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Reading Room

My young brethren, if I should would be I Timothy 3: 15,"How thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God." Timothy was young preacher, and Paul, who had had long experience as a preacher among many people, wrote him two

But there are reasons why I will friends, and if you help to reprevails in some quarters that a preacher must stay somewhere doubt about whom Paul wanted to behave. Some think it ought to be, "How men ought to behave themselves." The new translation has it that way. May be it was left doubtful and go to hear him preach as often on purpose to give preachers a flexible as you can. I am sorry for the young text. You may find occasion to use this in both the ways suggested. If the people do not behave to your ers. If he is called the "big gun" of liking give them the new translation, "How men ought to behave." . If you have occasion to lecture the preachers, give them the old version, "How thou oughtest to behave thyself." And some of them need it. I assure you.

The brother who first mentioned that the Board would likely want me to address you, suggested that it be something of a "practical character." So my subject to-night will be, "Some practical suggestions to young preachers." What I shall say may seem very commonplace to you; indeed, it has seemed so to me; so much so that I have been on the point of -declining toaddress you altogether. But I have tried to be conscientious about it. On reflection I am persuaded that these are about the things I ought to have heard in my early min istry; it would have saved me much trouble.

If I descend to some very minute particulars, you will excuse me, I know, when you call to mind the many little things which Paul mentioned to Timothy. He told him how to treat preachers and old people, and young people and busybodies, and widows and slaves, and how he ought to pray and study, and how to take care of his health.

Talk About Preachers.

To begin, then, at the head of the list I will talk to you about preachers. They are your best friends to-day, and they will be your best friends to the end. When you get into trouble to them you will look to get you out, and they will do it-if you ought to be not out. They will advise you and criticise you, and when you need rebuke they will be the first to give it. knew it was the custom for the Keep them your friends. You will churches to pay their expenses at not find this hard to do. They are the best natured people in the world. But they are human, and can be driven from you.

you aid in, some weak members of the deal from agents and evangelists and church will whisper in your ear that your sermons are wonderfully taking; that this church has greatly suffered carried away. They are generally for that sort of preaching; that the about the best men you can find, and members are almost dying to call you for their pastor. Then he will add, in a very pious way: "The dear old preacher who draws himself into his the text: "The laborer is worthy of these things to me, but they were no man, but he can't preach; he is a faith- snaps and snarles at agents and trave the ox that treadeth out the corn;" or, this is the most important thing I will lovely man, but he don't visit; he is except to his association when it meets ple are ashamed of him."

My brethren, the devil has caught many a young preacher in that trap, and the member he uses is generally the least trustworthy, and may be has often been admonished by his old a church, if the church has been prop on Monday morning. He would have rise out of darkness and illuminate our churches, and the preachers are ready to "defend the faith once de- of truth, is come, he will guide you those we love. Communication by pastor whom he is now seeking to get erly instructed it will accompany the had a hard face to do that. How the world with its steady brilliancy, to blame for it. We must quit talking livered to the saints" on every street into all truth." Those having these mail or telegraph is meagre and unrid of. And many an old servant of call with a pledge as to the amount it could be dare to ask the churches to than to dazzle the world, like a me- about the distinctive features of our corner, while they leave the matter of advantages need not err, and as they satisfactory. Many of them have left God has been dislodged from a posi- will pay you. If it has not been in- support him. It has been a long teor, for a moment, and then go out denomination, and our having a "Thus spiritual growth in the back ground. are capable of being right, they are this world, and we long in vain to tion of great usefulness, where he structed on this point, then you should while since I have said anything to in blackness of darkness. If you will saith the Lord" for all of our practices, Or we may content ourselves to see criminal for being wrong. loved the people as his own children, modestly give the instruction. I say my church about ministerial support be content to give these years devot- or show the world a better mate- them active in running the machinery There is responsibility and crimi- heaven. Our religious affections find and where that love was reciprocated. modestly because this is one point you except in the most general way. Why? edly to your work, laying well the rial, a more godly membership than of the church, when there is no per-Then the young brother is astonished will have to guard most carefully. Because I have been doing just what foundation and gathering material, others. If we do not then we will be ceptible growth in likeness to Christ. ing those who were wrong in their ble world, but cry out for the living. to find that old preachers are sour, You may seem to make the money I tell you young preachers not to do. you may have no fears for the future arraigned as braggarts and blusterers. Don't make that sort of mistake. Be views and conduct in relation to God, God who dwells in "light which no and jealous, and suspicious, and not consideration the biggest point in the I haven't been giving them the time if everything else is right. Now the sure they are strong Christians first, that "they did not like to retain God man can approach unto." friendly towards young preachers, and contract, then you would be greatly which was due them. Fortunately most of us spend our first years trying | Preach about missions—get mission then let them be as strong Baptists as in their knowledge." Through their are not interested about ministerial injured in the estimation of the peoconstant of the pe side too; for fear of the people you the habit of paying has caused them the ministry; I have seen widowers a lost world. Sprinkle missions all the ministry; I have seen widowers and thus do a great wrong to the ministry. Look well to your own real source of religious error. The with the hammer church and to youself also. The time | year I am a little sorry they didn't | are a lucky set, or men of good tasts | of praying and giving for missions | heart.

cried because it hurt. That is why and then piously exclaim, "The Lord casionally during the year I preach a it a rule of your ministerial life not to through the churches which they faith but as I hear nothing from it, and nogive the least intimation that your ser- fully instruct as to their duty. I be- body slips a roll of greenbacks into vices can be had so long as the church lieve in predestination. I am very my hand, I conclude they put it down has a pastor. No matter what sort of certain it was predestined before the on the back-ration account. man he is, if he is there, the church foundation of the world that the put him there. If he is to be got out, preacher who does not instruct his sist at the ordination of some of your don't you take a hand in it. He and church shall not have a support.

make it hot for you.

When you go into another preach in the neighborhood of his text when er's field, do what you can to build he has one. Some of these days you him up with his people, don't tear him will know how hard that is to do. If down. If he is so bad a man you one is left free to go from Genesis to cannot honestly do this you had bet-Bevelations, to roam up and down in | ter not be there. If you find faultthe earth, and take in the islands of finders among his people give them no the sea, and take a flight among the encouragement to talk to you. If stars, if he likes, he can get on better, they persist, you had better have bussay more and talk longer, than if he iness somewhere else. I have known were bound down to the narrow limits | some good men who really weakened of a text. Then there is an objection the pastor when they visited his field ity, you will be humble enough I asto this particular text. There is some by encouraging these miserable soreheads among his flock.

Don't shun preachers who are more favored than yourself. If one can beat you preaching, thank God for it, preacher who hasn't ministerial associates who are his superiors as preach his section, and is made moderator of his association, he will waste about ten years of his life trying to keep up his reputation for bigness as a preacher. If a man is better educated than you are, is more polished and has a better place, cultivate him, and you will get great good to yourself.

Give Your People the Best.

Let your people hear the best preaching you can command. You needn't te afraid it will give them a distaste for your preaching. It will make you a better preacher, and your people will see it and be glad on your dren running from the orchard, one with a luscious peach, another with a mellow apple for mother. Mother sees that they remembered her and brought her the best. She loves them more for it and will make a better mother by it. So your people when they find you are thinking of them, the duty of supporting the ministry, and bringing them the choicest fruit you can find, will love you more and be better members. Just here, I would say, impress it upon your church to reward every preacher who visits them. You will find out two things: How little money preachers have, and how much of that little they give away. If their contributions were taken out of all that is given for to support the work, they preached benevolence it would greatly decrease the amount. Besides their gifts in money, they contribute time and labor outside their immediate fields, and often pay for the privilege. Poor preachers often remain at their homes from sheer poverty, when their hearts are burning to help carry forward the work, and they would be off if they least. The churches do not think about this. The pastors can easily change all this by just whispering in the ears of some good brother and re About the first protracted meeting | minding him of it. I have got a great missionaries and editors who visited my field. They left more than they any pastor can make their visits a Fancy one of these old brethren

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when he gets into it.

Calls to the Pasterate.

of fine feeling. Of course he did; he on the question of ministerial support, face to grumble much about it. Ocsome old brethren seem lukewarm to- will provide." He will provide, there sermon which seems to me to be dowards young preachers-they have is no doubt about that. But he is go ing all the good, and I secretly think been cruelly hit on the heart. Make ing to provide for his preachers its worth a thousand dollars to them,

the church for that. He may be a The duty of paying money for the the charge to you. If it should so letters telling him of the work of a poor preacher and a really bad man; support of the gospel and the spread happen one part of that charge will minister, its responsibilities and du it may seem a shame for him to be of the gospel, is as plainly taught in be, "My brother, don't become secucontinued as pastor, but he has his the Scriptures as the immersion of larized." Now, I am one of the sec

> Don't be afraid to teach either. The whole teaching of God you are to declare. As to how men will receive it, or how the preaching will affect you, you have nothing to do with that. Be sure you preach the truth. God will take care of the rest. Some people think that poverty promotes humility. An old brother is said to have prayed, "Lord keep our pastor humble; we will attend to the matter of keeping him poor." If poverty brings humilsure you, if you keep your mouth shut on the subject of ministerial

> > Give Value Received.

But there is another side to this money question. Be sure you give the people their money's worth. The time church. The time you spend on the road, the time you spend in visiting your people, and the time given to general denominational work, if you do not give so much as to rob your church, is all given to your church, and you should be paid for it. If you give all your time in this way then you have a right to demand a support from your church. But suppose you spend half your

time at some other business, in the farm or in the school room, or in loaf ing about the country, you would not have the conscience to quarrel if your church should fail to give you a full support. Keep an easy conscience about this-be sure you give valo mind to earn, by diligent work, all that is paid you, your support will not be uncertain. A great deal of complaint is made about the want of support by preachers when the fault often lies with them. They either did not instruct their church as to or they did not give the time the contract called for. Don't give half your time to other things and then whine about want of support. I honor the men who planted these churches and worked in the farm five days in the week. They did the best they could. In a new country where there were no churches, and no Mission Boards the gospel and God honored their la bors with abundant success. Unfortunately for them, and the churches, and for us they continued to preach for nothing after the churches were estab lished. If they had given up their farming and thrown themselves upon the churches, giving faithful instruction, the work would have moved grandly forward, and to-day there would have been no need of my saying a word to you upon this subject.

