### The Lord shall Fight for You, and Ye shall hold Your Peace.

Come, Lord, and fight the battle! My hands are tired and faint-I have no strength to straggle! "Consider my complaint!" One of Thy weakest soldiers Is sinking in the field. Yet Thine is all the victory, Thy love is all my shield.

Tis not that I am weary Of service done for Thee-'Tis not that I would alter Thy loving will for me; Sweet is the vineyard labor, Through all the toil and heat, And sweet the lonely night-watch, Safe resting at Thy feet.

Yet, Lord, there is a warfare No eye but Thine may see; O! hear my cry for succor, Come, Thou, and fight for me. The self I cannot conquer, The will that still is mine, O, take them both, Lord Jesus, And make them one with Thine!

Take them-I cannot yield them! I am not what I seemed; I have no power, Lord Jesus, To do what once I dreamed. The yearning of the earth-life Is stronger than my strength; When may the spell be broken, And freedom come at length?

Like dew on drooping blossoms, Like breath from holy place, Laden with health and healing, Come Thy deep words of grace; My strength is all in leaning On One who fights for me--Since Thou to me art cleaving, Mine is the victory. -H. B., in "Open Doors."

### Bible Statistics.

The following Bible statistics are accurately copied from a slip of printed a copy of Haydock's Bible (Dublin, 1813) in King's Ian Library, Dublin:

More than once have statistics of the following character found their way into print, to the delight of both old and young. The statement is mainly taken from an English Bible, as given by indefatigable Dr. Horn in his introduction to the study of the Scriptures, and is said to have occupied more than three years of the compiler's life:

	Test	Testa- ment		Testa- ment.		Total.		
Books		39		27			66	
Chapters		929		260		1	189	
Verses	23	114	7	959		31	173	
Words	593	493	181	253		773	746	
Letters	2 728	100	838	380	3	566	480	
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Books, 14; chapters, 183; verses, 6, 031; words, 125,185; letters, 1,063,876. THE BIBLE.

The middle book is Micah. The middle (and smallest) chapter is Psalm cxvii. The middle verse is Psalm caviii, 8. The middle line is II Chronicles iv, 16; the largest book is that of | world .- Notes and Queries. the Psalms; the largest chapter is Psalm cxix. The word Jehovah (or Lord) occurs 6,955 times. The word "and" occurs 46,227 times. The number of authors of the Bible is fifty.

THE OLD TESTAMENT. The middle book of the Old Testament is Proverbs. The middle chapter is Job xxix. The middle verse is II Chronicles xx, between verses 17 and 18. The shortest book is Obadiah. The shortest verse is I Chronicles 25. The word "and" occurs 35.543 times. Ezra vii, 21, contains all the letters of our alphabet. The word "Selah" occurs seventy-three times and only in the poetical books. II Kings xix and Isaiah xxxvii, are alike. The fact is an internal mark of the truth of these Scriptures, being transcripts from public records by two different writers, who were not contemporaries. The same may be said of the following two coincidences: The book of Esther does not contain the words God or Lord. The last two verses of II Chronicles and the opening verses of the book of Ezra are alike. Ezra ii and Nehemiah vii are alike.

There are nearly thirty books mentioned, but not found in the Bible, consisting of civil records and other ancient writings now nearly all lost. They never formed part of the Holy Scriptures. About twenty-six of these are alluded to in the Old Testament.

## THE NEW TESTAMENT.

occurs five times in the Gospels.

nal Hugo de Santo Caro, about thirty | conversation and prayers. years later.

ish Rabbi, Mordecai Nathan.

2. The number of languages on in the reign of James 1, A. D. 1609-1611, by forty-seven Episcopalian bis | father." hops and other clergy; The Douay Vulgate, collated with the Hebrew and in the English College at Douay, A. D. 1709.

esteemed by all.

fore Christ, by seventy learned inter- | silence." preters, from which it has derived its common title Septuaginta meaning sev-

in A. D. 1380. Attempts with partial success, had before been made by the venerable Bede, A. D. 785, who died as he finished the last words of St. John's Gospel. King Alfred, A. D. 900, continued it. It had in part been translated into Anglo-Saxon, even before Bede. In French a version was made A. D. 1280, by order of Alphonse, King of Castile. In Germany a version was made about A. D. 1460. Luther made a new translation into German of the New Testament about A. D. 1522 and of the Old Testament ten years latter.

