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We did hope a weary world would have a rest when the English Parliament adjourned. But the Commission appointed to investigate the charges of the Times against Parnell, and now his suit against the Times in Scotland will keep the world from any respite in Irish affairs.

It is generally thought Parnell did a shrewd thing to begin a suit in the Scotch courts. We do not pretend to understand the true inwardness of such a move, which seems very much like the famous game of the "Lilite Joker."

"Now you see it and now you don't." But that suit looks to us like an acknowledgment of the weakness of the Government's charge of the Times. The Government advised him to bring suit in the courts, if he considered himself aggrieved. He refused, and insisted on Parliament's appointing a commission which was done to please him. But still he was not happy, and instead of bringing suit against the Times directly in London, brings suit in Edinburgh against the news agents who sell the Times in that city.

The statistics of all the denominations in the United States show there are 130,385 churches, 94,427 ministers, and 10,790,323 members. Every day last year saw seventeen churches, twelve ministers, and over two thousand members added to the church. The statistics seem to show that Christianity is doing out as rapidly as some of its enemies would have the world believe. But the showing for New York City is terrible, however gratifying the report from the state generally. There is a population approaching two millions and there are only 1,000 church members of all the evangelical denominations. Statistics stand third in numbers, 13,000. We commend to the churches the urgent and noble work of the Home Mission Societies of the various denominations in whose territory it is located. And we ask the earnest prayers of Christians everywhere for the evangelization of this great center of influence. The work in New York is for Northern Christians what the work in New Orleans is for us.

ENGLAND is having difficulty in several parts of the world. The difference with Tibet must result in war unless the Chinese Government will make concessions. The Tibetans have taken peace, but the English are contenting themselves with a strong defensive attitude. The commission sent by the Chinese Government to bring peace has been heard from. We believe Tibet is the only country now upon earth where the Christian religion in some form has not penetrated. And the outcome of this present difficulty may be the introduction of Christianity.

The Emperor of Germany has accepted General Van Molke's resignation. The Emperor is now eighty years old, and has served in the army more than seventy years. He has long suffered the infirmities of age, but so long as his master, an older man than he, lived and labored he would not be relieved. There have been no great military successes in the world than Van Molke, and Germany can scarcely hope to find his equal. He is succeeded by General Van Waldersee, a capable officer of long experience, and also a warm personal friend of the present Emperor.

MR. FRANK LEE, who died recently in Plainsfield, N. Y., left an estate of \$300,000 to the Baptist church in that town. We understand the church proposes to pay off its debts, and then use the entire principal in various miscellaneous ways. That will be the wisest which can be done with the money. Any man who will kill any Baptist church, although important and valuable to literary institutions.

"I might venture to make a suggestion, madame," said the tobacconist, in a somewhat respectful manner. "I should say the motto, 'He has a better hand, and will be an appropriate one.' You forget, sir, you are the lady in black, with cold dignity, that he lived in Boston."

FOR THE WESTERN RECORDER: THE DYING SAINT'S RETROSPECT.

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This topic has been suggested to me by the words of Joshua: "And, behold, this day I am going the way of all the earth; and ye know in all your hearts and all your souls, that not one thing hath failed of all the good things which the Lord your God spake concerning you; all are come to pass unto you, and not one thing hath failed thereof." (Chap. 23:14.)

We all know that after the death of Moses Joshua became the leader of the house of Israel. He conducted them in triumph over the Jordan, organized their military victories over their enemies, divided the land by lot and superintended the settlement in Canaan in process of time. It is said that he was "waxed old." So it is with all who live beyond the ordinary limit of human life. They become old. Joshua called for the representatives of Israel and gave them his parting counsel. These counsels were impressively solemn, because they were those of a dying man. He said, "This day I am going the way of all the earth."

This language indicates movements of the spirit of God. It was to go, to depart. So it must be with all who read this article, and with him who writes it. Think of it as a personal matter. Exercise your imagination. Thus yourself the day when you will say, "I am going." etc. Departure from the world is as certain as coming into it. Paul speaks of bringing nothing into this world and carrying nothing out. He meant that he brought into the world nothing that he would leave behind. He meant that he would leave the world as he found it. He meant that he would leave the world as he found it. He meant that he would leave the world as he found it.

The manner of going is described. It is said to be "the way of all the earth." That is the way in which all the inhabitants of the earth go. There is no road to be traveled by all. Enoch and Elijah alone of all the millions of our race have left the world without going thither. Two out of five of the myriads of our kind have never seen the light of day. We acquire any change in the language—

"The declaration, 'to dust shall thou return,' has been receiving its fulfillment from the fall of Adam to Moses. An apostle answers in two words—'dust and dust.'" From Moses to the coming of Christ no interval occurred in the reign of death, nor has the king of terror laid aside his scepter from the myriads of our kind. All who have lived in cities, towns, and country places, all who have felt the pleasant breeze of the temperate zone, the frigid blast of the North or the burning heat of the equator, all who have lived on the surface of the earth, have gone "the way of all the earth."