I hear these old saints complained at because they did not train the churches in the grace of giving. How five-sevenths of their time to their own private business? We say they were afraid to talk about money to their people; of course they were, and they ought to have been airaid.

he cries." He showed himself a boy is past for preachers to seal their lips make the pile bigger, but I haven't the

May be I will be called upon to as-And it may fall to my lot to deliver

Sometimes-and I would like to spin

out that word as long as possible, so as to make it very doubtful in your minds-sometimes, about one time in a thousand, it may become necessary for a preacher to supplement his meagre salary with some sort of business. But about nine hundred and ninetynine times the preacher is just mistaken, and if he will wait a little, and sacrifice a little, and study and pray a great deal, he will find a way out of the trouble, so that he can give all his time to the work to which he believes God has called him. Sometimes a move gets the preacher a support in a new field, and his old field supports a new man. This is a big world and the Lord has a great many churches, and I should certainly conclude the Master had another field spent in your study is given to your for me if I could not be supported where I was. Does somebody say, whies the church deader still, if pos-That means the poor churches shall not have preaching!" It means no such thing-for there are no two or three churches in Alabama which have any right to exist at all, that could not support a preacher if they would. If such churches can be found they either ought to disband or the State Mission Board ought to maintain them as mission stations.

We preach to the young people and tell them to watch the beginnings of evil. The first step is the most dan gerous. Novel reading, and dancing and profanity, and chewing, smoking, and drinking, and card-

received. When you make up your ning. We ought to preach some of this to ourselves. Here lies the greatest danger in a preacher's going into business. It will unfit him ever after for contented work in the ministry alone. They all begin the same way, "It's just for one year to bridge over a difficulty." He gets in that year, and spends the balance of his life trying to get out. If he does flounder out a year or two, the old habit flounders him back again. I am out this year-well, I hope I am out. When I am away from home I congratulate myself on being out, but when I get back home, it's hard to tell whether I am out or in.

And what of the preaching all theses years? It is necessarily superficial and the most unsatisfactory business a man ever did, if he has a conscience at all-and it is presumed that preachers generally have consciences.

Now it will be the easiest matter the world for you to call to mind preachers who are engaged in other business, who are to-day the most popular and useful preachers in all sufficient reply to this that subject by saying most emphatically, "I know I am right about it." Be-

I am going to say now to you what I great doubt about their fitness. I ought to have heard in my early

had better say, and get off pretty upon the hearts of your people. You t let your marrying interfere with important work of your earlier For more advice on this imsay I mean sermons, yes, sermons!

Your sermons you will continue to each as long as you live. But when he drops back on old material altother his studies stop and that calls people bout works to show forth going to the same excess of zeal. halt in every direction.

Develop Your Church.

Your great aim should be to I think, brethren, we are very much ied to neglect the last part of the mission. "Go ye, therefore, make ciples of all nations, baptizing them, hing them to observe all things tsoever I have commanded you." afraid that we are content, and that the Lord is smiling upon our lors, if we baptize a number every ner at the annual protracted ting. I have seen churches actuweakened by these yearly ingathgs. An inactive, dead church to fifty more added, who are to be as lifeless as the old members,

hese baptized disciples, if disci sat all, are only babes, and it is business to feed them; they are recruits for the army of your and it is yours to drill them. It your privilege to see to their growth men and women in Christ. It ald be your highest aim to see m veterans in the Lord's service church full of babies, from one old to fifty, would not be much An army filled with raw re its, never drilled, never disciplined. ng and going as if at their homes ald be only a plaything before the

Determine to see something more your church, to see some growth some advance. If you do not see it, after a patient effort, take it that the Lord has another flock for you to tend. If you will develop your church there is no danger but you will have people to baptize; they will have right ideas of church life, too; they will see all about them church members whose walk proves to them that church membership means something more than a mere form. They will be more likely to be converted people, too, because, added to your faithmen and women.

ful instruction, will be the instructions and prayers and examples of pious This craze for members has got wold of preachers sometimes. You know we Baptists insist upon a regenerated membership. That is the great difference between us and other people. But insisting on this keeps us from growing in members as fast as others, may be, and so some of our preachers are becoming about as loose in their notions as other denominatheir section, and you may think that Hons. And unfortunately our churches I are turning over the reception of have spoken. Let me dismiss the members, so far as judging their qualifications is concerned, to the preachers, and the preachers, I fear, are sides all the above it grieves our yielding to the demands of the churchcould they, when they were giving Lord and is contrary to his teaching, es to take them in when they are in have wished a thousand times some have a rule, which I expect to observe as long as I live, unless the church have been saying and will say is what in the watter; that is, to "open the great blessing to his people. The standing in the pulpit presching from days, and I guess somebody did sag when I know some one is prepared to of heaven from those you minister to. farers of time, need not lose the true join. I have advised many to wait. brother who preaches to us is a good shell, to do his own preaching, and his meat;" or, "Thou shalt not muzzle said so as to abide with me. To you I do not baptize as many in this way, ministerial life have been at the sick Great Teacher said to the Sadducees, but it is much more satisfactory to bed, or in the chamber of sorrow, or ful man, but he don't study; he is a elling preachers, and goes nowhere, "They that preach the gospel should say to night. Here it is: Your first me; is better for the parties and bet- in the company of an aged saint. live of the gospel," and contending years are the most important years of ter for the church. I may sometimes always at his place, but the young near him, is digging his ministerial that the meaning was, the churches your life. If they are lost you can keep out some that ought to join, but ing your church. folks don't like him, and the old peo- grave, and his church will be glad should give their preachers a support, never make amends for them. I be they will come in after a while. I when he knew, and everybody else lieve the best place to spend these had rather keep out a dozen who Another thing I would call your at knew, he was going to go from the years is in the country. You may ought to be in the church than to strength. That is above every other an infallible Guide for conducting pulpit to his horse, and ride till far think you are out of sight, that you take in one who has no business there. in the night so that he might be be- talents deserve a better place, but he I cannot help from thinking we have look this. We may be content to see the Holy Spirit promised in those are not at home in this world. The When you are called to the care of tween the plow handles by daylight is a great deal better for your star to a great many unconverted people in them develop into strong Baptists, cheering words, "When he, the Spirit barriers of space separate us from

That is all right. I advise the need not be afraid of talking it too ung preachers to marry, but put it much; unconverted members may not you have filled it not to turn it pastor as you have, and with all your others attend to theirs. om up and begin using it over advantages here, you will have more. Keep out of these meetings which out go on to fill another. When sense and religion than that, What are gotten up to blot out de

their love for the Savior. You will find your members. Find what work they young folks. The habit is to appoint when you return to your homes. the old members on all the committees, and expect all the work from them. If we give the young members nothing to do we need not be surprised if they drift away sometimes. Keep your hearts young if you would have the love of the young.

Many times a young man when he will keep you becomes a preacher is so stiff and lignified and offish he drives the young people from him. There is no need of that, nor is there any need of of his running to the other extreme, and exciting their contempt by too great familiarity.

Preach about the comforts of religion, rather than the differences beween denominations. An occasional sermon on church government, or paptism, or communion, is all right, But let the people hear of the comforts of a religious life, is the best way to preach to saint and sinner. Another thing which helps along

greatly is pastoral visiting. How to

from social visits, I cannot tell you.

When to visit, where and how, are

lately seen a brother's advice to an other on this matter. It was this: "Vis it your people not to please them, BU TO SAVE THEM." That is my idea of a pastoral visit. But to do that always s the trouble. I think there are some forms of pastoral visiting which are nothing more than religious loafing. I don't know whether it ought to be called religious or not. When preacher ought to be in his study preparing for preaching, if he is gadding about the country playing the agreeable just to keep the people in a good humor with him, I call that loaf ing. If you can't visit without neglecting your sermons, let the visiting alone. I believe that wisely managed the visiting will be most helpful to you in many ways-it will greatly help you in your preparation for the pulpit. But whatever you do, my brethren, don't you neglect your sermons. If you believe you were called to preach why do that with all your might. I would say this much more about pastoral visiting. Don't neglect the sick, the old, the poor or the bereaved. You will be tempted to visit where the people are the most agreeable-where you will be most comfortable. distinguished attentions were given to sufficient for their right direction. not cared for by others. If you classes. You can carry sunshine into traveller may go astray when shroudmany a disconsolate heart by a visit, ed in midnight darkness, voyagers and your own soul can catch a breath upon the ocean of life, and way-

Be Baptist Preachers.

till you are through school, and enjoy it, but the children of God hail Germany, or if you should go noan marry and be done with it. Do it as good news from a far country, where, if you ever conclude you are right. Where thinking and acting are I have seen some preachers who not Baptists in sentiment, I beg you not right, the heart is not right. Those were so miserably narrow in their have the manhood to leave the Bap- who are wrong, are wrong because views that they believed every cent tist fold. I don't mean for you to be they love to be wrong. If they wantfant subject you may address me contributed to missions lessened their such Baptists that you put on the war mail inclosing stamp. I suggested already meagre salary by just that paint and go out in search of scalps. how that you gather material, I much. Hence they never advocated Live peaceably with everybody. You missions except in a most general way. will not find this hard to do, if you all religious opinions by the only inwe a barrel full of them, but be sure I know, under the training of such a attend to your own business and let fallible standard of religious truth,

contributions have some system about the speakers to recite the apostolic take heed as unto a light that shineth creed, and tell how they are dying of in a dark place." The inspired psalm-But money is not all there is in love for everybody, and wind up with ist said: "Thy Word is a lamp unto church de velopment. Preach to your a hard kick for the men who are not my feet, and a light unto my path."

