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(For Questions see Star Quarterly and Lesson Papers.)

PAUL AT EPHESUS. SCRIPTURE LESSON. -- ACTS 19: 8-22.

DAILY READINGS. Paul at Ephesus. Acts 19: 8—22. Paul at Corinth. Acts 18: 1—11. Paul at Cyprus. Acts 13: 1—12. Evil spirits know Christ. Matt. 8: 28-34. Uproar at Ephesus. Acts 19: 21—41. Paul at Troas. Acts 20: 4—14. Paul at Ephesus. Acts 20: 17—28,

GOLDENTTEXT .- And many that believed came, and essed, and showed their deeds .- Acts 19: 18.

Topics-Paul preaching and working. Vagabond pretenders. Confession and reformation.

TIME, A. D. 54.

TOPICAL TREATMENT.

Connecting Link .- This lesson follows immediwork at Ephesus.

tia and Phrygia, and, as is most likely, preaching in this verse signifies both the act of the soul in was the answer; "but will you go, if I furnish hearts to-day, out for each one there is a refuge. unbaptized. He prayed with ardent tears that at the close of his previous journey. Here he support, is that very object, and the only one "how do you expect to get in? You must have he will surely overtake and slay unless we reach tion to devote his whole life to God. The son who prayer meeting. found a small company of partially instructed set before us in the only religious system which a ticket of admission, a free-pass. Here is one. the refuge God has provided for us. language without ever having learned them. solid pavement of the sea does not move, the iii: 16." "Then you can come in." The boy __Ch. Werld. tongues,' as to be a symbol of the universal worth preaching or worth possessing! adaptation of the Gospel to the spiritual needs of all mankind, and of the time when all nations shall unite in praise of their common Redeemer. For three months Paul continued to preach and discuss religious truth in the synagogue, but some opposition seems to have risen and he withdrew to the lecture-room of one Tyrannus, probably a teacher of rhetoric and philosophy, who was, at least, friendly, and may have been a Christian disciple himself. Thus the work went on for two years, during which time, by means of comers and goers from all parts of Asia, the Gospe! seed was widely scattered throughout all of God with Paul, he was enabled to work miracles of healing in a wonderful way, not even the thick cold mist that sweeps around me, I seeing the sick person, but simply sending to find that this anchor alone keeps me from driftthem articles from his own person, by which ing upon the quicksands of desperation. Jesus

living by their arts, as best they might, under- have grappled fast to the unseen Saviour can good. evil spirits by calling over them the name when God's church has needed more to be well

curence was soon known throughout the city, spirit, we may wonder why he is not "moved by his text. PENSIONS for any disability; also to Heirs. Send stamps for New Laws. Cot. L. BINGHAM, Attorney, Washington, people, and caused them to revere and magnify people, and caused them to revere and magnify doep beneath the billows. Martin Lether nearly touched his breast, the name of God. Conviction of their guilt and to sing the force sixth. Pealm amid the room of fession of their sins, and many brought their life; but I ventured to say to him, "Brother, death; but I am not prepared to die. What books of instruction in these arts. and burned books of instruction in these arts.

among these Ephesian converts, THOUGHTS AND APPLICATIONS. I. When the Holy Spirit works, evil spirits

work also. II. The presence of hypocrites proves the Will be sold Regardless of Cost. existence of genuine Christians. III. We must both confess and forsake our

TOPICS FOR FURTHER STUDY. The different effects of preaching.

II. The value of the apostolic miracles. III. Ephesian magic.

approval of the religious world, much impression shore. produced? Elijah thought so; and when he The Tailoring and Custom Department, we cannot be dutdone in Style, Neatness and Fitting, by applause on Carmel subsided into hideous stillness, his heart well nigh broke with disappointment. Ministerial success lies in altered lives

WELL ANCHORED. BY REV. THEODORE L. CUYLER.

