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### Our Schools

label within a week or two

are thrown open wide. The ment. throng of youg people are daily seen going to and fro between Roosevelt's Acknowledghome and school room. So com- ment to Mr. Gifford Pinchot mon is this in every village and hamlet of this land that most of us hardly give it a passing thought. Indeed we may reasonably doubt, if the question were put to them direct, whether there are not many people in every community who have no clear idea whether our system of popular education is for giving the rising generation a better chance to earn a living; or to make them more cultured; or to acquire knowledge for the sake of knowing more.

certain limits. But none of them is the highest and truest purpose of the public school system. Given equal protection with public aid to the unfortunate, and "sur- before the National Editorial Asvival of the fitest" is the true sociation at Jamestown, Va., June principal of self support. same assertion, we believe, holds by 'Conservation,' the organ of true in regard to culture. And so the American Forestry Associaalso in regard to the satisfaction tion: that may come to an individual from the acquisition of knowledge.

On what ground then may the public be taxed enough to give every child in the land sufficient education to make him or her first class citizen of the Republic. Self-protection is the general term to cover the right of the government to tax the people any reasonable amount to accomplish the purpose in the best possible way. Education is not only an important factor in perpetuating good government but it is a sine qua non.

# Fair Play

Everybody is entitled to what is justly his due, no matter what his character is, or what cause he espouses or represents. Champion of Fair Play, in its Waterways Commission." issue of the ninth instant, speakrecent annual convention of the National Union of Coopers, says: Mayor Removed for to the temperance movement because it has reduced the demand for whiskey and beer barrels, and subject."

numerous to mention?'

have said above, we wish to be unconstitutional and denied that Roman Catholic Church, and 3,202 with the remaining bodies." fair to the "Champion." It con- he had been drunk on duty. Judge the law, as witness the following and ruled that a mayor is always taken from the same issue:

dealing with the Wichita trade, is are being crowded to the wall, the country and to the world at large,

car and delivery direct makes it endinterstate business. It is just such tricks as this by the American Democrats for Income Tax wholesaler that brings on prohibi-

constantly cropping out. The tion of the income tax as a source that "prohibition does not pro- state and federal. The next moment they are railing the people. The summer vacation is again over the injury caused the liquor 'A tariff for revenue only: no tion and regulation should remain. over. The school house doors interests by the prohibition move- government subsidies to special: "Enforcement of federal and

During the last few weeks there has been more or less friction between the friends of Secretary Gifford Pinchot, the Chief of the bodies issued by the Government Bureau of Census. National Forest Service. We have no positive knowledge as to the extent that the one or the 20,597,954 other is in the right or the wrong. Nor do we care to use the columns of the News-Letter to air our personal opinions in the matter. But These ends are all right within it is a question that should interest the general public and they have a right to know the facts. Following is a quotation from an address of President Roosevelt 10, 1907. We print it as quoted

> actually proved so beneficial, was Mr. Gifford Pinchot, the Chief of the National Forest Service. Mr. Pinchot also suggested to me a movement supplementary to all of these movements; one which will itself lead the way in the general movement which he represents and with which he is actively identified, for the conservation of was the appointment of the Inland

# ing of the small attendance at a Our Outlook

Drunkenness

A law called the Cassin law was they will pass resolutions on this recently passed by the Iowa legislature. It provides for the re-Is it not quite time and very moval from office of officials guilty much in order for the army of of certain acts, one of which is men engaged in other mercantile intoxication. A. M. Henderson, 178,214 to the saloon movement because before Judge Byron Preston, of 92.7 per cent, are returned by the Pfotestant bodies; 11,172, or 6.3 per cent, by it has reduced the demand" for Oskaloosa, recently, charged with the Roman Catholic Church; and 1,914. or 1.1 wer cent by the remaining bodies. groceries, dry goods, boots and being intoxicated. Attorneyshoes, furniture, books and peri- General Byers, who prosecuted by some bodies, notably the Congregationalists and Presbyterian church. odicals, and 'other things too the case, showed that Mayor Henderson had been intoxicated. 1890: 111.036 In accordance with what we Henderson attacked the law as on duty.

