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"To Him That is Weary."

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There are two facts which the Church of to-day | here in the flesh. cannot ignore. One is that weariness is real, powerful, prevalent, and the other, that ability to sustain the weary has always been the distinguishing claim of the Christian faith. It cannot be denied that the mood of weariness is settling upon the world. The spirit of over-confidence in regard to the war has gone, but by what is, perhaps, a natural reaction, the mood of wear ness is taking its place. Both are dangerous, but the mood of weariness is the more dangerous of the two. Some in high authority declare it to be a real danger, that there is no need for it, that it ought not to be, but there it is. Its prevalence need occasion no surprise. It is the natural effect of the pressure and stinin and stratness of life during past months. The present outlook is not inspiring. The clouds do not lift, they seem to thicken. The atmosphere is rife with criticism, rumour, complaint. The burdens of sorrow and sacrifice are heavy. The weight of anxiety re-ts on many hearts and homes. The grim realities of war are being pressed home. Every family knows by this time that "there is a war on."

The increasing number of the "unreturning brave" spells disappointment, grief, heart break. . The return of many to civil life, broken in body and nerve, and britised in spirit, has its effect upon the temper of domestic and social life. It is surely no matter for wonder that weariness has followed in the wake of war, that there seems little capacity in many for adventure or endurance, that in the stress and strain many have lost heart and hope. If, as Dr. J. A. Hutton says, "Not to reporce in this life of ours is to be weary," then the one who is weary represents a numerous host.

Every Church has witnessed the encroachment of this mood. It has touched many once vigilant and this mood. It has touched many once vignant and active in religious service. They have changed like "those who have breathed a poisoned atmosphere or taken a powerful drug; they are without ability or desire to serve. The duties of their particular task are without interest; the claims of love and brotherhood are against the grain; even the duties of religious worship are irksome. They are reluctant to obey the summons of faith and resent the perpetual demand of goodness, seriousness, service and prayer. In its ability to meet the needs of humanity lies the test of any religion of its value and its worth. Christianity is unique in its attitude to the weary and its promise of rest. Dr. Matheson says "Christianity is a regressive religion." It goes back to gather up things that have fallen by the way and been left behind. All other religions are pressing forward. Their messages are to the strong. Jesus alone has a message to the weak. Our Lord set forth the ideals of His own weak. Our Lord set forth the idents of this weak. Ministry and gave a programme to His Church in his declaration at Nazareth. The spirit of the Lord God is upon Me because He hath anomited Me to God is upon to the neor, to set at liberty them that are braised. He proved Himself master of the it the hope that centres in the Father's House, gravious severe. "He healeth the broken in heart and [The Church must feel with sin, the fruit(neame of so bin-feet my their wounds." Our Lord is no longer! much trouble and weariness. She must depounce it.

here in the flesh. Yet in a great profession the Church proclaims that He is. It is the Christian claim that the Church in this country is the Body of Christ and the Church in this country is the Body of Christ and that through that body He ministers to-day. That is the significance of the Church. She exists to con-tinue "all that Jesus began to do and to teach." The tremendous claim involves the stupendous task. In the light of New Testament teaching it may safely be affirmed that the claim of the weary upon the Church is paramount. She cannot be true to her Lord unless the re-echoes his call, and breathes new life and hope into the bruised and broken at her gate. It is recognised that this is not the whole of her ministry or her Other truths claim utterance and other ministries press themselves upon her attention, but in this hour of urgent need " to sustain with words him cass nour or urgent need "to sustain with words him that is weary "is to reach the highest level of useful-ness possible to her. To speak "a word in season," to him that is weary is the unique privilege of the Church to-day. Does she know this master secret of the Christian religion! With what message or

ministry can she ease life of its grim pressure and rid it of its hard grind and sordid monotony, and give "new strength to fainting souls." What is there in the faith which the Church proclaims that meets the need of the burdened and the depressed?

There are many causes of weariness, but perhaps sorrow and sin are the chief. Sorrow occasioned by sickness, disappointment, loss, bereavement. Sin which shows us at enmity with ourselves and with God. The weariness of trouble—the weariness of sin. How did our Lord deal with these? He always treated trouble as a real thing. He never ignored it or treated it lightly. He knew sorrow too well to belittle it. "Let not your heart be troubled, ye believe in God." Let no your near to crounded, ye believe in God.

He helped the soul in its sorest need, not by dealing with the mood direct, but by reminding the froubled disciples of other facts. The Church must set sorrow in its true perspective. It is apt to take up too much room—to spread itself over the whole horizon. It is not the whole of life, not even the greater part of it. Sorrow has its ministry. It is a contributing factor to the progress and ennoblement of life. It must not tyrannise. Trouble was never intended to impoverish, but to enrich. To extend the bounds of knowledge, to increase the spiritual resources, to deepen the springs of joy. It may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning. The troubles of to-day may be the joys of to-morrow. The Cross which caused the grief of The Cross which caused the grief of the disciples became the object in which they gloried Our light affliction worketh out an eternal weight of

The Church must renew its emphasis on the greater things of life. Honour, integrity, duty. It must challenge the weary to faith in God. Does the past go for nothing! Is the allegiance of years to be for-saken and all the vows and promises broken? Ye believers in God, accept Christ's revelation of Him as Father, and trust Him. The Church must not move Father, and trust from. The Church must not move away from the lope of the Gospel. Hope for the future of the world—the new Heaven and the new earth wherein dwelleth rightecusness. Hope for the redemption and salvation of the humblest and weakest,

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but far more imperative is her call to proclaim delivernnce from it. "The blood of Jesus Christ cleanse from all sin" is her message to a sin-weary world. Le Iroin all sin "is her message to a sin-weary world. Let the Church remember that she can only effectively help the weary by revealing the Christ who said "Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest."

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Dr. Horton has long held a position in our national life, right, and the pilgrim has the pilgrim has a broad and the wavering Nononformita and helds his convictions stedly as a most sacred possession. And this sol because of any are more acceptable, and the sold because of any as most sacred possession. And this sol because of any as most sacred possession. And this sol because of any lord the believe must be free from priestian wherever that may be found. The poweration of university men to-day, and carry with them their free Christ Iradilions to Oxford and Cambridge, find on their arrival that there are open arms to welcome them. Not so when young Horlon word to Oxford. In those days free Christhene wood by doughty champions of other days. And of these no one in our modern university life helped to push the door of privilege wide open more than Dr. Horlon.

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a "An Aut-biography." By Robert F. Horton, M.A., D.D. Betond dition. (George Allen & Unwin, 7s. 6d het.)

ing these conditions, these two addresses, hadly delivered and without pretence of form or construction, were better and without pretence of form or construction, were better in God's sight they were on a higher life. During the Colored days I hard most of the great Anglican preschers: Leiden, Léghtfout, Bishop Mages, Bishop Alexander; and since then I have listened to most of the preachers held in the continuous of the Colored days of the continuous preceding the continuous of the continuous of the control of the continuous of

CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS AT SHEFFIELD.

An Auspicious Beginning.

On Monday, January 28th, a United Preparatory Convention in codacction with the centenary calebrations in Sheffield was held at Bethel Church, Cambridge-attreet. At the alteroon session Mr. W. Hell precisels, and in a sun-animous of the Sheffield was held at Bethel Church, Cambridge-attreet. At the alteroon session Mr. W. Hell precisels, and in a sun-animous of fordiscent of the session of the Sheffield in an address of great intellectual and spiritual Jorce. They were meet, he asid, to consider most important houses. The theorem of the control of the Sheffield in an address of great intellectual and spiritual Jorce. They were meet, he asid, to consider most important bloomers. The three the household with the spiritual Discussion of the Church during the next two year, which, after covering the west and tear, would mean an entire the control of the Church during the next two year, which, after covering the west and tear, would mean a not the control of the Church during the next two year, which, after covering the west and tear, would mean a not the control of the Church during the next two year, which, after covering the west and tear, would mean a not of spiritual life and power in their churchs. Was such a result possible! Did present conditions encourage hope to give the part of the present conditions encourage hope to justify an attempt to secure such a result present of spiritual life and power in their church. Was such a result possible? Did present conditions encourage hope to justify an attempt to secure such a result of spiritual life and power in their church and the possibilities of a rich and the present conditions encourage hope to justify an attempt to secure such a result present of the present conditions of the c

At the recent examination, held at Nottingham, of the Associated Board of the Royal Academy and Royal Cities of Masic, Miss Dorsen II. Senjier was ancessful in naviaria the Advanced Grade. Miss Senior is a member of Portland Place Ohori, Lincoln.

