortnight hence, D. V.

A. BEN OLIEL. Jerusalem, Nov. 13, 1891.

### From the Field.

NEW ENGLAND.

MADISON.-Six persons were baptized by Rev. C. G. Mosher, Sunday Dec. 20. There are others who will soon follow their Saviour in this ordinance. "We have had additions the good work continues."

PERU.-Rev's Gammon and Roys c'osed a meeting of five evenings in No. 7, Peru. Saturday, Dec. 19, during which five young men enlisted in the army of the Lord. Bro. Roys held an all-day meeting in No. 4, Peru, Dec. 20. Eight arose for prayers, making their first start during the day. Meetings will be continued there through the week."

OCEAN PARK .- Rev. Z. J. Wheeler has so far recovered his health as to be ready to respond to the call of any of our churches that may desire his services as occasional or stated supply. He may be addressed, for the present, at Ocean Park, Old Orchard, Me.

AUBURN.-Six were received into the Court St eet Free Baptist church, Sunday, the 20th largest and best structures-old, new, Others will go forward in baptism soon. The

WEST LEBANON .- " A th ee days' meeting was held in our church, beginning Tuesday (the 15th). Rev's D. H. Ada ns of Gonic, N. H., and R. J. Russell of Notting ing more like fortresses than the abode | H., were the visiting brethren. The meetings of so-called self-denying devotees; opened in the midst of a severe now storm, yet churches, gorgeous and spacious | notwithstanding this, enough came out both afternoon and evening to afford a good meeting. Wednesday the traveling was bad and Thursday the funeral of an aged member took place; still a fair number were out these two days, espacially in the evening. Although circum-tances were so unfavorable, yet we repatriarchal palaces on a grand scale, | joice in the fact that the church was quicken d and we trust the good seed that was sown will in due time spring up and bear fruit. The Where does all the money-1mmense above named brethren who labored with us

### New Hampshire.

DOVER (Broadway) .- A valuable present establishments in the Holy Land and has been given to this chu ch by one of its above all in the holy city. Taeir | memb r., R.v. William H Waldson, a gift of five hundred dolla s cash. Part of this will be applied to the debt and part to the pastor's salary for the current year. A la ge chorus choir of young people has been recently organized and put to service. The religious outlook have properties of their own,- is growing more and more hopeful day by day, churches, parsonages, schools, hospi- and the paster (Rev. C. S. Perkins) and wife feel encouraged.

FARMINGTON.-Roll-call has been postponed to Jan. 28, owing to an unusual prevalence of sickness. The Christmas Supper for children was a decided success. Food was provided bountifully, as i usua for this place. The chil dren came out in great numbers notwithstanding the rain, and the next morning a large lot of food was sent to various families on the outskirts. Some of these children can take satismeal for the year. Mrs. G. L. White was presented with an elegant silk quit and table scarf. Judging from the amount of abor represented in these two articles, one might think nothing else had been done by the ladies inscribed accompanied the quilt.

NORTHWOOD.-Rev. R. L. Howard is sick with the grip, his pulpic being supplied Sunday, Dec. 20, by Rev. W. N. Goodwin. Massachusetts.

BOSTON.-There was a baptism at the Shawmut Ave. church last Sunday evening. LYNN.-Bro. Twort occupied the pulpi again after his late illness, on the 20th inst.

### Vermont.

WEST DERBY .- "By invitation of the pas. tor and church, Bro. J. A. Heath, the evangeli-t, has been holding a series of revival meetings here. The Holy Spirit has been present in mighty power during the entire four weeks tne meetings were held, and as a result the church has been quickened, backsliders have been reclaimed, and many of those who are advanced in years as well as of those who are J. W. Hagerty. younger have been led to embrace the religion of Jesus. Sunday, Dec. 13, was a day long to be remembered by the people of this community, for on that day thirty-seven, many of whom were heads of families, followed their Lord in the ordinance of baptism. On the evening of the same date the pastor administered the communion to a large congregation of believers, and then gave the hand of fellowship to thirty-six persons. Others are expecting to go forward in the ordinance of baptism in the near future. Bro. Heath exp. ets to hold a series of revival meetings with the Newport Center and North Danville churches some time next month,"

Rhode Island. C.Waterman, pastor. "During the past summer | with R. King, Chester X Roads."

it necessary to move our church back about twenty-seven feet. The church decided to take advantage of the opportunity to make several greatly needed changes and improvements in the house and its fixtures. A cellar has been dug under the whole building, a solid foundation built, and the church raised about eighteen inches above its former evel. In this cellar a first-class steam-heating apparatus has of the Tippecanoe Auxiliary." been placed, sufficient in its capacity to heat all arus, Martha, and Mary, who worships the rooms in the building in the coldest weathwith us, has most generously offered er. In addition to this, two furnaces have been put in for heating either of the vestries by itself when it is not necessary to heat the audience-room. The roof has been shingled lem itself should be provided first with outside of the church. The inside has been carefully renovated and put in attractive condition. A new carpet will soon be laid on the floor of the audience-room, and other minor improvements will be made. A few years ago Mrs. Phebe Swarts, wife of Dea. Jacob Swarts, his people; and he will move the presented to the church a fine pipe organ from one of the best factories in Boston, and when the congregation assembled for worship on the anniversary of the opening of the organ for ful sister had caused the old windows of the audience-room, never very handsome, to be the city of the great King, the Lord our removed and new ones of the fluest cathedral glass, made up in modern style, to be put in their place. All these improvements combined have increased the value of the church prop erty several thousand dollars, and have put the do effective service for the Master; and it is earnestly hoped that pastor and people will recognize and appreciate these evidences of divine favor, accept the responsibility that comes with improved facilities for Christian work and rise to the level of their opportunities. It may be added that no debt has been incurred in making these improvements. The Sunday-school met in the church for its Christmas festival at four o'clock, F. iday afternoon, Dec. 25th, when an interesting program of music and recitations was rendered by the choir and children of the primary depar ment, now under the care of the pastor's wife, Mrs. M. S. Waterman. After these exercises, presents provided by the school were given to the primary an I intermodiate departments. The entire school then went to the vestries, where ice-cream and cake were served to all. Later in the evening about seventy-five members of the church and congregation visited the pastor's residence, and before leaving, presented to him and his wife an elegant chair, a handsome carved oak easel, and a very fine rug of a unique style, known as a ' Mohammedan praver rug.' It is expected that it will be thoro ighly converted to Christian usages in its present surroundings. The church is praying and working for spiritual blessing .. "

PAWTUCKET .- The pastor, Rev. J. B. Jordan, has presented the members of his congregation with a pretty little calendar as a Christmas token. The interest with the church is good. The evening lectures are being attended by congregations which fill the church, and best of all some are seeking the Lord. The Sunday-school attendance is also steadily increasing.

#### MIDDLE STATES. New York.

two different times, near veight years in all. But on account of poor health I feel that I must give up regular pastoral work for a time. Any minister desiring a field of labor can correspond with the present pastor, Rev. F. H. Butler, Oulecut, N. Y., or E. Pierce, Oneonta,

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ELMIRA.-The work prospers. The church has presented the pastor, Rev. O. H. Denney, with a costly portrait (life size) of himself, and a handsome leather satchel. Bro. Denney says: "I will send a list of subscribers next week for the grand old MORNING STAR." Maryland.

HAGERSTOWN.-Rev. P. A. Boswell has just raised, by great effort, \$100 toward paying for the church, leaving now due about \$300. The location is one of the best in the growing city, and a small house that will do for the present is already completed. One hundred and thirtyfour dollars more must be paid by April 1."

#### THE WEST. Michigan.

LITCHFIELD.—" It has been some time since any thing appeared from this church in the STAR. But we are not dead! We have been going steadily on in our work for the Master. In the early fall four were baptized by the pastor. On the 11th and 12th of December the Quarterly Meeting Sunday-school Convention was held at this church. There was a good interest. The Sabbath school is preparing for a Christmas entertainment on Christmas Eve. We are naw holding special services, assisted by Rev. C. H. Jackson of Hillsdale. Six have tuened to Christ, and many others are seriously tuinking. May God bless the work to the salvation of many souls!" From Rev. G. A. Jackson.

WIXOM .- "The revival meetings in the Free Bap ist church have been suspended for the present. Thirty were converted during the meetings which lasted over four weeks. The church is greatly revived. The Christmas exercises were grand. Our organist received as a token from the church and Sunday school a piano lamp. The pastor and wife received presents to the value of about \$30. The A. C. F. society receitly organized numbers twentyone active members. Its members have chosen Schuyler Johnson president." From Rev.

FAIRBANK .- "Is prospering under the efficient labors of Rev. D. A. Shaw. The balance on the parsonage debt has just been paid, of nearly \$800. The Sabbath school, missions, and all departments of church work are receiving their proper attention. Christmas was properly observed by an entertainment and a tree for the Sabbath school. It is intended to hold some revival meetings, beginning soon after the holidays."

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TIPPECANOE .- "On Sunday, Dec. 6, we he'd a public meeting at Tippecanoe, and succeeded in organizing a lively mission society, or auxiliary, and raised quite a sum of money before we left the house. Although the church is small and weak in numbers they are blessed with some noble women workers, who will, I am sure, make a success of the work and raise quite a sum of money. Pray for the success

WOLF LAKE .- Sunday, Dec. 13, was a happy day for us. It was previously announced that we would have an old folks' song service, in which the songs of our boyhood days would be lined and sung without the use of organ. On Saturday night Father Vaughn, of the La Grange Q. M., an old veteran of the cross seventy-two years old, a forme pastor of this church, was present and preached an able sermon. Sunday morning was warm and pleas. ant. At 10.30 the church was filled to overflowing. There were eighty persons over fifty years old occupying the front seats. Many of them were very feeble and some had not been to church for many months before. Surely, it was a grand sight to see these old fathers and mothers in Israel and hear them sing those use, on the first Sunday in September last, it old songs. Elder Atchison, a other old solwas found that the same generous and thought- dier, seventy-eight years old, a member of the Christian church, and the present pastor of the Christian chapel near there, conducted the song service. Bro. Vaughn preached an able discourse. The evening service was one long to be remembered. A half-hour or more was spent in singing old songs, followed by another sermon by Bro. Vaughn, on 'Counting the church in better position than ever before to Cost.' Elder Nickerson, a pioneer minister of the M. E. church, who came here when the country was new, ably assisted in these services. These good old fathers and mothers have been meeting at private houses for a number of times previous, practicing and recalling old times. They desire to have another mee ing in the near future. May God b'ess these veterans, strengthen and encourage them. The troub'es, cares, and sorrows of life have a telling effect upon them, but by coming together in worship their souls are carried by faith to the bright rea'm above where they can

ay their armor by." BURR OAK .- " Nothing has been said about this point for some time, yet Rev. F. M. Watkins has been preaching regularly every two weeks on Sunday afternoon or Saturday night ever since April. A good and growing interest is manifested in the Sunday-school. We have just received an invitation to hold revival services which will begin on Monday night. This seems to be a very promising center. Pray for us that this may develop into a grand field."

### Schools and Colleges.

Hillsdale College.

