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Though reading and conversation may furnish us many ideas of men and things, yet it is our own meditation that must form our judgment. -Dr. Watts.

AMMUNITION FOR THE ENEMY.

CEATTLE has lost no time in making use of the ammunition furnished it by the Oregonian. The Times of that city gave promnent place yesterday morning to a telegraphic story containing liberal stracts from the Oregonian's editorial belittling Portland. This article was surmounted by a scare-head that read as follows:

"Portland's Claim on Population Is Absurd. Oregonian Ridicules Directory Estimate of 195,000, and Says There Is No Use in the City Deceiving Itself. Correct Total is 120,000 ter's Preposterous."

land, will be the gainer.

ures will jump to the conclusion that and he ought to know whereof he even 125,000 is a newspaper exaggera- speaks. The only thing to do is to tion and that the real population of pull unitedly for both these improve-Portland is 10,000 or 15,000 less. Then ments, and for others desired by Pathey will turn to the census figures of 1900, note that the apparent growth sition to abandon efforts for an apis little more than 20 per cent, and act propriation for the canal is one not on the assumption that Seattle has faroutstripped this city in point of

not justly accuse it of more than a members will insist upon. distressing lack of patriotism. The truth of the matter is that the Orestreet railway traffic and the unpre- else but dig. cedented increase of the population in the annexed districts. It was pointed fense of its figures.

In order to prove that the Oregonian has no desire to be fair it is only The people of Texas seem inclined necessary to do a little calculating not to take the same view as he does based on a comparison of former cen- of Senator Bailey's services for large rus figures. In 1890 the federal cen- fees to the Standard Oil company. sus showed 46,385 people in Portland. They have an old-fashioned notion In 1900 the same authority gave the that it is difficult to serve two maspopulation as 90,426. This was a ters, and that a man who wants to gain of 95 per cent. Since 1900 the get rich is likely to serve best the one city has increased at a greater ratio, who pays him most. but for the sake of argument let us say that the gain each year since 1900 If the United States intervenes in has been one tenth of 95 per cent Cuba now, and helps maintain the 57, which represents the increase in 6 other one, it will no more than have years. Take 57 per cent of 90,426 its back turned till it will have the and the result is 51,544. Add that to same thing to do over again. Unless the population as shown by the census the United States is going to annex of 1900 and you have 142,970, prac- Cuba it would better have let the tically 193,000. Allow 10,000 for dis- Cubans fight out their own battles. tricts annexed since 1900 and the total is 153,000, just 7,000 short of the average estimate of Portland busi- The engineering skill which puts steel pess men, but 28,000 more than the limit of 125,000 fixed by the Oregoman. Every old resident of the and builders who rear skysorapers to

that not only were those figures exact, but that the city's gain since 1900 has averaged less than 6,000 a year.

A noticeable feature of the Oregonian's defense was that it did not deny that its inspiration was desire to retain a monopoly of the Associated Press telegraphic service. In an effort to dodge the question it spoke of this service as a thing of trifling importance and not to be compared with its own special service. Perhaps it was thinking of the highlycolored, biased, political editorials that it prints as news matter under Washington date-lines. Heretofore the Oregonian has boasted of the superiority of the Associated Press, declaring that there was never anything half so excellent, but now when driven into a corner it throws down its old friend much in the same manner that it has thrown down Portland. Summed up, the Oregonian's de-

fense of its figures can serve only one purpose and that is to provide Seattle with more ammunition. It knows that Portland's population is not far from the estimate of 185,000, which it so savagely attacks, but it considers its own business interests of far more importance than those of the city on which it depends for existence. Therefore it lies, and when the Oregonian lies all successors of Ananias applaud. If Seattle's boosters have such a thing as a Half Million club the author of the Oregonian's 125,000 estimate has earned not only a paidup membership in that organization, but a vote of thanks.

MUST PULL TOGETHER.

