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Editor's Gable.

Publishers will confer a favor by mentioning the prices of all books sent to this Department.

"JESUS THE WAY; OR, THE CHILD'S GUIDE TO HEAVEN "-is one of Mr. E. P. Hammond's attractive and practical books for the young. Its object is more particularly stated in its dedication which reads thus :--- "To the dear children in England, Scotland, and America, where it has been our privilege to point little ones in the way is the first Roman Catholic expounder of the to heaven, this book, about Jesus and the Holy Land, is affectionately dedicated by the Author, with the earnest prayer, that it may lead many of you to love Jesus, and that it may assist those of you who have found Him to love His precious word, and to cling to Him, and to do all in your power to lead others to trust in him, who is the ' Child's guide to Heaven.'"

"Jesus the way" is peculiar in this respect. It has a double object. Its first great aim is to arrest the attention of its youthful readers-show | Breton. them that they are lost sinners - and POINT THEM TO JESUS, the only one who can lead them in the way to heaven. At the same time it gives a brief history of the author's travels in Palestine." All its illustrations and stories are connected with that Land, and thus it contains much information with regard to Bible scenes.

This book only requires to be known to become a great favorite among the little folks. It is well illustrated. It should have a place in every Sabbath school in the land, and those who are seeking to lead children to Jesus, will do well to study it and see how JESUS IS "LIFTED UP," all the North nobody could have been found to cess in winning souls to Christ.

It is published by the Sunday School Union which we are still deficient.-The Tribune. in London, and by T. Nelson and Sons, N.Y.

THE SEPTEMBER MAGAZINES.

-Atlantic Monthly :-- Contents :-- Why Henry Jones did not go to Canada. Was Reichenbach Right? The Foe in the Household: VII. The True Story of Lady Byron's' Life. Jacob Flint's Journey. My Comrade and I. A Lone Woman's Trip to Omaha and Beyond. Confucius and the Chinese; or, the Prose of Asia. The First Cricket. Gabrielle de Bergerac III. Log Rolling at Washington. The Genius of Doré. A Poetical Lot. Boston: Fields, Osgood & Co.

-Harper's Magazine.-Contents : Photographs from the High Rockies. The Eye and the Camera. Out in the Streets. Border Reminiscen-A Summer Friend. A Health Trip to ces. Brazil. Bob White. In Quiet Days. A Brave Lady. Change. An Author's Memories of Au-The Foster Brothers. Too Clever by thors. Half. The Progress of Electricity. Leander Doolittle. My Enemy's Daughter: Chapters XXVI., XXVII., XXVIII. Going Over to the Enemy. The Puritan Captain. The New Timothy: Part X. Editor's Easy Chair. Editor's Book-Table. Monthly Record of Current Events. Editor's Drawer. New York : Harper & Bros. For sale by the Lippincotts.

-Catholic World :- Contents : - Daybreak : Conversion of Rome. Paganini. Recent Sci-entific Discoveries. St. Oren's Priory. The rold the son of Douglas Jerrold a man well quali-Ŏren's "New Englander," or the Moral Aspects of Ro- | fied to portray life in the metropolis he has so manism. Sick. How Matancas came to be called frequently explored. Matanzas. New Publications. New York: Catholic Publication Society. —Oliver Optic's :—Contents :—Switch Off; or, the War of the Students, chapter xix and xx (illustrated)—The Lost Child, x. Matt at School. How to Arrange Sea-Mosses. Original Dialogue: The War of the Roses. The Play Ground: Our National Game, Aquatics, Pedestrianism. Head Work : Rebuses, Enigmas, etc. Boston : Lee & Shepard. \$2 50 a year. -London Quarterly Review for July. Contents : Eastern Christians. Scientific versus Amateur Administration. The Malay Archipelago. Keble's Biography. The Argument of Design. The House of Condé. The Royal Engineers and Permanent Fortifications. Lucan. The Truth. about Ireland. New York: Leonard Scott & Co., 140 Fulton street. \$4 a year. -Blackwood's Edinburgh Magazine for August :-- Contents :-- Cornelius O'Dowd (continued). Historical Sketches of the Reign of George II, No. 12: The Painter. The Story of Eulenburg, Part 11. Cant. A Monologue in the Vapours. A Year and a Day, Part IV. The London Art Season. The Lords and the Commons. Same publishers and price. — Theological Eclectic for July :-- Contents :--Chillingworth's Religion of Protestants, from the Contemporary Review. Baron Bunsen, from the Sunday Magazine. The Annihilation of the Christian Church, translated from the Beweis de Glaubens. Monthly. New York and Cincinnati: Moore, Wilstach & Moore. \$3 a year.