At the close of the first ocean voyage I ever

on the rocks and gone to destruction.

a ship's bow, or thrown to the bottom of the pointed hour. they were baptized in his name, and immedi- ourselves to him, so that our ignorance is made | good." This miraculous power was bestowed not so anchored ship does not move; because Jesus entered, and soon found himself in such a clean much, primarily, if at all, to enable them to lives, we shall live also. What a glorious view warm bed as he had never had in all his life.

we are living in a time of widespread disbelief. A terribly cold wave of it is passing over us. Or, nautically speaking, we are encountering dense fogs, that make spiritual navigation dangerous; some ministers are drifting, and thousands of souls are in peril of going on the rocks. I care not how, or by whom, such fogs are raised, the peril is the same. There is only one salvation for us, and that is a personal hold on a personal Saviour. That minister or that man is alone securely anchored who can say with gloriand am persuaded that He is able to keep." In my own times of conflict and doubt, amid all diseases were healed and evil spirits cast out. is unseen (as an anchor is), but felt. As the lad I!. Vagabond pretenders. Many of the who was flying his kite in the dim twilight said, Jews seemed to have had a natural propensity when asked how he knew that the kite was inclining them towards a belief in, and the practhere, "I can feel it pull." Even so in dark tice of, tricks of magic and curious arts of vari- hours, when the adversary sends a blinding and ous kinds. Some of these, wandering about and chilling doubt-fog around our decks, we who

they could not be deceived by shallow hypocrisy, be taken all aback with the cyclone, we may Bible? What is the Bible? Pray read it to and when seven sons of one of the priests under- lose much lading of the ship, we may be stripped me." When his request was granted, he said, took to exercise Paul's power, without possess- of the "top hammer" which pride or prosperity "O, how beautiful that is. It is all of love; ing it, the spirit cried out, "Jesus I know, and had hoisted, but if the soul is made fast to the not only a shelter for a night, but forever. Paul I know, but who are ye?" and the man, anchor sure and steadfast we need not suffer have gotten not only a new name, but something in whom the spirit was, fell upon them and wreck. The unseen Christ outlives the tempest. else besides." His heart was full of joy, and he III. Confession and reformation. This co-

is concerned, and the confiscation and destructions this very cause. One drifts insensibly into a What will become of me?" to surrender ground long occupied and stoutly in the bow sends him down into disgrace. good." strong and influential church was gathered of nearly all the backsliding in our churches?

Brethren, we need to be well anchored, not often "tie" to him.

Well-anchored vessels encounter severe dashes

ted to gnide into port.—Illus. Ch. Weekly. measures taken by a kind Father to purify his saved sinner is not, nor even can be, a sinner's of want of grace.—Bishop Foster.

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THE MISSION OF A CARD [Translated from the German.]

BY S. F. SMITH, D. D.

The night came, and with it the perils of a lee can put a few cards in our pockets, inscribed he has done for them. This knowledge is already to move himself toward Christ. This is what within. He may do them to be seen of men, shore. For five and twenty days we had relied with the words of life in an attractive form, a great comfort to the troubled. upon our canvas; but now canvas was of no use, sometimes between flowers, sometimes on the Let us hear what David says. He was trou- Self-conceited itinerants and certain noisy revivaland our salvation depended upon the anchor. sail of a boat, or in the midst of a landscape, or bled upon every hand, but he never despaired : ists do indeed, often boast of the number of their If its flukes had not bitten deep into the solid at the foot. There is much truth in the remark " From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, converts, which prove to be as worthless speciearth and held us fast, we should have drifted of a Christian physician, that the old-fashioned when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to mens as Whitefield's tipsy friend who claimed We must all cross the sea of life; but quite this age, more inviting. In the modern picture- been a shelter for me, and a strong tower from mains, for God's Word declares it, that a servtoo many are all adrift, without either a straight cards, we have many crumbs of the bread of life the enemy." This has been the cry of many a ant of Jesus can convert a sinner from his evil course laid for heaven, or a compass, or an an- in an agreeable form. And they are useful too, wearied heart since, and many have come out way and thus save a soul from death .- Dr. chor. Let me emphasize the vital need of this as the following parrative shows.

