



Christian Hospitality.

One recently arrived in Portland says that she has attended church several times without being spoken to by any person in the congregation, and she consequently calls us cold and unympathetic toward strangers. We are apt to form our opinions in some such hasty way, and first impressions are lasting and deep.

This is not altogether peculiar to Portland—it means this kind of criticism, but it should be taken seriously to heart by all of us who profess to be living the most humane and comprehensive religion that the world has ever known. Of all people on earth, we have the least excuse for intolerance, or bigotry or unkindness.

Perhaps some of us remember recently the report of a woman who attended church several times in Boston as an experiment, to see how she would be treated.

At one time she would not let her in, and at others she was lily received. It is undoubtedly true of Trinity, Boston, for the writer of these lines recalls a certain Sunday morning when as a stranger in Boston she ventured to that church, bound to hear Phillips Brooks whether anything else were done in Boston or not.

which people are harshly or kindly judged by those who are outside of the church relation. It is a curious thing that there are still many in this land of enlightenment, many within sound of the church bells who look upon churchgoers as assuming or presuming a kind of superiority to the rest of mankind. Those who are thus judged may be quite unaware of it, but that underlying feeling often exists, the idea being that people who go to church "give themselves airs" as if they were superior to those who do not often go.

It cannot be merely a question of clothes, for those who sneer at the churchgoer, themselves put on their best on any holiday or when exempt from daily toil. However, the feeling exists, or however it may have grown, it is certainly the duty of the Christian to disarm such criticism, childish and unreasoning as it may be, by a simple cordial attitude toward all mankind, and the expression whenever possible, of that broad charity which alone is in line with the precepts of the great teacher whom we all follow.

Pastors do what they can in greeting strangers and in making them welcome, but obviously, where there are several doors he cannot attend to them all, not to mention the fact that the risk of missing those who may particularly wish to see him. Some pastors appoint a reception committee, and people aid in expressing a friendly greeting toward others, but after all, it is the people of the church who make up its life, its tone and atmosphere.

If this is exclusive and cool the stranger will feel it, and if the opposite it will make itself felt. Even at the best of some of the amusing mistakes which arise when one who has been attending a certain church for 15 years was cordially greeted as a stranger by one whose membership was recent but enthusiastic. It behooves us to let down the stiff barriers of reticence and self-consciousness which prevent us from saying the cordial word that we feel toward strangers in our midst.

For westerners, we of Portland are quite conservative, and perhaps we do not know how this affects the new comer. Even at the risk of making a mistake, we ought to be more careful that such things as this chilling reception of the stranger within our gates do not occur.

Ours is a religion of love and service. We are not fulfilling our duty nor appreciating our full privilege if these things are not manifest in our daily life.

The Blessings of Poverty. From the New York American. It may be that Andrew Carnegie and other millionaires who descend on the blessings of poverty really believe that poverty is good. Such men have spent their lives conferring the blessings of

poverty on the majority of their fellow-citizens. Perhaps they have been following consistently a cherished principle. But the belief is not likely to be catching. To the anonymous factory girl who works 10 or 12 hours a day for two or three dollars a week, to the mother who sends her 8-year-old son to work with his dinner pail, to the youth who is robbed of recreation, opportunity and education by the necessity of supporting his aged parents, poverty seems anything but the splendid schooling that Mr. Carnegie pictured it.

Great wealth does not always bring happiness. It is true; neither does genius, nor beauty, nor any of the gifts most treasured by mankind. But if billionaires seldom laugh, helplessly poor people never do. For one sordid rich man there are thousands of desperately unhappy poor.

Modern Giants. Marie Faasnauer, a Tyrolean woman, towers to the height of eight feet. But Marie, in spite of her many inches, is not the most exalted lady who ever lived.

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What to Expect From Children. Silly mothers supply homes and comforts to sons and daughters who never think of offering to pay for them. Wise mothers see like the one who, although their father is a prosperous business man, allows her sons to pay board out of moderate earnings because it teaches them independence, and like the mother of a large family of children who has passed the care of the home over to her growing daughters, contending that the family sewing and the care of the younger children are her full share of the burden.

Green Tomato Pickle. Slice one peck of green tomatoes and two quarts of small white onions, sprinkle with one large cup of salt and let stand overnight. In the morning drain thoroughly, cover with cold water, let stand half an hour, then drain again and wash with vinegar. Add two pounds of brown sugar, one-quarter of a pound of mustard seed, two tablespoons of stick cinnamon, two tablespoons of whole cloves and one-half tablespoon of allspice. Cook until the pickles are tender, turn into jars and seal.

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ounce of green ginger and two lemons with thin rinds. Scald and skin the tomatoes, a few at a time. Place in a bowl in layers with the sugar between and let stand overnight. In the morning scrape the ginger and cut in thin slices. Scrub the lemons and slice without peeling; remove the seeds. Drain the syrup from the tomatoes, add to it the ginger and boil until quite thick. Add to it the tomatoes and sliced lemons and cook slowly, uncovered, until the tomatoes look quite transparent. Skim out the fruit and fill the jars, pour in the syrup until overflowing, then seal immediately.

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