Archbishop of Canterbury" a biography of Cardinal Pole.

-The following is said to have been M. A. Bronson Alcott's first attempt at poetry :

When thou approachest to the One, Self from thyself thyself must free; Thy cloak-duplicity-cast off, And in the Being's being be.

-An important historical work on Calvin has recently made its appearance, the interest of which is enhanced by the fact that the author, Prof. Kampschulte, of the University of Bonn. great Protestant reformer.

-An interesting discovery has been made by Mr. Wynne, in preparing the catalogue of the duty is assigned them; they find themselves Hengwrt MSS., in the Peniarth Library, in Wales. He found a quarto volume, entitled " Legendary Lives of Saints," written not in Welsh, but in Cornish. It proves to be a very important addition to the scanty remains of ancient Cornish literature. No mention is made by any writer Welsh, but was more closely related to the

-Whatever else may be said of Mr. Pollard's late book, it can never be denied that it was written by a perfect gentleman. The author's description of Mrs. Jefferson Davis sufficiently attests his claim to be regarded as a chevalier without shame and without reproach. Mrs. Davis, according to Mr. Pollard, "is a brawny, ablebodied woman, who has much more of masculine mettle than feminine grace. Her complexion is tawny, even to the point of mulattoism; woman loud and coarse in her manners, and full of social self assertion." The South for half a century has been charging the North with a lack for that often is the one great secret of all suc-write and then print a description of a lady's person so complimentary as this. There are, it must be confessed, certain graces of character in

> -The Howard University at Washington has been presented with a copy of Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress," complete, printed in the Chinese language. It was brought from China by a negro sailor.

-The Athenizum says Mr. Henry Kingsley, (a Broad church novelist;) is about to assume the editorship of The Duily Review, a leading liberal Edinburgh newspaper. The Review has hitherto been the organ of Dr. Candlish and the Free Church.

-Every one who cares for the best interests of literature, will be well satisfied to learn that the Athenzum (London) has at length passed from the control of Mr. W. Hepworth Dizon. It had acquired an unhappy notoriety for gross injustice to authors, especially to such authors as dared to write on subjects already appropriated by Mr. Dixon. It was habitually consorious and unjust. The new editor is to be Sir. Charles Dilke, the proprietor of the paper, and member for Chelsea in the House of Commons. He is the author of the work Greater Britain, published last year, and although a young man has already made a favorable impression .- The N. Y. Tri bune.

sketches in London, comprising scenes from concluded. A Glimpse of Ireland. Primeval fashionable and unfashionable life. He began at Man. Angela: Chap. III. The Flight into | Wapping, the resort of sailors, "pimps," and the Egypt. Hon. Thomas Dongan. Beethoven: | lowest of the low, and ended in the " court subconcluded. The Assumption of Our Lady. The urb" of Kensington. His sketches are intended in the crowd and leave them demoralized. Priory. The rold, the son of Douglas Jerrold, a man well quali-

Hook will soon add to his series of "Lives of the and put into the field, we must suffer from Church was a monster stained with vice; lieve that those same foreigners came to plunder their weight and bad example. It should be that the cardinals were worse than their them, and then she did just what America would a matter of earnest consultation between master; the priests, mocking unbelievers; the pastors and their most faithful advisers, and fled, heart-broken, back to his German them; and it has cost much blood and treasure what means they can employ to get every cell.-Harper's Magazine.

