IS THE OLD BOOK FROM GOD? A Strong Sunday Sermon By the Rev. Dr. Kerr.

Some of the Evidences That the Book We Call the Bible Has Been Given to Us By the laspiration of God.

PHILADELPHIA. - The Rev. Dr. Kerr Byce Tupper, pastor of the First Baptist (hurch of this city, preached a strong ser-mon Sunday morning on "Is the Old Book rom God?" This is one of the oldest and strongest churches in the iand. It was presided over for thirty years by Dr. George Dana Boardman, who was succeed-ed about eight years ago by Dr. Tupper. Two years ago, at a cost of nearly \$400,000 a magnificent house of worship was erected and \$150,000 endowment Iaid aside. The congregations are very large, especially in the evening. The text for this sermon was for Winbout ceasing because when ye received the word of God ye received it nor that the word of God." Dr. Tupper and the word of God." Dr. Tupper

Ancient history has preserved the tra-dition that when, thirty centuries ago, the city of Troy was sacked by the Greeks, the conquerors made the general proclam-ation that each of the inhabitants thereof ation that each of the inhabitants thereof be permitted to save a single article of property especially dear to his own heart. Taking advantage of the offer, Aeness selected his household gods and carried them in triumph and for joy to a place of safety. So pleased were the Greeks by this unaffected act of picty that they extended to him further indulgence, al-lowing him to save one other thing, when, returning in haste, he bore off on his shoulders his aged father, whose wisdom and affection constituted for him a price-less inheritance. Were the traditions thus related to re-peat itself in history to-day and the priv-

less inheritance. Were the traditions thus related to re-peat itself in history to-day and the priv-lever, in a supposed season of calamity and privation, to make a celection of that one possession most highly prized by him, both because of its intrinsic value and its immortal influence, the truest wisdom world dictate a peculiar and, to thousands, an inexplicable choice. This choice would not be silver or gold, military fame or or he silver or gold, military fame or or daughter, friend or lover, precious as might be each of these, it would not be seen father or mother, husband or wife so in thing wisely chosen if the choice were made both for time and eternity. What then would the one thing be? Stange as it may seen to many, the phone, for the earnest, thankful 'Christian erstain book—a book unrient and artless elevating and ennobling, divine and day and

As I utter this sentence you anticipate the designation I am about to make. You need not be told that. This book is no need not be told that. This book is no work of mere poetry, neither Hind nar Odyssey, Milton's Odes nor Surrespeare's plays; no work of mere history, neither Livy nor Tacitus, Hallam nor Heme; no work of mere philosophy, neither Bacon nor Hamilton, Descrites nor Locke; no book of mere biography, neither Plutarch nor Lamartine, Remusat nor Voltaire; no book of mere romance, neither George Eliot nor Scott, Bulwer nor Tackeray book of mere biography, neither Plutarch nor Lamartine, Remusat nor Voltaire; no book of mere romance, neither George Eliot nor Scott, Bulwer nor Tanckeray; no book of mere ethics, neither Plato nor Seneca, Pally nor Bain; no book of Chris-tian morality and meditation, neither Thomas a Kempis' 'Imitation of Christ' nor Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Pragress,' Hoak-er's 'Homilies'' nor Paschal's 'Thoughts' -great and good as are many if not all of these, immortal works some of them, raing like grand and majestic mountain peaks, catching and presenting to the world the gorious splendors of the high-est human genus-we could see them and all else of man's creation harn into ashes or buried in the sen, if at their expense we might save to our hearts and lives here and hereafter that one single book, which has an origin and a character and a mission and a destiny as far above every work of man's creation as the skies are above the clouds--that book whose 'ma above the clouds—that book whose 'au-thor is God, whose subject is man, whose object is salvation, whose end etcraity— that book of which Pollock, in an out-ourst of poetic fervor and Christian faith, so feelingly writes: This lamp from off the everlasting throne Mercy took down, and in the night of

Stood casting on the durk and gracious

And forevez more beseeching men with

tears. And earnest sighs, to hear, believe and live.