to have the liquor remain in the Divine law prohibits it. Human taking no more money from the car until delivered. The car is law legalizes it by a license system. people than the just needs of govsealed each night, and the demur- When the human laws come into ernment require. rage is only a dollar per day, harmony with the Divine law we "The abandonment at the earli-The officers cannot break into the shall see a rapid hastening of the est moment practicable of our im-

The Democrats at the Saratoga convention favored the election of There is one significant fact U. S. senators direct; the adopliquor dealers and the saloon de- of federal revenue; and "A strict fenders are constantly insisting construction of constitutions, both

hibit: "that "there is more liquor Loyal support of the federal drunk in prohibitory states than government and persistent oppoin license states;" that the oppo- sition to any and all extensions nents of the saloon business are of federal power that trench upon hurting the cause of temperance. those reserved to the states or to

protective tariff.

'Equal and uniform taxation; trade."

pine islands.

Steady adherence to the principle of home rule.

'Rigid economy in government

expenditures. 'Election of United States se

ators by direct vote. 'Reform in registration an enrollment laws.

'No interference with the personal liberty of any citizen except such as is essential to secure the equal rights of all the citizens.

"Taxation of corporations by the state alone, where their crea-

interests, either directly or through state laws against criminal trusts and combinations in restraint of

# IS THE CHURCH AN UP TO DATE FORCE BY REV. WILLIAM BURGESS

The following table will serve to show the numerical strength of the churches Ballinger and the friends of Mr. in the United States. The statistics are based upon the report of the religious

# MEMBERSHIP OF ALL DENOMINATIONS

32,936,445

Per centage of increase in 16 years, 6.4 per cent.

NOTE. - A statistical table prepared by H. K. Carroll for the Christian Advocate and published in she World Almanac gives a total membership of all churches in 1908 of 33,409,106.

### SEX PROPORTIONS

The report of the Bureau of Census says:

"The figures indicating the distribution by sex show that, of the total number of communicants or members for which these data were returned, 43.1 per cent were males and 56.9 per cent females. For the Protestant bodies as a whole the difference was greater, for in those bodies 39.3 per cent of the members were males and 60.7 per cent females. For the Roman Catholic Church the percentages are more nearly even, being 49.3 for males and 50,7 for females."

### MEMBERSHIP

"The whole number of communicants or members reported by all the religious bodies in 1906 was 32.936, 445, of which 20, 287.742, or 61,6 per per cent, were "We have been doing every- returned by the 164 Protestant bodies; 12,079, 142, or 36.7 per cent, by the Roman thing in our power to prevent Catholic Church; and 569,561, or 1.7 per cent by 21 other bodies.

fraud upon the public land. . , . In considering these figures showing the relative importance of the different So much for what we are trying bodies with respect to the number of communicants or members, it should be to do in utilizing our public lands borne constantly in mind that differences in the requirements for membership exist brewer's house. Thou shalt not for the public; in securing the use which prevent statistics based on membership from being an accurate index of the of the water, the forage, the coal, religious affiliations of the population of the United States. The Roman Catholic and the timber for the public. Church includes as members all persons baptized into the church, and it requires his coach, nor his horses, nor any-In all four movements my chief that all children of members shall be baptized as soon as possible, thereby themadviser, and the man first to sug- selves becoming members. The Protestant bodies, as a rule, admit as members gest to me the courses which have only those who, after reaching mature age, declare their desire to join the church.

# CHURCH PROPERTY

1890. 142,487		1906.
142,487	Churches	192,795
Increase in 16 years 50 308 or 3		1957 YEAR PERSON OF 1950

"Under the head of 'value of church property' is included the estimated valu in 1906 of the buildings owned and used for worship by the organizations reporting together with the value of their sites, and of their furniture. organs, bells, etc."

\$679, 426, 489......\$1, 257. 575, 867 Increase in value in 16 years, \$578.149,378.

To this is added the value of the parsonages which for the first time the Buall our natural resources. This reau has made inquiry. The report shows that the value of this property is 3143,-495, 853, or an average per organized church of \$2,647.

These figures do not include "the value of rented buildings or halls, nor of parochial school buildings, theological seminaries, monasteries, convents, or the

# SEATING CAPACITY

The seating capacity of the church edifices in 1906 is very fully reported and table is given of six periods from 1850 to 1906 which, with the exception of 1880 give comparative conditions.