AND NEWS. NOTES

We are not at all surprised at the wide spread interest that is being taken by our people in the question of Methodist union. The subject is one well calculated to "Those who look on see mest of the game to have a surprised and the first of passionate enthusiann. With so many of our some conting over from containing the contemplated lack, and where, according to all accounts, private and official, it is working to action it an accomplished lack, and where, and the subject of the contemplated lack and where, and the subject of the contemplated lack and where are the subject of the contemplated lack and where the subject of the s

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Dat days have their purposes as well as bright ones; and surely these days are dark enough? Many et our people are locing the sitain and stress of wide conditions; and in some quarters the nervous unrest of new period and the street of the days o

One of our correspondents writes asking us. "What is the position of our Church in relation to the Education Bill introduced by the President of the Board of Education Bill introduced by the President of the Board of Education Bill introduced by the President of the Bill as a distinct step towards a truly national system of education, but expressed great disapportinent that no provision is made in the Bill for dealing with the secturian tests and limitations which have been so disturbing too no people, and thus appealed to Dir. Fisher to late this opportunity of these skys, when all sections of Christians weekers are finding common ground for service on fields of conflict and at home, this disturbing and irritating question ought to be sattled by "consont" if it rannot be settled by converser. The Cholenham Conference of Evangelical State of the Charles of the Cha

Time brings strange whirligigs, adversely, strange bedi-lious. Who could have thought that light and leading rold come from Lord Lands-burse! And yet his pro-roll come from Lord Lands-burse! And yet his pro-tead of the leading that the leading to the deputs of the leading that the leading to the leading to the construction of the leading to the leading to the second portrained and subsect on the leading to the lands of leading to the leader on smuther, and we well-ture must heartify the far-reaching angagestions of Lord stranges of the leader of the could be also the leading to the leading to the leader of the leader of the leading to the stranges of the leader of the leader of the leading to the leading as determined that this way shall could in an homourother

to have tried and failed than never to have tried at all.

Lord Lacadeona shows that in this matter be in no lockstructions. He makes no complaint of the Government. He shows that he is in agreement with the declarations of the Prime Minister and of President Wilson. He is not out merely as a critic but as a friendly guide to the way of passes. We have had plently of ground to the same of passes, we have had plently of ground to the same of the same had been to the same to the same tried that the seems to us to be in a strikingly davorable position to make the suggestions he does make. Has not the moment come when the Allies abouted abuse that been to the Central Powers, but still move to the Central Central to possible, and no nation can take the lead in such as effort better than our own. As members of the Church of Christ we stand low no knock-out blow, but for a secure, albiding and longing the saw it sought to be secured. And that right carry, Our own position is made abundantly clear by the securities of the General Committee passed three weeks ago, and which we have not heal the opportunity of printing out the odge. That resolutions was not founded to find the position of the General Committee passed three weeks ago, and which we have not heal the opportunity of printing out to accept peace at my price, nor wave in our support of the war if a "clean peace" an abiling the upper supports of the war if a "clean peace" an abiling the up to accept peace at my price, nor wave in our support of the war if a "clean peace" an abiling the up to the contral to accept peace at my price, nor wave in our support of the war if a "clean peace" on water the accept peace at my price, no

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lawless. Without this the war to end war will only lead
to greater militarism. We should only be binding
stronger letters of military autor-racy on the nations of
the world and keeping up a mad race for armaments that
mations. That will never do. War must be willed as the
method of settling national difficulties, as duelling is
ended as the means of settling personal differences. Only
a League of Nations can do thus, and for this League we
must work and puny and straggle on if necessary. Energy
longed straggle for the end is not necessary. They are
ready for such a League, and mow the opportunity comes
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if the ends desired can be secured by any reasonable
means. And in order to this the peoples must know
what are the possible terms of peace. No severed diplonancy,
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Sir A. Yapp's interview with the General Committee cannot be said to have infilled great expectations. Sir Arthur was evidently hampered by what he outhoutsout said called "high politics." No one could feel that he had ready me the objections of our people to restrict themselves and their children while tons of food were being can be said to Sir A. Yapp's position in the light of Mr. Prothero's statement to the farmers? When he started his compaign he highly said. "Walk a pig instead of a puppy." But now "we must have lean pork and lean beautiff of the protection of the protection

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One British Methodism.

THE CALL AND PROMISE OF METHODISM AS IT IS.

By Rev. GEORGE EAYRS, F.R.Hist.S.

This Symposium on " One British Methodism," and its appearance in these columns, are happy signs. Another such sign is the remarkable article by Rev. James Lewis (Wesleyan) in last week's issue. That is the latest of many efforts he has made to serve the cause of Methodist reunion. As a minister of the United Methodist Church I have been asked to continue the Symposium. I propose to remark upon Mr. Lewis's article; to note the contri-bution of the United Methodist Church to the movement for the reunion of British Methodism; and to urge that the position and condition of Methodism to-day in its five sections in this country is at once a call to reunion, and gives assurance of its possibility,

Readers may be reminded that the sections of Methodism included in our relevences are the Wesleyan, Primitive, United, Wesleyan Beform and Independent. Many have read and read again the article by Mr. Lewis as written Irom within the first-named, and by much the largest, of these British Meholoits communities. The admissions, holy daring, visions and suggestions of the erricle excite high. The admissions are selected to the second of the error of of the Readers may be reminded that the sections of Methodism included in our references are the Wesleyan, Primi-

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sentatives of some other Methodist Churches to confer with it.

As readers of the Drimitive Methodist Leader are aware, an important committee, recently enlarged, appointed by the transition of the property of the property of the transition also. Its consideration of union with the United Methodist Church has been widered to include all the sections of British Methodism. It is interesting to note that five years (1982-1997) were coupied with the Conference formulations of proposals and pine the Conference formulations of the conveners of the above-named Union Committees are Rev. E. Aldom French and Rev. Samuel Hoton. They can be relied upon to use and to imprint a proposal proposals and the proposals of the proposals and the proposals of the proposals of the proposals and the propo

"The whole position needs looking at afresh by all concerned, and a bold lead, worthy of supreme, leaders, lay and cleric, in all the Methodist Churches of Britain."

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Among such lay leaders Sir R. W. Perks, Mr. Joseph Rank (enamoured of the evangelistic passion of Primitive Michodsism), Sir William P. Hartlev, Mr. William Mallinson, J.P., who sees what a united Methodism might do for London, and others have already shown their keen interest. The name of the late Sir Porty Bunting must be added. By his pen the still leids all the Mr. W. J. Townend. Their liquids, William Bellern and Dr. W. J. Townend. Their metsages about be read again to-day. E-pecially valu-

able is the chapter by Sir Percy Bunting entitled "Lines of Development and Steps towards Reunion," in Volume II. of "A New Mistory of Methodism." The manuscript of that chapter is a cherished possession. It is the utterance of a prophet and statesman. The close study of it is earnestly commended.

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CHAPTER V .- continued. A Sudden Storm.

The minister looked keenly at his visitor. "It was an extraordinary occasion." Mr. Graham's voice was low, and in it was expressed a meaning which his listener knew not at all.

knew not at all.

"Only once before have I been in such a remarkable ervice; but I have only known the soul of worship for a few years," volunteered the young man.

A change seemed to pass over the minister when his companion had no spoken. "Tell me about it," he said; necessable Sunday when he and Mr. Black were in "a place apart." Then he followed with what had transpired in Wyermouth pit, and detailed the conversation at the "ten party" in Dr. Carmiehned's.

"Dr. Carmichael!" exclaimed the minister. "What is like! A youngish Border man, bright, active, clever!" "That's the man. Do you know him?"

"He was here for a short time, if it's the same man, and he did some astonishing things. He certainly saved Munro Buchan's life when he had typhoid fever. Have you seen the doctor letely?"

you seem the doctor laiely?"
"No; my mother desires me—for the present at any rate, and that is all the "M will admit, for I have promised submission in all things to her will until a period expire, and I have the ulmost confidence in her—my mother desires me to have no correspondence with my friends at the colliery until I have reached my goal. She—" "Your nother?"

Well, my foster-mother, really. Mrs. Simpson.'

"Yes, yes; exactly. Well, proceed. Tell me all about mrself. Do I understand you actually worked in a coal t? Begin at the beginning."

put! Begin at the beginning."
Mr. Graham spoke rapidly, and as his visitor proceeded
with his story the interest of the older man increased.
David had just finished when the housekeeper rapped at
the door, and announced luncheon, or dinner, as it was
called in the manus household.

out I had promised Lord Aird to be back for lunch,"
David; "and the trap was to be here to take me." said David : Is the Aird man here, Mrs. Drummond?" inquired

the minister.

the minister.

"No; sir," was the answer. "The Dreichglen carriage came some time ago, and I see the laird and young lady coming up to the Clift."

"We must ask them to have something to eat before they go," suying which, the minister harried out to the We n they go," roadway

roadway.

"No, no; thank you," hastily replied the laird to the invitation. "We had a scone and milk at the shiel, and we must really get away home, after my nice has a pologised for her mistake and thanked her deliverer. No; we'll not ge in. Ask Mr. Nairn to come autside to

No; we'll not go in. Ask Mr. Nairn to come outside to use, please."

Mr. Graham, Mr. Graham, but I am much bett and an I see the Mr. Graham, but I am much bett and I see that the Mr. Graham, but I am much bett and I see that I see

wv. "Will you come to morrow or next day?" asked the

"Yes, do," seconded Miss Palmer. "I would like it so

"I cannot promise; but I will if I can," responded

David.

And felch the Aird folk with you," added the laird.

"All right," laughed the youth, who was looking his best, having had the noblest within him accosed during his narration of the aketch of his life's story to the minister. The sight of the young man-his boyinh aban-bed with the sight of the young man-his big his abmin-held Br. Graham in capitity, commanding his admin-held Br. Graham in capitity, commanding his admin-

—beld Mr. Graham in caplinity, commending his admira-tion and something more.