My last suggestion is this: When plenty of people who will give you you go home at vacation see to it that money for almost anything, if you will | you do not damage, by your conduct, just let them alone after that. But you the cause of ministerial aducation. want some earnest work out of all The Board and its friends have had a great struggle to bring the cause up the enlightening influence of the Holy like and get them at it. Especially to its present position. You can help your young members. I believe in or hinder the cause by your conduct

I have seen many a friend to ministerial education disgusted on seeing the struts of the poor boy he had been

My young brethren, be manly, be couragous, be faithful, put your trust in God and press forward, and God

Inexcusableness of Error.

To be wrong in religious belief and practice is neither blameless nor harmless. There is a radical distinction between right and wrong, whereby wrong is wrong and nothing else. It is an inspired declaration that "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." If he thinks wrong he is wrong, and is accountable for being wrong. There may be strong tendencies and attracinstead of right does not create a necessity for being wrong. We may be right, and hence we are criminal when we are wrong endowed as we are with the capacity for, and furnished with the means of, knowing and doing what is right. It cannot be admitted that we are actually doomed, either in any combination of circumstances, to unavoidable deviations from what is right in religious belief and practice. We are plainly accountable for both our opinions and our conduct, and therefore our errors are inexcuis joy among the angels of God

This is true, even of the heathen, as is conclusively shown by the Apostle Paul, who says: "The invisible things of God, from the creation of the world, are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and godhead, so that they are without excuse." Yet we are told that the heathen are "acceptably religious," as though their supposed sincerity would cover the multitude of their superstitious atrocities. But receiving the oracles of God rather than the platitudes of men, the conclusion is unavoidable that the heathen are unacceptably irreligious, and if they, with only the light of nature, are inexcusable in their ignorance and disobedience of God, those who have a written revelation from God may know what they ought to believe, as well as what they ought to But your Master's most do. The Bible that they have is all-

neither chart nor compass nor star to guide him on the watery way, and the on his image, we readily exclaim, Some of the brightest spots of my course for reaching heaven. The trial, adversity or any storm, so that "Ye do err, not knowing the Scrip- in me. Why not, when he is constanttures." Too many are in the same ly saying, "My presence shall go with Finally, under the head of develop- condemnation. A right knowledge of thee, and I will give thee rest." Blessthe Scriptures, possible to them, might ed rest! Jesus! Let me cling to thee Preach, pray and labor that your keep from fatal error. Not only is "till the storm of life be past."people may develop in spiritual there an all-sufficient directory, but Christian Standard. attainment. We are liable to over- into all truth. For this purpose was

evil is ascribed to the wicked heart in it. -[Hazlitt,

which it originates. All errors in If you should go the Seminary, and belief and practice, religiously, are then be so unfortunate as to go to the offspring of a wrong state of heart ed to be right they could be right.

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Surely it must be vastly important to candidly and prayerfully examine which is the Word of God as contained in the Holy Scriptures, con

Such help in avoiding a wrong way can hardly be over-estimated. They who do not avail themselves of it are wronging themselves, insuring, as they do, their own condemnation. Searching the Scriptures and depending upon Spirit, they need not err .- Watchman

What that Prayer Meant.

GEO. B. EAGER.

David prayed, "Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation." The fact is evidence, first, that joy, with him, was the rule, the loss of it the exception. All that we know of his life confirms this view. See it mirrored in the psalms that are certainly hishow predominant the tone of gladness! How pre-eminently jubilant and grateful their temper! If at times, as in this fifty-first, you find them pitched in the minor key and breathing a penitential spirit, it is but for a moment, so to speak. Such psalms represent but a transient phase of a life which for the most part was tense and musical with a sustained and sustaining joy. Such, surely, is tions to erroneous thinking, believing the typical religious life. Again, the and doing, but this liability to wrong fact that he feels the loss of this joy is hopeful. It is a sign of remaining life. He has not fallen, then, into deadly lethargy. He is coming to lost. Ah! when the patient lies in the darkened sick-chamber indifferent to the golden wealth of sunshine without, we may well be When the prodigal lingers in the land of his wandering, content under the bewildering infatuation of harlotry, there is little hope. But, let the sick one begin to sigh for the sunshine, men exult; let the prodigal begin to long for his father's house, and there

> O man! woman! children of most high God! where is your joy? Lost? Then why do we not hear the voice of your mourning? Can it be that you have ever really known the joy of God's salvation?

> But you do feel the loss of it? Ah! thank God! Mourning an absent God is as sure evidence of love as rejoicing in a present one. Only go, like the royal penitent, confess your sins, cry to God for cleansing, trust in his mercy, and soon, like him, you may rejoice in his pardoning love and teach transgressors his ways.

IN THE FURNACE. - How often we pray, "Lord refine and purify me," forgetting the fires which will become necessary for the accomplishment of the desired work or end. And our Father, desiring more the purity of our hearts than our happiness in this world, lavs upon us some crucifying burden, some great cross, and startled we cry, "O no, not so;" but if intent "Even so; Father. Not my will but thine?" Yes, welcome rain or sunshine. only let me have thy presence, for with thy favor, loss is gain. I covet the divine presence may be manifest

The natural affections of the heart hear one faint echo of their songs in

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A GRAVE QUESTION.

The Western Recorder says the "the refusal of so many of our men bers to honor the Lord with their sub stance must be made a matter of dis cipline;" whereupon the Tennessee Baptist says: "The discipline to think should begin with the pulpit the failure of pastors to instruct their charges in this duty. The great want of our churches is missionary pastor to instruct the churches as so this duty and to exemplify the spirit of liberali tyin their work.'

To our mind this is a very grave question. God enjoined in the Old Testament: "They shall not appear before the Lord empty; every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God which he hath given thee." In the New Testament he enjoins: "By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name. But to do good and to communicate I that is, to give of your substance | forget not; for with such sacrifices God is well pleased." As love and love to inseparably connected, prayer and praise to God alms-contributions of money or its equivalent for the benefit of menare inseparably connected. The angel said to Conelius: "Thy prayers and thine alms have come up as a me morial before God." Service which does not include alms giving is not complete.

members of our churches who refuse to honor the Lord with their substance? If the refusal arises from covetousness, as it does in many instances, the question is easy of solution. Covetousness is idolatry, and no idolater should be tolerated in a church of Christ, But the refusal does not always arise from covetousness. There are many in our churches who do not recognize alms-giving as a duty. They look upon all benevolent enterprises as "institutions of man' and not of the Lord. That is their opinion and they seem to be honest in it; we have no doubt they are honest in it. What shall we do with them? Many of them are pious, praying people, and they should certainly not be dealt with hastily nor harshly. They need to be instructed more perfectly in the way of the Lord. But if they cannot be convinced and cling to their opinions, which were opinions of their fathers and grandfathers before them, what then? A distinguished brother at our side, a large hearted, liberal and cultured man and a man who has had much to do with his fellow-men in all stations, both in an out of the church, suggests that some men are so "set in their fixed in their opinions, that they are not open to conviction; as one such man said to him: "You can beat me talking, but you can't beat me believing, and I believe I an right," and that was the end of the matter. He honestly believed that

he was right and persisted in his opinion, although he was manifestly wrong. We know men-good men, godly men-who do not believe that it is their duty to contribute money to general objects of benevolence, and they can not be convinced that it is. Many of these men are liberal to a degree, willing to divide their last penny with a neighbor in distress. They may not be able to give any reason for their lence; still they have their opinion on the subject-opinions which they have entertained all their lives, and they cannot be changed. Shall these men be excluded from our churches because they refuse to contribute money to benevolent objects? No. Let them remain with us. They are good men and we may get much good service from them in other ways. It is too late now to change their opinions but let us see to it that those who are rising up to take their places shall be properly instructed and properly trained in regard to this duty. This seems to us to be the only wise course

to pursue. It cannot be understood from what we have here said that we defend the opinions of these good brethren on this subject. Their views are unscriptural and burtful. But from personal acquaintance with the men and in some instances from intimate association with them for years, we can testify as to their sincerity in this matter. The number, however, of look out young men among us who education. The comparison of ex those who are honestly opposed to are worthy, and to devise means for penses here given ought to furnish works of benevolence is growing less their support at Howard College or food for thought to some Baptist peoyear by year, by the death of the those who have "understanding of the ple we know in this State who with tathers and by the conversion of the times to know what Israel ought to hold patronage from our own denom none to scriptural views. There has do," give earnest thought to this sub- national schools and give it to others, to a great revolution on this sub-liject.

ject, in theory at least, if not in prace; and we look for the time not far n the future when the anti-missio pirit as the result of honest convic ion will be a thing unknown amon

of those who will not be convince imply because they do not wish to rid themselves of them the better for all concerned. If the Recorder refers to those who know their duty and de it not, then we agree with it that th refusal of such men to honor the Lord with their substance should be mad matter of discipline, but the discip line should be wisely administered in the spirit of the Master, with a view to winning the delinquents to a discharge of duty, and not to excluding them from the church. We have knowledge, however, of one notable instance in which the exclusion of realthy but close-fisted Baptist for efusal to contribute to the support of ie gospel was attended with the hapiest results. There are doubtless emedy might be resorted to with ad-

contest.

scene of confusion and strife; society

will rest upon shifting sands; the

home, the first and most sacred insti-

tution that God gave to man, will no

longer be the sanctuary that it was,

All that is glorious in liberty, all that

is sacred in friendship, all that is at-

tractive in the family, all that is gen-

erous and noble in character, all that

is lovely and pure, in whatever con-

nection it may exist, will go when re

Education within itself will never

make any people virtuous or happy

Something beyond mere intellectual

culture is needed. Religious teach-

ing alone will give character and sta-

bility to individuals, to the family, to

society. It is not education simply,

but Christian education that elevates

a people in morality and virtue. The

country where the people enjoy the

greatest freedom from oppression,

and the greatest security of life and

property; where honesty and integrity

are the rule in business, and where

the rights of others are most sacredly

regarded; where vice and crime are

restrained by a nobler impulse than

developed; where the social virtues

are most extensively cultivated; where

individual character is most securely

fortified by virtue and morality, is the

country where the people are most

familiar with the teaching of God's

word-the land whose hills and val-

manhood and womanhood? Every

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no war against secular institutions of

learning. They have their place-

the place for the boys and girls of

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COST OF EDUCATION

which are really no cheaper, if a

Rev. Chas. F. Thwing, in a tabula

shawls, white goods, linen

ligious teaching goes.

