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DAILY READINGS. The boyhood of Jesus. Luke 2: 40-52. Consecration of Samuel. 1 Sam. 1: 1-28. God's care for one child. Ex. 2: 1-10. Early Piety. 2 Chron. 34: 1-7. The wisdom of Jesus. Is. 11: 1-16. A son upon the altar. Gen. 22: 1-18. A child used for a text. Matt. 18: 1-14.

GOLDEN TEXT: "And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him."—Luke 2: 40.

LUKE 2: 40-52.

NOTES AND HINTS.

After Simeon had blessed the Holy Family, thanked God also, and "spake of him to all sins. The visit of the wise men probably occurred of Jesus. after the presentation in the temple and before the return to Nazareth. So also did the descent into Egypt. Herod died within two months after this, and in the spring, or early the Jews. How to study God's Word. summer, Joseph and Mary returned to Naza-

40. And the child. Jesus had a perfect human nature, physical and mental, and grew in stature like other children, and by the same scribes his mental and spiritual condition. isco," September 17th.

A3 LUUAN, is likely that she went usually to the Passover, also at Onitsha, the Company spoken of have for an account of the establishment of the Passover, "factories," as the trading stations are called.

tiful example of family religion.

staying at Jerusalem is needed, it is tound, as be induced to go. He was a free man, he said, you.

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to her care twelve years before, and, it may be, to send me.

storehouse a mother's heart is! his gentle and beautiful nature.

THOUGHTS AND APPLICATIONS.

TOPICS FOR THOUGHT AND STUDY. The Jewish Feasts. Modes of teaching among

reth, where Jesus lived with them for nearly SAVAGE AFRICA, THE NIGER, AND THE BINNE.

EY MISS MARY A. SHARP. Wishing to visit the valley of the Niger, and means. Strong in spirit. Some of the best to learn what I could of its climate and inhabi-

"Spiritual strength consists in two things:

We anchored in Bonny Bay, at the mouth of power of will, and power of self-restraint.

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The Bonny Bay at the mouth of the Niger, overhanging branches of the trees scraped the power of self-restraint. requires, therefore, for its existence, strong feelings and strong command over them. You must measure the strength of man by the power must measure the strength of man by the power must measure the strength of man by the power must measure the strength of man by the power must measure the strength of man by the power must measure the strength of man by the power must measure the strength of man by the power must measure the strength of man by the power must measure the strength of man by the power must measure the strength of man by the power must measure the strength of man by the power must measure the strength of man by the power must measure the strength of man by the power must meaning of the field strength of of the feelings which he subdues, not by the vessels, anchored in the bay. The great receivpower of those which subdue him."—Robertson. ing hulk was once the magnificent steamer rang out sweet and clear over the hills and over tempers are marked by the fewest variations. Filled with wisdom. That strong native sense Adriatic. But oh! what bad business she is in, the water. Never did church-bells sound so To persons of this opinion, the highest type of and correct judgment which seems to come from in her old age. The cargo she receives consists musical, so deliciously heavenly before! Noth-character seems to be that which never has any

Many a wise man has known little of books, At Bonny I took passage in one of the small ant, toiling on, year after year, till this moral ment of those whose spiritual life is not always and many a learned one has had but little wis"Branch Steamers" for Akassa, on the Niger, wilderness is beginning to blossom as the rose. in the same state of placid and unruffled calm. MEN'S CLOTHS, BOY'S CLOTHS, LADIES' CLOTHS, LA understanding. The exact thought is, "filling Company. They own all the steamers, except was held. A pole in the center of the town, sublimest reach of faith and action, too often himself with wisdom," and "the image," says the Henry Venn, plying up and down the river surrounded by small platforms, raised about forget that a greater temptation than they can Godet, "appears to be that of a vessel, which, from this point, and monopolize the entire trade five feet high. In these were dishes of pottery, comprehend, toward gloom and almost despair, itself continually enlarges so as to be continually nels, shea, butter, and ivory. The palm oil of make them successful in war, guard the town own; and they look with mingled pity and surwisdom. The divine favor rested upon him as husk of the nut, by boiling. The kernel is then the only and well-beloved Son of the Father, dried and forms the article of export, palm kerto whom he was peculiarly dear. Every boy is nel. The oil from the kernels has to be expressed better for being a Christian, and the greatest by machinery. Shea butter is made from the