NDOUBTEDLY, as Senator Fulton says, the thing to do is for the members of con-125,000. Discrepancy Between gress from the Pacific coast to orfigures According to School Census ganize and work together for Pacific nd Those of Polk People Make Lat- coast interests. Then they will be a power and able to accomplish some-Such is the opening of the new thing. But it is clearly manifest that campaign against Portland. That the this cannot be done if the members' Seattle spirit" will give the Oregon- from Oregon insist on an appropriaan's "knock" the widest circulation tion for the jetty at the mouth of the possible is a certainty. The object, of Columbia only, allowing the Celilo urse, will be to convince capitalists canal and other up-river improvewho are planning to invest large ments to wait. Representative Jones, amounts in the Pacific northwest that whom Oregon must largely depend Portland is slow and sluggish. If the upon, would never consent to this plan succeeds it naturally follows that program, neither would the Idaho Seattle, the recognized rival of Port- delegation. And Senator Fulton says that relinquishing all claim for an ap-Many easterners when their atten- propriation for the canal would not tion is called to the Oregonian's fig. secure any more for the jetty anyway, cific coast members. The propoworthy of further consideration. While the jetty is primarily the most important thing, we must work to-If all this were true Portlanders gether not only for that but for other might curse the Oregonian, but could improvements that some Pacific coast

gonian has lied atrociously about the had a horse on Uncle Sam this time. city's population. Not only that, but He can't get anybody else to dig the it has built up a flimsy argument to Panama canal, and the Chinese say support its lies. Naturally denuncia- they'd rather starve to death than dig tion has followed. Men in all walks it for him. So it looks as if the prinof life have declared that the figures cipal work that will be done on the that Miss Lawrence is in her elemen are false. Attention has been called isthmus for the next few years is to the immense number of building working the taxpayers for money to where nothing but hard work will bring permits, the marvelous growth of pay men who will do almost anything

It is reported that Mr. Harriman, out that block after block of resi- having California completely under dences had gone up on both sides of his thumb politically, through his the river. In a dozen other ways it partner and tool the Republican not intended to be humorous. Miss fan's estimate of 125,000 was absurd, by the same means of the rest of the but in the face of all the evidence that Pacific coast states. Very likely he paper this morning repeated its of- will, though he may have to wrestle fense and made a labored editorial de- some with Jim Hill up in the Pacific northwest.

or 91/2 per cent. Six times 91/2 gives present government or establishes an-

Power of Earthquakes.

The easiment but 28,000 more than the puts steel limit of 125,000 fixed by the Oregonian. Every old resident of the city knows that the percentage of the most period of Portians in since 1900 has been far larger than that of any other period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection than that of any other period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection than that of any other period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection that the percentage of the most period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection that the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection that the period of Portiand's history and the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection that the period of Portiand's history and the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection that the period of Portiand's history and the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection that the period of Portiand's history and the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection that the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection the period of Portiand's history and the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection the period of Portiand's history, but one can undersection the period of Portiand's history and the period of Portiand

BIRDSEYE VIEWS

SMALL CHANGE

The old Oregonian's knecking can't 1100

regard for hopyards. Mr. Bryan can't be afraid that Mis

slasippi will go Republican.

The Oregonian probably judges Port-land's population by that paper's sta-tionary circulation. The eastern football season h

opened and surgeons will be busy fo Portland, without the knowledge contrary to the desire of the Oregonia has outgrown that paper.

Senator Beveridge says there is no

The more one reads of New York politics the more he wishes both sides and all factions could be beaten.

Nearly all great criminals have som weakness that betrays them; Stenslan kept a diary and did not destroy it.

Now it is decided that it is unlawful to play a game of oards even for t drinks. Are our thirsty citizens to allowed no sport at all?

A lot of Mexicans are still working up a revolution. If they get it going will Uncle Sam intervene there also? But Diax is not alles sames Palma. .

It is said that Governor Higgins' wife will decide whether he will run again or not. And yet some women complain that their sex is debarred from politics. A report comes from St. Petersburg that the terrorists are determined to kill the ezar, if they can find an oppor-tunity. But who would believe such a

The Atlanta newspapers having advo-cated lynching of negroes for years, it is not strange that a lot of innocent were murdered there

The fonetic speller has to write very slowly and cautiously, else he will for-get to change about half the words he uses from their old forms. |Habit is a

A New York woman who has become separated from her husband and caused the breaking up of their home because she way determined to become an act-ress, says that she thinks her husband will come around" soon, that "he has likely, yet there is an occasional in-stance of a married woman not always having her way about everything, and of a husband who doesn't "come around."

