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### COMMUNICATIONS.

*Bro. West:* I have just received a letter from brother J. B. Hartwell, missionary to the Chinese of San Francisco. He thinks his labors there have been blessed. The Chinese Baptist church has a membership of twelve—four have been received and baptized recently, one of whom was a Chinese woman. Bro. H. has a night school, and the regular attendance is between sixty and seventy-five. Mrs. Guiney, a devoted Christian woman, assists him in teaching the night school; but he has not the means to keep her employed for the year. He has four Bible classes, two prayer meetings, and two preaching services each week, besides regular Sunday-school exercises every Sunday. He is only paying Mrs. Guiney \$15.00 per month for her services; she ought to be better paid. It is probable that not one-tenth of the population of San Francisco are regular attendants on the public worship of Christians. Those who have experienced the benefits and enjoyed the blessings which spring from attending regular religious exercises, should try to aid Bro. Hartwell in his work. *Bertrand Zachry, Opelika, Ala., April 23.*

*Mr. Editor:* Permitting me to acknowledge, through the columns of your valuable paper, the reception of the following donation from Alabama, as the first fruits of my appeal published in your issue of April 7th. Our grateful prayers have gone up to the Father of Mercies for his blessing upon the donors; and we believe they will realize the fulfillment of the promise made to those who have "pity on the poor." Do not others of the Baptists of Alabama desire to share in those blessing by answering to our Macedonian cry? Who will be the next to respond?

Mrs. Nancy J. Ulmer, Pleasant Hill, \$1.00; "Lord's Agent," Northport, \$1.00; Mrs. John Dairs, Columbia, \$1.00; Miss E. T. Oliver, Marion, \$1.00; Mrs. J. Peterson, Marion, 50 cents; Miss L. Griggs, Marion, 50 cents; Miss L. Neilson, Marion, 50 cents; Miss C. Stewart, Marion, 50 cents; Miss G. L. Daniel, Marion, \$1.00; Friends in Talladega, collected by Miss Ella Henderson, \$5.00.  
Mrs. N. A. Bailey, Micanopy, Fla., May 3.

*Mr. Editor:* Thinking that you'd like to hear something from the Baptists of this portion of the State, I write you. As is the custom of our church, on Saturday before the third Sabbath in March, an election for officers of the Sabbath school for the ensuing year was held, resulting as follows: E. G. Robertson, Superintendent; J. F. Graham, Assistant; Misses Jessie Allen and Lulu Williams, organists; Joshua Draper, Jr., Secretary and Treasurer.

In 1880 we had ten classes. Average attendance of school 74. In 1881 we have fifteen classes. Average attendance from March to date 123.  
Considering the numbers of our church membership, and the young and old persons under Baptist influence, we ought to have a school of 250 every Sabbath. "Can't get ready" to go to Sabbath-school at 9 o'clock is a very poor excuse. They are simply too lazy, as you used to hear it when you were a boy. It may be ignorance with some, though don't say that; guess it is the old-fashioned laziness. Churches and Sabbath-schools exert influences to improve society, and surely parents who care for the morals of their children, and young ladies who think properly of their characters, ought to engage in the services of the church and Sabbath-schools. Young ladies can control society if they will. I hope that our people throughout the State may be aroused to a full appreciation of individual responsibility, and go to work. *Oxford, Ala., May 7.*

### The Book of Revelation.

Dear Brother: Assuming that you are in favor of investigating every portion of the inspired Scriptures, I take the liberty to send you an article upon that much neglected part—the Book of Revelation. Generally speaking, great care is taken to preserve the last words of celebrated men, but there is a grand exception with relation to the last words of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The Book of Revelation contains his last words to us! Shall we longer neglect them? Hear what he says concerning them: "Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand."—Rev. 1:3. "And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand."—Rev. 22:10. Has the people generally do read these sayings or words by neglecting them. Do the people understand but little about this book? That is the question.