Table showing th	ne seating capacity of churc	hes in six periods of ye	ars:
1850	23, 191, 876	14,234,825	61
1860	41,443,321	19,128,751	60
1870	38,558,371	21,665,062	56
1880	50, 155, 783	*******	
1890		43,560.063	69
1906	84,246,252	58,536,830	69
light delignment	SUNDAY SCHOOLS	IN 1906	AMOL
S. Schools.	Teachers.	guidad, bangalta	Scholar

1,648,664 pursuits to be "bitterly opposed" mayor of Marengo, was brought Of the 128,214 Sunday schools conducted by church organizations, 165,128, or

These figures do not include the mission Sunday schools which are maintained

# MINISTERS

"Of these 146,451 were connected with Protestant bodies, 15,177 with the above letter. This is not the first

The value of this great army of men and material cannot be lightly esteemed. ceived copies of the so-called stantly insists upon obedience to Preston sustained the law in toto And these figures do not tell half the story. There is in addition those great interests of education, moral uplift and mission endeavor represented by the societies have promptly consigned them to which are the creation and children of the church such as Christian colleges, Young Men's Christian associations, Young People's societies. Christian Brother-"One of the tricks resorted to Little by little, step by step the hoods, Guilds, Salvation armies and many others.

by the wholesale liquor men in dram traffic and the drink habit No statistical statement can represent the full meaning and value of all this to former cases it has been a question

# Saloon Command

I. Thou shalt have no other Gods before Bacchus

2. Thou shalt not make unto perialistic venture in the Philip- thee any Prohibition law or any likeness of any law that is in the heaven above, or of any sumptuary law that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the waters under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them or worship them nor obey them, for I, Bacchus, thy god, am a jealous god, visiting the iniquity of the Prohibitionists upon the children unto the third and fourth generations of them that hate whisky, and showing no mercy unto thousands of them that love license and keep these commandments.

3. Thou shalt not take the name of Bacchus, thy god, in vain, for Bacchus will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name

4. Remember the Sabbath day to keep it open. Six days shalt thy patrons labor and do all thy work; but the seventh is the Sabbath of Bacches, thy god; on it thou shalt not do any detective work, thou nor the constable, nor the judge, nor the grand jury, nor any other cattle, nor any stranger Increase detective that is within thy gates; 12,367,530 for in six days the saloon has made orphans and widows, seas of tears, and all that tears mean, nor rested on the seventh day; wherefore the saloons curse the Sabbath day and violate it.

> 5. Honor the distiller and the maltster, that thy sprees may be long in the land which Bacchus, thy god, giveth thee.

6. Thou shalt not kill the beer traPe.

. Thou shalt not commit lawbreakers to any prison-

8. Thou shalt not steal a march on the applicant for license by counter petition.

9. Thou shalt not bear witness against the Sunday liquor-seller.

10. Thou shalt not covet the covet the brewer's wealth, nor his coachman, nor his hired girl, nor thing that is the brewer's.

Thou shalt love personal liberty with all thy heart and with all thy soul and with all thy might. This is the first and great commandment; and the second is like unto it: thou shalt love the liquordealer as thyself. In these two commandments hang all the lawlessness and the profits. - F. D. Wilson, M. D., in "Voice."

The following Ancient Prayer was sent me by a friend:

"O Lord Jesus, I implore thee to bless all mankind. Keep us from evil by thy precious blood and take us to dwell with thee in eternity."

Copy this prayer and see what happens. It is said that those who will not write this prayer will meet with some great misfortune and that those who will write it for nine days will experience some great joy on the ninth day. Do not break the chain. It is said in Jerusalem that he who will write this prayer will be delivered from all calamities. Do not forget to write the nine days and send to nine friends. I do not know the origin of the above prayer or of the letter which goes with it. It came to me from a friend and I transmit it exactly as received. The wide circulation of the prayer through the endless chain must have a great uplifting power on the thought of the Christian world. A large number of people all thinking the same thought is a wonderful power.

A SINCERE FRIEND.

Not long ago I received the nor the second time I have rethe waste-basket, but in this case I filed it for further thought. In of raising money. I have learned

that one million do in another of dollars In this case not. If g superstition not genuine We do not the "Sincer the letter b the public scheme, wh tive behind

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