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MORAL AMUSEMENTS. "The devil in present day amusements,"

is the heading of one article descriptive of a recent pulpit discourse. A careful read ing of it presents two thoughts.

The youth, boy or girl, young man young woman, must have amusement, must have diversion, must have the exercise that makes for health. This exercise can be had without dissipation of any kind, and it is an adherence to approve amusements that is difficult to secure The forbidden thing is somehow popular, If You Are Interested and somehow it will be had. The pulpit has been trying, vainly, to give its stamp to certain things, and unfortunately the pulpit is not having its way, because the people are not influenced by its teaching.

This brings us to the second point, namely, that, "what the church prohibite should not be disregarded." "The verdict of the church," says one, "should command attention." So it does. But it does not command obedience. There is a disposition to ignore its rules. Why ? They are pronounced too exacting. Some of them are very old. They were made long years ago, to meet conditions that do not, in their entirety, exist to day. The worl moves-towards the better come peop think-and the church should, as the occasion arises, revise its rules and regulations. That is the conclusion of some of the ministers-leaving the denomination out of reckoning-and it is remarkable what a row they have made. One, well known bere, and known for the genuinenees of his religious life, has been scarified by an elder, and for the offence (!) of suggesting that amusements be purified in place of abolished.

The issue is one which cannot be disposed of by a scold. Reading the rules of a chu cà to a congregation is no longer a terrifying performance. It is like read ing the riot act to an assembly without the power of backing it up. Nothing can be done by force, but a good deal can be done by conciliation. The church has a work to do. It is to determine what is moral and healthy in current amusements, and to encourage them as much as possible. Then the people can be appealed to, and, with their support, reasonable reforms can be simed at and accomplished.

A MANLY MAN'S SAY.

The speech of Whitlaw Reid, at the merchante' dinner in New York, was the utterance of a manly man. Mr. Retd one of America's best thinkers. He has grown up, as it were, with the country. He began life as a journalist in the war of 1860. He pictured some of its battle scenes. He was at the front when it meant something in labour, in endurance, in sacrifice. He became, later, the associate of Horace Greeley, whose rugged intellect left its impress on his time. He succeeded this great man in the editorial chair of the New York Tribune, and for many years has been available, by preeminent qualification, for the diplomatic service required of him by his country. His last mission was to discuss, with others, at Parie the terms under which Cuba an the Philippines became the property of the United States.

In experience, then, Mr. Reid is ripe. and entitled to speak with some degree of authority. And what was the key note of his last address? That the friendliness of Germany and Britain is not only the expected but the natural thing, that all the forces make for their political alliance. With them the United States must be as sociated for diplomatic and commercial purposes. "If," he said, "there are three great nations in the world that God and nature meant for eternal peace and unity with each other those three are Great Britain, Germany and the United States." He rejoiced that they were to be allied in the maintenance of an open door in the east, that in "entering the vast, awaking unknown, where dwell one fourth the people of the world, they were to bear their respective shares of the white man's burden.

A speech bks that, from a bold and courageous man, is helpful to sound reasoning at a time when some smaller minds are engaged with parrow and irritating thoughts. That Great Britain appreciates the friendship of the United States is made very apparent, and in no way so much as in the consideration that has been shown the Americans on the Alaskan difficulty. With no other nation in the world would Great Britain be so patient in pressing the issue to a settlement. The American commissioners simply bank, and bar progress, and Great Britain calls a halt and meditates. Her statesmen know how timid they are in diplomacy when they encounter old hands at the business, and they are willing to go slowly.

Canada meanwhile, on the boundary line is not enjaying the best position, but it is not suffering, and the union of the Anglo-Saxons is becoming the stronger.

office by the Toronto World. Those who character and value. Tooth Powders and Washes, took the trip through New Outario iast year, under his direction, say that Mr. Conmee is an adept in the excursion busiuese, and a good excursion manager may make a good cabinet minister. But Mr. Conmee's turn has not come yet.

> The Ottawa city council has decided endmit to the ratepayers a proposal to redoce the number of alderman by one-third and make the term of office two years instead of one. The people will decide the issue. I. Kingston they are being denied

an action againes a steel company of Chicago for \$30,000, which sum, he says, represents his expenditure and service in the interest of a certain franchise which he lobbied through the council. The franchise covered the ure of a certain part of the lake front, which the property owners desired to see retained as a park, and which the company coveted for railway tracks and branch lines.

The legislation in connection with the scheme was pased in 1895 It was vetoed by the mayor, and passed again over his voto. Now, four years afterwards, the promoter demands his reward. He claims that during the time the ordinance was before the council be spent \$21,000 in dining and winning the aldermen They consucted, he alleges, a large number of "not birds and cold bottles." They loitered around the saloons a very great deal. and always had with them a large and expensive thirst. Once he book them on a junt to see tracks elsewhere, hiring a special train for the occasion. Champagne was constantly on tap, and the car floor, at the end of the outing, was three inches deep with corks. All the while he was working and earning at least \$10,000.