Anyone having had experience in preparing catalogues of literary institutions cannot fail to see the amount of able work put into the catalogue of Hillsdale College, Hillsdale, Mich., for 1891-92. The college has five departments and twelve courses, and to arrange them to secure the least possible conflict is a Herculean task; yet the catalogue not only indicates the excellent work that Hillsdale is doing, but it is a guide for a student. Its "Table of Studies" is full, prepared evidently with the greatest care. We are pleased to OULEOUT .- "The church will soon be in need | notice that the college is a little chary in beof a pastor. This church is in the Otsego Q. stowing honorary degrees. The summary gives M., and was formerly called the Franklin 372 in the academic department, 83 in the c.urch. I have been pastor of this church theological department, 152 in the music department, 45 in the art department. During the year 515 separate names were enrolled, 14 more than in the previous year. Of these 59 per cent are gentlemen and 41 per cent ladies. The commercial and telegraphic departments are not reported in the catalogue, they being advertised by themselves.

### Quarterly Meetings.

Wapsipinicon (Iowa).—Held its December ses-iou with the Pieasant Hill church, Jones Co. Elder D. C. curtis was chosen moderator. The word was oreached by Elders Bullock and Murdock; Elder Buterfeld being pistor of the church, declined proachi g during the sessions. The churches were all reported by letter or delegate, or both. Some of the churches report quite large ingatherings and one or two report hard stuggles; but, as a woole, our Quarter y Mieling is making considerate advancement, tank God strugges; but, as a woole, our Quarter y M. eding is making considera de advancement, t ank God for it. We had a harmonicus se sion; the Spirit of the Master was with us in power. On Saturday night the sisters held a very interesting mission meeting and raised some money for Mrs. Miner, their and our missionary in India. On Sudday night at the close of the preaching service we held the Quarterly Meeting communion service we held the Quarterly Meeting communion service. It was a very solemn service. In all we had a grand, good meeting.

The February session will be held with the The February session will be held with the Providence caurch. M. D. MURDOCK, Clerk.

Lawrence (N.Y.).—Held with the Dickinson church. We were favored with the most beautiful weather ever experien ed in December in this section. The churches were all represented by letter and delegation (except one). Rev. T. A. Sevens of Keuka College was with us, which added very much to the interest of the metting. Preaching by Riv's E.A. Stevens, R. Parks, and N. Kamsdell. Fritaly evening was devoted to Sabbata school interests. The children and older one, rendered their paris in a manner that interese dithe large congregation present. All of the meetings, both at the preaching and social service, were satisfual, and the gool spirit was manifested in a marked manner. In S. M. is at present in great need of past vis. N. church in the Q. M. has an rained minister or pastor, yet all have fithuil, devoted members and good nouses of worship. De eg tes attended Q.M. with teams that came fity miles. They have a mind to work, yet need a pastor's care. The conference voted Rev. A. D. Muon a leater of commendation, he naving removed to the Jefferson Q. M. Conference recommended the churches to each hold at least a three days' me the gibre of each hold at least a three days' me the gibre resent winter, and lovate delegates to attend from the other carefies at the communion service one hundred and eight persons. We trust the shandance of good seed so wn will bear much precious frait. Lawrence (N. Y.) .- Held with the Dickinson

D. S. SMITH, Clerk.

Farmington (Me.).—Held with the Vienna church Dec. 9, 10.—The we ther was beautiful and the attendance was good. Many came long distances to enjoy the meetings. The courones were well represented. The letters gave good news. All were hopeful, and in several churches revivals are in uncrease. were well represented. The letters gave good news. All were hopeful, and in several conreches revivals are in progress. We had no messengers from our sister Q. M's, an unusual occurrence. The social meetings were very spiritual ind very profitable. Sermons were given by Rev's C. E. Jenings, David Lawrence, C. E. Teiford, E. N. Berry, N. K. Simps m, and W. W. Carver. The Q. M. sance ons the union of the West Freeman and Avon church as a branch of the Philips church. Rev. J. Eigcomb, one of the cliest ministers, was able to be present at this quarterly session, the first one he has attended for years Father Eigcomb gave a clear testimony for the Master, and his words of warning and advice will long be remembered. Since our last sessi n Rev. R. A. Proctor, pastor of the Weld church, has died. A committee on necrology reported the foil wing resolutions, which were unanimously adopted.

Whereas, God, 1: his providence, has seen it fitting to remove from it above in this year, therefore,

Resolved, That in the death of Rev. R. A. Procter Resolved, That in the death of Rev. R. 4. Proceed the Q. M. I see one of its godly and useful ministers; his coursel, a faithful pastor; his family, a devoted hu-band and father.

Resolved, That we express by our clerk the sympathies of this body to Bro. Proceer's bereaved a mily, and publish the u in The Morning Star.

E. A. Hall, Clerk.

Waterloo (lowa).—Convened with the Letter chure: Dec. 4-6. Had a good attendance considering for inclemency of the weather. Delegates were present from the Fairbank, Les er, Oelwein, Bryantburg, and Maple Grove churches. Rev. Reeves, the State mission agent, and Mrs. Reeves

were present, and Rev. R. Summer in of Horton, and R. D. A. Shaw of Fairbank were the ministers present. In the absence of the clerk, Bro. Geo. McRae was elected of rk protem, and Rev. Reeves moderator. Business was transacted with harmony. Upon vote of Quarterly Meeting from report of council from the same it was decided to move the church building from its present location into the thriving village of Dunkerson, some three miles distant, which will be done in the near future.

future.

Next session with the F4irbank, church, beginning the second Friday in February.

I. C. MYERS, Clerk.

Chautauqua (N. Y.).—Met D.c. 11, with the Elinton church. The weather was fine, and we found them in the midst of union revival meetings. Friday evening the regular revival meetings at 11 A. M. by Rev. G. B. Jones of Cottage. Conference was called at 2 P. M. and the business hastily done, then one off those old-fashioned prayer and conference meetings, and the Spirit seemed to be on the people. At 3.20 preaching by Rev. Geo. Southwick of Cherry Creek. Saturday evening the unin revival meetings were continued; Sabbath morning, praise and conference meeting; preaching at 11 A. M. by Bro. Jones. This sermon was a very strong one full of the spirit of the Mas er, so much so that he was requested to preach again at 2.30 P. M., which he did, taking a very peculiar text found in the first chapter of Ezekiel and the last clause of the sixteenth verse, an i his application to the young of the wheels was beautiful. The reports from all of the churches seemed full of hope and earnest work except Dayton, which was not reported either by letter or delegate.

EMMET BLAIR, Clerk.

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Rev. J. H. Durkee, Batavia, N. Y., Treasurer of the Central Association.

Quarterly Meetings. Chemung (N. Y.), with the church in Elmira, Jan. 7-9.

Branch (Mich.), has changed the time of holding its meetings from the 3d Saturday of Jan., May, Aug., and Oct. to, on, or before the full moon of the months mentioned.

Van Buren (Iowa), at Agency City, Iowa, Friday 3 P. M. before the 4th Sunday in January.

Oakland (Mich.), with the Green Oak church, Jan. 8-10.

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(P. Q.) couren Jan. 16, 17.

Whitestown (N. Y.), with the church at
Unadilla Forks Jan. 8-10
Genesse (N. Y.), at Batavia, commencing
Friday, Jan. 15, at 2 P. M.

Belknap Association (N. H.), with the
South church, Laconia, Jan. 26-28, beginning at
2 o'clock 'uesday aft moon,
Hillsdale (Mich.), with the North Rome
church, Jan. 8-10, commencing on the 8th, at 2
P. M., with S. S. institute. All persons coming
from the southwest, on main line of the L. S.
and M. S. will change cars at Hudson, taking the
G. J. and M. to Manitou Beach, were teey will be
met with teams at no n and on the evening of the
8th. Those coming from Jackson, change cars at
Hanover, and take the C. J. and M. for Devil's
Lake, where they will be met at noon and evening of the Sth. Any who desire to be met at
train on Saturday, please address Rev. W. P.
Van Wormer, Rome, Mich.

Springfield (Me.), with the church in Lee, at
the Crocker schoolhouse, Jan. 1, at 2 P. M.

Genessee (Mic.), with the Columbiaville
church, Jan. 15-17.

E. E. STIMSON, Clerk.

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Friday evening, Jan. 8. It is hoped that a large

Branch (M1.9h.), with the Batavia church, Friday evening, Jan. 8. It is hoped that a large delegation will be present.

P. C. Lawrence, Clerk.

Rockingham (N. H.), with the church at New Market, Jan. 19-21.

Sandwich (N. H.), with the church at Ashland, Jan. 19-21. Ministers' conference Tnesday, 2 P. M. Opening sermon Tue-day evening by Rev. J. Erskine.

E. C. Clarke, Clerk.

Wentworth (N. H.), at the new church on Atwell Hill in Wentworth Jan. 8-10. The new church will be dedicated Saturday at 2 P. M. Anyone wishing to attend can come by rait to Wentworth and will be met at the depot with team, by addressing in season, Rev. C. W. Nelson, Plymouth. N. H., Box 376.

Corinth (Vt.), with the West Topsham church Jan. 15-17.

Ministers' Meeting. At Rochester , N. H., Jan. 4, at 11 A. M. and 1.30 P. M. Assignments: "Expository Sermon," Rom. S. Rev. E. L. Howard; "Present Dangers from Romanism," Rev. F. E. Briggs; "What has Modern Science to say in Regard to Natural Im-mortality," Rev. L. E. Hall; "The Endowment of Churches," Rev. J. Manter. LEWIS DEXTER, Sec.

### Married.

Chafee-Mason-At the residence of the bride, Giltert's Mills, N. Y., Dec. 19, by the Rev. Geo. J. Sc bey, Mr. Charles W. Chafee and Miss Madge L. Mason, both of Gilbert's Mills.

Lightbody-Blake-in Bath, Me., Dec. 21, by the Rev. H. F. Wood, Mr. Frank Lightbody and Miss Mary A. Blake, both of Bath.

Coffin-Carll-In Lyman, Me., Dec. 24, by the Rev. A. F. Hutchinson, Mr. Willis Coffin and Miss Lizzle E. Carll, both of Waterborough, Me. Ludd-Pillsbury-in Springval, Me. Oct. 14, by the Rev. J. D. Waldron, Mr. Harry, L. Ludd and Miss Addie Pillsbury, both of sanford, Me. Huston-Ferguson-Nov. 4, by the same, J. F. Huston and Jamet S. Ferguson, both of Sanford.

Pillsbury-Ham-Nov. 25, by the same, Herbert Pillsbury and Cynthia Ham, both of Shapleigh, Me.

Goodwin-Parsons-Dec. 23, by the same, Edwin Goodwin of Santord and Carrie L. Parsons of Shapleigh.

