Thursday, April 24, 1924.

For The Quiet Hour

PRAYER

For the high glory of the impartial sun; The matchless pageant of the evening skies; The sweet, soft gloaming and the friendly stars; The vesper stillness and the creeping shades; The moon's pale majesty; the pulsing dome, Wherein we feel Thy great heart throbbing near; For sweet laborious days and restful nights; For work to do, and strength to do the work; We thank Thee, Lord!

MR. S. D. GORDON HAS A DELIGHTFULLY FRESH WAY of putting old truths. Here is a recent statement about the question whether we can communicate with the dead. After referring to the fact that it is natural to want to communicate with those whom we have "loved and lost awhile," Mr Gordon states his own position thus:

I have been investigating this sort of thing rather theroughly for years, simply for my own better footing. I have read all sorts of literature, and talked with those in many nations who have had singular experiences, though I have never gone to a seance. You do not need to touch pitch to know that it will blacken your fingers. You do not need to commit adultery to know that there is such a thing, and that it is wrong. You need not go on the devil's territory, to find out about him. And I have reached three clear, settled conclusions. I have yet to find, anywhere, after most searching investigation, any exception to these conclusions. The first is that the spirits of humans never do return to communicate with us. The second is that haunted houses and apparitions and the like, can be adequately explained otherwise. It is wholly a matter of gathering fully and sifting rigidly the actual facts. The third conclusion is that the responses that do come never come from our loved ones gone.

Then, it is shown how the Bible clearly forbids all intercourse with the dead, and the article closes with a reference to Christ, whose spiritual presence by the Holy Spirit now, and whose personal presence hereafter is the secret of comfort,

peace and hope. THE FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF Episcopal mission work among the Indians and Eskimos of the Dominion has been assumed by the Canadian church. Until recently, by far the greater portion of this work was initiated and maintained by the Church Missionary Society of London, without costing churchmen of Canada a single dollar. A little over a year ago the final payment was made by the mother church, which withdrew from the field, and now Canadians must carry on. To this end they have established a capital sum of half a million dollars as an endowment for that particular pur-

THE HOSPITAL OF THE CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY at Kweilin, in Kwangsi Province, China, has lost a valued worker in the death of Mr. T. D. Song. Mr. Song was a converted Mohammedan who had been trained in the hospital, and had afterwards, during ten years, become chief assistant, dispenser, evangelist and building overseer. He was stabbed in six places by an enemy against whom he himself had no grudge, and whom he begged his nephews to forgive. On several occasions Mr. Song had refused lucrative employment for the sake of remaining in the work of the church.

THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY, REPORTING on its work in Japan, tells the two following experiences of one of its colporteurs: Mr. Ishikura, while working in Izumo two years ago, sold a New Testament to a policeman. Recently, the policeman wrote to Mr. Ishikura to the effect that reading the Book had convicted him of sin, he had believed the teaching of Jesus concerning himself and had received baptism. Every day now he was praising God, and learning more and more to love Him. In a village Mr. Ishikura called on a man, who said, "I am a school teacher now. When I was an official in spinning-mill four years ago, I purchased from you a copy of the New Testament. I bought that Book only with the idea of obtaining from it material with which to oppose Christianity. I read it all night, but was very disappointed. As time went on. I continued to read it; and its truths convicted me of my wickedness: and now, I, too, am a Christian." They knelt down and praised God.

IN A RECENT ADDRESS DR. TORREY GAVE THE FOLLOW-

ing "secrets of power" in D. L. Moody's life : He was fully surrendered to God; he was in the deepest and fullest sense a man of prayer; he was a man who studied and used the Bible; he was humble.—"the humblest man I ever knew"; he was marked by an entire absence of a love of money; he had a consuming passion for the salvation of the lost; and he had a definite baptism with the Holy Spirit

"THE MENTOR" MAGAZINE SAYS THAT "BLACK BEAUTY". the most successful animal classic ever written, was sold by the writer, Anna Sewell, for less than \$100. While in America alone the book has achieved a circulation to date of more than 3,000,-000 copies, the Quaker author who wrote it on her sick bed, and whose life was one of remarkable bravery and cheerfulness under the most depressing of circumstances, is practically unknown to fame. She was born in Yarmouth, England, March 30, 1820, and died in 1877, one year after the book was published.