I've got." According to the regulations of the It requires no great sagacity to discover that house, the next morning he was furnished with a warm breakfast of bread and milk, and sent

His plan was to join his old companions. But replied indignantly,as he was walking along carelessly, thinking of the strange events of last night, and of the new name (John iii: 16), he had a severe fall accidentally, or rather by the good providence of God. He was picked up unconscious, and conveyed to the nearest hospital. When he restomary, his name, age, religion, &c. As to began a name, he, erid as Caludto; who, remarkers i: 16." The physicians laughed at his reply.

often heard repeating, "John iii: 16," "John iii: 16. That will do me good, and it has done me good." Other patients, who heard him so often repeating these words, asked the keepers for New Testaments, and began to investigate. Thus, many sitting in the hall, read the word of Goe, while the little sick boy kept repeating, "It will do me good, and it has done me

On the return of his reason, he sat upright in Sole Agent for Wilcox & White's celebrated Organs, took to do what Paul had done, and to cast out acknowledged to be the cheapest in the market. Warstill it is," he said." "Where am I?" "How working through Paul, and the pretentious to burst upon us at the most unexpected moneyer stopped repeating your 'John iii: 16," after?" claims of these "vagabond exorcists." Genuine ment. Trials and severe temptations come and I tell you, blessed be John iii: 16." That faith in Jesus Christ, exercised by Paul, they without warning. As a vessel is often stripped was a strange morsel for the boy. "He, blessed, could not resist; before it they were compelled of her canvas before the sailors have time to for whom nobody cared?" "And do you know to flee; to it they were obliged to yield; but man her yards, so may it be with us. We may where that is? It is in the Bible." "In the

the so-called magic arts. So deep and pungent in Philadelphia encountered a financial gale matters so much the worse. He has given me the street and of Colla Rook. was this conviction that many made public conthem in some public place. This was a substantial and satisfactory proof of sincere repent- enough in heaven to make you a millionaire." ance. No pretended penitence is worthy of the Even a more treacherous peril than hurricanes you will die happy." He hung the chain about Season. ment of all complicity with sinful practices, and smoothest sea may get hold of our keels, and near eternity, with his sins unforgiven. The saw interesting from all entered for good results. The saw interesting from all entered for good results. an escaping from all entangling alliances with before we know it we may be on the rocks. dying old mansighed and groaned, saying, "God, own consciousness and the contract of the consciousness and the contract of the consciousness and the consciousness and the contract of the consciousness and the contract of the consciousness and the contract of th

tion of all the means and implements of sinful neglect of prayer and into laxity of Sabbath The boy saw the poor man, and heard his traffic and fraudulent craft. Reformation is the observance. Another dritts into sinful amuse- cries. "Hold on, there," he thought; "that ULSTERS & REEFERS, fruit of true repentance, sure to grow where the ments. Another feels the clutch of some sensual man needs the free-pass." He went to him and ments. Another feels the clutch of some sensual man needs the free-pass." He went to him and ments. Another feels the clutch of some sensual man needs the free-pass." seed is geneuine. Things long loved and used temptation on the keel, but takes no alarm said, "Patrick, I have something that will do defended, but the truly penitent soul goes Nothing but the interposing grace of God can quickly." "Here, I have it. Do you hear? was, "It is not theology, it is not controversy; LINDERS, DRAWERS, AND READY-MADE straight and steadily forward to the end. This raise a sunken Christian. Still others, alas, how proves the sincerity of the profession, the genumany! are carried smoothly along by the underineness of the work. This clears the ground of noxious weeds and roots of evil, making room for the free and thrifty growth of the plants of grace in the heart. It is not strange that a line of them, and their anchor grace in the heart. It is not strange that a line of them, and their anchor line of the many into the days of Paul, whose motto was, lieveth on him should not perish, but have everlieved the words to the whore they ought to be, and they are not there and thrifty growth of the plants of the world got hold of them, and their anchor lievel and the carried smoothly degotten son, that whose everlieves the days of Paul, whose motto was, lieveth on him should not perish, but have everlieved the words to the old man, at his request, again and again, till at old man, at his request, again and again, till at old man, at his request, again and again, till at old man, at his request, again and again, till at old man, at his request, again and again, till at old man, at his request, again and again, till at old man, at his request, again and again, till at old man, at his request, again and again, till at old man, at his request, again and again, till at old man, at his request, again and again, till at old man, at his request, again and again, till at old man, at his request, again and again, till at old man, at his request, again and again, till at old man, at his request, again and again, till at old man, at his request, again and again, till at old man, at his request, again and again, till at old man, at his request. grace in the heart. It is not strange that a had no hold on Christ. Is not this the secret last he found peace in them for his dying hour,