man to work. We have studied with great interest the causes of backsliding after great revivals, and we have seen the work go on in this wise :

During a revival only a part of the members do anything, and hence, it often hap. pens that some grow cold while others are seeking Christ. Many are brought into the

that much is done-after that no distinct and hypersensitive on this point. There is here. useless appendages, and after a while the preacher scolds them for unfaithfulness, and they leave. Often an injurious and absurd fear lest we tax the young converts too much leads us to neglect them almost entirely. If they have means we do not ask that such a book had ever existed. The Cornish | them to give for fear of offending them ; if is now a dead language. It has affinities to the they have talents we allow them to be version of the Bible. quietly buried. Many a revival wherein a

hundred accessions have been reported is, soon dissipated, and scarcely anything can be found of its remains. That some cruel criminal neglect of these newly converted souls is the cause, in far too many instances, we have no doubt. If these lambs were, watched over with due care, they would not. stray away. The utter worthleseness of many class leaders is a most painful obstacle to air their rags of learning in the pulpit; in the way of the Church. We speak, of they miss no chance of saying, 'The Greek course, of our own Church. The dead dean is so and so,' It makes a man an inch and cons, and elders of other churches fully, a half taller by a foolometer, if he everlastmatch our leaders.

If we had for leaders men who longed for souls, who would be most watchful shep- verb, and the case of the noun, as I have herds over those, committed to their care, known some do. Those who have no learn-what a power they would bel. Here is a ing usually make a point of displaying the man to whom the pastor entrusts the special

emplar, the faithful friend, the loving counsellor. He is to drill these like a captain would never think of bringing up dishes, would a company. Many an army has been and pans, and rolling pin, and spice box into defeated through the negligence, or ineffi- the dining hall, but without ostentation sends ciency, or cowardice of a single captain, up the feast. Our Church organization is admirable, if we would only adhere to it. The Minister, version. It is faulty in many places, but should drill the leaders, should fearlessly, still it is a grand work, taking it for all in change them or dismiss them, and when he hes men or women who would make good lady distrust the only Bible she can getleaders he should trust them with this high or what is more likely, distrust you for fallcommission.

We hear some talk as though our class meetings were obsolete, or as though they but never for the vain-glorious display of deserved to be discontinued. We would re- your critical ability."-Lutheran Observer. gard this as an irreparable' evil, fatal both to our piety, and efficiency as a Church, What would be thought of a general who, on the field of battle would order that his captains and lieutenants should be dismissed, cruisers on the west coast of Africa during 1868 and that the colonels should command, of which thirty one had slaves on board; 742 watch over, maneouvre and lead to the charge slaves, in all, being liberated. the whole regiment without a single subordinate to assist them? Instead of giving up our classes we should organize them more the field in the highest state of efficiency. Many a church is only a mob, not an army.

souls backslide for want of work.-We must tory, natural history, geography, and history of attend to the work of organization, and keep missions, are among their works; a dictionary

PULPIT PEDANTRY.

There are occasions in the pulpit when some allusion to the original of a text, seems indispensable to even a popular exposition of a passage. And yet, for the preacher to say this text reads so in Hebrew, or so in Church, and never put to work at all. They Greek, sounds to most hearers as pedantic. undoubtedly a happy medium; and there are ministers who can refer to the original, with such simplicity and delicacy, as to avoid even the appearance of empiricism, and at the same time, without weakening the con-

The REV. C. SPURCEON, in a recent lecture to his students on Biblical exegesis, gives some admirable cautionary counsel, perhaps a little too caustic, but nevertheless good of giants of olden times. The following list and salutary. Among other things he says:

"Avoid all pedantry. As a general rule, it may be observed that those gentlemen who know the least Greek are the most sure ingly lets fall bits of Greek and Hebrew. and even tells the people the tense of the ing usually make a point of displaying the pegs on which learning ought to hang. The care of from twelve to twenty souls. What whole process of interpretation is to be a work is this for any man filled with the carried on in your study; you are not to love of Christ! He is the leader, the ex- show your congregation the process, but to give them the result; like a good cook, who

"Do not needlessly amend our authorized all; and it is unwise to be making every old ing out with her cherished treasure. Correct. where correction must be for truth's sake. and the flast start said

MISSIONARY ITEMS.