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Robinson—Davidson—At Rockwell City,
Iowa, Dec. 10, by the Rev. A. N. Woodward of
Rockwell City, at the residence of the index
father, Dea. Freeman H. Davidson, Mr. L. Robinson and Miss Millie Davidson, both of Rockwell City. inson and Miss Mille Davidson, som C. 1882. Well City.
Coates—Bulmer—At Saud Hill. P. Q., Dec. 22, by the Rev. John Vance, Mr. Jasper Coates and wiss Annie Bulmer, both of Eaton. Sherman-Booker-In Apponaug, R. I., Nov. 25, by the Rev. A. W. Bradeen, Mr. John B. Sherman and Miss Susan E. Booker, both of Nat ck, R. I.

Natck, R. I.

Card-Howard-In Apponaug, R. I., Dec. 17, by the same, Mr. John Card and Miss Ida F. Howard, but of Warwick, R. I.

Gardiner - Briggs - In Apponaug, R. I., Dec. 19 by the Rev. A. W. Bradeen, Mr. George Gardiner and Miss Lottle Briggs, both of Hill's Grove, R. I. Cook—Green—In Apponaug, R. I., Dec. 24, by the Rev. A. W. Bradeen, Mr. George Cook and Miss Susan M. Green, both of Crompton, R.

McKown-Gilpatrick-In Boothbay, Me., Dec. 19, by the Rev. E. Owen, at the parsonage, Mr. George W. McKown and Miss Nellie P. Gilpatrick, both of Boothbay.

Waldron-Clough-In Dover, N. H., Dec. 15, by the Rev. C. S. Perkins, Rev. William H. Waldron and Miss Sarah E. Clough, both of Dover, ver.

Yer.

Howe—Hilton—In Lewiston, Me., Dec. 21, by the Rev. M. Summerbell, D. D., assisted by Prof. J. A. Howe, D. D., Mr. Percy R. Howe and Miss Rose A. Hilton, all of Lewiston.

Wheeler—Smith—in Lewiston, Me., Dec. 24, by the Rev. M. Summerbell, D. D., Mr. Ulysses G. Wheeler and Miss Mary L. Smith, all of Lewiston.

iston.
Clark-Rose-In Whitman, Dec. 24, by the
Rev. A. L. Gerrish, Mr. James Clark and Miss
Abble B. Rose, all of Whitman.
Parker-Lindsey - In Providence. R. I.,
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Do you understand the Apostle's feeling when he wrote," I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me "?

Some one has impressively said that we ought to be often alone with God in anticipa ion of the hour when he will be alone with us.

Bro. Myers's letter this week touches a question that our young people need to consider in a spirit that will insure increased co-operation and union. Bro. Myers perhaps does not quite understand the views and feelings of some of our denominational C. E. societies, but his plea for a common name is well meant and will surely be received in excellent spirit. A common name is doubtless desirable, but the thing of greatest importance is a common spirit. In Michigan the State Society is A. C. F. In Minnesota it is a Young People's Union. In both States our young people seem to be united, earnest, aggressive, and loyal to our denominational work. God bless them all! Bro. Hayes's article which, reprinted from Our Dayspring, follows Bro. Myers's communication, is interesting and suggestive. A pastor at our elbow says that it is an "eminently sensible article."

#### FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS. IN INDIANA.

WAWAKA, IND. Good news from the field as far as heard from-an upward look. "Give us your sympathy and prayers," say the weak ones. "Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ," saith the Scriptures.

He that does not sympathize with, and is not interested in, the success of the movement among the young people is behind the times and does not realize that it is the greatest religious movement since the Reformation. Let us all have a ready hand and a willing heart consecrated to the work.

"Zion will commence a new campaign soon,' writes the worthy Q. M. president, Miss Fannie Tucker, and we are expecting, very soon, a good report. The Bear Creek A. C. F. "is in good shape, interest very good," as reported by the Q. M. president, H. A. Huey. "At every meeting, beside the devotional exercises we have a paper and a talk on the subject. Not too much literary matter, but some, so as o develop good, round, active members. We have had no accessions since our organization last April, but we have been strengthened spiritually, and led to a higher plane of life and to greater activity in church work. I presented the mission work to our society and received a hearty response. Ten pledged five cents a week payable monthly, and some contributed without pledging themselves to any amount. In all there was pledged and contributed \$27.81.of which two-fifths are for foreign missions, two-fifths for the State work, and one-fifth for expenses."

Good! And with only twenty-two active members! Very good! And we are sure that in accord with the active, energetic spirit of this society the sum will be increased.

This is the first report of the A. C. F. mission work. Let such reports come thick and fast. "I repeat it, let" them "come."

Send all moneys to Sister A. L. Kennan, Wawaka, Ind., who is our A. C. F. treasurer, stating the purpose to which you desire it applied, and in what proportions.

T. J. MAWHORTER. IN THE CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

MURRAY, N. Y., D.c. 21. The fifteenth quarterly session of the A. C. F. convention of the Rochester Quarterly Meeting met with the Murray church Dec. 10. After the opening exercises, the welcome given by W. H. Baldwin was heartily responded to by L. W. Raymond of Fairport.

The six societies reported as follows: N. Parma. Oral report by Jennie Futler. Good attendance, much freedom in prayer, much work to be done, a general desire to be useful .- E. Hamila. Rav. R. Nesbitt reported the interest shown, advancement in the work. readiness to take part in the meetings, hopeful outlook for the future .- E. Penfield, " No additions since last quarter. One member called home by death, the first from our midst. The interest in our social meetings is good, though our numbers are few (average nine). A literary program in connection with our business meetings has greatly increased the interest."-Walworth has thirty-even members. Some have been added recently. "Although we facrease in membership slowly, we hope and pray our little band is gaining rapidly in strength and grace. What we need s more light, more strength, more grace. For these we are praying and hoping."-Fairport tells us of the addition of two active and one associate members during the quarter. Total, ninety-two. Leaders have taken their places in order; none have falled to do their duty. Interest good. Copies of the Dayspring taken both in the Sunday-school and the A. C. F. society. Total, fifty-five. The society bas raised funds for painting the parsonage. Contributed \$20 for Bro. Stiles, and is planning to do more the coming year .- Murray is progressing spiritually. One associate member requested prayers Sunday evening, expres:ing a wish to lead a different life. One active member has joined since last session. Our motto is, Win souls to Christ. Our section leaders work faithfully to have their sections present at the meetings. Total membership fifty-eight. Copies of the Dayspring taken,

IDA E. BALDWIN. Asso. Sec., A. C. F. IN MAINE.

DOVER, ME., Dec. 22. It is not too early to begin to plan to send State Free Baptist church in Lewiston, Wed. nesday evening, Jan. 20, and all day Thursday. Let us make a great effort to have all of our societies represented. It is not too early to begin to pay that the convention may be full of the Spirit that makes us one, that its officers may be wisely chosen, its plans for future work thoughtfolly matured, and that all may be far-seeing in regard to most practical ways of developing heart and head in our work together. "More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of."

Quarterly Meeting time with its wide-reaching inspiration is just past. The full-fledged organization of A. C. F's in the Bowdoin Q. M. has already been reported. At their evening meeting Dec. 17 a healthful bill of fare was offered, as my program testifies. Dec. 19 was the date of the young people's meeting interfere with the cheerful performance in the Sebec Q. M. In paper and sermon the Gulld was warmly recommended to the attention of all. The following is the report received from the Exeter Q. M .: "At the December session an organization was formed under the name of United Societies of Young People of Exeter Q. M. The name adopted was made comprehensive enough to include all the societies of young people, the Guild as well as tho e of a more strictly devotional character. The young people had Saturday evening of the se-sion and Mrs. Burlingame addressed them in her happy and helpful manner. Not very many were present from other churches, but with this perfected union of local societies and a better understanding of the work, we confidently anticipate a large and enthusiastic representation at the next session of the Q. M."

A private letter adds this: "We are getting well aroused and the future is very hopeful. The denomination will hear worthy things of the Christian young people of the Exeter Q. M. by and by."

I hear indirectly that there are several new and promising A. C. F. societies in the State. Please let me hear from the secretary of each. An enthusiastic report from the Portland society of Christian Endeavor and several interesting items from local Guilds must await

another letter. NELLIE WADE WHITCOMB. THE Y. P. C. U. OF THE WHEELOCK

QUARTERLY MEETING. At the October session of the Wheelock Quarterly Meeting, Saturday afternoon was devoted to the work of the young people's societies. Interesting and encouraging words were heard from the essays and addresses. At the close of the exercises it was voted to orgabize a society for quarterly meeting work, to be called "The Young People's Christian Union of the Wheelock Quarterly Meeting."
The reason for this Union is this: we have two societies in our Quarterly Meeting, namely the A. C. F. and the C. E. We wished to bring the members of these different societies

The Union elected the following officers:
President, Rev. John Nason, Lyndon Center;
Vice-President, Herbert Davidson, West
Derby; Secretary and Treasurer, F.M. Buker, Wheelock; Executive Committee, Rev. A. I.
Davis, St. Johnsbury; Mrs. F. M. Buker,
Wheelock; W. J. Heath, Irasburgh.
It was voted to invite each A. C. F. and C.

E. society in our churches to send as many delegates as possible to the January session of this Quarterly Meeting, which will be held with the church at St. Johnsbury; also to set apart Saturday forenoon as the time to be

occupied by the young people.

We pray that a large delegation will be sent and that God will bless the efforts of the young people, thus bringing many workers into his vin-yard.

F. M. BUKER. Wheelock, Vt.

UNION PRAYER-MEETING TOPIC. Topic for Jan. 3.

REFERENCES: Matt. 21: 28; 9:37; Jo. 4: 35; Matt. 4:18-22; Mark 5:19; Luke 14:17; Jn. 9:4; 2 To. 8: 3:13; 2 Tim. 4:2; Heb. 3: 13-15; J vs. 4:13-17; E :cles. 9:10; Prov. 27:1;

1. We need present exercise in Caristian work. Exercise is just as necessary to spiritual health and strength as to physical. By inactivity our own spiritual life is weakened. "Satan finds some mischief still for idle hands to do."

2. The work needs us now. The people we may save to-day may be dead to-morrow, or they may be so hardened by delay that nothing will move them. Can we bear to think of our friends dying unsaved while we have done nothing to save them?

3. The earlier efforts are put forth in behalf of others the more likely they will be to be successful. The longer one break with old habits and old companions. It is easier to influence the young to become Christians than people advanced in life. Therefore earnest efforts should be put forth to win the youth to Christ now. If they become Christians now they will be saved from many dangers and sins.

4. Present work and success open the way for greater success. As converts are won the force of workers is a double combination under the name increased. New avenues of influence are prepared as the work goes on. If your society is weak that is a special reason for immediate activity.

5. To-morrow never comes. It will always be to-morrow. How can you expect any other time to be better for Christian activity than the present? "Work, for the night is coming."

waits. There is no command to do anything by and by. If we are keeping the Master's words we will enter his vineyard to-day. If all Christians were as active as Christ intended, all the world would very soon have the Gospel.

Questions: (1) Did the antediluvians gain anything by delay? (2) What did Jonah make by evasion of duty? (3) Do you remember any friend, now dead, to whom you never spoke of Jesus? (4) When you ask help from Christ would you like him to wait? (5) What is the effect on your happiness and usefulness of inactivity in Christ's work? G. B. HOPKINS.