Surely, brethren, this must be the book (all books, which, while full and rich

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* self-denying atonement. Truly, this fook that tells so mitch about God must be a book from God.
Because it is God's Book, the Bible is peculiarly man's book, when man would rise to lofticate conceptions and highest achievements. It is wonderful how our woile English literature has become permented, saturated and elevated by sentiments and expressions from the Holy winters. One of the most interesting studies to the student, aike of the Bible ind of Shakespeare, is the indebtedness of the Bard of Aven to these oracles of light and Eff. A careful study of Shakespeare is the indebtedness of the Bard of Aven to these oracles of light and Eff. A careful study of Shakespeare would study of Shakespeare in "Richard II." are forty; then in the bible books are there? Sixtyses. From how many does he refer? To fifty-four. How many does he refer? To fifty-four. How many does he refer? To fifty-four. How many lays has intruspeare quote, or to how many does he refer? To fifty-four. How many does he refer? To fifty-four. How many lays has intruspeare? The thirty-one quotations are there Sciotural references? In every one of the thirty-one quotations in references? Enverse that Genesis furnishes the poet thirty-one quotations or references: Paslins, fifty-nine; Proverbs, thirty-live; Isaiah, twenty-one: Matthew, sixty; Luke, thirty; Romans, twenty-three. Nor is this executional. A scholarly American author has declared that it is as immossible to subtract the Bible Miton rould never have written his "Paradise low" and "Samooi Agonistes." Without the Bible Miton rould never have written his "Taradise low" and "Samooi Agonistes." Without the Bible Bible, whether with reference to revealed is "Figures." On or baste with written his "Daradise low". To whatever lich we view the Bible, whether with reference to revealed or or history or morelity, it is a mine Plaim: "In whatever light we view the Bible, whether with reference to revela-tion or history or morality, it is a mine of knowledge, like which none other has ever been found in any land or any realm." No wonder that Daniel Webster, prince of forensic crators, could say that the perusal of the Bible in his early days imparted to him many of the chief excel-lencies of his literary style. No wonder that the gifted Choate eloquently ex-claimed; "I would have the Bible read, not only for its authority, revelations, canned: I would have the Bible read, not only for its authority, revelations, commands and exactness obligatory yea-terday, to-day and forever, but for its literature, its pathos, its dim imagery, its savings of consolation and wisdom and universal truth." Truly this Book of books must be the Book of God. But we have a bisher pread of hibling!

books must be the Book of God. But we have a higher proof of hiblical impiration even than this, and that is the perfect adaptness of the Word of God to the conditions of all classes and kinds of men. Dr. Storrs well says: "The treatise of Plato on immorality is attracto the conditions of all classes and kinds of men. Dr. Storrs well says: The treatise of Plato on immorality is attrac-tive to the scholar, but obscure and dull to the unleitered man; the Veda of the Hin-an is said to be a scaled book to the ma-jority of its constituents. In contrast to all these, the Bible fills the whole cir-cumference of man's endowment; it touches every thought and feeling in this great humanity: it is adapted to inspire end of the scale to a scale to be a scale to instruct the savage, to guide the child." Truly, this is a universal book, answering man's deepest questions, solv-ing man's most intricate problems, il-uminating man's most darkest hours, giv-ing him support in life, peace in death, and a song of sweetest melody amid the ineffable glory of the sternal world. The gifted Hallam felt this wacn he said: "The Bible fits every fold and crevice of the human spirit." Not so philosophy, education, science. Our astronomers point of Bethleheme. Our geologists unfold erath's strata, but reveal no Rock of Azes. Charles Reade, the litterateur, writes the first line of his own epitanh. "Reade, Dra-matist, Journalis, Novelist:" but Charles Reade, the Christian, pens the other line: "Thope for a resurrention, not from any of the sky? ... & Bible alone answers our deepest questions, solves our most intri-tories for a nesure than the will of the bord God Almighty." Whence came that fixes no song, no desert where it furnishes not for the Bible to transform. Only the an test God's Word and he will bare for the Bible to transform. Only that man test God's Word and he will have in its favor an argument that no sophistry can destroy and no skepticism

THE SABBATH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR TOPICS. November 8-"Great Men of the Bible!

International Lesson Comments For What Elijah TeachesUs" -- 2 Kings 2:1, November 8. 12: Matt. 11 14; Jas. 5, 17, 18. Subject: David's Grief Over Absalom-2 Sam.

Scripture Verses .--- Events of Elliah's xvill, 24-33-Golden Text, Prov. xvil., history. 1 Kings 17:1; Luke 4:25; James 5:17. 1 Kings 17:5; 17:21; 25-Memory Verses, 31-33-Commen-, 18:38. 19; Rom. 11:2; 2 Kings 1:10 tary on the Day's Lesson.

1. The battle array (vs. 1.4). 1. The time was about three months after Absalom assumed the throne. 2. The place was the forest of Ephraim in Mount Gilead, not far from Mahansim, where David was. This region is still covered with thick oaks and tangled bushes, and thorny creepers, growing over rugged rocks and ruinous precipices. 3. The army of Absalom must have been very much larger than David's, for 20,000 men were slain, besides the many that escaped. But they had no such discipline and organization as David's troops, and no "Old Guard" like David's hand of 000 heres. 4. The army of David was divided into three divisions under three able generals. Gideon had divided his handful into three, that he might make a simultaneous impression on three different parts of the Midianite host, and thus contribute the better to the defeat of the whole. So David divided his army into three, that, meeting Absalom's at three different points he might prevent a concentration of the enemy that would have swallowed up his whole force. Luke 9:54; 2 Kings 2:8; 2:11. 2:13 Matt. 17:3; Mal. 4:5. Lesson Thoughts. The man of God may be confident of his own victory, though opposed by overwhelming majorities.

What distinguished Elijah from oth er men of his time was what his name signified concerning him .- "Jehovah is my strength."