### Marrage of Mr. Spurgeon's Son.

A marriage of an interesting character, although remarkably unpretending in its surroundings, was celebrated at the Congregational church, South Norwood, on Monday morning last. We refer to the union of Rev. Charles Spurgeon to Miss Sarah Anne Jacob, the daughter of a resident of South Norwood. So closely had the secret been kept, and so quietly had all the arrangements been made, that only some twenty persons were present on the occasion, those including Mr. C. H. and Mrs. Spurgeon, the minister of the church (Rev. J. Anderson) and Mrs. Anderson, and some few others.

### The Work that Lasts.

Brothers live to-day in the Free Kirk of Christ, Frank is offering homes to the poor and Howard's hand is full purging the streets. John Bunyan helps me towards heaven every day; William Cowper sings in prayer meeting continually. "There's a heaven filled with blood," Charles Hodge sings every Sabbath to scores of Americans. Their work do follow them. Their work will outlast the pyramids. Not only the noble deeds of these conspicuous men and benefactors will endure, but every good word and every good act of every Christian, even the humblest and obscure, will link itself with Almighty God, and "abide forever." Brethren and sisters, this is the sun and substance of religion: it is just the doing of God's will. Not my will or yours, but the will of God who created and redeemed us. While we are doing this every day, we are building up solid men on which our eternal hopes rest. No strain of temptation, or over-riding of duty, can ever break them. Death will not disturb them. God will give us them. "The death which is life forever."—*Rev. Taylor, in The Watchman.*

### Backsliding.

The sin of backsliding is an awful sin. It figures so prominently in the Word that, turning to a Bible text-book recently, I was startled almost to see the large number of cases recorded, and the maledictions pronounced upon it. Then, too, in studying the narratives of backsliding in the Bible, I discover this, that men often break just where they seemed strongest. For instance, Noah was a sinner; yet Noah lies on his back drunk; Moses is the synonym of meekness and patience; Moses grows enraged, and smites the rock too often. Solomon is the synonym of wisdom; yet he plays the fool with women and with his wine cup. John is the representative of love; and John it was that asked Christ to bring down a shower of fire on the little Samaritan village. Peter is the brave, heroic disciple; but Peter turns coward at the sneer of a servant girl. All these men broke where they thought themselves strong. Christians sometimes do the same thing. Where they think themselves strong the enemy breaks through. All these men I have spoken of were restored. I hope poor old Solomon was. I think he must have written the book of Ecclesiastes after he was restored. But for this restoration the Master goes out on errands of kindness, as the father sent the man to California to seek his son, almost as one would go to a morgue to see if a certain one were alive or dead. It must have been hard for Christ to go out after such lost, sinning children as he did, but he still does it. He goes straight after them and restores them; and if backsliding is a terrible thing, it is a glorious thing when it is a backslider's restorer in Christ.

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A LIBERAL PROPOSITION.

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A RELIGION WHICH WILL SUBSERVE SELFISHNESS.

Many hesitate, delay in accepting any religion in the hope of finding one eventually which will suit them by its pliability. The Pharisees asked Christ "when the kingdom of God should come."

How faithfully this pictures the feeling of many now. A religion which will subserve selfishness is eagerly sought after. If it will lift to places of power it is acceptable. Anything but a kingdom which will make subject will be gladly received.

Rev. Gordon Myratt is improving slowly, and hopes are entertained of his final recovery. We are glad to hear it, and trust that the hopes may be realized.

Does any kingdom established by God on earth come by observation, or with outward show? Witness the vegetable world. How quiet, unobserved, unknown and unappreciated are its workings...

like the kingdom of God in the heart of man, quiet, slow of growth, yet sure and wonderful. We hear the sound of the wind as it blows in gentle zephyrs and in the angry gales of winter. Yet what know we of it? "Ye hear it, yet wist not whence it cometh nor whither it goeth."

There are three points in the Christian life. First, we shall show, by works, the faith and power within us. If seed is in the ground it will spring up, in spite of opposition.

FIELD NOTES.

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misinformed with reference to us. No information has befallen us. But we are none the less obliged to you for your prayers and expression of sympathy.

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Rev. J. J. D. Renfro, pastor of the First Baptist church of Eufaula, will preach the commencement sermon for the Grange Male and Female college at Cuthbert, Ga.

Rev. J. M. Curry, D.D., one of the ablest divines and orators in the South, filled the pulpit of the Baptist church in this city, and preached a most excellent sermon last Sunday night.

