











RELIGIOUS DEPARTMENT.

THE INFIDEL.

He walks the rounded earth with cold disdain, Nor craves the love of Heaven, nor dreads the pain...

Sunday-School Lessons.

FOURTH QUARTER. Oct. 3—Jesus Betrayed. John 18:1-14. Oct. 10—Jesus before the High Priest. John 18:23-28...

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY.

The Parable of the Wise and the Foolish Virgins Brought Into the Present Life and Applied Practically.

Old as the world but fresh as the sunrise of this morning is the truth that we cannot get back the past. We can not live our lives over again and leave out of them our sins and follies.

Who can give his skill, his learning, his faithfulness, or his faith to another man? At the hour when either is needed there is no sound advice but to "go and buy."

WISE SAYINGS.

Religion in the heart does not remove the necessity of constant watchfulness.—Baptist Weekly. The man who can not mind his own business is not to be trusted with the King's.—Saville.

TOO LITERARY.

A Garrulous Woman's Opinion of Her Really Good Husband. It is amusing and sometimes disgusting to hear some women talk of relatives or friends as not being "congenial."

REVOLVING NEAR GOD.

The Secret of the Steady Spiritual Influence of Many Humble Christian Lives.

We can probably recall certain people of our acquaintance who, without making any noisy pretensions to holiness, are yet very steady in their faith, and shine with a very steady lustre; they are not "revolving lights," but constant burners.

COMPULSED TO LIE.

Why a Good Man Considered It His Duty to Imitate Ananias.

He climbed three pairs of stairs to get to an insurance office on Griswold street, and as he came face to face with the occupant, he said: "I believe you are Mr. Blank?"

God's Method Not Ours.

The Divine method of working is commonly not our method. We would have all the way before us flooded with light; but God chooses that there be light for us to take the next step only.

His Only Objection.

Giddy young girl—I do so love Atlantic City, don't you? Light young man—Yaas. "So much life, excitement and fun. It's perfect, isn't it?"

CHOOSING A WIFE.

A California Clergyman's Opinion of What Constitutes Married Bliss.

Rev. T. K. Noble of Plymouth Congregational Church, San Francisco, in a recent sermon on this subject, held that the pulpit would be recreant to the duties of its sacred calling did it not raise its voice to stay the flood of misery sweeping over the land by reason of the thousands of unnatural, hasty, ill-advised and ill-assorted marriages entered into nowadays.

WIT AND WISDOM.

There are two ways of being agreeable—by assimilation and by dissimulation.—St. Louis Chronicle.

HINTS TO INVENTORS.

What a Man of Experience Has to Say About Inventions in General. This is the counsel that an old and somewhat successful inventor gave me to-day: "My advice to everybody," he said, "is to have nothing to do with inventing."

Misstatements About Books.

Not long ago a manuscript brought a high price in consequence of a note in the catalogue which stated that it had been the property of St. Louis in A. D. 1248. As a fact there was no indication of any early ownership.

A Turpentine Farm.

A turpentine farm must be seen to be appreciated. When a farm is first pitched the boxes are cut one to three in a pine, according to size. The trees are counted into crops of so many thousand, and this is called a virgin crop.

A New Lincoln Story.

Among other stories told about Mr. Lincoln is one by Mr. Rosewater, who was a telegrapher in the War Department during the war: "Lincoln was a queer genius," said Mr. Rosewater.

Some Fatal Fluids Employed Among the Bush People.

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RELIGIOUS AND EDUCATIONAL.

There are 63,910 Protestant ministers in this country and 9,821,201 church members.

The little Chinese Presbyterian Church of San Francisco last year gave \$91 to home missions and \$158 to foreign missions.

Hardin County, Ky., has a public school fund of \$90,000, one hundred public schools, four colleges and academies, and three female seminaries.

Every morning the aged president of William and Mary College rings the college bell, and though no one responds, the college is open and still retains its charter.

Swift said the reason a certain university was a learned place, was that most persons took some learning there, and few brought any away with them, and so it accumulated.

In the University of Berlin there are 16 lecturers on theology, 24 on law, 105 on medicine, 14 on metaphysics, 19 on mathematics, 53 on the natural sciences, 7 on the political sciences, 23 on history, 11 on art, and 36 on philology.

In all there are 289 professors, doctores and teachers in the University. Ten lecturers are common to two faculties.

In the twelve Southern States the number of children attending school in 1880 was 1,439,095, and in this year is 1,838,842. During the same period the yearly appropriations for the support of schools has increased from \$6,415,797 to \$10,389,544.

The increase in attendance is 25 per cent, and in appropriation 62 per cent., a very good showing for six years.

The New York Sun says: Rev. Dr. Gotthelf, rabbi of Temple Emanuel, is the brains of the so-called modern or reformed Jewish faith, which insists that old religious forms are but old husks.