OREGON SIDELIGHTS.

Forest Grove is in urgent need of a

Several new buildings are being Summerville will have electric lights; Cove may have a bank.

Roseburg aspires to be the railroad center of southern Oregon.

Pendleton has put a prohibitive tax Pienty of water was found in a well near Madras at a depth of 350 feet.

A Wasso young man lost \$75 and a note for \$45, all his summer's earnings, on a train.

The Dalles Itemiser boldly asserts that Polk county raises the best apples in the world.

In a Howell Prairie yard, in sight hours, 24 hoppickers carried an average of \$3.77 each.

Hundreds of tons of prunes will go to waste in Lane county alone for lack of drying facilities.

On the proposition to bond Falls City for \$8,000 for water works the vote was 23 for and 21 against. At Alicel Friday there were 50 tee in line waiting their turn to grain at the warehouse.

Four presidents were in one town at once the other day—Governor Chamber-Colonel Hofer.

A Gales Creek man was fishing when a deer came near him and stopped, and he went to his house and got a gun and killed it.

The Astoria Herald alludes to the chamber of commerce of that city as "The Associated Order of Mossbacks."

The latest case with a fowl with gold in its craw is reported from Jackson county. Beveral of these gold-eating birds are reported yearly.

A Roseburg man named Barker who has gone on a trip to London, England is alluded to by the News as "Rose burg's millionaire capitalist."

There is said to be a place in Albany where a man can lift up a lid and help himself to filled whiskey flasks. Per-haps there are several, says the Demo-

this year. Those who do not make over \$3 a day are so far behind they are not noticed; \$3.25 to \$4 are not uncommon, says the McMinnville News-Reporter.

The Play

By Johnston McCulley.
Henry V. Esmond's play, "The Wilderness," was seen for the first time in Portland yesterday afternoon, when the Baker stock company essayed it. The theme from which the drama is built up is an excellent one, but in the lines and situations there are indications of haste on the part of the author, and there are scenes which lack the polish there are scenes which lack the polish of an experienced playright. When Es-mond wrote it, he was evidently writing

members will insist upon.

One, nevertheless, and in the hands of the Bakerites it loses none of its beauty. Yesterday it seemed from the way the audience took it that the production was centage of the people who saw it. There is a rare double meaning to "The Wilderness" which is worth working out.

As Mabel Vaughn, the headstrong girl whom the playright has made just a bit unnatural, Lillian Lawrence is in her element. We don't desire to intimate out the author's idea, and she brings it out in great fashion. At first, yesterday afternoon she went into the role as it is intended she should. Others of the company played up to her in that sentiment. The crowd, unable, appar-ently, to see the depth of the lines, tittered, and seemed determined to see the humorous side of situations that were pathy with her audience, made the lines and her work lighter. The audience was in part appeased, but the little art there was in the role of Mabel was

there was in the role of Mabel was ruined beyond recall.

At the close of the second act, where the microbe of love begins to nibble at Mabel's heart. Miss Lawrence could not forego real art, and in deflance of ar audience that wanted to laugh, she acted, and acted so superbly that the audience forgot to laugh and almost wept instead. After that the company got into the real spirit of the play and things went along smoothly, as it is in-tended they should. By the final cur-tain Miss Lawrence and the Bakerites

had again come into their own. But it was a hard struggle.

Richard Thouston played steadily throughout, giving a good characterization of a man half dreamer and half man of the world. The author has not treated the male lead with fidelity and Thornton was up against the problem of practically writing a part for himself. He did it and won out. His work was characterized by artistic finish. Donald Bowles was in his element as Jack Kennerly. His work was up to the Bowles standard. Howard Russell had a clever bit of characterization in the role of Gilbert Pawson. William Harris was truthful as the rich brewer, Grinstead Worburn. Miss Bjosson made the most of a minor part. Mrs. Glea-son, in the role of Lady Milanor, played the eccentric, world-weary aristocrat to perfection, while William Gleason as Uncle Joe played to the right limit and never stepped over the line. He was in sympathy with the play and the audi-

Letters

Where the Blame Belongs.