Bro. Bruner is doing a grand work by scattering like forest leaves our sound dominical literature. We will cross Yellow River this morning and go east six miles to Ebenezer church, which is also pastoral.

Rev. Charles P. Fountain. Recently, the Baptist church at Selma for two weeks enjoyed the rare preaching of the Gospel in its simplicity and great power by Rev. Charles P. Fountain.

He is on a level with his audience mindful only of his message and of his hearers. There are no abstractions, no theories. One sees that what is said springs naturally out of his subject, and is surprised that the thought has not occurred before.

Bro. Wat. After about ten days and nights travel among the churches, Bro. J. F. Bruner and myself have landed at this most beautiful and somewhat historic place.

On the Wing. Yesterday and last night we preached to good congregations at old Yellow River church, one mile from this place.

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Doctrinal Notes.

BY E. B. T.

"The New" and "Everlasting Covenant."

I. These words relate to the covenant entered into between God and the believer, when he accepts the Salvation of the Gospel. It was entered into from everlasting by the Son, our Covenant Head, for us who believe, as appointed to be saved.

II. The covenant with Abraham was two-fold; it related, first, to a spiritual inheritance; secondly, to a natural inheritance; to the countlessness of his spiritual posterity, and of his natural posterity.

III. His people were given to Christ from everlasting. And God's purpose of mercy to them, with the overflowing to others, is the fountain of all mercy and grace to the sons of men.

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chosen, —I have sworn, unto David my servant, Thy seed will I establish forever, and build up thy throne to all generations." —Ps. 132:11. Also, "I will make him my first-born, —higher than the kings of the earth. My mercy will I keep for him forever, and my covenant shall stand fast with him." —Ps. 89:27, 28, 34-36.

The rain wrought by the locusts which God has sent as scourges, is thus described by the Prophet Joel: "The land is as the garden of Eden before them, and behind them a desolate wilderness."

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The district meeting of West Liberty Association will meet with Mt. Pisgah church on Friday before the 31st Sabbath in May. We would be glad to have a full attendance.

Resolutions.

Whereas, Rev. W. C. Echols has severed his connection with Concord Baptist church, Jefferson county, to move West; therefore be it Resolved, That, in the disconnection of Bro. Echols from the church, his loss is an efficient member, and the neighborhood a good citizen.

Ordination.

In compliance with a call made by the Friendship Baptist church of the Cahaba Association, a presbytery consisting of Revs. J. M. Langston, O. J. Cottingham and Wm. L. Cochran, met on the 3rd Sabbath in March, 1881, for the purpose of ordaining Bro. Samuel M. Adams to the full work of the Gospel ministry.

There can be no insect more harmful than the "thirteen year locusts." They do not eat at all after they get above ground, at least that is the opinion of us back-woods men; and yet they have sharp teeth!

Ordination Services.

Ten o'clock last Sunday morning, May 8, was the time appointed for the ordination of two of our brethren to the deaconship of Pinella Baptist church. A presbytery, consisting of brethren P. C. Drew, T. L. Vaughan, and J. R. Gyalgany, were present to officiate.

To Those Who Wish to Reconvert.

Those who wish to reconvert, should be informed by Rev. W. K. Geisler, of this place, who has been in correspondence with Jas. R. Ogden, Knoxville, Tenn., that the East Tennessee, Virginia, and Georgia Railroad Company, will place round trip excursion tickets at low rate at Montgomery, Selma, Cahaba, and other important points, as an inducement to Alabamians to spend their holidays, vacations, &c., in East Tennessee and Southern and Western Virginia.

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OUR LETTER BOX.

Southern Baptist Convention.

S. MOORE, Forest Home. Many thanks for the money and subscribers. A. A. SIMS: You have our hearty thanks for remittance and subscribers.

Baptist News.

Rev. T. M. Westrup will succeed the murdered brother as missionary to Mexico. The Southern Baptist Convention will hold its next session at Greenville, S. C. It will begin on Wednesday instead of Thursday as heretofore.

The Georgia instrument was unveiled at Wood's by a large number of people. The granite base of the monument were built by a joint contribution of the thirteen old States and Tennessee. The bronze statue of Morgan, on top, was contributed by Congress, and made by Ward.