Selections,

Elijah was far more royal than Ahab, for faith made him a king be fore the Lord. Bet it ours to act in the same heroic spirit, never fearing the face of man, but facing the Lord's fors with unflinching valor. So shall we win the "well done good and faith-ful servants," which should be the highest object of our ambition.

The Lord came to Elijah in the still small voice, rebuking the timidity that distrusted the Lord after the miracles whole force. II. The defeat and death of Absalom whole force.
II. The defeat and death of Absalom (vs. 947). Absalom met the servants of David in battle and was defeated. In his flight Absalom rode upon a mule. For him to ride upon a mule—perhaps David's own —was a mark of royalty (1 Kings 1: 33, 38). His head caught in the forked boughs of a tree, and he hung there, stunned and helpless. Perhaps his long, thick hair got entangled, but there is nothing to support the common idea that Absalom was suspended merely by his hair. Josephus says that bis hair was 'entangled." Then Joab took three daris and thrust them through the heart of Absalom. He alone felt strong enough to disober the king. He did the act for David's own sake. Doubtless he throughly believed that Absalom's death was the only effectual way of ending this most guilty and permicious insurrection, and en uncertain the dimension's death of fire and tempest at Mt. Carmel had ceased. Not miracles alone testified to the presence of God, but equally the slient operation of moral causes the gradual development of truth, light and love. Our faith in Provi-donce is distorted when we are always straining after marvels, waiting for signs of tempest and earthquake, hearing no voices of the night, seeing no wonders in the dawn. An earth quake may startle California once a year; the flowers bloom all the year round.

Let every child of God be strong and of good courage! Only believe, ye who are at the brook Chevith, and in the wilderness! for faith can supply the want of everything temporal, and faith is the grave of care. M who giveth songs in the night, May he teach us all the song of the royal Psalmist. I will both lay me down in peace, and sloep; for thou, Lord, only makest me dwell in safety."

Suggested Hymns

O worship the King, all-glorious above

glaom.

A mighty fortress is our God. Is the cruse of comfort failing? Encamped along the hills of light.

EPWORTH LEAGUE MEETING TOPICS.

November 8-The Power of a Constant Life -Neb. 5. 9; Rom. 14. 22.

Living is the test of a Christian. He may use more or fewer words about religion, but religion's final test his

watcher at the gate of Mahanaim gives us a faint insight into the heart of the Father above. The world is full of Absaloms who have risen up against their heavenly Father. 25-28. "If he be alone." Divid judged that if the man was running alone he was bringing news from the battle. If the army had been routed many fugitives would have been coming together. "Unto the porter." One stood at the top of the tower, and the other was below to attend to opening and closing the gate. "A good is the quality of life it produces. There is a certain law for the Christian. It is the law of the unfettered conscience. This inner voice must be given the utmost freedom. When it disapproves its warning must be obeyed. Otherwise its disap-provals will become less emphatic, and tower, and the other was below to attend to opening and closing the gate. "A good man." David had had proof of his fidelity during the progress of the war, and was sure that such as he would not be chosen for the thankless work of bearing had news. "All is well." This in the Hebrew is one word, "Peace." It was the usual word of greeting. "Fell down." An act of homage to the king. "Delivered up." Lit-erally, "shut up," restrained and confined within bounds, instead of leaving them at large. it will no longer be the friendly sixth sense, distinguishing good and evil. Few men are theologians. They are not skilled in judging statements of doctrine. But they are experts in judging conduct. They quickly detect the lie in a church member's life, and despise the conscience that permits it. On the other hand, nothing is quite large. 29. "Is-Absalom safe." There is a ten so sure of their respect and admiration as a Christian life that is in har-mony with the Christian book.

man whose conscience is un-Th seared may rejolce when his conscience does not trouble him. The conscience void of offense is an en-viable possession. "Happy is the man who condemneth not that thing which he alloweth." Or, to turn it around,

THE RELIGIOUS LIFE

READING FOR THE QUIET HOUR WHEN THE SOUL INVITES ITSELF.

of Trade" says: Numerous labor con-troversies have appeared and more fur-naces and mills have closed, the ten-Poem: Divine Presence - True Content dency being to operate only the plants provided with the most modern equipment is Not to Be Found by Those Who Seek It by a Lowering of Their Moral ment. There is no anxiety regarding legislation at the special session of Standards.

Standards. Lord of earth! Thy forming hand Well this beauteous frame hath planoed; Woods that wave and hills that tower, Ocean rolling in His power; Yet, amid this scene so fair, Should I ccase Thy smile to share, What were all its joys to me? Whom have I on on earth but Thee?

Lord of heaven! beyond our sight bord of heaven! beyond our sight. Shines a world of nurer light. There in love's unclouded reign Parted hands shall meet again. Oh, that world is passing fair! Yet, if Thou wert absent there. What were all its joys to me? Whom have I in heaven but Thee?

Happiness.

-R. Grant.

Happiness. If we judge men by their actions and the objects which they pursue, their chief desire scemes to .e that they may attain happiness. A man is called blessed who can invent a new joy, or show his fellow men the way to iurther pleasures. The chief question asked, in a change of posi-tion or occupation, often is: 'Will I like the mew place better than the old ?' Men will toil hard, early and late, and to it willingly if you can only show them a recompense of happiness at the end of it all.

