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Correspondence. The Intolerable Bigotry of Proselytism that prompt the zealot to make blessed gospet of the Son of God, This diversion of power, by expressions, has not been the plying the Galveston market with Kerotagonizes that of the other. The one is born of God, the other of hell.

The one is the zeal of the Master, the other of His disciples before their conversion, who would hinder their conversion, who would have the conversion their classical conversion. The conversion the conversion the conversion that the disciplent has a conversion to the conversion that the cluster the conversion that the cluster is the cluster that the conversion that the cluster is the cluster that the conversion that the cluster is the cluster than the clu and forbid the work of Christ, beworkers in the Master's vineyard to the great fact that Jesus is the say: "It is our opinion that the gencause the workers "followeth not with us." The summum bonum of a genuine Christian zeal is to win souls to Christ; that of a bigoted sectarianism is to make partizans.

Workers in the alaster's vineyare are engaged in the great work of saving souls, these pretenders are entering their labors by proselyting, claiming to be the only dispensers of the Word of Life. Their piety facts a belief of which secures its of the Word of Life. Their piety facts a belief of which secures its of the Insurance Oil would greatly reduce the number of lamp fires and explosions, and lessen the destruction of life and property." The New York Board of Underwriters say: "The sample of the Insurance Oil would greatly reduce the number of lamp fires by we must be saved, and the total Jesus is the greatly reduce the number of lamp fires by we must be saved, and the total Jesus is the greatly reduce the number of lamp fires by we must be saved, and the total Jesus is the greatly reduce the number of lamp fires by we must be saved, and the total Jesus is the greatly reduce the number of lamp fires and explosions, and lessen the destruction of life and property." The New York Board of Underwriters say: "The sample of Insurance Oil stands the highest test of flash and burning points." The one is liberal catholic, world-wide; the other exclusive, selish, contracted, whose charity is bounded by the narrow confines of sect. and blanding in their humanitarian dum and tweedledee? You may be who wish to sell an illuminating oil, The one recognizes the signet of efforts to save the world, and secta a child of God through the operation safe beyond chance of accident, should discipleship wherever found-the rianism is held in abeyance to christ of the faith of the gospel and the recommend the Insurance Oil. love of Christ; the other demands tianity, and denominational dis- baptism of the Holy Ghost; but do the shibboleth of sect, the slogan of tinctions are yielding their rigid you belong to the church? Have you Christian zeal is satisfied with con-version to Christ. Its counterfeit, genial warmth, of christian brother-the ostracism and persecution of the satisfied with con-these exclusives, untouched by the of John and the Apostles? And thus this and foreign countries. A few the ostracism and persecution of the satisfied with con-the ostracism. the zeal of proselytism, is only sat- hood, are still encased in their hard true believers has been the rezeal of the proselyter stimulates the demand upon the peril of the soul a in reference to the mere outward zeal of the Christian in its activity. compliance with their dogmas. It forms-the modal expression of a It compasses sea and land to make is high time that these pretenders religious faith. The world has been one proselyte. The counterfeit is and deceivers should be marked as deluged in blood and fierce controeasily distinguished from the true distinctly as Cain, that they may versy about the mere insignia of the christian profession. Hecatombs a child of hell; the other a child be shorn of all their power of evil. of victims have been sacrificed, and of God. The animus of the two is The sham is too patent to deceive immense libraries of volumes have antipodal. A true Christian zeal any thinker who has the intelligence been written, and controversies prompts the one who feels its flam- and independence to arrive at the fierce and interminably voluminous ing power to go out into the high- most obvious conclusions from the have been waged to establish the ways and hedges, and win its tro- facts presented to his conception. dogmas of sect. The more insignifiphies from the ranks of the enemies Let the base pretender who preaches cant the dogma, the more fiercely dogmas. It is more assiduous and of proselytism stand revealed as ed christian public opinion should persistent in reaping the fruits of a "clad in the livery of heaven to true zeal for God by decoying from serve the devil." Let him be siastical charlatans who employ a borers, than in the conversion of public reprobation until he is shamed sensitive conscience in reference conversion of a Christian to sect fire upon his terrapin shell until he the faith? In unsettling the faith to God. The ecclesiastical scaven- spiration than the low flung incen- lyte him they lose instead of gain ger, who prostitutes his sacred call- tives that now impel him in his de- power. In tearing down other ing in doing the devil's dirty work, graded conduct. Let him be a his- communions they do not build up is the reproach of his religious com- sing and by-word, until, from very their own. No wise christian artimunion, an offense to his God, and terror of public scorn, if from no zan will mar the beauty and glory merits and receives the contempt of higher motive, he leaves off his dirty of the spiritual temple by tamperthe devil. His work is to unsettle work of being the devil's scavenger. ing with the material of the differthe faith of his victim by disturb- The true mission of the church in ent builders, for they are all essening his convictions in reference to its varied organizations is, by ag- tial to the symmetry of the temple. the mere formula of religion, the in- gregated power, to hurl with resist- Every master workman skilled in signia of the Christian profession, less momentum all its forces against spiritual architecture will not fail to the modal expression of his religious the antagonisms of the "faith de- recognize every worker for Christ faith. The question with the cleri- livered to the Saints," symbolized and bid him God speed in his great cal empiric is not : Have you been not by its formula, but by the power work of saving souls, as a tellow converted to God? That result has of a living, vital principle of the worker in the great cause of human power of the Divine Spirit. But a spiritual life. The grand result redemption.

But the m power of the Divine Spirit. But a sought to be attained is the conver-far more important inquiry in the sion of the world to Christ. Every proselyter, in his blind zeal for sect estimation of this quack doctor of evangelic church that indicates its ignores other workers and triumphs souls: What sect have you joined? mission by its fruits, and every in the ruin wrought, in the vain What symbolic form have you minister and member of such hope of building upon the downfall adopted? Have you identified your-church, flaming with the inspira-self with the only true church? tion of Christ's love, is a powerful God in His great plan of saving the For these charlatans of the several factor in the achievment of the world. Every man who does good sects, who monopolize the exclusive mighty results of associated work in the name of Jesus is His right of inducting into the kingdom | Christian effort. All are co-workers | friend, and no one will interdict would impress the novitiate that world's redemption. Each derives of his party, except a bigoted zealot ed in every feature in which they are his salvation depends upon their his animus from the Lord of the manipulation as a sine qua non. his animus from the Lord of the vineyard. They are members of His Christ conceals the narrowness of H. SCHE "Lo! here is Christ. Lo! He is body, whatever may be their denom- soul of the contracted partizan. there." And the deluded victim of inational distinctions, and are essen-

the fatal idea that there is more in the other, "I have no need of you," cle of sect. He must get out of his whatever may be the relative posibliness, and thus the misguided tion of the member to the body, the fires of a universal brotherhood, neophyte and proselyte becomes whether the most humble or the most and extend the right hand of fellow-"two-fold more the child of hell" exalted. If any preference is given, ship to every kindred spirit whose soul than his blind and wicked teachers. it is to the most humble that the ex- is aglow with the same inspiration But his blood will be required at cellency of the power may be of God, of the various denominational hosts. their hands! It is a grand imper- and not of men. How beautiful and The flaming evangelists of the world. tinence, almost beyond patient en-durance, for fallen, erring humanity tion of the unity of the church in its waking the dormant fires of a cath-"Woe unto you, Scribes and Pharito assume the dictatorial prerogative concentrated power in the direction olicity that will shed a radiant sees, hypocrites! for ye compass sea of announcing their exclusive pro- of the great end to be achieved. Its light over christendom. And the and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, ye make him two-fold more the child of hell than tins of a monopoly of heaven's blessings, to the exclusion of all others grand army under the great Captain christian name will be: "If thy yourselves." (Mat. 23:15.) The very genius of our Christianity is ag God. It is especially disgusting, as of purpose in the aggressive tread of heart be as my heart give me thy hand;" and the voice that clamors the Fall and Winter Trade, and have now ready a Jammoth Stock of gressive. Its flaming inspiration the age of the authoritative dieta of the bigoted, ignorant dogmatist has of their Captain, they march to the be forever hushed. H. M. BOOTH. As soon as the hand of the Master is laid upon him in His healing power he goes forth a blazing herald of the cross proclaiming the Divinity whose creative energy has waked ity whose creative energy has waked ity whose creative energy has waked ity whose has been upon the past, however venerable that the bigoted, ignorant dogmatist has forever passed, and the formula of exclusive pretension is subjected to the crucial test of an inexorably stern logic, unswayed by the dogmatist has forever passed, and the formula of exclusive pretension is subjected to the crucial test of an inexorably stern logic, unswayed by the dogmatist has forever passed, and the formula of exclusive pretension is subjected to the crucial test of an inexorably stern logic, unswayed by the dogmatist has forever passed, and the formula of exclusive pretension is subjected to the crucial test of an inexorably stern logic, unswayed by the dogmatist has forever passed, and the formula of exclusive pretension is subjected to the crucial test of an inexorably stern logic, unswayed by the dogmatist has forever passed, and the formula of exclusive pretension is subjected to the crucial test of an inexorably stern logic, unswayed by the dogmatist has forever passed, and the formula of the world. And it, long since, would have been achieved if forces of the grand army. To the shame and reproach of the Christian part of the world. And it, long of the crucial test of an inexorably stern logic, unswayed by the dogmatic part of the world. And it, long of the crucial test of an inexorably stern logic prediction of the crucial test of an inexorably stern logic prediction of the crucial test of an inexorably stern logic prediction of the crucial test of an inexorably stern logic prediction of the crucial test of an inexorably stern logic prediction of the crucial test of an inexorably stern logic prediction of the crucial test of an inexorably stern logic prediction of the crucial test of an inexorably stern logic prediction of the crucial test of an inexor up the new life, with which he is from hoary age; or the meretricious name, there has been the inglorious stomach. Such as agne, jaundice, yellow endowed. This mighty impulse of the spiritual life, the very essence of which is the love of Christ, is the practical utilitarian age demand the practical util essential sequence of the new birth and assimilates the convert to Him whose image is stamped upon the solution of the pertinent inquiry, whose image is stamped upon the solution of the birth solution of the pertinent inquiry, in the achievement of the grand results of Christian effort, there has been the exhibition of antagonizing the system, as they contain no mercury for mineral substance. Every family ciple thus divinely endowed is inflamed with the inspiration of winning souls to Christ, and not to sect,
to party. The blessed faith of the
Gospel that inspires the heart with the love of Christ and the souls of sults characterize their exclusive tarianism; each claiming to be the proprietary interest in the covenant-sole depository of divine investiture sole depository of divine investiture suming zeal for His cause, and not ed mercies of God? Are they the for the onslaught upon the hosts of Important to Consumers of Coal the mere shibboleths of that faith specially delegated evargels of the the great adversary.

