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**An Excellent Opportunity** to obtain Sound & Reliable There is nothing there but the Oriental symbolism of the "fruit of the tree of knowledge of good and evil," obviously not a literal tree at all.

Many of the common difficulties and oband look forward in their work for Christ ections brought against Genesis are of this and the Church. character. They are so superficial as only to The Rev. T. A. Jefferies, of Huddersfield. provoke a smile, and cannot be taken serigave an interesting address, and appealed ously; and Dr. Foakes-Jackson shows how to his audience to reserve their resources. unimportant they are by the fact that, after To do this the speaker compared the human many years of training at Cambridge of being of things in nature, and showed how young men in the most modern Biblical plants, etc., overcame difficulties and parallel manner every person could do the views, he does not know of one who is not now doing good ministerial work either in same. He said their Union had lost numbers during the last ten years, and would probably lose more. But had they lost the Church of England or among Noncon-

As a matter of fact, the modern view of found that life out there was entirely dif-the Old Testament has disarmed, rather than ferent to the life in the valleys. It was strengthened, the arguments of the agnostic. peculiar that the dandelion was not found The nearer we have got to the real purpose out on the moors. The seeds fell, but they of the religious writers and teachers of the gave no flower. On the banks of the Nile Old Testament, the more truly we understand there were thousands of seeds of beautiful the significance and value of the old writings. flowers, but when they were blown and dropped on the great desert, the Sahara, they failed to grow. Did it occur to them that the soul of man, the spirit of Christianity, We have better answers to scores of objections to-day than when it was thought necessary to defend Jacob's frauds as meri- was a plant that was exposed to perils; that torious, or the low morality of Israel as it could not survive very easily. There was Divinely permitted, or the early chapters of a difference between the plant world and Genesis as a scientific treatise. There is the human life. There were no places in nothing in either the Old or the New Testa- the spiritual life that the soul could ment, or in any formula of the Church, grow in but there were any number in plant which obliges us to think that Moses wrote life. There was none to correspond with the Book of Genesis, still less the account of than in the spiritual life. He had spoken of better qualified to judge. In my opinion he his death and burial in " The Book of Moses, called Deuteronomy." The old title of the book is all we have, and that is of late date, was because there was an absence of water. and may mean "about Moses," or more because there was too much sunshine. The probably, that all the five books were sun dried up the moisture. Plants that did labelled "Moses," as dealing with the times live in the desert had to be able to divide of Moses, before and after. their chlorophyll. They had to cover them-

The question of the Mosaic origin and selves with a thick, leather-like mantle in advocating the imposition of fresh regulations literal histor; of Genesis need not trouble us the form of leaves and some had thrown Goods at Big Reductions. in the slightest. The old Hebrews did not away their leaves altogether. Others turned trouble about scientific history, and had one edge to the sun so as to have a less redundant licences, we are endeavouring to surface for its rays to dry up. In the tro-

people who had got tired of the movement, necessary for one to reply to such an amusing and he thought that now they had left, the statement, for "Outsider" supplies the answer Union would be helped on its way. The when he says :- "I would not for one momen balance sheet showed a balance in hand of admit that the number of convicted publicans £1 16s. 34d., and he hoped they would go on is any criterion of their share of the blame." We get another peep into "Outsider's mental state when he proceeds to quote an extract from one of the annual reports prepared by the Chief Constable, in which, speaking of workmen's clubs, he says :-" They have been conducted so far as I know in a respectable manner . . . but I still hold to the opinion previously expressed that the number now in existence is in excess of the requirements of the community, and that the local authority should be allowed to restrict their growth. "Outsider's" suspicions are aroused and he demands an explanation. If these clubs are all that their supporters claim for them, why should the Chief Constable desire to restrict their growth? There is a note of triumph in the manner in which "Outsider" challenges an answer to his query. Yet even so, the answer is not far to seek. If there are more workmen's clubs in the borough than are

necessary to fill the requirements of the munity, is it not a logical inference to suggest that their growth should be restricted? It is in the clubs' own interest that this restriction should follow, for a dozen successful clubs car accomplish more for the moral and intelled tual development of their own members than a score of clubs possessing less resources. "Outsider" contends that in the forming of a correct estimate of club life the person with no practical experience at his command is the

the desert. Why was it there was sumshine is fondly hugging to himself the cherished there, where there were thousands of square delusion of the arm-chair critic. Yours, miles where a plant would not growf It