No. 2, 34c. Oats-New York No. 2, 4114; Phila-delphia No. 2, 421/6(43; Baltimore No But this world is, after all, a sad one.

6, 42½c. Green Fruits and Vegetables.—Ap-ples—Maryland and Virginia, per brl. ancy. \$1.00@1.25; do, fair to good, 75c 2\$1.00; do, Western Maryland and 2\$1.00; do, Western Maryland and

a recompense of happiness at the end of it all. But this world is, after all, a sad one. Is is full of disappointment, sick, sorrow-ing, baffled and defeated men. The cynic is cverywhere in evidence. Bright hopes are blasted. Riches take unto themselves wings and fly away. Position, talent, and hopeful worldly influence are no protec-tion against the stagge of black care. We have then, save the Chicago Ad-ance, the anomaly of man fitted for hap-piness, and desiring it above all things, yet having it flee from him. Some phil couplers have declared that the whole world is an illusion, and that there is no such thing as reality. It is impossible, we are told, for a man to attain the things which he desires, and that it is usoless for him to fird himself about them. The Greeks expressed this idea in the fable of Tantalus in Tartarus. He was im-mersed in water up to his chin and a tree barnches just over his head. He was thirsty and hungry, but when he at-tempted to drink, the water fled from him, and when be tried to pack the fruit, ust above his head, it vanished away. But why should happiness flee from a man when he so ardently desires it? The rochile is that men for the most part set it through relaxation, and the lower ing of the standards. It is the ald history of Adam and Eve over acain. There was a stating down of moral integrity on their part for the grasping of what they con-sidered a greater happiness. Men ask to-day: "Why should we obey this or that law of God, man, or of our moral nature, when it bars the way to our en-part for the grasping of what the revolt against what men call "Puritanism." The formaman smokes his opium pipe regard-to-day: "Why should we obser this or that law of God, man, or of our moral nature, when it bars the way to our en-part for the grasping of what they con-sidered a greater happiness, Men ask to-day: "Why should we obey this or that law of God, man, or of our moral nature, when it bars the way to our en-part for the grasping of what the revolt against what men c

Jesus Christ sho ed that if a man would p truly happy he must attain to this happiness through a mustery of the situa-.on. There is no joy like that of the victor. If is the man who has gone down nto the tumult and uproar of life an ought and conquered in some good cause life and Who tastes of the nextra of supreme joy. The master words with Christ were: Fight watch and wray," here is the en-trance to the real Utopia for which men seek. The man who has no nastery over

The enditions of happiness which pro-fuse appendix, passions and temper can never show what centine joy is. The conditions of happiness which pro-duce to illusions and brighten more and more unto perfect day are not difficult to more anto periest day are not difficult to name. There must be some supreme ob-ject of love and hope moon which the heart is fixed. There must be a harmony with the wall of God. There must be en-durance in the cause of Jesus Christ. There must be an inner peace which no outer turnult can disturb.

Did Not Care For His Soul.

William A. Sunday, the well-known evangelist and ex-baseball player, who was recently ordained as a minister by the Preabyterians in Chicago, and who was

2[\$1.00] do, Western Maryland and Pennsylvania, packed, per br] \$1,500, 2.00; do, New York, assorted, per br] \$2,500(3,00); do, do, No. 2s, per br] \$1,75 (02.25). Beets-Native, per bunch 111

COMMERCIAL REVIEW

General Trade Conditions.

Congress and despite the curtailment of activity in many manufacturing lines a heavy volume of business is being

Failures this week numbered 270 in

the United States, compared with 230 last year, and in Canada twenty-six.

against twenty-two a year ago. Bradstreet's says: Wheat, including

flour, exports for the week aggregate 4.265,080 bushels, against 2,805,010 last week, 7,000,137 this week last year,

4.952.134 in 1901 and 4.932.078 in 1900. Corn exports for the week aggregate 1.809.885 bushels, against 1.410.412 last

week, 84,563 a year and, 1,188,288 in 1901 and 3,365,651 in 1900.

LATEST MARKET OUOTATIONS.

Flour-Spring clear, \$1807/4.00; Lesa

Patent \$5.00; choice Family \$4.25. Wheat-New York No. 2, 85%e; Philadelphia No. 2, 83%(@83%; Balti-

more No. 2 84c. Corn-New York, No. 2, 53c; Phila-delphia No. 2, 50/4@301/c; Baltimore

transacted.