During lunch the trap from Aird House arrived, and the driver and he had to make his lordship's apologies for its being so late. There had been an accident at the contract of the contract of

OHAPTER VI

Arrest of David.

"Hullo! Were you caught in the storm and had to

"Hullo! Were you caught in the storm and had to get into the minister's clothes?" "That was Murro's sulv-tation when David arrived at the bouse. "I am inside of another man's property from the skin outwards, the hat being the only exception," replied the other, laughing. "If you'll excues me, I'll change." "You needn't be ashamed of what you have on," remarked Ian.

remarked Ian.

"Acj but I want thom returned."

"All in good time, my boy," said Murro.

"Where are your own things?"

"At the manne."

"Mel, the fact of the matter is they had to get the salt water washed out of them first."

"Why walt water? Did you go into the sea?"

David noddled...

"David noddled...

"Acj. "Acj

"How did you manage that?"
"A girl fell in."
"And you jumped in after her?"
Another nod.

Another nod.

"A loss accident?"

"A loss accident?"

"Let us have the story, then," thrust in Macgregor.
"Come along."

A hare outline was given, who teller making light of his own part in the matter, and asying nothing about the set in the shift.

own part, in the matter, and asying nothing about the sense in the shift of a 111 "I an had an intuition that seense in the shift of a 11 and a shift of the seed of the shift of a 11 and the seed of the "Yes; that is all about the accident," "About the accident, yes; but there is something clas?" "Who told you'll it, man," "No one. Out with the more joined I an in asking him to give them the whole story. "Miss Palmer," he began, "after she had been attended to by the women and the doctor, and had for a while regained consciousness, asked to see me. The moment I netwed the room in er whole manner changed. I magning I manner." He then described the seem in delail. "And do you say the minister was present?" skel

'And do you say the minister was present?" asked Mus "He was, and I was sorry for him. The poor girl evidently had no conception of his relationship to Gar-

evictionity man as well as the property of the form of the first wished to speek with Mr. Nairn in the library, and he instantly followed the messenger.

"What can that mean?" and Munro turned a troubled

"What can that mean " and annur to me a second line to Ian.

"Why ask me! What trouble are you sceffling now?"
"Father has been closeled with that constable who arrived shortly before harm drows ap,"
string you. Jets when the girl, and have a walk."
"No.; stay here, Ian. We may be wanted."
And they were wanted.
When David entered the library he was surprised to find meantable and at the table with his lordship. He was

And they were wanted, when have determined to find a constable seated at the table with his lordship. He was current and the state of the stem countenance of the latter. The almosphere of the room was heavy, and the newcomer felt the depression.

"Take that chair, Air, Nairm," said Lord Aird, pointing to one at the head of the table. It was a command, even in a hard voice, and under apparent repression of beding to the table, "he continued," who has a warrant for your areast."

in a line votes, and more apparent repression of leeting in the line votes and line in the line vote and in the line vote area. The blunk statement stung the young man off his blance, and the two onlookers regarded the appearance of the accused as something akin to a confession of guilt bank and the line vote votes and line votes of the part of the line votes of the line vote

David.
"Yes; it is a letter sent to me from my friend Mr.
Grant, a farmer, in Berwickshire. I missed it several
days before coming here. But what has that to do with
formers." forgery ?

forgery?"

"And perhaps you have seen this before?"

"This" was a cheque for fifty pounds, payable to Mr.

David Naira, signed Laurence and Stubbs, and endorsed
"David Naira." The constable held it in his hand, and

"David Nairn." The constable held it in his hand, and the accused examined it.

"I never saw that cheque until this moment; and if the name of the firm is a forgery, so also is the endorsement."
David had now fully gained his self-possession, and an

idea had entered his mind. "What is the firm, might I ask?"
"An English company, manufacturers of agricultural implements, with an office in Edinburgh," detailed the

"An English company, manufacturers of agricultural implements, with an office in Edinburgh," detailed the constable.

The state of the

helly questioned.
"The circumstances are very damaging, my son. But before he is taken to prison he wishes to remove from my mind that my son has been my guest. To convince me he data that felon has been my guest. To convince me he Meggregor in this room."

Lord Aird spoke with judicial calmness, and Lan had drawn to the side of David and put his hand on his shoulder, a touch of companionality and faith which the "There has he had not had not been some faith and the his shoulder, a but he was some faith and had the mind that he was the side of David and put his change the should be the some faith and had the way that the shoulder as touch of companionality and faith which the "There has heen some faith also."

other felt and cherished.

"There has been some foul play," warmly asserted Munro. "David Nairn is incapable of such a thing, lather." Then he stopped fabruplly. . "Ah, I see!" he suddenly gulped. "It's another low-down trick of

he suddenly gulped. "It's another tow-down truck or that Iellow—" David had spring to his leet, and held up his hand. "Remember the presence of the con-stable," at which warning the officer became more alegt, seeing something more in this than had hitherto appeared. He made a mental note. "It is altogether a ghastly mis-

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take," David was addressing Munro; "but before I go to prison—"
"You shan't go to prison, David!" impulsively interjected his friend.

"But there is no alternative. I have accepted service of this warrant, and I must go as a prisoner with the officer when I leave this house."

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"Father can give his bond that he will keep you here until the arrival of the sheriff or his deputy, and we can mill the arrival of the sheriff or his deputy, and we can mill the arrival of the sheriff or his his property. The constitution of the city, and I am deterrained to see it through so far as I am concerned, for this his means more to me than my life. Nour father has been troubled energy with the came to him in my anne. I have promised him, however, that I will astisy him here and now that his son has not been the associate of a leion—"

"You! David Natura is glost! Who dares to say it?"

"Caim yourself, my boy," said the father, who was profoundly affected by his son's affection for and fath in his friend. "No one has called M. Natura felon. He is only supposing what might be thought of him by the
"But I can tell you, father, whose work it, and that fellow, Chat—"
"Muncy don't commit yoursell, please," sternly interposed Pavid.

"Please, Munro!" used the acronse house—"

posed David.

"But have I not heard the dranken hound..."

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"Please, Munro!" urged the accused, vehemently.

"If what yon have to say is needed, then give it; but not just now. Red sewere I will come out of this all right. Just tell your laber when we left Edinburth station to some here, will you-we like, Ian, yourself, and I!"

A week past Friday morning, between seven and sight

"A week past Friday morning, between seven and eight octock,"

"When did you see me that morning before we get to the Waverley Station?"

"See you," laughed the lad, in recollecthm. "Have you forgotten that we slept together in my room, into which had breaklast, and that we never parted until we went to cur several rooms in this house?"

"A week past Friday was the 6th, my lord," said David, tarning to his house.

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"Now, about that letter. You had a similar one, Zan, from our mutual living, Mr. Graat, hadd roy ho his hadda. As David had been questioning from a letter of his hadda. As David had been questioning all mis pockets, and had trundled all their contents, including many letters, upon the table, evidently in sarch of some special one.

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"Do you remember I came to you two or three days reposed visit to the theree Farm, asping I had fost my letter?"

"I do, and I fold you we had to be there on the 25th."

tter?"
"I do, and I told you we had to be there on the 25th."
"I am associated with you in your letter, as you are secreted with me in mine?"

"That is so."
"Your lordship-

"Your lordship..."
"Not another word." David was abruptly stopped by Lord Aird. "I can see the trick now...."
"And, father, the tricksteet..."
"And father, the tricksteet..."
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VERSAILLES AND VICTORY.

By Arthur T. Guttery.

The creation of the Supreme War Council at Versailles has been vindicated in the assions of last week and the frank and leadless satement of our allied war policy which it has given to the world. When the Council was amounted at Rapallo it whas received with wild lears and when it has given to the words. When the Council was amounted a Rapapilo it was received with will fear and amounted a Rapapilo it was received with will fear and fastion on the one hand and impossible mirecles on the other. National governments, we were told, would be robbed of final authority, and military commanders would be weakened in their immediate initiative. All manner of the weakened in their immediate initiative. All manner of the weakened in the rimmediate in the word of the weakened in the word of the weakened for our Alliance a unity that is more than mechanical and a usanimity that is impressive in the moral purpose which was a subject of the word of the

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tracoty and a house to be shin and curse be shown as the same and the shin impaines what kind of beece we would seeen. For our answer we point to the plain words of Mr. Lloyd George and President Wilson. We accept in general terms the statement of authoritatives Britash Labour. He is wildly blind who would claim that the Central Power above any desire because that leaves German pride unrevuleted and German crimes unpunshed. We dare not have Europe dominated by military autoracies, and the smaller mations shedowed by the terror of invasions, which the genesience of the world give ancience to military agreemen and have the east infested with hidden murderers whom humanity has laised to bring to judgment. We dare not have Ressigher the franced victim of rapacous Germanism—hand hack the top of the short o

FIDELITY TO PRINCIPLE.

By Rev. A. R. Walsham.

bonour, a clear conception of what is due from us to the truth we hold. That sense which makes us conscious of the unworthiness of any thing below the highest and best in conduct and sentiment; that quality which prompts us to be true feet our cause suffered diagrace, and which litts and statisticated our cause suffered diagrace, and which litts and statisticated our cause suffered diagrace, and which litts and statisticated our cause suffered diagrace, and which litts and statisticated our cause suffered diagrace, and which litts and statisticated our cause suffered diagrace, and which litts and statisticated our cause suffered diagrace, and to be the suffered diagrace out to be the suffered diagrace. The suffered diagrace is to be the suffered diagrace with the suffered diagrace out to be suffered diagrace. The suffered diagrace diagra

What Our Readers Sav.