Sir.-A correspondent who writes over the signature "Outsider" in your issue of the 17th instant, in the course of a long letter on the sale of drink in working men's clubs West Ward Liberals, reported at length, counsays "we complain of the slow reduction of cillor Morley made known his intention at the secure Sunday closing, we long for local option, Committee to propose the adoption of 3d. and yet we are quietly allowing a more subtle return fares between Accrington and Oswaldand dangerous enamy to occupy the ground." Has it never struck your correspondent that twistle, Accrington and Clayton-le-Moors, and of £5. Was the increase of clubs is a logical consequence Accrington and Baxenden. Also that halfof the imposition of restrictions on licensed penny fares shall be instituted on the Burnleyhouses, and that the enemy for the evil is not road section. Mr. Morley ventured to express fresh regulations for clubs, but the adoption the opinion that the reduction would pay the of a same policy in the development of the Corporation, Another idea which he advanced public house? to have passion. It might be too strong, Speaking in the House of Commons in 1912. | was the issuing of double tickets to users too severe, in some cases, but they must Mr. S. Roberts, M.P., said: "Unfortunately we workmen's cars so that they could travel to mystical Hindoo mind would never try to guard themselves against the dangers of a have not the figures to show the total member-interpret them this way: their religious and burning passion of youth. It was no good ship of clubs, but there are two places, which were touched upon by Councillor Morley and interpret them this way; their religious pur- saying they would not have any passion; I may quote where we have the necessary a letter from Alderman Higham contained two pose would be seen at once. The early they could not prevent it; the only way was figures, namely, Bradford and Leeds. In the pregnant contences, namely "I am not sure Christian apologists did not trouble about to conquer. They must not complain be- case of Bradford in the three years 1907-10 that our housing is keeping pace, and I am this at all; they got at once to the religious cause whatever passion they had, it could there has been an increase of only two clubs, sure the problem of education, its lack of

weave; the educationalists' business is to give the manufacturer a quick and ready learner. But the educationalist does more than that or should do. He strives to produce live men and women, as an American would say, with a wider or fuller outlook on life than merely that of their own trade. And that has this advantage; an outside interest for his leisure time sends the worker back to his daily work at once fresher and with new ideas; it is bound to react on his work. Instinctively he learns to prefer the good to the bad, the beautiful to the ugly. From that both the employer and the world gain as well as he. No one who has seen the exhibition given year by year by the Technical school in the Mechanics' Inst. tution can doubt that the taste, brains and technical ability shown in the exhibits is a valuable asset to the town. It is up to the mainess men of Accrington to grasp it and use. We want more of it not less; to encourage it. not crush it. What is now the biggest pottery firm in London founded its success on an early recognition and appreciation of the then newly started and now famous Lambeth school o

One might write much of the technical schools in giving a wider outlook and a greater enjoyment of the beauty of life ministered and that his violent struggles to the worker and so of gain to the whole comcaused his heart to stop. munity, but that would make this letter too long. Yours,

A. J. MORRIS. Church Kirk, Jan. 22nd, 1914.



Tuesday's issue of the "Observer and Pimes" contained much interesting local information. At the annual meeting of South next meeting of the Electricity and Tramways

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severely whilst the anaesthetic was being ad-GIRL'S THEFT OF

The monthly meeting of Great Harwood District Council occupied a column and a half. discussions taking place on gas, housing, and the Government's "red tape" methods concerning the audit of the Council's accounts. Mr. Allsopp said the 16 candle power gas had a "16 hundred horse power stink."