He is about sixty years old, short in stature, and has soft, dark eyes and an incisive manner of speech. He believes in newspapers. Taking a reporter's note-book in his hand yesterday, he said: "It is the modern book of fate."

A Western country parson who has been spending his vacation in Boston, says: "Although I have been treated like a prince, and found warm hearts under cold exteriors, I can not but realize that wealth and culture are making ice-boxes of churches which ought to be warm with Christian love."

That would make the stranger feel as if he were in his father's house and all around him were brethren.—Christian Union.

The Lutheran Observer gives the following facts as a result of the work of the General Synod in church building and repairing during the year 1885: There were in all thirty new church buildings erected at a total cost of \$225,000, of which amount \$30,000 was raised on dedication day.

Of the total number seventeen were consecrated free of debt. There were also thirty churches substantially rebuilt at a cost of \$49,000, of which amount \$14,000 was raised on the day of rededication; eighteen were reconstructed free of debt.

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I have written many verses, but my best poems are the trees I have planted.—O. W. Holmes.

It is easy enough to get notoriety, but to get hold of the kind that will not cause their ancestors to blush for them is what bothers many.—Boston Budget.

"Yes," observed Mrs. Grap, "we kinder got tired of gas and now we're goin' to have the house lit with clandestine electric lights."—New Haven News.

"Is gum chewing recognized as a regular course of study in our schools?" asks a New Orleans paper. Certainly it is. A course of jawography.—Life.

Do not think of knocking out another man's brains because he differs from you; it would be as rational to knock yourself on the head because you differ from yourself ten years ago.—Horace Mann.

"Ball players are a discontented lot." "I don't think so. They seem to be very contented." "O, no! They are continually going out on strikes." "True; but that is offset by their great domestic affection. They are always running for home."—N. Y. Sun.

Miss Passy—Mr. Smythe, do try some of those peaches. With my own hand I planted the tree that bore them." Mr. Smythe (just from abroad)—"Is it that large tree on the lawn? Ah, me! How many happy childhood hours I passed reclining in its shade." (Great uproar. Miss Passy faints.)—Rambler.

To be Taken in Small Doses: Some tasteful individual very correctly remarks that the best lip salve in creation is a kiss. The remedy should be used with great care, however, as it is apt to bring on affection of the heart.—Ontario Free Press.

She and he had been listening to the music of the insect world. "Arthur," she exclaimed, breaking the noisy silence, "how delightful, and yet how sad, is the monotonous chorus of those toadstools!" "Toadstools, my dear?" replied Arthur; "I think you mean crickets." "Yes, crickets, that's what I mean. I knew it was something to sit on."—Boston Transcript.

Mr. Minks—There, my dear, one of your own sex, Ouida, the novel-writer, says women are not capable of actual citizenship. Mrs. Minks—I can't see how she reaches that conclusion. "Simple enough. She says they have not sufficient intellectual capacity for the suffrage." "Well, I suppose it is a good deal of a brain strain. I know you always have an awful headache after election."—Omaha World.

Dumley is not a person in whom one would naturally expect to find a responsive throb of sympathy, but Mrs. Hendricks, his landlady, didn't know this. Last Sunday evening they were sitting in the parlor together, when Mrs. Hendricks sighed and said: "Ah, Mr. Dumley, this is a cold, cold world. I wouldn't say it to any of the other boarders, but you have been with me so long. I am a deceived woman, Mr. Dumley—a deceived woman." "Yes?" asked Dumley. "Ah, yes; I've been deceived in my lifetime—terribly deceived." "If you refer to that last lot of butter, Mrs. Hendricks," said Mr. Dumley, gently. "I don't wonder you feel so bad about it."—Harper's Bazar.

The editor of The Public School Spelling Card, in England, is much distressing over the peculiarity of English spelling, which often allows a double form for one word. He does not know which is preferable, "debatable," or "debatible," "diocese," or "diocesan," "connexion," or "connection," "despatch," or "dispatch," "villainous," or "villanous," and he is puzzled because the modern spelling gives "judgment" and "abridgment," and the e is retained in "management" and "engagement."

YOUTHS' DEPARTMENT.

THE PRINCESS DE SELF.

A long time ago—runs the tale—
There was a young girl—Miss Self,
Who lived in a beautiful vale,
Then haunted by fairy and elf.

THE BRAVE KNIGHT.

The "Good Care" Which He Took of His Little Sister.
Were there ever two such handsome children? Mrs. Graham felt sure that this query could be answered in the negative, as, on that bright June morning, she gave Elsie the last kiss, and Lawrence the oft-repeated injunction: "Take good care of your little sister, dear."

USEFUL AND SUGGESTIVE.

"Oh, wait, Lawrie! I'll go, I'll go, only do be careful."
"Well, I thought you'd be sensible," was the magnanimous reply. "Of course, I'll be careful. Here, let me help you down the bank. Now ain't this nicer than the old road?"