We agree with the Tennessee Bap tist, that the discipline should begi with pulpit. A man who is not missionary in belief and in practic and who has not the courage of convictions is not fit to be pastor of a Missionary Baptist church, and he should not be tolerated as such. Let him change his opinions and practice, or else let him seek connection with those who believe as he does.

AN EDUCATED MINISTRY

In an article on "Our Colleges and the Ministry," the Baptist Weekly

"Our denomination has suffered ed from illiterate men in the ministry Undoubtedly, men lacking a scholastic training have in times past accomplished a noble work, but with the diffusion of education and opportunities of acquiring knowledge in these times, except in very rare in stances, a council which ordains man whose education is neglected acts traitorously to the cause of Christ and is unfaithful and cruel to the candidate. The age demands, if not it every case, classical attainments, yet in all cases, in the older communities of our country, an intelligent and cultured ministry.

In some instances our denomina tion may have suffered from illiterate men in the ministry, but upon the whole these illiterate men have been inder God the chief agents in the diffusion and growth of our principles. They have indeed "accomplished a noble work," a work which will endure as a monument to their selfsacrificing devotion to the cause of our Lord. These i literate preachers of ours have been among the noblest men who have ever bles ed the world with their labors If there be a class of men among us now whom we hon or above all others, it is these menmen who have borne the heat and burden of the day, who have ever been in the fore-front of the battlescarred veterans, who are now ready to lay down their armor and receive their crowns. Noble men! fit repre sentatives of "him who though be was rich, yet for our sakes became poor, that we through his poverty night be

But the times have changed. Cui ture is extending its domain and did fusing itself everywhere. To be suc cessful the culture of the pu pit mukeep in advance of the culture of the pews. Our uneducated pre-cherknow this as well as we do perhaps better than we do. They risi e the education of the peopl, and they recognize the necessity of educa ing the rising ministry. Deply conscious of their own deficiency in this respect, they are anxious that those who are to take their places shall be better equipped for the work than they themselves have been. Some of the best friends of ministerial educa tion we know are among those who have enjoyed fewest educational ad vantages for themselves, Wa aware that here and there am ing our uneducated preschers alo to be found men who opp e mini-terfal educa tion, but they are us really represent atives of a noble class. Like the dog tions, umbrellis, parasols, neck ties, address: "The tendency in college n the manger, because they cannot cat themselves they will not suffer ing, &c , &c. We wish to say in this optional - even God and immortality." those who can to gat, If there were connection, and we take great pleas. Might he not have gone a step farther only such men as these the world would make no progress,

ing on the subject of Ministerial Ed to be done. We are doing much more dence, and we do so most cordially. than we have done in the past, but we are doing very little compared with what eighty thousand Baptists ought to do We are not meeting the lemands. We ought to do more; we an do very much no re. Will we do It is not too soon to begin now to tions in regard to the cost of college those who have "understanding of the

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION. In his recent report to the trusters President McCosh, of Princeton College, says: -"Being spared to this time, and, thank God, in good health, I mean not only to defend but to fight for what I believe to be a fundamental principle with this college, that religion is not to be abandoned in college teaching; and that what is great and good in the past is to be retained, studies. The fight is only begun, and will last for years, and I think Princeton, with its trustees, professors and alumni, should take its part in the These are manly words, and they are timely. The time has surely come when Christian men must arm them selves for the battle, which may "last for years," but which ought to be fought and must be fought. We can not afford to yield or compromise the juestion. Eliminate religious teaching from the education of our people and demoralization and disorder will sweep over as like a flood. The

We quite agree with the Methodist that city. Recorder that there is a great deal of pointless preaching at the present not refrain from inquiring, "What is nial convention. One gentleman gave all this about? What is the preacher \$60,000, and another \$50,000. driving it?" We agree with our cotemporary that such preaching has no object, no definite end in view, It cannot be intended to convert sin ners, for there is nothing in it alarm their fears, arouse their guilty consciences, and lead them to re pentance. It cannot be the spiritual edification of believers, for there is nothing in it to quicken them int newness of spiritual life, to encourage them amid trial, or to stimulate them to greater Christian activity. It is a sort of abstract, ethical theorizing with scarcely any reference to the life and power of true godlines in the soul. No wonder that a person some times longs to hear one of the o time trumpet blasts, when some sor of thunder reasoned of temperance, fear; where the great principles of civil righteousness and judgment to come and religious liberty are most highly and sinners, like Felix, trembled be neath the power of divine tru h. A man seldom accomplishes more than the ties of home and family are he aims to effect. A minister who strongest and most lasting, and where does not aim in the pulpit and out of it to save souls, will have a barren ministry, and many fruitless regrets

REV. WM. R. WILLIAMS, D.P., ZT.

leys are teeming with churches; the land of Sabbath schools and domestic altars; the land where the Bible is in every household and in every hand, The Bible alone is the source of all that is pure and good and virtuous and great, whether in individuals or Christian parents make a sad, sad mistake when they send their children to colleges which are not distinctively Christian. We have Christian colleges of high order, and Christian parents who have at heart the highest interests of their children should patronize them. The only valid excuse that a Christian can offer for sending his children to secular institutions is that in the e institutions education is tion. He has published severy real cheaper. Cheaper! What are a fiw umes, which are distinguished for dollars that may be saved compared scholarly excellence and pure and with a virtuous and noble Christian lofty English. His library contains over twenty thousand volumes, many reason worth considering is in favor of them rare and valuable theological works. Dr. Williams leaves a widow has passed away one in whom great think of it? an important place. But they are not attainments were sweetly blended with

> owliness of mind. Harvard was founded "for Christ the church." The chief or exthe founding of Yale was the truining ect for which they were found di

doing business for a long time with clude 'God and immortality" and We rejoice greatly in the awaken- Chas S mon & Sons, and we have make everything else optional? But never had transactions with any firm the lesson to us is the same was mile Christian, but as distinctively denous inational.

ted statement printed in a cotempo The books of the woard of Poreign rary, makes some interesting revela-Thursday, 36th of April, Agen Treasurers, and all others navi money for the Board, will spease ser hour too late.

as much difference in the price, as in con, Ga, carry on four mission Sunthree colleges Columbia, Harvard and The Supreme Court of Iowa sus- lievers. The meetings will be con-Vale stand at the head of the fist in tains the constitutionality of the promum annual cont to the student in Columbia is \$600, maximum \$3 000; Conn, who has been laid aside since Harvard, minimum \$450, maximum last July, has resumed his pulpic work \$3,000; Vale, minimum \$400, maximum \$3,000. Next follow Amherst. Brown, Cornell, Princeton and Rutgers, with minimum cost \$300 to \$350 and maximum of \$1,000 to one \$1,200 Vassar girls get their incomparabl education at a cost of from \$500 t \$1,000, including the well known Vassar reserve. These facts with the other statistics-the lowest average cost, that of Illinois University, being \$200-show that college education is a pretty dear article under the Block favorable auspices; certainly the cost must prove a great hindrance, preventing many from being the possesse ors of the college degree. It will be noticed that endowment does nothing to cheapen the cost of college ina ion: rather otherwise, enhances

POINTLESS PREACHING.

This distinguished Baptist divine to have said and was pastor of Oliver Street Ban | He has done the sinning tist church, New York, for twenty seven years. The son graduated from Columbia College in 1823, and was subsequently baptized by Dr Cone. December 17th, 1832, when the Amity Street Church was organized Dr. Wil liams was ordained its pastor, a relation in which he continued to the time of his death, more than fifty-two years. He was regarded as one of the finest scholars in the denomina

and two sons. Both sons are lawyers signed it and got several of her playand both are active Christians. Thus mates to sign it also What do you

furniture goods, hosiery, of men for the ministry. Alas, how have they failen from the noble ob-

DR. J. R. PARKER said in a recent ready made underwear, dress mak education now is to make every thirg ing at her pastor in the presence of rently said on this subject have to ure in saying it, that we have been and said that the tendency is torx solemn procest, on record against and not those employed by our ucation which is manifest throughout that has been more prompt or more sustain our Christian colleges, and

Last Call.

Missions of the Southern Raptist Convention close at one o'clock p. m it so that it may reach us before this time. Better a day too soon than an H. A. Tupper, Cor. Secretary.

FIELD NOTES.

They urg B par workers of M.

Rev. J S. Samson, H New Haven,

A Scandinavian Baptist church of at Oakland, C.J. Rev. G. Liljeroth,

Rev. Dr. F. H. Kerfoot, who has been suffering with sciatica, has returned to Brooklyn from Hot Springs somewhat improved in health. Blot out that which has come from

the Bible, and you will destroy th best part of the intellectual life of the sace." - Dr. H. J. Van Dyke, Ir. We are pleased to learn that Bro. Davidson has an excellent meeting in

progress in his church at Marion. Thirty-five had joined to Monday The Baptist church at Berlin, Prus Sia, with 772 members, sustains eight Sunday-schools and fourteen preach

ing stations in the neighborhood of The Methodists of Baltimore, have raised the \$200,000 needed for a fetime. Many religious discourses are mule university, in accordance with so aimless and pointless that one can the recommendation of the Centen

> Bro. G. A. Nunnally writes us from Enfaula, April 13th: "I have a prom-Ising meeting in progress Two have joined, several are ready to join, and many are serious. Pray for us. am expecting great results for the

Master." The Marion Standard says: 'Great interest is b ing manifested in the protracted meeting now in progress in the Baptist church. The meetings are well atte ded each night, and i especially gratifying to see so many of the young people present "

Dr. E. W. Warren, of the First Baptist church, Micon, Gin has had a good meeting, as a result of which twenty eight asked baptism on profession of taith, twelve of whom wer students of Mercer University, and four of these sons of Baptist ministers.