of the waves simply because they are fast and THE REFUGE OF THE TROUBLED.

life, and the experience of God's people is full of Saviour. Jesus alone can be that. But I can comfort any of these, did he ever offer them a can ply him with arguments and entreaties; I made—in a sailing packet—we found ourselves We cannot all carry great bundles of Bibles conditions God will also offer him a sure and pel religion before him attractively by kind acts be good. But a man may do a great many good near the land, but unabled to enter the harbor. and Testaments with us on our walks; but we safe retreat. God will surely do for him what and constant example; and so I may move him

of the waters of trouble upon the high rock, Cuyler, in Congregationalist. last, for the want of it has left tens of thousands On one cold winter's night, a poor boy having which is none other than Christ Jesus. Disguise to eternal shipwreck. "Religion" signifies neither home nor friends, was standing at the it as we may there is no living man who has not something that binds or holds; there are num- corner of a street in Dublin. He was connected trouble. We do not know how many troubled ones

As an anchor is of no avail when swung idly at they were to meet him at this corner, at the ap- weep over sin and evil which has been brought pious Nonna. She hastened with her first-born, upon them by others but which they cannot as soon as she could, to the church, dedicated are the rather to go just as we are to Jesus, tempest-tossed vessel, so our spiritual hold must He was waiting here, trembling with cold, cure. But there is a hope. We are not left him to God, that his life might be of special the Savior of the lost; to God, who loves and be on some one out of ourselves, and some one when suddenly he felt a hand laid upon his without a refuge, and into this refuge we may service to religion, and placed as a sign of dedithat is as immovable as the everlasting throne. shoulder. In the darkness, he could only discome if only we will. "The God of all comfort, cation, as often done in such cases, a copy of the and having been renewed in the spirit, of our The old mariner apostle describes this exactly tinguish a tall form, but he was alarmed and who comforteth us in all our tribulations" has Gospels in the child's hands. The recollection when he says (according to the Revised Version,) trembled. But a friendly voice whispered into said he will "hide them in the secret of his of this first consecration always made a great Master's cause, and for all well doing which he "We may have a strong encouragement who his ear, "Young man, what are you doing here? presence from the pride of men; he will keep impression on Gregory's mind. He compared ately after the last and contains an account of Paul's have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope set Boys like you have no business to be out in the them secretly in his pavilion from the strife of himself to Samuel whom Hannah so early dediork at Ephesus.

