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Religion that does not have expression in every day right living is worthless.

In ore Anglican church in established that more than three thousand confessions were made last year to the priest in charge, after the manner of the Roman church. The Roman leaven is working to an alarm-

Great preparations are being made for the International Con-Society which is to be held in Cincinnati in July. A great attendance is expected. It is a question whether such immense gatherings have the best effect.

among teachers of boys, once said that to ministers and church membersthey need to be more than goodyhis wor'ts, and fight them like fury.

likely to adopt the fashionable folly.

Protestantism is gaining faster than Romanism in Europe. During the past twenty-five years Protestants have increased twenty-three per cent, and Catholics twenty-one per cent. In the last ten years, in Germany, Protestants have increased twenty-one per cent, while the Catholic growth has been only eighteen per cent. There are ten times as many converts from Catholicism to Protest antism as from Protestantism to Cath olicism. The majority of the children of mixed marriages become Protestants

There is no command in the Bible to which one who would win souls should yield such immediate and un reserved acquiescence as "Be filled with the Spirit." The fullness of the Spirit is a prime requisite. He is the fountain of wisdom; he is the source of courage; he is the inspirer of great faith; he sheds abroad the love of God in the heart; he is the gift of power. With his indwelling men are mighty through God to the pulling down of strengholds. It is wonderful what can be wrought through the power of the

"A christian, an upright man Spirit Gazette" says of Dr. Lyman Abbott. It is not often that a paper of the Gazette's class makes so kind and commendatory reference to a preacher. There is always a reason for it not at all complimentary to the person eulogized. Dr. Abbott has won the favour of the rum gang by advocating the moderate use of intoxicanteen and the liquor license system ; pat him on the back.

In England the Church Asso-

for a Roman Catholic Sovereign: in Sweden and Norway. Sweden had which that writer had in giving this Meetings are being held and resolu- prohibition of the manufacture, and story was to warn his readers against Roman Catholics in regard to the con- of them, and in 1834 the annual con-Coronation Oath, or the Royal declara- | spirituous liquors was quite appalling. tion against Transubstantiation, Drunkenness, pauperism, crime, every ment. If not changed within the last Mariolatry or the sacrifice of the Mass. species of misery, every form of degra-

somebody say to him, "I can be a chris-To such he may reply, Are you sure One thing is certain—you cannot be a Brunswick and Nova Scotia, and to any Christian and dictate terms to Christ. You cannot say what you will or will not do beforehand or at any stage in your Christian life. Why should one desire to withhold such public confession? Christ "loved the Church, and gave himself for it." Can you do less? of his truth, the method and agency by destroyed, Christianity could not survive. Love and life demand expression. The Church is the life of Christianity expressing itself. Do not trust the genuineness of your conver-London the confessional is so well you find yourself disinclined to unite one who refused to take this important step who "held out," or gave satisconstant testimony to his grace.

THE GOTHENBERG SYSTEM.

Thomas Arnold, that prince system of dealing with the liquor traffic conduct of the liquor company's busihas been frequently referred to lately ness require that the men in charge of he was tired of dealing with boys who by Canadian speakers and writers. In the drink shops shall receive salaries merely loved God; he wanted boys their anxiety to find some better method and have no interest in the profits of who not only loved God, but also hated of dealing with the traffic than is the devil. The statement will apply furnished in existing laws, sound kept clean, well lighted and comforttemperance men, have apparently, begun to think that perhaps the Swedish | that no sale shall be made to an intoxigoody, they should hate the devil and system would be an improvement on cated person or minor under 18 years anything we have. Those who have of age; that the shops be kept open spoken of it seem to assume that it is from 7.30 a.m. to 8 p.m. in winter, Swallow tail coats and low- a system of government ownership and and from 7.30 a. m. to 9 p. m. in necked dresses are the regulation control of the traffic, which is a mis- Summer, and on Sundays and holidays style of dress for Sunday evening take. It is not a system of government from 1.30 to 3 and from 6.30 to 8 p. church service in a London church, control, except as any form of license The service is held at a late hour to is -the license under this plan being a suit the fashionable people, who claim company instead of an individual. As dinner engagements and the like the matter is likely to be considerably been in operation in Gothenberg, and prevent attendance at the usual hour discussed, we desire, as intimated in a for lees time in other places. The claim of service. Other congregations are recent article, to give our readers such of its friends and advocates is that it information about it as will help them has reduced the consumption of liquors; form a judgment as to the desirability lessened drunkenness and other evils of introducing the system into this country.