The Nor h Carolina Presbyterian says: "To delight in giving unto the Lord is as much to be cultivated as to delight in prayer, or in speaking for Jesus in a season of revival, or in knowledge of the precious promises and truths of God, or to be fervent in pirit, serving the Lard.

Henry Ward Beech r is reported in a recent lecture at died of pneumonia at his home in N. w.D. ver, D.I. ware, that David "went York City April 1st, in his eighty first whimpering about like a spoiled child year. He was born in New York -sinning and then crying over it Oct. 14 h, 1804. His father, Rev. A little such crying as David die John Williams, was a native of Wales, I might do Hanry Ward Beecher good

> The Methodist Episcopal church numbers in the United States 12,000 travelling preachers and 1,800,000 members, having 19,100 churches worth \$74,000,000; 7,000 parsonages worth \$10,500,000; 144 college and other school properties worth, inclu ding endowments, \$14 500,000; mak ing a total property value of \$98,

A little girl in Pennsylvania who had listened to a temperance address home and wrote out the following frather novel p'edge: "I promise not to drink rum, or wire, or brandy, or smoke, or swear, or cider either." She

"Bro. Thomas N. Johnson, of Buck ingham county, is seventy two years THE tendency of the times is to od, but he has not missed one of his eliminate religious teaching from col appointments during the winterlege education-to secularize the col though one of them is twelve miles leges, even those colleges that were and another is eighteen miles distant once distinctively Christian, It will and he travels on horseback. Let be a sad day for us when there are no name of the dainty and timid preachonger Christian colleges in our land era of tender years ponder this item and hay a suit of sackcloth."-Relig tous theraid

wor hy of the pen of the dis inguished could get none, we should be thankedi or in chief of that paper. Let ful to have somebody come and Ethristian mothers ponder it well: "We have seen a Christian mother Newcastle?" What will the co'empowho seemed to take delight in sneer- rary that took us to task for what we her children! It was done thought say now? Of course Dr. Tucker relessly, of course, but we put this, our fers to the "prefessional evangelists," thoughtles-ness such as angels might Board and termed evangelists.

our State. We are doing much in satisfactory. We feel therefore that sustain them as distinctively Christian Advocate is worthy of the BAMA BAPTIST of April 2nd, in speak, The following from the Western we can recommend them with confi tian, and not only an distinctively persons considerati n of many Baptist ing of the fact that Eld. S. R. C. epple: "Do you commend your min Adams, of Danville, Morgan county, ter, or criticise him, in the presence was building a house, instead of "his your children? There are parents home as well as others," I tried to ho very freely censure their minister | write: "He is building for hims: If a nd their church, who wonder that residence in Danville, so that he will peir children never jain the church soon have a material home, in a house which themselves belong. But is it made with hand; (his hands—I not strange that the joung people refuse home | - as well as thers, | while he has come into a church which is wor. a home in the hearts of his brethren.

> The Montgomery Addresses of the Frantsell, Morgan county, of which I both says: "Messrs Needham and have been requested to give some ac-Avis closed their labors in Montgom- count, and I shall probably do so a large per cent of those present beld y last night at the First Baptist soon,

church, who is I rge cong egition assembled to receive their farewell instructions. At the close about thirty persons expressed a special interest and solicited the prayers of be tinued by the pastor, who, in a fer days, will be assisted by his brother

Whart in, of Bullimore, "The pring ess of evangel cal religion fourteen members has been organized the North there appears to be arising a rev val not unlike that which came over England under the preaching of Whitefield and Wesley, Along the Belgian frontier and elsewhere there is great eagerness to listen to the t dings of the g spel, and the most in telligent of the miners vie with each other in opening their homes for re unions, addressed by missionaries and colporteurs, some of whom have been workingmen themselves." -- Christian Secretary.

> "I heartily congratulate you on the accession of J. G. Harris, but we don't want you to steal him from the Bigbee Association. We cannot do without him. Personal indisposition of health preverted me from attending the district meeting, which convened with Cuba church 5 h Sabbath in last month. My health is still feeble. We had a v-ry interesting meeting at Liberty church first Sabbath and Saturday previous; congregation large and attentive. I am the honored pastor of this church. She will hold a 'decoration' meeting the 1st

church."- / K. Ryan. "Sweeter words were never spoken burdens of life than those which came h was writhing beneath the agony caus d by his, thorn in the flesh: 'My grace i soffi ien for thee.' My grace! What is grace but love-the love of he Almighty One-'revealing itself, showing riself actively?' Why, ther, art im a depressed, O tried soul, because of thy troubles? While infinite to a paint sufficient for thy need, of so long as heaven whispers, 'My grace is sufficient for thee. "- Zion's Herald,

The Religious Herald laments the act that to date Virginia has con tributed only about half her quote to task of controverting Baptist succes Foreign Missions, the amount con tributed thus far being about four thousand dollars less than she gave readers a catalogue of his historica last year, and makes an earnest appeal to the churches to raise the deficit at once. Alabama has also fallen far short of what she was expected to er must have been amazed at the give to Foreign Missions. The same | meagerness of his sources of informais true with reference to her contri- tion. I think that men who begin butions to Home Missions. Much can be done during the next two doctrine show clearly that they give Our Splendid Offer, Good for churches make an earnest effort at say these things in reply to the as once to raise funds for these objects sumption that all Baptists who are and forward the money to Bro. Bailey | capable of considering the subject are at Marion?

The name o' the Christian Index appears already several times in this paper, but the last i sue propounds and solves a little conundrum in erjy Here it is; "If prohibition does not prohibit, why is it that whiskey men oppose the liw so vigorously? And just now we happen to think of a little anecdore. A boy said to a man, 'You see that girl yonder? Well, she and I have the same father, and the same mother, yet we are no kin to each other.' Now, what is the ex Well, the explanation is simple and eavy. The boy lied! Suppose, now, that we revert in thought to our little conundrum, and see if we can make brethren to tell where the Baptists ricultural paper, with every departanything of it."

This time it is not we, but Di Fucker, of the Christian Index, who speaks: "We have a very good set of pastors, who are doing their work aithfully and ably. The gospel is pre ched to us in its purity, and with great ac ep'ance by good men whom we know and love; what need we more? We most cordially invite the whole evangelist fraternity to stay away from us. If we were destitute, This from the Christian Index is it we hid no regular ministry, and preach to u-? But why carry coals to

I attended, last month, a fi th S n The Montgomery Advertises of the day meeting at Bethel church, near

Succession - Landmarkish -Spirit of Intolerance - "Vox" and the Examiner.

Mr. Editor: I notice in your paper

of April 2nd your felicitous correspondent, "Vox," brings hefore your readers a characteristic editorial from the New York Examiner, which I un derstand him to endorse as a fair and able representation of the views "the other side," that is, of the "side" who oppose the doctrine of "Baptist succession" and kindred docurines and for the reason that it thus appears in the ALABAMA BAPTIST, I beg permission to say a few things in regard to questions which are called up or suggested by that editorial. I had seen the editorial in the Examiner, and am always ready to concede that that grand old New York sheet abundantly able to represent any side which it takes. And it is not my pur pose to discuss Baptist succession, but to answer the animus of that editorial, and that, too, because it is in keeping with the common feelings and sentiments of the "other side," as so often shown by editorials and articles from them when any of these questions are up for consideration before our denomination And, first, there are but about two

States that have much to say in regard to Baptist succession. These happen to be in the Sou h-west, and are rather intolerant in the spirit of their editorials on such questions, but beyond these it is not considered an of May nex'. All bonor to Liberty essential thing that succession shall be maintained and believed. Still, if the way populi of Southern Bapto men reeling beneath the crushing tists could be ob ained, seventenths of them would say that they from the voice of G d to Paul when | believe the Baptists have existed from the first church to this time; but the "intolerant" spirit of those who differ from them has well nigh driven them into silence on that subject. There is a "certain type" of minds among the Baptists who affect to be wonderfully learned in matters of history They assume to have discovered that love is actively working for the up nobody has discovered anything of importance as touching the antiquity what art thou arraid? Surely thou of Baptists, and with all their learncanst no be overcome and destroyed ing this is all they claim to know about it; that is, they simply claim to know that nobody knows anything.

A few years since a distinguished

Baptist editor seated himself to the

sion in this learned way. In the course of his discussion he gave his books-the wonderful books on which he relied-and so few and common were they that every intelligent read with the determination to reject this not our pastors and the subject very little attention. against the doctrine of Baptist succession. The assumption is not true Nearly all Baptist writers, until a comparatively recent date, who alluded to the subject at all, advocated way that we feel sure our readers will the great antiquity of Baptists. This was true long before anything was said on the subject of old landmarkism, and it is insisted on yet by very many who do not beli-ve in old landmarkism, and men, to, who are as learned and competent as those who | Country Home for one year, reject succession. Those who reject it simply take the popular current of church history as held by Protestants. planation of this? Do you give it up? and from that standpoint they seem to think that a flout, a jeer, a tilt, and the insinuation of ignorance is good people's paper in our great country. argument. It is as difficult for such came from as it is for Mr. Beecher to tell where min came from. and that Baptists are here, and that is all. Well, now, any blockhead knows that much. They must tell us something more than that before they can assume that wisdom will die with

> And what about the spirit of "intolerarc:?" Has not the reader been astonished to see so many times that men of a "certain type of mind," are much less respectful when they allude to succession and old landmarkism, than they are in alluding to any other sentiment in Christendom? After Mr Mood,'s meetings in Richmond a few writers made very mil 1 criticisms in some of our Baptist papers, and instantly the Religious Herald branded them as "porcupines, That is to say, unless we shall sink our church lines out of sight, and all Baptist churches and pastors sit down at the leet of a non-ecclesiastical evangelist and become his mere servants during a great "revival," we are

In the Convention at Waco so great and good a man as Dr. Curry could afford to take advantage of a speech in a mass meeting to make a fling at old landmarkism, and at the Convention in Baltimore, on a similar occasion, he renewed the fl ng and assailed succession; and on both occasions it must have been known that M. L. the sentiments which he was flouting.

p. rcupines!"