Forty-six slavers were captured by the British

Miss Hart of the United Presbyterian mis-sion in Egypt, was lately burnt to death while trying to seal a can of petroleum. Two natives une. --Gustave Dore has just completed a series of ketches in London comprising scenes from earnest piety, a converted Jewess. She had la- present. But then history of giants during years.

-The Moravian mission in Greenland is more Some ministers have great zeal in revivals, than one hundred and thirty years old. The efbut no skill in organization; they gather, fects of Christian'education are evidenced in the secular as well as the religious culture of the God will hold us responsible if we let poor people. A Greenlandie grammar, universal his-

have done in similar circumstances-she expelled to open her doors again.

Of course, I do not mean to say that all or even a large number of foreign residents in China and Japan are lawless or violent-on the contrary, the majority of them are intelligent, Christian people, whose influence is for good ; but I mean to say just this, that there is a class here who forget that a gentleman is such always, even toward "niggers" and heathen, and is just and gentle in his words and deeds, especially so towards those beneath him, and those who forget are adjudged to classes-sometimes not even | Perhaps people have become hypercritical this bring reproach upon all foreign residents

GIANTS OF OLDEN TIMES.

In one of his recent lectures, Professor Silliman, the younger, alluded to the discovery of an enormous lizard, of eighty feet. From this the Professor inferred, that as no fidence of the common reader in the English living specimen of such magnitude has been found, that the species which it represents has degenerated. The verity of his position he rather singularly endeavored to enforce by an allusion to the well-known existence is the data on which this singular hypothesis is based :

> The giant exhibited at Rouen, in 1530, the professor says, measured nearly 18 feet. Gorapius saw a girl that was 20 feet iģh.

> The giant Galabra, brought from Arabia to Rome, under Claudius Cæsar was 10 feet high.

Fannum, who lived in the time of Eugene II, measured 114 feet.

The Chevalier Scrog, in his voyage to the Peak Teneriffe, found in one of the caverns of that mountain the head of Gunich, who had 60 teeth, and was not less than 15 feet high.

The giant Farrogus, slain by Orlando, nephew of Charlemagne, was 28 feet high. In 1814, near St. Germain, was found the tomb of the giant Isorent, who was not less

than 30 feet high. In 1590, near Rouen, was found a skeleton whose skull held a bushel of corn. and whose body must have been 18 feet high. The giant Bacart was 22 feet high; his thigh bones were found in 1803, near the river Moderi.

In 1823, near the castle in Dauphine, a tomb was found 30 feet long, 36 wide, and 8 high, on which was cut, on gray stone, these words:---"Keutolochus Rex." The skeleton was found entire— $25\frac{1}{2}$ feet long, 10 feet across the shoulders, and 5 feet from the breast bone to the back.

Near Palermo, in Sicily, in 1516, was found the skeleton of a giant 30 feet high, and in 1550, another, 35 feet long.

We have no doubt that there were "giants in those days," and the past, perhaps, is more prolific in producing them than the the olden time was not more remarkable than that of dwarfs, some of whom were even smaller than the Thumbs and Nutts of our time.

