

Our Contributors.

A LURKING DANGER.

An immense amount of serious danger lurks in much of the literature which young people read. In many instances the youth of the land are totally ignorant of the real character of the bad books and papers which they read. Most pernicious sentiments and destructive doctrines are often so gilded with plausible stories and false pretensions that unsuspecting ones are thereby trapped into an absorbing reading of them, and then the mind is poisoned and imperilled. In numerous instances even Christian parents are at fault in this matter, because they do not exercise a necessary supervision of the reading which falls into the hands of their children. It becomes all parents, so far as they are capable, to ascertain the kind of books and periodicals which their children are about to read. Rev. Dr. L. G. Broughton, of Atlanta, Ga., in a sermon from the text, "Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap," says: "One day a whole community in a western section of our country was greatly perplexed by the most awful murder ever committed. A boy was found lying by the roadside with his skull fractured and his heart cut out of his body. It was discovered that the lad's playmate did it. When they traced the history of the lad's playmate and the murder to its origin, it was found that in that boy's father's library was a book, giving an account of the life of Jesse James, the notorious robber and murderer. It is said that every hideous passage was marked with a pencil. The book showed that it had been used more popularly than any other book in the library. Perhaps the father never read it. He remembered buying it, but denied ever reading it. The young boyish mind got that hideous thing and fed upon it until, as a result, the whole mind was on fire to do some devilish thing. In a moment of rage, when the pent-up fire had ignited, that hideous deed was committed." And this is a sample of thousands of similar cases, though perhaps less awful. A terrible danger lurked in that book, yet the father of the lad did not know it, it seems. But it was his duty to see that no such book was allowed in his library, nor even in his house. It is true that some young people will secretly possess bad books and newspapers, or story periodicals, knowing that their parents are strongly opposed to such reading. When parents have reason to suspect that their children are secreting bad literature they should promptly endeavor to persuade them to abandon it. Too many parents are readers of dangerous literature.

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Where Christ brings his cross, he brings his presence; and where he is, none are desolate, and there is no room for despair.—Mrs. Browning.

Comprehensive Card of Thanks.

I take this means in expressing my heartfelt thanks to all my friends and neighbors who assisted in any way or form in the recent death of my husband. Especially do I thank Rev. E. T. Herbeck for his beautiful sermon, the choir for their hymns; also the Improved Order of Red Men, Daughters of Pochontas, Liquor League, Bartenders' Union, Daughters of America, No. 37, and the famous Outing Club, of which he was an active member. I also thank Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Shotlin, Robert Shisler, Mr. Amsbaugh, Mr. Fry, Mr. Whitmer and Mr. Heximer. Mrs. Ida Hug and daughter, 909 East North Street.—*Canton Repository.*

The above is not unlike much that appears in connection with death notices—perhaps a little fuller, but the same kind. It would be far better if the writers of death notices would avoid some of the details of family connections, the indiscriminate eulogies, etc., that are becoming so common.



What Dowie Makes Them Promise.

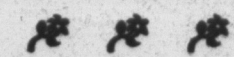
One of the letters of Rev. John Alexander Dowie to his agents who are now in New York preparing for the arrival of the Zion Restoration Host next October, contains the official wording of the vow—which every convert to Dowieism will be compelled to sign when received into the fold of Elijah II. This is a copy:

"I vow in the name of God, my Father, and of Jesus the Christ, His Son and my Saviour, and of the Holy Ghost, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, that I will be a faithful member of Zion Restoration Host, organized at the Shiloh Tabernacle in the city of Zion on Lord's day, September 21, 1902, and I declare that I recognize John Alexander Dowie, General Overseer of the Christian Catholic Church in Zion, of which I am a member, in his threefold prophetic office, as the messenger of the Covenant, the Prophet foretold by Moses and Elijah the Restorer.

"I promise to the fullest extent of all my powers to obey all rightful orders issued by him directly or by his properly appointed officer, and to proceed to any part of the world, wherever he shall direct, as a member of Zion Restoration Host, and that all my family ties and obligations, and all relations to human government shall be held subordinate to this vow, this declaration and this promise.

"This I make in the presence of God and of all the visible and invisible witnesses."

It is evident that Mr. Dowie intends to have his will recognized as supreme. It need not surprise any one if soon he requires his followers to worship him.