Churches and Sunday Schools.

I will furnish my Sunday-school registers, Family Bibles, Hyman books or any respectable book published on this planet, at publishers' prices. Wanted, men to sell books by subscription.

Alabama News.

Hay sells for \$40 per ton in Jacksonville. The Marengo grand jury found \$9 true bills. Two ice factories are constantly running in Selma.

Obituary.

Died, near Plantersville, March 10th, Mr. B. D. B. ... Died, near Plantersville, March 10th, Mr. B. D. B. ...

Literary Notices.

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Obituary (continued).

Mr. Alfred Shorter, the founder and builder of Shorter College, Rome, Ga. He died at the residence of his daughter Mrs. S. W. Shorter, Rome, Ga., on the 12th inst.

Obituary (continued).

Mrs. Bettie Park Love. All that the grave can claim of Bettie Park Love is that she was and she died, on the 13th inst. at her home in Selma, Ala.

General News.

Several hundred immigrants arrived in Baltimore, Friday, from Bremen and Liverpool. Last week a fire destroyed the Niagara Fall's paper mill, situated on Goara Island. Loss, \$200,000; insurance, about \$50,000.

General News (continued).

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CARLYLE.

His Pithy Sayings—Extracts from His Works. FAIR DAY'S WAGES FOR A FAIR DAY'S WORK. Fair day's wages for a fair day's work! Alas! in what corner of this planet, since Adam awoke on it, was that ever realized!

NEVER RID OF IT.

Always there is a black spot in our sunshine; it is the Shadow of Ourselves. THE SILENT MEN. The noble silent men scattered here and there, whom no morning newspaper makes mention of!

PEOPLE TO BE AFRAID OF.

For empires or individuals there is but one class of men to tremble at, and that is the Stupid Class, the class that cannot see, who, alas, are mainly those who will not see.

THE LAUGHTER OF MEN.

Some men wear an ever-lasting barren simper; in the smile of others lies a cold glitter as of ice; the fewest are able to laugh with wit that can be called laughing, but only snuff and titter and snigger from the throat onwards, or at best produce some whiffling husky saccination, as if they were laughing through wool—of none such comes good.

It came there. It is reckoned to be the best prose accordingly that has been written by any modern. POETRY. Poetry lives in a snow-clad sulphurous loveland, and not in sunny, snowing France; douches under an arbitrary Eilatshah, and dies out under a constitutional Czarist. Phillip II has his Cervantes and in prison; Washington and Jackson have only their Coopers and Browns. Why did poetry appear so brightly after Thermopylae and Salamis and quite turn her face and wings away from those at Lexington and Bunker Hill?

TRUE FAME AND FALSE FAME. The heavenly luminary rises amid vapors; star-gazers never meet scan it with critical telescope; it makes no blazing, the world can either look at or forbear looking at; not until after a time and times does its celestial, eternal nature become indubitable. Pleasant, on the other hand, is the blazing of a Tar-barrel; the crowd dance merrily round it, with loud huzzing, universal three-times-three; but, unhappily, it soon ceases in darkness and foul, choking smoke.

RELIGION AND CREDITS. A man's religion consists not of the many things he is in doubt of and tries to believe, but of the few he is assured of and has no need of effort for believing. What is incredible to him, that shall not, at the soul's best attempt, be believed. Go to perdition, that must—but not with a fit in thy mouth.

MODERN PRISONS AND MODERN PHILANTHROPY. On the whole, what a beautiful establishment is here fitted up for the accommodation of the scoundrel-world, male and female. No Duke in England is, for all rational purposes which a human being can or ought to aim at, lodged, fed, tended, taken care of, with such perfection. Of poor craftsmen, that pay rates and taxes from their daily wages, of the live millions that toil and mool under the sun, we know what is the lodging and tending.

How to abate the jail-fever; but it seems to me he has been the innocent cause of a far more distressing fever which rages now—what we may call the benevolent-platform fever. Howard is to be regarded as the unlucky fountain of that tumultuous, frothy, ocean-side of benevolent sentimentality, 'abolition of punishment,' all absorbing 'prison discipline,' and general morbid sympathy, instead of hearty hatred, for the scoundrels.