6. The first American edition was printed in Boston, A. D. 1752. In the time of Edward I. A.D. 1250, a copy of the Bible was valued at \$164 of our currency; now they issue at the rate of three Bibles and a half per minute, at a cost of one cent per copy. Such is one class of the benefits arising from the invention and present advanced state of the art of printing. Truly it is, as has been styled, the lever of th

## The Infirmities of Others

Once a month we publicly read, and solemnly reaffirm what we call our 'Church Covenant." Only too few of our members are apt to be present on these occasions, and only too few, perhaps, of those that are present appreciate the profound significance of the wealthy words in which that coventhat solemn pledge we monthly make "not needlessly to expose the infirmiities of others." We mean no harmwe are prompted by no malice-we | ing the Lord's Prayer. speak, it may be "more in sorrow can never be repaired.

There are things, indeed, that ought | five minutes for prayers." to be spoken of to the officers of the church and to the church itselfscandalous offences-that need to be And there are private offences too,

apt to talk of our grievance to every- school was in session. body else rather than the one who has The middle book is II Thessalonians. inflicted the grievance and so the refrain, and as soon as the meal was | will" places the final settlement of the The middle chapter is between Romans grievance grows. And then there are ever would begin to call out "Five question with each individual. The xiti and xiv. The middle verse is Acts | nfirmities that are not in the nature | minutes for prayers." They were all | destiny of your soul is in the choice xvii, 17. The smallest book is II John. of personal offences, concerning which accustomed to be called on, from the you make. If you ever attain the bliss The smallest verse is John xi, 35. The we ventilate our views in ill-considered time they could talk, to ask the bless- at God's right hand, it will be because word "and" occurs 10,084 times. The and unkindly criticism. A three-fold ing at table, to lead in prayer whether you made intelligent choice of the name Jesus occurs nearly 700 times in damage is thus thoughtlessly done. To guests were present or not; it was a right way; or, if you go out into outer the Gospels and Acts, and in the our own consciences, by the disregard part of their daily life to pray and to darkness, it will be because you loved Epistles less than seventy times. The of our common obligations. To Chris- ask for what they wanted. It was not darkness rather than light. In detername Christ alone occurs about sixty tian fellowship, which is never quite so unusual for such petitions as this to be mining the case, God has made your times in the Gospels and Acts, and sweet again with those of whom we offered: "O, Lord, please not let me will an essential factor. No man or about 240 times in the Epistles and have so disparagingly spoken. They miss in my lessons to-day;" 'Please devil can exclude you if only you de-Revelation. The term Jesus Christ may not know about it but we do, and let me have a knife," or a doll, or a termine to enter the gates of pearl; no in spite of all our efforts to be free and kite, or a sled. All their childish man or angel can secure to you salva-1. The Bible was not till modern cordial there is a sort of restraint and wants were spread out before Him who tion against your will. At the same times divided into chapters and verses. shamefacedness that we afterwards feel is congnizant of the least things, with time, the strong incentives are em-The division of chapters has been at- in their presence. And then there is whom nothing is little, nothing is ployed to insure a right decision. tributed to Lanfrank, Archbishop of a damage done to them in the esti large.

ed was further increased by the intro- | ties with their tongues, or in plainer | at any other to see that they are " in duction of the present system of verses; | English, "talk too much," especially | tune with heaven," to be freshly reinprinter, it is said while on horseback; ally and properly excites a suspicion a family anywhere that cannot afford but long before this the Hebrew Bible | that there is a positive satisfaction in | at least "five minutes for prayers?" had been divided into verses by a Jew- the doing such as a genuine Christian Is there a family anywhere that can ought never to feel.

earth is estimated at 3,000; the Bible showed his human weakness. Shem spirits? or parts of it have been rendered into and Japhet, so far from gloating over only about 180. The two principal it, would not even look upon it, much English versions are those of "King less call attention to it, but they "took James" (commonly called the Protes- a garment and laid it upon both their tant version) and the Douay, or shoulders, and went backward and Roman Catholic. The former was covered the nakedness of their father; translated from the Hebrew and Greek and their faces were backward and they saw not the nakedness of their

version was translated from the Latin | allusion to "the mantle of charity." Greek, by four professors of theology | was proper in the case of a fatherbut the people whose infirmities we expose sustain to us no such relation. translation of the Bible in common (or | sisters in Christ, and could any earthly was made A. D. 384, by St. Hierony- Each one of us has his own infirmities, mus, a learned monk. It is highly which it would greatly pain us to have discussed, and it behooves us in this of the Bible was the version of the Old | do unto others as we would have them Testament called the Septuagint, into | do unto us, and so "the Golden Rule" Greek, made in Egypt, 285 years be- becomes synonymous with "golden

> and let silence fall "as a poultice to shall never have to do without him .heal the blows of sound.'