> The system gets its name from the public welfare generally. city of Gothenberg, the Swedish city in which it was inaugurated. The thing to say in another article. Bergen system which is an adaptation of the Gothenberg, is in operation in Norway. It takes its name from the Norwegian city which first adopted the system. The principal difference between the systems is in the approinstitutions. But, as a matter of fact, the surplus ultimately reaches practioperations and effects practically the

The system may be briefly described against God." I have before me an thus: The municipal council is the article in a religious paper, in which icensing authority, and fixes the the writer, a doctor of divinity, desnumber of licenses required to meet cribes the course of a very prominent what are regarded as the requirements doctor of divinity, belonging to the of the public. Instead of issuing same denomination. That writer and a scholar," is what "The Wine and licenses to private individuals to traffic insists that God demands that all for their personal profit, the council christians should be "wholly sanctigrants a monopoly of the licenses to a | fied;" and, of course, that writer society of shareholders formed for the | means that all christians should commit purpose of acquiring them, and who no sin at all. But the other minister undertake to conduct the traffic in did not have such an understanding of what is called the public interest. The the teaching of the Bible. He did not profits of the shareholders are limited think that God required what his to five per cent per year on the paid extreme brethren said that God deup capital of the society, and the manded, and hence he opposed the cants, and championing the army surplus above this five per cent. is paid theory which the other preacher into the municipal treasury. The he even thinks Sunday liquor selling monopoly of the licenses is granted for should be allowed in cities that favour a few years at a time, and the council of opposition which the other minister the traffic. No wonder the rum papers retains control over the operations of the society.

tions of protest are every day being even of the use of spirits as early as opposing his special doctrine. It looks senttomembers of Parliament. Church- the sixteenth century, and, with inter- so. I know that Roman Catholic men and Nonconformists are acting to- missions, most of the time till 1774, priests seek to keep their subjects firm The Census. gether in this matter, and many Protest- and with good results. In 1774 the in the faith by telling them that they ant societies are entirely at one on this King, anxious for more revenue, de- would surely go to hell if they do not completion, It will probably be possubject, and are taking action through- cided to procure it by introducing the continue to believe what the priests out the country. The Manchester manufacture of spirituous liquors. He | tell them. careful to give the correct address of the Protestant Thousand, at its annual established "Crown" stills, and later | Let us not suppose that people will meeting, passed a resolution, 'viewing others were authorized for a consider- suffer some kind of awful punishment with alarm' any surrender to the ation, till there were many thousands THE DATE following the subscriber's name cession of a Roman Catholic Universumption of spirits was 45,000,000 mry make a specialty of. We are not sity for Ireland, or in regard to the gallons. The effect of this deluge of | yet infallible. dation and demoralization abounded Nearly every pastor has had Thoughtful people became alarmed Temperance societies were organized They worked with great zeal, against tremendous odds, and considerable progress was made in creating public sentiment against the traffic. After twenty years agitation they succeeded in getting legislation abolishing domes tic stills, and limiting the numbers of drink shops. The immediate effect of the law was to greatly reduce the annual product of spirits to about one-It is his historic witness; the vehicle fourth the quantity before produced. During the next ten years there were which he works. Were the Church several amendments more restrictive of licenses, and finally granting local option. The local option provision was taken advantage of in many places, and in many country districts no licenses were issued. In the towns sion or the sincerity of your love, if there was less improvement. In 1865 a committee of the municipal council with the Church. After many years' of Gothenberg reported that "the worst experience with professed Christians enemy of the morals and well-being of of all ages, the writer has never found the working classes is brandy;" that "neither local enactments nor police surveillance can do much so long as not. Our advice to them is to come ing extent in the Church of England. factory evidence of genuine conversion. public houses are in the hands of home as quickly as possible. There is True love never withholds any service | private individuals who find their profit | plenty of chance for work here. or confession. It covets the closest in encouraging intemperance;" and possible fellowship with the professed | they recommended the company system. vention of the Christian Endeavour followers of Christ, and in life, in The recommendation was adopted, a speech and public confession bears company was organized, and in October 1865 began operations.