of the cross of Christ. Its counter- for a piece of bread to advance his proscriptive the intolerant bigot. Is feit gloats more in converting to its sect by the deceitful and mean arts it not high time that an enlightenother folds the results of other la- chastized with the scorpion lash of fiendish activity in disturbing a sinners. It rejoices more in the out of his degrading avocation. Put to the mere formula, the insignia, of than in the conversion of a sinner moves under a higher and holier in of the novitiate in order to prose-

these imposters, under the baleful tially prerequisite in their contributeachings of his blind guides, who teachings of his blind guides, who substitute the forms of religion for its power, becomes impressed with the symmetry of its proportions and working power. One can not say to

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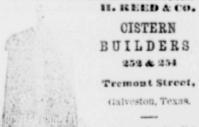
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WE see by the papers that the Methodist Conference at Detroit, Oct. 4th, it renews in a more offen-Michigan, after considering the question of licensing women to preach, with the advice of the Bishop, decided against it. It seems from this Politicians," after echoing the slogan that Western Methodists are dispos- of its party, respecting the intimied to "put down the brakes" on dation of the negroes at the ballot some of the radical movements of the Gilbert Haven School.

In the entire British Empire there are eighteen archbishops and 108 bishops representing the Roman Catholic church. In two years there has been an increase in England and Scotland alone of 131 Catholic clergymen and 41 chapels. The zeal Rome is displaying in the occupancy of Protestant land should wake up the evangelical churches.

THE King of Sweden has been in the habit of commuting the death sentence of murderers to imprisonment for life, but this merciful policy has led to such an increase of murder that he has accordingly abandoned it. Bad men can only be restrained from evil by the terrors of the law. The motives which control the virtuous and benevolent do not reach them, and to place them under discipline which might answer the moral wants of the best of men or moderately good angels is a manifest absurdity.

DK. REDFORD, at the Kentucky invariably reveal backwardness in the great movements of the church. engaged, cannot be in vital sympathy with its important enterprises.

WALTER C. YOUNG, a Chinese corvert to Christianity, and a student of the Philadelphia Divinity School and Kenyon College, has taken up his residence in San Francisco as a missionary to his people there. Such movements have in them the promise of success. The best workers with any people are converts from among themselves. As a rule, men hear not willingly "the voice of strangers."

THERE are now 27,591 itinerant Methodist preachers throughout the world. Add to these 61,474 local preachers, and the Methodist Churches have a united force of 89,065. A little people have become mighty. "The handful of corn on the top of the mountain is beginning to shake like Lebanon." With what wonder John Wesley, standing on the shining shores, must look back on the work he was instrumental, under God's hand, in commencing.

world altogether sustain 1559 mis- the strictures of the Northwestern sionary stations, and 2782 mission- the very natural feeling of the aries, at a cost annually of nearly Southern papers was indignation re-\$6,000,000. This is only the be- specting its injustice and disgust for ginning of the work. "There its partizan bitterness. remaineth yet very much land Though the Southern church pato be possessed." The obliga- pers did speak out, the trouble now tion of the Church to establish is they did not speak to suit the the kingdom of the Messiah among Northwestern. Nothing short of its all nations is as binding as that own intense partizanship will satisfy which demanded that Israel should it. By " notorious hesitation to retake possession of its entire inheri- buke Southern rufflanism," it means Prince of Peace. The Church, a slandered people. We suggest to the wires of the African community in South, is doing but a small part of this self-constituted censor of other its work in this field.

IS THIS FRATERNITY?

papers of the North, none has been more violent in its assaults on the Southern people than the North western Christian Advocate. Every rumor, prejudicial to the South, set afloat by an unscrupulous partizan press, is eagerly copied and emphasized with the most offensive terms in its vocabulary. The unamiable spirit which prompted it to proclaim the Hamburg affair a faithful exhibition of Southern society, and the ungenerous avidity with which it asserted that the Southern Methodist press was in sympathy with "negro killing" or criminally silent amid scenes of crime, called forth indignant protests from the papers assail ed. After it had given the action of the fraternal commissioners some cautious words of approval, we had hoped it would reveal a kindlier spir it towards the Southern church. We confess our mistake. In its issue of sive form its charges against the Southern pulpit and press. Under the head of "Excesses of Southern box by the whites of the South, it endeavors to show that the Methodist press and pulpit are parties to the alleged outrages, not because, as it before asserted, they were in sympathy with the wrong, but because of dastardly cowardice which would not permit them to denounce it. It

After the Fourth of July murder at Hamburg, South Carolina, the Southern Methodist) Christian Advocate was the only paper in that church to speak out with tolerable promptness. Some other papers spoke later, but reluctantly and only when stung out of silence by our just strictures. Later thought and information compels us to modify our condemnation as far as the motives o the silence of Southern presses and oulpits are concerned. We now see that notorious hesitation to rebuke Southern ruffianism is changeable not to their half-hearted horror at the murder of a human-being who was lately but a thing, a salable piece of property, but rather to fear of consequences should a Southern editor or preacher plainly protest against "killing niggers" to lessen the majority of opponents at a pend

The fact that Southern papers were more tardy in reporting this affair than many in the North was explained in part by the Atlanta of the preachers of that conference the Southern papers were more dis- outrage at the hands of men of the took no periodical. This one fact will tant than many members of the Northern press. The New York Methodist promptly credited South-A people who is not well informed ern journals with this fact ; but such respecting the work in which it is an act of justice, it seems, is beyond the capacity of the Northwestern when the South is involved.

That Southern journals should be cautious in receiving reports about Southern outrages is not surprising, after they have been made familiar with the eagerness with which the politico-religious papers of the North publish the false or garbled tales of Southern outrages, which has been supplied without stint by reckless political adventurers, to perpetuate sectional strife, and thus strengthen the party to which they belong. No rumor is rejected if it is damaging to Southern character . and no denial is accepted unless par. ty interest makes the concession politic. When a report of "outrage" reaches us by this line, we wait for reliable testimony before we accept the statement. The Southern Advocate being the nearest of the family to Hamburg, was the first to express its convictions ; but that the Southern Methodist press did "speak out" when authorized history of the fraternity? affair reached them, is a fact which all its readers can attest. So far THE Protestant churches of the from being "stung out of silence" by

tance. It is the heritage of the afailure to echo its aspersions against saint L'Overture may come to the front

festos have not been recognized as Among all the politico religious the standard of truth or rule of press may still follow their own conwith the Northwestern, without confessing their people ruffians in practice or themselves poliroon; at

The assertion that Southern editors are deterred by "fear of consequences" from plainly protesting against "killing niggers" lest it should "lessen the majority of opponents at a pending election " reveals either the most unpardonable ignorance respecting Southern affairs, or an amount of prejudice which utterly disqualifies its possessor from rendering justice to an antagonist. While we resent as grossly offensive this wholesale impeachment of the Southern Methodist pulpit and press, we admit that, in one sense, "fear of consequences" may exert a commanding influence over those so unwarrantably assailed. We believe that He who announced His law from Sinai, will enforce, with solemn sanctions, the command, "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor;" we fear to offend that law. A ring of roughs recently, near one of the cities of the North, applauded two brutes in human shape who were endeavoring fiercest party zeal, none who read to batter out each others lives. Were we to assert that this is a faithful representation of Northern society, false witness against our neighbor. When we refuse to admit that the whole Southern people are responsible for the actions of a few hot headed men, and protest against the sweeping charge of ruffianism because certain men, in a given locality, are ruffians, it is because we fear to offend against the law that forbids "false witness against our neighbor."

The Southern religious press very likely has not mentioned every case chial school has been established between the Atlantic coast and the Rio Grande where a colored man under priestly influence. This case has been killed by a white man; furnishes several points for considneither has it reported every case eration. where white men have been murdered by negroes; nor has it filled its lic churches place on the religious columns with accounts of the white instruction of their children. We Advocate, the organ of Northern women who have been outraged and may commend their solicitude, Methodism in Georgia, by the fact in many instances murdered by bru- though we may not approve their conference, stated that nine-tenths of that, while nearer geographically to tal blacks; nor of the white girls of the families under the ministrations the scene of trouble, by telegraph tender years who have endured like same color. It is at once the interest and desire of the Southern people to live in peace. Broken in fortune, they are seeking to re-establish their homes, and transmit to their children a peaceable and prosperous land. They have no quarrel with the negro man respecting his change in condition. None are so insane as to dream that his former state will be resumed; and, in good faith, our people are seeking to adjust themselves to the present order of affairs With no conflict of interest, the two races would abide in place, were it not that the success of a party de mands the perpetuation of strife. The approaching election explains these furious onslaughts of the Northwestern on the Southern people and the Southern church. Willing to prostitute its own columns to the party it represents, it repudiates as hypocritical the care with which Southern Methodist journals seek to avoid all political complications, and when they decline to copy its example and become "accusera of their brethren," it denounces them as "half-hearted" or cowardly in the presence of wrong. Is this

It is evident that the Northwestwhen, in this same article, it evokes at command, we will venture the asthe torch of insurrection and gloats sertion that Galveston, and any over the desolation that would fol- average city or town in the State low what it styles "a negro uprising." More guarded than Bro. Ives of it. If the moneys spent in liquor its story of "Southern rufflianism" and be severely economical when is true, it says :

If these outrages continue, some Tousand utter the words that will run along this self-constituted censor of other men's motives that it is not seated Gate the other day. God's authority and then blew out his own brains.

