IMPIETIES.

"In announcing the collection," remarked the pastor, "I shall repeat that he who giveth unto the poor lendeth unto the Lord, only adding that the Lord has no use for brass pant buttons, except as mementos of the donor."

Deacon Goode—"Ah, my dear sir, you talk of your pleasures but what are they to the joy which comes from self-denial?

The Agnostic—If it is such a pleasure to deny yourself, what merit is there in denying? Why not deny denying yourself, and so you have the pleasure of denial plus the pleasures of doing what you want to do?

Mrs. Fourthly—What did you mean by telling Mr. Bingo his boy had "the making of a great man" in him? You know you have told me a hundred time that his boy is the meanest and most worthless youngster you ever seen in all your experience.

Rev. Dr. Fourthly—My dear, I was merely considering that boy in his relation to the grand scheme of evolution. It will be interesting to the antiquarian of some future generation to point to Mr. Bingo's boy as the particular brute from which he descended.

The deacon did not try to conceal his displeasure. "You preached a material hell yesterday," he protested warmly, "although it was distinctly understood when you were called to our church that you did not believe in material hell!" The pastor bowed stiffly. "Yes, sir," he replied. "It was also distinctly understood that I was to be paid monthly. Since I have received no salary in six months I consider myself absolved from the understanding and free to believe in anything whatsoever! Yes, sir!"

Mr. Berkham of the Free Will Brethren church, Wheeling, W. Va., is also one of Sheriff H. S. White's best deputies. The sheriff frequently gives him big bundles of papers to serve as he makes his monthly trips over his citcuit. On the night of April 20 at Spanishburg the congregation gathered for divine worship, as the preacher could not stay till Sunday. After he had given out the hymn and read the text the Rev. Mr. Berkham noticed two fugitives in the congregation for whom he had warrants. Mr. Berkham quietly drew his revolver, walked down the aisle, placed the men under arrest, handcuffed them, fastened the handcuffs with a chain to the pulpit and proceeded with the sermon as though nothing had happened. He deputized four men to take the two prisoners to Bluefield today and preached on his circuit.

The Man Behind the Blow.

There's been a lot to say about the man
behind the gun.
And folks has praised him highly for the
noble work he done;
He won a lot of honor fer the land where
men are free,
It was him that sent the Spaniards kitin'
back across the sea;
But he's had this day of glory, had his
little spree, and now
There's another to be mentioned—he's
the man behind the plow.

A battleship's a wonder and an army's
mighty grand,
And warrin's a perfession only heroes
understand;
There's somethin' sort o' thrillin' in a
flag that's wavin' high,
And it mrkes you want to holler when
the boys go marchin' by;
But when the shoutin's over and the
fightin's done, somehow,
We find we're still dependin' on the man
behind the plow.

They sing about the glories of the man
behind the gun,
And the books are full of stories of the
wonders he has done;
The world has been made over by the
fearless ones who fight;
Lands that used to be in darkness they
have opened to the light;
When God's children snarl the soldier has
to settle up the row,
And folks haven't time fer thinkin' of the
man behind the plow.

In all the pomp and splendor of an army
on parade
And all through the awful darkness that
the smoke of battle's made;
In the halls where jewels glitter and
where shoutin' men debate,
In the palaces where rulers deal out
honors to the great,
There is not a single person who'd be
doin' bizness now
Or have medals if it wasn't fer the men
behind the plow.

We're a-buildin' mighty cities and we're
gainin' lofty heights;
We're a-winnin' lots of glory and we're
settin' things to rights;
We're a showin' all creation how the
world's affairs should run,
Future men'll gaze in wonder at the
things that we have done.
And they'll overlook the feller, jist the
same as we do now,
Who's the whole concern's foundation—
that's the man behind the plow.

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ISABELLA GERVAIS:

H.E. 9458 for the E ½ of Ne ¼ of section 12, Tp. 2 N, R. 10 W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Peter Langhard, of Nahalem, Oregon; Daniel Hickey, A. J. Keaton and W. H. Easom, of Balm, Oregon.

CHAS. B. MOORES, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
Land Office at Oregon City, Ore., April 25, 1899.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Tillamook county, at Tillamook, Ore., on June 10th, 1899, viz:

CHARLES H. BLAKE.

H. E. 10669, for the Sw ¼ of Se ¼. S ½ of Sw ¼ and Nw ¼ of Sw ¼ of Sec. 20 Tp. 2 S, R. 9. W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Lars P. Rey, Benjamin W. Turner, John N. Simmons, and James L. Simmons, of Nestocton, Oregon.

