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Defiance of men, in a good cause, comes from reliance on God.

Said Andrew Bonar : Christ tians can sometimes do more by shin ing for God than by speaking for Him.

Doing good things with an eye to public notice and approval robs it is Truth. it is Life. them of their worthiness.

is some hing fixed and unchangeable. The Methodists have already

Here are some facts which conscience within us demands of us should move all chr stian workers to total absticence, and impels us to seek more earnest efforts in behalf of the the destruction of the liquor traffic. young. A Chicago minister made care- And to the degree of our relations, ful investigation to ascertain the age and the measure of our influence we at which most conversions take place. are under moral obligations on the He gives a summary of results derived | liquor question, to create and sustain from two thousand replies to the ques- [public sentiment in harmony with our tion, 'When were you converted ?' deeply cherished convictions All The conversions under nine years con-, signs indicate that we have taken the stituted five per cent. of the whole position of final triumpht number; between nine and twelve

This attitude and position must years, seven per cent. ; from twelve t | grow outside ourselves, for the stres fifteen, fourteen per cent. ; from fifteen o the broad church of God more and more is the rule of "the kingdom" to eighteen, fifty per cent.; from eighhere and now. Some leaders in the press deprecate this. They say the twenty to twenty-five, seven per cent., and from twenty-five to thirty, one per | liquor question is one that is divisive cent. He seems to have met with none | b cause of its political relations, and who were converted after they passed therefore should not be brought into thirty. There are such - not a great | the church. The liquor question is a many of them. But these figures con- moral question, and is but a po itical tain a suggestion to our young men question because the state cannot and young women in their teens that avoid it. No political question is outto any Free Baptist minister in New they put not off the day of conversion sid- morals. Right and wrong concern every question. Evil is not something abstract. It belongs to relations and conduct of living, acting beings. The fundamental princip'e of moral law does not teach us to

regu ate moral evil, but says imperatively "Thou shalt not." A nation is but the individual multiplied. Right and wrong are not made by numbers Principle is not dependent upon num bers ! to make more effective what is right the education of public ccn science is needed.

It would sometimes seem afar of when prohibi iou shall be the law of this Dominion. So did the inspiring change in the government of the city of New York, but it came.

means nothing. It is not simply Public good triumphed over private some hing to believe and profess. greed and odious wr ng. Publie con something to admire and defend ; but science awoke in majestic power and smote the ghastly image of brass Life is the opposite of death. D ath Suppers and miners had long been at work, and at last their labors were crowned with victory. Who can be hopeless? Who can despair? We are not in an orphan world. "God i in Bis Heaven" Yes! keeping watch over His own. Evil things are smitten by the breath of His mouth ; they are uprooted and cast out one by one by Him "who never is before His time, and never is behind.

CURRENT EVENTS. NOTES ON

PETERS' PENCE

there was no opportunity to bring Another decrease in the Pope's inany pressure to bear on the members come is announced. The annual reof the Legislature. Prohibitionists port for 1901 shows that the total will have to get ready to make themamount of the offerings of the faithful selves felt when next the Legislature was about £92,040. This sum represents barely one-third of the average

incon e before 1870. France, former y SMALLPOX IN QUEBEC. a most generous contributor, figures at

the bottom of the list, after this country and the United States. The signature in one of the papers of that falling-off of Peter's pennies in France is doubtless owing to the Pope's inter- city, that there are hundreds of fer nce in her domestic affairs. Italy smallpox cases in the city of which no heads the list, Austria comes next, the notice has been given to the Health officials. Compulsory vaccina ion is a United States is third, Germany is thing of the past and the by-law comnext, then follows Spain, Great Britain, and Belgium. One thing is cervaccinated is also disregarded, one tain, says the Roman correspondent of alderman especially being noted for 'The Cat'o'ic Times,' "namely, that not compe ling his men to undergo if the present falling-off in the output vaccination. Placarding is done away of Peter's perce continues for a few with, the patients unable to pay the years longer, the Holy See will be un-Hospital dues are allowed to run able to make both ends meet " loose, spreading the disease.

THE TELEPHONE.