The main features of the system are stated above. It needs only to be added What is known as the Gothenberg that the regulations governing the the traffic: that the premises shall be able; that all sales shall be for cash; m. In Norway the shops are closed on Sundays,

For thirty-six years this system has which result from drink, that it is financially advantageous to the community, and that it has promoted the

Of these things we shall have some

A WRONG SUPPOSITION.

There is a large class of christians who suppose that because other christians will not accept what they regard | fortnight has made the captures large | priation of the surplus profits of the as being a Scriptural requirement they traffic as carried on by them. By the will suffer some form of chastising Gothenberg (Swedish) system the judgment from God. The first class profits go to the municipal treasury to. of christians are very certain that they be used in public improvements. By know that what they require is God's the Bergen (Norwegian) system the requirement, for have they not a great profits are applied to charitable amount of Bible proof in favour of their contention? They will bring out a large array of Bible passages which, cally the same destinations in both according to their interpretation of countries, and the systems are in their them, comfirm their theory or demand.

Then they say that whoever will not accept their teaching is "fighting urgently advocated.

Our writer, after telling the career pursued, closes his narrative by stating that he died suddenly in a cloudy spiritual condition, leaving the infer-Before dealing with the working and ence that God's judgment of condemciation is strongly opposing any charge effects of the Gothenberg system, it nation was upon the man for his incredible, but let any of our readers themselves is shown by the statement has greatly increased their respectively. in the Coronation Oath. They look will help to a better understanding of opposition to such teaching as the put the same question to any company of Rev. Dr. B. F. Austin, of Toronto, Christian missionaries, and Christian description of the coronation of the corona upon the present agitation as an it and the reasons for it, to glance at writer had been giving. I have been of their friends, and see what is the till two or three years ago a well-known people of other lands, who have ttempt to open the way to the throne the history of liquor traffic legislation wondering as to whether the object result.

if they do not accept our views of Bible teaching, or the doctrines which we

C. H. WETHERBE.

A friend in West Somerville, Mass. n a recent letter, says:

"Some of the churches here have indertaken to make converts by sign ng tickets. They got about sixty to sign. But it is hard to find them in the prayer-meeting.

The hand-raising, card-signing re vivals are not particularly successful in permanent good results.

A Canadian Free Baptist minister, now in New England, writing of the desire to be at home, says:

"We look towards home with the same feeling we would have were we in Italy, i. e. because this is a foreign country-a country which from pulpit press, and lecture platform is everlastingly insulting the mother country—so great is the prejudice against everything British. The 'Star' reflects the spirit which is here."

The young men, in whom the British spirit still lives, do not need to stay where their flag and country are "everlastingly" insulted. And they ought

Rev. W. C. Keirstead will remain at Chicago University another year: He is to have a Scholarship which, with the tuition, is worth \$235, and is to have the standing of a Fellow in theology. He will continue to preach regularly. In a letter of recent date

the death of Rev. G. F. Currie. It is sad that he should be called away while yet so young. All you said in your editorial was very fitting because very true. He was a true preacher of

"I am very sorry indeed to hear of

Bro. Keirstead promises more letters for the Intelligencer so soon as he has more time. We are expecting the one on "Dowieism" very soon.

SOUTH AFRICAN NOTES.

There is not much news from South Africa, but what has been received is of the capture of Boer commandos, the aggregate being considerable.