### THE NAME.

HILLSDALE, MICH., Dec. 11. Of late there has been much talk through our papers with regard to a name under which all our young people might unite. And the delegates to that very important meeting, the STAR of the 10th inst. has a call from a committee of the Maine young people for a committee of the young people for a committee of the young people for a committee of the young people for a com in the State of Maine" to be held at the Maine | vention to formulate a name "sufficiently liberal" to include the A. C. F., the C. E., and the Guild, "without discriminating against

Now it seems, from my point of view, that inasmuch as we have a united society with a name, viz., "Advocates of Christian Fidelity," under which a large number of our churches have already organized, a society which already has a membership of more than 10,000 young people, with several State Asscclations already in the field ready for business and working under that name, we already have a title sufficiently liberal to include every young people's society in the Free Baptist organization. Why not be uniform and adopt the name of State Association of A. C. F., and then provide either in constitution or by-laws that all young peop'e's societies connected with Free Baptist churches shall be equally represented by delegates? We have adopted this in Michigan and it works well. We have a child, and the child has a name, and the named child is about six years old and has grown wonderfully and is a strong, healthy youngster to-day. Now let's feed him and take care of him and make him good and useful. What do you say?

I sincerely hope that the Maine committee will adopt the name A. C. F. for their State Association and thus be in unity with the united society and the other State Associations already formed. The Guilds are, so far as I know, already working with us. They are our young people. The C. E. societies are quite largely - where connected with our churches-coming to see the benefit of becoming A. C. F., where the matter has been placed before them. Who would think of going to a Methodist church and asking them to name their young people's society A. C. F. or even C. E.? Or who would think of going to a Congregational church and asking them to call their young people's society E. L. or A. C. F.? And yet this is just what both those bodies have done and are doing with our young people's societies. Isn't it time for us to adopt our own name and stand by it?

Yours for the right, C. H. MYERS.

#### ADVOCATES OF FIDELITY IN CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

I am going to make response to Our Dayspring's request for a contribution to the Christmas number by trankly suggesting what, it seems to me, would be an especially appropriate and timely Christmas gut for Free Baptist young people to give to the church, to the kingdom, and to Christ.

I have no doubt that God's hand is in the present combination of young people's societies of various denominations that sent such inspiration into the Christian world from its great meeting in Minneapolis last summer. It is seeming to many among us an unquestionable advantage to have a part in such a mighty movement, and to share the inspiration that goes out from State and national conventions where Christians of all names join heart and hand.

But I am equally confident that God's hand is no less in the movement for denominational union of young people's societies. The A. C. F's, the Epworth League, and the Baptist Young People's Union have had an influence in shaping tne trend of the Christian Endeavor Union that was indispensable to its complete usefulness.

In the present condition of Christ's kingdom the combination of societies within their own denomination seems to many as essential to proper endeavor as any interdenominational combination. For one, I find myself unable to agree with those who have thought that the organization of the A. C. F. movement was a mistake. It has given us Our Dayspring; and we need it. It has given us "our missionaries"; and indeed we need them. It has given us among our young people an interest in denominational gatherings and denominational enterprises never before known. It has brought Free Baptist young people together, and given them an esprit de corps. Such a denominational union of young people not only has been necessary, but still is as necessary as the denomination itself. The kingdom of Christ needs inter-denominational union; but, as much as it needs denominations at all, it needs also intra-denominational union.

But the world and the kingdom move forward very much as men do-one foot at a time. Now, dear fellow-Advccates and fellow-Endeavorers,-for I remains in sin the more difficult it is to take pride in belonging to both societies,-all my plea is that at last we get both feet to moving in unison, and then comes real progress. Why can we not have both the union among ourselves and the union with the societies of other denominations; and as members of the Free Baptist denomination be Advocates of Fidelity, and at the same time. as members of the great inter-denominational fellowship of young people, be Christian Endeavorers?

There is a powerful movement on foot among the Methodists to effect such of "The Epworth League of Christian Endeavor." A parallel union of name in our case would lack both euphony and sense; but use the word "Christian" but once, and change "of" to "in," and we have not only a euphonious but a strikingly apt and appropriate name: "Advocates of Fidelity in Christian Endeavor."

Isn't that precisely what we are? We believe in an endeavor that is so faith-6. That is not strict obedience which | ful to Christ and the Church that it | shall be more than an undertaking, of work. They are these: faith in youreven a success. Of course I cannot say with authority that it was because of our use of the word "fidelity" that in your work. Love for the work is not President Clark made such prominent enough. It may, it does, bring pleas- for society? The best place is to a use of it at the last annual C. E. convention; but fidelity to denomination is special feature of our society, and fidelity to denomination was emphasized by him as one important thing for which Christian Endeavor now stands, so that the combination of word and thought in the proposed name is eminently fitting.

Do you say it is a long name? It is no longer than "The Epworth League of Christian Endeavor" or "The Baptist Union of, etc."; and it is not necessary to use the whole of it in local announcements. Under such a name, the present local C. E. society can remsin C. E., and the present local A. C. F. society can remain A. C. F.; but when we come together in union conventions where both societies are represented we can come as members of the union known as Advocates of Fidelity in Christian

It is for the Christmas gift of such a

Think of it, friends .- Rev. F. L. Hayes, in Our Dayspring.

A SONG OF THE OLD YEAR. Good-bye, Old Year! Far off the bells are ring-Not chimes of gladness, but a dying knell;

Such gifts as thine no other year is bringing.

Farewell, farewell! Thou goest from among us, only leaving The memory of joys that blessed our lot; One gift of grace to keep our hearts from

The year is dead. Its beauty was a shadow. A faint, sweet picture of what might have been; But now no more in garden-path or meadow

Remaineth not.

The year is dead. Its promise hath been cherished

By hearts untold, and not by ours alone. How soon, now utterly, its hopes have perished, fo each is known.

The New Year dawns. O let its days be with useful work such visions to dispel! The Old Year's gladness and its grief are Farewell, farewell!

-Selected.

### TALKS WITH YOUNG PEOPLE.

BY MAY PRESTON SLOSSON.

Let us sit around the winter fire, and, in its half-illumination, speak what perhaps we could not in the full light of the lamps. Dear boys and girls, I wonder what thoughts are behind the dreamy eyes that are looking at the fire! I wonder if I cannot guess.

You are thinking of the future. Perhaps you would blush to confess all of your dreams; but most of them, I imagine, could be summed up in one word, Success! Shall we discuss that interesting subject in our firelight talks?

No wonder you dream of it! Yours is pre-eminently the land of promise. The present is but the bud whose folded petals are possibilities, and whose expanding will disclose the wondrous flower for which the world has waited. The blossom of the centuries is a just and generous government of a free and happy people. Is a helping hand in that result the success of which you dream, boys? Or is it a more purely personal one?

We have been accused, as Americans, of an overmastering desire for wealth; our worship of money as an end has passed into a proverb which is a national reproach. Yet I seriously doubt whether we do "worship the mighty dollar" with all the devotion with which we have been charged. What we really prostrate ourselves before is success .an idolatry not less dangerous, perhaps, but capable of nobler uses.

The flitting, unsubstantial figure we are chasing with such agonized eagerness is that of a cruel and fickle goddess,-a Protean shape, changeful as the prismatic colors that play hide-andseek among the dewdrops; almost as evanescent as they. Yet, ambition, youth, years of toil,-manhood itself,are flung at her feet. Is she worthy of so many gifts, such royal service? Let

It is like an example in continued multiplication; success is not a simple product, but the result of combining many factors. In treating a subject so wide it will be necessary to limit our view to a portion only of the vast field, and, among the well-nigh innumerable conditions, to narrow our choice to the e-sentials simply. Not that others are nct worthy of a place in our talk, nor that they are not interesting in themselves; but they are not of paramount importance. I have selected the four essentials, as they seem to me, of any

true success. And let me assure you that, in right and innocent occupations, success is not an ignoble ideal; in worthy work it may prove the strongest stimulus to the flerce competition which results from even better results. The hope of success in some unselfish plan for the ele- are multitudes around him to take advation of humanity is often the highest vantage of his mischance and to leave motive possible to man. Let us not decry this mighty power. Never scorn results so wonderful. Let it be granted his resources. He will require every results so wonderful. Let it be granted that the motive is a sufficient one, the cause worthy, that the success sought cause worthy, that the success sought the few. He must be prepared to help implies some improvement of existing himself; for he will get very little help tions?

FIRST FACTOR OF SUCCESS.

As its very foundation let us place a broad masonry of Faith. Not in a doctrinal sense. Use its widest meaning. Faith is the foundation of success in the business world. It takes three aspects of these members are as well known to necessary to its power as the inspiration one another as are the inhabitants of a self, faith in those around you, and faith ure; but it is not the strong, impelling church. In these days a city church is force that urges a man onward. You must believe that you have a gift to bestow upon the world; you must feel a gage, so that something is going on need somewhere that you alone can supply. Not in a narrow, conceited sense, but as the custodian of a treasure; for so you are. The world wants you. Believe it!

Self-faith first, then faith in others as the second essential. Many think otherwise, I know, the creed of some men being, "An attitude of distrust is the He will make friends, and useful only rational one in so imperfect a world." Yet, although wise discrimination as to whom to trust implicitly is necessary, the man habitually and cynically doubtful of the probity of others is the one least likely to succeed in young people's union that I plead. managing men or winning their confi-

dence in return. A suspicious nature will lose chances; through his very mistrust he will fear to hazard and will often fail where a more generous estimate of others would bring the coveted prize of success. This is not an impractical view. Business could not be carried on for another day on any other basis than that of confidence in the general honesty of men in the financial world. A man's promise is so much more frequently kept than otherwise that whole systems of finance are founded upon the essential fact of mutual good faith. Confidence in others is so often beautifully repaid in the golden coin of gratitude that we would co well to forget the exceptional instances to the contrary.

Read these living books carefully,that may be necessary; but do not make the mistake of thinking every unread volume an evil thing with defaced and blackened pages. Every bottle upon a chemist's shelves does not contain poison, even though you may not be able to decipher the formula upon the label! Don't distrust.

Faith in one's work is the third form of confidence which insures success. Otherwise failure is inevitable. A strong belief in the importance of what you are doing, the feeling that it is a real addition to what has been done before, is the greatest incentive possible: and the best work cannot be done without it. I always feel hopefully about the future of any young man who has an exalted idea of his own profession; not looking at it in the light of a useful machine, the skillful manipulation of which shall grind out unlimited "bread and butter," but who has a genuine enthusiasm for his chosen work.

I well remember the flushed cheeks and flashing eyes of a boyish medical student, as he warmly contended that "the profession of medicine is the noblest one in the world." He would not Junior, Lewiston, Bangor, Dover and Foxcroft subordinate its usefulness to that of the ministry even. "My work is sacred to me," he said reverently. That was not many years ago, but I am not surprised to learn that he has already reached success as a physician, that his practice is the largest in the city, and that, young as he is, he is in the front rank among the medical leaders of thought and scientific research.

The most successful teacher I ever knew used to stoutly assert that his was the one profession that took deepest root in his own time and would bear most fruit in the future. He honored his work. He was enthusiastic about it. Teaching was "sacred" to him. Of course he succeeded.

