GOSSIP OF THE PARISH.

Pigou's acquaintance had, in ignorance, sol-

emnized such a marriage, and he interviewed

the old verger, whose business it was to look

"Yes, yes," exclaimed the old man, "I

"Well, vicar, it was this way, you see," re-

plied the old fellow. "One of 'em parties'

"A pig is not pretty, nor is he good-tem-

"The baby horse is called a Gillett." .

my brethren, we want more Bunyans!"

his parishioners for the construction of

pered, but he is like some of us."

knowed the parties. I knowed them."

est humorists in the Church.

after such things.

'howlers" were:

divided into sects."

me?" exlaimed the vicar.

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There Is As Much Self-Denial, Isolation and Hardship Endured by Masionaries at Home as There Is by Those in Far Distant Lands

Allan P. Shatford.] I was, at one time, a real, live, active mis- had the honor of being called up to Londo denial, isolation and hardship endured by adian emblem. missionaries at home as by those in far distant lands.

We left Halifax in July and travelled in a Robert Louis Stevenson. train full of emigrants for the Northwest Though he that ever kind and true After a wearisome journey of two days I Kept stoutly step by step with you landed at the town of Madoc, the nea est Your whole long gusty lifetime through, railway point to my destination. It was Be gone a while beforeabout the tea hour and my engagement for Be now a moment gone before,



REV. A. P. SHATFORD.

services at Bancroft necessitated my pushing A recent writer in the London Times dis forward, for this was Saturday night. So ar- cussing the English spoken in Ireland, says that rangements were made with a local livery- it might be regarded as "a fabric built by Irish man to drive me through-a distance of over architects with English bricks." Yes, but the bricks sixty miles. It was my first experience with were fashioned and formed in the days of Shakea buckboard. We had not proceeded far speare and the Stuart Kings. There is no more when a terrible rain began. It poured rivers "brogue" to it than there is in the Doric vernaand lakes and cats and dogs. The darkness cular of Burns, Portia's speech in the "Merchan was so thick that it could almost be felt, of Venice" beginning with "The quality of mercy Up tremendous hills and down into deep ra- is not strained" if read with the Elizabethan acvines until I thought we were descending cent is almost precisely the English accent which into the Inferno. And down there the horse obtains in Ireland to-day. move him, so we climbed the hill and sought in the following words: "When at its richest a shelter in the farmhouse on the top. It in the months of the older peasants the English "Derbares," was nearly midnight and we were refused spoken in Ireland to-day owes most to Shakeadmission but were generously allowed to spearcan England-not in amount but in quality sleep in the hayloft. My first bed in Ontario These old quiet people fading now from us like was in the sweet-smelling hay-it was by all twilight with their hearts full of undisturbed times and meeting the simple, honest, God. their mouths and a two-edged sword in their fearing people in their crude, primitive hands. most kind, dear little woman in a log-cabin the "Plantations" and the "Settlements" from cited Irishman. He had just bought the A creed helps a man in making converts. The boys of the family took the floor and Ireland slowly assimilated "Irish Melodies" for a shilling when he turn. He presents to those whom he would influ in it. I was not alone that night and the the talk of the men of quality bred in the classic tal gems so cheap?" heat was insufferable. I pined for the hay- tradition enriched the vocabulary of the peasants

there are now three missions, each having in the Gaels. its own priest.

How shall I tell you of the drives over those roads? One particular spot was a three-mile stretch of bare logs with scarcely ing of the London Diocesan Council for Pre- may I pray for rain?" a hatful of earth in the whole distance. After ventive Rescue and Penitentiary Work at the you bumped over that for an hour you won- Church House, Westminster, said when he ve had enough rain?" dered where your vertebrate column had read in attractive-looking books that evil was "Not quite. Jennie Jones is going to have gether except they be agreed?" gone to! It was not an uncommon thing to only an undeveloped form of good, he won- a picnic to-morrow and I ain't invited." drop off a shelf about as high as a chair and dered what they made of this particular evil. then climb over rocks that scraped the axle. How in the name of all that was good could He .- "What kind of stone would you like The east winds hug the earth more closely Our average drive per week was one hundred an evil that was destroying the happiness of in the ring, darling?"