Advice to Son.

Charles Dickens wrote to his son soon after entering Cambridge University: "Whatever you do, above all other things keep out of debt and confide in me. If you ever find yourself on the verge of any perplexity or difficulty, come to me. You will never find me hard with you while you are manly and truthful. As your brothers have gone away one by one, I have written to each of them what I am now going to write you. You know that you have never been hampered with religious forms of restraint, and that with mere unmeaning forms I have no sympathy. But I most strongly and affectionately impress upon you the priceless value of the New Testament, and the study of that book as the one unfailing guide in life. Deeply respecting it, and bowing down before the character of our Saviour as separated from the vain constructions and inventions of men, you cannot go very wrong, and will always preserve at heart a true spirit of veneration and humility. Similarly I impress upon you the habit of saying a Christian prayer every night and morning. These things have stood by me all through my life, and remember that I tried to render the New Testament intelligible to you and lovable by you when you were a mere baby."

What is Liberal Christianity?

We remember some years since, in a pleasant conversation with a genial clergyman of the Liberal persuasion, he has asked the question, 'Will the book recently published by Rev. Mr. give what its title implies, a reliable exposition of what is called Unitarianism or liberal Christianity?' The reply was substantially this: You will find the book to be a candid and fair statement of Unitarianism as Rev. Mr. understands it: but you must understand that no man is authorized to speak for us, it is every man for himself. We received the impression that it would be useless to read the book of this man or that man to find out wherein the liberalism consists. It seems to be to grant every man the privilege of believing or not believing what he pleases, provided he does not believe in original sin, the atonement, regeneration by the Holy Spirit, the Trinity, the divinity of Christ, the resurrection of the body, the inspiration of the Scriptures, at least in any such sense as these doctrines are understood in what are termed the orthodox churches.

We do not find fault that the liberalism is limited; for unrestricted liberalism is no liberalism. We do not feel alarmed that belief in these doctrines of the Bible is called wearing theological shackles; for this is no new thing under the sun. We are charged that orthodox preachers, as they are termed, do not believe what they preach. If this is true, it is a grievous fault. Still, we suggest that there is a precept worthy of recollection: 'Judge not, that ye be not judged.' But what puzzles us is, how a string of doctrinal negations is to unite and stir men to reform and uplift the world. We think the apostles, such as Paul, Peter and James, did not start out with a system of negations simply. Had they done so, they would not have made an impression upon the world. If Luther in Germany and John Knox in Scotland, had simply preached a system of don't-beliefs, possibly they would have shaken somewhat the hold of the papacy on the people for a time, but there would have been no uplifting of the people, no Reformation.

What great positive truths then does liberal Christianity press upon the mind and heart of the world more ably and effectively than others. Upon what platform of positive doctrine do its adherents stand united? It has done its eloquent preachers who have done good service in moral reform—those who have contributed to biblical criticism, so have others. It has had men of extended and refined culture; so have others. It may have contributed an influence to smooth off some of the rough edges and corners of doctrinal statements. But unless it has positive truth, yes, God's eternal truth to offer men, of what avail is it that flaws are detected here and there in the beliefs of others? Why pull down, if you do not have the materials to build a better edifice?—Christian Secretary.

much of the under part of the hoof, leaving too little of the soft part (the cushion) to protect the foot from bruising on frozen ground, rocks, etc. Worse and more ruinous still, when the hoof is thus pared off almost to the quick, is the practice of fitting a red-hot shoe by burning the hoof to a fit; and lastly, after nailing on a shoe by far too small for the foot, the shoe resting on the inner soft part of the hoof, instead of the outer hard part, where the strength of the foot lies, of cutting off beyond and outside of the shoe this very hard, outer, horny substance, and rasping it entirely away, without which the foot has no strength or can never be kept in its natural shape. The outside edge of an inch or less of this purely horny substance of the hoof is to the animal's foot its protection and main strength, and when this destroyed by careless inhumanity, or the want of common sense to do the work correctly, according to the true nature of the foot, should be a punishable and fineable offence by laws which should at once be enacted by every State in the Union; for, aside from the ruin and loss of thousands of horses and mules, humanity to the best demands that these butchering butchers should be made responsible for their ruinous acts.—Ex.