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white heat; but if it should ever occur to the poor creatures that God callsthem to spoil the latter-day Egyptians and to right. The Southern pulpit and vindicate their race, they will go through all degrees of danger, pain and death, to execute the decree. victions, even though they differ et costs money, and military drill requires much time, but an unearthly thrill of enthusiasm and a streak of lightening-like devotion to something more precious than life may fall upon a race in one night, and woe betide the armed, over-confident, and arrogant oppressor who stands in the path of such an irresistible impulse. It may occur while it is ignoble to merely avenge past wrong, it were imperative justice to coming generations to shake the lucifer match in defiance of the shotgun, and that while assasination ent short a human probation, a burned city may be a heavenly call upon the Ku Klux to lay aside their guns and engage in laying brick, pending the rebuilding of homes and business blocks. Should that L'Overture propose to insure whole towns and cities against wholesale conflagations at the very reasonable premium of political toleration and personal safety to party oppo-nents, the Southern Bashi-Bazouk

able and fair. Bear in mind it is not a secular paper that utters this threat of uprising among the blacks, and suggests that they may strike the lucifer match against the cities of the South, and exults in the picture it has drawn onof "burned cities." of " smoldering homes," and "business blocks," but a paper claiming to be published in the interest of christianity. That it is edited in the interest of a political party and that it adds fanatical bigotry to the will doubt. We are glad to believe that the Northwestern does not represent the Northern Methodist we would feel that we were bearing Church. If we did we should consider fraternity an unmitigated sham. We believe better things of our brethren.

must needs pronounce the terms reason

THE Roman Catholic priest at Bergen Point, New Jersey, has ordered the withdrawal of all children of Catholic parentage from the public school, and in obedience to this mandate one hundred and fifty children of Irish parentage were promptly withdrawn, and a parowhere they will be held directly

It shows the estimate the Cathcmethods. One evil in the Protestant Church is their neglect of the religious culture of the children. The Sunday-school is doing a great work, and yet thousands of the young people, though well fed, well clad, and furnished with secular training, grow up so far as religion is concerned, as much neglected as

weeds by the way-side. It indicates the power of the priests over the people. This may be a good thing, but it is very certain that no Protestant minister presumes to exercise such authority. If Protestant clergyman were to claim such authority, the secular press would boil over with indignation. It would be pronounced a gross outrage, intolerable bigotry, impertinent, intermeddling in private affairs. It is all right when a Catholic priest performs the action. The fact is, a large portion of the secular press is as submissive when as these obedient Irish Catholic parents of Bergen Point, New Jersey. Will some one explain the cause?

In New Jersey, 1,539 school build ings are reported, and 5,649 licens ed retail liquor saloons. The number of teachers in the State is 2162. and the number of liquor-sellers is ern does not fear the "consequences" 11,298. Without having the figures of Texas, can show as bad an exhib-

Boston, who saw hope for the negro were turned into school houses and only in the assassin's poison and the teachers' salaries, we could have the torch of the incendiary, yet it ven- best organized schools Europe or tures the same suggestions in the America has ever known. Men will following language. Assuming that pay liberally to gratify an appetite, providing for the highest wants of their households.

> Julius Blaine, a native of France, saved to the virtuous side of our Oct. 2d, in New York, shot his wife citizens.

When we look abroad over our land and behold the criminal crusade that is progressing with ceaseless tread in every part and portion of our State, we naturally pause in our reflections to ask why it is that, in this favored age of the world, all these things exist. We think for a moment, upon the mighty march that science, with its civilizing influences to such a latter-day Toussaint that has accomplished in our country; of the obstacles it has encountered and overcome in the gigantic work it assumed. We look upon the countless blessings it has scattered, broadeast, over the land, giving to mankind the advantages of expedition in the transaction of temporal engagements, coupled with the concentrated power that has been captured and utilized from every known agent of force throughout the entire range of nature; we see the genius of human intelligence chasing its phantoms and evolving its systems with a fixedness of purpose and clearness magnitude of thought and the magand thinking, we feel, that verily the world does move onward in its work of acquisition; yet in many localimake that advance towards the accomplishment of a glory that is greater than all the products of the mind, brighter than the glittering rays that sparkle upon the diamond's point, and more to be coveted than gold ; yea, than much fine gold." The hand of every man seems to

appalling beyond description. Death who have been called to the great gracing our State. work of entorcing them. The secular press of the State gathers torether the bloody facts that make up the calendar of crime with which the reading public is daily furnished. Editorials are written; comments full of comprehensive conjectures are submitted, and countless remedies are suggested; while official imbecility is ventilated in the rarest and raciest rhetoric that the minds of political theorists can command; but the work of death goes | na! puts the case : " Protestant peron ; the calendar of crime is contin- secution means sectarian tyranny. It ued; and the condition of public is the highest impudence of vanity morals, instead of improving, is and conceit; but Catholic persecution of a "reign of terror." The islating for what God reveals." This press has its power. It is the great is a very comfortable doctrine for school-master of the American peo- those who assert it; but, outside of ple; and is daily teaching and in- the Catholic Church, we have no the Catholic Church is concerned structing them as they toil on work- idea that a solitary person, of ordiing out the problems of their indi- nary intelligence, will see in it eithvidual lives. But the press is not er reason or right. It reveals, very always infallible in its mission. Like distinctly, what the Catholic Church everything that emanates from the would do were it once more in posminds of men, it is subject to err. session of secular power. That its course in our own State. is wrong, no man who will acquaint himself with the laws of our land and with the sentiments of our people, will deny for a single moment. The Governor is the target at which the secular press of Texas has been discharging its maledictions for more than a year; yet with all the rhetorical abuse and logical billingsgate that have been heaped

It is not by abusing the Governor are assuming important proportions

agent of our country, not a single

murder has been prevented, not a

single crime has been suppressed,

and not a single criminal has been

in the various; and that its mani- the religion of Christ have kept the fires THE SECULAR PRESS AND CRIME that the crimes that are daily tarnishing the escutcheon of our commonwealth can be abated. It is not by maligning the law-makers, and villifying the law-officers of the State that the criminal instincts of aband. oned men can be revolutionized and turned into channels that lead to peaceful scenes. It is not by illustrating, argumentatively and metaphorically, the defects of statutory enactments that desperate men can be won from vicious associations and secured as patient toilers in virtuous pursuits. The root of the popular evils of our land must be aimed at before any practical good can ever be successfully accomplished by those who are so vehement in their declarations that the public weal is the cherished goal of their loftiest ambition. Never before in the history of this State have the facilities for revolutionizing the morals of the people been better than they are to-day. Never were the God-loving and God servof design that bids us marvel at the ing element of any land more favored by law-makers in providing nificence of its productions; we think, the means of working upon the morals of mankind than are the Christians of Texas. Let the secular press join its forces with those ties the human mind fails to of the pulpit, and together let those two invincible and irresistible forces advance against the unrighteousness that is prevailing in our State, and the day will be near at hand when peace will supplant the conflicts that are going on between our countrymen, and when the fullest sense of security will take the place of every fear that is now disturbing the be raised against every other man in quietude and repose of every restmany localities. Contentions, and conless heart throughout our borders. tests, and conflicts, with their brutal Let us close up the dram-shops that blows and bloody consequences, atare educating our young men for tend upon every new blessing that is permitted by God to reward the desperadoes, and let us see to it patient industries of those who la- that the gambling-hells that keep bor to benefit the world; and, in their their fires of death perpetually achievements, to illustrate the great burning upon their altars of chance, goodness of Him who disposes with are forbidden an existence in this the same facility with which frail State; and this done let the songs of mortality purposes in carrying out praise and the murmurings of the divine design which must yet be prayer be heard more frequently, developed in the continued existence and half the work will have been of the material world. Murder suc. accomplished that is to place its ceeds murder, and the cry of out- quietus to the criminal practices raged justice, as it is echoed back that are prevailing in our midst. from the fears of our countrymen, We ask the secular press to join us casts a gloom over our State that is in the work of suppressing drunkenness. We ask the preachers and after death is chronicled; and vic- praying men of Texas to unite with tim after victim is added to the long us in making one grand effort in list of those who have fallen to il. this behalf, and if successful we lustrate how powerless are our laws promise a speedy abatement in the and how feeble are the hands of those | criminal perpetrations that are dis

THE Lausanne (Swis.) Review, of Theology and Philosophy says that beyond comparison the religious papers of America are superior to those of Europe. This is a just admission. The vigor with which the Christians of America employ the press indicates at once the advanced position the churches occupy in the intellectual world.

HERE is the way a Catholic jourconstantly advancing in the direction, to use the word properly, is leg-

There was a riot at a colored touching the countless crimes that church in Brooklyn Oct. 1st. Po. have been committed and are being lice cleaned out the congregationadded to by additional offenses daily, The Southern whites had nothing to do with it.

THE latest intelligence from the elections, before going to press, showed Indiana gone Democratic by about 5000 majority. West Virginia also gone Democratic. Ohio still doubtful with probabilities in favor of the Republicans on a close vote.

The cotton seed oil factory of Messrs. Ahrenbeck, in Graham, run seven oil presses, and turn out from 12 to 16 barupon him by this great civilizing agent of our country, not a single

The Democrat reports twenty new buildings going up near the Depot at Fort Worth. New comers by the hundred are said by the Times to be coming into Parker

county Mining operations in Llano county

Thristian Advocate BE PROMPT.—"Why is Fred like the cat's tail?" The whole family—father, mother, by the whole father whole

GALVESTON. TEXAS. OCT. 14, 1876.

Speaking Evil of Ministers.

The general rules, as recorded in our book of Discipline are believed to be based upon, and to derive their authority from the word of God -hence all our ministers and members are under solemn ly cat walked across the floor and took obligation to keep and obey these rules.

Among other things forbidden, we find that which stands at the head of this ways behind." Fred turned from the article, "Speaking evil of ministers," mentioned as a common evil in Mr. Wesley's time, and also no less common red into his outer clothes, and by the in the present day. A moment's reflectime the rest had waited for him full tion may convince us of the wisdom of the rule, and the evil that must result from any violation of it. Our preachers are the leaders and standard bearers—the highest officers of the church; are and can skate as well: but he is always belong the properties. any reflection upon, or insinuation ways the late one. He is seldom ever against them, must have a tendency to ready to sit down at meals when the weaken their hold upon public confidence, and by so much to destroy, or at least to diminish their influence for good; an army that has lost confidence to any degree in the ability or the fidelity of its officers is in a fair way to the school register with a large marks stand against his name on the school register with a large marks stand against his name on the school register with a large marks stand against his name on the school register with a large marks stand against his name on the school register with a large marks stand against his name on the school register with a large marks stand against his name on the school register with a large marks.

ents have written uncharitably, and family have to help him, and he gene that nothing but evil can result from their complaints. We can but regard the articles referred to as in violation of our general rule, and as laying an example mischlevous in its tendency.