This was discourteous, for being in a mass meeting for appointed speakers there could be no reply. Those who hold the sentiments assailed in the editorial furnished by "Vox," are well aware of the fact that Baptists of a "certain type of mind" have much more respect and fellowship for Pedobaptists than they have for those who bel eve in either succession or old landmarkism. They show it so often and in so many ways. The intolerance is with them, and they can hardly refer to either subject without manfesting intolerance. It must have been observed that in

certain type of our papers, and in our large denominational gatherings, these brethren cut and slash and sneer at that class of Baptists whom Dr. Curry stigmatized at Waco as "narrow, bigoted and contemptible," and with the same breath they become golden mouthed and fragrant as a flower yard in alluding to other sects. It is not at all singular, when we think of these things, that our great denominational interests have so little hold on the "common people" among Baptists. The common Baptist is a Baptist in fact and a Baptist over the whole ground, and when the New Testament tells him the gates of hell shall not prevail against his church, and or three Baptist papers in the United the Bible tells him in so many places that the kingdom established by the Son of God should stand torever, and then further finds that all Baptists assume that the New Testament churches were Baptist churches, and in his own reading of the word of God he sees all this very clearly, the wiseacre in ecclesiastical history and in biblical criticism makes very slow headway with him when he tries to explain this away, and makes far less headway when he taunts him on account of his beliefs.

Nothing has more seriously hindered ministerial education among Baptists, than the fact that very many whom we educate spend their force n trying to explain away matters which have been quite plain in the Baptist mind for ages upon ages. We have all seen very many times, that this explaining away process has been a chief exploit with Pedo-baptists in their attacks on the Baptist position, and very many of our own brethren seem to have concluded that this is heir learned mission in life.

I have said these things because I el that the document placed before the Baptists of Alab amaby "Vex" deserved just this sort of a notice. And as I am satisfied that the overwhelming majority of our people will agree with me in this, I claim to be VOX POPULL

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"Yes," said a henpecked husband, "there truly is no place like home, and that's why I keep away from it so much."—[Burlington

NEVER OPEN YOUR MOUTH

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A Mormon editor of Salt Lake City had the following in a recent number: "The un-known woman who was killed at this place about three months ago by the cars, proves to be one of the wives of the editor of this paper."-[Chicago Journal,

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PREJUDICE:

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population of 1,500,000, there is not a newspaper of any kind, The Canton sewing circles evidently meet seven nights a week and twice on Sunday.—[Norristown Herald.

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"Yes," said the school girl, who had risen from the lowest to the highest position in her class. "I shall have a horse-shoe for my teen of whom are graduates of medisymbol, as it denotes having come from the

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The dead body of Bowell's wife was found in a creek with the head submerged, the body remaining on tribulations down, don't you s'pose he 'spects'

At the residence of the bride's father, at Cross Keys, Ala, on the 26th of March, 1885, by Rev. J. J. Cloud, Mr. J. C. Pinkston and Miss Hattie M. Tuttle.

Married in Alabama.

In Wetumpks, Walter R. Oliver, of Calera, and Sallie E. Townsend; also, Calvin Pierce and Mrs. Mary Littlefield. In Hale county, J. B. Hill and Mackie Bramburg; also, W. H. Richardson and Margaret E. Langford. In Tuskaloosa, J. H. Fair, of Birmingham, and Maggie Sanders. In Selman, J. D. Jordan, of Columbus, Miss., and Mary T. Dawson. In Mobile, Jas. N. Brooks, of New York, and Helen C. Clark. In Americus, Ga., and the other for assault and battery. Col. Phil. McKay, of Eufaula, and Leila Felder.

Alabama News.

Eutaw has a new grist mill. Montgomery wants more parks. Cotton planting has become general a Hale county.

Hogs around Edwardsville are dy-

ing with cholera. A board of trade has been organ-

ized in Tuskaloosa. Denropolis will soon have a fourth steam and grist mill. There were eight deaths in Tusca-

loosa during March. Wetumpka is being feasted on white shad at present.

prisoners confined in it. The State Medical Society met in Greenville on the 14th. Montgomery and Birmingham each

has a stirring base ball pine. Two men were recently struck by ightning in Marengo county.

Fruit trees in Limestone county have not bloomed this spring. A colored man living near Newberne has a pig with three ears.

Alabama has sent more visitors to New Orleans than any other State.

en eggs. past month.

The Orphans' Home at Tuskegee is being repainted and otherwise im-

Mr. John Chatman, of Wetumpka, was thrown by a mule and painfully

A grist mill on Beaver Dam creek, Pickens county, was recently destroy-

Mr. John Hubbard, living near Anniston, has penned a mad dog, goat

The Alabama Press Association left Talladega on the 8th inst. for the Exposition. Birmingham's new jail will be built

on the same lot where now is situated address at Harmony Hall, Selma, on known.

Gadsden boasts of more idte ne gans, purifies the blood, gives tone and en- gross in that place than in any town

of its size in the State. Wednesday in October.

Col. Warren S. Reese was nomina. lattice to the sides of a window. ted by the Democrats of Montgomery to be the next mayor.

The Sunday-school superintendscholars a picnic in May.

Seventeen convicts were recently sent from Marion to Major Hardie's aboard the Louisville train and the farm in West Perry county. The Methodists of Newberne have

closed a contract for the building of their new house of worship, Athens elected a prohibitionist fo

mayor last week. The board stands two majority for prohibition.

The Pratt Coal and Iron Company, attentions from another, of Birmingham, will soon have in op-

eration two more new furnaces.

G. S. at Boligee on the 7th inst. county tax of Pickens county for

In the city of Canton, China, which has a | 1885 will be double that of 1884. The criminal docket of the circuit court recently held in Tuskegee was ighter than it had ever been before. Pickett Springs has been selected ing. Used with a common pen. Sold by all by the officers of the Second Alabama druggists.

> There have been thirty seven addiions to the churches in Athens during the recent meetings held in that Clark, Collector at Mobile; J. D.

years of age, was recently elected Collector of Internal Revenue; W. mayor of Talladega by a large ma- H. Denson, District attorney for the

county, has been appointed by the the Northern District; W. W. Allen, Governor, Chancellor of the Eastern | Marshal for the Southern District; Division.

cal colleges.

About \$100,000 was paid into the State Treasury during the first week the 9th inst says that Gaines Bowen, Soaps and other toilet articles: "I unhesi- in this month, the receipts being

houses, Mr. Jas. W. Williams, with | ton. The dead body of Bowen's wife

cuit court, St. Clair county. The Anniston Inn was opened on April 15th. It has cost \$360,000, and is said to be the most magnifi-cent hotel south of the Potomac.

Four new cars now run daily on the recently built street railway in Will the Brethren of Bethel Asso-Montgomery, and other lines are soon to be built and cars placed thereon The council of Marion have passe

a law, to go into effect the 1st of May, prohibiting the running at large large on the streets of cows and hogs. In an affray at Pine Apple last Sat-

urday between two negroes, one was killed instantly by a load from a shot

and the other for assault and battery. The following Alabama postmasters have been recently commissioned The old, old story," told in an old, John C. Walden, Harmony; Marion S. Smith, King's Landing; John R. Ray, Lewis; Carroll S. Donaldson, Lackey; Henry R. Moore, Bear Creek; Benj. F. Powell, Hector.

Sheriff Truss, of Birmingham, was acquitted in his trial for the killing of Henry Sparks, who was shot some time ago while running to escape ar-

Jake Shaw, a negro boy employed Dallas county jail has confined by Mr. I. R. Hochstadter, of Birroingham, was fined \$50 for permitting minors to play pool on a table of that

The store of Mr. John Mason, in lackson county, was broken in and several hundred dollars' worth of merchandise and seventy five or eighty dollars in money taken.

Eld. Jack Nabors, of Raleigh, Pick ens county, recently had his house and corn crib destroyed by fire. His neighbors put him up a house and The Marengo county jail has no contributed liberally to his wants.

Home raised corn is plentiful in Hale county at from forty to sixty cents per bushel. Heretofore, to many years, at this season it has been selling at one dollar and upwards

The foot and wagon bridge across the Alabama river at Selma will be completed by the 20th instant, and the people of this locality are preparing for a celebration of that event. A negro tramp was found near Ste-

venson with a leg broken and a jaw terribly crushed. It is thought that he was stealing a ride on the cars Six persons were convicted at the when he fell, thereby injuring him fa-One man shipped from Packler recently two hundred and seventy dozty is thought to be very rich. Several ty is thought to be very rich. Several Colorado miners have examined the

Twelve marriage licenses were is- deposit and pronounce it very similar sued in Conecuh county during the to some of the paying veins of the The capacity of the mills of Rogers & Co., at Renfroe, is 75,000 feet of lumber and 40,000 laths a day. They

have just received an order for a half

million feet of chair lumber to be shipped to New Haven, Connecticut, R. E. Pettus, writes us from Madison county: Mad dogs and mad cattle are too numerous for comfort in these parts, Mr. J. O. Kelley a neighbor, had several cows bitten by a mad dog and had to kill four of

them. The latest items from an Evergreen exchange are to the effect that, while Evergreen beat was carried for prohibition by a majority of 146 votes. the county went anti prohibitionist by a majority of 150 votes Statistics Hale county, Mrs. W. Harry, Near Governor O'Neal will deliver an bave not as yet been definitely made

cently found a knife, which had been Ribert Rubertson. At New Castle, converted into a saw, in the juil at infant of Mr and Mrs. H. Douglass, that place, and, upon investigation, In Dale county, Mrs E. M. Grimmer. The Parsons murder case has been discovered that the pris ners had Near Clouton, Mrs. Elmore, continued at Birmingham, till the first sawed in two several iron rivers Carrollon, John Cather, which secured the frame of an iron

A valise was found in Three Mile creek near Mobile, which contained an empty pocket book and w me oth ents of Oxford have pomised their er articles marked, "Mrs. S. Scoggins, Nashville, Tenn." It is supposed that the robbing was committed machines, and I now offer their Improved valise thrown in the creek as the train passed over the bridge.