FROM THE FOOTBALL FIELD TO A BOWERY PARISH ON the lower East side of New York City is in itself a novel experience. But to stay there for 25 years as pastor in a community of 416,000 people, only 9,500 of whom are natives of native parentage is an achievement worthy of note; for to be a minister of the gospel of Jesus Christ for that length of time among Russian Jews, Italians, Slavs and Chinese tests a man to the limit. The dedication of the new five-storey Community House of the Church of All Nations of the Methodist Episcopal Church at 9 Second Avenue, New York City, acclaims that Rev. John R. Henry has stood the test and has made good. And now that his dream of a building adequate for the needs of the community has come true, this six-footer who did much to make the football team at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut, win victories during the late nineties, the while he edited the college newspaper, may well look forward to years of even greater success as he builds on the foundation with character, personality, and broad sympathy for folks of all tongues and every condition have laid during the days when he had no decent place to house his flock, and dug up the support for his work where he could.

THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY ANNOUNCE that they have been able to secure an admirable site for a new Bible depot in Jerusalem. On one side it adjoins the municipal garden in the Jaffa Road, and on another side it faces the Nablus Road. It is within a minute of the General Post Office, in the very heart of the business quarter of Jerusalem.

GIVE EVERY MAN THY EAR, BUT FEW THY VOICE.

Shakespeare God give us grace-each in his place-to bear his let; and murmuring not,-endure, and wait, and labor!-Luther. That which constitutes the supreme Worth of Life is Net Wealth, nor Position, nor Ease, nor Fame, not even Happiness; but Service. Nothing at last counts but Service, and that counts

Always .- Alfred W. Martin. The only failure a man ought to fear is failure in cleaving to the purpose he sees to be best.—George Eliot.

A YOUNG BRIDE WHO WAS APOUT TO ENTERTAIN SOME friends, went to a neighbor to borrow a few things she needed. "Is that all you want?" asked the generous neighbor. "Yes, I think so," replied the bride. "But you will need this, and that, and the other," said the experienced woman, naming the articles. "I was so thankful afterwards," said the young hostess, "that I went to some one who knew just exactly what I needed better than I did myself, and was willing to supply it." And so we need to learn that God knows just exactly what we need better than we do ourselves. This is a hard lesson, when we are so sure of just what we need.

AN INDIAN ASKED TO DEFINE CONSCIENCE SAID: "IT is a three-cornered thing in here. When I do wrong it turns. around and hurts very much. If I keep on doing wrong it will turn until it wears the edges all off, and then it will not hurt any more." It is astonishing, says one, how soon the whole conscience begins to unravel if a single stitch drops. One single sin indulged in makes a hole you could put your head through.

Enterprise seems most solicitous re- answer in the affirmative brought cently for Miss Agnes Macphail, the the information that "he would have representative for South-East Grey to come across to get it." in the House of Commons, and, by The matter has been brought to the way, the only woman Member the attention of Governmental of Parliament in the Dominion. officials in direct touch with the Were it not that Bre'r McDonald is probes in Toronto. Mr. Butler an old grey-haired married man, we referred the officials to two outwould be inclined to think he was standing cases that he claims are getting jealous of Miss Macphail irregular and has offered to give the for her recently reported flirtatious officials any information on the conduct. In the last issue of The subject he has. Chesley Enterprise, Mr. McDonald Suspicions of "splitting" are says of our lady member :

South-East Grey hasn't, so far, been in one case, a contract to one man in the public eye very much this without competition and the man session. However, she will likely be made \$,8000 in a very short time. heard from on the budget debate, as The contract price, he says, was \$4 she has made the tariff quite a hob- to \$5 per yard higher than others machines are always willing to "what is all this about?" by. We notice that Miss Macphail were charging for similiar work. give their advice as to what sieves "Please, sir," spoke up a small boy. the Chited Parm Women of Main- says he has no doubt but that the fanning mill manufacturer for rupted the explanation.

