GOSSIP OF THE PARISH

WHY A BEADLE KEPT A MINISTER WAITING UNTIL AFTER DARK.

Retort of a Priest to a Sharper.

boring parish to officiate on Sunday. The parish minister's servant, who was beadle, says the London Globe, was sent pathy, and thus we often tend to spoil our and his assistants were keenly bent on their over to the station to drive the visiting re- friends' triumphs and joys by giving them work of discovery. Such a work as this verend gentleman to the manse.

report the beadle to his master. the beadle, "but he tell't me himself to wait of great men, I do not think there is any the oratory. The walls of the building are till it was dark afore I drove ye ower, for if quality quite so splendid as the quality of thick, but, as they are built of rough stone, would be difficulties. One was the trouble of the folk o' the village saw who was to preach generous and ungrudging admiration for the with no binding material except china clay, getting the children to attend school regunaebody wud turn oot the morn."

then turned toward the tree. Out came the approval and depreciation of others' perform- visitors during the last century than from the the year round. The results of this experiter him again. The man made another dive royal distribution of applause. I do not, of great deal of the structure is being uncover- Hawley teaches, have been most gratifying.

After this had been repeated several times, the man in the tree called at the mouth of the cavern: "Stay in the cave, you idiot!" "You don't know nothing about this hole," bawled the other. "There's a bear in it!"

aware?" asked the teacher. is what you take off before you puts on your

Druggist-"What's the matter with you? You seem excited?

ed an ounce of boric acid, and I gave her an what he sincerely despises? ounce of strychnine by mistake."

Druggist-"Well of all the careless idiots, you head the list! Say, haven't you any idea of the value of strychnine?"

"Gracious!" cried the clergyman, when the oung mother had told him she wanted her baby baptized Jane Emily Nora Eliza Maria Frances Sarah, "why do you want to afflict the child with a string of names like that?" "You wouldn't ask, sir," replied the mother, "if you knew how sensitive and jealous he seven aunts are."

Motherly Hostess-Our modest establishment has only one bathroom, so we all have to arrange when to take our turn. What time would you like to have your bath? Nervous Youth (who means well)-Oh,

your time is mine, Mrs. Brown.-Punch. Father S- was remarkable for his on a steamboat, a well-known sharper, who address before he left for England. His sub- ser saints of the past ever did, might be rewished to get into the priest's good graces, ject was "The Dignity of Manhood."

one of your sermons."

"Where was that, pray?"

On the rolling ocean. She-Shall I have your lunch brought up to you, dear? He (feebly)-No, love; have t farown straight overboard. It will save ime and trouble.

GREAT BATHING FESTIVAL Once Every Twelve Years All Castes Dip man's life.

in Holy Waters. Christian Herald.

priest as he walked away.

Every twelve years the great Mahamakam festival is celebrated by Hindus of all castes in the sacred city of Kumbakonam, Madras. There are two festivals, lasting ten days, the closing day being the most important in a ceremonial sense, as on that day they bathe in the holy waters.

For centuries it has been the belief of these Hindus that, by bathing in the great Mahamakam tank (into which the nine "holy" rivers of the world are believed to pour their waters on this day), they can save themselves from all sins and secure salvation

Great throngs attend these ceremo place of worship. The order of bathing is first in the Mahamakam tank, then in the Porramari tank, and lastly in the river Kanori. Before bathing, all the people i themselves by uttering the Sangalpa Manthe sacred waters; then they bathe, and then might easily associate the Chaplain-General with notable athletic victories of the past. milk, butter and other substances from the cow, which they hold highly sacred. Before athing, the women offer sorrel, red powder,

The people then crowd to the temples nake offerings, get themselves absolutely are from all sins and receive blessings, the

SYMPATHY TO BE USEFUL

In an article in C.F.N. on "Sympathy," Antiquaries are excavating in Cornwall and

unction; but, in criticism, there is very little for public inspection." to be said for ingenious fault-finding. Poor work in all departments finds its own level with wonderful rapidity; but we should be mistakes and failures, that he is cold and un- edge of the Bible. generous by nature, what is he to do? It. The present scheme of lectures ranged over

The most one can say is that it is something must be a ministry which was powerful in to know and recognize one's deficiencies, and Bible reading. still more to hate and mourn them. So we The power to control the operations of advance slowly; and, better still, there is an nature was an insight into what was unques which we can, if we will try, admit to our | Knowledge in this generation had reached a narrow hearts, as the lake pours into the con- level undreamt of in any period in the preyet not to feel that we have only ourselves also in a period marked by the high level to depend upon, that is the simple secret of general scholarship and culture, and by an which has turned weak spirits before now almost unparalleled diffusion. into men valiant in fight.