Hugh Bourne.

Sin, I thank Rev. H. B. Kendell and Rev. J. Hawkins Sin,—I thank Røv. H. B. Kendell and Røv. J. Hawkins lor remarks on Hugh Bourne. It has long been my conviction that, whatever the cause, Hugh Bourne was understimated by his contemporaries. I lectured on Bourne years ago, and invariably found that his natural shyness and rustic manner bulked more largely than his solid attainments in the minds of noet who had met him. Two instances: I lectured at Legiston Buzzard. There was instances: I lectured at Legiston Buzzard. There was understanding the state of the state of the lecture of Hugh Bourne. "After the lecture in Garden of the lecture of Hugh Bourne." After the lecture he confessed to me that Bourne was a greater man than he took him to be. In the early days of our Church we had a preacher now the limin backdards. He travelled in the North and Miss Annandale. He was the man who, coming home to Hull gleer preaching one weeknight at Beverley, fell in with basic I lean; the Wesleyan polemic drivine, who said to him, "Brother Suddards, however do you Primitive Medal Letter than yours, and re have be study economy." "I tell you how it is," said Suddards; "you Wesleyans study economy; we Primitive practis at." you wesleyans study economy; we Primitive practis at." Suddards was a man of real ability. But with all his practice of seconys, I am norry to say, he could not had endo meet. Church, Philadelphia. He called on me several times in London, and worshipped with ns in our East-street Chapel, Walworth, when I was on probation. Locking through my library mee day he saw Hugh Bourne's "Chan of Petry," and the sum of the sum o lor remarks on Hugh Bourne. It has long been my con-viction that, whatever the cause, Hugh Bourne was under-

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Sun.—In consequence of a public astrement that trust property does not appear to be included in the Government schem of free war risk insurance up to £500. I had the question presented to the authorities, but no definite reply has been received as yet. From information to hand, however, from other sources, if ear that such is the face the full amount of the price premium in all case. He fine amount of the price properties in the full amount of the price was the first policy can be forwarded with the communication, and if our friends will keep in mind the importance of increasing the aircraft insurance at the same time to the same amount as the revised fire policy. This will area thing, correspondings, and unnecessing rate.—Young, officers, the properties of the same amount as the revised fire policy. This will area thing, correspondings, and unnecessing rate.—Young, officers, the properties of the same time to the same amount as the revised fire policy. This will area things correspondings, and unnecessing rate.—Young, other than the properties of the same time to the same time to the same amount as the revised fire policy. This will area things the same time to t

Are We Bankrupt of Leadership?

Srn,-Mr. Pittwood's letter came at a very opportune moment, and I write to support him in his appeal for a clear lead in these momentous days. The position of clear lead in these momentous days. The position of what I believe is a large and growing body of young men in the Church is one of perplexity. The outbreak of war found us prepared, if the country called, in place citizenabing and comradeling above other considerations in this great struggle. We looked for a monominist a nittude great struggle. We looked for a monominist a nittude property of the control of to us as the Christian attitude towards international strike. The sudden discovery that flighting might be regarded as the highest Christian duty bewildered as, and the attitude of some prominent officials towards the conscientions of some prominent officials towards the conscientions increased our bewilderments. What we had therefore to be the natural outcome of the Church's teaching—the subservience of all else to the claims of conscience—we suddenly discovered was regarded by some whom we thought had been most voriferous in its teaching as a kind of discover of the conscientions objector realise that, as a result of their own teaching, some of the swy out problems, as a result of their own teaching, some of the swy out problems whose moral courage has been objector realise shat, as a result of their own leaching, some of us entry our brothers whose moral courage has been so high as to cnable them to bear any indignity, and the risk of death isself, rathor than act against their own convictions. I wonder; too, if they recognise that some of us regard unrestleves as having searfficed our claim to true Grant of the great decease the resume fation, implied by action, of the great decease the resume fation, implied by action, of the great decease of the state of the father's love. The state of the father's love of the problem which they had to face but we do such now for a clear lead as to our attitude to the present position of fatiers.

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the French willy-nilly, the redention of the German colonies and of Musepotamia, the recovery of Truste for Listy, and the enforcement of the regards the factors are to be one attitude towards war. Some of us had hoped in the early days that this war would end war, but our hopes have been diamond in view of the reducively odd mouther, what is the contract of the reducively of the state of the state of the reducively of the state o

scan.—Mach of this discussion reminds one of a wise saying of Dr. Peake's, that "there are some people who atone for the powerty of their arguments by the wehrence of their language..." The passage in your correspondent's letters intended to be offensive insay be ignored; they are welcome to any astifaction to be derived from them. Mr. Clegg tells as there are two ways of "desiring" reace (see, viz., fighting for it and "prating" of it. Which is Mr. Clegg's way? He is very ready with his gibe at the "little peaking." He is neither little non-them, the state of the state Sra,-Much of this discussion reminds one of a wis

Chirch; they are assume with Mr. Johnson that the Fellowship of Freedom and Fenco's both able and willing to give that boul. Some page is which the Chirches strive to lead the world to aboist her Chirches strive to lead the world to aboist her mannests and the menace of future wars. That is the only peece for which the Church can consistently atrice, and for which an agoussed world is calling—Yours. Except E. Perreroos.

Willenden Green Restoration Fund.

Sia, -Many friends throughout our Church will be pleased to learn that we have recured permission from the Ministry of Munitions partially to restore our premises which were burnt in the disastrous fire last June. The builders are now at work upon the church portion. delay in securing requisite permission owing to national conditions has, of course, involved the trustees in con-siderable additional expense. What was left by the fire has suffered severely by exposure to weather. Wages have gone up. Timber prices have soared. The expense of hiring the kinema and Council Schools for our work has has intered covered by expositor to weather. Wages have have more an expositor to the second of the control of

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Errors.—In loving memory of Joseph Hyron, of Wood-hoppe, Saveley, who entered into rest January 31st, 1917. Sol takes our loved ones from our home, but never from our earts. From his loving wife and doughter.

Loss.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Ann Long who sutered to rest on February 10th, 1814. "She sees he Saviour face to face, and sings the triumph of His grace. From her daughters, 54, Victor road, Manningham.

Schoffer, In loving memory of our dear father, Thomas Schoffeld, Hashington, who passed beyond the shadows. February 3rd, 4917. For all Thy saints who from their labours rest, Hallelejah! The family.

386, Halleugan: Am sound. SCROPHELD—In over-loving memory of Christopher Scho-eld, who cutered the Homeland Fabruary 7th, 1917. Deeply lourned by his sorrowing wife and family. Barnal happi-cess they share who are not but, but gone before.

STAVELEY.—In ever-loving memory of George Staveley (hairdresser), beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Staveley, Pock-lington, who died January 27th, 1911. Sadly missed. SWINDELL.—In loving memory of John E. Swindall, of Sutton-in-Ashfield, who passed to his well-surned rest on February 6th, 1916. From loving wife and family (Ernest in

Ministerial Changes and Engagements Chances in 1918.

Rev. W. A. Eyre from Barnoldswick. Rev. Herbert P. Ellis from Falmouth and Truro, after

Changes in 1919.

Bev. F. W. Brett from Heckmondwike. Rev. W. C. Tonks from Normanton, after five years

Engagements for 1918-19.

Rev. Jabez Bell to Manchester Eleventh, a sixth year. Rev. W. H. Nicholas from Epworth to Barastey First.

PERSONAL.

In connection with the recent Civic service at Bulwell Oburch, Nottingham, it is interesting to know that the Sheriff of the City, Councilior II. Officer, has been the City, Councilior III. Officer, has been consister, class leader and teacher of the young men. Of atrong moral and intellectual personality and decided spiritual ideas, he has won the admiration and confidence of all parties: His appointment as Sheriff is a recognition of his personal worthiness and service not less than a sent. It was on his invitation that the Mayor and members of the Nottingham Corporation, together with other representative citizens, attended the service held on January Zith in our Balwell Church. Robing at the Olympia the Civic dignizaries headed the procession, which included the Council Church Charles and the Land Church Charles and the Land Church C

Rev. M. P. Davison desires to thank an anonymous friend or the gift of £2 in Treasury notes on behalf of the fund to assist in raising ministers salaries, and also for his kind appreciation of his address at Harringay on the

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his own Church.
In view of the special travel and hospitality difficulties this year, the Executive of the National Free Church Council has decided to limit its twenty-third annual assembly to two days' coolerences in London. The services will open under the presidency of Dr. W. B. Selbie at the City Tumple on Tuesday, March 12th, closing at four o'clock on the following day. The programme, which is now being prepared, will concentrate on the general subject of "The Churches and the Rebuilding of the Nation," and will be of a very practical and constructive character. Nearly 1,000 churches send delegate to the 1,000 local assembly. The conferences will therefore focus representative Free Church opinion from a very wide area on critical national and international problems.