If it he right to publish complaints If it be right to publish complaints good and saved multitudes of lives, against the Bishops, it could not be while tardiness has destroyed myriads. wrong to do the same about any or all In temporal things as well as spiritual, of our preachers; but are we prepared to read from week to week such criticisms upon ourselves, and in regard to our personal duties and responsibilities? The charge against our chief pastors cannot be sustained, we think. Our Bishops belong to the whole church, and consequently they have both a natural and an ecclesiastical since, and to feel your need of Christ?"

A SISTER'S LEARS—A young man, not very long since, was on examination for ordination. In relating his Christian experience and call to the ministry, the question was put to him:

"What first led you to see yourself a sinner, and to feel your need of Christ?"

His simple really was: "A sister's of the church, of which they are the chief pastors. Now, it so happens that all of our Bishops live several hundred miles from us. These chief shepherds, unlike all other itinerant preachers, change their field of labor every year. right to live anywhere in the bounds Now, it they be required to spend all claims of Christain religion, the genutheir time within the particular district assigned to them, of course they must make long and ruinous removals She was in carnest in seeking the salevery year, or they must bid farewell to home, and wife, and children, and literally become strangers and pilgrims in this world. In either case the burden would be much heavier than falls upon any other class of our ministers. saving clause was put into our Discipline, "to travel as far as practicable," the case, the bad nothing to say. But he only stormed the more. Still she etc. In the very nature of the case, the Bishops are the only competent her God, her Saviour, her Bible, her rework, fully agree that the office is no sinceure among us. I venture the assertion, that they do twice as much work as any equal number of traveling preachers among us; in fact, as one of Jesus wept over sinners, and when we by the day."

mule-teer.

A young poet of the realistic school writes: "Time marches on with the salvation of the souls of beloved friends.

Jesus wept over sinners, and when we by the day." our most intelligent ministers said to are so earnest for the souls of our loved me not long ago: "we are literally ones that we weep over them, then working our Bishops to death." The they will be won to Christ. "He that care of all the churches, a correspond-ence extending all over our broad field, cious seed, shall doubtless come again holding conferences, ordaining, baptiz- with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves ing, lecturing, preaching, etc. These with him." truly apostolic men perform labors and bear burdens that teil sadly upon their appearance and strength. Our beloved lady, who has several grown sons and Bishop Pearce said to the people of Bethel a few weeks ago, "that he had not had a day's rest in three months;" and in the midst of his useful and exleagues. Is it right? Mr. Editor, what twenty-one years of age.
means this cry for episcopal labor in With the half-a-dollar she bought a our land? Do we desire more bishops? pig. She fed him with such scraps, etc., from the kitchen as would otherwise in every conference? Shall we encourage in any way diocesan episcopacy. The only way to have episcopal
labor in our conferences and districts
is to increase the number of bishops
largely, and to localize them to some
extent at least, the propriety of which
is gravely doubted. In conclusion, Mr.
Editor, permit me to say that if there
are just grounds for complaint against
our Bishops (which I deny), these complaints ought to go to the General Conplaints ought to go to the General Conference instead of being published in
our papers, producing as they must a
degree of distrust and disaffection tocourage in any way diocesan episcopa- determined that her husband should degree of distrust and disaffection to- calf; using the balance of the money to

PRAY ADOUT EVERYTHING .- I should like my little readers to form a habit, the calf had grown so well that it while they are young, of praying about brought thirty-five dollars. while they are young, of praying about everything. I once knew a little girl whose good mother very frequently took penses not before paid, was quite suffiher, with her sister, to their room to pray with them. She taught them always to take every little want or trouble to God in prayer. One day the little boy was six years old, his horse was ready for him; but he the girl was dreadfully frightened by a was not quite large enough to take a bad boy, who took delight in teasing little children; and for weeks the poor Friend.

child dare not go near the boy alone. Sometime after this, her mother asked

The little girl was just going to say what she had been taught sooften about the kettle into an amunition of defence. 'Yes, mamma," but she remembered God's willingness to hear prayer, so she

"I will ask God to take care of me, and then I shall not be afraid, mamma.

ing down, prayed: "O God, take care of me; and, may I wilderness. not be frightened, for Jesus Christ's sake!"

Then, with a light heart, she skipped away, quite believing that God would hear her prayer; and He did hear her, for he not only took care of her but gave

her courage.
Some little people are afraid of being left in the dark when in their beds; now, if they would do as this child did,I think they would soon cease to fear. Dear children, do not think anything too trifling to tell Jesus .- Early Days.

Cheerfulness makes the mind clearer, gives tone to thought, and adds grace and beauty to the countenance.

The thing which an active mind most needs is a purpose and direction worthy of its activity.

brother and sisters, all except Fied—
stood waiting, muffled and gloved, for
him to be ready to go with them to
the lecture. Tardy Fred had been
loitering about doing nothing in particplanting decourse similars feeding, and ular, in a dreamy, aimless fashion, and had yet to brush his hair, don his boots, overcoat, cap, muffler and mittens, when reguish sister Mary propounded this conundrum as the sedate old fami-

fidelity of its officers is in a fair way to the school register, such a bad habit he become demoralized. The above train of thought has been awakened by several communications that have recently appeared in the ADVOCATE, charging our chief pastors with neglect of duty, partiality, setting a bad example, etc. Now, Mr. Editor, some of us think that your correspondents have written uncharitably, and entry family have to help him, and he generally above train of thought has been minute before he starts. And on Sunday morning he will sit reading or dreaming over something, and never seems to think of getting ready for church till it is almost time to go. Then he is in a great flutter and can't find this that or the other; the whole family have to help him, and he generally appeared in the Capito the name of L. Papirius for the second time, and victories gained by him antines and Calabrians.

Dr. Hartsen recomment and can't find this that or the other; the whole family have to help him, and he generally appeared in the Capito the name of L. Papirius for the second time, and can't find this that or the other; the whole family have to help him, and he generally appeared in the Capito the name of L. Papirius for the second time, and can't find this that or the other; the whole family have to help him, and he generally appeared in the Capito the name of L. Papirius for the second time, and can't find this that or the other; the whole family have to help him, and he generally appeared in the Capito the name of L. Papirius for the name of L. Papiriu

"Now is the accepted time.

A SISTER'S TEARS -A young man, not

His simple reply was: "A sister's

At length, on one occasion, he sought In view of these facts, no doubt, that an argument with his sister, but she judges, as they alone have a knowledge of every part of our great field, and especially of their own peculiar domestic relations and home responsibilities. Those who know our Bishops and their saw myself a sinner, and field to Christ for held."

hausting labors in Texas, he must read complaints against himself and his col-

wards our Bishops and our economy.

M. U. CULLUM. pay her husband all expense of keeping the calf, except the grass which it ate in the field.

In the course of two er three years

This amount, after paying all ex-

SOFT-SOAP AS A WEAPON. - "Soft-Sometime after this, her mother asked her to go to a shop which was close to the house where the boy lived. O, how fast her little heart beat!

Her kind mother saw her hesitation, and asked:

"Are you afraid to go alone, my dear?"

SOFT-SOAF AS A WEAPON.—"Soft-soap" was first most effectually applied in this country by the Swedish women who defended the old log Swedes' church below Philadelphia, before the city was laid out. A friendly squaw gave notice of an intended attack by the Loding. The Scandingsian ladies the Indians. The Scandinavian ladies were boiling soap, and they at once concluded to convert the contents of They lifted it into the church, with firewood to keep it hot. As the warriors began to undermine the foundations, they hen I shall not be afraid, mamma." received on their bare backs, a spirited fire of the terrible material, which in due time sent them howling into the

> The incident was related by a participant who died in London at an advanced age. She was a grand-daugh-er of the Swedish burgher, Suen Schule.

SomeBody has utilized pet and other names thus: For a printer's wife, Em; for a sport's wife, Bet-ty; for a lawyer's wife, Sue; for a teamster's wife, Carrie; for a fisherman's wife, Net-ty; tor a shoe maker's wife, Peg-gy; for a carpetman's wife, Mat-tie; for an auctioneer's wife, Bid-dy; for a chemist's wife, Ann-Eliza;

for an engineer's wife Bridge-it.

Scienfifir.

The mucilage used by the Government is composed of: -Dextrin, 2 oz.; acetic acid, 1 oz.; water, 5 oz.; alcohol, 1 oz.

Alum and plaster of Paris, well mixed in water and used in the liquid-state form a hard composition and is a good cement.

The durability of car wheels was shown the other day, when a set was taken from beneath the baggage cars of a California and Oregon express train at Sacramento. The wheels had traveled, in daily use, 91,800 miles, and were then not worn out, but had become loose on the axle.

Fifteen thousand francs have been voted by the French Government towards the works which are being carried on at Tlemcen, in Algeria, for the conservation of the ancient mosque of Mansoural, and the consolidation of its fine minaret. The mosque of Man-soural is one of the firest examples of ancient Moorish architecture in exist-

A new fragment of the triumphal fasces has been discovered in the forum at Rome, near the Temple of Antoni-nus and Faustina. It fills up a gap for the year 482, existing in the celebrated collection in the Capitol, containing the name of L. Papirius Cursor, consul for the second time, and recording the victories gained by him over the Tar-

Dr. Hartsen recommends grapes as a valuable diet in fever. The grape contains a considerable amount of hydrocarbonaceous matter, together with a quantity of potassium salts, a combin-ation which does not irritate, but, on the contrary, soothes the stomach, and consequently is used with advantage, even in dyspepsia.

Nevada has again been visited with the meteorologic phenomenon of cloud-bursts. Heavy rains have prevailed all over Nevada, but the cloud-bursts, as two years ago, seemed to have been confined to the eastern portion of the State. The recent calamity near Eureka has been the more destructive, and it is a little singular that the phenomenon should have occurred within a few minutes of the same time as that which, two years ago, on the same day which, two years ago, on the same day of the month, caused such a destruction of property.

Waste Baaket.