I. Paul's preaching and working. Having before us; which we have as an anchor of the street so late at night. Go home and go to bed." tongues." Again he says: "They shall dwell eated to the Lord. When a youth, he was no home," he replied, "and no bed, on high, their place of defence shall be the nearly ship-wrecked in a storm—and he was completed his visitation of the churches in Gala- ing into that which is within the veil." "Hope" where can I go?" "That is very sad, my boy," munition of rocks." There are many troubled pained at the thought that he was likely to die in many new places as he journeyed, Paul came laying hold of an unseen object, and also the you one?" "Where is it?" "In such a street This refuge must be sought, it should be sought God would preserve his life for his service. at length to Ephesus, according to his promise, object laid hold of. Jesus Christ, as our atone- and number." Without a word more, the boy quickly, time is passing, the avenger is at hand, And when he saw that his prayer was heard, he made to the disciples there, when he left them ment, our righteousness, and our everlasting started on the way. "Hello," said the voice; he is pursuing with quick and steady step, and

more completely the doctrines of the Gospel, mere intellectual opinion about Jesus Christ, or then, the mctto is, John iii: 16. Don't forget; black sorrow may roll away. It has been night of the blessing received from her for his higher and especially the doctrine of the Holy Spirit. an admiration of him or belief in him. It is the if you do, you can't get in. Now, John iii: 16, with you long, and rough has been the sea of life, gives the following description of her: Soon convinced of the Messiahship of Jesus, act of the soul in grasping him and in attaching and you will find something that will do you life, but see, yonder in the light is the high rock "That she never visited the theatre; that, of which David spoke, you may anchor to it, though full of inward feeling and concern for ately thereafter, by the laying on of Paul's hands, fast to his wisdom, our worthlessness to his in- The boy started on the run, full of joy, all and rest your weary feet upon it, knowing that the sufferings of others, yet no sudden emotion the gift of the Holy Spirit was imparted unto finite merit, our utter weakness to his omnipo- the time repeating to himself, John iii: 16, and it cannot be moved. Foolish mortals who seek of sorrow could overcome her soul so that she them, so that they were enabled to speak with tent strength. Faith is the chain-cable that soon stood before to house. But his courage to drown their sorrows in that which only for a could not first of all thank God for what had troubles. tongues and to prophesy. Speaking with tongues unites the soul to the Saviour. When you or I failed him when he saw the stately building and time obscures them, when they might by one happened to her; that whatever sorrowful seems to have been a peculiar gift bestowed enter, by the help of the Holy Spirit into this | the great iron doors. Shaking all over, he pulled | bold stroke wipe them away, so that they could event might have happened, she never wore upon certain ones of the early disciples, enabling vital connection with the Son of God, then, and the bell. The watchman came and with a low trouble no more. God is the refuge of his people. mourning on a feast day, for in her the human them to speak different dialects of the Greek then only, are we truly converted. Because the voice asked, "Who is there?" "It's I, John Try this refuge. You will find it all you desire. was always conquered by the divine. The re-

WITH AN INFIDEL

Recently, a Christian minister offered for sale a small book upon the Bible to an infidel. He "Offer me a book on the Bible! I don't be-

lieve in the Bible itself. What do I want of

"I suppose, sir, von are conscious of an evis-"Yes! I suppose I exist. What of that?" "What is that permeating and directing your Feyer and delirium soon set in; but he was whole being, which you never saw and cannot

> without which your body would be dead?" "Yes! I suppose so."

standing positive evidence that there must be an with which he stirred the hearts of men. all the material universe, who created you?" 'Perhaps so."

'Yet you say, 'Death ends all.'" "Yes; that is, as far as we can see."

or such a life as that ?" "Oh! I would perfer the life, of course?" What a change in ten minutes!

drove them out of the house, naked and wounded, When we see a Christian beaten upon with addrove them out of the house, naked and wounded,

There was silence and no effort for the "last

CONVERTING SOULS.