R. G. Dun and Co.'s "Weekly Review

12.25. Decise - Native, per 100 \$2.50 (3.00; do, New York State, per tor \$13.00% ra.on. Cauliflower-New York per barrel or crate \$1,50%200, Cran-berries-Cape Cod, per brl \$7,50%800; do, per box \$1,75%200, Celery-New York State, per dozen 25%30e; do, mative, per bunch, 4005c. Carrots-Native, per bunch 100114c. Corn-Native, per dozen, field, 860 per dozen, sugar, 18/222. Eggplants-Native, gat, 1867 22. Eggplants--Native, per 100 \$2.00972.50. Grapes-Concords, per 5-lb basket --@13c; do, Niagara, do, 16 @17; do, Delaware, do, 1867.20; do, Ca-tawba, do, 11@12; do, New York, black tawba, do, 110/12; do, New York, black, per basket 120/14. Lettuce-Native, per bushel box 250/25c. Linua beana--Native, per bushel box \$1.500/175. On-ions--Maryland and Penusylvania, yel-low, per bu 550/56c; do, Western White, per bu 65/270. Peara-Eastern Shore, Kieffer, per basket 200/30c; do, do, ner bul \$1.500/172; do, New York do, per brl \$1,50/0175; do, New York, Bartlett, per brl \$4,00/0500; do, do, Seckel, per brl \$5,00/0600; do, do Duch ess, per brl \$2,500 2.75; do, do, Sheldon, per bri \$4.00@4.50. Pumpkins-Native, each 21/07 tc. Quinces-New York State, per brl \$5 00/06 00. String beans-Anne Arundel, per bushel green, 60@65c. Spinach-Native, per bushel box 25@30c. Tomatoes-Anne Arun-del, per 5%-basket 25@30c; do, per measured bushel 30@35; do, Eastern Shore, Virginia, per basket 10@15. Turnips-Native, per bushel box 2560

Potators .- White-Native. Polators.-White-Native, per bu box, 60665c; Maryland and Pennsyl-vania, prime, per bu, 60%65c; New York, prime, per bu, 60%65c. Sweets -Yellows, Maryland and Virginia, per brl, \$1.25%1.50; Virginia, red, per brl, \$1.00005c; Waryland and Pennsyl-\$1.00/01.25. Yams-Virginia, per brl. 1.00/01.25.

Provisions and Hog Products.—Bulk clear rib sides, 0½c; bulk clear sides, 10; sugar-cured shoulders, blade-out, 10; sugar-cured shoulders, narrow, 8½; sugar-cured shoulders, extra broad, 11 sugar-cured Cabiornia hams, 731; canvased and uncanvased hams, 12 lbs and ver, 15; hams, canvased and uncanvas td, 15 lbs and over, 13h1 skinned, 13 2 refined lard, second hand tubs, 912; re-fined lard, half-barrels and new tubs.

THE GREAT DESTROYER

SOME STARTLING FACTS ABOUT THE VICE OF INTEMPERANCE.

Why the Side Door of the Saloon Has Opened the Way to the Downward Path For Women-Vigorous Expressions on the Subject by Mrs. Edwin Knowles.

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attext to the saleen. It is there for ne other nurpose. When a man wints a drink he goes in the front door. With him there is no necessity for concentment unless it is on Sunday or after closing hours at night. Then his skulking is for the purpose of protecting the saleonkeep-er, not himself. The question might not be to serious if the women of the poorer classes were not so serious about their drinking. Your so-ciety woman is not nearly so liable to be-come an inebriate. She starts to drink-ing because she thinks it smart. She may grow to like it, but, after all, drinking is largely an incident with her. The "dip-somaniae"-such an euchemistic term!-is the excention. If she becomes a real drunkard she harms no one so much as herself. She may injure her reputation, but that is easily repaired. She has no family dependent on her work, no chil-dren crying for her attention, and she never loses berself to such an extent that she neglects her lapdor. Radical steps should be taken with the raloon side door. It is the gateway to down all steps should be taken with the raloon side door. It is the gateway to down all steps should be fireside variety. A trip to the poor people. Their amme-ments are largely of the fireside variety. A trip to the theatre is no event, not a nightly occurrence until they get bored to doalt. They don't go out to dimers or attend balls. The women come in closer contact with the children. They don't go out to dimers or attend balls. The women come in closer contact with the children. They don't go out to dimers or attend balls. The women come in closer contact with the children. They don't go out to dimers to look after their little ones. What can be the effect upon the youncer sever-tion when the mothers cet drunk? A mother in the police court answering to the charge of intukication! What a spec-tacle for a child!

tadmits them to the "hen coops." In that admits them to the "hen coups." In that way you remove the opportunity and lessen the templation. I am not san-guine enough to believe that such a step would reform all of them, but I believe it will heat all the temperance lectures that can be delivered and all the state. that can be signed -- Mrs. Edwin Knowles, in the New York Press. -----

was the only effectual way of ending this most guilty and pernicious insurrection, and so preserving the country from ruin. Absalom living, whether banished or im-prisoned, would be a constant and fearful danger. Absalom dead, great though the king's distress for the time might be, would be the very salvation of the country. Joab held back the people from further shughter. Absalom's body was cast into a pit and a great heap of stones thrown upon it. upon it. III. Tidings from the battle (vs. 1932). III. Tidings from the battle (vs. 19.32). Swift runners brought the news from the battlefield to the king. 24. "The two gates." The heavy fortifications had prob-ably an outer and an inner gate at the base of a battlemented tower, in which was a "chamber" (v. 33). On the flat roof of this tower, but shaded from public view, David waited to hear tidings of the hattle. The outer gate was level with the eity wall, and the gateway would leave some space be-tween that and the inner. Compare Eli going out and sitting by the wayside, watching for the coming of some runner from the field of war (1 Sam. 4: 13). "Watchman." Every gate and outpost of the tower would be guarded by vigilant watchinen at such a time. "Roof." The flat roof of the gateway on the side of the outer wall. The picture of the anxious watcher at the gate of Mahanaim gives us a faint insight into the heart of the Father ahove. The world is full of Abatters when Lead, kindly light, amid the circling