blessing to any life is the favor, or approbation, fruit of a tree. At Asaba, about 200 miles from the coast, the is likely that she went usually to the Passover, also at Onitsha, the Company spoken of have passed over the houses of the Hebrews having usually had to guard the graves six or seven blood sprinkled upon the door-posts. At pre- days, to prevent the dead being taken for food. sent the day called Easter marks the time of the The people of a town never eat any of their own townspeople. Here the British consul, the 42. Twelve years old. At this age Jewish Hon. H. E. Hewett, whom I met on the river, boys became "sons of the law," and were ob- tried to persuade them to abolish the practice of liged to obey all its requirements, including at- burying the living with the dead, as a case had tendance at the feasts. He may have attended occurred but a few days before of three persons the Passover before. Mary was glad to observe being buried with a free man, who had diedthe feast at Jerusalem. We have here a beautwo buried alive with him to wait on him whither he was going; the other, killed first, as a 43. The days. Seven days. Ex. 12: 18. sacrifice. "If you pay us we will give it up," As they returned. The special season of worship said the head man. "How much do you want?"

to yield to the wisdom of their parents."—Abbott. from the overflow of the Shary, in some such of the earth, fainteth not, neither is more dangerous. But if, on the other hand, we one enemy, is a losing game; because revenge Kept in her heart. Mary continued to hide way, perhaps, as the Amazon receives, someway wonderful things in her heart. What a times, water from the Orinoco. If so, the heart of Africa can be reached by direct water com-52. Jesus increased. He experienced growth munication. In all this distance no trading in all respects as a human being. Even the post, nor even a mission station; yet it is quite rude Galileans of Nazareth felt softened towards | easy of access and, except in some low places by the river, is comparatively healthy. At Egga, on the west side of the Niger, cattle and horses and feeble and helpless, as "one whom his mo-I. Parents ought to go regularly to worship, vegetables we are accustomed to seeing in And when the grasp of your weak hand gives and train up their children to the same practice. America. Here the Mohammedans are a large way, even then you do not fall, for "under-II. Children should be encouraged to ask questions on religions subjects at proper times, work at this point, under very favorable circum- lamb in all the flock shares most the shepherd's lamb in all the flock shares most the shepherd's

Oct. 21st found me back at Benny. When heavenly Father's care and love.

reached the mouth of the river or estuary. Not out from your secure retreat. many years since, they, as well as the Bonny critics omit the words "in spirit," as having tants, and the best mode of getting to them, the bar, to appeare the wrath of the demon of Persian Cords, Suitings, been copied from chap. 1: 80, where they are with a view to future missionary operations, I the oar, to appease the wrath of the demon of the angry waters. Slowly we wended our way spoken of John; the remainder of the verse de-

TO A SORROWING FRIEND. v. 49. Knew not of it. This might easily hap- to settle an old feud that has lasted ten years you now. With the Psalmist you may pray, beli-f." pen. The people travelled in large companies, between two chiefs, Ogani and Odoo, Ogani "Now also when I am old and grey-headed, O The Christian, then, should not think that the in looking after his large parish of 1,100 communi-