Portland, Sept. 21.—To the Editor of The Journal—In your issue of September 17 was a report of a sermon delivered by Dr. Brougher which would lead one to think that woman was not man's equal in will power. In this sermon he is trying to take the blame from the shoulders of the woman in the case of the young man who stole the money from the gas company, and to make his words strong and forceful he goes so far as to condemn the judgment of God. He makes light of it in pointing out the case of Adam and Eve. He says ever case of Adam and Eve. He says ever since the days of Adam and Eve weak men have placed the blame for their misdeeds on women.

I would like to ask him who it was that did the placing of the blame? Was it God or was it Adam? It was God and he blamed them both slike. Dr. Brougher would have us to believe such judgment is wrong. I would like him to tell us how and in what way the people have been harsh with the woman in the Velguth case. She is at liberty, and if the papers are right, is wearing the diamonds this foolish boy bought

Dr. Brougher has changed his views as to woman's strength. He would have us believe woman is the weaker vessel at present, but he did not say this last Both he and Dr. spring spoke in a different key in trying to get us to vote for woman's suffrage.

Now, if those two worthy gentlementell the people they did not try to sat them to break the commandments all you have to do is to read the fourteenth chapter of first Corinthians and also the second chapter of first Timothy. I am not writing this letter because have any ill-feeling against these gentlemen, but I could not hold my peace longer in view of the fact that they are men whom thousands go to hear. WILLIAM SHANNON, 1047 East Eleventh Street, City.

she is destined to do things in the fu-ture. Miss Smart is a capable actress one of the most interesting that ha one of the most interesting that has tripped over the Empire stage for many a day. Her personality is pleasing, and while there are times when she does not get the depth to her work that she should, she sustains a difficult role in should, she sustains a difficult role in coer as well as the now-and-then sor which is always pretty sure to be pleased. Miss Smart delighted two large audiences resterday.

The story of "A Mad Love" is too well known to be told here. Suffice it

to say that it portrays a consuming love, a consuming hatred, and in work-ing out to a climax makes use of thrilling situations not overdrawn. From done his work well, and the old novel which created a sensation in its day and is still read by numbers of the rising generation loses none of its value through the work of the playright. "A

BY DR. HILL

Pastor of First Presbyterian Church Takes Leave of Congregation of Eleven Years.

TO LEAVE TOMORROW TO-WORK IN CHICAGO

Closes Long Service in Portland by Powerful Sermon Upon Religious Topic Instead of Reviewing Work of Church During His Term.

Dr. E. P. Hill preached his farewell sermon yesterday morning to his congregation of 11 years. The church was crowded to the doors, and many of the listeners gave way to their emotion when Dr. Hill spoke the farewell words of his sermon. At the close of the benediction they gathered in crowds about him and Mrs. Hill, eager to shake their hands and big them Godspeed, and Mrs. Hill and many of their devoted friends

The farewell words of Dr. Hill's ser-mon were brief. Instead of summing up the work of his pastorate or making any mantion of it. he chose as his subject "The Church of the Living God," and preached one of the ablest discourses of his term here. At its conclusion he said:

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Eis Words of Parewell.

"My dear friends, the hour has dome for me to lay down the work of this pasterate. I shall offer no review of the work of the past Il years. It would be altogether unprofitable to know how many marriages have been perfected, how much money has been raised, how many have been received into membership of the church. It would only satisfy a passing curiosity and minister to one's pride. I prefer to explain to you my conception of the place of the church in a community and to give you a hint of what I regard a preachers mission. The church belongs to God, the living, the true, the righteous, or mission of the church is to incorporate and to cultivate and to illustrate the opinion of the church is to incorporate and to cultivate and to illustrate the opinion of Him to whom it belongs. During these past years it has been my one great aim to do this; to preach the truth as it centers in the cross, to stand for righteousness without thought of the consequences, to make this a ministering church whose quiet, tender service should be suggestive of One was while on earth went is gestive of One was while on earth went is gestive of One was while on earth went is gestive of One was while on earth went is gestive of One was while on earth went is gestive of One was while on earth went is gestive of One was while on earth went is gestive of One was while on earth went is gestive of One was while on earth went is gestive of One was while on earth went is gestive of One was while on earth went is gestive of One was while on earth went is gestive of One was while on earth went is gestive of One was while on earth went is gestive of One was while on earth went is gestive of One was while on earth went is gestive of One was while on earth went is gestive of One was while on earth went is gestive of One was while on earth went is compared with which we take the said manufacture. The first content is the united sparters.