In Denmark, Sweden and Norway the telephone system is brought within cheap and easy reach of everybody. In Copenhagan telephone automatons may be found everywhere, in shops, cafes, public offices, railway stations, and in a number of dwelling-house where many families reside. The telephone is placed near the front do r, and, as the door is always open, any one can go in from the street, drop a "ten ore" (about one cent) into the slot when the central station reports, "Ready." No connection, no pay. A sign outside the house aunounces the existence of a telephone within. These

telephone automatons are in great favor, and are used extensively. In

be hoped they may be shown to be foundationless.

CECIL RHODES.

place about the same time, so that

In the death of Cecil Rhodes the British Empire loses one of its great men. Though not quite fifty years of age he had accomplished great things. The son of an English country clergymin, he went to Africa because of frail health. While seeking health, he became as, says the Mail and Empire, "a pioneer of civilized com-One of Quebec's leading physicians, merce to the Dark Continent ; he h d Dr. Elliott. states over his own a task to accomplish, and he could neither foresee nor control the inc .dents. Of one thing, however, he was certain, and that was that the strong arm of Great Britian was, under the conditions he found, as necessary to Africa as the sun itself. Nor pelling employers to have their help is this hard to understand. The British had from long experience gained the art of controlling and governing the native races so as to help them along the pathway that leads to civilization. They had, moreover, the spirit of enterprise and the colonizing power that makes enterprise safe and remunerative. It was inevitable that the Anglo-Saxons should go in and possess the land. appointed for the Referendum vote in While the Dutch were maturing their plans te control South Africa Mr. Rhodes was leading that commercial section of them having resolved to invasion that was destined to prove have nothing to do with the vote. The irresistible. The organization of the British South Africa Company, the

rum traffic men are, of course, united in doing their utmost to win a vict ry. consolidation of the diamond fields, They are being assisted by the rum the extension of the railway to Bulumen of Ontario, Quebec and the other wayo were his achievements more Provinces-the Ontario gang being than those of anyone else. It was his especially anxious for a rum victory splendid dream to build the Cape to in Manitoba, because of the effect it Cairo Railway and thus unite the exwill have in their Province a few tremes of the continent. History will concede to Mr. Rhodes an intelligent patriotism, and a foremost part power of resistance in South Africa. but in that he was uot alone. He certainly did not overestimate the determination of the British people to vindicate their power and prestige. As a man who led the way in the civilization of the Dark Continent, he will be remembered long after those who misjudge him have passed from the scene and have been forgotten.

Ontario prohibitionists are getting in the redemption of Africa. He may ready to make themselves felt in the have underestimated the Dutch

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established a religious paper in the Philippine Islands. The Philippine Christian Advocate is its name.

The Baptists have had a most encouraging growth in Manitoba and the Northwest territories. They have now eighty-seven churches there. These churches embrace two hundred two preachers-forty-five of them ordained, have the care of these churches.

It is stated that the Pope prays for peace between the British and the Boers. That is well. He is one of a great host who offer the same prayer. He might do a little towards answering his prayers if he would exercise his influence upon his faithful followers in Ireland and elsewhere whose chief object in life is to hate Britain.

tians would be found wanting. Who can deny that it is a fair test ? Love for God will find expression in sup porting His work.

Says bishop Wilson: The man of fifty thousand dollars who brings five, twenty, or one hundred dollars to the altar of Goć, and says "This is all I have to spare,' lies to God or Ananias never did. Tens of thousands are in luxury, spending money for vanity and pride, gluttony and sensuality, submitting a mere bag atelle to the use of the Holy Spirit.'

That was the very opposite of a compliment when a wicked man licenticus and a drunkard, speaking of him ! He's a jolly good fellow ! We never feel uncomfortable in his presence as we did with his predecessor. He's just like one of us, and we feel quite at home with him !'

The minister who can be spoken of in that way by that kind of a man in which His Lord would have him walk.