A dynamite explosion occurred at exactly what is needed. Wheeling switch, on the A. G. S. R. R , recently, by which several negro s were slightly injured. A piece of fuse belonging to a dynamic cartridge and other evidences of dynamite were A little boy at Carrollton had an lound under the house. The explosive arm broken by his little three year old is thought to have been placed there by a negro whose wife had received

The Southern Passenger Agent's Convention adjourned in Mobile on Nine persons were injured by the the oth inst. Reductions were grant overturning of two sleepers on the A. led to the Southern Baptist Convention to be held at Augusta, Ga, May New By act of the last legislature the 6th, to the Grand Army Reunion at Portland, Me., to the Grand Assem bly of the Presbyterian church at Cincinnati and at Bentleyville, Ark. and to the Commercial Convention at Atlanta. A rate of one cent per mile for the military to the Mobile drill, and for other visitors the same per

mile as to New Orleans, was adop ed At a conference of congressional delegates in Washington, it was decided to recommend the following persons for various positions: W. G. Burnett, District Attorney for the Mr. W. H. Skaggs, twenty-three Southern District; E. W. Booker, Northern and Middle Districts; A Senator McSpadden, of Cherokee | H. Kellar, United States Marshal for W. C. Jordan, Receiver in the Land Office at Montgomery; J. C. Street,

A dispatch from Eufaula on the charged with wife murder at Mount Andrew, some miles from Clayton, The residence, kitchen and out- has been arrested and jailed at Clay-Bruce Grimes, of Phipps, Hale county, recently killed a bald eagle which measured six feet and seven inches from tip to tip. "Received Piles."—Symptomer Moistare,
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were crawling. "Swayne's Ointment" is a
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operatowering her or choking her into insensibility, dragged her to the water's edge and thrust her head under. It is stated that he questioned his wife's fidelity and that he was very jealous of her.

ciation Please Read

At the last meeting of our association certain of our churches and indi viduals pledged certain specific amounts for Bro. J. W. Dunaway's support in Howard College, and the undersigned was appointed chairman of a committee to collect and pay Two parties were recently sent from Or a committee to conect and pay Cleburne county to the Jacksonville over the funds. Only about one third of the total amount has been paid, and that by four churches. An urgent appeal for help has been made by the State Educational Board, Will not those in arrears remit at once, that our obligation be not a burden to P. C. DREW. McKinley, April 9th,

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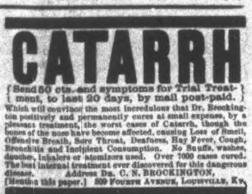
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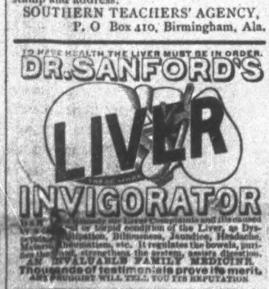
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THE FAMILY CIRCLE.

tude waiting and deferential.

room that the gas had to be lit.

"Make myself useful, I hope," re-

"Oh, a general utility man!" And

Mr. Lansing laughed. "Can you

"I am a graduate of the high school,

"Are you? That speaks well for

Mr. Lansing eyed him more keenly

when he said that, and also more

"I am the only support of my moth-

er," the boy said, his voice husky;

"almost the only support. She man-

ages to secure work one day in the

The merchant was pleased with th

The head book-keeper, an old

gray-haired gentleman, with a benign

face, had turned from his desk, at-

tracted by the boy's voice and the

"Where were you last employed?

"No, but I had expected to be,

Mr. Lansing took off his glasses

"Have you recommendations?' he

"I -- was -- discharged," came at last,

"Oh, that is it, ch?" And Mr. Lan-

sing frowned. "No wonder they gave

me you do not lack assurance. Jui

He spoke with needless acrimony,

wheeled round in his chair, and re-

pacity, reliability and a stainless rep-

he insisted in the selection of his em-

was frank and fearless in his glance.

Will you allow me to ask him a ques-

said. "My lad, why were you dis-

not care. I could not work on that

"No-and you were right," de-clared Mr. Lansing, in a strong, grat-

His opinion of the boy had entire-

ified voice. "Just sit down a minute."

ly changed. He left the counting-

"What is that you say?"

eyes on the boy.

day, sir.

"At the office of the Argus."

character of his replies.

"As a combositor?"

The lad's lip trembled.

Mr. Lansing asked.

and wiped them.

"No, sir."

"Why not?"

I do not want a boy."

saked.

you. What is your name?"

"Gabriel Winchester."

"Is your father living?"

"He died in Libby Prison,"

perspective. Clerks hurried hither

and thither. In the rear of the store

"Please, sir, do you want a boy?" It was a low, clear voice, with just the faintest tremor of apprehension in it. He stood at the door of the counting-room, his hat in his hand, his clothing neat and clean, his atti-The long, well-filled counters in the narrow room were lost in dim

ing, and the sun shining brightly outside, it was so gloomy in the storecell you waited a minute and said to near the door,

> God; and if we will only take up the Awakening from sleep at midnight work nearest our hand, in God's she heard her husband in an agitated strength, he will not tall to bless it.

Thou cam'st to thy place by accident, It is the very place God mean(for thes. - Evangelical Record.

Precept and Example.

The wide discrepancy between precept and example is what often preyou no recommendation. It strikes vents well-meaning parents from havmay be striving hard to obtain. A sumed his paper. He was a church it difficult to make model housekeepmember, and admired nothing so ers of her daughters, unless she bemuch as integrity of character. Ca gins by reforming herself. She may tell them as often and as emphaticalutation were three things upon which ly as she pleases, how important it is that certain work should be done in a The boy's face fell, and he furned ward the boy. There was something what she may say. And the great manly in his face, something self. difference between her words and ac-

down his paper and fixed his keen one short sentence. and boys laughed at me; but I did this is by making ourselves better.

There was a resolute look on his as we would have him, we lose pa. unknown, unpaid, unvisited, unrecogface, and he seemed to grow an inch tience, and perhaps we are too severe nized by any church. - Baptist Weekts in our judgment. It might be well to remember that while he may not come up to our ideal of a boy, still he may be as near it as we are to our ideal of a man. Not that we should rest sat- its father and commence address

The Infidel Husbands. "What knowest thou, O wife, whether thou shalt save thy husband?" A lady of rare Christian attain-ments will long be remembered for ber earnest, tireless faith for her infisuit me. Come here at this hour tomorrow morning."

A grateful look shone on the boy's face. "Thank you, sir," he said. He bowed politely, then withdrew.

"Mr. Doyle," said Mr Lansing to his head book-keeper, "you have taught me a lesson. We can come wide of the truth, and do great injustice to another, simply by asking one question too few."—Golden Days.

A London scientist is trying to produce cats without tails. The experimenter will be a greater benefacter by producing the tails without the cats.

One day the waiting congregation

her earnest, treless faith for her infincted wavered though serious obstacles hedged her way to the desired end. The case of that saves some of the long-winded, pompous theological propounders of prayers, that are so frequently heard in pulpit and pew, from receiving merited rebuke and chastisement from him. It can be nothing else. Therefore, when you pray, do not air your theology, do not display your oratory, do not do anything else than pray.—

A London scientist is trying to produce cats without tails. The experimenter will be a greater benefacter by producing the tails without the cats.

One day the waiting congregation

A good work is going on among the the church. The effect of this scene gham. There was indescribable. Many were on night, "-Exod, xii: 13." are a large number of Christian men to ask, "Is anything too hard for the It is not enough to have a religion

At last, one evening, he came home her heart was bowed down; but she is a mixed quantity; darkness-light, At last, one evening, he came nome looking very thoughtful, and said to his wife, "Wife, do you know I think we have been making a great mistake? hope. One evening at the church nicely more elements enter into its We have been praying to God to take prayer meeting, being more than usu- composition; and only a religion at me out of this force, and I begin to ally burdened, she rose in her seat least as large as itself can come to think he has put me there to work for timidly and with deep emotion, say, such life with any hope of doing it was heard the sound of hammers and him. Now I am just going to pray that he will help me to serve him to speak in the meeting and I have feared to be intrusive, but my busden.

In the rear of the store in the stor

chair, and looking sharply over the top of his spectacles. "What can top of his spectacles. "What can top of his spectacles. "What can top of his spectacles."

In the faintest sign of sincerity to the faintest sign of sincerity to the faintest sign of sincerity. Not long ago a man asked to see him, and was shown into his private office.

Looking at the detective, the visitor as one pleadeth for his own son. 2011

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> and now you're in for the wages. You that gentleman they were praying That is, indeed, the poorest of the will have plenty of time to think now; for?" "He is the husband of one of appeals; but it is essential in order to will you not come to the Lord, and the church members," replied my make up the completeness of the holy ask his help to give you a new life? friend. As they ascended the steps ministry, which seeks to excite the heart to Christ. It is not too late for who was it they were praying for? Dr. Joseph Parker. a change; only turn now, and you'll "The husband of one of the sisters. come out a changed man to lead an Charles." "Well, wife," he repied, honest life.' Then you shook hands with much feeling, "that man will cerwith me and pleaded so earnestly that tainly be converted, I never head head," nauseated stomach, and un-I made up my mind, and I have done such prayers as those." Again, as strung nerves resulting from the "con time is up, and I come to you the first crated, "Can you not tell me the gen sufe way to clear the cobwebs from thing to thank you for speakig to me tleman's name? Those were wonder. the brain, recover zest for food, and Perhaps this little incident will help to show us that, wherever we are and overcome with emotion she has placed, we can find work to do for tened from the room to her closes voice cry, "Wife, wife, they were pray ing for me! God heard those pray ers. I cannot sleep, wife. Will you get up and pray for me? Can

Lord show mercy to me?" Ah, there was joy in the presence of the angels that night, for the lost was found. Christian husband, wife, parent, when agonizing for thy loved ones remember God cannot lie, "He ing the proper influence over their is faithful that promised." Blessed children, which, in their way, they words of Jesus also given for our esconragement, "When two of you shall careless and slovenly woman will find ask, it shall be done of my Fathers stan Weekly.

