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## IS CHRISTIANITY DEAD?

Mr. H. G. Wells, the versatile English author and critic, who usually sees blue whenever Christianity is under scrutiny, thinks Christianity is dead. In a recent novel Mr. Wells makes one of the characters express the idea that

population to double again." "The figures for the native white population during the same period disclose the same phenomena—first, a declining rate of increase from decade to decade, and, second, a decline in the relative proportion."

Dr. Dublin concludes that as a result of modern sanitary and health measures, the health of the Negro as well as that of other races, has improved. There are, however, certain diseases which are taking an excessive toll of life among Negroes, and should be combatted vigorously. These diseases are cerebral hemorrhage, organic diseases of the heart, chronic nephritis, tuberculosis and syphilis.

## PRESBYTERY OF CATAWBA

The Fall meeting of Catawba Presbytery was held with Caldwell Presbyterian church, near Huntersville, the Rev. R. L. Moore, pastor, September 8 and 9.

The retiring moderator was the Rev. L. J. Melton, D. D. The opening sermon was preached by the Rev. F. J. Anderson, D. D. Dr. Anderson preached a very interesting and thought-provoking sermon from the text: "I am come that they may have life." John 10:10.

The Rev. J. H. Gamble, pastor of Murkland and Ben Salem churches, was chosen Moderator.

The Revs. O. E. Sanders and W. A. Grigg were chosen temporary and assistant temporary clerks respectively.

Presbytery received a very cordial welcome at the hands of Miss Carrie Graham.

The Rev. W. A. Grigg made a fitting response on behalf of Presbytery.

Presbytery listened with pleasure and profit to the reports of the various committees of Presbytery representing the work of the Boards. The reports were full and illuminating. Many valuable recommendations were adopted.

The Rev. C. J. Baker, D. D., of the Presbytery of Niagara

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several times I heard equals, 'Swing Low, Sweet Chime,' 'Nobody Knows the Trouble I See,' etc. I am sure that work you and others are doing is the very best memorial that dear father can have and he will welcome you and you will take with you.

May our dear Saviour's His blessing to your family. I think my father is over all the work he has done in Winnsboro.

CLARA RICHARDSON FLEMING

Milford, D.  
March 2

Friend George:

Please excuse my delaying in answering your question. I have not been well. I went South in 1867 as he remember and our school in 1888 at Winnsboro, and my brothers are both dead. Oscar died in 1876. Oscar's father in 1897, and my husband in 1903, and my days of each other.

Many thanks, George, for your photograph. It is very good. I cannot see that you have changed but very little. The years have made but few marks and the face shows they have been pleasant.

With kindest regards,  
Cordially,

CLARA R. PIERCE

We are glad to get the letters from Mrs. Pierce, teacher, and extend to these closing years will left to her our warmest and deepest sympathies. Richardson student. This sketch may go, will deal gently with the lady, and should come, that the safe across

G. T.