Mr. W. S. Rollsson, of Langley, Blackbeath and Langley

critical national and international problems was at a Mr. W. S. Rolleson, it Lappy, Bladesach and Langley Circuit, has just been appointed a J. P. for the county of Worcester. This is a well-ameticle recognition of Mr. Rolleson's valued and untiting service to the community as a Labour leader and an the representative of the workers on the "local" and "appeal" tribunals. He is a works forman for Mesers. Accles and Policick, who share his pleasure at the honour conferred on him, and will afford him every facility for fulfilling his new detics. He springer and generous supporter of our Springs-term Challes.

Spring-street Church.

Referring to the Dalward Relievell, of Bardeley, Odhlam Second, a late emperaturement of the circuit second, a late emperaturement of the circuit was that of a working man, for many years he was an honorary subscriber to the Ministers Friendly Society.

Rev. R., Gillender, of Sturminster Newton, is, we regret to learn, in a serious condition of health resulting from a chill taken some months ago. He has recently had to consult a specialist at Bournemouth, and his report is not invocatible. It is probable he will be compelled to reek (engermaneary) and the officials of the circuit are doing their ulmost to provide for the emergency, and much sympathy is felt for Mr. and Mrs. Gillender, both af whom are highly esteemed.

The President of Conference visited Louchborouch on

sympathy is rett see al., and are officiency, some area are highly establed. Conference visited Londonborough on January 24th in connection with the Circuit Conlenary Commencention. A good congregation listened in the afternoon to an inspiring discourse on "The Vindication of Christianity." In the evening Mr. Perr speke on "Primitive Methodson." The missage was appropriate spake very fitting words. Special music was appendidly rendered by a united choir. Miss Olive Riley sang "There is a green hill." Another feature of the gathering was the singing of some of the old tunes. Camellor Walker, of Leester, presided. On the following Study Walker, of Leester, presided. On the following Study Coung Seaple's Gathering, and in the evening a memorable service for testimony and prayer.

The Candidates' Oral Examination was held at Leeds last Tuesday and Wednesday. There were lourteen candidates. The examiners were Revs. George Bennett, J. Day Thompson, John Bradbury, and W. Windsor, J.P.

As will be seen by an advertisement in another column, a married couple are at once required for one of our huts. The understand the location is in one of the great military camps, and the situation offers lacilities for doing really

national service.

We regret to learn that Mr. Albert Shakesby, of Filey, recently met with an accident, which will necessitate the rearrangement of his evengelistic work for some time. While on the famous brig at Filey he alieved into the sea and came into contact with a charp, submerged crag. He received considerable injury, but fortunately no limbs were dislocated. He is, we understand, progressing as favourably as can be expected.

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The "William Glass" Honours Shield for Sunderland and Newcastle District has been won by the Milifold School, Lowick Circuit, with 108 points, Bearpart, County Durham, coming second with 85 points. This is the second year in succession that this cowed honour has been gained by Milifeld School. This little willage Sundayschool has only believen forly and filty scholars, and the Archive County of the Proposition of the largest in the Connexion. Herefore the Proposition is unashly seen.

Hence the competition is unusually keen.

Mr. A. E. Sewell, of Pytchiey, Kettering, writes.

"Permit to make a suggestion to the Book Steward and to the control of the Book Steward and to the Book Steward S

The Nottingham Churches have raised the sam of 2427 for the maintenance of two Belgian Relief Homes. The many friends of Mr. Arthur Yates, of Church Gresley Circuit, will learn with pleasure that while he continues to serve all the churches a name les prescher, he has, during 1817, received several tokens of appreciation. has, during 1817, received several tokens of appreciation from the insurance company which he serves as agent. The three first prizes for all Derbyshire have been won by him, namely, a case of silver tee knives, a cilver cake basket, and the gold medal for largest amount of ordinary branch business. Mr. Tates is one of the youngest local preachers, and in recognition of his able work he has just the control of the control to the heart of the price of the control of the control to the heart of the price of the control to the control to the price of the control to the con District

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Sunday-school, Southport, and whose father is a capable local preacher, has recently won an open scholarship to Jesus College, Oxford, in classics, 250 per annum for four years, laring taken first place in the result. In July last he won the Lancashire County Council Senior Exhibition to any university—250 per annum for three years, and the Harris Leaving Scholarship from Preston Grammar School to Officord or Gmbridge—270 per annum for four years. He received his elementary education in our day school at Banles.

The Rev. W. R. Bird has been unanimously elected President of the Enfeld Free Church Council. This is the first time the honour has fallen to our church in the

The Rev. Joseph Odell writes:—"Most sincerely and tenderly do I thank all my brethren and old friends for their quick and sincere expressions of sorrow in the loss of my son-W. W. Odell."

The friends of Mr. Samuel Cooper, of Kensington, Liverpool, will regret to know that he has been an invalid for over twelve months, suffering from heart trouble. Though nearly 72, he lakes a keen interest in our church.

The many friends of Mr. E. J. Wilkins, East Dulwich, will be glad to hear cheering news of his son, Private J. E. Wilkins. After having his foot amputated, the result proving unsatisfactory, another amputation was ordered, and he is now making steady progress.

Miss Hilda Greenacre, of Murrow, Wisbech Circuit, has creditably passed the examinations in pianoforte playing and theory (preparatory division), Trinity College of Music.

MARRIAGES.

Al Si. Dony's Church, Southampion, a very interesting wedding took place between Capitals Rev. Arnold Paton Landsown (on active survice) and Doteen Hillion Gregory. The bridegroom, who was for several years a student of the New College, London, and has spent three years at the front engaged in LACA. Nowle, was recently ordained the Forces in France. He is the son of Rev. F. Lansdown. Congregational Minister, of Leicester. The bride, who is the daughter of Rev. J. W. Gregory. Southampton First. Grout, is a member of the choir and a useful Department. The service was fully choral, Mrs. Fellbann, A. V.C.M., ably presiding at the organ. Prob. Flight Officer Norman Landown, R.N.A.S. brother of the bridegroom, was best man, and Miss Christine Landown, of pair journeyed to Bournemouth for the hongroom. The officiating Ministers were Revs. F. Landown and J. W. Urrgory.

Gregory.

On Saturday, January 26th. at Station-road Church.
Otley, Private W. Leonard Day, R.A.M.C., second son
of Mr. and Mrs. Wan. Day, of Otley, formerly of Hull,
was married to Miss Hannah Spencer, second daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. John Speacer, of long standing with our

chutch. The ceremony was performed (in the presence of a large congregation of friends who hold the bride in high esteem) by Row. W. J. Tristram. The bride's dress was of white silk, frimmed lece, and cap to match. She carried a bouquet of white Billies. The bridemaids were the Misses Day. The reception was held at the home of the bridegrooms parents. Many valuable precent have been received. On the following day the happy couple left for Bull, where they are to reside

THE DESPATCH RIDER IN SOUTHERN PALESTINE.

By Rev. Edwin de J. Horne, C.F.

There are motor cyclist despatch riders attached to the Royal Flying Corps, the cavalry and inlantry in Palestine, and they lead the most arduous and death-delying exist and they lead the most arduous and death-delying sensi-ence on this front. In certain ways they lead a some-what easier life than their infantry conrades, but when things are happening in the firing lime they must be ready always to dash off with despatches at all hours of the day or night. Of all the danges which he has to face, one of the least is that from shot and shell direct. There are the least is that from shot and shell direct. There are few roads in Southern Palestine, and the tracks which do exist wind their way through heavy desert sand, and these are so cut up by the continued passage of heavy transport that they are in a condition which is practically beyond description. Added to this the despatch rider is continually coming upon strings of transport camels or motor lorries, and the unfortunate motor cyclist is driven off into the soft sand, which usually grips the wheels and fills the mechanism of the machine with grit. Then there are Wadis to be crossed, ploughed fields, cactus strewn areas and ancient Bedouin wells. These in daylight, perhaps, are more or less harmless, for they can often be seen and avoided, but at night, in absolute darkness, they are the cause of the majority of accidents which occur to the despatch rider. A military doctor, in fact, recently informed me that more motor cyclists suffer from con-cussion caused by road accidents than from actual wounds.

The man who delivers despatches in record time five times out of six is useless if, on the sixth journey, be has an accident and lails to get his message through. A story is told of a certain cyclist who, while carrying despatches within the battle zone at Gaza lost April, had to cross one of the branches of the Wald Ghuzze. Half-way across the watercourse his motor broke down and rendered the machine useless. He was on the point of continuing his journey on foot when he was surprised to see that he was already to be the seed of the Wald. Here he remained for two days, not during to break for our lines lest he should be shot down by a machine-gun stationed about thirty yards from where he was hiding. At the end of the second day the Turkinh battle and the seed of the second day the Turkinh battle and the seed of the second day. The tendence of the second to the state of the second to the right of it. Along this road the despatch several of them had narrow escapes from death. Standing on a narrow earth fissure I watched one man ride from the first join; and just as he had almost crossed the rides a shell burst in front ol him, throwing him from him thought him dead, but wontaully he slaggered to his feet, and, although badly wounded, managed to mount his cycle and proceed on his way. The enemy's gunners are always on the look out for the despatch beaver, and the seed of the seed is told of a certain cyclist who, while carrying despatches within the battle zone at Gaza last April, had to cross one of the branches of the Wadi Ghuzze. Half-way across

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Lord Inchesp presided at the annual general meeting of this Bank on the 31st uit. He gave an encouraging and hopeful address. The earning canactive of the Bank continued to be on the increass. One important stee had been taken in the purchase of the shares of the Union of London and Smith's Eastk, which was a very licrative would be a substantial gain to the industrial gamation both at home and abroad. The limbilities of the nation had become encormous owing to the war, but he felt confident that the industrial resources of the people were able to cope with them.