Hard to beat-Boiled eggs. Always bound to follow snit-Your tailor's bill.

When ought mariners to have fruit at sea?—When they stem the currents. "Sambo, did you ever see the Catskill Mountains?" "No sah! But I've seen um kill mice."

A St. Louis county girl likes to make bread because it cleans her hands so beautiful.

A Minnesota jurer addressed a note to the judge, in which he styled him an "onorable jug."

A Minnesota jurer addressed a note and close the Lectures daily.

Clinics Fr The pensive mule is not unusually

regarded as susceptible of pathetic emo-tions. And yet be occasionally drops a

Mrs. Partington concurs in Bishop Whipple's pacific policy towards the Indians. Shes ys she'd drive 'em right

into it and drown 'em all. It is a remarkable fact, that, although common sheep delight in verdant fields, religious flocks are not anxious to have green pastors.

"I take my tex dis morning," said a colored preacher, "from dat poetion ob de Scriptures whar de Postol Paul pints his pisto! to de Fesions."

"Yes, I want my daughter to study rhetoric," replied a Vermont mother, "for she can't fry paneakes now without smoking the house all up."

"Can there be anything brought into this house," asked a disgusted member, "that will not be repealed sooner or later?" One of the opposition suggest-

At a wedding recently, when the clergyman asked the lady, "Wilt thou have this man to be thy wedded husband?" she, with a modesty which lent her beauty an additional grace, replied,

A Western editor met a well educated farmer recently, and informed him that he would like to have something from his pen. The farmer sent him a pig

Danbury has the champion patient boy. He comes from a chronically borrowing family. The other day he went to a neighbor's for a cup of sour milk. "I haven't got anything but sweet milk," said the woman pettishly. "I'll wait till it sours," said the obliging youth, sinking into a chair.

Visitor: "Can I see Dr. Jones?" Servant: "No, sir. He's not at home, sir." Visitor: "Could I see his-er deputy ?" Servant: "Please sir, you'd better wait till master comes home; as don't know where it is, and he don't like his things meddled with.

"Why do they call it 'crooked' whiskey ?" asked Martha Jane. "Because," answered Fitzboodle, gravely, "al-though it is generally taken straight, those who consume much of it are nearly always on a 'bender.'' She was satisfied.

CURIOUS FREAK OF A DOG .- A Rad-

norshire lady, who was married in March and came to reside in Yorkshire, England, recently paid a visit to her father who, before she was married, had kept two or three sheep-dogs, of which she was very fond. Since then he had retired from business, and disposed of all but one dog. This one met the lady with demonstrations of great delight, upon her arrival at her father's house, and that night the dog went a distance of seven miles to a farm-house where one of the other dogs had been sent. (The latter was blind, but kept as being an old favorite). In the morning when the lady went to the door, she saw not only the dog which had given her such a glad reception the day previously, but also the old blind one, which had evidently been brought

Omnibus.

We are all poor just as we want more, and rich as we want less. A religious life is a living right rather than a thinking right. Everything good in man leans on

omething higher. Nothing can be love to God which does not shape itself into obedience.

Prefer diligence before idleness, unless you esteem rust above brightness.

The only way to be permanently safe is to be habitually honest. To mourn without measure, is folly : not to mourn at all, insensibility. Let us rather seek to be judges of ourselves than the executioner of an-

Prayer, without watching, is hypocrisy; and watching, without prayer, is presumption.

One must be right, substantially right, in essentials, or be fatally wrong in experience and practice.

What men want is not talent, it is

purpose; in other words, not the power to achieve, but the will to labor.

The reason why we do not know more of heaven is because we do not know more of Jesus. Charity, love to God and man, out-

weighs the best notions about the order of public worship. If there be any good in thee, believe that there is much more in others. It hurteth thee most of all to prefer thy-

self even to one. The world proposes rest by the re-moval of a burden. The Redeemer gives rest by giving us the spirit and power to bear the burden.

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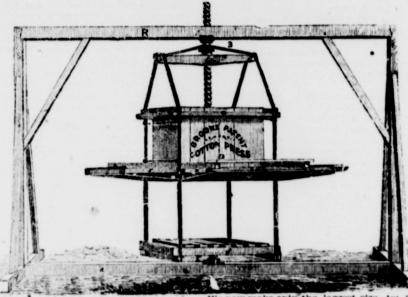
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heart, and changes, to a great degree, the course of life; but does not cause its possessor to become gloomy, morose, and disgusting, but calm, reflecting, and amiable. If the Christian is the light This is worth trying at all events. of the world, and religion makes one such, most assuredly that light cannot be obscured by possessing it; but must, from its very nature, become a bright and burning light, reflecting happiness, peace, and joy to all who possess it or come within its circle. This has been fully demonstrated, in all ages of the world, by apostics, prophets, and teachers of these holy precepts everywhere.

Although the heart may be changed by divine grace, be renewed and made affice unto God, and the temper curbed, relig 63 Strand, Galveston. ion, in no wise, changes the physical nature or constitution from defects in which there may be tendencies to melancholy and discontent; but it makes sin hateful to the soul, disgusting to the sight, and revolting to the sense of hear-

difficulties of this life that the Christian or professor of religion must be called to pass, nothing but true, genuine, and heart-telt religion can make the heart really cheerful and them happy. Let no one, for a moment, think or believe that our God is a severe task-master or gloomy and melancholy being; and that he would have His worshipers dejected, dark and threatening clouds of anger were continually surrounding them; but, on the contary, the real Christian finds bim a kind friend, well acquainted with his or her wants, and one with whom they can hold sweet converse when all earthly friends fall away and fail them; one who can make them truly happy whether in prosperity or adversity.

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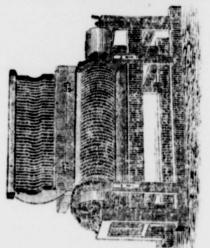
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The Theology of Tithe Offerings, Concluded from their First Record in Genises xiv.

BY LOVICK PIERCE, D D.

In as far as we know, Abraham's made plain. So in this instance offering tithes to Melchizedec, as we see this illustrious person, Melking of righteousness and priest chizedec, the veriest type of the Son of the most high God, was their of God in the order of his priestfirst initiation into any form of hood, and the dignity of his blessdivine homage; and even here their ing Abraham, concerning which deep embedment in this mine of St. Paul has been specially inspired Christiaa ore has to be brought to to say, and without contradiction: light by the shining of that lamp, "The less is blessed of the better," lit by the inspiration of Paul's pen, alluding doubtless to this fact as bein Hebrews: 7 ch. The strange pro- tween us and Christ, in order to cess by which the apostle's mind show the insimilitude between was led to individualize Melchizedec Melchizedec and Christ: Melchizedec so as to make his status so analagous blessing Abraham and Abraham to that of Jesus Christ himself, is paying homage to Melchizdec, as proof to our minds how this sudden to the better, I might say in truth, impulse or inspiration came upon as unto the greater in as far as this Abraham's mind to offer-or, to insimilitude holds good. By this speak more correctly, to pay tithes inauguration at this time, in this to Melchizedec. It was because he patriarch, the grandsire of the was the priest of the most high God, Jewish nation and church, there after whose order Christ, the ante- was an indoctrination of this tithe type of this typical priest, was to be principle in Jewish minds that lived made an independent instance with. four hundred years as, perhaps, an out predecessor or successor. It was unused right lying up in store ready because of this similarity that Mel for use as soon as God should ordain chizedec's priesthood is'spoken of as among them a dependent priesthood abiding continually; for Chirst's priest- and sacerdotal ministry. hood was to be continuous; and, be- Accordingly, as soon as the Israeling made a priest after the order of ites were delivered from their bond-Melchizedec, his priesthood abideth age and erected into a national We will not go back of Abraham | leadership and commandof Moses, we

tion of paying tithes. To us, it ecclesiastical polity as with a civil. seems meet that it should have been, We are assured in the book of Levitias it was, inaugurated in and by cus, 27 and the closing verses, Abraham. In him is found, as we that the tithe-law along with see it, the nucleus plant in the or . all other laws was commanded Mogapic church of God. Called from ses in Mount Sinai, all of equal his native land to go into a land to dignity and authority; and this, as be afterwards given to him in ful. all will see, is especially particularfillment of a covenant to be shortly | ized as a reward for their ministers afterwards ratified with all the so- of [religion. And as was said of that accompanied this wonderful be said of paying tithes. hour, was the deep sleep and great | The rational theory on the queshorror that fell upon Abraham, which tion runs thus: The exacting of God revealed to him as the portents | tithes for the maintenance of an of the evils which would befall him order of ministers, called from fit of New Testament believers, would maintain his servants. when he said: "Whatsoever was written aforetime, was writ- that all financial duties and proporten for our learning; that we, tions as presented in the New through patience and comfort of Testament, are prescribed of Old the Scriptures-of these Old Tes- Testament laws and principles. tament Scriptures - might have And in the meantime, to reason a six month's armistice, instead of a hope." It is on this basis, as we little with my more heedless friends. understand Paul, that these Scrip When Christ said to the Jews, tures were written, not for our "Search the scriptures," He meant memory, as mere matters of history, the Law and the Prophets. There but emphatically for our learning. were no other scriptures then. And The great lesson we learn from when Saint Paul said: "All scripture these records is that time with God is given by inspiration of God, and is nothing. That when we have His is profitable for doctrine, for repromise for future fulfillment, we proof, and for instruction in rightemay die as Abraham did, without ousness, that the man of God receiving the promise, but with may be perfect, and thoroughly fur-God's certificate of certainty, like ished to all good works," he allu-

him, die in faith. But to resume the tithe question. Testament, which had been made It is evident that it became an Timothy's Text Book. To disarticle of faith in the law of obedi | card God's opinion concerning this ence to the Divine will in the de- rule of justice on the ground of exscendants of Abraham; and there- cess, and substitute it by such a fore, must have been understood as one as we have been paying on, is It originated in the building on the cor an ordinance of homage to God for the fearful prima facie evidence of bounties of his providential goodness. self-deception. Excuse me when I Hence, Jacob, the grandson of Abra- say, I have never found any other ham, on the morning after his wonder- more infallible proof of low moral ful vision of the ladder, with its foot principles in righteousness than the on Galveston for aid met prompt an on earth and its top in heaven, as disposition in such rules as this, in a medium of intercommunication the Old Testament, to consider between heaven and earth-a vision them therefore as obsolete. Beware, which portrayed Christ in his hu if they were with you they would be man and divine natures mysterious- | alive. ly combined; and while enraptured at finding himself as at the house of God and gate of heaven, vowed a vow, that if God would be with him and give him food and raiment while he was a refugee, and restore him again to his native home and people, that out of all God gave him he would give Him back the tenth, which | from Northeast to Southwest. was the tithe. No one will be silly enough to suppose Jacob did this as a purchas-fee, or even as a thankoffering. Everything in the category of its past and of its future history assures us that it was rendered in the sense of a steward's account an acre of Sorghum cane. with his lord. He considered it as God's claim on him, as in a contract. It is now in place to notice in this tithe institution what we er they contain 209,425 acres. The larghave already brought in: that it was meet to inaugurate this paying of 110,000 acres. tithes in Abraham, as it was to be a church rule, a levy on the congregation of the Lord for the equal try.