Let such earnest enthusiasm be true in your calling, whatever it may be; and remember the three sides of the prism which will fill all the world around you with rainbow hues are: self-reverence, wise confidence in others, and belief in the dignity of your work.

But how long this firelight talk has lasted! It is time to light the lamps and begin the evening's work or study. Next time we will talk of the second factor of success. How many will guess it before we sit by the fire again for another twilight talk?

#### A COUNTRY BOY WHO GOES TO A GREAT CITY.

When a boy starts out from his country home to try his fortune in a great city, he needs most of all a good stock of principles with him. He must brace up his courage as if he were going into battle; for he is sure to have a fight of it, and he will need all his moral fortitude to stand out again t the temptations which will wreck his career beyond peradventure if he yields to them What he seeks he cannot get except in the struggle of many thousands to obtain the same prize. If he silps, there him far behind in the chase. He must keep himself always in training, both moral and physical, and waste none of from anybody else.

The first thing for a boy coming to a great city to do is to take pains to start with right associations. In every such town there are innumerable circles of society. The community is too large for everybody to know each other, and therefore it divides up into many circles of common acquaintances, and in each village. They are good and bad-evil influences and injurious to their tone and spirit. or salutary and helpful. Where, then, shall the country boy go

the center of many social, no less than religious, activities. It is a life of industry in which men and women enceaselessly,-something to interest and to give scope for the ability of a young fellow, and to satisfy his social instincts and demands. It is a community in itself, and nobody can belong to it for any considerable length of time, and exhibit sympathy with its ambitions and projects, without fitting into some place where he can display his capacities and win due consideration because of them. friends. He will have the social life and the social surroundings necessary for him. He should go to church from the first, and regularly; make himself known to the pastor, and then, without putting himself forward, take a hand in all the undertakings of the parish. If

#### A HANDSOME SOUL.

One day a boy, who was taking his first lesson in the art of sliding down hill, found his feet in too close contact with a lady's silk dress. Mortified and confused, he sprang from his sled, and, cap in hand, commenced an apology.

"I beg your pardon, ma'am; I am very sorry. "Never mind that," exclaimed the

lady; "there is no great harm done, and you feel worse about it than I do." "But your dress is ruined. I thought you would be angry with me for being so careless "

"Oh, no," she replied; "better to-have a solled dress than a ruffled temper.

"Oh, what a beauty!" exclaimed the lad, as the lady passed on.
"Who, that lady?" returned his com-

rade. "If you call her a beauty, you sha'n't choose for me. Why, she is old and her face is wrinkled!"

"I don't care if her face is wrinkled," replied the other; "her soul is handsome, anyhow.'

A shout of laughter followed, from which he was glad to escape. Relating the incident to his mother, he said, "O mother, that lady did me good. I shall never forget it; and when I am tempted to get mad, I will think of what she said, ' Better to have a solled dress than a ruffled temper."- Southwestern

Christian Advocate. THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES. Our list up to date, of the young people's societies connected with F. Baptist churches, is given below. We desire to hear from all churches having such societies but not shown in this list. Be sure to give the name of each

society and the number of active members. Maine.

A. C. F. Oakland, So. Leaiston, Lisbon, Anburn, Blue Hill, W. Farmington, New Portland, Brunswick, Richmend, Wells Branch, Bangor, So. Parsonsfield, Topsham, Herrison, Madison, Augusta, Oakland, Dover and Foxcroft, Brun Wick Village, Lewiston (Main St.), Lewiston (Pine St.), Pittsfield, Springvale, Ellsworth, Charleston, No. Berwick, Dexter, Gardioer, Lisbon Falls, Houlton, Bean's Corner (2d Milton), Lynan, E. Corlinto, E. Parsonsfield, Rockland, West Gardiner, Presqueisle, E. Otisfield, Kittery Point, Georgetown, Mapleton, Bar Mille, No. Shapleigh, No. Lebanon—44.

Y. P. S. C. E. Limerick, Saco, So. Windbam, Portland, Boethbay, Rangeley, West Falmouth, South Cornish, Gray, Biddetord, Steep Falls, Sebago Lake, Cape Edizabeth, South Dover, Casco—15.

Y. P. S. L. Guild. Portland Scalor, Portland Maine.

New Hampshire. A. C. F. Northwood Ridge, Alton, Littleton, Epsom, Great Falis, Hampton, Candia, Water Villige, Wolfboro, New Durham, Madison, Danville, seimont, Rochester, Contocook, Loudon Center, Farmington, Portsmouth, Whitefleid, Glift rd Village, Mitton, Dover (Washington St.), D ver (Bruadway), Lake Village, Manchester, Bow Lake, South Barrington, Gonic, Wainut Grove, Barrington, Laconta-31.

Y. P. S. C. R. Concord, Meredith Village, Franklin Falls-3.

Union Mission Band. Alexandria-1.

Union Mission Band. Alexandria-1. Y. P. S. L. Guild. Milton Mills-1 Vermont.

A. C. F. E. Albany, Waterbury Center-2. Y. P. S. C. E. St. Johnsbury, So. Strafford, W. Derby, E. Randolph, Enosburgh Fals, West Charleston, E. Farnham, Middlesex-8.

A. C. F. Lawretce, Black-tone, Boston, Amesbury, Far-umsville, Lowell (Paige St.), Low-ll (Mt. Vernon), Lowell (Chelm-ford St.), Chelsea, Brockton, Somerville, Worcester, Lynn, Haverhill, Whitm n-15.

Y. P. S. L. Guild. Haverhill, Chelsea-2.

Rhode Island. A. C. F. Providence (Park St.), Pascong, Greenville, Carolina-4.
Y. P. S. C. E. Providence (Roger Williams), O neyville. Pawtucket, Union, E. Kinlingly, Auburn. Providence (Greenwich St.), Chepachet, Foster-9.

--- Providence (Pond St.)-1.

New York.

A. C. F. New York City, Attica, Cowiesville Varysburg, Lincoln, Phosnix, Murray, Columbus, ottige. W. Falls, Deparetile, W. Onconta, No. Parma, Sherburne, Fowler, Fairport, Springville, Kentka, Elmira, Olessa, Friend, Batavia, Constantia, E. Hamlin, E. Penfield, Humphrey, Middle-cx, Pike, Wellsboro, Tu-carora, Ames, West Edmeston, Dale, E. Concord, Morton's Corner, She by, Borden—37.

Y. P. S. C. E. Miller's Mills, McDonough, Otselic, German, Pierp at, Dale, W. Smyrna, Poland, Onconta, No. Scribs, Brooklyn, Buffalo, Norwich, Putnam, W. Bethany, Cherry Cleck—16 Gleoners. Hamlet-1.
Fowler, Unadilla Forks, Varysburg-3.

Ohio.

A. C. F. Blanchester, So. New Lyme, Beebewn, Gr en C.mp. Athens—5.
Y. P. S. C. E. Marion, Clevelan, La Rue—8. Y. P. S. C. E. Marion, Clevelan, La Ru Christian Association. Beach Grove-1. Faithful Endeavor Benefit. Pitchin-1. Pennsylvania.

A. C. F. E. Troy, Silvara-2.
Y. P. S. C E. Clymer, Liberty-2.
Young Ladies' Circle. Harrisburg-1.
Reading Circle. E. Granville-1. West Virginia. A. C. F. Harper's Ferry-1. Y. M. C. A. Fiemington-1,

Michigan. A. C. F. Burling on, Dover, Jackson, Paw Paw, Fairfield, Greenville, Cook's Prairie, Duplain, Summerving, No. Reaving, Reading, W. Kinderbook, E. sie, Liston, Hillsdale, Wheatland, Holton, Clayendon, Green Oak, Carson City, No. Grester, Rent City, Woodstock, East Rome, United Oltrici, Cambridge, Sand Greek, Grand Ledge, Bushnel, South Crystal, Manton, Oshte-Loo, Patavin, Hethel, Clarendon and Eckford, Dayburg, L'tchfield, Brownsville, Porter, Willets, Columbiaville, Oseo, Bath-43.

Y. P. S. C. E. Lansing-1.

Y. P. Mission Band. King-ton-1.

Loyal Temperance Legion. Wixom-1.

Y. P. S. L. Guild. Hillsdale Senior, Hillsdale-Junior-2.

Indiana.

A. C. F. Zion. Bear Creek, Rome City, Wolf-Lake, Rugeyine, Wawaka-6. Y. P. S. C. E. Ha \* pstch-1. Y. P. Christian Association. Rensecaer-1. Illinois. A. C. F. Cottonwood, Oak Grove, Middle

Wisconsin A. C. F. Winneconne, Fairwater, New Berlin, Honey creek, Boltonville-5.
Y. P. S. C. E. Big Bend-1.
Y. P. Christian Union. Crast Prairie-1.

Kentucky.

A. C. F. Concord-1. Mansas.

A. C. F. Concordia-1. Y. P. S. C. E. Spring Valley, Clear Fork, Haudam (Hickory Grove)-3. Arkansas.

A. C. F. Amos-1. Nebraska. A. C. F. Geneva, Aurora, Lincoln, Long Branc -4.
Band of Hope. Farmington-1.

Minnesota A. C. F. Mapleton, Blue Earth City, Winneba.
go, Nashville, Delavan, Huntley, Welcome—7.
Y. P. S. C. E. Minneapolis (First church),
Minneapolis (Stevens Ave.), Castle Rock, Champlin, Broklin, Blue Earth City, Mapleton, Alton, Winona—9.

Children's Mission Band. Janesville-1. So Dakota. A. C. F. Sloux Falls-1. Mississippi. A. C. F. Mt. Nebo, Mt. Olive-2.
Natchez, Mt. Zion-2.

Men of great gifts are often greatly flattered, and thereby being corrupted they sink in dishonor. Men who could bravely stand the iron hail of persecution are mown down like grass by the breath of flattery.

Men may have prayer without faith, but never faith without prayer; for as breath attends life prayer attends faith.

### Book Table.

[Publications sent for notice will be promptly acknowledged and such further reference to them be made in the Table Talk as their merits may warrant and our

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Magazines.—The Andover Review (Dec.). 35 cen's (\$4 a year). Boston, Mass.: Houghton, Mimin and Company.—The American Garden (Dec.), 10 cents (\$1 a year). Times Building, New York: The Rural Publishing Co. — Our Day (Dec.), 25 cents (\$2.50 a year). 28 Beacon Street, Boston: Our Day Publishing Company.—Littel's Living Age (Dec. 26). Weekly, 18 cents each; \$8 a year. 31 Bedford St., Boston: Littel & Co.

TABLE TALK.