ment. I spent a night at Mr. John's, and my ed merely an undeveloped good? Such teach-they are very expensive?" recollection of that night is an outstanding ing was delusive heresy. Then there were memory. Nothing like it has ever come to the false glamor, the infectiousness, and the me since. No words can ever convey the universality of the evil. In this work they school, James?" ness of my surroundings. The little church classes. He ventured to say the morality of wid de gang." there was built by the people. The seats Bethnal Green would put to shame over and were slabs resting upon blocks of wood over again the morality of the richer districts I preached against fearful odds that day of London. He had burned under a sense of Ottawa Journal. There were four babies-all exercising their shame when he read parts of the evidences lungs. The louder I preached the more de- given before the Divorce Commission. Evitermined was their opposition. It was a dence had been given before that Commisroyal battle, but, with the kind efforts of the sion which, if applied to the working classes, mothers, I won out. You can understand would be nothing less than a libel upon them. now where I got the exercise that gave me The Bishop has no gloss for evil in high my present lung power. But the simple faith places. of those child-people has always been an inspiration to me. When the cross was raised on the gable of the church, John Toronto Star. Peever did it in the name of the Trinity.

night in another part of the mission. I was as dangerous, escape without a scratch, year after year. awakened during the night to find my head through God's mercy. Did the man who was in a small snowdrift—the chinks between the killed get his last chance? Had he been for-logs offering free admission to the snow given seventy times seven? Was he taken police courts the world over. The man who mix in normal proportions the gases which One drive that I shall always remember was from Faraday to Bancroft in a sleetstorm don't know, but I do know that ninety-nine plished work may expect such record to stand they are conducive to health up to a certain by him as a shield if a day of trouble should not altogether avoid them. It seems to me I struck thousands that day, and I was pitch | more likely. forked out of the gig a dozen times until the | What patience the Lord must have! Not horse lost patience and ki ked off the dash one of these men, when time after time He For some mysterious reason the anniver- The word "belfry" had originally no co board. When I reached Bancroft I looked stood in the way and caught them when they sary of St. Erkenwald, or Earconwald, the nection with "bell," an idea which is now

pulse in the missionary cause, and also Mr. Leech for the high ideal of patient sacrifice eyes whilst I had the privilege of serving

> The Late King and Old Hundredth The first public act of the late King, when Prince of Wales, was that of presenting to he 100th Prince of Wales's Royal Canadia

Regt., at Shorncliffe Camp on January 10t 1859, its first set of colors. As an expression [Extract from an address before the synod of loyalty and love for the mother country, missionary gathering at Kingston by Rev. this regiment was formed in Canada in 185 at the time of the Indian Mutiny: While It may be interesting to you to hear that stationed at Aldershot in 1872 the regiment sionary, and that the sphere of my operations to take part in the national thanksgiving was North Hastings in the diocese of On- ceremony for the Prince's recovery. No less tario. For seven months I worked in the interesting is it to know that the "Old Hunmission of Bancroft under the wise, capable dredth" is, no other than the 1st Prince of and self-sacrificing leadership of Rev. Thos. Wales' Leinster Regt. (Royal Canadians), Leech. Let me tell you briefly of my ex- which is at present stationed at the North perience, because I think we need to keep in Raglan Barracks, Devonport, and which has, mind the fact that there is as much self- as part of its badge, a maple leaf, the Can-

## The Departed Friend.

Yet doubt not; anon the seasons shall restor Your friend to you.

He has but turned a corner still He pushes on with right good will Through mire and marsh, by heugh and hill That self-same arduous way-That self-same upland hopeful way, That you and he through many a doubtful

He is not dead, this friend-not dead, But in the path we mortals tread Got some few triffing steps ahead And nearer to the end, So that you, too, once past this bend, Shall meet again, as face to face, this friend You fancy dead.

Attempted still.

By Thomas O'Hagan.

Push gaily on, strong heart! The while You travel forward mile by mile. He loiters with a backward smile, Till you can overtake,

Ireland's Beautiful English.

Has No Gloss For Evil.

The Khan's Wisdom.

And strains his eyes to search his wake, Or, whistling, as he sees you through the brake. Waits on a stile.

wrote Hamlet and he answered tearfully, population of over 25,000-there were 469 P-p-please, sir, it wasn't me." church members, while for the area outside

little devil had done it all the time." Freedom of the will is a doctrine which principal cities and a gain of fifty-one out children can understand and appreciate. The side of them. little girl in this story was not willing to have all her naughty ingenuity ascribed to upernatural sources.

An English clergyman, talking one day some Dangs that are settled. It acts like was in the sweet-smelling hay—it was by all twilight with their hearts full of undisturbed accounts better than many I endured after- impressions and their memories clear and warm ed facetiously, "Well, David, I believe, after back—It gives one a foothold that enables

separate two people and still keep them tied me accept?" If you cannot answer definitely

The Bishop of London, at the annual meet-"Mamma, when I say-my prayers to-night, and co-operation. It brings together kin "Of course, dear. But don't you think we'- energy for concerted action. They are yoke

"Why did you quit coming to Sunday a region of dry, highly electrified air where rugged simplicity, the almost primeval crude were by no means patronizing the lower "Aw, I had to I was losin' me standin'

## As To Work.

"You seem to have been a hard worker al your life. Because of this fact I shall give you the benefit of the doubt and dismiss the

These words, pronounced by one of Ottawa's magistrates, embody an idea that seems to be widely accepted and believed.

