

A DIFFICULT CHURCH.—The faculty of one of our largest theological seminaries received sometime since a letter, in which the inhabitants of a small town in Kansas applied to them for a young clergyman to take charge of their spiritual education. The long and formidable array of qualifications which the minister must possess, and the extremely meager salary attached to the position, threw the good doctors of the faculty into something akin to despair. After much thought, one suggested that the reply run thus: "The only man of whom we know who could satisfy you is our revered college president, now dead some few years, and who, having accustomed himself to heavenly food (air), could perhaps eke out a bare subsistence upon the salary which you propose." This after due deliberation was rejected and the next proposal listened to: "We know of no one, except the Apostle Paul, who approaches to your standard of piety; he might preach of a Sunday, and get his living by sail-making on week-days." This was at length also rejected, and the following reply finally hit upon and dispatched: "We know of no man upon earth good enough for you, or who could possibly live on the salary you mention. We therefore advise you to make an effort to secure the angel Gabriel, who could board in heaven, and come down Sundays to preach."—EDITOR'S DRAWER, in *Harper's Magazine* for July.

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