A Remarkable Missionary.

There is a remarkable man working correct manner, and at the proper for Christ about two hundred and time; but they will be sure to judge fifty miles from Pretoria, in Africa, to go; but the book keeper threw of the importance attached to these Bixteen years ago he went to Natal, him a sign to wait for a few moments. Outles by the way in which the moth-He had been strangely drawn too er herself performs them, and not by the late Rev. Mr. Allison, who took him into his schools and instructed hita in Christian truth. After his concontained in his bearing, much that tions serve to point out her own short. Version he felt a call to return to his comings, thus condemning herself and home and friends, in their darkness, "Mr. Lansing," the book keeper lessening her influence with them, and tell them what great things the said, respectfully, "perhaps it was can. The same is equally true of the father | Lord had done for him, and he start dor in the boy, and not assurance, in his treatment of the boys. In ed on foot a journey of over 700 teaching them to put everything in miles to carry the gospel to his tribe its place when used, he will find it and people. His chief forbade his If you gain fifteen minutes a day, it "Oh, a dozen of them," replied Mr. pays to take extra pains to do so him- preaching, but for more than four will make itself felt at the end of the Lansing, crustily, not lifting his eyes self. If he would have them use cor- years he taught from house to house, year. - [Horace Mann. rect language and avoid slang, he reading and expounding the script "Perhaps you should have made should guard his own lips. Boys who ures, and was greatly blessed. After one more inquiry," the book keeper respect their father think they are li- the death of the chief, Samuel obcensed to do whatever they see him tained permission to hold public sergo. It is one evidence of their con- vices and open a school. A building "Because I would not work on Sun. fidence in him, and their belief that was erected that would held opo per day," came back in reply, steadily whatever he does is right. It is a sons, a school established and the puzzle to me how a father can blame | work prospered. Churches were afthem for so doing. A writer once terward built in two other places and It was Mr. Lansing that spoke, and said: "To train up a child in the way two good men sent away for two in a tone more quick and loud than he should go, walk in it yourself," and year's study. After their return they was usual with him. He had thrown he threw volumes of truth into that took up the work, great good was done, and many turned to the Lord. I would not be understood as mean- Rev. Mr. Watkins, of Pretoria, invited "I was discharged because I would ing that we should be contented with Samuel to visit him, and describes not work on Sunday," the lad re- making our children what we are. We him as a very little man, with the peated. "They started a Sunday pa- should try to make them better; but courage of Paul, and tenderness of per in the office last week. The men the easiest and surest way of doing the apostle John. He told his story all unconscious of the sublime hero We usually set a high standard for ism it contained. He had labored our boy. This is right. But, at times, nine years in the dark wilds of Africa,

Prayer that is no Prayer If a little child should come isfied with such a state of affairs. But him thus: "O Father, I acknowledge room with that quick, nervous tread it is well, sometimes, to think of it in thee to be my parent—very strong, this way. It may make us a little exceedingly wise, and wondrously and finally, after going on thus telling his father what he was and what he had done, could do and would do, to the extent of about ten minutes or more, would end by asking for a pen-ny—that child would be very likely to have its ears boxed. And it can he nothing but the infinite grace and

A London scientist is trying to produce cats without tails. The experimenter will be a greater benefactor by producing the tails without the cats.

There is a gift that is almost a blow, and there is a kind word that is munificence; so much is there in the way of doing things.—[Arthur Helps.]

A London scientist is trying to producing the tails trying to produce cats without tails. The experimenter will be a greater benefactor importunate pleading and stronger faith.

One day the waiting congregation were startled and rejoiced by seeing Mr. B—cuter with his wife, his face and manner plainly indicating that he was a secker after truth; and a few Sabbaths after, he who had a few Sabbaths after truth; and a few Sabbaths after, he who had a few Sabbaths after truth; and a few Sabbaths after, he who had a few Sabbaths after truth; and a few Sabbaths afte

Called by Night. "And he called for Moses and Aaron by

among them, and the head of the detective department is an earnest, of their petitions for others. "We religious convictions must be large ask and receive not because we ask and receive of the spirit of the spiri his time first as an ordinary police amiss." Oh, for the spirit of a little existence. Were life a summer day man, and was so greatly troubled by the sights and sounds of sin among "The Lord harkened and heard," tain kind of religion might be made ises," and if we ask him for bread he ises," and if we ask him for bread he ises," and if we ask him for bread he ises," and if we ask him for bread he ises," and if we ask him for bread he ises," and if we ask him for bread he ises," and if we ask him for bread he ises," and if we ask him for bread he will not give us a stone!

Another friend had prayed for her unbelieving husband for many years, and no other way was open for him.

As yet the answer did not come and her heart was bowed down; but she is a mixed quantity; darkness—light, youth—age, enthusiass—coldness, light, would require special treatment. Life is a mixed quantity; darkness—light, but is a mixed quantity; darkness—light, would require special treatment. Life is a mixed quantity; darkness—light, but is a mixed quantity; darkness—light, would require special treatment. Life is a mixed quantity; darkness—light, would require special treatment. Life is a mixed quantity; darkness—light, would require special treatment. Life is a mixed quantity; darkness—light, would require special treatment. Life is a mixed quantity; darkness—light, would require special treatment. Life is a mixed quantity; darkness—light, would require special treatment. Life is a mixed quantity; darkness—light, would require special treatment. Life is a mixed quantity; darkness—light, would require special treatment. Life is a mixed quantity; darkness—light, would require special treatment. Life is a mixed quantity; darkness—light, would require special treatment. Life is a mixed quantity; darkness—light, would require special treatment. Life is a mixed quantity; darkness—light, would require special treatment. Life is a mixed quantity; darkness—light, would require special treatment. Life is a mixed quantity; darkness—light, would require special treatment. Life is a mixed of the patient medicines recommended to the patient medicine which he worked that for a long time "He is not slack concerning his prom- to do; were life one gloomy night That was the beginning of a new life, and he began to watch for opportunities of service. He soon be compared to help me to pray for my husband.

If cared to be intrusive, but my burden is too heavy to bear. For many years, is deepest. Darkness is always a mystery to the superstitious mind. Moses and Aaron are always prepared to help me to pray for my husband.

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> Read your Bible and pray; give your of their home he again said, "Wi'e, attention and save the lives of men. -Don't take that "cocktail in the morning." If you have a "swelled it. The Lord has forgiven me; my they were preparing for bed, he rent vivial party last night." The sure and

> > Marie Committee of the Glints of Sunshine.

It is only noble and great hearts who can have great friendships; who admire and delight in each other's goodness; who, when they see a great and God-like man conceive such an affection for him that they forget themselves and think only of him, till they will do anything for him, sacrifice anything for him.

Nothing can be more foolish, or more lowering to our own character. than to choose our friends among those who can only flatter us or run DRESSMAKING DEPARTMENT after us, and took up to us as oracles, -Mrs. H. S. Thompson, in Christ while they do our souls and characters no good, but merely feed our selfconceit and lower us down to their own level

It has been said that true religion will make a man a more thorough gentleman than all the courts in Europe. And it is true; you may see they have learned to fear God, and fearing him, to restrain themselves, and to think of other people more than of themselves, which is the very root and essence of all good breeding.
-Kingsley's Sermons.

Resolve to edge in a little reading

A Mother's Love - A Practical

Iliustration of Its Fower. A morner's love! What a potent thing t is 1 It will melt the heart of the most nardened criminal, when no other influence would be effectual. No one but a mother knows its full meaning, but every one can supreciate it if they will. It is known, though, that it means sleepless sights, care, inconvenience, and, if necessary, want, hardship and death. But the subject has been too eloquently treated by the sweetest poets and the ablest writers to furnish an essay for these columns. Too many practical illustrations occur in every day life for it to be dwelt upon, so that it is unnecessary to speak of the subject further in order to make the reader understand the full meaning of what is to follow.

Mrs. Henry Schualen, of Ashland, Ky, writes that her daughter has been cared of deafness which resulted from chronic catarrh, She tells how she had lost all hope of her daughter (her ideal) being cured, and how overjoyed she is at the result. After trying many remedies, she says Penuna brought a cure, and that the daughter's hearing is restored. She concludes, by speaking in the most flattering terms of PERUNA, and then describes in the most lovely manner the happiness it has brought her, and reviews the distress she experienced while her

daughter was afflicted. Dr. A. R. Ong, Martins Ferry, O., MASON & HAMLIN rites; "I have a large trade on your PERUNA. Think it is a grand remedy." Mr. Robert C. Hannah, Tolesborough Lewis county, Ky, writes: "I write to inform you of the great benefit I received by the use of your medicines, PERUNA and MANALIN. I had been low spirited and very sick for about six months with a bad cough, and my friends thought I had consumption; tried a number of patent medicines, and most of the doctors in the vicinity (and we have some as good as you can find in the country), but they did me no good whatever. Our merchant, Mr. Gillespie, insisted upon me trying your remedies. I did so, but must say, I had little faith in them at first; before I had consumed my first bottle, I noticed a change for the better, and to-day I am entirely well, and as sound a man as there is in the vicinity. I credit my cure to your valuable remedies, PERUNA and MANALIN, and recommend them to all of

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