"You know a great deal, Dr. Beecher," said "Then tell me what it is. Tell me what is the greatest of all things?" The quick reply and entered with that free-pass into everlasting of its trappings and surroundings—the soul of a beggar as well as that of a millionarie. David Our young Irishman recovered. He fed for a Brainerd—who may perhaps be regarded as the our part in holding others. An example of loyal long time on his passage, John iii: 16. He besteadfastness is a wonderful inspiration to the lieved it with the simplicity of a child and had for his parish the red barbarians on the weak. Paul rejoiced that he was able to comfort those in trouble by the comfort wherewith he trusted in him, and sent him to an instiwas comforted in Christ. A Christian ought to tution where he justified by his conduct the I go through, so that I can but gain souls to be so stoutly anchored that other people may confidence they had reposed in him.—Standard. Christ. While I am asleep, I dream of these

hope and encouragement to him. Did God ever oring an influence to bear upon my neighbor; L refuge, why then he knows that under the same | can put God's claims upon him : I can set goswe understand by a Christian converting a soul. t:act is out of date, and we need something, in the rock that is higher than I. For thou hast to be his convert. But still the mighty fact re-

PIOUS MOTHERS

berless occasions in life when we need something or some one to hold us with such a powerful rapidly in the road to ruin. That very night where poverty pinches, where sin troubles, where grasp that we can resist destructive influences. they had planned to break into a house, and gilded pleasures reign, and where broken hearts with Gregory Nazianzen, whose mother was the Christian disciples to whom he began to unfold God has ever revealed. Saving faith is not a Can you read?" "No, sir." "Remember, Troubled one, rejoice. The cloud of your of the deepest gratitude, especially on account much ligious feeling conquered all others; the concerns community. of salvation relating to mankind moved her | 2. By never retailing the infirmities of your more than anything personal. She appeared in brethren. preach the Gospel in these different dialects, or this is of faith, and nothing less than this is He fell asleep, thinking, "That's a lucky name A SHORT AND EFFECTIVE METHOD church with reverential devotion. And this 3. By inviting and inducing them to come disposition Nonna preserved in her last trial, to church

HOW TO PREACH.

An African prince once sent an embasy to the Queen of England, with costly presents, to God's work. He then commenced a tirade upon the church ask for the secret of England's greatness and and the Bible, accompanied with his infidelity, England's glory. The Queen sent back to them for several minutes, during which time the min- a beautifully bound copy of the Bible-" Tell covered his consciousness, he was asked, as was ister was silent. When he stopped the minister the prince that this is the secret of Eugland's Servant of Christ! keep good heart! listen the Bible.

New Brunswick Paper Company's well-known make of Wrapping Paper always on hand; in all sizes at mill brunswick where the difference between the divine power of Wrapping Paper always on hand; in all sizes at mill brunswick where the divine power to brunswick where the divine power t "Well, if you could somehow, somewhere and tion which nust ever exist between meat and some time find a life where all is blissful and bones." "Feed my lambs," was the emphatic

immortal, which would you perfer-nonentity, command of the Saviour to Peter. The grand work of the Christian ministry is to preach Christ ; to feed the flocks of God ; to win souls to Christ. To do this they must be "I thought you would when you understood spiritually-minded-must themselves commune the subject. Now, my triend, the Bible, which | with God and feed on the bread of the sanctuary. you have despised, comes to you as the revealed They must study Christ, live Christ and preach

A WORLDLY CHURCH.

that ours is a materialistic age? Would that it the lady had passed on he turned to his comwere only so on the scientific and rationalistic panion and said, "I say, Jim; its the first time side. But what we have most reason to fear is I ever had any one to ask my parding, and it that subtle materialism which is creeping into kind o' took me off my feet." our Church life and methods. How little dependence is there on supernatural power as allsufficient for our work! How much we are coming to lean on mere human agencies !-upon art and architecture, upon music and rhetoric complete confession of guilt and entire abandonment of all complicity with sinful practices, and Christ, the first question with scores of Chris- they are only inflated. unrepentant sinners, at least, so far as participation in, or justification of their wrong doings. Thousands of church members are suffering be merciful to me. O, I am a great sinner. I wanted for good results. Take one on their tians nowadays is, What new turn can be given own consciousness, condition and needs, and the be merciful to me. O, I am a great sinner. I wanted for good results. Take one on their tians nowadays is, What new turn can be given to the kaleidoscope of entertainment? What pation in, or justification of, their wrong doings is concerned, and the confiscation and the confiscation and destrucby our quartet? What fresh novelty in the call, but does not come. - Burton. way of social attraction can we introduce? or The incarnation teaches man the greatness of what new coruscation can be let off from the his misery by showing how great a remedy was fruit of true repentance, sure to grow where the seed is geneuine. Things long loved and used may have to be given up; it may be necessary what it is Tell me what it reserve upon the power of the supernatural! Is there not some higher degree in the Holy Spirit's tuition into which we can graduate our young ministers, instead of sending them to a German university for their last touches of theo- cover. logical culture? Is there not some reserved power yet treasured up in the church which is the Body of Christ-some unknown or neglected spiritual force which we can lay hold of, and so get courage to fling away forever these frivolous expedients on which we have so much relied for carrying on the Lord's work -Dr. A. J. Gor- deliverances of the pulpit. - Watchman. don, in " The Proofold Life."