Wheat sells, in Kauffman county, at 75 cents, and corn at from 20 to 30 cents per bushel.

Cotton is coming into Terrell at the God, who had met him on his rate of fifty bales per day. Local Option is awakening much in-

return from the slaughter of Ched orlaomer, and the recapture of his terest in Kanfiman. It has our best captive nephew. Lot, and his goods Mr. Walworth, near Jacksboro, while and women. In all this wonderful

digging a well, found, at the depth of affair we see the index finger of twelve feet, water, and what is supposed to be a lot of human bones.

The Marshall Herald says every train s crowded with immigrants.

God pointing to the complement of

divine purposes thereafter to be

congregation and church, under the

ded, to the Scriptures of the Old

TEXAS ITEMS

Cleburne Chronicle says the grasshop-

The Gonzales Inquirer of the 30th re-

bawks over that town. Their course was

Plenty of corn can be bought in Bell

county at twenty-five cents per bushel.

The Austin Gazette of the 3rd says the

hours by the grasshoppers on the track.

The pastures of Coleman, Mathis &

Nucces counties, have been handsomely lithographed and published. Altogeth-

pers injured cotton seriously in that

in vain speculations on the institu- find them furnished as well with an

The Hill county Expositor announces itself in favor of the local option law in that section, in order to remove the temptation to drink.

county to Louisiana. The black-jack and live-oak mast is

abundant in Goliad county; also the haw, wild peach, grape, and the bean of the mesquite. These resources supply the lack of corn.

Graham, Young county, is proposing testing the popularity of the local op-Seven wagon loads of immigrants

passed through Fairfield a few days since, en route for Hill, Brown and Eastland counties.

The pecan crop is coming into market. This is an important item among Texas productions.

The correspondent of the San Antonio Herald gives a glowing description carefully filled. of the fertility, beauty and other advantages of the region of which Sweet Home is the business center.

The Herald says that in every ward in Dallas there is at least one school. Some of the Dallas schools are firstclass. A good indication.

Corn in Williamson county sells from 25 to 30 cents per bushel.

Titus county grows apples which weigh a pound and a half each.

A cotton seed oil factory on a large scale is being built at Calvert. In Sommerville county, by a majority

of nineteen, the liquor sale, under the Local Option law, is prohibited. McCulloch county proposes to vote

against the grog-shops. The new Masonic Temple in Waco, one of the largest in the State, was dedicated a few days ago.

The Eastern Question.

The Eastern imbreglio steadily as sumes a more alarming attitude. The Powers are not all agreed as to the of all kinds, oysters, and every vegetalemnities proper to the occasion. circumcision, that it was not of terms of the proposed conference. Rus- ble to be found in the markets of New Along with the other mysteries Moses but of the Fathers, so may it sia is resolute and pursues her policy of Orleans or Galveston. The friends of Mr. Read. Read. supporting the Servians, both by permitting men and arms to be introduced and by her negotiations. England is the good old Washington. We recweary of the obstinacy of the Porte and intimates that if her proposals are not in his posterity, when they would all secular pursuits, for self-support accepted her support will be withbe in bonds, in the lands of stran- for the benefit of others, was drawn, merely guarant eeing Constantigers, in all of its details for four hun- predicated of equity. Such an nople against Russian occupation. It dred years; after which, his covenant order of things, could not and is reported that should Russia ocen-God would deliver them, by His would not have been ordained by py Bulgaria, Austria will not only oc-Abraham endured with composed as to the tenth, as a minimum basis, faith as seeing Him that was invisible. I can not let slip this favorable to remind us of Paul's disblettime to remind the remaining the reason itself settles the question that would recognize the Powers as t vine application of these Old Testa- and as they always would be, that a is unable to resist it. The armies still ment records-to the use and benedithe of the income of his people in hostile positions with no important result. Later dates say that the Powers are still at work and prospects for an armistice between the Turkish and In our next we propose to show Servian armies are brightening.

Still later advices from London, under date of Oct 11, state that, at an extraordinary council held at Constantinople the 10th, it was decided to grant week's armistice. This would give the Porte time to allay excitement among the musselmen, and not expose it to the risk of resuming hostilities during the inclement season, besides facilitating an understanding on conditions of peace in the empire. This looks to peaceable adjustment of the present war.

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vited who come to work for God.
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Bishop's Visits.

The following are the appointments of the five Texas Conferences:

West Texas Conference, Seguin, Oct. 25.
German Mission Conference, Grassy Fork, Nov. 1.

Northwest Texas Conference, Caivert, Nov. 8.
North Texas Conference, Longview, Nov. 15.
Texas Conference, Huntsville, Nov. 29.
East Texas Conference, Henderson, Dec. 13.
D. 8. DOGGETT,

To the Members of the Northwest Texas Conference.

Dear Brethren.—You have seen that the Conference will convene at Calvert, Nov. 8, 1876. Please notify me if you intend to come by private conveyance. The presiding elders will please furnish me with the names of the lay delegates; also the names of applicants for admission and local bretaren to be ordained. Erethren from other conferences will confer a favor by giving me notice. The examining committees and notice. The examining committees and classes to be examined will meet at the Methodist Church on Tuesday, Nov. 7, at 9 o'clock A. M. Refer to the printed minutes for the names of classes and of committees. On arriving at Calvert please report at the parsonage.

J. M. PUGH, Pastor.

NORTHWEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE.—
The Committee of the Third Year requests the members of said class to meet at the whole lay out "

Northwest Texas Annual Conference.—
age would "beat the whole lay out"

C. H. ELLIS, W. S. MELUGIN.

To Traveling Preachers, East Texas Conference.

Barthren,—You will please order printed blanks from the Publishing House, at Nash-yille, on which to make your reports at the Annual Conference. They cost but a tride and it will save your secretary a vat amount of labor and insure a correct statistical report.

S. W. TURNER, Secretary.

To the Preachers and Lay Dele-

gates N. T. Conference.

I have made arrangements with the Texas and Paclife Railroad Company, to transfer all the members of the conference and their families to Longview and back for one fare. Those paying full fare going, will be returned tree on certificate of the Secretary of the Conference. This certificate will be good until and including November 25.

terence. This certificate 25, and including November 25. W. C. HAISLIP. North Texas Annual Conference.

The above Conference meets in its fourth annual session, on Wednesday, Nov. 15, 1876, at Longview, Texas. Brethren coming in by rail will be met at the depot. Those coming by private conveyance will please report at Messrs. Boving a Kennard's store. Attention of committeemen and under-graduates is called to the fact that no passenger train from the West arrives at Longview on Friday. We shall expect you by Saturday night's express. In purchasing takets over the Texas and Pacific Railroad, specify "to Conference." On this road you will be charged full rare to Longview; and be turnished free passage back; either by a ticket given you by the agent, or upon Conference Secretary's certificate. Brethren, let us all come to Conference earnestly praying that our session may be a season of refreshing to our own souls, and saving power to the people who may enand saving power to the people who may er tertain us. D. F. FULLER, P. E.

THE RAINBOW AND THE SUN .- A very beautiful rainbow was lighting up the clouds; every one who saw admired it, and so much praise made it vain. "I am much handsomer than the sun," it exclaimed; "for, bright as he is, he has only one color, and I have so many." The sun heard this, and, the conceited rainbow, he quietly smiled. Then, hiding his beams in the clouds, he concealed himself in an instant, and the rainbow also disappearful forget whose hand it is that made them prosperous. Is it not just that He in His turn should dry up the sources of their prosperity?

"GOD BLESSES THE STORE OF THE CHEERFUL GIVER."-I will tell you of a little Greek fable about that promise. at the gate.

"Ah, sir," said the porter, "once two brothers dwelt here; one was called 'Give,' and the other 'Give-unto-you.' unto-you, died."

Do you understand the allegory ? -

A soldier on trial for habitual drunk- and imperial territory." This last enness was addressed by the president of the court-martial: "Prisoner, you Perhaps you say: have heard the prosecution for habitual drunkenness; what have you to say in your defence?" "Nothing, please your honor, but habitual thirst!"

Educational

To John Smith-Red Hill.

Dear Friend John-I was saying in my former letter that one great-and it is the chief-disyour attention, let me make a supposition: This fall, I will say, suppose I were to turn up at the North Georgia Conference, Bishop Pierce

in the chair, and proceed to set forth way by circulars, catalogues and return to Texas - an impossible nance of your (our) beloved Bishop, the mortification of Dr. Haygood, and the general tumult of feeling in the Conference? Suppose this proclesiastical rebellion. Well, there's will tell you why I think so. not the slightest danger of it ever occurring, for Georgia, (N. and S.) South Carolina, Virginia and Holston Methodists are too "loyal" to their section to perpetrate such inconsistencies in their church citizen-

But, if such a proceeding were attempted, what impression would rior to anything Georgia, South Carolina or Virginia could produce. This brings me at last to the point. Dear friend John, you see our difficulties. You have presented forcibly in your articles the difficulties and in the newspapers East, and the in your articles the difficulties and subject of higher education among remonstrance, bitter and emphatic us in general—apply the subject. denial, with ridicule, with everything Give one long, high, loud, clear possible to render the stranger's blast to the church in Texas to statement appear absurd. The rally to the Southwestern. You same man will next day turn up his don't want your boys to leave nose at a plow, wagon or piece of Georgia or Virginia and come to cloth made in Texas, or a teacher er great medium named Flint has been Texas. Some of us don't want our born and trained in Texas, and send arrested and his letter book examined. how to leave Texas and go to Vir. to New York or Ohio for one. I He was one of the sort whose spirits boys to leave Texas and go to Vir- to New York or Ohio for one. I ginia or Georgia. Give us a hearty and strong lift and we will thank the ado these folks make about had a small tea kettle, steamed the enyou. Do you know that if you can Texas is pure, unadulterated "gas;" return to us all the boys from Texas it is all a "blow." and count.

