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OLLA PODRIDA.

Mrs. Margaret J. Preston, that sweet poet and most charming, deeply religious woman who died on the 28th of March, 1897, spent most of her life in Virginia. She was born in Pennsylvania, the daughter of 'Rev. Dr. George Junkin, who founded Lafayette college, Pa. When young her father became president of Washington (now Washington and Lee) and removed to Lexington, Va. There the poet lived, until the death of her hunsband six years ago, Professor J. T. L. Preston, of the Virginia Military institute, to whom she was married in 1857. She published several volumes of poems that were well received and read by bundreds of delighted admirers. She died in Baltimore, where she had for some years resided with her son. Dr. Geo. J. Preston. Her poetry was read in England by cultivated people, almong them the prince and princess of Wales, and the great Gladstone. Jean Ingelow, the purest of English female poets possibly, admired her books. While she was not southern by nativity she was quite southern in her opinions, sympathies and pleasures.

The south has one poet of growing and even now of national fame. He is even read and admired in England by some who have had access to his volumes of 1884 and 1894. A new volume of "Lyrics" has been published recently that will probably add to his reputation as a most conscientious, careful, aristocratic writer. It is Rev. John B. Tabb, a native of Maryland and a Catholic priest. That he is a poet of originality with a most exquisite and charming style at once graceful, clear, terse, admirable no one will question who has read some of his sonnets, lyrics and quatrains. The last named is his favorite experiment and he is most remarkably happy and successful in it. Few writers of our time have achieved such fine results as Father Tabb with the qualtrain. The New York Nation some two years since said that his poems were like the poems of the English "Herrick and Vaughn in their delicate perfection" and "almost flawless chiseling." We lately read a few of his later poems and found them full of beauty and inspiration and with most artistic finish. We had read for years now and then a quatrain or "swallow flight" in the lyric, but we never read a sonnet by him until his last volume appeared. His three sonnets on Poe, Shelley and At Keates' Grave are marvelously well done and deserve to rank high. His six stanzas "To the Wood-Robin" are of a high order and replete with poetic delicacy of touch and imaginative charm. It is a beautiful and very original poem and ought to have a permanent place among American poems in which the birds are celebrated. Some few other poems of the volume have also come under our eye and from them we derived such pleasure and satisfaction as only true poetry, that has both thought and form can impart. Father Tabb deserves well of the south for he is genuinely endowed with poetic art and has a sure flooting. We are sure he has written poems that not only deserve remembrance, but that will live long in American anthology. He has very uncommon "quaintness of conceit, extreme condensation of thought and clearness of expression," as Mr. F. M. Hopkins writes of him in Current Literature. We wish we could reprint some of his very clever and inspired work in lyrics, sonnets and quatrains. His poem To the Wood Robin," so delicious and flawless, concludes:

Teach me, thou warbling eremite, to

Thy rhapsody; Nor borne on vain ambition's vaunting | God.

wing. But led of thee, To rise from earthly dreams to hymn Eternity."

Here is one quatrain of very many but not so good as many, but good: A boat unmoored, wherein a dreamer

The slumberous waves low-lisping of a land Where Love, forever with unclouded

Goes, wed with wandering Music, hand in hand."

When such novels as "Tess" and "Jude" are praised without stint and even the nauseous stories of lust and crime are appealed to as fine examples of dramatic power and workmanship, and one of them is dramatized and tiness, however virile the portrayal he ever knew. A better witness is that

and consummate the art, should enter a protest against the decadence. The writers of bad books, under the plea of naturalism and obedience to dramatic situation, are to be tabooed-to be shunned by all pure minds as a healthful person would fiea contagion. In Current Literature for June there is a short, but very thoughtful paper on "The Misleadings of Naturalism." It is by Theodore M. Osborne. It is so well wrought, is so felicitous in distinction, that we take leave to make a something long extract. The writer says acutely and excellently:

"The error of the modern naturalistic school is different. It may be called the theory of art for science's sake, the theory that art should make for truth rather than beauty. Its canon is that if one succeeds in giving a vivid realistic impression of anything, beautiful or monstrous, noble or vile, that is enough. If the technique be clever and modern, and the depiction 'true, it matters not whether it is true in impressing the grace and beauty of a lofty ideal of life, or true in exposing the most hideous details of foulness and vice, with the iridescent glamour of corruption; it is best to know the truth, especially the truth about all classes and conditions of mankind.