CLOSE QUESTIONS

things; as soon as I awake, the first thing I Your tempers-how are they? Do you bethink of is this great work. All my desire is come impatient under trial, fretful when chided the conversion of sinners, and all my hope is in or crossed, angry, revengeful, when injured, vain when flattered, proud when prospered, complain- God. Parents love their children, and do them do not run with the gales. So must conscientious The experience of God's saints in the past is To convert signifies to turn around and go in ing when chastened, unbelieving when seemingly good not because they see that they are more children of God expect opposition when they full of comfort and encouragement to us. We the opposite direction. Conversion is the peni- forsaken, unkind when neglected? Are you worthy than others, but because they are their hold fast-to the commandments of their Master. are aware that there are men who look upon the tent sinner's own act in turning from that path suject to discontent, to ambition, to selfishness? own.—Archbishop Leighton. What is ministerial success? Is it crowded churches, full aisles, attentive congregations, the churches, full aisles, attentive congregations, the churches churches, full aisles, attentive congregations, the churches churches, full aisles, attentive congregations, the churches character churches churches churches churches churches churches chu and body and then say this world is the worst tion is the work of the Holy Spirit, who influe ease? Are you unfeeling, contemptuous of Finally, it is our duty to keep God's "storm-signals" flying. Woe be to us if we haul down to feel dissatisfied. This may appear so to a man who ences and enables the sinner to turn. The District and the human will work in blessed of your own selves? Beware! These are the that signal which threatens eternal perdition to communion with him. It is quite natural that partnership; neither can do the work without sediments of the old nature. Nay, if they exist every rejecter of Christ! The blood of wrecked a man with a dark heart should look upon the other. But the Apostle James recognizes a in you, in however small a degree, they are desouls may be in our skirts. While we warn everything as corresponding with his own feel- third party when he speaks of one's converting monstrative that the old man of sin is not dead. and obedient, humble hearts—unseen work, re- sinners of the storm, let us not fail to point them ings. But to the man who knows God, and is a sinner from the error of his way. Then it It will be a sad mistake if you detect these the street yet let him so sweep the street that cognized in the judgment day. F. W. Robert to the one glorious anchor sure and steadfast. acquainted with the lives of the saints, there is appears that it is possible for me to convert my evils within, and yet close your eyes to them, through the honest and diligent doing of his duty When we get into the desired haven may we no such gloomy view of life. He looks upon the ills that befall him here as the corrective heart or regenerate him into the new life; a These are not infirmities; they are indications think better of religion, and he forms a link be-

BE AND DO.

There is a great difference between being good and doing good. Some people suppose that if a man will only do good he is certain to or to deceive people; to obtain a reputationand secure larger opportunities for the commis, sion of crime; and so his well-doing may prove

nly a cloak for all iniquity. The divine order is not, first do and then be, out first be and then do. The fountain is to be made sweet, and then the waters may be expected to be pure. The tree must be made good and then the fruit will not be corrupt. The beginning of all legitimate reformation and righteousness must be in the grace and power of God, through whom we are born again, or created anew in Christ Jesus, and thus prepared for

service in Christ's cause. We are not to wait until after we have done many good things, and then expect we shall become good as a result of our actions; but we pities perishing men; and, having done this, required at your hands .- Safeguard,

TO BUILD UP A CHURCH.