We know of blessed Christians that beautifully keep this article of our covenant and we honestly believe there are more of them in our church than in almost any other of equal size, but the household faith. - Church Bulletin.

# Five Minutes For Prayer.

There was a great deal to do in the short winter mornings. Two or three young children to be dressed, two or three older ones to be gotton off to school at nine o'clock, and the usual work to be done for a breakfast for seven souls in perfect health and with normal appetites for food. Every minute was precious, and it seemed as though "prayers" would be crowd-

But the children had no father save their heavenly Father, and their mother felt that they must daily touch ant is clothed. How lightly we regard | His hand, hear His voice speaking to them from the sacred page, and join their voices in unison with the great voice of the Christian Church in say-

than in anger," of the things we think is precious, but we cannot omit our ness of law; in the other the might of to be amiss, but we speak all the same, daily devotions. I will read short ineffable grace. "Hope," says one, and the speech we make is echoed by lessons, we shall have short prayers, other lips and mischief comes of it that for we are 'not heard for our much than fear; faith in a possible future

breakfast dishes, and when the meal wrath." was over a portion of Scripture was Most religions have been content publicly and heroically dealt with. read, and some one of the children with the experiment of driving men was called on to lead in prayer, or the into the kingdom of heaven; Jesus concerning which the Lord's explicit mother led, and all joined in repeating Christ, who was not ignorant of the direction is that we go to the offend- the Lord's Prayer. So the key-note swinish element in human nature, ing brother and "tell him his fault be- for the day was struck, and the stand- adopted the expedient of persuasion. tween him and thee alone." What a ard of absolute right was held up The prize is exhibited at the end of world of trouble would be saved if before all the children from morning the race. The running is indispensthis Christian course were invariably to morning. The usual singing with able to its attainment. But the runorgan was omitted save on Saturday ning is voluntary. No one will be As a matter of fact we are only too and Sunday mornings, while the compelled to enter the lists; no one

and by others to Archbishop Langton, have uttered our criticism. They modern days that family devotion in glory of heaven await all who will of Canterbury, A. D. 1206; but the perhaps will never think quite so well the morning is in danger of being real author of this division was Cardi- of them, or quite so much enjoy their crowded out. At night the children lutely set their faces toward the better are tired and sleepy, and so are the The truth of the matter is that even grown folks. In the morning they are The faculty of reference thus afford- | Christian people, take too many liber- | fresh, and need at that time more than this was done for the New Testament, about "the infirmities of others." forced with high endeavor and lofty in 1544, by R. Stephens, a French | When this is habitually done it natur- | motive and immertal hope. Is there afford to go without this brief interval When Noah in an unguarded hour of interchange with the Father of our

### "He Knoweth Our Frame."

"For He knoweth our frame" (Ps. 103:14). And he does not only know with what sort of upon-the-shelf knowledge, which is often guilty of want of thought among ourselves, but he remembereth that we are dust. "For he remembered that they were but This is the origin of the familiar | flesh" (Ps. 78:39) Think of this when you are tempted to question the gentle-It may be said that this of course ness of the leading. He is remembering all the time; and not one step will he make you take beyond what your foot is able to endure. Never mind 3. The Latin Vulgate is the later But are they not our brothers and if you think it will not be able for the step that seems to come next; either vulgate) use in Catholic churches. It relation be more sacred than that? he will so strengthen it that it shall be able, or he will call a sudden halt, and you shall not have to take it at all. Think of Jesus not merely entering 4. The earliest translation known matter as in all others, scrupulously to into the fact, but into the feeling of what you are going through." "Touched with the feeling." How deep that goes! When we turn away to him in our wordless weariness of pain, which And when anyone so far forgets what only he understands, we find out that is due to Christian courtesy, and to our we have to do with him in quite a church convenant, as to speak dispar- different sense from how we have to 5. The first English translation agingly of an absent member, the best do with any one else. We could not paper that is pasted on the fly-leaf of complete of the Bible was by Wickeliffe possible rebuke is to hold our peace do without him, and, thank God! we Frances Ridley Havergal.