A keen, earnest Quaker says: "I once crossed the mountains of Pennsylvania in a stage. I hree or four of us became engaged in an e conversation on the temperance question. One passenger did not join with us. He was coarse and burly in appearance, but was well dressed. He was restless and uneasy, and after shifting and twisting for a time, he could endure it no longer. Assuming a magisterial air, and a commanding tone, he thus delivered himself: 'Gentlemen, I wish you to understand that I am a liquor-seller. But I would have you know that keep a respectable house. I don't sell to drunkards, nor allow loafers to lounge about my premises. I sell to respectable people, and to no, others."" Said the Quaker in reply : " Friend, that is the most damning part of thy business. If thou would'st sell only to drunkards and loafthe expulsion of the missionaries. In the case of ers, and thus help to kill off the race, we would soon reach an end. But you take the unfallen and unspecting, and make drunkards of them. And when their character and money are gone, you kick them out and hand them over to the low groggeries.-G. R. Snyder, in the Earnest Christian.

LITERARY ITEMS.

-A manuscript has been found at Bury St. Edmonds which it is said contains an interesting account, addressed by Sir Isaac Newton to Ffolkes, of the discovery of the power of gravitation. Nothing is here said about the fall of an apple having anything to do with it; in fact, the account differs in many respects from the ordinary tradition, and as coming from Newton's lips is worthy of belief as the true account. This volume with other MS. treasures, is now in the posession of Mr. William Raynbird.

-Charlotte Guillard was the first notable fe male printer. She was in business for fifty years in Paris-from 1506 to 1556-and was delebrated for the correctness of her books. Women were employed and commended as compositors in Italy as early as 1481. t hea tu

-A life of Jane Austen, the novelist, by her

-Capt. Thomas Medwin, the cousin and biographer of Shelley, and himself an author of some pretensions, died recently in England, at the age of eighty.

-The materials for a "sensation book" have just been discovered in the private diary kept by Lord Palmerston. It is said to be very copious, and to contain sketches and recollections of all the chief personages with whom the noble Lord had been thrown into contact during his unusually long life. The announcement will be re-ceived with dread by many of the veteran statesman's friends, for he had a way of finding out the weak side of a man's character, and a droll trick of revealing it, which made him a terror to those who placed themselves in his way.

Miscellaneous.

DOES THE CHURCH DO ALL SHE CAN FOR OHRIST?

The undeveloped resources of the Church, if brought into activity, would probably double the efficiency of the Church immediately. One half of the membership is dormant, except in the very best Churches. The apathy is fearful and scandalous, and misrepresents Christ even in His own house.

is the want of the systematic organization of our entire force.

In most of our churches there is no distinct field set apart for the women of the Church. They have to obtrude their labors upon the Church, or do nothing. To remedy this evil some of our best Christian women in Philadelphia and other places have united in forming societies intended to aid the pastor in the work of the systematic visitation of the poor, the needy, the sinful. The reasons for organization for such a purpose are numerous, and apparent everywhere, and we need not dwell upon them. Our women, in many places, feel that they must they will lose their own souls. They know impious clergy, performed with honest suthey have power which is not well directed, and would be glad to be placed in such re-

lations to the Church and the world that they can satisfy their own longings. Besides the women there are many other members of the Church who are mere camp

the utmost activity and efficiency.

service, and the whole field would be swept by revival power. Our force of a million gives us probably not more than five huninduce every member to work for Christ !---Central Christian Advocate.

LUTHER AT ROME

more than this, he saw before him, rising in from whose faith he had never yet ventured hindrance thereto." to depart, whose supreme head was still to him almost the representative of Deity, and chief mandarins in Fuh Chau are reported to whose princes and dignitaries he had ever have issued cards in grand style, inviting all the One of the reasons for this state of things invested with an apostolic purity and grace. Italy when he was shocked and terrified by and similar necessities for their work. the luxury and license of the convents, and the open depravity of the priesthoud. He from Japan': fell sick with sorrow and shame. He comdeadly and pestilential. But he wandered on, feeble and sad, until he reached the Holy City, and there, amid the mockery of his perstition the minute ceremonial of the crated shrine none was so devout as Luther. He was determined, he said, to escape the pains of purgatory and win a plenary in-dulgence; he dragged his frail form on his