The President at Matlock.

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It is a long time since a President of Conference visited Matlock. Our Church in that beautiful district has a unique influence. In congregations and popularity its signs of spiritual revival. All felt that these President's two days visit could best be used by arranging "Quiet Days for the Deposing of Strictual Life." The seculent attendances, and the powerful spiritual impiration all left, have proved the arrangement was right single when the president is a second of the president attendances, and the powerful spiritual impiration all left, have proved the arrangement was right single we had Scriptural and soulful exposition and appeal, and they, as every succeeded in bringing God consciously near. People came in from the surgounding villages, and carried the blessing to their, charches. Revr. David Rogers and J. S. Frant meeting, conducted by Rev. John Bradbury, was most impressive. The searches were continued on Sunday lists. The church was filled with visitors and residents. Rev. J. E. Rattenbury, Dr. Anderson, and several other well-more and the surface of the president of the Times," and in the evening on "What's the Use of Praying?" During the morning service the prescher expressed regret that so few Bibles were in the pews of the church, and he wished a Bible provided for every wor-opies was Irely given in response.

copies was treely given in response.

"Fields of the Fatherless." By Jean Roy. (W. Collins, Sons and Co., Lid. 6), net.)

This is a young woman's autoliography. Her mother was a barmaid. She never knew her lather. The words which are given at the beginning of the book, and which have suggested the title, are: Enter not into the fields of the fatherless, for their Redeemer is mighty. He of the registroot in the title of the gialthough the was lond of change and adventure. There was real plack in her. As soon as the was able, she began to work for her living. In a mill, as barmaid, as stewardess, and in other wave she same her bread and butter, and gets her share of joys and sorrows. Illeas a stewardess, and in other wave she same her bread and butter, and gets her share of joys and sorrows. Illeas operation, deepened her-appositive and estemded her knowledge of life. The story is well told, and will interest all readers as a truly human document. "Fifty Thousand Milles on a Houpital Ship." By "The "Fifty Thousand Milles on a Houpital Ship." By "The March Congland Chaplain, whose work amongs the wounded deserved to be told. The hospital ship carried men from Gallipoli to Egypt and to England. They had come from all parts of our great Empire, and the reading of the book fills you with fresh and the story of the story of the story of the property of the story of the property of the story of the property of the property of the story of the sto

500 pages. We ansessively commend this volume.

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"Studia Sacte." By J. H. Bernard. D.D. D. C.I., Archibishop of Dublin. (Hodder and Stoughton. 6s. net.)

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In the Queue.

We have seen strange things to-day.

For we passed by the "Maypole Store."

And the news had gone forth, to the sad and the gay,

Hurry up! they're just opening the door.

Margarine has come, they cried; So to you, who go now, and stand the slash for hours, till you've lost all your pride, They will give half a pound of "Blueband."

So they came, in capes, in shawls

So they came, in capes, in snaws,
But they looked quite ashamed to sue
For a thing they despised, and of course there were
equals
When they found they must stand in the queue.

There were "bairns," who bore the trace Of distress in their face so blue, That one felt, if they dared, they would slink from their

st they froze while they stood in the queue.

There were wives-with thoughts of men

Who are not, as a rule, so true,
That they tighten the best for the sake of "Wee Ben,"
Who is sick, and can't stand in the queue.

Margarine, so cheap and rare. Margarine, so cheap and Ture.
You have got from us all your due;
You have got from us all your due;
But, with butter so scarce, you must smile us you stare
At talse friends as we stand in the queue.
Amos Brdes-

- SAUL THE PERSECUTOR CONVERTED.

Jaternational Lesson for Sunday, Feb. 17, 1916:
Acts iz. 1-9, 17-22. G.T., 1 Tim. i. 13 (R.V.).

By Heary J. Pickett.

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courso which must have ended in failure, and which would have given him a name to be hissed, he is exalted to be "chief of the apostles," and, by the hearty of his character, propher to the raid of time! Surely, the worker behind much a transformation must be God! Even as oull, by what we do "mose than others," we should declare our descent from God han others," we should declare our descent from God.



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New members enrolled at any time in the Guild of Kind Hearth. To join, send name, age and address, with promise to make kindness a rule oi life, To sectic our describth badge send one penny stamp for each badge required and as exits stamp for return postage. Mark ielders "Guild" and send to Rev. Arthur Jubb, 218, Chippinghouse-road, Sheffield.

FOLLOWING FULLY:

Endeavour Topic for Week beginning Fcb. 10: Num. niv. 20-244

Purblind faith is tender-footed. Half-hearted-rice is the same forcumen of faiture. There is no immodiate future but presents, to the narrow-risioned, the half-hearted, the weak-faithed, insurncuntable, terrdying difficulties. Moses sent "secret service agents" forward into Canana to "spy out." Whe land, because it was essential to people and leaders that they should know what hey below them in the way of strangels and reword. Vision the nature and strength of faith and closeness and constancy of touch with God. Canana was proxised. But the majority of the "spien" seemed to think that what God had promised would be already prepared and castly possessed. To their surprise they found a strong and attractive, but the difficulties confronting illem were enormous and apparently insummountable. They lelt as "grasshoppers" in the presence of a giant for. God's bed, gifts are ever the reward of pain and struggle. That to possess and mature it. He who expect a cheeving invited diapopointment and despair. Disappointment bossessed them. And, as a people rarely rises above the level of its leaders, the Israelites were stricken, with of Egypt. Fortunately there were two of the "spies" who had clear vision and a true faith, men who understood something of the ways of God. They, too, saw that the enemy was strong and dwelt in fortresses; they, too, knew that the struggle abased of them was a difficult and promounted. But true discipleship never follows afar 'cff. The mounted the supplement of the proposal substantial and years of the supplement of the proposal substantial and yet to be unamounted.

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OUR ROLL OF HONOUR.

Private G. E. Evans, R.A.M.C.

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Private G. E. Evans, prior to joining the R.A.M.C., had done ylandid work to several years as hired local preacher on various circuits: He joined the Army in Kovember, 1215, whilst labouring on Aldershot Circuit, and the Army in Kovember, 1215, whilst labouring on Aldershot Circuit, attactly by a shell on the Ypes-Menin Road, whilst in the forward dressing station, and was buried in that area in October, 1917. A very pathetic feature of the case is that on the very day he was killed a party had been sent up to relieve him, and the following day he should have gone leaves behind a widow and a little daughter. Testimonies as to the worth and influence of his Ide have been borne to his memory by several of his contrades who were on active service with him. In paying the supreme serifice Private Evans only exhibited that spirit of devotion which work for the Church he loved. He served the Tunstall District Missionary Committee with marked success on the Market Drayton and Whitchurch Circuits. His memory is fragrant on Calne Circuit, where energetic the hearts of many lirends. For a time he laboured at Eastney under the superintendency of Rev. Lewis Hancock. His last post was a kined local prescher at Aldershot. There are testimonies from all his circuit of effective work accomplished. Of him can it he said, "Hat works do tollow him."

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The friends of Rer, R. Rose, of Warrington, will sympathies with him in the news received, after fong suppense, the property of the main haulage engine at the Norchard Colliery, Liquer, Here he set himself assidences by a called. He found his services as a preacher in great demand outside, as well as within, his own denomination. In September, 1915, the Lydney Circuit ananimously recommended him for the desired of the property of the commended him for the desired of the desired of the desired of the property of the desired of the d

France in January, 1917. He was associated with our church the whole of his life, prasching services having been held at his home between fifty and sairy pears. This was the home of the noted Bainbridge family. He became a momber of our church at the age of louriers, allierwards a Sunday-school teacher, and beel preacher. He was of considerable promise. He was presented with a prize at the Middlesbrough Conference by Professor title Methodist Church history. He also received two certificates of merit from the Local Preachers' Central Training Council. He was much loved in the circuit. He was a prospective candidate for the ministry. Revs. J. W. Middlemiss and F. W. Attin have both written of his noble and pure character. His officer also writes: impressive in memoriam service was conducted in his home by Rev. W. Skelson and Mr. E. Johnson.

Private Mark Vinter, A.S.C.

May Iriends in the Donasster district will regret to hear of the death of Private Mark Vinter, A.S.C., which cocurred in a general hoghtal at Daree-Salaam, East Africa, from dysentry, on January 13th. He was thirty-one years of ace. He was an honoused preacher and sorker in our Church, and will be greatly missed. Mach sympathy is for for the lamily. A memorial segrice was held in Dukestreet Church, Donastare, on Sunday, January 27, conducted by Mesers. F. Juba and W. H.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mr. George Wright Southwell.