Take thou my hand, and lead me,

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Take the one question of the Godhead and the light thrown upon it by the secred eripture. As Dr. Stuart Lobinson has loquently and, "The Bible maintained the pity of God amid all the darkness of the waters polythesism; the vivid personality God amid all the sophistry of the East-re panthesism; and meffable purity of a ballness of Dard amid all the observity

The Heart's Influence.

If there is joy in your heart, let it shine in your face. This is one of the lesser ministries of love-the cheering power of happiness. Every bright face makes a brighter world.

The Anto' Suspension Bridge.

Men build bridges of strong wire ropes, monkeys make them by clingng to one another's tail. There are, however, other creatures who make uspension bridges-the duvio ant of Africa. It is half an inch long, with a big head. A large ant takes hold of the branch of a tree with his forelegs; he clings, letting his own body hang; then another ant climbs down the first one, to whose hind legs he clings, letting his own body hang; so the little ting his own body hang; so the little fellows keep on until a long chain hangs from the tree. Then they swing until the one at the loose end catches hold of the tree they wish to reach, and the bridge is complete. As soon as the main body of the army has crossed the bridge the ant on the first tree lets go of the branch and climbs ap his comrades to the second tree. The other makers of the living suspen-tion bridge follow their leader's ex-simple, and they take their place at the rear of the marching column.

ear of the marching column.

Electric and Crucible Steel. Microscopic experiments have own that the electrically made steel not different in any way from worthis steel.

29. "Is-Absalom safe." There is a ten-demess in the words which reveals the yearning of the fatherly heart. He seems more anxious about the welfare of the "young man" than about the issue of the battle. David was thinking of the ominous words, The sword shall never depart from thy house. The sword had devoured one son: was it now to claim another? And where would it stop? Ahimaaz saw the king's distress and gave an evasive answer.

thy house. The sword had devoured one shows was it now to claim another? And where would it stop? Ahimaas saw the fina's distress and gave an evasive answer, is the young man safe? This is a ouestion every parent and every friend of young man should ask. Is the young man safe from thete young man safe? This is a ouestion from had habits? Is he safe in Jeaus Christ? Is he safe in a good home and mong good influences? Is he safe for this word? Is he safe for eternity? Ask yours and there has you are doing to make him with a good home and mong good influences? Is he safe for this word? Is he safe for eternity? Ask yours and there him safe? This is a construction of the has given him of the hand of the toilsome running. He is, however, all wave and delivered him out of the hand of the toilsome running. We is, however, and has been delivered him out of the hand of the toilsome running. We is, however, and has been himself when the gates; the users of the toilsome running the is, however, and beak known his death, but also beak milling and rise? The chamber of the toilsome the species of the toilsome the species of the toilsome the species of the town his death, but also beak milling and rise? The chamber of the town has beak in the upper part of the town of the hand of the delivered him out of the hand of the delivered him out of the hand of the town has death delivered him out of the hand of the delivered

His Salary One Cent a Year. Maurice Proctor of Mineral Point, Wis., is said to receive the smallest

check drawn by the national government. The slip of paper with the seal of Uncle Sam on it calls for 1 cent and is paid annually. It is in remunneration in full for carrying the mails from Mineral Point to Dodgeville. A twelvemonth ago, when the bids were made for the contract, there was a deal of rivalry between a dozen or more of those who wished to serve the government in this capacity, and Proctor, who is wealthy, and does not need the money, offered, in due form, faithfully and promptly to perform the task for a penny a year.

Old Lovers United.

Miss Jennie B. Ladd of East Rox-bury and Samuel H. Holman of Ran-dolph were married at Northfield, Vt., some time ago. There is a bit of ro-mance in this event, as Mr. Holman and Miss Ladd were engaged to be and Miss Laon were engaged to be married twenty-six years years ago For some reason the engagement was broken off and Mr. Holman has since been twice married. Miss Ladd re mained single and now after many years has accepted her old lover for a

Harpy is the man who does not per mit himself-to do that thing which he condemns.

But how shall such happiness be at-tained? We do not naturally possess it. Our experience reveals to us what it revealed to Paul, a law of discord in our members; when we would do good, evil is present with us. The unaided struggle to live up to our own ideals-that is, to our conscience-is a hopeless one. But there is deliverance within reach. "There is there-fore now no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus." The life that is surrendered to the Saviour will be a consistent life, and it will be a power among men.

