

Behold, the Fields are White.

The Master calls: The harvest fields are white; The reapers answer, and in numbers go...

I am so weak—but O, He is so strong! I may not stand—But O, He holdeth me!

And so, unknowing where, I will go on; And so, unknowing how, I will begin...

Perchance among the gleaners I may find Some grains that fall from off the golden sheaves;

Then if I follow softly all the way, And if I hush my tears now falling fast...

Protracted Meetings in the South.

In the Northern States protracted meetings are held in the winter; the late summer is the time for revivals in the South.

So he goes to meeting. All over Georgia protracted meetings are in progress; all pastors—except the city men—are hard at work with all the help they can get.

ported a membership of about 45,000; in May, 1888, over 1,100,000. The Baptists have grown nearly as fast.

What of the colored people? With exceptions so few as not to affect the question at all, the colored people are "to themselves."

The Unruly Member.

In the Scriptures we read, "If any man among you seem to be religious, and brideth not his tongue but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain."

He further represents it as "full of deadly poison." How long can life be maintained when exposed to deadly poison?

But further, "By thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned."

"Now squirm, old natur."

It is sometimes said that a man's sincerity of purpose is proved if he puts his hand in his pocket-book.

At the close of the appeal he was greatly affected, and declared he would give fifty dollars.

"Yet this won't do. Who knows how much may depend on this! This covetousness may be my ruin."

"Now squirm, old natur." It was a noble victory, that over self. That deaf old gentleman gave an example worth imitating by many others.

Father Knows.

A gentleman was one day opening a box of goods. His little son was standing near, and as his father took the packages from the box he laid them upon the arm of the boy.

A young friend and playmate of the merchant's son was standing by looking on. As parcel after parcel was laid upon the arm of the boy, his friend began to fear his load was becoming too heavy, and said:

Brave, trusting little fellow! He did not grow restless or impatient under the burden. There was no danger, he felt, that his father would lay too heavy a load on him.

God Answers.

I was seeking a text for the next Sunday's sermon, what should it be? Text after text was studied and laid aside.

Sunday morning came. In the congregation was a young man, who had been in only a few times.

Does God answer prayer? What profit there might be if the church would heartily pray for the truth to be spoken.

Habit.

There was once a horse that used to pull around a sweep which lifted dirt from the depths of the earth. He was kept at this business nearly twenty years, until he became old, blind, and too stiff in the joints to be of further use.

The Silent Sermon.

It has been truly said that a holy life is a continual sermon. Though it be silent in its speech, yet it speaks with a force that cannot be unheeded, even by the most careless.

"The reaching power of personal effort for Christ and the church" is a profitable topic for prayer-meeting at this season.

Miscellany.

"What do you publish a paper for I'd like to know?" sarcastically inquired an irate politician, tackling a country editor.

One-half of the scholarships given this year at Cornell were won by women. Rather curiously, too, the scholarships in question were given as prizes for the best records in mathematics, architecture and botany.

I am very glad to have been of any comfort to your poor husband, my good woman. But what made you send for me instead of your own minister?

The lightest metal known is lithium, and it is quoted at \$7,000 a pound, more than thirty times as costly as gold.

The English railways have recently increased the speed of their already fast trains, so that the northern lines from London to Scotland make a run of about 400 miles at the rate of forty five miles an hour.

Pat had recently secured a place on a farm. One day at noon he was handed a glass of buttermilk.

Manual training is one of the few good things good for everybody. It is good for the rich boy to teach him respect for the dignity of beautiful work.

The daily food of the Sultan of Turkey is cooked by one man and his aids. It is prepared in silver vessels and each vessel is sealed by a slip of paper and a stamp after the meal is cooked.

The King of the Belgians very graciously received the deputation appointed by the Pan-Presbyterian Council to wait upon him with reference to the liquor traffic in the Congo State.

Canon Wilberforce has caused much indignation in Dublin by letters published by him in his parochial magazine, in which he states that the two Protestant cathedrals in Dublin are both memorials of drink.

The Queen of the Tonga Islands has petitioned to have her country taken under the protection of Great Britain, to save her land from the curse of strong drink.

At a recent convention of brewers and liquor-sellers in one of the cities of Ohio, it is reported, one of the mottoes emblazoned on the walls of the room where the meeting was held was:

The Woman's Journal prints the following:—"A young man of Jackson, Mich., called upon his lady-love, and she met him at the door. By some means not explained, while in the hallway she found that his breath smelled strongly of whiskey.

It is stated that a severed nerve in the thumb of a surgeon, who suffered injury while performing an operation, has been mended, and it is believed successfully, by the insertion of a nerve taken, with every antiseptic precaution, from the thigh of a rabbit.

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