swered by the teachers." "Rightly to question stations. Some are hearing of the "Book he slay me, yet will I trust in him" (Job xiii. | ward God? General Insurance and Ticket Agents. such, can possess. For one genuine question of all Juju and all our country fash," A promitive fash, and the Duke of Argyll's current papers on The Unity him who seeks in the right direction, itself con- nent chief, living back from Bonny thirty miles Saviour said, "Not my will but thine be of Nature, in which he says of the philosoph tains more realized truth than a thousand dis- and coming there frequently to trade, attended done." Luke xxii. 42. The clouds that seem of the "agnosticism" of the day: "If this terjoined answers of the false wisdom of books and the mission church. He finally built a large so dark to you may yet be riven by sunbeams rible misgiving had affected individual minds found a bonanza. The new gold lies in the valley of country church, and invited the missionary, and wreathed with rainbows. Out of darkness alone in moments of weariness and despair, the Margaret River, the bed of which is dry in the 47. Astonished. By the wisdom of his an- Archdeacon Crowther, to come and show his comes light. The mother of Augustine, who in there would have been little to say about it. summer, affording fine chances to the diggers. The swers and his singular and searching questions. people "God palaver." Last month he went. her anxiety for the salvation of her son prayed Such moments may come to all of us, and the approach to it is from Port Darwin, through a will has more than doubled. Since 1830 the manufacture of high thouses which gold hunters alone would be willing. swers and his singular and searching questions. Sometimes a question may open a mine of wealth before unthought of. There is nothing in this before unthought of. 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is sometimes said. He was simply in the position of a devout young Jew, seeking from the sition of a devout young Jew, seeking from the sition of a devout young Jew, seeking from the sition of a devout young Jew, seeking from the sometimes and another party from Canton, and another party from Hong Kong. proper sources a fuller knowledge of the truth. all his family's Jujus, with his big war Juju, look upon as the path of thickest darkness may as a doctrine and systematized into a philosophy." The latter are the stronger, and have already and the stronger, and have already and the stronger and have already and the stronger. 48. Amazed. Greatly astonished. Said to this he said he had offered over fifteen pundant of the said he had offered over fifteen pundant him. Note the tenderness of her reproof; the said he had offered over fifteen pundant him any more. You remember the story of Garibaldi and his bloody battle. The marvelous story of the gold soldiers seeking in the evening for the lost lamb turn morbid doubts into doctrines, and to frame. conscious of her right to reprove, and mindful Take him all!" he said. The Archdeacon saved of a poor shepherd till at length discouraged in our worst hours systems for the guidance of twenty five and forty. Tickets to all points in the United States of the wonderful character of the boy committed some from destruction, two of which he promised of a poor shepherd, till at length discouraged in our worst hours, systems for the guidance of two solid gold ones of twenty-five and forty-they gave up the search and abandoned the our best hours, that we allow a temptation two points in the United States of the sound will doubtless increase the strife. In a solid gold ones of twenty-five and forty-they gave up the search and abandoned the our best hours, systems for the guidance of twenty-five and forty-they gave up the search and abandoned the our best hours. they gave up the search and abandoned the our best hours, that we allow a temptation, two pounds have been found. One company of foreseeing that he would sometime pass out from As one ascends the Niger, the air becomes lamb to its fate. But when the morning came not unnatural to spirits capable of the loftiest Capton Chinamen obtained 4,000 ounces in a week. her care, her heart is full of deep emotion as drier and more salubrious, the people less bar- the servant, as he entered the general's apart- faith and achievement, to encroach upon what The gold itself is said to be of the finest quality she speaks. Sorrowing. For the first time at any act of him.

Solution of human sacrifices and highest worth. As the discovery was made in address last Sunday that in Dublin he was chaplain to a prison in which they were some eight hundred. seen by the abolition of human sacrifices and a dish of milk beside the bed. After all the that of which it should be the mere fleeting to a prison in which it should be the 49. How is it that ye sought me? These are other atrocities. At Lukuja, a distance of other had abandoned the search, the general shadow. One of our American poets tells, in a fore, comparatively cheap. The discovery will after, and there were only fifteen in the prison, and the first recorded words of Jesus, and, as such, between 400-and 500 miles from the coast, and went out again and found the "sheep that was little lyric, of a man who, because one snowflake doubtless soon cause a great excitement throughout his congregation was constantly declining in numhave a peculiar interest. (J. F. and B.) Wist at the configence of the Binne, from the east, lost." Who knows but you, after seeking and had fallen on his forehead, thought that it was the continent, and a new tide of immigration. - bers. It ran down to only eight. And he said it ye not? Did you not know? Implying that and the Kwarva, from the west, the face of the praying and doubting and despond- "winter all the year." We are no wiser than N. Y. Acyo ate. they ought to have known. Must be. There country is quite broken, some of the hills rising ing, may yet find the lost lamb safe in the good he, if we measure and govern our whole life of was no escape for him. My Father's business. to 1,200 and 1,400 feet. Here not only great Shepherd's bosom, within the heavenly fold. Shepherd's bosom, within the heavenly fold. No doubt Presbyterians have a knack at keeping they ought to have known. Must be. There country is quite broken, some of the hills rising ing, may yet find the lost lamb safe in the good he, if we measure and govern our whole life of Interested in it and preparing to do it. "Where rivers converge, but it seems to be a point of "Cast not away therefore your confidence, which to us moments when the sky looks dark. my father's affairs are carried on, there you are the converging of various tribes and tongues. hath great recompense of reward. For ye have When, therefore, we are beset with the mists repentance. For so long as a sin is harbored in of the Papal fold have a most inconvenient ten-