BOYS OF ASHBURY COLLEGE.

leard the Wholesome Talk of Chaplair General on Purity.

There was a large attendance of the boys of Ashbury College, who helped swell the big meeting gathered in St. George's hall, canonization, whereby those who have qualiready wit. On one occasion, while travelling Ottawa, to hear Bishop Taylor Smith's last fied for sainthood as much as any of the les-

"Father, I would like very much to hear gave numerous illustrations to show the de- discussion. However, the Church Times sirability of such a course as this. The fail- points out she needs no monument, for "Well," said the clergyman, "you would ure of parents to administer knowledge to raised her own, in her great example and have heard me last Sunday if you had been their children in early life was the means, he self-sacrifice. But even were the Crimean have depended for generations for relief in said, of placing hundreds in hospitals and heroine to be put in the calendar it might asylums who had no business to be there, not ensure the continued honoring of her more on the white man's doctor and nurse. "In the county jail," answered the bluff "There is not a child of twelve years of age," name, for as the paper above mentioned says, However, if the Medicine Man does treat a the said, "who does not know a great deal more than he is supposed to know, and the worst of it is he knows the lies and not the dropped (name and day) from the calendar. Though in his exactions of payment this docfacts. In the midst of filthy literature and The most fitting honor to "The Lady With tor is very relentless. In one instance he ing on top of the cliff than the best ambulance possible below." All fathers should tell their boys the facts of nature between the ages of fifteen and twenty-five, which were Success. the most important ten years of a young We are just old-fashioned enough to take

for pure living: daily prayer, daily Bible read- guage, with obsolete words and p ing, and the putting of the will on the side eliminated." The King James Bible has done of purity. He exhorted parents to maintain more to preserve the good old Saxon words a pure Christian home, which was the near- and style, which are the best English literest approach to a home above. There were, ature has produced, than anything else. In he said, many hundreds of men and officers stead of a movement to get us further away in the British Army to-day living pure lives. from that vigorous, simple, classic style, and "Young men, your future wives have as much in the interest of establishing the finest literright to expect a pure man as you have to ary ideals possible to the people destined to

op's words of advice. terian Church, made a short address of ap- the King James Bible. It is the greatest preciation, saying that the address of the treasure-house, inspiration and teacher of When a new set of chimes was proposed for ning was the most powerful he had ever good English that we possess. ard. He thanked Bishop Taylor Smith for aishing so many splendid illustrations and parables for use in teaching truths of nature in his work amongst boys.

Evening Journal says. It was not hard to chapel is not licensed for marriages a special the result that he took a phrase of four not ming as they did from the lips of a splenthram, by calling the day of the week, the did physical specimen such as the Bishop. His is not so famous or beautiful as the Temple from it the chimes. This pupil was Dr. Croto star of the day, and other combinations of face has the ruddy glow of genuine health, Church, but is a fine example of Inigo Jones' several years later the Handel melody was adthe people wait until the gods go in to give though by regular physical exercise. One In the long list of distinguished preachers at in 1859 for the Westminster clock

pathing, the women offer sorrel, red powder, count of the Laymen's Missionary Congress and Canon Beeching. The chapel is reached page, but who, while commisserating the by a flight of stone steps, and underneath is daily evils of life, points out "poor Milly turmeric flowers, nuts, gold and silver pieces. in Chicago: "One of the Church clergy pres-bangles of dark glass, betel leaves, and other ent arose and said that he was constantly an open crypt, built as a place for students known anything about until the "good" wotion contributed largely to missions, while to seemed an anomaly, the income increased for current and other expenses. He wanted to ods having been taken back to their respective temples during the night.

were not looked upon altogether with favor n't heard of it? Oh, only been here three by those in "high-places." It is believed the years, and thought Mrs. X. very nice? Well, sodies immediately arose and gave the finest Many things are good which are not pleasant; kind of testimony from experience where Morwenstow, Cornwall, Rev. R. S. Hawker, away she goes, on a mildewed tale which has leasant, which are not good. But debts had been raised, salaries increased, who held one in 1843. Others followed his gathered the moss of gossip as it trailed example, and in 1854 Queen Victoria ordered through the ten years streets and by-ways of ctive both of profit and pleasure. Of been a missionary awakening in the congre- a general thanksgiving for the harvest of that security of every society; of pleasure, because mutual love is the source of delight, and the happiness of one becomes, in that case, the happiness of all.

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The ancient Spartans flogged men who got known to have flourished since the eleventh in the contrary was called for."

CHURCH LOST IN SAND.

Must Try and Brace the Sufferer to Fight An Ancient Cornish Church at Perrangabuloe A Medical Missionary to the Indians Talks Being Dug Out.