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ONE ADDED.

Two Men to Whom the Cable Gripman Now Concedes the Right of Way.

There has always been one driver that the cable gripman has let have his own way, and that is the driver of the giant truck with the load of iron beams. The power in the engine that moves the cable is ample to brush away the great truck as it would a hand cart. But there would be no adequate means of applying it, and this the cable car does not supply. Heavy as it is, it is not nearly so heavy as the big truck with the iron beams. In a collision with that the car would be wrecked and left behind, while the cable sung merrily on below. The gripman knows this, and so, while he bangs the gong, he doesn't really mean to go on until the driver of the great truck has turned out.

There is now another moving thing that the gripman does not try to brush off the face of the earth, and that is the ponderous road roller, such as is used in the city in the making of asphalt pavements. These rollers go from one part of the city to another under their own steam, lumbering along slowly but with irresistible power. Sometimes they cross the cable tracks or move along in the same street. With a road roller ahead the gripman slams the gong as usual, but it is purely a formal notice. There are now two men to whom the gripman concedes the right of way—the driver of the giant truck with the iron beams and the pilot of the steam road roller.

STORY OF A YALE MAN.

A Supposed "Beat" Was the Owner of Great Wealth.

Recently a Yale "beat" was sent to jail, after swindling his classmates in wholesale fashion. He took the whole country for his field of work and visited a prosperous classmate in San Francisco, from whom he extracted $50. Although well to do, the Californian did not like to waste $50, and resolved to be stern the next time a Yale man called. His next visitor was a classmate who was known as the "dig" in college, 18 years before. He seemed just as seedy as he used to appear in the classroom, and the Californian scented another appeal for money. So he fortified himself, and when asked how the world had used him, related a doleful story of bad luck, debt and poverty. He must have drawn the picture pretty strong, for his visitor was deeply moved. Suddenly the seedy classmate turned and said: "Now, don't feel hurt at my offer, but I wish you would take $10,000 from me to use until you strike better luck. I really don't know what to do with the money, or how to invest all I have, and shall be delighted to let you have it." There was an awkward pause, an outburst and brief explanation. Then both adjourned to the club to talk it over, and the Californian learned how his old classmate had "struck it rich" with a prosperous corporation and was really ready to give away money.

A Grave Danger.

It is not easy for a girl in her teens to rightly understand and appreciate that a grave danger lurks for her in things which are not wrong in themselves, and yet, in their spirit, are not exactly right. There is a fine line in such a distinction, which, naturally, she has not lived long enough to see. But her parents see it, and try to make her see it. In this they are, unfortunately, not always successful, and the girl, feeling that the point has not been made clear to her, leaves the counsel of her mother or father in a resentful mood. What she cannot exactly understand she refuses to accept, and therein lies a danger. There are innumerable fine little points of deportment which cannot be made quite clear to a young girl. She has not had enough experience with people and the world. But because these points are not clear to her she should not make up her mind that they are not right. I wish it were possible for me to say here just the right word—a word which would lead many girls to accept, in a spirit of faith and obedience, the little restrictions placed upon them. This acceptance does not call for "blind obedience;" it calls for what is the most valuable element in a girl's life—a perfect faith and confidence in her parents, and a belief that what they do for her they do absolutely for her best and her safest protection.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Energy Directed.

There is no danger so great for a man or a boy as idleness. If mothers and fathers would save their boys, they should give them something to do. Buy an ax and a saw, and let them chop up that wood, no matter how large the bank account. Let them keep the weeds from the garden and the tall grass from the lawn, the dirt from their own clothes and the dust from their own shoes. Don't do everything for them. It pays to teach the boys work—not so much for what they can do as for what it does for them. If more boys could have a piece of ground, a shop, a place of some kind where they could work off their superfluous energy, we would hear less of truant and reform schools. In the matter of reading, too, if you do not wish the boys to read worthless books and trashy novels, you must put into their hands good, well-written books, and these not of the dull type, which will discourage a young mind.—St. Louis Republic.

An Arctic Baby.