Several years ago, when Longfellow was asked who of the poetical writers would take the leading rank as a poet in this country, he replied that E igar Fawcett would be the coming poet. Whether Mr. Fawcett has risen to the rank that Longfellow judged he would, is not easy to say. This may be said, that he has not cultivated poesy exclusively. His new book, SONGS OF DOUBT AND DREAM, may be said in many ways to verify the promise of the three poetical volumes which have preceded it, namely, "Fantasy and Passion," "Song and Story," and "Romance and Revery." This volume is perhaps less uniformly picturesque in treatment than either of the aforesaid three, and yet it is certainly more thoughtful and more philosophic. This is a century of reason rather than faith, and some of its most appealing enigm as are treated in Mr. Fawcett's verse. For example, in the "Bartholdi S atue" he touches upon the question of social inequalities and the venality of governments; in "At a Window" he reviews those unjust conventionalisms to which wrong-doing on the part of woman is subjected in comparison with like error on the part of man; in "The Carisfort Curse" he concerns himself with the awful effects of heredity where the "sins of the parents" are visited on succeeding generations; in "Jacynth" he deals with the cruelty that may lurk behind hard-grained religious bigotry, while in "Christian and Agnostic" the poet sets forth the faith of each as he understands them. Elsewhere, however, Mr. Fawcett is a teller of tales in verse-how powerfully or charmingly we leave readers of "The Aspirer," "The Tears of Tullia" and "Tharak and the Lion" to judge for themselves. The lastnamed poem is the most ambitious, as it is the longest in the book, and in some ways it is also the most successful. Here Mr. Fawcett gives his qualities as a writer of blank verse full and untrammeled swing. Mr. Fawcett does not employ his muse on trifling affairs; we have in his poems vital studies of men and women. His doubts too often run into skepticisms, but they are never flippant. His range of thought is much wider than that of the general poetry of the day. He grasps fresh and living problems, and one will find a real relish in reading this book. (Cloth. 8vo, 311 pp., gitt top, \$2.00. New York, London, and Toronto: Funk & Wagnalls Company.) - A very interesting volume, inculcating pure and lofty sentiment, is PRIN-CESS DANDELION'S S. CRET, by Martha Burr Banks, author of "The Children's Summer," "Richard and Robin," "Dame Dimple's Christmas Celebration," etc. The foremost character is Dotty, who lived with her grandparents on the Morning Glory Farm. Her mother married a missionary and went to Africa, contrary to the wishes of her father, who consented only because his daughter was fading away with longing to go. Her husband died in Africa, and his wife sent to her father a boy, her husband's son by a former wife. Farmer Downer, not being reconciled to the one who carried his daughter to Africa, put Sandy with a neighbor, to work for his living. When his daughter died other missionaries brought home little Datty to Farmer Downer. He could not refuse to receive her, though he did not mean that she should have a place in his heart; but Doity carried all before her, having the love and sympathy of her grandmother from the start. How Farmer Downer became an ardent supporter of missions, how Sandy was taken home and educated, how the noble boy fol- until midnight or after. In his childlowed his father's calling, how he sent back from Africa his son to be the comfort and support of the aged Downers, is told in a delightful way. The book is neatly printed and tastily bound. (D. D. Merrill Co., St. Paul. Pp. 283, \$1.00) -Attention is called to the bound volumes of The Century and St. bridge, nicknamed him, a few years Nicholas which are on our table, and which will be fully noticed next week. They are excellent holiday presents (The Century Co., Union Square New York) .- The Old and New Testament Student for December completes the 13:h volume. Its frontisplece is a portrait of Prof. Llewelyn Joan Evans, D. D., LL. D, of Cincinnati, O., who has done so good work for many years as Professor of New Testament Greek and Exegesis in Lane Theological Seminary. The editorial notes may appear to some a little iconoclastic, but they involve what we should consider. In addition to several excellent papers, the studies in "The Gospel of John" are brought to a close, and an inductive study of "The Founding of the Christian Church" is outlined. It covers the period of A. D. 30-100, and will extent over two years. These studtes will be of great value. The remainder of the issue has the usual excellence .- The Andover Review for December closes the 16th volume. The opening paper is by William Hayes Ward, D. D., edit or of The Independent, on " The Bible Conditions of Salvation." "Tue Halo of Industrial Idleness" is by Morrison I. Swift, and the literary paper is by Professor George R. Carpenter, on "Three Critics, Mr. Howells, Mr. Moore, and Mr. Wilde." Pres. Thwing writes on "The New Course of Study of Adelbart College," while "A Word in Behalf of Eudæmonism" is by Rev. William Forbes Cooley. "P. S. to a Monist" is by Prof E. H. Johnson. There are five important editorial papers, and the other usual features of this excellent monthly. Sociological questions are to have a prominent place the coming year .- Our Day for December opens with a paper by Rev. A. P. Hopper on " New Japan and India in Contrast." Miss Willard's great address delivered in Boston last November finds a place. The paper of Hon. F. H. Underwood on James Russell Lowell as Reformer and Poet" comes next. "Doubts Concerning Modern Apparitions," the Boston Monday Lecture, Book Notices, Vital Points of Expert Opinin, Questions to Specialists, Editorial Notes, complete a very valuable number. There is a change in the publication of this important reform monthly. All business should be addressed to Publishers of Our Day, Mrs. F. H. Rastall, Manager, 161 La Salle St., Chicago, but editorial matter will be sent to Editors of Our Day, 28 Beacon St., Boston .-

with "Popular Gardening and Fruit Growing" meets the wants of gardeners and fruit growers, furnishing much useful information and entertainment. The query is how so much use and beauty can be furnished for one dollar a year. - Littell's Living Age for Dec. 26 completes its 191st volume. Littell is a treasury of the best. See 8th page of last week's STAIL.

### Miscellany.

#### THE LANGUAGE OF THE SEA.

Where'er, beneath the scudding clouds, The good ship braves the blast
That, roaring through the quivering shrouds,
Fites for lously and fast—
Where Stars and Stripes and Union Jack,
To every seaguil known,
Career along the ocean's track,
Our English hold its own.

Our English hold its own.
Our English tongue to every shore
Files onward, sare and free;
It creeps not on from door to door,
Its highway is the sea!

Oh, g'orlous days of old renown When England's ensign flew, Nailed to the mast, till mast fell down

Amid the dauntless crew,—
When Rodney, Howe, and Nelson's name
Made England's glory great,
Till every English heart became
Invincible as fate! God rest the souls of them that gave
Our ships a passage free,
Till English, borne by wind and wave,
Was known in every sea!

But still our hearts are warm; Our Viking courage ne'er shall bow In battle or in storm. Let England's love of freedom teach

The tongue that freemen know,
Till every land shall learn the speech
That sets our hearts aglow.
Long may our Shakespeare's noble strain
Float widely, safe and free;
And long may England's speech remain THE LANGUAGE OF THE SEA!

- Walter W. Skeat, in The Academy.

### THE CHRISTIAN CLASSICS.

BY OLIVE E. DANA.

IV. JOHN MILTON.

The author of "Paradise Lost" was born in the month of which he sang in his fine ode on the Nativity,-Dec. 9, 1608. His father lived in London, in Bread Street, "the street of merchants," and was a scrivener. He was of excellent family, and a man of much ability and of scholarly tastes; incorruptible, too, in integrity and patriotism and of deep and ardent religious convictions. His mother was also of noble character and accustomed to act as Lady Bountiful to her poorer neighbors. The father had been disinherited for being a Protestant, and had been obliged to earn a fortune for himself. But evidently this family ostracism had not destroyed in him the traditions of culture or any worthy ambition for his children. All gracious influences surrounded then from babyhood, and they grew up in an atmosphere whose stern Paritanism was softened and adorned by the inspiration and the beauty of music, letters, and art.

The boy was destined already, in his father's thought, for scholarly distinction .- "the study of humane letters,"and for the service of the church in the sacred desk. At first under a Puritan tutor at home, then at St. Paul's school, then at the University of Cambridge, the son studied with fervor of application and persistency of zeal. He learned Greek, Latin, and Hebrew, Italian and French, Syrian and Spanish, old English and modern literature, beside music, mathematics, and theology. He could write Italian and Latin in prose and verse, and was accustomed to study hood and youth he was very winsome. His father had his portrait painted by a famous Dutch artist, Jansen, when the child was ten years old; and his mates at Christ's College, Camlater, "The Lady," for the "delicate yet serious" beauty of his countenance and the refined nobility of his presence were very striking, while his manners were courtly and genial all through his studious youth.

He was only twenty-one when he wrote the fanous "Ode on the Nacivity." and twenty-two where he produced the "Epitaph on Shakespeare;" while in his twenty-fifth year he wrote the "Song for a May Morning," and doubtless "L'Allegro" and "Il Penseroso." In the following year he wrote "Arcades" and "Comus," and, two years later. the beautiful monody, "Lycidas."

The next year, 1638, he went abroad,to Italy first, when he visited Grotius and Galileo, became the friend of Italian scholars, musicians, and poets. Leaving for a short stay elsewhere, he was received at Florence as if returning "to his native country." But in the summer of returned home to serve, if he might, need of defenders.

But the time for his service was not quite at hand, and he betook himself again to his studies, taking a few pupils also. Of marvelous self-command, he knew well how to bide his time, and had said years before that he "cared not how late he came into life, provided he came fit." But he was planning poems and dramas as he studied and taught, and in 1641-42 wrote and published several pamphlets relating to debated questions in Church and government.

He began to see in what way he could serve his country best in the great struggle daily growing fiercer; and he says, prior to the publication of his first treatise on "The Reformation in England," "As I had from my youth studied the distinction between religious and civil rights, . . . I determined to re-The December American Garden combined linquish the other pursuits in which 1

this one important subject." been in any sense his companion or hardly his friend. Such neither nature nor education had fitted her to be. She died nine years later, and four years afterward he married Catherine Woodcock, who lived but a year or two after In cheerful godliness; and yet thy heart their union. A third marriage, in 1663, was equally ill-starred, and, evidently, ill-considered. His home was never a happy one, and perhaps his own severe if lofty temper did not tend to make it so. Taine says, "Neither circumstances nor nature had created him for happiness."

But he had been designed for something nobler, and this destiny he was ardent to fulfill. There was before him, and ever present with him, a lofty ideal of noble and devout character. He loved beauty and art, but he loved far better truth and virtue, duty, freedom, and God. The familiar saying, "He who would write heroic poems must make his whole life an heroic poem," only expresses in pungent epigram the persuasion of his soul. Taine truly says, "He was born with the instinct of noble things

In a letter to an intimate friend who died while Milton was a young man, the poet wrote, "What God may have determined for me I know not; but this I know, that, if he ever instilled an intense love of moral beauty into the breast of any man, he has instilled it into mine. Ceres, in the fable, pursued not her daughter with a greater keenness of inquiry than I, day and

night, the idea of perfection." "Every free and gentle spirit ought to have been born a knight," he said, without the oath [of chivalry]." And he had already proved his readiness for knightly service so far as a patriot's pen and a scholar's learning could render it. The labor he performed during the score of years between 1642 and 1662 is marvelous; and he was, while producing his vigorous treatises and "defenses," and rapidly becoming blind, for some time Cromwell's secretary of state. And all this was done in unquiet years, in the troublous times of England's civil war. and amid disappointments and dangers, insults and privations, and even imprisonments, losses, sorrows, and persecutions. In 1654 he had become totally blind.

every calamity."

His old age seems like a brilliant if every morning a chapter from the Bible much of the beauty of his youth and his manly bearing; and so the years went by until his death in 1674.

