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The Forum for December contains the second article of Archdeacon Farrar on Tolstoi's remarkable career, the October number having the first article on the subject by the same writer.

The Wake Forest Student, for November, is thus spoken of by a correspondent: Among the interesting magazines that I our good fortune to read, the Wake Forest Student receives special mention.

"A Manual of Dietetics for Infants and Invalids" is the title of a book recently published by Dr. W. B. FITCHARD, of New York. We call the attention of the medical profession to this valuable and useful information and instruction upon the management and feeding of infants and the selection of food for the sick.

Cleveland Church—Fledges Needed. Permit me to say to the brethren and sisters who gave Bro. Hord pledges for Cleveland church, and who have not yet paid their pledges, that we are sorely in need of the money.

Cleveland is a mission point and is your God given work, and you cannot afford to let it slip. The church at this place is not mindful of the obligations due the denomination for what has been done, and may yet be done for it.

"Difficently," said Lord Lyndhurst, "is something to be overcome." It is not a thing to be feared. Grapple with it, and you will find it a change God has given you to try the mettle of your faith and of courage.

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The Lord's Supper as Observed by Christ and His Apostles, and Its Relation to Baptism.

BY REV. J. L. WILKINS. TEXT.—"Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto the church three thousand souls." Acts 2:41.

There are but two ordinances in God's Word obligatory upon us, viz: Baptism and the Lord's Supper. These are God's positive institutions. Therefore the obligation to observe them rests not on our perception of their fitness, but wholly on the revealed will of God.

THE ORDINANCES OF BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S SUPPER GIVEN.

Shall I impose such a question upon the intelligence of this congregation? We know that they are commanded. Jesus was baptized. He had all his followers baptized.

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The great commission establishes the order. In Matthew 28: 19, 20, Christ said: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you."

table general; thus instead of inviting all members of our church, and those who are in good standing in other churches, to invite who love the Lord and desire to live a better life.

John 8: 28, tells us that John the Baptist "was also baptizing in Enon near to Salim, because there was much water there."

Matthew 3: 16, Jesus was baptized of John. Certainly the Lord was baptized just like all the others "in the river Jordan."

Dr. Conant, after an elaborate examination of the word through the whole of the Bible, writes: "The Greek word baptizo, translated 'baptize,' was never originally used except when it undoubtedly meant to dip, to plunge, to immerse."

Dr. Dwight, an eminent theologian, says: "It is an indispensable qualification of a minister of the Gospel to be a member of the visible church in good standing, and that he should have been baptized."

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Baptism in this State. Those who charge us with having and using such a Bible ought to be blind at such gross misrepresentation, or feel humiliated at displaying such appalling ignorance.

Mr. Spurgeon and the Canada Baptists. The Convention of our brethren in Canada passed resolutions similar to those of the General Association of our State, assuring Spurgeon of their sympathy for the Baptist faith, and his labors for the Baptist cause.

Believe Rightly. The Old Testament saints were very imperfect saints. Many of them, most of them, fell into sin; fell into great sin; Noah, Abraham, Lot, Jacob, David, Solomon, and how many more we know not, were guilty of gross immorality.

Revival at New Bethel. I held a meeting at New Bethel, commencing the second Sunday in October and continuing eleven days. There were forty professions during the services, from among whom there were twenty six accessions to the church.

Assurance. A carpenter who is at work on a lofty scaffold, does not keep looking down; he looks forward, and his eye is directed to the earth, and imagining the dreadful consequences of a fall.

Where I was First Forgiven. The following lines were given me some years ago by a Christian woman who sang them very sweetly.

A Christmas Entertainment. Christmas is coming! The question with all children, loving workers in our Baptist churches, is: "How shall we bring a bit of Christmas joy down into our Sunday-schools?"

Christ's Need of Us. That we need the Lord Jesus Christ is a religious axiom that certainly no Christian will dispute. But it is equally true that in order to the fulfillment of His glorious scheme of the world's redemption, He needs us.