

of the extent to which sensational, misleading and unsound literature, of various degrees of corruptness, is spread before the young in books and papers.

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THE WORLD WHAT WE MAKE IT.—A man's world is pretty much what the man himself makes it. It is true in psychology that what the mind itself contributes to the making of a conception, is at least as important as what the outer world supplies for that conception.

While this exhibition was in progress in Chicago, St. Louis was entertaining the National Cattlemen's Convention. The Sheikh of the southwest, west and northwest, whose herds range the wide prairie of Texas, Nebraska, Wyoming, Montana, and other grazing regions, met to discuss measures of common concern.

Correspondence.

For the Christian Messenger. Stray Leaves from the Park.

No. 4.—ALL ABOUT BEEF.

Cotton is King in the South, and corn is King in the North, but North and South forget all sectional rancor to pay homage to good old Queen Cow.

One of the most noteworthy ripples on the autumn life of Chicago, is the All-comer's Fat Stock Show, which annually enlivens the drear November.

Truly it is a goodly sight. Here are the stockholders. This aldermanic red steer which tops off the row by which we walk tips the scale at 2,700, and many a stalled ox stands in his order, of almost equal gravity.

But the prince of this whole kingdom of beefsteak beams upon us from the right, Clarence Kicklevington, the milk-white steer. He comes from Brantford, Canada, and is the property of the Canada Western Farming Stock Association.

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A novel incident of the show, was the attempt of an expert to slaughter and dress an ox, in full ball costume—the expert, not the ox—without having a drop of blood stain his raiment.

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and Montana, to the old Canadian line. Many northern ranchmen seriously object to this measure, partly because the grazing regions of the north are sufficiently occupied, and partly because they fear the ravages of the Texas fever.

Among the incidents related of the Convention is that of the cattle-sheikh and the cards. A youth on lucre intent stationed himself near the entrance to the hall, with a display of visiting cards.

The above suggests the story of the cattle nabob, and the railway nabob, which Chicagoans still delight to repeat. In the days before the wonderful growth Chicago had distanced the rivalry of St. Louis, a stranger, with his pants in his boots and cowboys sombrero on his head, of unattractive garb and demeanor came to the cattle city, and walked into the general office of one of the leading western railways.

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SEBRAC. Morgan Park, Chicago, Dec. 11, 1884.

In Memoriam.

MRS. ALEXANDER BAIN.

Died at her late residence, Oct. 7th Mrs. Sarah C. Bain, wife of Alex. Bain, Esq., and daughter of Stephen and Charlotte Patten, of Wellington, aged 36 years.

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PELEG FREEMAN.

On Friday, the 23rd of Nov. 1884, Peleg Freeman, after a long and painful illness passed away quietly from the agitated scenes of this world to that rest that remains for the faithful in Christ Jesus.

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Bible Lessons for 1885.

FIRST QUARTER.

- 1. Jan. 4—Paul at Troas. Acts xx. 2-16.
2. " 11—Paul at Miletus. Acts xx. 17-27.
3. " 18—Paul's Farewell. Acts xx. 28-38.
4. " 25—Paul Going to Jerusalem. Acts xxi. 1-14.
5. Feb. 1—Paul at Jerusalem. Acts xxi. 15-26.
6. " 8—Paul Assaulted. Acts xxi. 27-40.
7. " 15—Paul's Defence. Acts xxii. 1-21.
8. " 22—Paul Before the Council. Acts xxiii. 1-11.
9. Mch. 1—Paul Sent to Felix. Acts xxiii. 12-24.
10. " 8—Paul Before Felix. Acts xxiv. 10-27.
11. " 15—Paul Before Agrippa. Acts xxvi. 1-18.
12. " 22—Paul Vindicated. Acts xxvi. 19-32.
13. " 29—Review.

SECOND QUARTER.

- 1. April 5—Paul's Voyage. Acts xxvii. 1, 2; 14-26.
2. " 12—Paul's Shipwreck. Acts xxvii. 27-44.
3. " 19—Paul Going to Rome. Acts xxviii. 1-15.
4. " 26—Paul at Rome. Acts xxviii. 16-31.
5. May 3—Obedience. Eph. vi. 1-13.
6. " 10—Christ our Example. Phil. ii. 5-16.
7. " 17—Christian Contentment. Phil. iv. 4-13.
8. " 24—The Faithful Saying. 1 Tim. i. 15-20; ii. 1-6.
9. " 31—Paul's Charge to Timothy. 2 Tim. iii. 14-17; iv. 1-8.
10. June 7—God's Message by His Son. Heb. i. 1-5; ii. 1-4.
11. " 14—The Priesthood of Christ. Heb. ix. 1-12.
12. " 21—Christian Progress. 2 Pet. i. 1-11.
13. " 28—Review.

THIRD QUARTER.

- 1. July 5—Revolt of the Ten Tribes. 1 King. xii. 6-17.
2. " 12—Idolatry Established. 1 Kings xii. 25-33.
3. " 19—Omri and Ahab. 1 Kings xvi. 23, 24.
4. " 26—Elijah the Tishbite. 1 Kings xvii. 1-16.
5. Aug. 2—Elijah meeting Ahab. 1 Kings xviii. 1-18.
6. " 9—The Prophets of Baal. 1 Kings xviii. 19-29.
7. " 16—The Prophet of the Lord. 1 Kings xviii. 30-46.
8. " 23—Elijah at Horeb. 1 Kings xix. 1-18.
9. " 30—The Story of Naboth. 1 Kings xxi. 4-19.
10. Sept. 6—Elijah Translated. 2 Kings ii. 1-15.
11. " 13—The Sunamite's Son. 2 Kings iv. 18-37.
12. " 20—Naaman the Syrian. 2 Kings v. 1-16.
13. " 27—Review.

FOURTH QUARTER.

- 1. Oct. 4—Elisha at Dothan. 2 Kings vi. 8-23.
2. " 11—The Famine in Samaria. 2 Kings vii. 1-17.
3. " 18—Jehu's False Zeal. 2 Kings x. 15-31.
4. " 25—The Temple Repaired. 2 Kings xii. 1-15.
5. Nov. 1—Death of Elisha. 2 Kings xiii. 14-25.
6. " 8—The Story of Jonah. Jonah i. 1-17.
7. " 15—Effects of Jonah's Preaching. Jonah iii. 1-10.
8. " 22—Hezekiah's Good Reign. 2 Kings xviii. 1-12.
9. " 29—Hezekiah's Prayer Answered. 2 Kings xx. 1-17.

- 10. Dec. 6—The Sinful Nation. Isa. i. 1-18.
11. " 13—The Suffering Saviour. Isa. liii. 1-12.
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