Such a purpose has alt least a certain dignity. But it is rightly the ambilife or of morals, not of the artist, the

The primary distinction is not one of

purpose, but of effect. Does the work add materially to the knowledge of the reader or observer, and is the stimulation of the imagination wholly secondary, the result of fine workmanship alone? Then it is a work of science. Does it chiefly stimulate and elevate the noble emotions? Does it add to the powers of life? Outside of the knowledge which it affords, is a man better for reading or observing it? Then it is

work of art." If any book is so planned and developed as to assoil the mind or promote immortality then it is a bad, a vicious book and is to be forever avoided. It may appeal to art, it may be written with exquisite literary skill, it may overflow with dramatic incident and have most vigorous character limning, but if it is at all calculated to arouse improper feelings, "to quicken shameful pleasures of the imagination." it is defective, low, degrading, and is of the charnel house—the exterior inviting and of perfect technique, but the interior is vile, unscientific, impure, "full of dead men's bones and rottenness." It is surely time that the more faithful critics and the purer readers were arousing themselves in this time of positive decadence in literature and were drawing a deep line between the pure and the impure-between the novls of lust, debauchery and frivolity, and the novels of purity, elevation, profundity, high morality. Mr. Osborne closes his too brief essay with the language of a very gifted American essaythings although narrow and insular

"Till America has learned to love art, not as an amusement, not as the mere ornament of her cities, not as a superstition of what is comme il faut for e making men better by arousing in them a perception of their own instincts for what is beautiful, and therefore sacred and religious, and an eternal rebuke of the base and worldly, she will not have succeeded in that high sense which alone makes a nation out of a people and raises it from a dead name to a living power."

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RELIGIOUS EDITORIALS FOR SUNDAY.

Rev. Hugh Macmillan, LL.D., British

"Faith is a living power; it is the very highest power of life. It is life in its very highest and most powerful ex-

The Nashville Christian Advocate re-

"The pastor who neglects to exclude an incorrigible offender, after having failed in spite of due diligence to bring him to a better state of mind, is weak and irresolute."

Said Rev. D. T. Thomas recently in sermon on prayer:

"If I wanted a pin and could not find one at hand I would ask God for it."-

That is in accord with privilege and duty, for the Bible distinctly says, 'pray everywhere," pray without ceasing," and to pray for "what things soever ye desire." Make known unto God" your many, your several wants. "Ask in faith, nothing doubting." God will grant whatever is best for you to have. It is belief that wins favor with

We have been of those who criticized the late Professor Henry Drummond's books. We thought they were unsound here and there, however ingenious, interesting and even beautiful. As yet we have found no occasion to change our views of portions of his essays or his books. Many people are better than their creeds. Many very sincere, godly, consecrated men and women have found Christ and lived very close to Him in unbroken fellowship and love who still held as true some doctrines repugnant to reason and were dishonoring to God. They did this sincerely, but ignorantly. Professor Drummond was a most sincere believer in the played to tens of thousands simid loud atonement of the Son of God, and his approval and enthusiactic applauses, it personal faith was better than his is very certain that men who do not written view. At any rate, Dr. John seek lust in reading, and prefer purity Watson ("Ian Maclaren") believed him to libidinous scenes and realistic nas- to have been the most perfect Christian



great evangelist, that most plous, useful, holy man of God-one of the saints of earth-Mr. D. L. Moody. He has paid such a sweet, noble tribute to Drummond that we feel like never writing a word more about his books. It is impossible to doubt Mr. Moody's testimony, for he had many opportunities for knowing Drummond, was close to him in personal fellowship and friendship, and knew him when a student at a Scotch university. So, with perfect knowledge of the eminent writer, he bears such testimony as but tion of the scientist, the historian of few men, we suppose, could draw from the godly evangelist. We make a quotation or two. Mr. Moody lately

"As you read what he terms the analysis of love, you find that all its ingredients were interwoven in his daily life, making him one of the most lovable men I have ever known. Was it courtesy you looked for? He was a perfect gentleman. Was it kindness? He was always preferring another. Was it humanity? He was simple and not courting favor. It could be said of him truthfully, as it was said of the early Apostles, "that men took knowledge of him, that he had been with

"Nor was this love and kindness only shown to those who were his close friends. His face was an index to his inner life. It was genial and kind, and made him like his Master, a favorite with children. * * Never have I heard Henry Drummond utter one unkind or harsh word of criticism against any one. He was a man who was filled with love for his fellowmen, because he knew by experience something of the love of Christ."