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Fountion-road Church, Itali Sound, he suffered a great loss in the desit of Mr. C. W. Southwell, which look place on January 22nd. At the early age of twelve years he surrendered his life to Christ, and became a member of our Church, for which he had a great love. He began to presch when he was sutteen years old, and years Mr. Southwell has filled with credit it he office of society steward, class leader, and trust treasurer. God was very real to our departed brother. Fou felt that whenever he prayed. He could be very straight, but never ankind; speciallog platify, but in patch a way an out to the property of the country of the c

Mr. Henry Hill,

who have him during his training period and in France speak of the excellence of his character and the loyalty of his friendshire.

Private Manisty Bainbridge, the roungest son of Mr.

and Mrs. H. Bainbridge, of Inglely Greenhow, Sloksler, Incrust, was killed in a gallant defence in France on December 1st, 1917, in his twenty-fourth year. He character 1st 1917, in his twenty-fourth year. He character to the King's Own Royal Lancs. He went to in its formative years, and was the builder of the present in its formative years, and was the builder of the present in its formative years, and was the builder of the present

chapel, which is a model of beauty. From first to last his interest in the affairs of the kingdom never wance, and, being broad in his sympathies, he possessed an open mind until the end. As the society steward he was highly respected in the circuit, belowed of his herthern, and such that the circuit here with the same properties of the circuit here. His widow bears the attaining the high such that the same he tells the story of the sustaining Grace of God. Our friend was in his security-righth year when God called hip, and to those who are left in the strile his summy is a costum inspiration.

Mrs. Carr.

Mrs. Carr.

The luneral of the late Mrs. Carr, wife of C. T. Carr, senior sleward of Harham Circuit, took place on January 20th, a great concurse being present. The service was conducted by Ber. J. T. Gallon, and prayers were offered by Revs. G. T. Scott and J. B. Wanless. A beautiful address was given by Rev. M. Johnson, who reviewed the services of Mrs. Carr in connection with Inges, Morpela, Corbridge and Warden churches, and who extended, to Mr. Carr, Mrs. Sew daughton, but of the first was as presented to being given by the cortain of the service of Mrs. Question of the cortain of the cortain of the service of Mrs. Question of the cortain of the cortain of the service of Mrs. Question of the cortain of the service of the service of the cortain of the service of the servi

Mr. Benjamin Kitchen

Mr. Benjamia Ritchea.

Deep regret is eld: in the Leeds district at the death of Mr. Benjamia Ritchea, of Pendey. Born in lifet lown tendered great service to our churches as local prescher, jean leader, accept service to our churches as local prescher, jean leader, accept selward, and S.S. worker, chiefly in connection with our Stanningley-street Church. He has left a reputation for high Christian character, ganning ful discharge of the daties of the warnous offices he held. For a lew years he had felt indications of declining strength, and heart trouble slowly revealed itself. A lew weeks ago he was attacked by pneumonia, and for three weeks ago he was attacked by pneumonia, and for three weeks ago he was attacked by pneumonia, and for three weeks ago he was attacked by pneumonia, and for three weeks as truggled bravely against the maledy, but the weeks ago he was attacked by pneumonia, and for three weeks as truggled bravely against the maledy, but the weeks got he was attacked by pneumonia, and for three weeks as truggled bravely against the maledy, but the weeks great the maledy, but the with God. He was intered in Ptudey cemelary on Fobruary 1st, in the pneumonia of the with God. He was intered in Ptudey cemelary on Fobruary 1st, in the pneumonia of the warmonia of th

The Methodist Publishing House (C. H. Kelly) has just issued a useful and timely booklet on "Our Sunday; What Does it Mean!" by Dr. Richard T. Suntil, at 5d. net. Dr. Smith has come forward in a reasonable defence of the Lord's Day, and those who wish to conserve Sunday for the high and hummer purposes for which it was designed, will be strengthered by reading these pages.

signed, will be strengthered by reading these pages.

"Meatless Menns for Lunch, Dinner and Supper,"
edited by Dr. A. P. Laurie (W. and B. Chambers, isnet), continus over 300 recipes. Meatless meme is quite
an attractive topic in these days, but, unfortunately, many
consequence of food shortege and price after the conconsequence of food shortege and price there are
tashioned joint of beef. Amid the many secipes there are
compensatively slight cost. An days other than these the
recipes could be warmly commended as most attractive.

Church News.

Barry Docks.

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On Wedneday, January 16th, a very successful sale of work was held at the 17/se-street Church, Barry Docks, on behalf of the Debt Re-taction Fund. Rev. James Whittock presided. A flee a recitation had been splendidly rendered by Miss Grace Hancock, Mrs. Goorge Wedlake, one of the founders of our Earry Dock of the founders of our Earry Dock the afternoon and evening the sale was well patronised, and most of the goods were disposed of. The refershment stall was in the charge of the male members of the church. The proceeds, including Mrs. Control. 18 (Feat credit is due to the ladies' sewing class and the young ladies of the lancy class for their good work.

Berwick-on-Tweed.

The missionary returns this year have exceeded the record of last, the financial result approximating 250. Rev. W. Glover, of Glasgow, again lavoured as deputation.

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At Barnethy, a Treasury note and ailver tree service was held on January 23rd, on babalf of dabb reduction. The chapel was babalf of the bright was seen and the control of the c

White the Bartherood anniversary was helden January 27th and 20th. On Sanday Hev. Jenuer Trebulco 20th. On Sanday Hev. Jenuer Trebulco Mr. W. Strange gave powerful and Mirring addresses. In the afternoon a musical service was hold, arranged by Hr. F. Cook. Those teking part were Mim Ivy Underhill, Mrs. Dewfall, Miss Laurs Chapman, Mr. Mr. A. Pope. On the Monday Hr. J. Craft presided, when a pageant, entitled "The Golden Chain of Empire." was given by the young people of Betheeda U.M. Sundayschool. Conductor, Rev. A. Tatter-still. Accompaniet, Miss Darns Weeks. One upon the pilondid success of their effort. The anniversary prored a great success. Private Percy Brown ably presided at the organ. Whitehall Brotherhood anniversary was organ.

Brotton

Annual missionary meetings have been concluded upon the circuit. Services were conducted by the minister, Rev. J. Ramson, the conducted by the minister, Rev. J. Ramson, Morr, Ward and Badd. Financial returns constitute a circuit record, showing an increase of £9 53, 10d. for the round. Over £8 was also contributed at Christmas for the mission at Whitechapel, 84. George's Halli.

Burton-on-Trent First.

Burton-Ga-Trent Friest.

Our Modey-street friends have just held a birthday party, in connection with which a la associated with the church were asked to place a penny for every year that they had been blessed with life into an envelope and hand it in at the social arranged. The church has just apont 2010 for Christopher Church has just apont 2010 for Christopher Church has just apont 2010 for Christopher Church has just a the front and in training camps. This effort is very satisfactory in Mrs. Jessie Middlebrock, a member who

immediately after the latter undertaking and about six weeks after a bazaar. Carlinto

In consection with our church at Great Corby on soltertainment was given for the school children. A splendid tes was previded. Each child received a book prize, which were distributed by Conneiller W. Fouter. Mrs. W. Foeter gave a namber of books as special prizes. The New Year Leve Chiroly sear from the Castley was well become the control of the valuable services. Mr. and Mrs. H. Hobinson had the whole management, assisted by the young people. On the Sunday alternate, indicate the children gave also also the control of the c In connection with our church at Great

Docking.

On a recent Sunday the scholars of the Sunday-school at Brancaster Blaithe decided to brago their purses in order to send cided to brago their purses in order to send and as a result the sum of 21 has been considered to the sum of 22 has been been used to the sum of 22 has been been used for the Orphanage, reselting in the sum of 42, which, for a school of from twenty to thirty young wholars, is voy creditable indeed.

joined the church over fifty years ago, and was over carroot and ready in service until ago issuited her sphere. The ages of these three members aggregated over two gracious over the proper than the service of the se

Guisborough

Gaisborough.

On January 2nd and 3rd "At Homes" were held in the action/nom. On the first evening Rev. and Mrs. W. Dixon were host and hostens, and on the second craning, owing to the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Jones of the second craning to the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Jones and Miss Goodwill served in this expansive subjected in an analysis of the second craning the second property of the present liabilities at \$788, with the prespect
of a further aubstantial reduction this year.
A spirit of hopefulness and gratitude pervades the church. Congregations are inspiring, and a visit from the connexional evangelist is being agerly anticipated.

Kilbura

Wembley sale of work, with a gold and silver tree, was held on January 25ed. Mr. R. B. Mason, the expected open-being unable to come. Rev. G. Shaprott-officiated in his steal. Mrs. Conver. of Watford, gave a brief address and stripped the tree. The total result ex-

genled our best hopes. It was found at the close the tree and sale realised 247. After clearing all expenses for the year we shall devote 240 to dobt reduction, which with 250 from Six W. P. Hartley, will easile us to page 250 off the debt. We tender our hearty thanks to all our friends.

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Ekeston.
Under the auspices of the Women's Guild at Hennfe, apecial services were held on Suraky, Janpary 20th, the prescher of the Suraky, Janpary 20th, the prescher or none were most inspiring. Must Ekie Dagguley, Long Eston, was the soloist, and sang with much sweetness throughout the day. In the afterneon an enjoyable on Tuesday, January 22nd, a very successful social was held. The proceeds, which were very satisfactory, were for the trust lunds.

Macclesfield.

Macclesticid.