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never be broken."

At the close of Dr. Hill's remarks, R. Is a Christ.

K. Warren read a communication from the committee of session, in which the committee of session the committee of session. Bome weeks ago Dr. Edgar P. Hill announced to the session his purpose to retire from the pastorate of this church, that he might accept a call to the Chair of Homileties and Applied Christianity in McCormick Theological seminary, Chicago; and asked for a meeting of the convergence of the convergen the congregation to unite with him in requesting presbytery to dissolve the pastoral relation. The united efforts of his session to lead him to change his purpose were unavailing and the meetwas called. At the meeting a

unanimous protest came from the con-gregation, but Dr. Hill was firm in his decision. Finally, with reluctance and deep sorrow, the request was concurred in, presbytery consented to the dissolu-tion of the pastorate, and today we realize the full force of such action—as Dr. Hill stands in this pulpit for the last time as our pastor. It is natural and fitting, therefore, that our thoughts should turn backward for a few Dr. Hill came to this city in 1895, stranger to its people. The results of his work give striking evidence that God directed him to this field. The

dowed him, and the power acquired to use them in the Master's service, have led our church, already made strong under previous pastorates, to greater heights of power and influence. With delicate tact, and genial cour-tesy in the conduct of the pastoral office. Dr. Hill at once secured, and has ever retained the loyal co-operation of his church, the affection and confidence of his co-presbyters, and of his col-leagues of the City Ministerial association, and the esteem of the community in which he has lived. And beyond all the wonderful resources of the gospel have been so faithfully and effectively presented that the blessing of God has reasted on his ministry—1.166 names having been added to the church roll. of which number, 509 (nearly one half), were upon profession of faith—while the church has grown to a total of 1250—or has nearly doubled its active mem-

bership.
Great Work for Missions. Five times as much money is con-tributed to the two great boards, and

Mad Love" is worth seeing and Maretta Smart is worth seeing and both will be as during the first years of his past- orate. During his work of 11 years. Saturday.

Origin of Ice Cream. But Dr. Hill is a man of broad views

resets of our city."

In everything which he felt was for the real welfare of the community the question with him was not. "Will it be copular?" but, "Is it right?" That question once settled he set himself to the task of carrying his purpose into execution, with all the energy and force which Paul condensed in the expression, "This one thing I do."

"This one thing I do."

Zis Work in Morth End.

Instance his work in the "North End."
He saw the wretched condition of that locality, and its needs, and with a great heartfelt sympathy for his fellowmen he at once formed a purpose; and today the Men's Resort and People's Institute—the outgrowth of a mission already begun by the church, in connection with the Seamen's Bethelis the consummation of that purpose, and stands as a monument to his energy, foresight and wisdom.

Again he saw the broad chasm between the laboring man and the church and with unselfish, loving interest, he determined to bridge the chasm. The results of his efforts led the Ministerial association to elect him as a delegate

results of his efforts ted the Ministerial association to elset him as a delegate to the "Labor Unions." He accepted the honor as an opportunity to assist him in the sciution of this great problem. His success has been marked, otton though his work is in its infancy. The piers of the bridge have been built, and it is another source of regret that he could not remain to complete the superstructure, in which regret, we are assured, the laboring men of the city deeply share.

But the occasion forbids to the superstructure of the city whole story.

deeply share.

But the occasion forbids telling the whole alory. It cannot be told. Eternity alone will reveal it. It only remains for us. as a church to say—

That, as we are about to sever a pastoral relations which began with a unanimous call of the church and has continued so harmoniously for a period of 11 years, we desire to express our gratifude to Almighty God, the great head of the church, for the manifestation of his loving kindness to pastor and people, our sincere admiration for Dr. Hill and Mrs. Hill, personally, and the unfeigned regret with which we view their departure.

That while the action of presbytery has ferminated the official relation between Dr. Hill and this church, it has not, and cannot terminate the affectionate regard in which he and Mrs. Hill will ever be held by this people, and which, with their united prayer, will follow them in their new field of labor.