USEFUL AND SUGGESTIVE.

—Better sow five acres to wheat with all conditions favorable than ten acres poorly fitted or lacking in fertility.—N. Y. Times.
—Few persons understand by rainfall in inches what this really means, but an inch of rain means a gallon for every two square feet, or one hundred tons per acre.—Prairie Farmer.



ABOOLIC WOMEN
MARVELOUS BENEFITS.
Rev. SINDY C. DAVIS, Galien, Michigan, writes: "I wish, in this letter, to express my gratitude for Mrs. Davis and myself for the great good which has been accomplished in her case by the use of your proprietary medicine."

A WOMAN'S GRATITUDE.
Mrs. E. OATS, of Shawmut, W. Va., writes: "When I had used Dr. Pierce's 'Favorite Prescription' one week, I could walk over the two miles to see my neighbors. I had not been able to walk out in the door for six months. After using the 'Favorite Prescription' two weeks, I rode in a wagon ten miles; my neighbors were all surprised to see me and going about as usual. After three weeks, after doctoring with thirteen of the best physicians we could get—and the last one told my husband that I would never be able to do housework any more, I was able to do so. I wrote to you, for I had suffered from 'Female Weakness' until I had almost given up in despair."

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DO NOT LIKEWISE.
Mrs. E. F. MORGAN, of Newcastle, Lincoln Co., Maine, says: "Five years ago I was a dreadful invalid. I had tried the skill of three physicians. I was completely discouraged, and so weak I could walk only a few steps at a time. Now, after using Dr. Pierce's 'Favorite Prescription' and using the local treatment recommended in his 'Common Sense Medical Adviser,' I commenced to improve in three months. I was completely cured, and have had no trouble since."

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TREATING THE WRONG DISEASE.

Many times women call upon their family physicians, one with dyspepsia, another with palpitation, another with backache, or nervousness, another with pain here and there, and in this way they all present alike to themselves and their easy-going and indifferent doctor, separate and distinct diseases, for which he prescribes his pills and potions, assuming them to be such, when, in reality, they are all symptoms of the same disease, the physician has misdiagnosed the case, and the patient is made, and the doctor is made. A proper medicine directed to the cause would perhaps have entirely removed the disease, thereby instituting comfort instead of prolonged misery.

OVER-WORKED WOMEN.

"For 'worn-out,' 'run-down,' debilitated school teachers, milliners, dress-makers, general housekeepers, and over-worked women generally, Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is the best of all restorative tonics."
Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is not a "cure-all," but admirably fulfills a singleness of purpose, being a most potent specific for all those chronic Weaknesses and Diseases peculiar to women. It is a powerful, restorative, and purgative, and imparts vigor and strength to the whole system.

EVERY INVALID LADY.

EVERY INVALID LADY should send for "The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser," in which over fifty pages are devoted to the consideration of diseases peculiar to women. Illustrated with numerous wood-cuts and colored plates. It will be sent post-paid, to any address, for \$1.50. A large pamphlet, treating of Diseases of Women, profusely illustrated with colored plates and numerous wood-cuts, will be sent for ten cents in postage stamps. Address, WORLD'S DISPENSARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, No. 663 Main Street, BUFFALO, N. Y.

LIVER, BLOOD AND LUNG DISEASES.

LIVER DISEASE.—MRS. T. STREET, Esq., Drugist of Buffalo, N. Y., writes: "Miss ELIZABETH GLENN, of this place, had been sick for more than a year with a severe affection of the liver, and when she was at the lowest, she bought 'Golden Medical Discovery' from me, and, after using three bottles, she was cured. I am happy to say that I am entirely cured, and to-day I am perfectly well and able to do my own work."

"THE BLOOD IS THE LIFE."

Thoroughly cleanse the blood, which is the fountain of health, by using Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and good digestion, a fair skin, buoyant spirits, and soundness of constitution will be established. Golden Medical Discovery cures all humors, from the common pimple, blotch, or eruption, to the worst Scrofula, or blood-poison. Especially has it proven its efficacy in curing Salt-rheum or Tetter, Fever-sores, Hip-joint Disease, Scrofulous Sores and Swellings, Enlarged Glands, and Eating Ulcers.

REDUCED TO A SKELETON.

Consumption Cured.—W. J. HANTLEY, York Co., Pa., writes: "I met with an old friend of mine not long since, and he told me of the very low state of health he had been in, and how he was reduced to a skeleton. He was reduced to a skeleton, and was unable to stand. He was reduced to a skeleton, and was unable to stand. He was reduced to a skeleton, and was unable to stand."

BLEEDING FROM LUNGS.

JOSEPH F. McFARLAND, Athens, La., writes: "My wife had frequent bleeding from the lungs before she commenced using your 'Golden Medical Discovery.' She has not had any since its use. For some six months she has been feeling so well that she has discontinued it."

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