Ministerial Modesty.

Modesty shines in nowhere more beautifully than in the character of a minister. As an ambassador, he stands not for himself, but his Lord and he should ever keep his interest in front. A worthy representative of the Master does not need to proclaim himself; his excellency will shine forth as the sun, and the odor of his virtues become diffused like a precious incense, the fragrance filling the whole house. How unworthy a thing for him to attempt to impress the public with his ability, to preach himself rather than the Lord who sent him forth! The modest minister will not have much to say of himself or of his doings; they are in his view, too poor to be proclaimed on the house-top or in the newspaper. If he preaches a great sermon, or is blessed with an extensive revival, he is content on the matter till the work has been proved, and then no trumpets are needed. His works praise him in the grates. In all his modes of expression, too, he is self-oblivious. Cautious in giving forth his own experience, he recognizes the importance and excellency of those to whom he ministers. He never speaks of 'my people,' of 'my Church,' or 'my service.' His own life is merged in that of the flock; he is only one of 'our people,' only a servant in God's house.—Zion's Herald.

FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

Selling Small Things.

Many farmers scorn to deal in small things down on the farm, and often allow little things to go to waste which might be made a source of revenue. Our large cities and towns are generally supplied with vegetables by market gardeners, but the smaller villages do not furnish a market sufficiently large to justify one in engaging in the business exclusively; hence the residents of such places go without vegetable and fruit, except such as they raise themselves on small lots. As an illustration of how much can be made from small things, we give the following experience of a Pennsylvania farmer as related in the New York Times: Farmers neglect their home markets too much. Every country village may be made to furnish a market for a large quantity of fresh vegetables, milk, cream, butter and similar farm produce. I have even sold considerable early sweet corn and cabbages to neighboring farmers whose crops had not yet reached maturity for use. It is a well-known principle of business that supplies create demand. You show a person something which he never thought of before, and never knew he wanted it, and on sight he finds it is precisely what he needed. It is, in fact, the thing 'he long had sought, and mourned because he found it not,' without knowing exactly what it was. Human beings are full of just such undeveloped wants, and when these needs are supplied they come as a revelation to them. There are no markets so poorly supplied with luxuries as country markets. Let me give a little chapter in my own experience: When farming close to a village in Pennsylvania, I set out a strawberry bed, and planted a quantity of sweet corn and melons for my own use. These crops produced more than I needed, and I did not know what to do with the surplus. I procured a hand-cart, and employed a colored man to take this surplus to the village. I began with the strawberries; I sent out a hundred quart boxes with a good deal of doubt as to the result, expecting to have the most of them brought back. To my surprise, the cart was brought back empty in about an hour, and the man handed me ten dollars as the result of the venture, and wanted more berries, as the stock was exhausted before he had been half way through the village. All hands went to picking, another load was sent off and sold, and the man returned by noon. 'Boss,' said he, 'the folks want some cream; what's we to do about that?' 'Let them have some, Harry.' So I sent a can of fresh cream out, and it sold off at once at forty cents a quart. This was a new rick. Sweet corn was sent out when ready, and the farmers who were in town even bought it to take home. No one had enough sweet corn that year. The next year a much larger quantity of corn was put out early, and the villagers came out to the farm eagerly to get it, and the stock was soon exhausted.

Prevention of Diphtheria.

To prevent diphtheria, and so finally exterminate it, every man, woman and child, throughout our land and the world, should be brought to obey the laws of life and health. Parents should regularly feed, properly clothe, and duly restrain all children before they come to the years of understanding and accountability. This alone would do much. A late prominent physician of Paris estimated that 3,000 children had died in that city during the thirty years of his practice, and from short sleeves, short pants, and other kindred imprudence in the dressing of children. And I am fully convinced that as large a proportion are sacrificed, in towns at least, in this country, from the same cause—all for a wicked fashion. In and from careful observation, in this country and abroad, I am convinced that at least as many more are carried off by improper food, and irregularity in taking it; together with wholesome candies, and other unwholesome and indigestible trash, that ho child or other person should eat.—Edwin R. Matthews, M.D., L.L.D., in the Sanitarian, Feb. 1878.