During his recent mission- conscience was in "captivity," ard ary tour, Mr. John R. Mott visited a there was a lack of "knowledge." The P.Q., was elected on Thursday, defeatcollege in Ceylon. He tells, in the prophet became a God-conscience on Missionary Link, that he found there a the question, took it into the church, band of students so poor that sixteen and supplied the lack of "knowledge;" of them occupied one room. Near the g ving conviction and pointing a path building was a garden, in which they to walk in. Thus we have (1) an attispent their spare time cultivating tude towards a grave and great public bananas. When he inquired, "What question; and (2) a centre of action do you do with the money ?" they took clearly expressed, and an incumbent him to the shore and pointed to an obligation to arouse public conscience is and off in the sea. "Two years ago," and seek to destroy the "curse of they said, ' we sent one of our gradu- curses." ates there. He started a school, and The attitude is accepted in a general it has developed into a church. We way by the church today, but there is are going to send him to another island a marked difference as to definite aim. this year." Their cook laid aside every As a centre of action, we are growing tenth handful of rice, that they might to it. As Free Baptists we are personse l it, in order to have Christ preached ally total abstainers, and prohibitionists. We have solved the liquor quesmore widely.

Life has in itself the power of progress and transformation. Death has no fruit but ashes ; but Life has abundance of fruit as manifested in character. The truth of the Gospel is not dis-

l ttle or no disposition to repent.

"THE LIFE IS THE LIGHT OF

MEN."

The living christian is the best evi-

dence of Christianity. If evidence is

not found in the personal life it is not

to be found at all. Withou this fruit-

age of changed and clean, useful life

the Gospel is but a form of sound

words, the teachings of Christ are only

beautiful sayings, and the Church is

naught but a human organization.

Christianity was instituted for man,

and it either means all to him or it

proved if it be shown that this man or that man who professes it has no genuine 'resu'ts to show. It only proves that his profession is not genuine. For and fifty preaching stations. Seventy- Paul says, "If any man have not the spirit of Christ"-he does not mean the words or doctrine of Christ but rather the life-"he is none of his."

The truth of the Gospel is proved where the fruits of the Spirit are found, and without this proof all other proof is unsatisfactory.

There is not hing in all the divine revelation equal to the life of Christ in influence upon us. It is of absorbing interest for man ; it brings home to us the love and mercy of God for a fallen race ; it fully and clearly presents to

The increase in the contribu- our understanding God's plans and tions of christians in Japan to religious purposes for us. So there is in the purposes is noted as one of the special life of the humblest Christian someevidences of their growth in spiritual- thing of infinitely greater value as a ity. Judged by the test of support of demonstration of the truth of Christhe Lord's cause many professed chris- | tianity than the oldest or the newest creed or the most orthodox Church. M.

PUBLIC CONSCIENCE.

The conscience of a Community, i in its public sentiment, sustaining that which is right, condemning that which is wrong. It may be weak or it may be strong, active or dormant, being subject to conditions. When weak, there is a lack somewhere; when strong right conditions are being fulfilled.

The church of God is an embodied conscience. On some questions there is difference of conviction, but on all questions there is an acknowledged obligation - obedience to the moral a cer ain minister, said : "We like sense. The advance and the rear guard has been the march of progress in all the ages, the advance becoming the rear guard in the onward march. Growth of moral values, the higher appreclation, and the deeper sense have ever evoked dividing lines. The fuller man, the greater God ; and the must have departed far from the path deeper sense of God, the larger moral

> There was a liquor question in Isaiah's day, as in ours, and public

THE LATEST. - A new religious sect has started in Russia, called Podpoini-

ki, which signifies "Dwellers Under the Earth." They pledge themselves to care for all fugitives from justice. vagabonds, deserters from the army, and other miserab e beings, whom they hide away in clefts or holes in rocks. Those among their own people who dents have been set aside in the case fall sick are treated in the same way, of Dr.A. Kuyper. Dr. Kuyper is now but are left without food or drink of sixty-four years of age, having lead a any kind, Every two or three days they visit the sick. Shou'd any be body living has. He is the leader of dead they are buried secret'y, but not the evangelical church party in Holland, before the corpses are baptized and having established a free university have received a new name in order whose professors are appointed by the that the soul may appear spot'ess before the throne of heaven.