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The must be a very for suggestions as to sieves. wives of ten of the Progressive mem- with someone. bers were invited. It is hard to keep out of the social life in Ottawa FANNING MILLS, AND and these functions do not in the fulness. Those who enter public The points to observe in fanning collected. Presently, clothed in the life must be prepared to entertain seed grain are: first, proper air full majesty and dignity of the law, their friends or they are looked on blast; second, right size and comas tightwads or hermits. Indeed, bination of sieves; third, right scene. Miss Macphail may be like many an- speed; and fourth, running the other member who goes to Ottawa, grain evenly and thinly over the though Premier King is the exception so far in that respect, inasmuch time to the exclusion of love-making. all machines is provided to remove Wouldn't it be the most natural as much of the lighter seed and thing in the world that being the chaff as possible. If the air blast mons that some lonely bachelor and pieces of straw will find their member would occasionally cast where the object of his affections is good grain may be blown out. The

saw Miss Macphail strolling along cleaned in order to see that the the street in company with bachelor member for Dundas, Ontar- supplied.

given in marriage has been going on because it is part of the divine plan, top. If wild buckwheat is present, and in the carrying out of this there a sieve with triangular 8/64 inch might be a new candidate needed by holes or slightly bigger will be the Progressives of a Grey riding, though marriage would not debar We bestow the editorial blessing in grain: advance and as Miss Macphail is opposed to capital punishment we

REFUSED TO PAY

London Contractor Says He Was squares to the inch. Asked To "Come Across" By Drury Government.

Charges that some of those who held the reins of the Ontario Government during the Drury administration refused to pay for work done for the Government, and ordered by had "come across' are made by over the top sieve, with no crowdcarried on a public contracting is removed when the grain travels business during the Farmer regime. Claims made by Mr. Butler promise to cast a little more light on practices in Toronto before the Ferguson Cabinet took over the task of

governing the province. Mr. Butler made a successful tender for the construction of the new provincial highway section | running from the Proof Line road at Elginfield, about 15 miles north of London, toward Ailsa Craig. The impossibility of collecting money from the Government, Mr. Butler versity Graduate and experienced Claims, wrecked his enterprise. A Teacher. total of approximately \$100,000 was to be allotted to him at various intervals. He states that there is

\$15,000 still owing him. He says that he made no less than 21 trips to Toronto trying to get his money from the Government, but that there was some obstacle that he could not overcome to get the payment of the sum to which he thy town and good accommodation was entitled. He secured an inkling can be obtained at reasonable rates of what this obstacle was when he met a man in the corridor of the

CHESLEY EDITOR ANXIOUS THAT | Parliament buildings on one of his MISS MACPHAIL GET MARRIED visits. The man was a stranger, but asked him if he was down there Editor McDonald of The Chesley trying to collect some money. The

entertained by Mr. Butler, who "Miss Agnes Macphail, M.P. for states that the Government gave,

The wind supply or air blast in is not sufficiently strong, the chaff if the blast is too strong, some of the seated!! Shakespeare says that Cu- air blast also serves the purpose of pid is a blind, rascally boy who keeping the sieves clean of the abuses everyone's eyes, because his own are out. But there were a pair of the air block about A trial of sharp eyes in Owen Sound one of the air blast should be made the correct amount of air is being

It also may be found necessary to only lady M.P. in Canada, for both change or readjust the sieves to are Progressives. Our informant is get the best results. A good not naturally of a suspicious nature assortment of sieves is imperative but he thought it looked as though and a test should be made with Dan Cupid's keen arrows had found different types before undertaking a mark when Miss Macphail blushed to clean seed in order to ascertain to the very roots of her hair when those capable of doing the best street to speak to her and her part- large enough to allow the seed to ner. Of course, the whole affair pass through, the remainder of the might have only been a chance sample, such as chaff and pieces meeting but if the member for Dun- of straw, running over the top and das succeeds in capturing the heart out at the end of the mill. Someand hand of the fair member, the times it is expedient to deliver the Progressives of South-East Grey good grain at the back of the mill might as well smile as get wrathy, instead of at the usual feed point and bestow their benediction on the in order to get rid of a certain member the same as parents do on impurity that cannot otherwise be daughters who marry and start in removed. The lower sieve or new homes. It's been the way of sieves should be large enough to the world since it first rolled out allow the weed seeds or broken into space that marrying and being kernels to escape but fine enough

The following sieves will be found Miss Macphail from being a member. useful for the cleaning of seed