Four of the Canadian contingent of the Baden-Powell police died on the voyage to Africa. One of them was Thos. Patton of St. John.

According to the London Standard of the 3rd inst, the War Office is more hopeful of the termination of the war in South Africa than it has been for and forage for the army based on the expectation that hostilities would be prolonged are likely to be cancelled. The daily round-up of small commandos and their leaders during the past in the aggregate, and other evidences are many that the end is not by any means as distant as pro-Boer sympathizers have prophesied.

POLITICAL NEWS.—It is intimated that Parliament may prorogue before the 24th inst.

Protest has been made against the election of Mr. McKinnon of East Queens, P. E. I.

It is again reported that the Minister of Justice, Hon. D. Mills, will like. They declare that they were soon become a judge of the Supreme Court of Canada.

DATES FORGOTTEN.—The rapidity with which people forget dates is illustrated by the following incident. An editor who was travelling with several other gentlemen ventured to inquire of an acquaintance if he could carry his mind so far back in English history as to remember the date of the death of her late Majesty Queen Victoria. Not only did the gentleman accosted ent. The President of the National fail to remember but no one else in Association made a statement which was himself in search of the informa- between 500 and 700 societies, and tion, happened to mention this as a now they have less than sixty. He curious occurance to four other literary added, however, that he believed that, men. Alas! not one could give though not organized as formerly, the date or be sure even of there are now more spiritualists than them in their sore need, and the the month. This may seem ever in the country. How they delude

NOTES ON CURRENT EVENTS.

The work of census-taking is nearing sible to announce the population of the Dominion in a few weeks.

THE PRESIDENT'S TOUR.

President McKinley started last week on a trip over the country, dur ing which he will go through twentyfive states and travel about 15,000 French priests and others impressing miles. He is everywhere being greeted most cordially by the people.

THE ANTICOSTI "KING."

Newfoundland is watching the Anticosti lord's movements. A St. John's writer points out that M. Menier acts as if the island were a little kingdom. and he its sovereign. He makes laws prohibiting this, that, and the other on Anticosti, and even prevents Newfoundland and Canadian fishermen from fishing in the three-mile limit, claiming jurisdiction within the territorial waters, as if he were a sovereign potentate. Mr. McGrath thinks is would be difficult for France to establish a military post on Anticosti without the knowledge of the British. A the same time the French have been aggressive in Newfoundland, where out of a small concession they have claimed sovereign authority. I may be the same way ere many years in Anticosti. If Canada could bring about the expropriation of the island at once she might save herself from as vexatious a complication as that which besets the ancient colony.

The indigo industry of India has vinces, which will have each the r been much interfered with by Germany, which makes indigo by chemical pro cess from coal-tar. It is a question whether the artificial product will not push the natural one from the market. The Indian trade in indigo is put at \$7,500,000 a year. Of late years the area grown with indigo has diminished, and the planters are in a bad way. The German Budische Company has nearly \$5,000,000 capital embarked in the business of manufacturing indigo from naphthaline, a product of coal tar. The Indian Government has been trying to help the sugar-growers by a tax on imported sugar to neutralize the bounty, and the duties smounted to \$500,000 last year, but the imports are hardly checked by the duty.

SALARIES INCREASED.

The salaries of judges in Quebec and the Northwest Territories have been increased. The judges in the other Provinces will have to wait for their increase. It may come some time. Why Quebec should be considered first 's not stated.

NATIONAL DEBTS.

Great Britain's debt is \$3,196,000, 000; Russia's is \$3,575,000,000 France's is \$6,000,000,000. Great Britain's is \$925,000,000 less than i was eighty years ago. Britain can borrow money now for less than three per cent. The fact that the recent weeks. The arrangements for food war loan was subscribed three times over, and that United States financiers bid for more than one-third of it shows the confidence financial men have in the British cause.

AN EXPENSIVE NUISANCE.