R. K. WARREN.

A. S. PATTULIO.

quiet, tender service should be sug- a favorite expression," said he. "I gestive of One who while on earth went have a better motto: "Cuffivate the long

gestive of One who while on earth went about doing good. If, together, you and I, my dear people, have fulfilled in a measure this ambition, our labors have not been in vain. If any hearts have been comforted, if any have been helped to realize more fully their dependence on Jesus and encouraged to walk in his footsteps, if the people of this city and state have been atimulated to stand forth boldly for the right by reason of our ministry then our thought of the past years in labor together should bring us much joy.

"As for myself, I count first of all the approval of God, After that I desire the approval of the people of this beloved church. I thank you for your unfailing loyalty and for the many expressions of your affection. God bless you all in all the years to come. We now part, but after a time, a little time, we shall meet in a fellowship that shall never be broken."

At the close of Dr. Hill's remarks. B. hair was the cause of that young man's downfall. So our glory may be our doom. A man must glory in something, even though it be nothing more than clothes. If clothes, he is nothing more than a fashion plate. He may live for his own opinions; if so, he is nothing more than a bigot. But a man may live for truth and for humanity; if so, he

was expressed regret over the departure of Dr. and Mrs. Hill. The communication was made a resolution by Christ, and lives in power and indication. ence today. terial, but not to pause on the means of living, but on life itself. An office of living, but on life itself. An office is not a place for money-making, but for man-making. A workshop is not the place for turning out machinery, but for turning out characters. urning out character."

WHY MEN HESITATE

Are Not Willing to Accept God's Message Entire, Says Rev. A. A. Mor-

"We do not wonder that there is some we do not wonder that there is some hesitancy to accept the whole gospel of Christ," said Rev. A. A. Morrison, D. D., at the Trinity Episcopal church yesterday morning. "Only the man who listens to the whole message of Christ and is willing to take the full consequences of the whole work as were follower or of it; who is not a mere follower or hero-worshipper, is a true Christian, Jesus meant that the man must way lown in his soul, forsake all and follow him—that meant truth, for God is truth. Every man has the right to be happy. God wants him to be happy; but the hardest erremy to conquer is self. There are many shallow-faced men in our stores, factories and other walks of happiness he does not go into sin. Every man has a right to seek peace; but in seeking peace he should not compromise. There is no real peace by compromise with that which is not truth. No wonder Christ said: I am not come to bring peace, but a sword."

HIS OWN FAULT

the hardest erremy to conquer is self. There are many shallow-faced men in our stores, factories and other walks of life who try to make it hard for anyons to lead a Christian life, but I tell you, be as Paul and say to them: None of these things moved me."

Thus did C. S. Ward, one of the international secretaries of the association, exhort young men at the Y. M. C. A yesterday afternoon. He told of the temptations of boys leaving the country happy. God wants him to be happy; but he must take care that in the pursuit of

HIS OWN FAULT

Man Cannot Shift the Blame to Wom in the Case, Says Elder Snyder. "When a man sows to the wind and "When a man sows to the wind and reaps the whiriwisd he can generally count on finding those who will opologise for him, and try to shift the responsibility upon some woman in the case, or upon some corporation that has no soul." Let us be careful how we excuse one man's crime by the designing or laxity of others, lest we encourage other men to follow in his steps in the hope of being similarly excused."

or laxity of others, lest we control other men to follow in his steps in the hope of being similarly excused."

Such were the words of Elder George A. Snyder near the end of his discourse in the Seventh-Day Adventist church last evening. His text was: "Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." He declared that no man is irresponsible for his moral actions, and that any statement that the responsibility for his deeds must be placed upon the control in itself the strongest argu-

LIKE OTHER I YET UNLIKE

Christ Human, but With Infinite Depth of Soul, Says Rev. Iram Vrooman.

NO DIVINE SPARK ABODE IN HIM, SAYS PREACHER

Infinite Can Abide in Finite, So God Abode in His Son-The Physical Jesus as Pinite as Men of the Present Day.

In the Swedenborgian church yesterday, in Knights of Pythias hall. Alder and Elsventh streets, Rev. Hiram Vrooman preached on "Who Is Jesus Christ?" He said in part:

"It was not a 'divine spark' that abode in Jesus Christ which made him divine, as many affirm, but it was Almighty God himself who abode in him. The infinite can abide in the finite. When the creator abides in his creations he does not thereby become changed in any way. He enters into finite things to give direction and purpose to finite things; and it is because of this that there is a Divine Providence in whom we can trust as children trust in a father.