Now shall we have the blast? Perhaps you answer, "I cannot conscientiously do it; I know our eastern colleges have superior instructors to yours, and I am bound to give them precedence." Are you superior in your faculties? That bugle and give a clear, loud call to would be a strange assertion, for Texas Methodism. Tell them to our faculty came direct from Wof. shut their eyes to circulars and adford and Emory. They were recommended by them as the very men to their sons to leave their own State. fill the places they occupy. We leave you to say whether or not or afraid of the great State that new condition? Do you have any deyour superior colleges are able to not only gives them bread, but turn out a capable faculty or did the secures them free, genuine constitustraight thing. Perhaps you say: "We are older than you, and it is Texas preachers and people with reasonable to suppose that we offer united heart and hand, and voice, and better advantages." Why, we are older than Vanderbilt; and are exactly as old as Randolph-Macon when she was three years old. And as to age, none of you East beat us much; for taking the war into account we were all knocked down about even. Perhaps you say: "But we are

making too many colleges. We ought to consolidate and have fewer. but stronger." Now, that is exactly can speedily and easily make it-an what Texas says; so eight years ago she called a strong convention, and with one huge blow knocked four truly and admiringly, F. A. MOOD. into one. But if you mean that the Southwestern ought to be "knocked into a cocked hat," to be set on the head of Randolph-Macon or Wofwithout entering into a dispute with ford, we reluctate and venture to ask a question like this: Why should not the six combined Conferences in Texas succeed in making a strong ed. Persons who are vain and ungrate- and a grand institution as Maryland and Virginia combined to produce a Randolph-Macon; or North and South Georgia and Florida combinined to make an Emory? Are our mathematics or our Methodism at fault in asking such a question? There was a certain dwelling that seemed greatly blessed by God. A traveler who had seen it in its good days, came back and found it falling ought to be able to run a first-class ought to be able to run a first-class the gate.
"Why, what has caused this?" he once, "Texas is a State of immense NAME. possibilities;" is a first-class college its only impossibility? Said Bishop Pierce on one occasion: "We are Whilst they lived together, all went well; but 'Give' went away, and 'Give-degrade or embarass the Texas (Southwestern) University with its grand combinations, its liberal ideas

> Perhaps you say: "We are stronger in our eastern colleges and this gives greater inspiration to stu-dents than where the opposite is the dents than where the opposite is the

case." Well you are not stronger in endowment. As to no libers Wofford College before the war with \$100,000 endowment took exactly six years to attain the numbers that the Southwestern reached in three. couragement we had to contend Tradition represents Randolph-Ma. rived. The throng is greater, far greatwith in our University movement con and Emory as weak folk at three was the heavy draft made upon the years old, and Emory and Henry as young men in our church in Texas very feeble at that age. So you see dred thousand. The whole grounds to support eastern colleges. To that, though you might think we are were like the Galveston Opera House weaker, we give one evidence of being stronger, viz: we are travelbring the matter more forcibly to weaker, we give one evidence of ing faster.

But I grant you that in one respect you are stronger-and after all, it is the source of all the strength the excellencies of the Southwest any of our colleges have. You are ern, having previously prepared my stronger in the affections, confidence and sympathy of your people. Alas! advertisements. Suppose I were to this is so, and here exactly is where we ask your help. While a Virginian odd fine young Georgians, slipped would take it as an insult to urge away from under the shadow of him to send his sons to college Emory. Could even your graphic in Texas, I know some Texas pen depict the astonishment that preachers and laymen who feel comwould cover the benignant counte- plimented when asked to send their boys to other States.

Now is not that funny? You said in one of your articles, "The fact is our people brag too cess repeated under the shadow of much," and the printers at another Wofford, and Randolph Macon, and time made you say, "Our people bray Emory and Henry. Why, as I too much." Now I will venture to think of it, it seems to me that it say that some of our Texas preachwould produce at least a sort of eclers and people blow too much. I

> Let a Bishop or newspaper reporter, or a tourist passing through Texas, criticise adversely anybody. any place or anything in the State and they will fly all to pieces "and fairly paw the ground" in rage. But these very men will turn their backs upon their Texas institutions and march their boys hundreds of send to Virginia for health. Now let some visitor to the State the next day tell you that he believes Texas to be an unhealthy State and intends to publish the fact denial, with ridicule, with everything

Now, Friend John, I have talked and suggest that if we ever get access to the whole matter freely over with Dr. Slade's correspondence some of our American Baptist Year Book. to give us that blast?

If any one in Texas talks about these matters they give little heed. They don't believe in their own Nazareth. But if other people and outsiders believe in it and talk about it they will listen. So lift your vertisements that would persuade Exhort them to be neither ashamed tional government. Call upon the purse, and patronage, to rally to the Southwestern. Urge them to do for it as Virginia did in the infancy of Randolph-Macon, as the Carolinians did in the infancy of Trinity and Wofford, as Holston did in the in- the manufacture of hair restoratives. fancy of Emory and Henry, as One of his letters reads: Georgia did in the infancy of Emory; talk about it, urge its claims, bear with its imperfections, until they make the Southwestern what they honor to this grand commonwealth and a glory to their church. Yours

S. W. University, Georgetown, Texas.

WINCHESTER, Oct. 3 .- A camp-meet ing was held in August, at Smithville Bastrop Co., Tex., by Rev. J. M. Kenick Cumberland, and Rev. Mr. J. Darwin, assisted by other ministerial brethren. It lasted 17 days and resulted gloriously. At times the power of God so came upon sinners that they fell to the ground and remained there till converted. At least sixty were scriptually converted, and that number joined the Cumberland. Methodist and Baptist Churches. Many were reclaimed from their back-slidings, and Christians greatly revived. I could fill a sheet with incidents and reflections, but at present have not the leisure. A weekly prayer-meeting has been instituted at Smithville, hereto-

NAMES IN THE BIBLE .- In old times people called a pearl a "margaret." an old Bible I once read about the "pearl of great price," but it was called a "precious margaret." I read this to a little girl named Margaret, and she was very happy to find her name in the Bible. All the Marys and Marthas and Ruths and Abigails and Graces and Charitys can find their names in the

Bible, you know.

My name is not in the Bible. I wish it were. But there is a better place than the Bible in which to have

PHILADELPHIA LETTER.

[From our Regular Correspondent.]

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 30, 1876.

The grand days of the feast have arer than at any previous period of the Exposition. One day last week, the attendance was well nigh three hunof the city, while all manner of conveyances were packed beyond endurance. The street cars were like sardine boxes on wheels. Many climbed on top, and dozens sat in the car windows, their heads and feet sticking out after the fashion of the boncless man in the cir-

Your correspondent returns the Ap-vocate thanks for publishing the school and local option liquor laws. A few supposition I grant-with twenty Tennesseean, Carolinian or Georgian nights since, he attended the meeting of a dozen young men who are about starting for the "Land of Promise." Their wives, mothers, and sweethearts were present. It was pleasant to see the satisfaction with which they read the temperance law of Texas; and applauded the State for being in advance of Pennsylvania. That law has done more tor the reputation of Texas than a thousand set speeches would have accom-plished; more good than the bloody shirt stories have done harm. In fact, despite the zeal of two Chicago manufactories, those of the Tribune and Inter-Ocean, very little regard is bestowed upon

The Northern people are becoming desperately tired of their continued reiteration; and the tune that is now being sung is, "The payment of Southern war debt." One might think, from the vehemence with which this matter is pressed, that the constitution of the United States was an unknown book to the public schools. With all their boasted knowledge, the Northern people seem | nine students. not to know that such payments are absolutely impossible. It is singular that people, so well informed of ordinary topics, should suffer themselves to be deceived by the most transparent politiaccompany it? Why certainly, one impression and one only, viz: that I felt the Southwestern to be supewhy, some will tell you that they could never be induced to believe why, some will tell you that they such falsehoods as are daily swallowed in this latitude without so much as a

sugar coating.
Readers of the ADVOCATE will not sorrow much to know that the ever famous Dr. Slade, who may be called the father of Texas Spiritualism, has come to grief. It will be remembered by many that it was his slate writing which first carried conviction to Galveston believers; and the ADVOCATE months ago denounced him as an unmitigated fraud. He attempted to do his wonders in London and was detected in his frauds; caught in the act of writing himself and is being tried be fore the courts as an imposter. Anothvelopes opened them, copied their contents and sent written answers at ten dol lars each. These letters are very funny letters as they have been published. 2,533. They will instruct those not versed in Spiritualism of the bright ideas entertained by believers in the dignified employments of disembodied spirits.

Horace Weston, of Boston, writes to Richard T. Martin : My Old and Esteemed Friend: I always thought much of you since you left us us, and should like to have you give me some of your ideas of your condition in the new home to which you were called. Were you conscious at the time of your death? How do you like your sire for stimulants, or bave you ever had since you were called away? Were you satisfied with the disposition of your property, as your brother had the whole of it? Are you aware that he has never as much as put a simple stone to mark the spot were your body lay Hoping to hear from you, I remain as

ver, your true and faithful friend, HORACE WESTON. George H. Proctor, of Gloucester, Mass., writes many letters to persons in the spirit world asking for recipes for in wills.

Brother William: We are engaged in making Nature's Hair Restorer. you give us your personal attention? Inform me what is the test plan to adopt to make it pay a profit very soon. What shall I do to make my wife a happy believer in spiritualism ?