A. C. Benson speaks of the possibility of bringing to light an old church. Of the work well-intentioned sympathy doing more harm a visitor writes; "The western gable end of He Didn't Want to Let the People See Him than good in keeping the mind of the suffer- the ruin, peeping a few feet above the sand, or They Wouldn't Turn Out to Service- er on the cause of the trouble. The writer is all that you can see of the actual building as you approach. But the excavators were What is undoubtedly a far harder business busy at the time of my visit, and the walls A Scottish parish minister was going from for most of us is to sympathize generously and other parts of the oratory were being dishome and procured the clergyman of a neight and sincerely with joy and happiness and closed in a way which promised ample resuccess. We are apt to feel that happiness ward. Close to the ruin I found Mr. Athelalso is so delightful a thing that it needs no sym- stan Riley, himself busy with a shovel. He but a brief and formal recognition, and turn- fascinating to anyone with a sense of ro-When the train arrived the beadle asked ing to more congenial things. It is a great mance and a touch of historic imagination. the visitor to be good enough to wait awhile, strain to some to live cheerfully with a very As the sand is cleared away the ancient walls as he had some errands to do before going lobust and cheerful person, especially if he take visible shape, and legendary lore is cor- when they returned were at sea, because not home. It was two hours before he returned. demands an audience for his ecstasies. But roborated by the discovery of doorway, wint only did their customs differ from those of The minister was furious and threatened to to show sympathy with the joys of others, dows, stone benches, and flooring, and the even if they need it less, is a very necessary disinterment of innumerable human bones in "Weel, sir, ye can dae that if ye likt," said piece of self-discipline. In reading the lives what was clearly the burial ground around successes of others. We, most of us, I sup- which the British builders obtained from larly; and the other the difficulty of raising pose, in our hearts desire some sort of in- neighboring hills, the utmost care has to be the ideals of the children, when after school Away back when herds of buffalo grazed fluence and power; it is wonderful what exercised to avoid the destruction or falling along the foothills of the Western moun- strange paths we choose to arrive at that away of any of the fabric. For many centains, two hardy prospectors fell in with a goal! Many of us think that harsh and de- tur'es the whole building stood beneath the But in many reserves the experiment of bull bison that seemed to have separated risive criticism of the performances of others sand, by which, according to tradition, it was day schools is being tried, and instead of from his kind and run amuck. One of the gives the hearers a sense of our own su- overwhelmed in a terrible storm. As a matprospectors took to the branches of a tree periority; but even from the lowest motives ter of fact, this has preserved the fabric in a qualified teachers are sent; the children are and the other dived into a cave. The buffalo of insincere diplomacy, many a man who gets very effective way, and the ancient building driven to and from school during the winter beliewed at the entrance to the cavern and nothing but discredit and dislike for his dis- has suffered more from the attentions of months, and a simple mid-day meal provided man from the cave, and the buffalo took af- ances could stride swiftly into influence by a effects of the traditional catastrophe. A ment on James Smith's rescive, where Miss course, mean that we should acquire a habit ed, and when the work is finished a very sub- The average attendance during the past year of bedaubing everything with disingenuous stantial part of the whole will be preserved has been one-third higher than any year dur-

Clergy of the Present Day.

Addressing a meeting of clergy of the eager to recognize with ready impartiality cese at Exeter cathedral, the Bishop, Dr The Sunday school class had reached the and sincere approval any particle of pure Robertson, said that while the clergy had part of the lesson where "Abraham enter- gold. As a schoolmaster, I held strong advanced far further than their predecessors theories as to the enormous value of praise of a generation or two ago in the studies "And what now is the meaning of un as a factor in education; and I have proved which were more purely ecclesiastical, they it a hundred times. But, of course, the real had fallen behind them altogether in their There was a bashful silence; then the difficulty, as in all spiritual things, lies deep- Biblical study, in their knowledge, he would smallest girl in the class piped up, "Un'erware er yet. If a man has cause to recognize, by not say about the Bible, but in their knowl-

surely makes matters only worse to add a wide field, but he ventured to hope and behypocrisy to his other deficiencies? Is he lieve that Biblical studies in that scheme ocdaily to pretend to a generosity which he cupied their proper and dominant place. A Clerk-"No wonder. Mrs. Griggsby want- does not possess? Is he insincerely to praise ministry which was powerful to add living stones to the great fabric of the living mys-Well, if a man could answer that question, tical body of Jesus Christ, a ministry which he would hold the secret of life in his hand. was powerful to build up Christian character.

old fashioned thing called the Grace of God, tionably the methods of the work of God. ined stream-channel. To do all we can, and vious history of the human race. We lived

When the deepest realities of personal religion were concerned they all had to aside whatever claim to wisdom they mi think they had and to take their place with the foolish as sinners in the presence of God.