This is Morris' side of the story. The aldermen-some of them are still in office -say the story is a concection, and that Morris can go ahead and develop it as soon as he likes. As a contractor he may have busied bimself in a way by getting favours from the railway company. It bas repudiated him, however, and all his efforte, and he is disposed to tell all he knows, and to astonish the natives -if that be possible-by a recital of his little piece. The inside history of everything is always interesting, and the electors are ready to

The late Harold Frederick, in "The Market Place," gives a succinct description of the aims and aspirations of a promoter who made his millions, and after reading it one has lost his sympathy with all men who, as leaders or intermediaries, under take to do something that is shady and suspicious. The business prospers, however, because the people like to be imposed upon. Barnum, that great student of human nature, says they love to be hum-

SATURDAY SAYINGS. A local contemporary is rushing things. It is picking out mayoralty candidates two and three years ahead.

Ottawa is going to be supplied with heating gas at twenty-five cents per thou sand feet. But its natural gas, and the aldermen make it.

All eyes are upon General Gatacre as he leads his division on the Boers. In his command are five Irish regiments, and they are fighters to a man.

The Mail objects to the motto, "Rose and Reform." It says reform should come before Ross. Oh no. Reforms do not come by themselves. The worker goes

The question before Toronto is what! er

the city really needs a council and board

of control and mayor now that Mr. Lennox is managing its business. In the multitude there may be wiedom, but it does not count with Mr. Lennox. All the tory leaders, in many years, have felt it necessary to run up against Thomas

the farmer man. He will probably be accommodated.

The Ham Iton Times looks very nice in its new dress. Our contemporary is prospering. Editorially it is one of the best papers in Canada, and in the interest of public discussions it is a good thing the editor was not tran-farred to the civil service. More power to him.

So A. B. McCallem, of Paieley, has been appointed a juige of the Manitoulin Islands! We know Archy. He was one of the boys at Queen's, and in its concursus got the pointers he will never forget. Though only now officially decorated Archy was a judge years ago.

The Manitoba contest is not one between liberals and conservatives as in the federal elections. Party lines are not much observed. Sir Charles Tupper wants to change the situation, but he is not likely to succeed. The reports of defections from the liberal ranks can be taken with very great reserve.

Henri Bourassa is opposed to Canada's interference in foreign wars without reprecentation in the councils of Great Britain, and is opposed to a military confederation even with the right of representation. He's a very-hard-to-please young man, and the people are a great deal less concerned about what he waste than he suppress

As the Breckville Times remarks there may not be an alternative in the buying of municipal electric plants. The law r. q vires the city to buy the plant in use, for streat lighting purposes, at a valuation. The Whig has not, however, been discussing this point, but the inexpediency of buying Mr. Conmee is again named for a cabinet | ib on any terms, in view of its variable

Two slauder suits are the present outcome of the Manitoba election. Mr. A. Philp, of Brandon, has one against Sir entrance to the cathedral will rise the Charles Tupper, and Sir Charles Tupper has another against the Manitoba Free Press. And this is what comes of the tory party "carrying the war into Africa." Sir Charles has mistaken his geography and gone to Manitobs instead of the Transvaal.

Sunday In Toronto. Qu Sanday during church hours Toronto street cure trust not run pass churches at a speed exceeding four units an hour.

THE RELIGIOUS WORLD

LAND 3.

Roman Catholics Building Great Structure ta London-Intemperance to Mexico-An Infamous Jesuit Paper in France-In the City Churche:.

Rev. W. A. McIlroy preaches in Cobourg Presbyterian church on Sunday. The convention of the Kingston presbyterial union has been fixed for Napanee on

Gore street Methodist church, Hamilton, has asked Rev. G. K. Adams to remain as pastor for a fourth year. The new Methodiet church at Croydon

will be dedicated on Dec 10th, Rev. C.

Parker, Napanee, preaching. Rev. J. J. Rae has been unanimously invited by the Bowmanville Methodia church to remain with them a fourth year. Rev. A H Baldwin, brother of brehop Baldwin, London, Out, has been appointed rector of Sa James' cathedral, Toronto. A Buddhiet priest of twelve years' standing has professed conversion in Ceylon, and has handed over his robes to the Salvation

Rev. Benjamin Greatrix, Trenton, has received an unanimous invitation to the pastorate of the Campbellford Methodies

For several years the Methodist Episco pal extension society has maintained the record of furnishing assistance for the erec tion of two new churches every day.