A MINISTER'S CHILD. - Says the Presbyterian Witness: In 1890 Presbyterian minister and his wife and child belonging to Rochester, N. Y., were on a train which was wrecked near Hamburg, New York. The minister, Rev. E. E. Stewart, and his wife were killed. The child, a girl two years old, was found unhart, but suf fering from cold. Frank Conger picked up the child and saved her and adopted her. Mr. Conger died recently, leaving his estate-said to be worth \$6,000 000, to the young givl of 14 whom he picked up that night.

SHE KNEW.-Rev. Dr. Shutter adressing a Sunday-school in Boston upon the lesson, which was about Auanias and Sapphira, he asked how promptly answered, 'They fell down and died.' 'Now, then,' said Dr. Shutter, 'suppose such punishment pen?' Then a meek little gfrl arose, ward Island has 1,447 males and 3,251 send more if they were needed. and said solemnly, 'There would not be any people left on the whole earth !

POLITICAL NEWS .- George Loy, the males and 706 females. Government candidate for Beauharnois, ing Mr. Bergereon by a majority of 158. The Quebec legislature was prorogued Wednesday. The session was

Sweden and Norway the telephone system is, if possible, still more developed In some hospitals it has been decided to affix a telephone to the bed of the patient desiring it, and he or she may thus converse over the wire with friends or relatives who may also

THE PREACHER-PREMIER.

have telephones.

The following ske ch of Dr. Kuyper, Holland's preacher-premier, is interesting : It is a very singular turn of affairs by which the first bona-fide Premier of Holland is found in the foremost evangelical preacher and the cabinet has not accepted any one member as its chief; but all piece-"strenuous life" from his youth if anychurch, not by the state. He has

built up the most widely circulated newspaper published in the Dutch language ; established a great church at the capital ; held a professorship edited a cyclopedia ; given to the world more than one hundred publications-the last being a monumenta work upon The Holy Spirit-written an opera, and visited America as popular lecturer. In his own home he maintains the family altar which was erected in his younger days. In his public life he seeks the things that make for peace.

THE WIDOWED.

A census bulletin tells that of the widowed in Canada Ontario has 30,955 females; the North-west Territories

have 1,674 males and 2,458 females; the unorganized territories have 756

Provincial general elections soon to take place. An appeal they issued to the electors says:

MANITOBA AND ONTARIO.

months later.

Wednesday of this week is the day

M nitoba. The prohibitionists are

not at all united in thier action, a la ge

The united and energetic liquor traffic has won a temporary victory. The reasonable requests of the conven tion of February 25th last have been refused by the Government and the Legislature, only four members voting for them. Our only hope for success is in such elec oral action, untrammeled by partyism, as will give us representatives who will fearlessly stand for our principles uninfluenced by any subservience to the liquor interests, or the dictation of any party machine..... We stand on the principle embodied in the unanimous declaration of the convention of theologian of the realm. Heretofore February 25th. We cannot consent to the injustice of legislation in ac cordance with the wishes of a liquorfavoring minority and against the demand of the voting majority, that majority being on the patriotic and unselfish side. Prohibition is the ght legislative method of dealing with the liquor traffic. It has been emphacically endorsed at the polls, and on'y men who favor it have any claim upon your support as temper ance electors.

> It is therefore our plain and impera tive duty to strive to elect in the Sunday excursions. approaching campaign such men as can be depended up n to carry out this princ ple. We must secure the nomination and election of reliable candidates, who will undertake, regardless of party, to support the bringing into operation of prohibitory legislation to the limit of the ascertained jurisdiction of the Provincial Legislature Whlle we protest against the unjust requirements of the referendum plan, we deem it our duty to stand by the cause we have always supported, and we earnestly urga our people to organize to secure another victory in the referendum on December 4th.

