

**A SUGGESTION.**

We ask all our churches to bear in mind the fact that as organizations they stand before the world on the same ground, on the same footing as any other institution, a college or bank, or academy, and if they want the respect and confidence of the public, a confidence which will include and justify the public in aiding it morally and socially, as well as with money and material support, such churches must so organize themselves, so conduct their affairs as to command the public respect and support. And this implies to kinds of character.

First, business character. A bank commands confidence, secures deposits and does a successful, profitable business by giving evidences on every hand of business talent, sagacity, sound judgment, a wise prudence and a courteous, conservative management generally. It makes good, safe and profitable investments. We remember a bank in Boston some years ago when it was on the top wave of prosperity. Deposits came in by the scores of thousands, but by and by the public learned that it was making wild cat loans, and taking dangerous risks, and the bank went to the wall of course. A church is not to make money, but it is to manage its business affairs with prudence and ability, build or repair with sagacity; in a word, show business ability.

Second, in its Christian or religious conduct, "Quit you like men," said the Apostle, and men don't quarrel and act like little, spiteful, petted and spoiled children. Pettiness always awakens disgust, it is not manly, there is nothing like manliness about it. The world sizes up a church pretty accurately in these matters, and that determines the extent of that church's influence.

Robert G. Evans, as was fitting for the mayor of the city to do, entertained Eli Perkins last night. Mr. Perkins in turn entertained the family, especially Mrs. Evans, who could not attend the lecture, with a few nuggets of his wit and humor much to their gratification. He proved himself a perfect gentleman of course and most genial. If entertaining distinguished men is one of the perquisites of the mayor we may think favorably of becoming a candidate not many years hence.

Mrs. Tenbrooke is spending a few days in Evanston with friends. She will not go to Washington till her son recovers from his painful carbuncle.

**ABOUT TOWN.**

Intelligent ladies say no machine compares in merit with the Willcox & Gibbs "Automatic."

From a recent remark in the Waukegan Gazette-Register, we fear the hitherto amicable relations between it and the Antioch News are becoming somewhat "strained." Please observe the amenities of the profession, gentlemen.

Wont you think of it, down on the hills of Marlboro, and Wilmington, Pres. Frank D. Everett's native town, they had a blizzard and snow storm all day, this day a week, and Saturday the 13th. The stages and the farmers were on runners on top of 12 inches of snow. It is an old, long established custom in that state to have good sleighing Thanksgiving and thence to about the middle of April.

For the benefit of those who seem to think partiality will be shown some people in the matter of the dog tax suits, we will say the police judge makes out his summons in the order in which the names are given him from the list at the city hall. He knows no east side or west side, and has no respect to a persons nationality, politics religion or color. All the city wants is the tax on every dog in town: no favors to any, and the statutes plainly says cities and towns may levy a tax on dogs.

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