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ITS ONLY HALF A LOAF, ANYHOW.

The clergy of Chicago are again wrestling against the saloons and theaters of that city, for the preservation of Sunday as a day of rest. In this somewhat periodical enterprise, the clergy are assisted by a few earnest citizens who support their reform, and have the moral support of a large body of good people. The statute books of Illinois have long carried the provision that all places for the sale of malt or spirits should be closed on Sundays.

Five years ago, a Committee of Seventy—pastors, laymen, and good citizens that were neither—agents of a giant and indignant mass movement, had secured the establishment of temperance law on the first day of each week, and partially succeeded. But even partial success died in infancy. For, at the election following, the whisky movement, controlled by the liquor traffic, crushed the temperance law. Self respect combined, and again made the open saloon a part of Sunday.

These sappers and miners of Christian society have thriven in insolence upon the courtesy or cowardice shown them, until now almost the entire three thousand saloons of Chicago open their doors on Sunday mornings, before church doors are ajar, and keep them open long after the night sextons have shut to the temple gates.

Just now, too, almost a legion of Summer beer-gardeners are taking possession of the Sunday fields, and drinking is unsexed, and children are given their first lessons in infamy. All the places, moreover, of theatrical amusement and debauchery, are open to Sunday crowds, and a state of general degradation is growing up within the last year and a half, through the laxity of the law officers and the indifference of respectable citizens.

While we lay no claim to the office and calling of the prophet, yet we feel assured that until the church repents of its sin in turning away from the commandment of God concerning the Sabbath, there will be no permanent reform on this subject. It is an insult to God to keep Sunday, Sunday is not only a human institution, but it is clearly in its origin also a heathen rite.

It is the legitimate outcome of this moral timidity, in the several late general Sunday-keeping meetings of the Chicago clergy, a very general disposition has prevailed to make a compromise with the observance of Sunday, and being satisfied with such observance of the day as the civil law of that State permitted, many of the clergy have even gone so far as to advise seeking to save only the forenoon and evening of Sunday to the Lord, and giving the afternoon to the devil; that is, work to close the saloons only through the forenoon.

THE RELIGIOUS LIBERTY BILL AGAIN.

The St. Louis Weekly Globe-Democrat of May 23d, has the following: "The Senate of the great State of Pennsylvania has just passed an act of religious intolerance far more in keeping with the worst bigotry of the middle ages than the enlightenment of the nineteenth century.

We take the above from the Christian Union, and while we have no feeling to treat this matter lightly, we ask the Union to look this matter squarely in the face. But we wish to preface what we have to say, by calling attention to the fact that everywhere throughout the whole land, Sunday desecration is on the increase.

not that we favor intemperance and kindred evils, that we say what we do. We are not simply a temperance man, but an uncompromising prohibitionist, not only upon Sunday, but upon all days of the week. We confess ourself opposed to legislation for the suppression of the liquor traffic simply on Sunday, as we would be opposed to legislation against profanity on Sunday. We believe the liquor traffic wicked beyond description. Whether it is more God-defying than profanity we will not say, but that it brings in its train more physical degradation and social ruin, we think can not be denied.

CHANGE OF SABBATH.

We have been asked if a statement made in the last issue of the Sunday Dispatch, by its New York correspondent, is correct. Referring to the convention of delegates of the "Union of American Hebrew Congregations," to be held in New York in the month of July, he says: "Religious topics of grave interest are to be discussed in the approaching week, among them being a proposition to change the Sabbath service in the synagogues from Saturday to Sunday.

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OUR EUROPEAN LETTER.

The Jews, God's ancient people, were placed in a very trying condition in Babylon, in the days of Esther, under sentence of death, though they had been guilty of no crime.

ness of our fallen nature, and yet when they turn aside they sin against great light. God has wrought for them wonders, and has bestowed on them distinguished honors, and we believe they yet have a mission to perform for the honor of God, and in the interest of humanity.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY ALMOST VIOLATED.