After all, one of the best ways of differentiating between the men who are of use in the world and the men who are of no use, "As Jesus was nailed on the Cross, so we I think the funeral sermon fails sometimes is the test, "Does he work?" No matter how nail this Cross on the Church, in the name because it never points out that, though now unworthy a man may be in other respects; no good working order. The coating of mois of the Father, etc." "Drive her home, John," and then a sinner comes to a swift and sud-matter how many other laws he breaks, a ture which is always present with the east

like a miniature ice-palace, for I was sheeted were being flung into the jaws of death, even with ice, and the horse was hung with so-much as thanked Him for it. But, worse the authorities of St. Paul's Cathedral, who sparkling icicles.

Sary of St. Erkenwald, of Lancouville, the middle English "berfry," a watchtower, from occasionally make a mighty fuss over the far the middle English "berfry," a watchtower, But I shall never cease to be grateful for And yet good men-yes, and good women, less interesting and more mythical St. The first part of this word is connected with WEDNESDAY. The first part of this word is connected with WEDNESDAY. The first part of this word is connected with WEDNESDAY. The first part of this word is connected with WEDNESDAY. The first part of this word is connected with WEDNESDAY.

his diocese on a litter. His litter, eligiously preserved for many centuries in and faithful service that he set before my A Lot of Racy Things That Are Well Worth Tot. Paul's Cathedral, -was believed to cure evers. Some years ago a rationalizing Dr. Pigou, the Dean of Bristol, has for long physician contended that these "cures" were had the reputation of being one of the bright- probably genuine, because, apart from the ment of truth that underlies "faith-healing," the change to the highest ground and One of his stories turns upon the deceased wife's sister. It appears that a vicar of Dr. health-giving breezes around St. Paul's Ca-Pigou's acquaintance had, in ignorance, sol- thedral would be a natural remedy for the malarial fevers contracted among the marshes of Essex. Pilgrim-street, on Ludgate-hill, supposed still to mark the route taken by the fever-stricken pilgrims from the landing lace, near the confluence of the vanished River Fleet with the Thames, to the shrine "Then, why in the world didn't you tell of St. Erkenwald in St. Paul's Cathedral.

### His Peculiar Problem.

was 83 and t'other was 86. Says I to meself, The Interior. It can't last long; bother the laws and let The country clergyman has his peculiar personal problem. He is not apt to come nto close touch with many brethren in the At the Royal Agricultural Show, Liverpool, ministry. If he succeeds, there is the strong the school children were invited to write es- tendency to pride without the balance of says on domestic animals. Among the knowing men more successful than he. I he is not always holding his own (and what "Animals, as well as human beings, are man is?) there comes the horrid spectre of envy. An address to young clerics contained "The pig is a native of China, and it can these words: "Envy is the sin of the preachgo into business and sit down like a Chris-fer. The best man I ever knew was a counry parson who, in the presence of men outwardly far more successful than he, knew no

nvy: but he had fought his fight against it." "The pig has been the goose that lays the The country minister must be in many ways golden eggs to many people. Many Ameri- dependent upon himself; there are not many cans would not be millionaires without the to whom he can say, "Do this," and they do false-blamed pig." intendent and choir leader. Nearly always "Cow's teeth are made into violin strings." The must initiate every new advance movenent, He may train up assistants, but usual-An English preacher, discoursing upon ly they are trained for other fields. The Send Name and Address Today-Bunyan and his works, caused a titter among country clergyman must also know how to You Can Hove It E his hearers by exclaiming, "In these days, preach to a few with the same fervor he TOU Can Have It Free and Be would, give to hundreds. Another clergyman, pleading earnestly with

Religious Growth in States.

cemetery for their parish, asked them to consider "the deplorable condition of 30,000 been greater than the increase in population to breught on by excesses, usuatural drains, or the fillies of youth, that has sured so many Christian Englishmen living without Christian burial."

Still more curious was this clerical slip. A gentleman said to a minister: "When do you expect to see Deacon S. again?"

"Never," said the reverend gentleman, solution. "Travelling Inspector of Schools (after severely cross-questioning the terrified class)—"And now, boys, who wrote Hamlet?"