growth of a character, notwithstanding its bad not as numerous as further up the river. The your confidence in their integrity. You know the temptation, never permitting its limits to be reputation. It is beautifully situated, in a se- Binne, or Tchadda, as it is usually down on our them and cannot doubt them. Cannot you hear extended, but rather confining them more and cluded valley, shut in on all sides by swelling bills. It is famed for the beauty of its flowers last year to the distance of 600 miles by Mr.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.—Feb. 6. Cluded valley, shut in on all sides by swelling school maps, but called Binne here, was ascended the Master saying to you, "Have I been so long last year to the distance of 600 miles by Mr.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.—Feb. 6. Cluded valley, shut in on all sides by swelling school maps, but called Binne here, was ascended the Master saying to you, "Have I been so long of distrust, painstakingly wrought of material which with you, and yet hast thou not known me?" of distrust, painstakingly wrought of material which with you, and yet hast thou not known me?" of distrust, painstakingly wrought of material which should have been put away at the start. unto them. He was a model of docility and steamer. They went to within three and a half and blessings failed to teach you to have faith Just so far as we permit that which is poorest obedience, working at the carpenter's bench. days, journey by canoe to the eart goes to the heart so it is with the 'Here is a lesson to the children of our day, Mayo Kebbi with the Binne. That river is at hand?" Hast thou not known? hast thou is truest and strongest, do we enfeeble the powers heavenly. who in their fancied superiority, find it difficult supposed to receive the great bulk of its waters not heard that the everlasting God, the Creator of the soul, and render each future struggle

> "He waits his own well chosen hour The intended mercy to display; And his paternal pities move

"Trust in the Lord forever, for in the Lord are numerous, also turkeys, ducks, even the ther comforteth" so the Lord shall comfort you. stances. The man in charge is from the region care. The feeblest child in the whole family, III. How much time is wasted in seeking of Lake Tchad. He is a recaptured slave and sick, puny, peevish and complaining, has a far an aged prophetess, named Anna, probably more than a hundred years old, came in and find him we should seek him sorrowing for our one can live at a very small outlay here. The highest point to which the Company's steamers strong and joyous. So you in your sickness, them that looked for redemption in Jerusalem." IV. Let us hide in our hearts the sayings run is Rabba, a distance of about 900 miles from and weakness, and doubting, and discouragement, are among the special objects of the

> there, and if a steamer is in, one must take "The conies are but a feeble folk, yet make passage, no matter whether outward or home- they their houses in the rocks." If they were I will ask the Saviour's presence. "We would ward bound, as there are no convenient stopping places. I found the Nubia, which had to make but their weakness compels them to seek a safe her trip to Old Calabar and down to Victoria hiding place. Learn wisdom from them, and if before returning. So on to Old Calabar, which you are one of the "feeble folk" then hide yourwe reached Saturday, at dark. That is, we self in the "Rock of Ages," and do not venture

> > "Rock of ages, cleft for me. Let me hide myself in thee." -Christian.

a happy combination of the noblest powers of the mind. Knowledge may be gathered by African Coast which make the degraded heathen rivers, to remind one of Holy Day. Here are no hours of despondency and distress ever come; heroes and heroines of whom the world is ignor- and which cannot even understand the tempera-

containing "medicine." "Medicine" is to is sure to beset those of a finer fibre than their from evil powers, and so on. The principal ingredients are human skulls, and bones of peculiar and even days when faith seems eclipsed and birds and animals. On one side of the public courage all gone, Being Christian Stoics for square was the "Juju" house. Near the front the simple reason that "it is their nature to be and desires. "Let us therefore come boldly entrance was the raised altar where hundreds so," they regard the very existence of any tempof human victims has been offered. Now that tation to give way to discouragement and doubt, is abolished; but they offer goats and white as in itself a sad mark of failure and dereliction 41. Went. "Used to go." It was Joseph's land becomes more elevated, "Mount Victoria" fowl. Human skulls were at the base of the from duty; and they accordingly flatter themduty. Ex. 23: 14-17. Not so with Mary. It reaching an altitude of 700 feet. Here, and altar, as they are also to be found in nearly selves that, although they never profess to have every yard or at every door-step. They are the brightest visions of Christian duty and atconsidered excellent to keep "witch" away. tainment, at any rate they never have any real over see Ex. 12 and 13. It was kept in memory At the latter place a trader told me that he had They no longer put twins and their mother to struggles with despair and downright disbelief. of the preservation of the children of the Hebrews when all the first-born of the Egyptians brews when all the first-born of the Egyptians are about seven miles distant they missionaries, who send and have them brought the records of human experience, to convince