### Religious Training.

More and more there is growing a disposition among parents to permit all matters of religious observance to the heart of every believer the most the best of us are liable at times to be be with their offspring mere matters of implicit confidence in the promise of betrayed into impropriety in this re- choice or preference. Your child must God. There is nothing so comforting gard-and the pastor in penning this learn French and German and drawing; epistle pretends not to be any better but he shall learn his catechism and when by it fully trusted. than those to whom it is affectionately his Bible lesson and a reverent obaddressed. Impressed as he was, in servance of this holy day if he chooses, the last reading of the covenant, with and not otherwise. A more dismal thought and hope to their extremest this particular feature of it, and con- and irrational folly it is not easy to limit, alike in respect to time and scious smitten himself, he would smite | conceive of ! I do not say that there the consciences of others, and stimulate may not have been folly in another them to a tender sensibility in this and an opposite direction. I am not matter of dealing with the infimities unmindful that religious teaching has of others, especially those "who are of been sometimes made a dreary and intolerable burden. But surely, we can correct one excess (not, I apprehend, very frequent or very harmful) without straightway flying to an opposite and worse one. And so I plead with you who are parents, to train your children to ways of reverent familiarity with God's Word, God's house, and God's day. Let them understand that something higher than your taste or preference makes these things sacred and binding, and constrains you to imbue them with your spirit. And that they may do this the more effectually, give them, I entreat you, that mightiest teaching, which consists in your own consistent and devout example-Bishop H. C. Potter.

## Attraction of the Cross.

To draw is mightier than to drive Sinai is a goad; Calvary holds out the So she said to them: "I know time prize. In the one we have the weak-"is a better incentive to noble living speaking,' and we can certainly afford than disgust with the present and the past; love suffused with pity than con-So the Bible was put on with the tempt combined with even a righteous

will be excluded. The doors are open, The younger children caught the the invitation is broad. "Whosoever What more can be done to attract the Canterbury, in the reign of William 1, mation of those in whose hearing we Such is the rush of life in these human soul to the skies? The joy and neck and crick in the back; and, as an

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utter the determinative word and resoestate. - Z. Herald.

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### Random Readings.

ing and the bolt of the evening .-Dews of the night are diamonds at morn; so the tears we weep here may be pearls in heaven.

Dark seasons are never pleasant to us, but are always good for us. A cloudless sky could never produce a good harvest.

The harder our work the more we need solitude and prayer, without which work becomes mechanical and insincere . - McLaren.

Enter into the sublime patience of the Lord. Be charitable in view of it. God can afford to wait, why not we, since we have him to fall back upon? Geo. Macdonald.

While you live right nothing goes wrong. A soul at peace with God can not be greatly disturbed by the world: for it has its pleasures in God and its blessings from God. - Jackson. To him whose elastic and vigorous

thought keeps pace with the sun the ters not what the clocks say, or the attitudes and labors of men. Morning is when I am awake and there is dawn in me. - Thoreau. God remembers his own promises,

and can and will keep them. This ought to be sufficient to establish in to the soul as these very promises, The Bible Christ, as an object of

thought, and a basis of hope, carries eternity. The knowledge of him man's highest knowledge. All other knowledge, compared with this dwindles into significance.

To try too hard to make people good is one way to make them worse. The only way to make good is to be good, remembering well the beam and the moat. The time for speaking comes rarely; the time for being never departs. - Macdonald.

We prefer availability to ability. Availability is like a patent wrench, turning any tap. Ability of the sort fob. It is keen, but sticks your finger if you fool with it, fastens itself in the pocket, and you must turn everything wrong side out to get it loose. - J. J. Lafferty, D. D.

Christianity is neither creed nor conduct alone. It is that which makes creed and conduct. It is a life within. It is the permanent bent of the soul, of disposition, that finds expression in deed and in belief, but is deeper and greater than either of them. It is the heart uplifted, purified, and given new aims by the cleansing power of a trust in Jesus Christ .- Methodist Recorder.

Perhaps you have a great mind, per haps you have an eloquent tongue; it may be you have a large purse, and can glorify and bless God and mankind with that. But perhaps you have nothing in the world but a kind, sweet smile; then let that fall upon some poor life that has no smile in it. Remember that a dewdrop glistening in the sun is just as beautiful as a rainbow. - Rev. C. H. Parkhurst, D. D.

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