Kink Menelik, of Abyesinia; has been made an honorary member of the French anti nicotine society. He does not emoke and forbide his subjects to use tobacco. Rev. Dr. Batter-all, of Sc. Peter'e, Al bany, completed the twenty fifth year of his pastorate, Nov. 12 h. His congregation presented him with a massive cup and chaque for \$3,500.

Rev Dr. Almon Gannison, president of St. Lawrence university, Canton, N. Y., while in Meriden, Conn , the other day, was presented by a friend of the institution with \$10,000 for its use.

Rev. G. L Starr, assistant at St. George's cathedral, has given great pleasure to the church people of Kingeton by declining the invitation to the incumbency of All Sainte', Winnipeg.

J. D Flower has furnished the means for building a handeome little church now being constructed in Thereen, N.Y. Is will be for the use of all denominations who may wish to worship at its altar.

The statistics of Protestants and Catholica in the United States are given as follows -Roman Catholics in 1880, 6 367 330; in 1890, 8,277,039; in 1897 9,856 622 Prote-tante in 1880 9 263 234; in 1890, 13, 158,363; in 1897, 16 032 609 The home office of the Japanese govern

ment has somewhat oddly undertaken the supervision of the religious bodies of the country, christian as well as non christian. All religious communities are made subject to the authority of the local governors. On Thursday Rev. Robert Young, B.A. Trenton, was inducted into the pastorate of the Presbyterian church at Pakenbam. made vacant by the resignation of Rev Mr. Logie. Rev. C. H. Cooke, Smith's Falls, moderator of presbytery of Lanark,

At a meeting of the house of bishops in St. Louis in October last, Rev. Sidney C. Partridge, Wuchang, China, was elected missionary bishop of Kyoto, Japan. Mr Partridge has been in the China mission for fifteen years, and has done a very suc-

A Michigan clergyman who, in addition to his parochial duties, has charge of an important Indian mission, has working under him twelve native lay readers. He could not begin to fulfil the duties of his position as a missionary were it not for the assistance of these lay workers.

At a recent meeting in the interests of the Salvation army a clergyman is report ed as saying that he was sure his parish ioners were very thankful for the work which the army was doing, because a parish like his own "could not look up the worst characters" of the community. The address in convocation hall to mor-

row afternoon will be delivered by Dr. Parkyn, C M G , Upper Canada college, | L Greenway in Manitoba. Sir John Macdon- Toronto. Principal Grant was to have ald, Sir John Thompson and Sir Mackenzie | been the speaker, but Dr. Parkyn being Bowell did it. Tupper wants a fall with in the city, the principal requested him to address the students on some national sub

English and Boer salvationists may meet in combat on the field of battle. Adjutant Ferreira, Pretoria, is one of the Boers who may be compelled to go to the front There are a number of 'blood and fire' soldlers among the reserves called out in England. A party Critish Salvationi-to is about ith Africa at a cost of some £400, to relieve, comfort and evangelize

the wounded on both sides. Intemperance is rife in Mrx co. During the year closing December, 2 000,000,000 gallons of legeors-exclusive of foreign goods-were consumed Last year 5 000, 000 gallone were imported into Mexico The city of Mexico bas 2 (00) saloons and pulguerias-places where pulgue, the na conal beverage, is dispensed. The Mexiun in-ane asylume credit alcoholism with fifty three per cent of their nationts. England the percentage is 21. in United States 22, in France 27, and in Holland 32.

The Chretien Francais gives some remarkable facts about La Croix, the Jesuit organ which has gained for itself so infameus a notoriety by its atterances on the Dreyfus case La Croix to directed by the Assum ption fathers, who own the whole mater tal and plant of the paper, and its composi tars are composed of Oblat sisters, who do their work gratia. The paper, says the article, is the chief weapon of an organiztion whose object is to produce a religi one war in which the republic is to be swept away, and Protestants, Jews and other hereties, to be dealt with after the manner of Sa. Burtholomew. The eleviral conspirators would prefer a monarchy to a republic, because one man is easier to han die than a government open to all the in

The Roman Catholies are building to Lundon one of the must costly and signifieach structures in the world. It is just east of the Victoria station, and a few minuses' walk from Wes minster Abbay. Al though its walls have arisen to not more than two thirds of their ultimate height, \$10,000,000 has been spout on it already. and at least at wuch more will be spent before in is completed. It is planned to surpass in area, in height, and above all in pomp, all other cathedrale in England Its sixty foot have will be half as wide again as St. Pani'e, and its flor space of 17 000 grare feet will be 2 000 more than that of Canterbury. On the right side of the main 290 feet, eighty feet higher than the empli of St. Pau 's. The entire Roman Catholic church throughout the world has been moved to contribute money for it.

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