The Superintendent of Immigration Mr. Frank Pedley, giving evidence a few days ago before the Parliamentary Committee on Colonization and Agriculture, admitted that the disaffection among the Doukhobors is really greater than has been acknowledged by the authorities. The marriage, land, and registration laws of Canada do not suit these Russian refugees. They were told that Canada was a free country, which they understood to mean a country in which they could do as they deceived, and are no better off than they were in Russia. They might go back, or, what would perhaps suit them better, they might go to the United States where they can find laws, and no-laws, to suit their notions. They are apparently an expensive nuisance.

SPIRITUALISM. The spiritualists had a three days meeting in New York last week. About one hundred persons were presthe carriage could give even the month shows that the organization is waning. with any certainty. The editor, who He said that a few years ago they had Methodist minister, who assured the s much for their relief.

meeting that the churches in Canada are being honeycombed with spirit

THE EXPLANATION.

Mention has been made in these notes of the extraordinary efforts being made to make the census returns show a large French population. Conf. dential letters have been sent to on them the importance of having the French returns full. There has been no like appeal to English or Scotch or Irish or any other class; nor have any clergymen except the French priests sistian Ame been asked to assist census taking, beets the K

One of the confidential letters, sent sionary wo to the French priests, asks them to furnish the names, ages and occupatistian mart tions of persons in their parishes who have gone to the United States during __South A the last twelve months. These names he neglecte are to be added to the French population work i lation. Those who go from other sering, howe Provinces are not asked for, nor are mg neglected any in Quebec except the French sion in Bo The object of all these extraordinary of from Braz measures is to swell the French popul sasing intellig lation figures of Quebec. It is frankly explained by Le Soliel, a Quebec paper, ts have be

"The population of the Province of Quebec is the basis upon which is calculated the representation of the other provinces in the Federal Parliament, The constitution fixes at sixty-five the number of our representatives in the secution from House of Commons. If the census determines that our population is 1,750, - Of the 1 000 souls, that number divided by 65, the number of our representatives, wi give an average of 26,922 souls per rep resentative. This will be the basis earth to-da of the representation of the other prom when Jes of one representative for every 26,99 souls. If Ontario, for example, has population of 2,250,000, that number divided by 26,922 will give 83, which will be the number of the representatives from Ontario in the House Commons. At present it is 92, that it would lose nine representatives."

Attention has been called to matter in Parliament. The Premie replies, in effect, that the French people are somewhat ignorant and ne all these helps to get at the facts Mr. Fisher, whose department is sup posed to have charge of the census pleads ignorance of the confident letters till they had gone out, l thinks they must be all right; and M Tarte grows excited and calls any refer ence to the matter an attack on the French, raising the race cry &c. The is no objection at all to getting the fullest information possible concerning population and every matter w which the census has to do; but it is de cidedly objectionable to do on behalf of any one class of the population what is not done in behalf of all. that is wanted is a census fairly at honestly taken.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

It is stated that the mission of Ho Mr. Bond, Premier of Newfoundland to England has not been successful the matter of the French shore qu tion. It is to be hoped that this port is not correct.

If General Buller should be rether as is intimated will be the case, soldier who fought hard in the mo difficult position of the entire campail will have suffered an undeserved fat

The Filipino problem is approachi settlement. The people of the islan have been determined to get rid of t Friars. The United States has be compelled to yield to this deman The Friars will leave the island, United States buying out their claim Edinburgh does not take kindly

pro-Boer speeches. It is only Ottawa that the pro-Boer can di those who are base enough to di

London's population, according the census just taken, is 4,536,034.

----MISSION NEWS AND NOTE

-To drag the car of juggernaut now not a popular task. The far cruel old festival is dying out. 40,000 or 50,000 pilgrims visit the sacred to the cruel idol.

-North Africa has one Protes missionary to 125,000 Moslems Sahara has one to 2,500,000 Soudan, one to 45,000,000; West All one to 30,000; Central Africa, 80,000; South Africa, one to 14 heathen.

-It is said that the famine in is sure to have far-reaching rell results. It will lessen the faith of people in Hinduism, for the pr and the religious leaders did little did nothing; and on the other has

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