Should She Be Canonized?

There has been a good deal of talk, England, lately, regarding some system of cognized in the calendar. The death of "Begin at the cradle," was his advice. He Florence Nightingale was the cause of the thy post cards the only thing to do is to the Lamp" would be aiding and developing pour in the truth. It is better to have a rail- the work to which her life was consecrated.

Old Bibles For New.

The speaker named as the best three rules shortly to appear "couched in everyday lanexpect a pure woman," were some of the Bi- use the curious hybrid which the English language has become, it would be more sen-Rev. J. W. H. Milne, of the Glebe Presby- sible to frown upon all efforts to improve on

An Ancient Chape For the first time for about two centuries Dr. Jowett passed the problem on to a f to the young, and would make use of them a wedding took place lately at the ancient the Professor of Music, who evidently had Har chapel of Lincoln's-inn, London. As the del's "Messiah" running through his head, wi bishop of Canterbury. Lincoln's-inn Chapel that my Redeemer Liveth," and c Lincoln's-inn have been Dr. Donne (who laid the foundation-stone and preached the con-The following is an extract from an ac- burton, Heber, Frederick Maurice, Dr. Wace. good" woman whose life is a white and open

NOT A DYING RACE.

About Them. We clip from the Winnipeg Free Press the

ollowing interesting extract: That the Indians are not a dying race, but a living, increasing and progressive people, is the opinion of Miss Anna A. Hawley, teacher and nurse, St. Stephen's mission, Fort a la Corne, Saskatchewan. She believes that the change from boarding schools to day schools for Indian children, which is being made by the Government, is a move in

The boarding schools are not satisfactory. After several years of school life the children returned to the reserve nafitted to live the life of either the white man or the Indian. They had been taken from home life and had grown apart in tastes, sympathies and

With the day school it was known there hours they were subject to the influences of

ing the past ten years.

On this reserve there is a good church building, a neat mission house and two day schools, with an enrollment of more than fifty children. There is also a dispensary and tent hospital, but next year better accommodation will be provided.

Miss Hawley spoke to a large class of girls in the Y.W.C.A. while in Winnipeg, her subject being, "Life Among the Crees." Miss Hawley said that the Indian population of the Dominion has during the past ten years increased at the rate of one thousand per year. In the diocese of Saskatchewan there has been an increase of one-seventh during the last decade, and this in spite of the fact that several bands have been passing through a transition state. They have experienced a complete change in their mode of life. From a free life, lived in tepees, with plenty of fresh air and fresh meat, they have gone to live on reserves, where they have taken the habits of camp life into their shacks, and where they must live on an entirely different diet. A race that can pass through such a change, and not experience more loss than the Indians have, cannot be dying out. They have now passed the turning point and are steadily

increasing. The James Smith Reserve is situated on the Saskatchewan river, twenty-three miles north of Kinistino, which, lest you have forgotten your geography, is some six hundred miles northwest of Winnipeg. This is the Indian's country and there is enough of it, 35,000 acres, in which the Red Man may work or play or farm or hunt as he wishes. The Indians live by hunting, trapping, fishing, gathering roots, and picking berries. Some of the younger men farm a little, but frequently when the spring is calling the white man to sow the seed, it is calling the red man just as strongly to the hunt, and away he goes and there is no harvest for

Miss Hawley is known as "the Medicine Woman" and while there is some rivalry between her and the Indian Medicine Man, the was known to take the sick man's last pair of trousers. The poor Indian suddenly appeared at the mission house partially covered by a blanket and related his tale of woe repeatedly dwelling on the fact-"arm no well and pants no me."

Miss Hawley told many interesting incidents of life on an "Indian Mission," and so earnest was her plea for the Indians that several girls who were present at once signified their willingness to devote their lives to that work.

Miss Hawley intends to visit Yorkton after which she will resume her duties at the mis-

Westminster Chimes.

While the musical qualities of Big Ben and its associated chimes are under discussion, it is worth recalling that we owe the melody quarter bells to no less a musician than Handel Great St. Mary's Church, Cambridge, the Unit sity authorities, curiously enough, then Regius Professor of Law on the lieve golden rules of health and pure living license had to be obtained from the Arch- of which Handel made effective use in "I Know

Isn't This True?

Harvest festivals are now so popular that the story. This is the same sanctified soul it is not easy to imagine that they are quite who "doesn't know Mrs. X. on account of a modern innovation, and for some years that scandal ten years ago; what! you haveoriginator was the famous fishermen's vicar of here's the story":-gabble, gabble, gabble,