The arctic ocean doesn't seem to be the most delectable place for a birthplace. But a baby was born there not long ago on Herschel island. This was nearer to the north pole than any baby was ever born before. Of course, there are Eskimo babies in the arctic region, but not so far north as this, and besides, this was a white baby. Herschel island is off the north coast of Alaska, 1,500 miles farther north than Sitka. There are a few white people on the island, families of the whalers who cruise in these waters. There was great excitement over the arrival of the little stranger, and the wives of the four whaling captains who were there, were ready to almost idolize her; an Episcopal minister was in the camp at the time, having been sent there as a missionary. With all the ceremony possible in such a place, the little girl was christened Helen Herschel Sherman, her father being Capt. Sherman. The baby came at the season of the year which has continuous daylight, and seemed very much pleased with such a sunny world. She may be lost in wonder when the long night comes.—Atlanta Constitution.

LOST FOR 1,000 YEARS.

A Great Find of the Highly Prized Thessalian Marble.

The quarries from which the ancients obtained their highly-prized Thessalian or verd marble have been discovered and are again being worked by an English company, says the Philadelphia Record. The quarries, which have been lost for more than 1,000 years, are in the neighborhood of Larissa, in Thessaly, Greece. The ancient workings are very extensive, there being no fewer than ten quarries, each producing a somewhat different description of marble, proving without a doubt that every variety of this marble found in the ruined palaces and churches of Rome and Constantinople and likewise in all the mosques and museums of the world came originally from these quarries. In fact, the very quarry from which the famous monoliths of St. Sophia, Constantinople, were obtained can be identified with absolute certainty by the matrices from which they were extracted.

In modern times verd antico marble has only been obtainable by the destruction of some ancient work, and it has, naturally, commanded extraordinarily high prices. As a consequence, a number of ordinary modern greens of Greek, French, Italian and American origin have been described and sold as verd antique marble. No one, however, who is really acquainted with the distinctive character of the genuine material could be deceived by these inferior marbles. Thessalian green is easily distinguished from any other green marble by the following characteristics: It is a "breccia" of angular fragments of light and dark green, with pure statuary white, the whole being cemented together with a brighter green, while the snow-white patches usually have their edges tinted off with a delicate fibrous green, radiating to the center of the white. The cementing material is also of the same fibrous character.

OBJECTS OF WORSHIP.

It Is in That Way That Savages Usually Regard Meteorites.

Savages, whenever they come across meteorites of large size, are apt to regard them as objects of worship. Such, however, was not the dignified fate of a very remarkable specimen that is now in the National museum, says the Washington Post. This strange aerolite is four feet in diameter, weighing 1,400 pounds approximately, and has the shape of a ring. It was found in the Santa Catarina mountains, and for a long time was used as an anvil by Mexicans at Tucson. In this employment it was discovered by Dr. Erwin, of the United States army, who bought it for a small sum, and gave it to the Smithsonian institution. Doubtless the substance of this meteorite originally was largely stony, but the stony parts became disintegrated and disappeared after it fell, leaving the ring of iron. Of 400 meteors that have been seen actually to fall, only about a dozen were metallic, the rest being mainly of stony material, though containing more or less iron.

On the other hand, nearly all of the meteorites picked up in a casual way are masses of metal. It is probably the case that a great majority of such bodies are stony, but meteorites of that description do not attract notice when lying on the ground, being mistaken for ordinary stones. All of these facts are extremely interesting in view of the belief now entertained by science that the composition of meteorites throws light upon the make up of the terrestrial globe. In fact, according to this theory the make up of the earth is much like that of the average meteorite. Obviously, the moment this assumption is made the study of the structure of meteorites comes to have extraordinary importance; for man's knowledge of the planet on which he lives is restricted almost entirely to the surface of it. The bowels of the earth remain almost unknown.

ROUND ABOUT EUROPE.

Russia was declared free from cholera on February 24, for the first time since 1888.

Great stretches of the Venetian lagoons are being drained and cultivated. The soil redeemed is extraordinarily productive.

In the mountains of Sweden, Norway and Lapland all vegetation would be destroyed by the Norway rats were it not for the white foxes, that make special game of the rodents.

In Germany pawnbroking is conducted by the state, by the parish, or by private persons under state supervision. During the year 1893 the sum of $1,200,000 was loaned on about 220,000 pledges.

Europe's population has increased by 29,928,000 in the last ten years, nearly half of the increase, 12,510,000, being in Russia, while France has remained stationary, her total increase being only 67,000.

FOREIGN PERSONAL GOSSIP.

The shah of Paris possesses jewels valued at $60,000,000.

An Inverness (Scotland) paper places Judas MacCabeaus in its list of famous Scotchmen.

The queen has never set eyes on any of her colonies, nor upon any part of Asia, Africa or America.

Mme. Carnot frequently spends long hours in prayer before the tomb of her late husband in the Pantheon.