Cheap Vinegar.

A friend has recently given me her method of making vinegar, which I like so well I thought some one else might like to try it. She said that last fall, being unable to buy her year's supply of cider for vinegar, she stewed some apple parings, and turned off the water added a little molasses, and set it in a jug beside the kitchen stove. While this was 'making' (five or six weeks), she procured another jug and turned into that anything that would make vinegar—cold tea, rainings of fruit cans and molasses cups, and occasionally a lump of sugar or spoonful of syrup. When it fell from the first jug, she placed a small jug in her pantry, which receives the ingredients first, and then the other. In this way she has had good sharp vinegar all nominal.

Shoeing Horses.

The shoeing of horses, as done by the larger portion of the smiths, is an outrage on humanity and common sense. Many smiths pare off the heels of a horse almost to the very quick, lowering the rear of the hoof so as to cause the animal to stand unnaturally on his feet, and causing the toe or front of the foot, when moving, to strike the ground before the heel touches, producing an unnatural strain on the rear tendons of the legs, and making him stumble. Besides, they cut out all of the frog of the feet, that ought to remain as a cushion from rock, mud, and as a key to keep them from slipping. Again, they pare off unnecessarily too

OUR PUZZLE CORNER.

Composed of 14 letters. My 10 12 8 is a part of a ship. My 7 8 9 8 5 is a vegetable. My 3 5 11 12 is religion. My 12 11 10 is the amount. My 7 6 5 12 11 10 is an animal. My whole is an animal. COUSIN KITTIE. Charade. My first is to fix in the mind; my second is what the Gypsies live in; my third is a boys' nickname; my whole is what we all must be to be happy. HENRIETTA. Reversals. 1. Reverse a bar of wood and have an untrusty person. 2. Reverse to seize, and have a curse. 3. Reverse a vehicle, and get an enclosure. 4. Reverse to break short, and get kitchen utensils. 5. Reverse to drive violently, and find a disfigure. 6. Reverse placed, and find a time-piece. COUSIN KITTIE. Diamond Puzzle. 1. A letter. 2. An animal. 3. An animal. 4. A plant. 5. A letter. PETER. ANSWERS TO LAST PUZZLES. ANAGRAMS—1. Teheran. 2. Candahar. 3. Hydrabad. CHARADE.—Penitent. WORD SQUARE.—FORMAL OPHITE RHYMES MIMICS ATECUE LESSEN HUMOR. A clergyman of color was expiating very earnestly his flock in Jacksonville, Florida, a few Sundays ago on the words of Paul to Timothy: 'Drink no longer water, but use a little wine for thy stomach's sake and thine often infirmities.' Now, my brethren, said this apostle of temperance, this longer water was had stuff. It got into the head and into the beels of young Brudder Timothy, and he did not behave himself like a Christian oughter, and Paul said Brudder Timothy must stop this right off, and not drink this longer water any mo', an if he must have something for his stomach and him debility, he might take a little wine."

Cooking Out Meal.

I want to tell you a goodly manner of cooking this wholesome and, if properly prepared, delectable article of food, feeling sure if they once get accustomed to it they will never want to return to the old-fashioned way. In the first place, be sure that you have a good quality of the meal, for there is a wide difference in kinds. Get that which is fresh—as when old it becomes bitter—and if possible that which is unmix with shorts or other kinds of flour. The coarser grades are usually the purest and best. For a quantity of five or six take two small cups of the meal, put it into a two-quart basin and mix with it a large even tablespoon-ful of salt; then pour on boiling water, stirring the meal as you do so, till within an inch and a quarter of the top of the basin. Set the basin on top of the stove, and stir enough to prevent the meal settling and sticking on the bottom. Let it remain on the stove five or ten minutes, or till the meal has become fully incorporated with the water, then set inside your steamer, which cover closely and keep the water under it boiling for an hour and a half or two hours, stirring up once in the time, then remove from the fire and carry to the table. It will be light and moist, but not sally, and every grain will be separate and swelled to its utmost extent. My favorite way of serving it is cold, with an abundance of good milk, and by good milk I mean milk with the cream stirred in and a little extra cream added. Eat like mush and milk. Try it and see if you do not pronounce it better than when cooked in the old-fashioned way of boiling in a kettle and stirring till done, as you have to do; keep it from setting and burning on the kettle, by which process it becomes, by the time it is ready to eat a sticky conglomeration, not appetizing to the sight or toothsome to the taste. Sometimes, if the meal be very fine or mixed with shorts or other flour, it will cook in lumps when the boiling water is poured on; in which case, wet first with a very little cold water, then fill up with the boiling; but the better grades of meal will not trouble in this way. This process is also good for cooking rice. It saves watching and stirring and makes it perfectly tender without breaking the kernels and cooking them into a mush.—Susan Busybee, in Country Gentleman.