Last Sunday we made a brief reference to the visit of the Rev. John Wesley to this country and his preaching in Savannah. He also preached at Charleston. The first Methodist sermon ever prached on this continent was preached by Mr. Wesley on 7th March, 1736. Rev. Dr. W. J. Scott, writing of it in "Ladies' Home Journal" for June, says that his "congregation hardly exceeded 400 persons, including children and adults, re-enforced, however, by 100 or more of the neighboring Indians. Wesley discussed in a most eloquent ist and ploet, who wrote many noble manner the principles of Christian charity, as argued by St. Paul in the and prejudiced after the manner of his | thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians. people. Mr. James Russell Lowell He made a powerful appeal, and many of his audience were in tears. While he was not so impetuous in his delivery as in after years, his abilities at that time bespoke the great preacher and great nation, but for its humanizing reformer." We have abundant eviand ennobling energy, for its power of | dence to show that he was every whit as remarkable a preacher of the Word as was that great evangelist, George Whitefield, but of a very different type. He produced marvellous, instantaneous and permanent results. He was very superior to his eloquent coadjutor in learning, in directness of style, in logical power and in administrative ability. He was master of seven languages, a man of marked Biblical learning, an admirable exegete, a powerful proclaimer of the Divine fruth, lucid, simple, direct, earnest. Lecky, in his great work in eight octavos, "History of England in the Eighteenth Century," devotes some twelve or fourteen pages to the Methodist movement in that century. Sceptical or free thinker as he is, he pays to Methodism the highest eulogy to be found in literature outside of Methodist writers, even more flattering than that of the eloquent Macaulay. Of the sermon referred to (the first in this country) Dr. Scott gives an inter-

esting account. He writes: "If he was more scholastic in style than in after years, the fervor and force of his appeals were none the less felt by his hearers. Especially was this strikingly true when in the course of his discourse he adverted to the death of his father, who for forty or more years had been the incumbent of the Epworth rectory. This venerable man was asked not long before his death, 'Are the consolations of God small with you?' 'No, no, no!' he exclaimed, with uplifted hands, 'and then,' continued Wesley, 'calling all that were near hm by their names the dying patriarch said: 'Think of heaven, talk of heaven; all time is lost when we are not thinking of heaven!' This was spoken by Wesley in a tremulous voice, and his new parishioners at Savannah were for the instant swept off their feet by a tidal wave of religious enthusiasm. Tradition has it that several Indians who were present became so greatly excited, not only by Mr. Wesley's impassioned oratory-though they did not understand a word he said-but by his gestures, that one old warrior nervously clutched his tomahawk, fearing an outbreak, in the strangely-moved audi-

We are fortunate in having English photographs of the Epworth rectory, where his father, Rev. Samuel Wesley, so long time served with such zeal, and of the venerable rector and his noble, famous wife, Susannah. It is not to be passed by that when Rev. John Wesley was preaching in this country he had not yet found "the pearl of great price." He had been preaching some ten or twelve years, if our memory can be trusted here, when he found perfect peace and victory in believing at a little chapel in London. Then it was he first felt in his soul "that strange warming" of which he wrote. He was up to that time an ardent, able, learned, strictly devout professing Christian, but had never been born into the Kingdom and had

the evidence of it by the witness of the Holy Spirit until he had essayed to preach the gospel for a decade or so. The eloquent and eminent Rev. Dr. Thomas Chalmers, a Scotch Presbyterian, said he preached some seven or eight years, as we recall it, before he was genuinely converted and saved. 'Ye must be born again."

Remember that Rev. Dr. Hoss, an able editor, preacher and scholar, says that no gentleman will write an anonymous letter. Do not be a "moral bushwhacker." Put your name to what you write. Do not be ashamed of what you are doing or what you would like

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The American voters are watching the senate. They are not pleased at the scene. There is a disgust that widens and deepens with the days. The sugar trust is fully sustained in the senate by the republicans. Put a pin right there. The tax in its favor is increased. It will put \$10,000,000, say experts, into the pockets of the sugar robbers every year. The bill would be a dead failure as a revenue raiser, but for the shifting of the cards and change of front as to protection being the way to raise revenue. It is expected now that the sugar tax will put \$40,000,000 in the treasury-all of which comes from the poor man's own luxury or necessity-his coffee and pie and cake sweetener. How will the voters receive this great dig at their pockets? Every attempt to raise revenue on other things of importance is met with opposition from favored interests. The New York Evening Post says of the republican tinkering:

"Thte great and only economic principle struck out by them thus far in this congress is that no taxes must be laid on any lone unwilling to pay them. beer tax would be an excellent revenue tax, but the brewers say they don't want to pay it, so out of the bill it goes. Similarly with the tax on tea and on tobacco. Horrified senators have arisen to remark that constituents of theirs would have to pay these taxes; and so they are at once dropped with apologies. Burke said it was impossible to tax and to please, but he did not know our senators."

The maneuvering of Aldrich, the senate bill coacher, is amusing. He has changed front more than once, has twisted and wormed and showed how difficult the way was in which he was treading. He proclaimed a policy when he reported the bill, but he has been hedging and dodging ever since. What he said was purely Pickwickian-only that and nothing more.

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