nephew, the Rev. J. Austen-Leigh, Vicar of followers. They never bear arms, never go Bray is announced in London. The "Memoirs into battle. They are consumers and not Stairs, while ever in his ears resounded the the labors of English and American missionaries of Miss Mitford," are in preparation by the Rev. producers, and are an incumbrance and not cry, "The just shall live by faith." He Guy L'Estrange and the Rev. Mr. Harness. Dean a help. Until these men can be waked up, heard with horror that the head of the arms until by bitter experience she came to be

every department of our work in a state of is ready for printing, and a new translation of the the utmost activity and efficiency. Our undeveloped resources would, if pro- churches contains 470 baptized persons -T. e Peperly employed, soon be brought into active riodical Reports say: "The missionari s and their work have been violently objected to. Actuated perhaps in part by sentiments less pure than they themselves suspect, some persons connected with dred thousand who, work at all, and not the Danish colonial administration profess to have more than half of this number who are filled discovered in Christian missions the main if not with zeal for the salvation of souls. Ob the sole cause of the alleged impoverishment of that God would help us to devise means to the natives of It might not be difficult to find elsewhere the causes of this deterioration. Still there is much apparent plausibility in the assertions made; while their authors so far reied on the influence of their own statements, as to nrge a mission which offers so little that is inviting, In the close of the reign of Julius, Luther | and the laborers in which have so little to cheer visited Rome. The poor monk, worn with them in their toil, these ungenerous accusations penances and heavy toil, was sent upon constitute a new and peculiarly strong claim on some business connected with his convent. Christian sympathy. It is very pleasing to state to the Papal court. He crossed the Alps that this has already been accorded in a quarter, full of faith, and stirred by a strong excite-prrceeding from which it is likely to be, under ment. He was about to enter the classic the Lord's blessing influential for good. The land, with whose poets and historians he Royal College of Missions a priviledged body in had long been familiar; he was to tread the connection with the established Lutheran Church sacred soil of Virgil, Cicero, and Livy. But, of Denmark-has, through its officials, expressed its appreciation of the labors of the missionaries dim majesty, the Holy City of that Church in Greenland, and its earnest depreciation of any

missionaries to a splendid banquet, in token of Rome, hallowed by the sufferings of the their good will; and have issued proclamations martyrs, filled with relics, and redolent with in favour of the missionaries, giving them and the piety of ages, the untutored monk still their converts full protection, and saying that supposed a scene of heavenly rest. "Hail, their character and objects are good ; while it is boly Rome!" he exclaimed, as its distant at the same time reported that they have pri-towers first met his eyes. His poetic dream vately sent out orders to oppose the missionaries was soon dispelled. Scarce had he entered in all their efforts to secure rooms and chapels

-A correspondent of The Boston Traveller

"The united testimony of all missionaries who plained that the very air of Italy seemed have resided in China and Japan, goes to establish this fact, that the injustice and violence so commonly perpetrated by sailors and the classes of foreigners who visit these countries, are, towork for Christ, and that if they do not fellow-monks, and the blasphemies of the day, the most serious hindrances against the progress of true Christian civilization with which they are obliged to contend, and they are forced Church. Of all the pilgrims to that dese- to give up their labors in sea port towns, and go into the interior, because there the natives have not, because of repeated wrong and violence, had reason to distrustall foreigners. British bayonets forced opium upon China, and to day that fact

The great festival of Juggernaut was held at Serampore in July. It has fallen into great disrepute. The crowd attracted by the spectacle was small.' The cars were dragged a short distance; by hired men, and then left half in a muddy ditch, with the idols still in them and the flags flying. When the priests urged the people to pull, the irreverent populace cried out, "Why don't you come down and pull your-selves?" 'Nobody was crushed, nobody was hurt and only three men got drunk !