The prize winners at the Accrington and District Cage Bird Show at the Crown Hotel. on Saturday, were announced and the names of the successful competitors at a fancy dress ball at St. Matthew's Sunday ochool, Stanhill were given.

Three cases were dealt with by the Accrington Borough Magistrates; the Haelingden Magistrates sent Henry Darlington for trial on a charge of stealing clothing and jewellery When she tried to pawn the other pair of worth £2 10s. from the house of T. B. Har- boots at the pawnshop of Mr. W. Fairhurst,

BOOTS. At Accrington juvenile police court on

Thursday, before Messrs, J. Holman, and J. H. Lupton, a girl of 13 was charged with stealing two pairs of boots, valued at 5s. 8d., the property of Geo. Turner, boot and shoe dealer 58, Blackburn-road.

Evidence was given that the prosecutor missed the boots from his shop on the 16th

Prisoner pawned one pair of boots at Mr. Kay's pawnshop, Warner-street for 1s., saying that they belonged to her mother.

greaves, of 3, Snig-hole, Haslingden. The Blackburn-road, being suspicious, Mr. Fair-Haslingden Magistrates also dealt with a hurst detained the presener and gave her young woman aged 19, named Elsie Wall, of into custody. She told him the boots be-

She pleaded guilty, and her father said

she had been sent to learn weaving, but

The girl was bound over in £1 for six

months and the father was warned that if she

was brought up again she would be severely

dealt with





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scientific spirit simply was not born, and if pics plants had leaves either with one edge turned to the sun or when by any possible chance a scientific treatise sun's rays became too hot for them to bear had been written, it would immediately have they turned the edge towards it. been symbolised and allegorised so as to there any message for them in these things? teach something that the times would have He often thought of the passion that burned thought more practically valuable. It is only in the bodies of people, like the desert sun. our Western matter-of-fact spirit that has Some people spoke of passion as being a made us try to read into the old writings some thing from hell, but it was a good thing of our own ideas-read into them things which the writers took no interest in at all. The at will. We read that "the sun stood still," and stand aghast at the extravagance of the statement. The old poet whose words are quoted in the story of the war would have stood aghast at our dullness of imagination. It reminds me of Wordsworth's

none of our scientific interest in origins. The

#### "Sweet childish days, that were as long As twenty days are now."

blood that ever worked in a human heart It was commonplace of Hebrew poetry to say Had they ever thought of David? It was the sun stood still until some important event said that he was a man made after God' had been completed.

own image, but he was almost lost through Dr. Foakes-Jackson believes in the exist- his passion. Some thought that if one had ence of Abraham, but sees no reason why the a passionate heart they could never be a portrait of the father of the Hebrew nation Christian. There were many things that may not have been tilled in and idealised, to would not grow on the moors, because they make his character that of the ideal Jew. I were wild and bleak places. The moors have little doubt that such was the case, that in that part of Lancashire they had but is not the ideal portrait we have more plenty, but these plants did not get enough The wind blew, and it was so drying that history, carefully supported by evidential all the moisture was dried up before the proofs? If we once grasp the ides that leaves could withstand the wind. But to Genesis is a religious book, written for a live in these exposed places the plants had religious rather than a scientific or primarily had to adopt some means of retaining the historical purpose, its value for us will in- moisture, and it was because they learned to guard themselves that crease rather than diminish. "I see," says Dr. Foakes-Jackson, " in this could survive all the attacks. Could they wonderful book an amazingly spiritual con-ception of Creation, and of the providence of God working in His universe. I see the in a golden age: they in Lancashire had more money in their pockets that night