Travelling Inspector (the same evening to his host, the squire of the village)—"Most amusing thing inspector (the same evening to his host, the squire of the village)—"Most amusing thing inappened to-day. I was questioning the class and asked a boy who wrote Hamlet and he answered tearfully, population of over 25,000—there were 469 between the years 1900 and 1906, according to the ecusus of the special census report on the census of religious bodies for 1906, now in press. In the principal cities of the country the growth, both in the number of religious organizations and communicants, was greater in the years and accommunicants, was greater in the years and accommunicants the increase in the number of new churches established was approximately the same as the rate of population increase, although in the number of communicants the increase in the cities, was in excess of that in population. Out of the population increase in the cities, was in excess of that in population. Out of the population and population increase in the cities, was in excess of that in population. Out of the population and population increase in the cities, was in excess of that in population. Out of the population increase in the cities, was in excess of that in population. Out of the population increase in the cities, was in the cities, was in excess of that in population. Out of the population increase in the cities, was in the cities of the population increase in the cities 'P-p-please, sir, it wasn't me."

Church members, while for the area outside Squire (after laud and prolonged laughter) those cities there were 363, and for the entire —"Ha, Ha! That's good; and I suppose the ecountry there were 391. As compared with little devil had done it all the time."

Detroit, Mich., and I will send you a copy of this splendid recipe in a plain ordinary encountry there were 363, and for the entire would charge \$3.00 to \$5.00 for merely writing out a prescription like this—but I send if 1890, the report shows a gain of ninety communicants in each 1,000 of population for the

### The Need of a Creed

"It was Satan," said a mother to one of There are advantages of having a creed balked. Abuse, entreaty, wallopings failed to In fact the writer in the Times testifies to this her children, "who put it into your head to It gives clearness, definiteness and shape to one's ideas and 'convictions. Loosed from "Perhaps it was," replied the little girls fore.un adhesions they stand out in their cor "but kicking her shins was my own idea." rect proportions and relations. It prevent one from drifting, .It drives a stake fast to wards. Early next morning we started off. I reached the first station of the mission in time to conduct morning service. That was a unique day in my life. Over corduroy roads in a two-wheeled gig, preaching three their said, with the praise of God in time and meeting the simple hands. Cod their ments are their members clear and warm like mellowed engravings still use some of the facetiously, "Well, David, I believe, after back. It gives one a foothold that enable like mellowed engravings still use some of the English that came to Ireland with Spensen, with Raleigh, with the Cromwellians, the men who spoke the speech of John Benyas, who came as Macaulay has said, with the praise of God in their mouths and a two-edged sword in their They are sure of his color, he is no chame homes. Sunday night I was the guest of a In the centuries that followed the Restoration, the door of a secondhand bookshop an ex- declares his belief.

kindly gave the bed to the "parson." It was all. Gentlemen and peasants began to speak the a home-made structure with just three slats same language borrowing one from the other; "But I could kill ye for selling these immor- a political convention does in launching our upon a campaign is to frame its creed-to oft!

The mission of Bancroit had fourteen staspeakers, absorbed into English speech some

Commission on the Divorce Laws, examinthe same mind. A man whom you would win formulate its platform. They look for sup-Lord Gorell, chairman of the British Royal port in an election from all those who are of tions to be served. I am glad to hear that thing of the vigor and passion, the profuse ing the Bishop of Birmingham, asked: "Do, over to your cause has a right to ask, and you think it is a satisfactory remedy to should ask, "Just what is it you would have you have lost your opportunity.

More than that, a creed insures harmony dred spirits and combines their influence and fellows in service. "How can two walk to

## The Wind and Our Nerves.

and gather more moisture, dust and bacteria thousands of homes and burning out the She .- "Oh, Jack, dear, I've heard so much They are cold to human and animal life and One enchanting spot was Peever's Settle- hearts of thousands of young people be call- about baseball diamonds. Do you suppose render it susceptible to the disease germs which the winds carry and disseminate. The cool, pure northwest winds come from

ozone exists in comparatively large quantities. They are invigorating. The framework of nerves in the human being is like a delicate efectrical apparatus, the nerves being the wires and the brain the ganglia receiving and distributing centres.

Every one knows that a telephone works better on a clear, dry day than on a wet. ggy one. The moist atmosphere lessens lity. The nerve wires grow flaceid and heavy. The messages become confuser dence low spirits, melancholia, distorte ental outlook, faulty assimilation, and dis

west winds. The west and northwest wind keep the mucous membranes of the body in Mr. Leech and I shared a bed one October of them just as bad, quite as reckless, equally do the world, day after day and long continued has a bad effect on the human light in another part of the mission. I was as dangerous, escape without a secretch year after year after year after year.

## The Word "Belfry."

my brief experience in North Ontario be too—every day of their lives take His name cause I learned lessons there that have served in vain when they call Him Luck.

There is a commandment which tells us the name to Bishopsgate. This democratic me take this opportunity of thanking the diocese of Ontario for giving me a first im vain.

Mellitus. It was Erkenwald who erected for his fellow-citizens the city gate which gave this fellow-citizens the city gate which gave his fellow-citizens the city gate which gave the name to Bishopsgate. This democratic save to be seen to the save to be carried modern belfry."

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