New Zealand's ninth contingent to South Africa has just gone forward. ma'es and 62.916 females ; Quebec has Great enthusiasm marked the depart-22,281 males and 41,506 females;] ure of that colony's ninth thousand to Nova Scotia has 6 569 males and 15,- share in the struggles of the Empire. 907 females ; New Brunswick has 4,- The Premier said, though New they were punished. A little one 817 males and 10,149 females; Mani- Zealand had already spent many toba has 2,727 males and 3.962 hundreds of thousands of pounds in females; British Columbia has 2,372 sending men to Africa, they did not were in force to-day, what would hap- males and 2,821 females ; Prince Ed- count the cost and were ready to

SUNDAV WORK.

At a meeing held in Toronto last week, the executive of the Lord's Day All ance of Canada resolved to send a delegation to the managers of railway systems asking them to "make effort to secure cessation of the great and increasing unnecessary traffic on Sun days." It was estimated that almost 50,000 persons are deprived of their weekly day of rest by Sunday traffic. The dominion government will be asked to see what can be done to prohibit importation into Canada of Sunday editions of American newspapers and landing in Canada of American

Miss Ellen M. Stone, the released missionary, has started for London. Thence she will sail for America.

It is reported that 10,000 people will come from Dakota to settle in Canada this season.

It is intimated that Father O'Leary may be sent to South Africa to locate the graves of Canadians and erect over them memorial stones.

The British War office has cabled the Canadian Agriculture department not to ship any hay or supplies during the month of April. It is expected that the supply ships will sail again in May.

There are rumours that there may soon be another strike of the C. P. R. trackmen.

It is now stated that May 20 h is the date fixed for turning over the island of Cuba to its own people.

Another evidence of the incorrectness of the census is furnished by Kingston, Ont. Believing that the census takers had not done the town, a police census was taken, and there were discovered some fifteen hundred The British War Office has ex- people more than had been accounted pressed a desire to recruit another for by the dominion census enumercontingent of troops in Canada for ators. service in South Africa. And although WOMEN IN BUSINESS IN PRUSSIA The head of Prussia's state railways has announced that for the future as many women as possible with be employed by them in those posts suitable for women. They will hold positions at the ticket offices, be telephone clerks in the counting offices. &c In Prussia a great many women are already employed in various government posts, and each year sees fresh openings made for them. In Germany there are numbers of women dentists, as well as doctors. Many men dentists have women assistants.

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ANOTHER CONTINGENT.

NEW ZEALAND.

Some christians in this favoured tion for onrselves. We have taken it ill. land may learn something of the spirit within the church, and have made our of christian service from these poor attitude towards it a constituent elestudents.

unusually short, lasting only five weeks.

A VILLAGE SOLD -A New Jerey village was sold at Sheriff's sale a few days ago for \$1000. The name of the place was Halberton, and it has some them. five thousand acres of land and two hundred houses in it. It was started Nova Scotia Government Refused. as a colony for Russian Jews from New York, in 1893, but the inhabitants did not come.

DR TALMAGE, is reported seriously

Electricity travels at the rate ment of our moral conduct. The God- 238,000 miles per second.

MORMONS IN CANADA.

A thousand Morm ns started last no official announcement has yet been week from Utah for Alberta. Cardston made, it is understood that the reis the head-quarters of Mormons in cruiting will be "permitted" on the the Northwest, and is a flourishing settlement. The Mormons who come

same terms as the last contingent --the British government paying all into this country are pledged to leave the bills, and the Canadian governpolygamy behind them. Perhaps they ment having the patronage involved do. It would he just as well for the in the appointment of officers, the authorities to have a careful eye on expenditure of the money etc.

CROOKEDNESS CHARGED.

It is charged that in connection The Nova Scotia government's rewith the sale of the Danish West ply to the prayer of the prohibition-Indies to the United States there was ists of that Province for a Prohibitory the corrupt use of \$500,000 to secure Law is that "for various reasons it the support of certain persons to the would not be exped ent to introduce bargain. A member of the House of a Provincial Prohibitory Act at the Representatives has made the charges present time." The denial of the in the House, and asked for a commitprayer of the prohibitionis's and the ! tee of investigation. Of course, there prorogration of the Legislature took are denials of the charges, and it is to

The largest empirein the world is that of Great Britain, being 8,557,658 square miles, and more than a sixth part of the globe.

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