These last years of his life were very fruitful. In 1667 the "Paradise Lost" was published, showing, as James Russell Lowell says of Milton's earlier poems, "what sonorous metal lay silent till he touched the keys in the epical organnever since felt the strain of such pre-

was engaged, and to transfer the whole sider how my life is spent," and ending and the diseases to which it is subject. force of my talents and my industry to with the well-known line, "They also serve who only stand and wait"-has He was a grave, stern man, used rath- consoled how many hearts reluctantly er to bookish solitude and the compan- | learning patience! His prose abounds ionship of scholars like himself than to in eloquent and significant passages, society; but he married in 1841 a Mary aside from their past pertinence as the Powell, who returned to her father's arguments of a patriot and reformer, house a month afterward. She went while his life indeed expressed the heroback to her husband, however, a little ic, spiritual beauty to which he had surlater, though she does not seem to have rendered himself: an allegiance which Wordsworth well describes in his sonnet to the English Homer:

> "Thy soul was like a star, and dwelt apart: Thou hadst a voice whose sound was like the sea Pure as the waked heavens, majestic, free; So didst thou travel on life's common way The lowliest duties on herself did lay."

#### OUR PILGRIMAGE.

We start on our uncertain journey As soon as our eyes see the light,
And we spend the sweet days of our childhood
'Mid scenes that are pleasant and bright.
Not a cloud mars the youthful horizon, Nor darkens the oncoming years.

And the young heart so joyful and buoyant
Dreams not of life's burdens and fears.

And so we move on the pathway
Which thousands before us have trod.
But soon the sharp thors and the thistle
Take the place of the flower and the sod;
And the feet that are weary and tender Are bleeding and sore by the way; While the heart, once uplifted, is heavy, And sink; ere the close of the day.

And then comes the perllous nighttime, With sorrows, discomforts, and fears; As we walk from the light into darkness. And pass through the Valley of Tears.
And here the deep shadows hang o er us,
We catch not one glimpse of the light,
And the glorious brightness of daytime Is lost in the blackness of night

Emerging from night and its darkness, The morning beclouded appears;
And we find that the night we have passed

Was many sad, wearlsome years. Then we pause at the City of S rrow,
And longingly look to the west;
For beyond our life's sun that is setting, Lies the beautiful City of Rest.

We are lead by a Hand that's divine;
And, as jewel, of God, being polished,
In the diadem royal to shine.
By and by earth's discomforts and dangers
Will all be removed from our way,
When we reach the fair City of Glory,
Far beyond earthly change and decay.

There we'll roam through the gardens all fra grant
With flowers which immortal shall grow; And the beautiful leaves shall not wither,
For sunlight eternal shall glow.
We shall meet with the friends who have left

And those who have loved us the best; Hope will then find eternal fruition
In God's holy home of the blest.

-Alfred Graham, in Detroit Daily Trib-

### Farm and Home.

THE AGRICULTURAL PRESS. It seems to us that the value and im-

portance of the agricultural paper and the other publications in the interests of rural pursuits should be constantly Yet all his biographers testify to the brought to the attention of the people noble and even majestic serenity with of the country. That these publications which he bore his reverses. "None of are prepared by the best agriculturists, them," says Macaulay, "had power to horticulturists, and others interested in disturb his sedate and majestic patience." | rural pursuits, must be obvious to the And again: "If ever despondency and observer; and while it is true that many asperity could be excused in any man, of these are constantly read in the homes they might have been excused in Milton. of the most prosperous and successful But the strength of his mind overcame farmers of the country it is also true that there are thousands and thousands of farmers in every State of the Union not unclouded sunset after a day of who have never been subscribers to any storm. In a little house in a quiet part of the agricultural papers, much more of London he lived many years, order- been readers of those finely prepared ing his days with the same grace and bulletins of the various Experiment Staprecision characteristic of him; hearing | tions that set forth experimental work of the highest value to the farmer, especialread in Hebrew, and meditating on it ly at the East, in these days of excessive for some time thereafter; worshiping by competition. Might it not be well at himself; studying, dictating, and play- this time to consider the great work that ing his beloved organ. He retained has been accomplished by the agricultural press of the country and what is being done? The work of organization by co-operation has been constantly advocated, and the fruits of this agitation

pipes of our various languages that have The work for the suppression of the dis-my Medical Discovery cure all these? I don't eases of domestic animals has also been that makes all Humor. eases of domestic animals has also been warmly advocated and we might mention much more, not the least of which is the present advocacy of the free dispaned" and "SamsonAgonistes"; in 1672, "Artis Logice"; and, the two years following, several treatises.

"To leave something so written to aftertimes as they should not willingly let die" had been the poet's hope and aim in early life. Surely that desire is fulfilled in "Paradise Lost," the work which above all others outside the sacred canon deserves to be called a Christian classic. Yet many of his shorter poems are renowned for their 1639, fearing that England needed him, he cred canon deserves to be called a He studies the works prepared by the the cause of liberty,—then truly in shorter poems are renowned for their day, and in the other case by the most stately beauty; and the sonnet "On His eminent physicians who have experi-Blindness "-beginning, "When I con- mented and studied the human system,

Could not the farmer learn a lesson from these professional men in his work? Instead of blindly condemning "book farming," read everything of value to his work and practice such as may be found by discrimination to be of practical worth in work upon the farm.

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of stock at this season of the year, Farmers would do well to imitate them somewhat and look into their affairs at the beginning of the year and see whether the past year has been prosperous or otherwise.

It was rather strong language that a member of the American Pomological Society used at its recent session when he characterized the practice of pruning fruit trees as carried on as "constant butchering"; but there was much truth in the remark.

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AT HOME.

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THURSDAY, DEC. 24.-Icemen on the Kennebec are rejolding at the prospect of the ice leaving the river. They hope for a better formation ..... The Provincetown fishing fleet closes a very successful season .... The late Senat r Plumb is committed to the earth at Emporia, Kan..... Our government is making preparation for war. .... A disaster on the New York Central; sleep-

ing cars telescoped at Hastings; eleven lose their lives and others injured. Carelessness of a brakeman the cause .. Booth, who fired at Dr. John Hall, found insane . A \$225, 00 fire at Chicago. .. The Nebraska Distillery, Nebraska City, burned ... Tae Indiana miners' strike declared

FRIDAY, DEC. 25 .- Sawtell, the murderer, in a dying condition ... Wait Whitman shows a slight im provement .... Heavy snowstorm prevalling in Minnesota..... A building shattered by a natural gas explosion at Pittsburgh, Pa.; six are

" off."-and the miners go to work at once.

SATURDAY, DEC. 26.-Sawtell, the murderer, dies at the Concord prison . A crank arrested for threatening the murder of Mr. George W. Childs in the Philadelphia Ledger office ..... ship San Francisco puts to sea from San Fran-

N gro there is likely to be a race war at Lees- publics. burg, Fla..... Three cars derailed at Bear Creek, 75 miles east of Kansas City yesterday. Many were injured ..... The woman's Eastern Mich. Insane Asylum at Pontiac has been burned; 500 women turned loose, and suffering from the cold. ... A large building on Federal St., this city,

was burned last night. It was occupied by boot and shoe jobbers. The total loss is about \$600,000. ... United States soldiers at Fort Niagara caught smugsling Chinamen into this country. ... Chattanooga, Tenn., visited by disastrous

fuesday, DEC. 29 .- The entire system of the San Antonio and Arkansas Pass Railway tied up by a strike ..... The American Forestry Associaio meets in Washington, D. C.....Sec. Foster in toors ..... The Tilden will again in litigation.

#### ABROAD.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 23 .- The steamship Abyssinia burned at sea in lat. 49 north, long. 29 west. Ad on board were saved .... The new Quebec min-Boucherville is premier and president of the council ..... Thirty-five men have perished in a snows orm in Italy .... The Provincial Insane Asylum at Sleswick has been burned. Several of the inmates perished in the flames.... By an explosion of gunpowder in South Africa 6) persons are killed and 170 wounded It is said that 12,000 persons are in a starving condition in the north of Finland ..... Dr. Peters, the German explorer, is accuse I of murdering many of the natives ..... An explosion of dynamice in a sugger at a dock in Antwire destroys entirely the vessel and several

garia's observance of the convention netween France and Bulgaria ..... The king of Sweden is suffering from a severe type of influenza.....Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Morley are unanimously electet members of the British Club at Biarritz, thus reversing the first vote by which the club refused to extend its courtesy to the two great E iglish-... The present English fog is the worst known.

FRIDAY, DEC. 25 .- The Scotch Land Court reduces remis in nearly all cases The English tog rolling away ... Lord Hartington inherits his father's garter and retains the leadersnip of the dissidents, Joseph Chamberiain becoming g vernment leader in the Commons ..... England throws her influence with France in the matter of Bulgaria .... A fearful state of affairs to a Russian prison overcrowded with inmates sick with typhus. SATURDAY, DEC. 26 .- Admiral Jorge Montt is

ing of starvation.

MONDAY, DEC. 28 .- Nine chil iren perish in a theater panic in Gateshead Eng. ... Heavy gales are reported in mid-ocean.

fuesday, DEC. 29.—Prince George of Wales was allowed to leave his bedroom for the first time yesterday since he was taken ill with typhoid fever ..... A French steamer, engaged in the oyster business, wrecked; eleven were drowned .... The British troops make fur her advances in Pa- tities of which are drank throughout the mir, capturing a fort.....Gen. Booth is holding country, and the granting of the petitions was very successful meetings in Madras.

The Senate in executive session has confirmed the nemination of Stephen B. Elkins to be Secretary of War; also of E. H. Neveker of Indiana to be Treasurer of the United States; William E. Simonds of Connect cut to be Commissioner of Patents; J. C. Legare, refiner of the United States mint at New Orleans. Several postmasters and other appointees have been confirmed. Speaker Crisp announced to the House the committees. He has had a task of unusual difficulty, party from the fact that so many of the House are new members and partly because of the factional difference growing out of the defeat of Mr. Mills. Mr. Springer of Illinois is chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means, a committee on which he has not before served. Mr. Bland is chairman of the Committee on Coloage, Weights, and Measures. Mr. Bland stands for the opposite of sound 34; Eph. 1: 15-23. carrency. In this committee of thirteen there are four sound money men. Other chairmen of committees are, Holman on Appropriations, Culberson on Judiciary, O'Farrell on Elections, Mills on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, Blount on Foreign Affairs, Hatch on Agriculture, Herbert on Naval Affairs, Henderson on Post-offices and Post Roads, Peel on Indian Affairs, Blanchard on River and Harbors, Andrew on Reform in Civil Service, Bacon on Banking and Currency, Outh- 5; Joel 2: 28-32; Matt. 5: 10-12; John 4: 35waite on Military Affairs, Fowler on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, Page on Manufactories, Riley on Pacific Railroads, McRae on Public Lands, Cowles on Mines and Mining, Blankhead on Public Buildings and Grounds, Washington on Territories, Catchings on Railways and Canals, Robertson on Levees and Improvements of Mississippi River, Hayes on Education, Tarsney on Labor, Lane on Militia, Tillman on Patents, Martin on Invalid Pensions, Wilson on Pensions. Besides tiere are a quarter of a hundred committees with their chairmen, the most of which are less i nportant. Both branches adjourned from Dec. 3 to Jan. 5.