A SHORT SERMON.

TEXT :- "Rise and build." Encourage your minister. How? 1. Attend every church service and each

2. Avoid criticism; find no fault; pray 3. Co-operate in revival services; call on

Sympathize with him; pay him promptly. Encourage your fellow-members. How?

Speak lovingly and hopefully to them.

2. Avoid all contentions; pour oil upon 3. Know no party; utter no complaint.

III. Encourage the community. 1. By always speaking well of Church and

4 Distrust no one; be a loving disciple.

for she died while praying in the Church."- 4. By showing yourself pleased when they attend servive. APPLICATION: Follow these rules strictly, and there will result, 1. Personal growth in grace; 2. Increase in good fellowship; 3. A revival of

A WORLD OF CHEER

greatness and glory," Let the ministers always to thy Master's feet behind thee, upholding and from thy brow, and wreathe it with an amaran-"What do you think of my sermon?" said a thine crown of glory, honor, and immortality. young divine to an aged minister, who had Then comes the welcome and reward: "Well listened to him. "To be frank and honest with | done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into you, I think it was a very poor sermon." "Why the joy of thy Lord." With such a service, and "Do we not call it soul or spirit-something do you think so; I took unusual pains in its such a recompense, who with but a glowing preparation." "Because," was the reply, "there spark of the love of Christ in his heart, will not was no Christ in it." So thought the apostle exclaim: "Here, Lord, am I what wilt thou "Is there not, then, in your very being a Paul. Christ crucified was the mighty theme have me do." I have but one life—thou has bought it with thy life-blood; be it thine, wholly, unseen and infinite Spirit pervading and ruling The celebrated Mr. Newton once listened to forever thine. Christian, be up and doing-why a minister who preached an elaborate doctrinal stand ye idle all the day? Go, work in your sermon, drawing his distinctions with great care- Lord's vineyard. With a significance more profulness, laboring to make his elecution faultless found, and with an earnestness more than that and his logic conclusive. Mr. Newton criticized with which the words were uttered by the Mo-

IT TOOK HIM OFF HIS FEET.

One day in suddenly turning the corner of a street, a young lady ran against a little ragged boy and almost knocked him down. Stopping as soon as she could she turned and said very kindly to the boy, "I beg your pardon, my little fellow; I am very sorry that I ran against you." The poor boy was astonished. He when we see a christian beaten upon with au soon learned the verse by heart. The days versity or lying under a raging Euroclydon of glided away. Sick people came and went. But versity or lying under a raging Euroclydon of glided away. Sick people came and went. But verself for that world according to its instrucsaid, while a smile spread itself all over his face, "You can hev my parding and welcome, miss; Here is the lesson, above all others, which and the next time you kin run agin me, and this generation needs to learn. Do we moura knock me down, an' I won't say a word." After

RANDOM READINGS.

A good archer is not known by his arrows, but his aim. Some men think themselves inspired when

Poverty may excuse a shabby coat, but it is no excuse for shabby morals,

Happiness is like an echo, it answers to your

the Christian loses his chaff, and the hypocrite his corn.

He who carries other graces without humility carries a precious powder in the wind without a

The death of Christ was, to us, a very important event. It made our salvation possible, and it now depends on us to make it sure. The talk in the prayer-meeting should be sup-

plemented in the life just as truly as should the Blessed is the man who has found his work; let him ask no other blessedness. Know thy work and do it; and work at it like Hercules. One monster there is in the world-an idle

Let not unworthiness scare the children of

When a man's finger is not like those of other people, he knows to feel dissatisfied; but, if his

A man of piety may be lodged in the rudest cottage, and his occupation may be only to sweep tween earth and heaven.