"The reproach of the heathen," which Nebemiah urges as a reason for consistent living among God's people, is a real source of shame unto this day. It is a greater hindrance to the Gospel than prejudice or hard-hearted ness. The chief reason why Christian-ity is not to-day really the supreme moral and spiritual power in all the world is that so many Christians do not take their faith seriously. With the exception of a few things tacked on to their lives, they do not differ from their non-Christian neighbors.

A Christian man's business must be Christianized, or his religion will bring upon him the reproach of the heathen. It will not avail that he teaches a Bible class in his church, if he does not make the Bible's teaching felt in his business. We need to learn that religion is a thing of the whole life; we need to be ashamed of everything we do that makes our religion a scoffing and a by word among those that are not yet Christians.

An Intelligent Cat.

Prof. R. L. Garner tells an interestng cat story: A certain cat was shut up in a room where there was a speaking-tube which he had frequently seen used in calling people.

Dealring to get out of the room and having no means of opening the door, he climbed upon a chair near the tube, erected himself upon his hind legs, teadled himself by placing his paws upon the back of the chair, placed his mouth to the tube and began whining and mewing into it.

In this attitude he was found by his young mistress, who came into the room at the moment that he was trying to call someone to his aid.

Cinnamon.

belonging to the laurel tribe, which grows profusely in the forests of Cey-lon, where it doubtless originated. Sugarcane is cultivated at the present day in all the warm regions of the globe, but it was first grown in Cinnamon is the bark of a little tree globe, but it was first grown in south-ern Asia, whence it spread into Africa and later into America. The clove came originally from the Moluccas. The hop plant seems to be a native of Europe and western Asia, and at the present time it grows wild in Europe time it grows wild in Europe gland to the Mediterranean.

evangelist and ex-baseball player, who was recently ordained as a minister by the Producterians in Chicago, and who was largely instrumental this spring in malk-g Marongo, IL, a no-saloon town, tells this striking versional experience: "I will never forget a scene I witnessed as long as I live. I left the tent where we were holoing meetings down in Paris, IL, one night, and among the number who left last was a young mun that I was es-visible and the structure of the structure walked down the structure of the struc-nut to him the invariable question, 'Are you a Christian?' He said. 'No, sir, I am not.' Then I used every Scripture and every arrument to get him to promise me to give his heart to God, but could not succeed. When about to separate I said to him. 'Are your father and mother alive?' Both alive,' said he. 'Is your rather a Christian?' 'Doa't know; he has been a steward in the church for several years.' 'Is your mother a Christian?' 'Don't know; has been superintendent of a Sunday school of the same church for some time.' Have you a sister?' Yes, sir.' 'As she a Christian?' 'Don't know; she has the primary department in the Sunday school.' 'Bo your father and mother ever ask the blessing at the to be?' 'No, sir.' Did your father and mother ever ask you to be a Christian?' 'Mr. Sunday, as long as I can remember my father or mother or sister never asid a word to me about my soul.' He said, 'Do you believe they think I am lost?' fould not answer such arguments. It is six years ago this coming October since I heaved this. I can heav has words ringing in my ears, 'Do you believe they think I am lost.''

God's Promises Sure.

God's Promises Sure. God is ever better than we think. We not so ready to realize that God is sure to make good His promises, as He is ready to remember His every assurance and to yive good wits according to His children's needs. One of God's loved and loving children, expressing gratitude for the com-ing of a longed-for blessing, said: "God told me long ago that some day this should come to me, and I could not doubt His word. When it came I was not surprised, paly in a way as the coming of the in-witable surprises us. Sometimes, you know, we are surprised to see the sun rise or the tide come in." Oh, that all of ns were as ready to be as sure of God's word as of the rising of the sun or the coming in of the tide.—Sunday School Times.

Recompense of Suffering.

Recompense of Suffering. Have you ever thought that some day you will never have anything to try you or anybody to ver you again? There will be no opportunity in that happy realm to learn or to show the sourit of patience, forlearance and long suffering. If you are ever to learn these things you must learn them now, and oh, when you shall see those glorious jewels shining in some one else's crown which were formed out of tears of sorrow and drops of blood, what would you not give to be able to live your ite over again and win the recompense which can only come from trial and suf-tering?—Matthew Simpson.

Women Enjoyed Cigars. """ car of a train from Springfield, Ill., a few nights ago just as the start toward Worcester was being made and sought seats. "This is the smoking sought seats. "This is the smoking car," said one of the men seated near the door. The women assured him that they were possessed or informs tion to that effect and thereupon sat down and one of the women produced two cigars. These were lighted and the women putted peacefully and the women putted peacefully and omewhat vigorously.