Wheat and Barley.-The upper sieve should be a zinc or tin know she will not feel like sending perforated sheet with twelve, us to the gallows when she reads thirteen or fourteen sixty-fourth inch holes. The lower sieve should be either a perforated zinc sheet with eight or nine sixty-fourth inch holes or should be square woven wire mesh eight by eight or ON ROAD CONTRACT nine by nine squares to the inch, or long woven wire mesh two by nine, two by ten, or two by eleven

Oats- Upper sieves: zinc sheet with slots seven, eight or sixty-fourths inch wide by threequarter inch long. Lower sieve: zinc sheets with slots one-tenth to one-thirteenth inch wide by one-

The feed should be adjusted to allow a thin, even flow of material ing. A larger quantity of impurities running quickly over them. The makers of good fanning

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recently gave a luncheon party at He also gives a case where he to use. Should any problem arise "that's only my brother. He's cryin' the Parliamentary cafe in Ottawa, alleges a contractor recieved a and in case of trouble, it is often because mamma's evesight isn't very to which Mrs. Elliott, President of contract at 93 cents per yard and advisable to send a pound sample good, and she's deaf, too." the United Farm Women of Mani- sublet it for 60 cents per yard. He of the seed to be cleaned to the A ghastly series of shrieks inter-

HOW TO USE THEM. palling type were issuing from the mending his trousers, and he's got little collage and quite a crowd had them on .- Los Angeles Times.

"Now, then," he cried, gruffly, Brantford Expositor.

fellow," remarked the officer, wiping

Shrieks and yells of the most ap- "Yes. sir, he is. You see, ma's

"Will wolves attack a man?" is the

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VALUE OF THE HOME GARDEN

The first civilized man was a b gardener. The fact is not recorded the in the annals of mankind, neither is can we prove the assertion by a pen mathematical hypothesis; neverthe- and less the fact is plainly obvious to p him who has noted the effect of a hay good garden upon the human mind, a d This being the case, then, gardening ver is as old as civilization. Good gar- suc dening, however, is a much more cut modern creation-a thing that holds see our interest and deserves our best inc

The soil of any part of the world. No where man cares to make his home, deis capable of producing something. the Happily, in the most northern re- tin gions, where the summer season is W short, conditions of growth are both speeded to a higher pitch and plants in mature with greater speed than in no more southern latitudes. This pa makes it possible to grow crops in to bleak Labrador and in the far se Northwest.

It is not possible to measure the value of a garden. If we consider from it from a material sense alone, we and find that the actual worth of the w crops produced is somewhat aston- the ishing. I have kept an account of joint the products used from a small gar- an den for a period of three months, an Figured at retail store prices, a fa- (1) mily of three persons used practi- iti cally fifty dollars worth of garden in products every month. This made a lie respectable sum at the end of the b year, and I think the average would hold good for the twelve months, as di large quantities of vegetables were canned, dried and stored for winter

As a business proposition, then, is the garden pays. The work of caring for it is largely spare time effort h and should be classed as recreation his rather than labor. I cannot figure the value of the exercise, the mental i a relaxation and the rest for the ner-; a yous system which the garden gives. w And the value is not all on the utility side; a large part of it is aesthetic | th for flowers and ornamental shrub-to bery and vines are part and parcel of our gardening operations.

The home garden is for everybody a -the home owner and the renter. a Certain kinds of garden work are k permanent, but much of it is tran- | w sient. It must be done year after a year; therefore the back yard of a the renter can be made to produce | handsomely toward the support of la his family. Likewise, the farmer and the farmer's wife should consid- 1 er the garden, for out of it comes | that which will add to the profits of their labor and reduce the size of a the bill for the foodstuffs to feed the family and the flocks and herds. The physician can figure the value of the vitamines contained in the pot of spinach and the dish of green peas, but you and I can measure almost as accurately their value, without the aid of chemistry, by noting the roses that glow in the cheeks of the boys and girls who subsist largely upon garden pro-

The labor of gardening is of most value to him or her who spends much time within doors. As a means of securing needful exercise, the garden patch is far and away ahead of the golf course and the tennis court. It is nothing against golf when I say that we need fewer golf-

JERRY ON THE



THE FAMILY