"The physical body of Jesus and all the things that he inherited from the virgin mother Mary were finite and as distant from divinity as we are. But the inmost soul of Jesus, that part of his life which, in us is occupied by what our fathers have contributed to our personalities, was God Almighty himself. Belief in a personal God logically depends upon belief in the incarnation of God in Jesus Christ.

"The finite side of Christ's personality was unique and different from other men because it was created for the specific purpose of serving as an instrumentality for God's acting directly and immediately, according to divinalove and wisdom, in every jot and title of human experience, and thereby establishing himself and humanity for humanity's redemption and salvation.

"At the close of our prayers we

humanity's redemption and salvation.

"At the close of our prayers we should not say "for Jesus" sake," because that implies that Jesus was a second God, which is an absurdity. There cannot be but one God. Jesus Christ is the God to whom we pray and therefore we could appropriately say "for thy name's sake," or "for thy mercy's sake," or similar expressions. Jesus was not the son of God in the sense that we are sons of our fathers by which we have become different persons than our fathers. The sonship of Christ has a spiritual significance. To sons than our fathers. The sonship of Christ has a spiritual significance. To think of Jesus Christ as a second God because he is called the Son of God would be as absurd as to think of him as a literal 'vine,' or 'shepherd, or 'way' or 'door,' all of which he calls himself. He also calls himsel 'son of man,' bread of life,' living water,' but

ON THE FARM

At the White Temple last night Dr.
J. W. Brougher talked on farm life to a
big crowd. The music was an attractive
feature of the service. In part, Dr.

Brougher said:
"Jesus Christ was all over the coun-"Jesus Christ was all over the country. Many of his most striking illustrations were drawn from the farm and the field. He made use of the ordinary experiences of men to teach them the great lessons of life. MacLaren has said, 'Jesus hung the teachings of his wisdom on every thorn bush and on avery waving wheat ear.' His parables rensind us that we, too, find the sublim-est truths and inspiration in the com-mon ordinary events of life.
"I wonder how many in this congre-

gation were either born or at some time have lived on a farm? If you have gation were either born or at some time have lived on a farm? If you have your mind goes back to the experiences of those days and you recall them as being among the freest, happiest, brightest days in your experience.

"If we have become hard-hearted or shallow and superficial, if we have permitted the things of this life to crowd out the things of eternity, let us earnestly seek God's surift to preserve our

nestly seek God's spirit to prepare our hearts even as he prepared the heart of Lydia that she received the things that were spoken of Paul and followed the

MUST CONQUER SELF

It, Says C. S. Ward.

"No truly great man became great without encountering difficulties, and the hardest enemy to conquer is self.

temptations of boys leaving the country to take up city life, and the firmness of spirit needed to overcome the obstacles Trooper Brace, who was to lecture at the asociation rooms yesterday, was called back to Tacoma and was not able to fill his engagement.

HUNTING THE MAN

Jesus, the Perfect Man, Offers Correct on for Every Prob "Men seek Jesus because he offers a correct solution for every perplexing problem. He is the perfect man." So

asserted Dr. Burgette Short in his ser-mon, "Hunting the Man," at the Taylor Street church last night.

"His spirit will adjust labor and capital," said the prescher. "It will every-where usher in an era of peace. Russia would free her slaves and decrease her would free her slaves and decrease her army. France would put down internal difficulties and become in fact a nation of liberty, equality and fraternity. Eng-land would assist India to self-govern-ment and America will as soon as possi-ble grant to the Philippines that for what America once fought—liberty."

The People's Champion.

From the Wasco News.

The Portland Journal is making a fight on and expose of the outrageous rates charged by the Harriman lines in Oregon. We are giad that The Journal is in its fighting harness on this line, the people have long needed a champion of this kind.

A Lengthy Tale.

dethrone If the tails of all the pug dogs be-onditions longing to childless women in the tough he United States were straight the total ltimately length of the pug dogs would be 12,827 length of the pug dogs would be 12,827 feet & inches greater than at present.