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to medium, per lb -@12c; do, to meatum, per 15 -@12c1 do, old roosters, each 25@30; do, young, large per ib -@12. Ducks-Young, 3 lbs and over, per lb -@12c1 do, fancy, large, old, white, per lb 11@12; do, do, small, per 1b-@10; do, Muscovy and mongrels, per 1b 10@12. Eggs-Western Maryland and Penn-

Eggs.—Western staryland and rema-sylvania, per dozen, loss off, 22c@-; Eastern Shore (Maryland and Vir-ginia), per dozen, loss off, -@22; Vir-ginia, per dozen, loss off, -@22; West Virginia, per dozen, loss off, 21@22; Western, per dozen, loss off, -@22; Ruttern Senarator, ax@22; Gathered Butter-Separatos, 22/0/23; Gathered

Cream, 206221; Initiations, ---@19, Hides, ---Heavy steers, association and salters, late kill, 50 lbs and up, close selections, 014@1014c; cows and light steers, 8@9.

Live Stock.

Chicago --Cattle-Good to prime steers \$5,30@5.00; poor to med.um. \$3:50@5.00; stockers and feeders \$2.25 @4.10; cows \$1,33@4.25; heiters \$2.00% 435; canners \$1,35/04.25; heiters \$2,00/0 435; canners \$1,35/02.50; bulls \$2,00/0 435; calves \$2,00/04,00; Texas feat steers \$2,75/03.50; Western steers \$3,000/04,75; Hogs-Mixed and butch-ers \$3,45/05.80; good to choice heavy \$5,45/05.80; rough heavy \$4,05/05.35; light \$5,25/05.80; bulk of sales \$5,35/0 500 heavy \$1,500 heavy \$4,05/05.35; light \$5,25/05.80; hulk of sales \$5,35/0 ight \$5.25(0580; built of store low 5.60. Sheep-Sheep steady to too lower; good to er; lambs steady to too lower; good to eathers \$100(02450; fair to

choice mixed \$2.00@3.00; native lambs \$3.25(0)5.60. Herrs Island -- Cattle steady: choice \$5.35@5.55; prime \$5.10@5.25; fair \$3.50 @4.15. Hogs higher; prime heavy \$5.00 @5.95; mediums \$5.95@8.00; heavy Yorkers \$5.90(25.95; light Yorkers \$5.70(0)5.80; oigs \$5.30(2)5.00; rought \$4.00(2)5.50. Sheep steady; prime weth-ers \$3.70(2)3.85; culls and common \$1.5c (2)2.00; choice lambs \$2.30(2)5.50; veal Yorkers calves \$7.00@7.75

INDUSTRIAL AND SCIENTIFIC NOTES.

Switzerland produces no coal. Spain's cereal crop is valued at \$137,

000,000. The imperial palace at Peking is to have electric lights. In Indianapolis 23 per cent. of the

population is German or of German parentage. Seven million persons in India are to

be vaccinated with plague serum. The value of timber is considerably increased by floating in rafts, because its sap, albumenous and salty materials are dissolved out.

The so-called oil of roses is manufactured from the grass Andropogon

schoenanthus. Psychology is especially popular as an elective study in all American uni-

versities. Not more than 11 per cent. of the deaths from heart disease occur at ages

More Dangerous Than Malaria.

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The Greatest Curse.

Undoubtedly the greatest curse to the poor of this city is the drunkcuness among the wives and mothers. A drinking man is often sober, but a drinking woman al-

is often soler, but its side door, its drink-most never. The saloon with its side door, its drink-ing booths for women in the rear, is. I firmly believe, the greatest obstacle in the way of reform. It affords an easy oppor-tunity for women to get their liquor. It tunity for women to get their liquor. It is more than an opportunity; it is a temp-tation to idle women of a restless temper-ament.

amont. It is true that a person bent on getting hypor can buy it at some place or other. But the saloon side door is far more po-tent, and in my opinion constitutes the gravest menace of all that threaten the poor of New York. It has wrecked thou-sands of homes by degrading the wives and mothers, and has dotted Potter's Field with the graves of women. State-ment from the L nch of Yorkville Police Court by Magistrate Charles A. Flammer, New York City.

The Crusade in Brief. Goldsboro, N. C., is planning for a local Prohibition campaign der the leader-ship of the Anti-Saloon League. The City Council of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., has violated a State statute by grant-ing a license for a saloon to be located within 200 feet of the high school. The school board will carry the matter to the courts.

courts. L. J. Gibbon, of Corydon, Ky., who was indicted for selling alcoholic liquor in that Frohibition town, has brought suit for \$5000 damages spainst two wholesalers of Paducah, who, he alleges, sold him the liquor in question as non-sleoholic pale ale.

Philadelphia brewers and distillers are charged with putting salicylic acid into their products, and Dr. E. H. Warren, State Dairy and Food Commissioner, in haunching a crusade against them on that

Note hundred and twenty-two licenses for liquor selero have been issued in Ver-mont since the license law went into ef-tect, and reports from all quarters indi-cate that the State is growing hearting wick of its experiment, drunktenness and crime increasing steadly. The workings of high license in New Hampshire, after fifty years of prohibi-terance of Judge Pillsbury, a prominent 'ist of that State, who says tensely and agoinflantly: "May God have merely and our State till we vote again."