Neither in civilized nor savage lands is there protection from the stroke of death—the stroke falls everywhere. "To die is the way of all the earth." Now, while mortality spreads itself over the broad area of humanity, the thought for God's people to do is to extract comfort from his fidelity to his promise. Joshua, on his dying day, looked back and the retrospect was full of joy. He said that God had kept his word, and he said to those around him, "Ye know in all your souls that not one thing hath failed of all the good things which the Lord your God spake concerning you; all are come to pass unto you, and not one thing hath failed thereof." This dying saint in his retrospect can refer to God's promise and say, "I have felt my weakness in all my pilgrimage, but (God has been my strength. I have been kept by his power, and now on this day when I am going the way of all the earth, I testify that he has been faithful to his promise. I would have fallen but his sustaining grace has upheld me. He has been my support in trouble, thus fulfilling his word, 'When thou passed through the waters, I will be with thee.'"

The dying saint can make mention of "overcoming grace." During life he is in a conflict. He is warring an earnest war against the flesh, the world and Satan. The "old man" and "new man" are at war. The "old man" is the master. The old man would triumph but for God's help. The world with "enemies, its pleasures, its charms, its smiles, its ridicule, its frowns, its contempt, its sneers, its crushes, the Christian warfare, the special enemy of the sinner, pierce his tempta-

tion, sometimes acting as we would expect, and again assuming the form of an angel of light." Amid this grand conflict God promises "overcoming grace," and the dying saint says, "the promise has been fulfilled."

What can be said of "overcoming grace"? The man on the day he goes the way of all the earth can say in the language of Paul: "Having obtained the help of God, I continue to this day." He was that way when he was taken in the pathway of holiness. He has often been because God gave him grace to persevere. He would that he had been kept by the power of God through his fall into sin. He would that he had been kept by the power of God through his fall into sin. He would that he had been kept by the power of God through his fall into sin.

Every promise guaranteeing his perseverance to the end has been verified. As to dying grace, the dying saint says, "I go this day the way of all the earth." (God has said.) "I will say, 'He is with me. I know it; I feel it. No word of his has failed. I go without fear though the gate of death—nothing can harm me; for—"

"I can make no dying bed. While on his knees I follow as he went. And breathe my life out as he did."

FROM MEXICO.

Correspondence of the Western Recorder.

This is a great time with the Catholics of Mexico. They have an image of Christ which they teach the people to believe miraculously appeared in the year 1531. It is a picture of Christ which they teach the people to believe miraculously appeared in the year 1531. It is a picture of Christ which they teach the people to believe miraculously appeared in the year 1531. It is a picture of Christ which they teach the people to believe miraculously appeared in the year 1531.

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THE TRUE POSITION OF WOMAN IN THE GOSPEL CHURCHES.

Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak. If there is any iniquity or command in the Scriptures which may be said to be plain, clear and unmistakable in its meaning, the above from the pen of the Apostle Paul is that one. No plain, indeed, we need no commentator to add to so clear, the "verdict" of the church. It is the "verdict" of the other word of God had been written on the subject, to those who hold that the Bible is the only rule of faith and practice this is all sufficient to settle the matter in regard to women in the church. But Paul does not stop at this sentence; as if anticipating their womanly desire to understand church matters, he says: "And if they will learn anything, let them ask their husbands at home: for it is a shame for women to speak in the churches." Surely some of the good sisters have overlooked this part of the Bible. How many of us have been soothed and comforted often by the precious words: "All things that our Father has commanded us to do, we have done: and we have kept his commandments, that we might abide in his love." The same apostle wrote this: he knew how to strengthen and build up the weak trembling child of God, and equally well he knew how to reprove, to rebuke and to command the church. If the brethren of today were as honest and faithful in their dealings with the sisters and womanhood in general, as was this great and fearless apostle in his time, it is reasonable to suppose that our sex would not be in such a state of confusion and perplexity in regard to their duties and positions both in Church and State. If women are so anxious to be considered "brethren," why do they not exhibit the same plain and faithful in their dealings with their sphere? To think that in this advanced age of the world, when if a body would be expected to know any fact it would be, "who was an ancestor of the man who was the first to be baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ?" Many devoted ones followed the "saviour's" footsteps and ministered to his wants, but he never called such to preach or to do aught of the kind. He called them to be faithful in their sphere. If women were to stand alone and take to the pulpit, what would become of home and the children? Where would the future of our race be? It is not for us to say, but we think it would be a good thing if we could not so busy people with their "sister's" Word is explicit and settles the matter. Woman's sphere to use her tongue in the home circle; she can talk there and teach there in the household. She should keep silent in the church. 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THURSDAY, AUGUST 30, 1888.

WITNESSES.

I am working alone, and no one hears me. Who says, does not watch on every side. There are eyes everywhere that see me. We are surrounded about with a great crowd.

Our Pulpit.

A CALL TO THE UNCONVERTED.