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for Senator Jones's Religious Liberty Bill, and this fact should be remembered in the future. We must stand by those who stand by us in the fight for religious equality, compared with which, political considerations sink into their insignificance.

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Assembly itself will begin on the 2d of August and continue until the 21st. Joseph Cook, Dr. Hodge, and Bishop Simpson will be among the lecturers, together with many of the lesser lights of the educational world.

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Adjourning by the middle of June. Many Washingtonians sincerely regret the coming retirement of Secretary McCarty from the War Department. The feeling is by no means confined to his party associates, as, in his long service in Congress and the Department, he has made countless friends outside of the party with which he has always been identified. WHITNEY.

HOME NEWS. Orleans, Neb. May 26th, 1879. To the Editor of the Sabbath Recorder: I have been thinking for some time of casting my mite once more into "Home News." I suppose the eyes of every reader of the Recorder look for "Home News" among the first they read. I know this is the case with myself, and especially so with regard to the various mission fields. I suppose the importance of each field is more clearly seen by the workers thereon than that of any other field. I have been connected with the work of home missions in the Eastern, Western, and North-Western Associations, and now, as you are aware, I am beyond the bounds of all of them, and here I find the opportunities for work and for reaching the people far more extensive than in any other place where I have been.

IN MEMORIAM. Read, by appointment, before the Women's Auxiliary Sabbath Tract Society of Alfred Centre, N. Y., by Mrs. M. E. Z. ... In presenting a few thoughts in memory of Mrs. Coon, I have made some extracts from an essay read by her before the Women's Tract Society at Alfred, on the subject of "Character Building," as conveying the best expression of the ideas which she strove to realize in her life.

THE ORIGINAL TEMPERANCE SONG. SAVE THE BOY!—This popular song has been sung more times at temperance meetings in Chicago, and with greater effect than any three other songs. The President of the "Citizens' League" says of it: "This popular song has been produced by a man of great talent and heart of all who hear it."

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The Bible Society

Conducted by a Committee of the AMERICAN SABBATH TRACT SOCIETY. INTERNATIONAL LESSONS, 1879. SECOND QUARTER. April 1. Sanctified Affection, Job 33: 1-30.

THE NEED OF GOD'S SPIRIT

For Sabbath Day, June 1. I. And the angel said unto me, Write unto the book, and say unto the church, Whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

TOPIC—Our need of the Holy Spirit

TOPICAL READINGS. 1. Exhortation to repentance, Zech. 1: 1-3. 2. The restoration of Zion, Zech. 1: 10-17.

Miscellaneous

"I GATHER THEM IN"

Nigh to a grave that was newly made, I found a sexton old, on his earth-worn spade: His work was done, and he passed to wait the funeral train, and the open grave.

MY STEP-MOTHER

"I wonder what papa has gone to Glenville so soon again for. Do you know, Mrs. Allen?" I asked of the lady who had acted as housekeeper in our family for the four years we three children had been written "mother" in the register.

gold. This symbolizes purity, preciousness, indestructibility—Christ, the foundation of the church of Christ, and how God regards it.

INTRODUCTION

Zechariah was the son of Berechiah, the grandson of Iddo the prophet, and was of priestly descent. He was the second and greatest prophet of the Restoration.

EXPLANATIONS

I. v. 1-5. And the angel that talked with me, said unto me, Write, saying, Thus saith the Lord God, Behold, a candlestick all of gold.

of it," he returned, but when we were alone he said to me: "Elien, if I call her mother I will get those things for you. I do not like to hear you call her 'Mrs. Gordon,' especially before strangers."

LESSON THOUGHTS

1. Sinners need to be awakened to a sense of their danger. It is the duty of Christians to faithfully warn them.

SPREADING MANURE

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from God, Zerubbabel shall finish the building of the temple; and the people shall know, when they experience this fulfillment, that the Lord has truly sent his prophet to them.

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