It seems almost impious for one to laugh at so serious a subject; but really the joke is good. This going beyond the grave to learn the quality of hair dye and ascertain the price of celestial whisky is not of the sort to be listened to without laughter. Yet they are the sort that form the staple of spiritualistic enquirers; and when Slade's letter book comes before the public, as come it most likely will, we will certainly recognize many familiar name

Our friend, Ashbel Smith, is doing an excellent work as a judge of neat cattle. His committee or section, to speak after Centennial fashion, have gone at their work with an excellent system; and there is every reason to believe that when their report is made there will be no complaint, such as is common against so many judges, that they give no data by which to verify their judgment. It is no use diguising the fact that there is great dissatisfaction with the judges and their reports. There is one other feature about this show, of which your correspondent is a little curious: will remember that allusion has been made to the extravagant demands made by Philadelphia, and the cowardly assumption of authority made by her citizens. The indications now are that she is preparing for a grand gobble of so much of the exhibition property as she can swallow.

Humbleness of mind is gained more by believing in Christ than by dwelling upon our sins.

The value of improved lands in Limestone county, according to the Era, is \$10 per acre, and of unimproved about

Farmers in Young county are prepar-

Outlook.

There are eighteen evangelical conregations in Constantinople.

Next May the Pope will reach the fiftieth anniversary of bis consecration as Bishop.

October 22d and 23d have been ap-

Of the 196 Congregational and Pres-

byterian churches of New Hampshire, 65 depend on missionary. In Constantinople eighteen evangeli-

the establishment of a new sea in Corn-

The Orthodox Russians have an important and successful Christian school at Kazan for the Tartars.

The net increase of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, the past year

greater this year than in any previous year of their history, and will probably

titioned the King to cease transacting a theological education.

public business on the Sabbath, and to discontinue Sabbath work upon the public buildings. Some idea of the decline of Rational-

ism in Germany may be formed from the fact that the old and famous University of Heidelberg, where Rationalism has held sway so long, has only

The correspondence between Bishop Jones of the African Zion M. E. Church, and Bishop Miles of the Colored M. E. Church, does not give much promise of fraternization, and less of organic connection with the Church does not

The largest Presbyterian church on the Pacific coast is Calvary, in 8an Francisco, having a membership of 718. The next largest churches are two in Oregon, composed of converted In-

An immense iron pavilion will soon be erected in Boston, in which to hold the revival meetings of Messrs. Moody and Sankey, during their approaching visit to the city.

tists and another by Jews.

The Sanday Globe-Democrat, of St. Louis, announces that a rafile of two resident lots was to take place for the

f the diminishing number of the Anti-Mission Baptists. They have become of hope that maketh not ashamed safe-so few that they are now omitted from ly fixed beyond the veil.

The Moravian Unity's Elders' Con-

ference report receipts for the year \$76. Ty. 594; and expenses \$95,454. The Morarian is not satisfied with the amount of the contributions of the American pro-

The great Day of Atonement among the Jews fell this year on September 28th. Christians, in Europe, observed the day of last year as one of special prayer for the conversion of the Jews; and have done so again this year.

Joseph Smith, Jr., son of the founder of the Mormon Church, is preaching in California. He denies the headship of Brigham Young. He says that he has from 12,000 to 15,000 personal tollowers, and that the headquarters of the reformed church are at Plane, Ill.

The Methodist Board of Church Extension has a building loan fund of \$270,000 cash, and over \$200,000 in good subscriptions and promises to pay, and \$60,000 in real estate, besides over \$100. 000 known to be on the way to the fund

The chancellor of Michigan Universition," etc. ty has allowed dancing in his parlors and the hall of the University is sometimes used for dancing purposes. The Detroit Methodist Episcopal Conference has made a declaration against the sin.

traces in the statistics of the Presbyterian Church, which show a total of 535,-210 communicants, a gain of over 29,000 for the year, or an increase of more than 6,000 over the previous year, and more than that of 1872-3-5 combined.

pleasant sign of the times this season. It is for the city something like what the camp-meeting is for the country. Meetings in them have been largely attended, and great good has been ac-The Pittsburg Presbytery of the Uni-

ted Presbyterian Church has recently kills and eats, the wolf strangles and given a decision that, according to the devours; other savage beasts destroy standards of the United Presbyterian to satisfy their ravenous appetite. But Church, members of secret societies can thou alone strikest the innocent victim, not be admitted to the church fellow- and infuseth thy deadly, venom with

to be to call a pastor at a very high salary, nominally, with the understanding that he is to remit a certain portion of it. In this way, the congregation gets credit for more than it does, and the pastor for more than he is worth.

The Presbyterian Church in Canada, according to the late report, has four synods, 32 presbyteries, 1,076 congregations, 664 ministers. 82,186 communi-cants, of whom 11,247 were added during the past year. Their total contributions for all purposes vere \$939,699,-

A fact, very significant in the illustration it gives of the great changes in the Pacific coast and the Sandwich Islands is, that two clergymen, one a pastor in San Francisco and the other a pas-

tor in Hawaii, exchanged pulpits for It is some weeks during the past summer. Hindu music must differ considerably

efficient help with the voices and musical instruments. He could never make out that they played any particular tunes; but the audience, consisting of high-caste Hindus, was delighted.

The Hydah Indians, on Queen Charlotte's Island, British America, having seen the good effects of Christian influence at the industrial settlement, Met-October 22d and 23d have been appointed as days for united prayer for Sunday-schools throughout the world.

Christian missionaries in China are projecting a magazine to be called The missionary Society has now granted their wish, and Mr. Collins, of Metlakatlah, will commence a mission among them.

The Maulmain Baptist Association of Barmah reports 18 charches, 86 baptisms for the year, 1,080 members. There are 877 pupils in the schools, and cal congregations meet every Sunday. nearly 4,000 rupees were contributed. Half of them are composed of natives These operations are carried on by of the country.

Lady Rolle has just given \$200,000 to the Established Church to be used in the Established Church to be used in the country.

American missionaries, who have achieved a greater success in Burmah than is recorded in any heathen country.

During the past ten years there has been little if any increase in the missionary force of the American Board, nor has there been any material enlargement of the annual receipts; but the foreign work has increased full 40 per cent, and the number of native church members has more than doub-The increase of the membership of led. These results have been attained the Baptist churches in Michigan is through increased native agency.

The Episcopalians claim to be doing one-fourth the educational work in exceed 2500.

Some of the Lutherens are in favor of changing the title of President of Synod to Bishop, and making the office a permanent one.

The Protestants of Bavaria have petitioned the View of Bavaria have petitioned the Common schools. They have two schools in Salt Lake City, one in Ogden, and one in Logan. One of their graduates is now in the General Theological Seminary, and two others will come East this fall for

The fiftieth anniversary of the laying of the foundation stone of the Church Missionany College was observed by a meeting, recently held at the college, Islington, London, under the presiden-ey of the Bishop of Melbourne. It was stated that nearly 450 missionaries had been sent forth from the college to all parts of the society's mission fields.

Dr. McFerrin, the veteran Mission-ary Secretary of the Church South, asks the editor of the Nashville Advocate keep men and women from dancing, card-play, attending the theatre, the circus, the fashionable hop, the hors e race, and the dram-shop, what better is your religion than no religion at all? He asks Dr. Summers to answer straight

In the Bible, God creates man, and millions of them. In Paganism, man creates his Gods, and millions of them. In the Pantheon of India are reckoned 33,000,000 deities. In Buddhism-once visit to the city.

Three Unitarian Charches in Boston are now occupied by Roman Catholics, one by Presbyterians, one by Baptists, and one Universalist church by Baptists and another by Jews.

33,000,000 deites. In Baddhish—once an atheistic bumanitarianism, now practically polytheism—are untold millions more. In Shinto—the indigenous faith of Japan—there are over 8,600,000 kami, or gods.

The Churchman (Episcopal) complains of the abuse of floral decorations at funerals, and cites the case of a desresident lots was to take place for the beneat of St. Bonaventure's Roman Catholic Church, St. Louis, on Sanday, last "oozed away," and was buried in church in a coffin hidden under wreaths The Examiner and Chronicle speaks and crowns and above the whole coiossal anchor of camellias, the emblem

A clergyman who had just made the change from the Unitarianism to the the members of said class to meet at the whole lay out the whole l of our friends your correspondent will have supplies or are vacant. The addi- letter headed "Washing Day. Days are copy from the World a few of Flint's tions last year by examination were nothing; heart is everything. Every day is a saints day to you if you are doing saint's work and sing your way to glo-

> A Lay College is to be established in connection with Auburn Theological Seminary in Western New York It is proposed simply to prepare lay members of the Church, men and womenif the committee and Presbyteries choose-to become more intelligent and efficient Christian workers in the common walks of life and those common fields of labor-the session, the Sabbath-School and the benevolent association -which are always open in every

parish. Some of the more evangelical Episcopalian Bishops are endeavoring, greaty to their credit to obtain such a change in the election of "vestry-men" as to forbid the choice of any who are not at least professedly pions. It has always appeared a wonder that mere men of the world were ever allowed a place in the vestry, seeing that this body has, in a manner, spiritual over-sigt of the church; elects the "rector," has a representatation in the conven-

Two-thirds of the 295 Congregationalist churches in Connecticut are more than one hundred years old. Of these 182 churches which are older than the nation, 21 are more than two hundred The revival of last winter has left its years old , 15 are one hundred and seventy-five years old or more; these 36 belonging to the seventeenth century: 56 have existed one hundred and fifty years or more, and 100 others are more literally centennial churches, having been organized one hundred years of The "gospel tent" movement has been more. The three oldest churches are at Windsor, 1630; Hartford, 1636; New Haven, 1639.

THE SERPENT AND THE SLANDERER. The serpent was once asked: "Pray, what profit hast thou in depriving other beings of their life? The lion out any other gratification than the The new fashion in Brooklyn is said fiend-like pleasure of destroying." "And why do thou ask me?" replied the serpent. "Rather ask the slanderer what pleasure he has in scattering his poison, and morally wounding those who never injured him?" Besides, I kill only those who are near me. He destroys at a distance. He scatters his deadly venom here, and a hundred miles hence.

> A RIGHT SPIRIT .- On one occasion a minister found it necessary to punish his little daughter; but Mary climbed into his lap, and, throwing her arms around his neck, said: "Papa, I do "Why do you love me, my child ?" the

"Because you try to make me good

It is in this spirit that God's people should accept the chastisements he sends, remembering that it is in love from ours. A missionary mentions that he rebukes and chastens; not for his his assistants in an evangelistic meeting which he was conducting rendered may be partakers of his holiness.