to the mission. They have a practice of confining young girls of eleven or twelve to the house
ing young girls of eleven or twelve to the house
acter is not that which is uniformly rugged and
world wide; and the influence of his teachfore the chill comes on. perspiration, just become one stupid heap of fat. the main obeyed his call in the fullest degree since he became a believer in Christ; he has been You have passed through many trials, and incapacity to be its chief mark of superiority.

ishment; therefore he would not leave his town. and this is the experience of every worker. We dication of the triumphs of which his spiritual 44. A day's journey. Usually from eighteen At this, as in other places, they have an annual live in a short world, and only one person who nature is capable. The yielding to despondency: to thirty miles, but in long journeys they seldom | cleansing of the town, to prevent war and pesti- | ever dwelt here could really say, "I have fin- | the deliberate cultivation of a doubting spirit; 46. After three days. Probably from the hands of a girl, 15 or 16 years old, passing a grieve over prayers unanswered and desires yet ing over one's deficiencies and shortcomings,-

And it is when, in intellectual research and in The latter are the stronger, and have already en-

More than eight different tribes, speaking vari- need of patience, that, after ye have done the of gloom and discouragement, let us not conclude the soul, even though it is regarded as an intru-50. Notwithstanding all the strange history of spiritual nature is thus of this child his parents failed to comprehend is spoken the most, and this has been reduced the soul, even though it is regarded as an intrudent of accomulate in such quarters. The other day in the Halifax County Jail there were twelve denoted, but let us rather believe that, for the promise." to writing. The people are friendly and hospitThere are those whose friendship you would be to boast.

There are those whose friendship you would be the second that God thus tries us, he would be the second that

bring the bright recollection to our best selves, is a much stronger principle than gratitude.

and the knowledge of that divine help which we Colton. have already enjoyed, into our days of helplessness and rebellion, we shall constantly fight with more and more effective weapons, and shall our sins; in the resurrection, a conqueror; in bring fresh strength to each of the contests the ascension, a king; in the intercession, a high which we cannot hope to escape so long as life priest.—Luther.

" It is not always May," but the most unfortunate of us can carry the beauty and refreshment of the spring-time of the soul into the

OUR PRAYER-MEETING.

1. I propose to be there regularly and punctually. "Not forsaking the assembling of

ing, "Come thou with us, and we will do thee it is worn.

4. I w ll not unless it is necessary occupy a back seat. "How pleasant it is for brethren to a bit after you loose it. dwell together in unity."

from occupying the same settee with me. "Be storm, who pull, some at the bowsprit, and counteous 6. I will refrain from fault finding, and will -H. W Beecher.

not indulge a criticising spirit. "Be ye kindly affectioned one to another. 7. I will not expressly dissent from one who has spoken, and will avoid giving the impression

and hymns, and spiritual songs." 9. I will not decline to lead in prayer, and in offering prayer will begin with the subject in nor lose faith in God or man. Keep goodhand, and in aid of what has just been said. natured, and push on in the line of conscientious "Ye also helping together by prayer for us." duty. Soon the feet will touch hard bottom;

For God is in heaven, and thou upon earth; to reach. 11. I will not seem to harangue nor teach in prayer, as though I were thinking of man more reality not a brief sojourn, but a continued exthan God. "We speak before God in Christ." 12. I will not needlessly expose any want future. Every thought is a link binding time of faith, or other discouragements. "Who is to eternity. Every moment is a seed whose garfearful and faint-hearted, let him return."

13. I will cultivate enlargement of faith unto the throne of Grace." 14. On leaving the place I will endeavour to maintain a devout frame of mind. Continue

15. I shall also endeavor to use all means suited to secure the blessing for which I have prayed. "Faith, without works is dead also."

