

Literary Note.

"The Gospel for an Age of Doubt," by Henry Van Dyke, D. D., 6th Ed. The Macmillan Co., New York.

The idea of Dr. Van Dyke's book was first wrought out in a series of lectures before the Divinity students of Yale University. When it was planned for publication it was somewhat modified to meet a more popular demand. Its title is well chosen and the eight lectures admirably and fittingly elucidate the theme. Every lecture is practical and has a purpose. They grow out of each other and so present a unity of thought. As a gospel preacher Dr. Van Dyke has been in personal contact with his age and studied it and felt its needs and so writes for it that he may help its faith and lead it up to higher planes of thinking and living. He would be a helper to those needing help. Through those young Divinity students in Yale chapel the author saw a wider circle of young men and women in this age born into the turmoil and confusion of the intellectual stress, strife, and storm of this great period of transition. To that wider circle in this book he speaks. Like young preachers they must not educate themselves out of sympathy with the modern world; they must know life's common trials and difficulties that they may serve their fellows. They must know by a true faith and a satisfactory experience the gospel of Christ as a panacea for all doubt and sorrow and sin. The gospel has ever new meanings and new possibilities to every new soul. Its glad tidings centre in Jesus Christ as the human life of God. Men do not turn from this. Here in this truth is sympathy and help. Here is felt brotherhood and fatherhood. There is no power like it to reach the heart and create longings for sonship. Why should he call this an "Age of Doubt"? The old-time flippant phrase of denial was transitory. Men believe in God. They must, for it is the very demand alike of heart and soul. There must be bed-rock for anchorage. This is felt and acknowledged in our age as never before. The critical method as applied to theology has been revolutionary and reformatory. Many ideas formerly held have been abandoned. But this is not invalidating Christianity, it is only reconstructing human interpretations of the Bible or rewording human belief. The book throughout deserves commendation.

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News Summary

In the Portuguese Chamber of Deputies Friday the minister of foreign affairs, Senhor Beirao, announced that the government would soon pay the amount awarded by the Berne tribunal in the Delagoa Bay Railway arbitration without having recourse to a loan.

Dr. Higgins, an official of the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, and a bacteriologist, has left for Victoria to assist Dr. Watt at the quarantine station during the prevalence of the bubonic plague in China, Honolulu, etc. He is provided with full equipment for the investigation of bacteria.

The Newfoundland Legislature opened on Thursday. The new ministry was warmly greeted by an immense gathering. Stirring speeches were made during the session in favor of reciprocity with the United States, and all indications clearly point to the early reopening of the question.

An attempt to thaw out dynamite in a stove at Saxton's River, Vt., Thursday, resulted in a terrible explosion, which caused the loss of one life, the serious injury of a little girl and the wrecking of a small house. The victims were Francis Parr, aged 50, dead; Gladys Stoodley, aged 7, may die.

Alfred Perry, a well known citizen of Montreal, is dead, aged eighty years. Perry took an active part in the agitation against the rebellion laws of 1849, and was an active figure in the mobbing of Lord Elgin, then Governor General, and burning the Dominion Parliament buildings when Montreal was the seat of government.

The Galeries De LeCharite, Paris, intended as a permanent building for holding charity bazaars, is now completed and will be opened on May 1. Two hundred charitable institutions have already announced that they intend to hold sales this year. The structure was built by Comtesse Boni De Castellane, whose generous idea was prompted by the charity bazaar fire.

Arrangements for the Queen's visit to Dublin are rapidly nearing completion. Two detachments of the Life Guards left London Thursday evening to act as a royal escort, and the trials of the royal trains have been completed along the entire route. General Balfour, chief secretary for Ireland, left to-day in order to welcome the Queen, who will probably be accompanied by Lord Lansdowne, Secretary of State for War.

The Sebastopol correspondent of the London Daily Graphic says: "War alarms fill the naval headquarters here. The whole Euxine squadron is fully equipped for instant service. Troops with full war kits are daily arriving from the interior. The garrison will soon be a powerful army corps. There is much excitement among the staffs of both services, and all the talk is of bringing Turkey to her senses by forcible measures."

Secretary Hay and the Duke D'Arcos, the Spanish minister, on Thursday signed the protocol, extending for six months the period of time allowed Spanish residents in the Philippine Islands to elect whether they shall remain Spanish subjects or surrender their allegiance and adopt the nationality of the territory in which they reside. The article in the Paris treaty bearing on this subject allowed the Spanish residents one year from the date of the exchange of ratifications of the treaty within which to make their choice. That period expires on the 11th of next month.

A very sad occurrence happened at Margareville on Monday March 26th. Wm. J. Patterson about ten o'clock p. m. went down on the wharf to look after a vessel under his charge. As his wife had died some nine months before, and the family had retired it was not known until morning that he did not return home. When he was missed a search was at once instituted, his cap was found floating near the vessel, and later on his body was recovered. No one knows, or ever will know in this world how it happened. It has cast a great gloom over the village. He was a kind-hearted and genial man, and much liked by all. He was a member of the Baptist church. His funeral was one of the largest ever witnessed in the place. Much sympathy is felt for his three orphaned children, and his aged parents.



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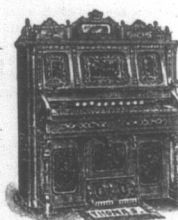
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It is definitely announced in Toronto, that Messrs. Lloyd, proprietors of the London Daily Chronicle and Lloyd's News, have purchased outright the property of the Sturgeon Falls (Ontario) Paper Company and a valuable concession on from the Ontario government. Messrs. Lloyd are the largest paper-makers in England, and the Sturgeon Falls property will now be their principal source of supply.

Mr. and Mrs. Bal'vinton Booth, the heads of the Volunteers of America, have made application to the circuit court in

Monte Clare, N. J., to have the name of their son, William, changed to Charles Brandon Booth, says the Herald. Ballington Booth said the boy had been named after Gen. William Booth, and the change grew out of difference between different members of the family.

Henry A. Girvan, of Ottawa, and Wm. Way, of Tweed, Ont., were killed in an explosion at Nelson, B. C., Friday in the Ontario Powder Company's plant, which was wrecked by a blast.