BRIEFS.

It is to be hoped that the French republic in pulling Russian chestnusts out of the fire may not scatter sparks that will set the continent of Europe on fire.

It is now said that the Nicaragua Canal bids fair to become a success, that such men as Mr. George M. Pullman and other men of large capital are to take hold of the enterprise.

Nine hundred and forty-four vessels, aggregating 218,000 tons, were built on the Atlantic seaboard of the United States last year, and allowing for losses by wrecks and sales to foreigners, the American merchant marine showed an increase of 260 000 tons, of which 60,000 tons was in ships engaged in foreign

One of the fortunate things of this year is the discovery of a coal mine near the Straits of Magellan. All the steamers which passed through the Straits have had to coal there. Hitherto this coal has been brought thither from Wales. This new mine, however, is sald to show coal of fair quality for steaming and in sufficient quantities to meet the needs of the traffic.

The trustees of the Slater fund have decided to reduce the number of educational institutions in the South which they help, from forty or fifty to about a dozen. By concentrating on a few of the strongest it is thought that more can be accomplished than by bestowing benefactions on the larger number. Doubtless learn of the decision with something like a message of doom.

While Europe has suffered by severe storms and partial crops and Asia has been visited by a fearful natural commotion, the New World has been mainly fortunate the past year. The Argentine Republic has had the same experience as the United States in the matter of heavy harvests, the value of the crops exceed-Blaine dines with Senor Montt of Chili ..... Flag ing that of last year by nearly 15 per cent. Similar experiences throughout South America ought to put an end for the present, at least, MONDAY, DEC. 28 .- Owing to a murder by a to the political troubles among those new re-

Tolstoy opposes the plan of the Russian government in employing the peasants, who are suffering from starvation, on certain needed branches of railroad which it is proposed to build. His opposition is, that the completion of such roads would deprive the peasants of their only occupation in winter of acting as carriers, by which they earn sufficient to procure food for themselves and their horses. fire; loss \$600,000 ..... A fire at Reading, Pa.; loss, They may suffer some in the change, but, like \$125,000.....Ice left the Penobscot River last the introduction of machinery, the country will be benefited in the end.

On Saturday, amid great rejoicing Admiral Jorge Montt, was inaugurated president of the Chillan republic at Santiago. Sixty thoui proves slowly; he is still compelled to remain sand Chillans witnessed the spectacle, but there were only 1,000 soldiers to preserve order. All the foreign ministers were present except the representative of the United States, Mr. Egan. His absence caused much comment in diplomatic circles. If his absence had any real significance, it was counterbalistry was sworn in on Monday night last. De anced by Senor Montt's dinner in honor of the inauguration at Washington, at which Mr. Blaine was the principal guest.

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology under President F. A. Walker is in a very flourishing condition. The total number of students now attending the school is 1,011; last year it was 937. This is the first year the attendance has gone over 1,000. The results of the entrance examinations held in June PECRSDAY, DEC. 24.—The Paraellites win a dition, 51 with two conditions, 32 with three tribution to American history. decisive victory in Waterford city .... The Rus- | conditions, and 8 with more than three conditute. Five hundred and sixty-five of the stu- kindergarten, in the form of a "Mother dents come from Massachusetts. There are Goose" Calendar. The good old lady is se n 26 women in the school, of whom five are col- surrounded by the many children of her lege graduates.

The Russian people and the Russian government are on trial during this time of destitution. In the famine-stricken provinces there is a great failing off of revenues, as might be expected. The repressions of outlawry are merciless; the civil authorities on the merest pretext summon the military with the intention of overawing the people. It is said the rich merchants of St. Petersburg refuse to subscribe anything for the relief of their suffering countrymen, and that they are making use of the misfortunes of others to enrich themselves. It is further said that corruption among the officeholders is widespread. Many inaugurated president of Chili ..... The people of town officials refuse to enroll starving peastoe State of Dura 190, Mext 10, are said to be dy- ants on the relief list unless they first receive a bribe of ten copecks for every pood of rye given. The dram shops are open, and petitions that they be closed, and that the sale of vodka, the national drink, be forbidden, have availed nothing. During the fiscal year of 1891 the taxes on spirits in Russia amounted to 259,480.880 roubles. A great part of this reve. nue was derived from vodka, enormous quanrefused on the ground that, by forbidding the sale of vodka, the revenue would be reduced to too great an extent. A civilization and government that allows such things, unless there is a change for the better, will be found wanting.

The Week of Prayer.

by the Evangelical Alliance for the United States are as follows:

Sunday, Jan. 3-Sermons: "I will pour water upon him that is thirsty."-Isa. 44: 1-5. "The unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace."-Epb. 4: 3.

January 4-Confession and Thanksgiving: For the nation, community, church, family, and the individual. Ps. 51; Dau. 9: 3-19; Ps.

January 5-The Church Universal. John. 17; Eph. 4: 1-16; Acts 2: 1-22. January 6-The Family and the Young. Ps.

128; Col. 3: 16-25; Isa. 44: 1-4. January 7-Nations and Their Rulers. Ps. 67; Rom. 13: 1-7; Isa. 2: 4; Rev. 21: 1-5; Rev. 22: 1-4; Rev. 11: 15-17.

January 8-The Church Abroad. Isa.40: 1-

January 9-The Church at Home. Isa. 65: 17-25; Matt. 10: 5-13; Luke 24: 46, 47. January 10-Sermons: "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."-Matt. 28: 20. "That they all may be one."-John 17: 21.

The announcement is made that Rudyard Kipling will shortly be wedded to the sister of the American novelist, Walcott Balestier.

Queen Victoria is no longer the royal reclus of old, for her majesty has completely emerged from her former solitude, and very fre quently visits the neighbors of her different

Secretary Elkins has a large family to house in Washington. He has six children with him

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ter, who is married, that makes long visits with her parents.

Norway is about to start a state department of foreign affairs at Christiana absolutely separate and distinct from that of Sweden at Stockholm. The chief of the new department is to be young Igurd Ibsen, the son of the famous dramatist and author of that name.

One of the cultivated people who make up the American colony in Florence, Italy, is Dr. | monthly. World Building, New York). These Francis William Loring, who is now visiting this is wise, but those smaller institutions will in this country. Dr. Loring is an artist of Continental repute. He was a Major in the Federal army, and aide-de-camp to Gen. Emory during the Red River expedition, but afterward transformed his sword into a mahl-

THE RELIGIOUS WORLD.

NEW ENGLAND .- Tae Andover House at 6 Rollins St. is now being furnished for its uses for the home and work of those who are to be resident workers.

FOREIGN.—The pope delivered an address at the annual reception of the Sacred College last week. He complained that bodies of workmen had been stopped from visiting him, claimed that they were not agitators, and said that the word of the pope had been the word of peace, sweetness, and charity. -- The French government has taken prompt action regarding the presence of a number of Jesuit teachers in the secondary schools of this city. In all cases the directors of the schools have been notified that the Jesuits must leave, and that unless this order is instantly complied with the schools will be closed.

Literary Notes.

-The New England Farmer concluded the seventieth year of its existence last week. -The Century Co. is about to publish, in

cheap tract form, the editorials on "Cheap-Money Experiments" which have been appearing in The Century. -For a number of years past the proprie-

tors of the Ames Plow Works at North Easton, Mass., have been sending St. Nicholas to the children of their operatives. It is said that the results have amply justified the expenditure. -It is a matter of curlous interest why William Morris and other artists advocate So-

cialism. Walter Crane, the well-known Englishman, will have an article in the January Atlantic Monthly answering the query Why Socialism appeals to Artists. -Mr. John Fiske's work on "The Discovery of America" will be published early in

1892. It has involved a vast amount of reand September show that 87 applicants were search, and Mr. Fiske is reported to regard admitted without conditions, 87 with one con- these two volumes as his most important con--Messrs. L. Prang & Co. offer a hollday decisive victory in Waterford city .... The Rus-sian Government has decided to support France tions. Of these, 53 did not come to the insti-tions. Of these, 53 did not come to the insti-kindergarten, in the form of a "Mother cleaning the teeth, Rubifoam may be mentioned. It is

fancy, "Little Boy Blue," "Little Bo peep," and all the rest, dressed in charming colored costumes made in the London Walter Crane injurious ingredients. Rubifoam has been subjected fashion by Miss Laura C. Hills. -D. C. Heath & Co., Boston, will soon is-

sue the first four books of Dichtung und Wahrheit, edited expressly for them, with iutroduction and notes by Prof. C. A. Buchheim, editor of the Clarendon Press Series of German Classics. The edition will be especially adapted for pupils preparing for entrance to colleges, offering an advanced requirement in German, but will also have in view the numerous colleges that devote a portion of their time to the reading of Goethe's prose.

-Silver, Burdett & Company, Publishers, 6 Hancock Avenue, Boston, Mass., announce for early publication a 500-page volume of "Studies in Ethics and Religion; or Discourses. Essays, and Reviews Pertaining to Theism, Inspiration, Christian Ethics, and Education for the Ministry," by Rev. Alvah Hovey. D. D., LL. D., President of the Newton Theological Institution. The discussion of these topics is timely, and coming as it does from the pen of one of our most vigorous thinkers the book cannot fail to attract wide

-The Leader, established by Jean White in 1875, and heretofore issued in newspaper form, will hereafter appear as a magazine. It is published on first-class paper, and is to be a first-class publication. The December issue is a souvenir number, of 32 pages, containing a fine portrait of Jean White and a beautiful colored engraving, entitled "Christmas Car-The topics suggested for the Week of Prayer ol," which has been specially drawn for this number. Choice literary and editorial matter, 8 or 10 pages of new music, including "The Leader Grand March," etc., are found in the number. The publisher is Jean White, Bos-

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will receive attention next week.

Rev. A. B. Earle the evangelist is sick with pneumonia.

The recent fair in aid of the Home for Aged Couples netted \$3.560 to that institution. Rev. F. E. Clark, D.D., is to make a missionary trip of the world in the interests of the Society of Christian Endeavor.

Oulte a number of the Protestant churches held services on Christmas Day. The theaters all gave two entertainments.

Religious services on Sunday evening are to held this winter in the new Columbia Rev. Hugh Montgomery of Woburn says

that "nearly ninety per cent of the drunkards of this Commonwealth are of the Roman Catholic faith. General Armstrong, President of the Hamp-

ton (Va.) Institute, who has been confined to his room at the Parker House for the past few weeks as the result of a paralytic shock, is gradually regaining his strength. The Journal says, and the police records

confirm, that the amount of drunkenness upon the streets Christmas Eve was something almost unprecedented. But high license is a beautiful regulator of the liquor traffic, Mr. Journal! The Trinity M. E. church of Charlestown

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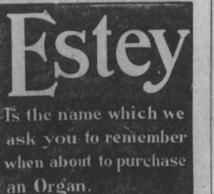
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