GEORGE MULLER.

for two or three years, and some have been kept longer, and forcing them to eat, eat, eat, till the poor things, with their bodies chalked, to prevent perspiration, just become one stupid heap of fat.

acter is not that which is differently rugged and self-contained. The great heroes of the Old ings and his faith have been felt around the earth. He made an address a few days ago before chose for his highest work on earth, and who in the Baptist Ministers' Conference of New York. It is fifty-five years and one month, he told them, Many die in the process of fattening. They are were those who, at tim s, refused to hear him, fifty-four years in the Gospel ministry and nearly certain that God's will is unchangeable. Thave, not considered marriageable until "fattened-"-- or disobeyed his behest, or fell into the depths fifty-one years in pastoral work, including almost moreover, an instinctive desire within me to of almost hopeless cowardice, or were cast down forty-eight years that he has been pastor of the pray to God for blessings. These two things by repeated failures. Theirs was no calm and same church in Bristol—a church of 1,100 members, seem irreconcilable. Some would say that they undisturbed philosophy, which believed its own and the largest in that city. He has travelled are inconsistent. Still I believe in both, and within the last six years, through eleven countries, will continue to do so, let him reconcile them ended, they must return to their home and their asked the consul. "Three bullocks." "No," known many adversities, but even now you need for several months laboring chiefly among the Gerended, they must return to their home and their asked the consul. "Inree bullocks. "No, business. "Jerusalem is good, but Nazareth is business. "Jerusalem is good, but Nazareth is good, too." Jesus tarried. Intentionally. See duce you to do right." While there, he tried good, too. "Jesus tarried. Intentionally. See duce you to do right." While there, he proposes to spend six or eight weeks more duce you to do right." While there, he tried he has ahead. His life has been a busy one, not only belief." he has ahead. His life has been a busy one, not only ary to piety, as a schoolmaster is auxiliary to Church Services. Prayer friends and relatives going together during the said it could be settled but in one way, and that God forsake me not" (Psalms lxxi. 18); and you temptation to disbelieve, or to yield up his de real services and missionary enterprises, which require the content of the and missionary enterprises, which require the con- the pupil, so religious observances are not piety day, and only separating into families at night. Was: his brother, who had left him and joined His parents were not careless: his dutiful and Odoo, must be killed. The consul asked if his over leave thee nor forsake thee." He who cation of his own inferiority to those by whom correspondence. He receives 30,000 letters annually time when we shall have the mind of Christ, obedient habits caused them to have no anxiety. brother would leave his country and go to some has carried you safely through from the hour of he is surrounded; nor should he believe that in three languages, and about eight thousand more when we shall cease to look to externalities, and He had before this proved himself trustworthy. other and live, whether that would satisfy him. your birth till now, says, "Even to your old age in itself it is a proof of his unworthiness. It is, in other languages. In the early years of his minissual look entirely to the inward and spiritual If any justification of the conduct of Jesus in To this he consented; but the brother could not I am he, and even to heavy hairs will I carry on the contrary, a thing which comes to him as try he wrote out his finished sermons and then it has come to the noblest souls since the world committed them to memory so as to avoid reading Dr. Schaff suggests, in his higher relationship and had done nothing worthy of death or ban- You find much of your work unaccomplished, began, and which may be the very plainest inoften go to sleep, as they do now under well-pre- let us not forsake the work of our hands. Are pared theological essays. He was forced by cirportion of Scripture, and, noticing its good effect directed to the sick or the young, the poor or went more than ten miles on the first day. | lence, etc. It consists in tying the feet and | ished the work that thou gavest me to do." You | the making friendship with distrust; the gloat | upon the congregation, he has adopted that method | the family-circle, cleave to it. Frequently we ever since. When he wants a text he prays for it allow difficulties to destroy our zeal, and our time they first left Jerusalem, giving one day rope under her arms, and dragging her all ungratified, but do not be discouraged nor hastfor their departure, one for their return, part of through and round the town, and then to the learned more of theology and hibligal interpretation.

Then he meditates over it, and on his knees he has learned more of theology and hibligal interpretation.

Then he meditates over it, and on his knees he has learned more of theology and hibligal interpretation. learned more of theology and biblical interpretation than he ever learned in the university. He studies well as bright days. "In due season ye shall" which may have been taken up by their search, and one for the conclusion of the search and the middle of the river and throw her in, giving her ones that are near and dear to you, and you are ones that are near and dear to you. likely in the "court of the women," on the east- and thrown into the bush; but, unlike other ready to abandon hope and relinquish faith. the gravest wrongs against his own soul which the Bible its own best expositor. He urged his A good mother, when her son was leaving ALSO:

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OXFORD HOM is still the custom in the East for scholars to sit cross-legged on the floor. In the midst. Among, or in the presence of. Doctors. Teachers, or rabbis. They were in the habit of expounding remembers that rabbis are held as sacred.