On Saturday, January 26th, numerous friends gathered with the members of the Poynton Church' to do hosour to one of its aged and most highly esteemed members, Mr. Ianac Needham, who has just constitution of the church. The eccasion was celebrated by the presentation of a beautifully disigned and executed illuminated address, supplied by our cwn Book Room. For quality of workmandip and flinish, towas creatly admired, and all left it reflected great credit on our General Book



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Steward, Mr. W. Goodwin presided, and was supported by Rev. W. Lawrence and Meastra. E. Singleton, W. Daniels and E. A. Meggitt, all of whom spoke fittingly of Mr. Needham's werth and charmeter. The presentation was made on behalf of the church and Mrs. Needham of how much they were loved and admired by all their people, to which Mr. Needham grainfully and feelingly replied. The artists were two grand-children, Mrs. Harding and Miss. A following the Mrs. Harding and Miss A Miss Hooley. Market Reason.

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Market Rasen.

On Wednesday, January 22rd, an anveiling ceremony was held at Netileton (Market Bassen). The table_inveiled was sledicated in memory of Tom Andrews, who, leftoregiving his life for his country, who, leftoregiving his life is his constant, and church was filled with relations and friends. Rev. T. Ellerton and Mr. T. Kell, of Nettleton Manor, officiated. Mr. Kell, who unveiled the tablet, paid a high tribute to the life and character of the decessed.

Middleton

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For three successive years our missionary returns have registered a record. We have just completed our round of survices, and are highly pleased with the results. Rev. excellently. Hat descriptive addresses excellently. Hat descriptive addresses were most illuminating and empiring. The following sums were crisical: Mortougstrock, 57 16s.; Ehodes, £5 16s. 5d.; Ewdee, £15 2s.; Jumbo £7; total, £33 16s. 5d., which is £3 above last year and the highest amount over raised by the circuit.

Northallerton.

On Thursday lost we had a visit from Miss Hetha Richards. Miss D. Fanthorpo rendered two solos, and Mrs. Fairbairn accompanied for the occasion, Rev. J. Rigby introduced Miss Richards to a splen-did audience. The effort realised 25, and did audience. The

Nottingham First.

Notingham First.

Nethorfield choir ansiverary was held on Saturday and Sunday, January 26th and 27th, when we were lawoured with a visit from Miss Ekie Bicheno, elocutionist, of Kettering, who charmed the great audience that gathered on the Saturday night to hear her recitain. On Sanday the state of the second of Carlon. At the evrning service Miss Bicheno, by request, gave the sermon recital, "The Alabuster Bor," to a large and interested congregation. This is Miss Bicheno's first visit to Netherfield Charch, and it has been a few collections of the service of the ser

Orrell.

The missionary services on this circuit were held on January 20th to 24th. Rev. were held on January 20th to 24th. Rev. served us excellently-as deputation, his sermous and week-night addresses being much appreciated. The financial result was the highest that the circuit has yet achieved, and was 26 in advance of last year. Here are encouraging sugns of an excellent processing the service of the control of t people nere

Peterborough First.

people area.

The recent missionary round has been the most successful for many years past. Rev. A. Humphrey Richardson, formerly a scholar in the New read Sanday-school, was a most effective deputation. His seranous was the series of the series of the series of the series and in missionary work. Financial increase 29 19s, 7d. The annual clurch fraternal was held at Now-road on January 25th, when it was found that all the church funds were in a satisfactory condition. 277 10s. and the series of the se

Ripley.

In response to an invitation to visit Pye-Hill, Rev. J. T. Clarke gave a splendid recital on Saturday, January 26th, and conducted services on Sunday, January 27th. His sermons and recitals will be delightful recollections for some time to come. The proceeds amounted to £4 7s. 6d.

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Both chapel and school were filled to overflowing on Simday evening, when as the control of the con

Strattord-on-Avon.

Strattegd-on-Avon.

A most successful series of missionary services and meetings were held in this circuit last week. Rev. A. Bateson, of Birmingham, made a splendid deputation, preaching at Stratiord morning and evening on Sunday, the Junior Endeavourers giving a jurenile missionary service in the alternoon. Public meetings were held at Citiford Chambers, Monday, chairman M. H. Dunce; Stratford, Tuesday, chairman M. H., Dunce; Stratford, Tuesday, chairman A. L. Ha, Bailey; and Wellesbourne, Thurday, chairman M. Rilley; Brown, J.P. The income advanced from \$9 last year to \$20 this.

Swindon First.

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Cricillade-road Endaccur: Society held their anniversary on January 26th and their anniversary on January 26th and their anniversary on January 26th and carellent entertainment. The Sunday services were conducted by Private Bradahaw, of Streatham, with the assistance of Private Hugget as soloist. Large congregations thoroughly enjoyed the efforts of these lads in khaki. Our circuit has the assistance of many of the men from Draycott Camp Sanday by Sunday, and we also the Camp Sanday by Sunday, and we almost Camp Sanday by Sunday, and we almost Camp Sanday by Sunday, and we almost control to the service in the alternoon, and, under the leadership of Mrs. Reade and Mrs. S. Fry. rendered a good account of themselves. Mr. W. Rudde was in the chair. Financial proceeds well above last year.

Thetlord.

Our church in Thetford is under deep obligation to the talented men who are now stationed in the camp. Just before Christ-mas the choir (augmented), under the leadership of Air Mechanic G. E. Vauz, the mas the choir (augmented), ander the leadership of Air Mechanic C. E. Vaux, the distinguished organist of car South Bank (Yorks) Glucch, most creditably rendered Handel's "Messiah." For our Christmas Depót Concerts Party, organied by Copporal Wilkinson, a talented musician and choirmaster in one of our Durham chapsks. The Toen Hall was crowded, large numbers being turned away. Proceeds nearly 220. Last week-god we were lavoured with (S.C.F.), when our Endeavour anniversary services were held. Crowded congregations were present at all the services. On Sunday afternoon Air Mechanic Vaus gare an organ 'secilat,' which was most highly appreciated. Under the leadership of this ing to give Sismer's "Crucifican" on Good Friday. So he "leads us on by paths we did not know," and especialism" on Good Friday. So he "leads us on by paths we did not know," and especialism" on Good Friday. So he "leads us on by paths we did not know," and especialism" on Good Friday. So the "leads us on by paths we did not know," and especialism" on Good Friday. So the "leads us on by paths we did not know," and especialism" on Good Friday in the control of the Good Friday of the Copper of the control of the Copper of

Walkden.
The annual missionary meetings were held January 20th to 23rd. The deputation consisted of Revs. J. M. Brown, B. Betfy and J. R. Tranmer. The amount was over 2100, which is the highest for many years, and almost bests whe record for the circuit.

Wallingford.

To aid the noble work of Sir Arthur Pearson in training our war blinded soldiers and sailors at St. Dunsian's Hostel, London, a very successful two-night

concert was given on January 22nd and 24th by our schelars, and young people. The programme was efficiently rendered under the leadership of Mrs. Bonney, Miss Townsend and Miss. Dearlove, A.L.C.M. Not stiffing localities. nncer the teadership of Mrs. Bonney, Miss. Townsend and Miss Dearlove, A.L.C.M. Not within knowledge has the Temperance Hall of the town been so well filled. The proceeds amounted to £20 13s.

Women's Missionary Federation.

Carliste

Deeby

Derby.

The monthly meeting wis held at Monfistreet (First Creati). Mrs. J. C. Wenn
presided, and Mr. W. J. Eichdonso led
in prayer. The scripture was read by Mrs.
Joses Brown, and the missionery letter by
the secretary. The speaker, Rev. W.
Norcrosa (missionary deputation) gave a
splendid address on "The Women in
Africa." Two charming soots were contributed by Miss A. Carney, Mrs. Arthurtion was taken. Ten was cerved by Mrs.
Henry Holgkinson (hostess), and thanks
eiven by Mrs. G. W. Turner and Mrs. A.
Morgan (president). A good financial
result. result. Hull.

An altermon recital was given at Clowes Charch, Jarrattestreet, by Mr. F. W. Brett, the eminent Dickens elocutionist, who delighted the large company present. Solos were sang by Mis S. R. Garland, accom-manced by Mis S. D. Richardson. Mrs. W. Smith presided. Rev. W. M. Keilev and Miss Bows rotted the thanks of the

Middlesbrough

Middlesbrough.
The auxiliary held a well-attended meeting at Linthorpe-road Church. Rev. J. W. Prec, recently returned from South Africa, spoke of the great possibilities of cur work in South Central Africa. Mrs. Fliatoff rendered a solo, and Miss Hornsby read by the control of the control ladies ganerously provided refreshments.

The collection realized \$1 6s, 6d.

Preston First.

Presents First.

The monthly meeting of the Saul-street.
Auxiliary was held in the schoolroom, when
Mrs. Leuty gave an address on our African
Missions. A good attendance of her old
friends gave a hearty welcome to Mrs.
Leuty, whose husband was a former minister of the church. The chair was occupied
by Mrs. W. D. Jucson, the blisses E. and
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method of the excellent and constant which greatly added to the attractiveness of the programme. Well-deserved mention was made of the excellent and constant service rendered by the secretary of the Auxiliary, Miss Walmsley. Light refreshments concluded a most enjoyable evening.

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