RELIGIOUS PAPERS.—The following is a list of United States religious papers and their aggregate circulation:

	No. Papers.	Circulation.
Catholics,	250	875,400
Methodists,	113	753,200
Baptists,	142	405,300
Presbyterians,	46	415,100
Jews,	45	238,900
Episcopalians,	54	142,700
Disciples of Christ,	22	127,200
Congregationalists,	19	112,800
Lutherans,	44	105,550
Adventists,	15	41,180
All others,	128	244,200
Totals,	878	3,521,530

RELIGION AND POLITICS.

The following is an extract from a recent address by Hon. S. B. Capin, in a New England town:

In a Congregational church the members went to the prayer-meeting at 7.30, and a little later, at 8 o'clock, almost every man went to the caucus, leaving the meeting in the hands of the pastor and the women. The presence of these Christian men at the caucus helped to prevent a wrong that was threatened.

"In an adjoining ward an important caucus was held, and the good and the bad were so nearly balanced that the latter triumphed by only one vote, and thereby put into office a man who was the tool of the saloon. Within a few rods of that caucus a prayer-meeting was being held in one of our leading Congregational churches, where there were forty men, any two of them, if they had gone to the caucus, might have nominated the good man.

"There is a time to pray and a time to go to the caucus, but if the prayer-meeting and the caucus are appointed for the same night, the Christian man's duty is at the caucus."

The lesson is plain. It is not to stay away from the prayer-meeting, nor to neglect any religious duty, but to do all that can be done on every line. There is a time for prayer, and there is a time for political work. There is a time to go to church, and there is a time to canvass voters.

We would like to impress our readers with the idea that the great object of Christianity is the uplifting of humanity and the power of a right life must find expression in the Christ-like work of doing good. Only as our religion helps us to overcome evil, and exalt righteousness is it of any value to the world in which every Christian ought to be a missionary.



THE WELSH LANGUAGE.

The Welsh are determined that their language shall live. Twenty-five periodicals published in that language in Wales keep it alive, which is a good thing to do. Many years ago it was proposed to revise the language. *The Independent* in a single sentence showed the difficulty of doing it by saying that it would take a "y" se man to do it. The following specimen of the Lord's prayer in Welsh will show the significance of the remark:

"Ein Tad, yr hwn wyt yn y nefoedd, sancteiddier dy Enw. Deled dy deyrnas. Gwneler dy ewyllys, megis yn y nef, felly, ar y ddaear hefyd. Dyro i ni heddyw ein bara beunyddiol. A maddeu i ni ein dyledion, fel y maddeuwn ninnau i'n dyledwyr. Ac nac arwain ni i brofedigaeth; eithr gwared ni rhag drwg. Canys eiddot ti yw y deyrnas, a'r nerth, a'r gogoniant, yn oes oesoedd. Amen."



How To Be INTERESTED.

To be interested in any work, to be enthusiastic over it, there is a necessity that there shall be some knowledge of it. This knowledge of what is being done in the Christian world at large—and in the particular branch of the church to which we belong—is best gained through that religious newspaper which makes a specialty of gathering such news and presenting it to its readers.—*The Advance.*

Cowan's
PERFECTION
Cocoa
FOOD FOR ALL AGES. GET IT FROM ANY GROCER.

INDICESTION
CONQUERED BY **K.D.C.**
IT RESTORES THE STOMACH
TO HEALTHY ACTION AND TONES WHOLE SYSTEM.

We have just received
a large Shipment of
Children's
Carriages

And are now showing one of
the largest Assortments we
have ever exhibited . . .

CHILDREN'S
CARRIAGES,
CHILDREN'S
GO-CARTS

Upholstered in Great Variety.

PARASOLS

Of Every Description.

PRICES TO SUIT ALL.

—AT—

Lemont & Sons,
House Furnishers

IF YOU'RE GOING
TO BUY

A PIANO

Would it not be the part of wisdom to consult your home dealer before you make a purchase! We sell only reliable makes of pianos and are right here to stand back or every bargain we make. We have established a reputation and purpose to maintain it. Special inducements to piano buyers for ten days.

McMURRAY & CO.,

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FREDERICTON, N. B.

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Our new Styles of

Photographs

ARE THE BEST.