A soldier once received twenty lashes well laid on. The culprit, instead of bowing when the corporal applied the lash, laughed immoderately, which made the officer lay on with greater force. On giving him the twentieth blow, the enraged corporal could stand it no longer. 'Well, here,' said he, 'I've done my duty, and I can whip you no more, but I'd just like to know what it is that's so funny?' 'Funny!' roared the other; 'why, it's too good! You've got the wrong Smith! I ain't the man that was to be whipped! It's the one in the other company! Now you'll have to do it all over again!'

The train had just emerged from a tunnel, and a vinegar-faced maiden of thirty-five summers remarked to her gentleman companion, 'Tunnels are such bores!'—which nobody can deny. But a young lady of about sweet eighteen, who sat in the seat immediately in front of the vinegar-parity, adjusted her hat, brushed her frizzes back, and said to the perfume young man beside her, 'I think tunnels are awfully nice.'

'Mother,' remarked a Duluth girl, 'I think Harry must be going to propose to me.' 'Why so, my daughter?' queried the old lad, laying down her spectacles, while her face beamed like the moon in its fourteenth night. 'Well, he asked me this evening if I wasn't tired of living with such a menagerie as you and dad.'—Brooklyn Eagle.

A story is told of the old gentleman who always took notes of his minister's sermons, and on one occasion read them to the minister himself. 'Stop, stop!' said he, at the occurrence of a certain sentence: 'I didn't say that.' 'I know you didn't,' was the reply: 'I put that in myself to make sense.'

'Mamma, where do the cows get the milk?' asked Willie, looking up from the foaming pan of milk which he had been intently regarding. 'Where do you get your tears?' was the answer. After a thoughtful silence he again broke out, 'Mamma, do the cows have to be spanked?'

Confidential friend to elderly spinster: 'So, dear, you've given up advocating women's rights?' Elderly spinster: 'Yes, I now go in for women's lefts. Confidential friend: 'Women's lefts! What's that?' Elderly spinster: 'Widowers, my dear.'

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DEAR LADY.—'What's his name?' Young lady.—'Augustus Tyler.' Dear lady.—'Bless me, what a name! But his Biler.' Eliza, you must be making fun of me.

'There's no place like home,' repeated Mr. Henpeck, looking at a motto; and he heartily added, 'I'm glad there isn't.'

A person who was recently called into court for the purpose of proving the competency of a doctor, a bill was asked by the lawyer whether the doctor did not make several visits. After the patient was out of danger. 'No,' replied the witness; 'I considered the patient in danger as long as the doctor continued his visits.'

Elder Traverser, who lately died in Buffalo, was once the most noted camp meeting leader in Eastern New York. Of splendid physique, he made short work of interrupters. Once a notorious rough 'Chicago Bull' interrupted the congregation, while singing, by crossing. 'Sit down Robert,' said Traverser. 'Chicago Bob sits down for no one,' cried the bully. 'Sit down, Robert,' once more said the Elder. Robert's reply was a movement to throw off his coat. One under the ear came deftly from the Elder, followed up by another, and another, and snide, and Chicago Bob retired unceremoniously. Next day he appeared among the regulars of the camp. 'Are you in camp, Robert?' inquired the Elder. 'I'm not in camp, I'm seeking for it,' said Robert. 'I'll help a man to get in his camp as quick as you'd get a law of a crowd to have it if I see my chance.' He crossed no more.

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