BY PASTOR C. H. SPOONER. For many of the words of the law are written in the book of the law. In every one that continues not in all things which are written in the book of the law, he does not have life.

gully; for though I am well aware that I have not continued 'in all things which are written in the book of the law,' yet I have done the best I could. That is a lie—before God a falsehood. You have not done the best you could. There have been many occasions upon which you might have done better. Will that young man dare to tell me that he is doing the best he can? He can not do so. He can not say so. It is possible that it is hard for him to do so, but it is just possible he could, if he pleased, refrain from insulting his Master to his face. Surely we have many occasions, and at every time, there have been opportunities of escape from temptation.

Curse shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy land, the increase of thy kin, and the flocks and the herds, and the increase of thy seed, when thou comest in, and when thou goest out. There are some men upon whom this curse is very visible. Whatever they do is evil. They get sick, but there is no cure. God's curse with the fishes. I would not have some men's gold for all the fish, though they were gold; and if I might have all the wealth of the world, I would rather have the curse of God. I would rather be poor than rich. There are some men who are visible. He is cursed, he let him go where he may. He is cursed, he let him go where he may. He is cursed, he let him go where he may. He is cursed, he let him go where he may.

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Correspondence.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER. WASHINGTON, D. C., AUG. 27, 1888. (Correspondence Western Recorder.) It is said that there are fifty-five Senators who have signified their desire to make speeches in the general debate, and although this will occupy nearly a month, the Senate can not be blamed, in these stirring campaign days, for setting the example. The Senate is controlled by the House, of pouring forth its pent-up tariff eloquence. Then again, after the close of the general debate the bill must be discussed by paragraphs, and the Senate is not allowed a free vote can be taken. This has already been, I believe, the longest (congressional session since the war.) The Fisheries Treaty has continued to be the subject of contention in the Senate, and on Tuesday a personal debate was almost precipitated, in which Senators George and Hoar were the principal figures. Senator George had read to the Senate the resolution of the Knights of Labor, denouncing of capitalists in general, and of the Eastern owners of fishing vessels in particular, showing the condition of the laboring class, and one of poverty and oppression, and contending that the treaty drawn of the fisheries and the fishery interests, and of the laboring men and capitalists of Massachusetts, was a slander in general, a slander in detail, a slander in gross, and a slander in particular. The spot chosen for General Sheridan's grave is on the steep hillside, a few rods distant from Arlington House, the old Lee mansion, now the office and headquarters of the National Soldiers' Cemetery. The spot is in plain view from the opposite side of the river, and any monument which may be erected there would be visible from every high point in Washington. A bill was introduced in the Senate last Monday granting a pension of \$5000 a year to Mrs. Sheridan, which is noteworthy that while the enumeration of General Sheridan's property included \$5000 worth of awards, etc., the word which he carried all through the war, and which is the motto of his stories was engraved, and which was the ceremonial sword that was placed upon the general's bier through the obsequies, was purchased by him at the beginning of the war from another officer, and that he bought it at an auction in Chicago for that price. In the District of Columbia the number of tax-returns issued since November 1st is in excess of 1500 less than the number of returns for the same time last year. This does not mean, however, that there are 150 less sailors. On the contrary over one hundred returns are now being returned without a tax, and the tax collector has been refused, and has simply continued their business without the necessary legal qualifications. The executive committee of the police for not having taken measures to prevent this state of affairs is that until the recent decision of the District Supreme Court, there was no certainty as to how far the authority of the Commissioners of the police may extend. This decision, however, was sweeping, and gave to the Commissioners plenary power to regulate the sale of liquor in the District, and to limit the number of saloons. For a good every-day household angel, give me the woman who laughs. Her attitude may not be always just, but she is never unkind. Her heart is broad, and she forgets to replace the displaced button, but for solid comfort and joy every day she is a very paragon. Home is not a battle-field, nor life one of constant warfare. It is a place where we are wearing the bright side, or, if the matter has no bright side, of shining up the dark one, is a very important faculty—one of the things no woman should be without. We are not all born with the sunbeams in our hearts, as the Irish pretty phrase it, but we can cultivate a cheerful sense of humor if we only try.—Zurnal New Yorker. It is the order of God's providence that the growth of the Christ within us shall be in proportion to the decay of the Adam. And this evidence of our immortality, blessed by God, is perpetually being renewed in each thing that we do. The spirit residing in each in proportion to the decay of the body.—F. W. Robertson. GENUINITY does not consist in giving alone, but in making some sacrifice to enable one to give.—Bayer.







WESTERN RECORDER THE FAMILY CIRCLE

A BOY'S PROMISE. The school was out, and down the street a boy of twelve...

MULTIPLE TALENTS. It was a gem of a house, with a sweet home-like air pervading every room...

What did you mean, doctor? she said, after they had exchanged greetings...

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A LITTLE BOY'S REMORSE. This must be a sermon because he has a text: 'I Keep My Body Under.'

Little Bertie Blyden had just finished his dinner. He was in the cozy library...

But I mean you'll make fun of me. 'No,' said the boy, 'I mean to give you...

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