

## THE SHERIDAN ROAD NEWS-LETTER.

## THE CHAPLAIN WHITE MEETINGS

Something like a year ago Mr. White spent a day with us in our home, when I asked him if he thought he could ever give the Christians of the Park ten or fifteen days evangelistic services for the quickening of our spiritual life. He said perhaps he could, some time between some of his large meetings. That was all ever said or written about it till about a month ago I received a note from him saying he would have from October 1st to the 16th, as an epidemic or something of the kind had just broken out in the community to which that time had been assigned. I conferred with pastor Rogers and the church, and the latter voted to have him come, and inside of thirty minutes after that vote was taken I had sent by Postal telegraph a message for him to come September 27th, and he came and remained till the close of last Sunday evening's service, when he left for a large meeting in Minneapolis, commencing Monday night.

As he was one of my old Vermont "boys," whom I baptized into the church in Grafton, that state, June 14, 1868. I naturally felt solicitous for the meetings, having never heard him preach, but at the close of the second service all that passed away. My chief desire from the meetings was a quickening and invigorating of the religious life of the church and Christians generally. The sermons were of an unusually high order, measured by the ordinary sermon's standard. In the twenty sermons preached there was not a weak one; logic, argument, solid Bible truth constituted their bone and sinew, no passionate appeal to the emotions, so common in such efforts. Then the discourses were grounded in the word of God and every point illustrated and enforced by apposite quotations of Scripture. Hence the meetings were equal to a course in deep practical, personal theology. But beyond this is Mr. White's rare gift of spiritual diagnosis; hence the cold, indifferent professor of religion who tries to bluff him and ward off the personal force of his preaching soon finds he has a past master to deal with. He "sized up the spiritual condition here, even in minute details, before the

close of the third meeting. The result of his work has been a complete spiritual revolution in church life, an uplift unlike anything in its past history, and my keen regret is that so many Christians failed of its blessing, and hence the tone of the Park remains on a lower plane and is of a feebleness and less aggressive type than it might and should have been.

LEWIS B. HIBBARD.

## MANNERS FOR BOYS.

Poor fellows! How they get hectorated and scolded and snubbed, and how continual is the rubbing and polishing and drilling which every member of the family feels at liberty to administer. No wonder their opposition is aroused, and they begin to feel that every man's hand is against them, when after all, if they were only in a quiet way informed of what is expected of them, and their manliness appealed to, they would readily enough fall into line.

So thought Aunt Mary as she wrote out the following rules for a little 12-year-old nephew who was the "light of her eyes" if not always the joy of her heart, for though a good natured, amiable boy in the main, he would offend against the "proprieties" very frequently.

Keep step with anyone you walk with.

Hat lifted in saying "Good-bye" or "How do you do?"

Hat lifted when offering a seat in a car, or in acknowledging a favor.

Always precede a lady upstairs, and ask her whether you may precede her in passing through a crowd or public place.

Let ladies pass through a door first, standing aside for them.

Let a lady pass first always, unless she asks you to precede her.

Look people straight in the face when speaking or being spoken to.

In the parlor stand till every lady is seated, also older people.

Rise if a lady enters after you are seated, and stand till she takes a seat.

Hat off the moment you enter a street door, and when you step into a private hall or office.

Never play with knife, fork or spoon.

Use your handkerchief unobtrusively always.

In the dining room take your seat after ladies and elders.

Rise when ladies leave the room and stand till they are out.

Eat as fast or as slowly as others, and finish the course when they do.

In going out of a room let the ladies pass first.

Do not look toward a bedroom door when passing. Always knock at any private room door.

Special rules for the mouth are that all noise in eating and smacking of the lips should be avoided. —Selected.

When a man knows what he does not know he begins to learn.

## RELIGIOUS BOVINES.

Col. Henry Higginson has a residence in Cambridge, not far from Harvard University, to which he has given so much both of effort and money, and for a next door neighbor has the priest of a large Catholic parish. It is related that last summer the family cow of the priest's establishment broke loose, wandered over into Higginson's garden, and made a meal of whatever green stuff attracted her attention.

The priest came over to apologize. Col. Higginson heard him, then remarked:

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