"There hath no temptation taken you but deepest impression and lays such as is common to man: but God is faithful, such as is com the law here. Hearing and asking. Listening attentively and respectfully, and, as was customary among the Jews, asking questions to be analy among the the teachers. This is the darkest belt of the Dark Contination attentively and respectfully, and, as was customary among the Jews, asking questions to be analy and asking that which darkest belt of the Dark Continhad his trials; David's feet had well night shad his trials; David's fe is the highest wisdom which the learner, as Saba" and wonderful "God palaver," "that pass I5); the Psalmist cried, "whom have I in headers and an obscure life well spent is better that pass Is and an obscure life well spent is a spent is a

A GOLD FEVER. - Northern Australia is now to be cursed with a gold fever. This time the Chinese have

abandoned at once. There is no to-morrow for out of prisons and penitentiaries, while the lambs denoted, but let us rather believe that, for the the more securely will it fasten itself within its prisoners only two of whom were Protestants. But the more securely will it fasten itself within its for all this, Protestants have no need to boast. 51. Came to Nazareth. This obscure village able to strangers, and many have large herds of be slow to doubt; and the word of a stranger have us know that we are capable of the triumphs but adding to the pain of doing it after a while, among the ranks of the nominally Protestants.— Fredericton, N. B. | was a fitting place in some respects for the cattle, goats, etc. Horses, too, thrive; but are or the evidence of circumstances would not shake of the truest victory. Let us then battle against and is perhaps making it impossible.

RANDOM READINGS.

Christianity is a building of which as much sunk beneath the surface as is reared above

We say of earthly things, That which comes

An act, by which we make one friend and

In his death he is a sacrifice, satisfying for

Count that day lost Whose low descending sun Views from thy hand

No worthy action done.

Heart-work must be God's work. Only the great heart maker can be the great heart-breaker. If I love Him my heart will be filled with His Spirit and be obedient to his commands.

Dress, to be really beautiful must fit the whole character and circumstances as well as the form; and its entire attractiveness depends 2. I will endeavor to draw others to the meet- upon the ease and unconsciousness with which

We hate to see a man's arms drop down as if he was shot before the clock's fairly struck, just as if he had not a bit of pride or delight in his work. The very grindstone will go on turning

Men who neglect Christ, and try to win heaven 5. I will not seat myself as to hinder others through moralities, are like sailors at sea in a some at the mainmast, but never touch the helm.

It is the mission of Christianity to disciple, teach or educate all nations. To go into the world and instruct all men was the final injuncof variance of feeling. "That they may be disappears before the simple process of Christian

ture, a hymn, a stanza, or otherwise. "Let the his visits there are frequent, his condescension love of Christ dwell in you richly, in all wisdom, amazing, his conversation sweet, his comforts teaching and admonishing one another in psalms, refreshing; and the peace that he bringeth passeth all understanding .- Thomas a Kempis.

The way out of any difficulty is not to worry, 10 My prayers or remarks shall not be long. and the opposite shore is not far away, or hard Look at life as it is; not a dream, but a living

> istence. Every act casts its shadow upon the nering shall be our immortal destiny.

Years cannot make their strength decay. Who lean upon the Lord: Nor age fling shadows o'er the way That's lighted by his word;

Their path doth bright and brighter shine, Till perfect in the skies: And life's soft eve is no decline,

For heavenward stil! they rise. The only cure for indolence is work; the only cure for selfishness is sacrifice; the only cure for unbelief is to shake off the ague of doubt by Almost anything concerning this remarkable doing Christ's bidding; the only cure for timi-

> Professor Blackie, of Edinburgh, has spoken to this effect : " I am certain that what happens is the expression of God's will; I am equally

> learning; but as a schoolmaster is not learning in elements .- Henry Ward Beecher. If God does not forsake the work of his hands,

blest; and an obscure life well spent is better than a wicked renown.

Progress.-In the last fifty years commerce has grown twelve times faster than population, having increased eight fold. Shipping has trebled in fifty. years. In forty years the number of lighthouses

was a fact that in Ireland, where the Presbyterians