God working in His universe. I see the than in any other age in the past. growth of sin and the alienation of the pur- regard to that money they sat there with poses of God and man developed, till the greater freedom to spend it. They lived in breach becomes to all appearance insuper- an age when young people could do more able, when the Divine purpose of redemption with liberty than in any other age. It was

is foreshadowed. I see in the faith of Abra- a tine thing, but while in every age there ham a principle at work which St. Paul had been a danger, in this age there were recognised would save the world through greater dangens. They got into irrespon-Jesus Christ. I see the gradual preparation sibility and they had the power to do it

rington; there was no lust-laden soul in

with the aid of prayer. Some of the finest

people that followed the will of God and

loved their work were men and women

through whose veins flowed the hottest

kernel, and often symbolised and allegorised be moulded. The great thing was that they but there has been an increase in the number real success, coupled with the continuing inshould take held, fall back upon their of members of no less than 5,498. In Leeds crease in cost and decrease in average attendresources, use the grace God had given there has been a decrease of one club, and an ance is one demanding a searching inquiry." them. There was no vile temper in Acc- increase of 3,700 members. At the same meeting Councillor Nuttall advo-

In France, on the other hand, where a re- cated the institution of overlapping stages on that town that could not conquer passion strictive licensing policy has never been the tramvers, the establishment of half-penny adopted, and where "redundant licences," and farce, and strongly urged the erection of a all the other fictions so dear to the heart of tram shelter. the testotal party have never been heard of. Educational matters were prominent.

the drinking club as an institution does not report of the Hashingden Education Committee exist; whilst the comparative temperance of contained the business transacted during the the two countries is shown by the fact that month, one important point being that the for every case of drunkenness in France, there committee decided that scholars between 12 are 240 in England and Wales. Yours, and 13 years of age, and eight and nine years H. A. PICKUP. of age be medically examined. It was also stated that five infant schools had had to be closed on account of measles and the fact was THE EARLY CLOSING MOVEMENT. announced that 16 deaths had occurred from that disease. At the monthly meeting of the Sir.-Your correspondent Mr. Croft, is surely Education Committee administering educacramped" in his ideas and needs an ample tional affairs in Oswaldtwistle, Church, Great infusion of "open space" into his vision to Harwood, Rishton, and Clayton-le-Moors there enable him to see things in their proper perwas a long discussion bewailing a dearth of uncertificated and pupil teachers. Questions spective. Mr. Croft says "The Accrimeton elicited the fact that the scale of salaries branch of the National Amalgamated Union was higher than in the neighbouring boroughs. of Shop Assistants have not authorised anyone Mr. Rawskiffe, e former schoolmaster, attrito canvass tradesmen for signatures for any

buted the shortage to the difficulties, chiefly so-called early closing movement. financial, in the way of working class parents Really! No tradesman or body of tradeslaunching their children into the teaching promen, no assistant or body of assistants, may feesion. He also pointed out a fact not genermake any attempt to shorten their hours or ally known, that youths could not be accepted improve their position without the "authority" as pupil teachers at schools in the country of the majestic Ernest Croft and his executive. unless there was a secondary school within These gentlemen are supposed to represent the casy access. Mr. Rawcliffe suggested that democracy of the shop assistants, but surely pupil teachers should receive a salary whilst autocratic tyranny never went beyond this. they were still attending a secondary school The Czar of all the Russians is out-czarred. preparing for the work of a teacher. The Whether thee petitioning assistants will conoutcome of the discussion was the appointtinue to dare the wrath and risk the penalties ment of a sub-committee to consider the of Mr. Croft, I know not, but if he will make problem and report with a view to placing public when next he sits in state, surrounded the views of the committee before the County by his ministers and attendants, prepared to authority. grant his most gracious permission to any who

FREEDOM.

Sunnybank-street, Haslingden, who was longed to Mrs. Taylor, Wellington-street, charged with stealing 17s. belonging to Mrs. When taken into custody by Detective Green-Davies, of 39, South Shore-street. The girl wood prisoner made no reply to the charge. was bound over for twelve months in the sum

The attractions at the theatres, variety halls she stopped away from the mill, and did not and picturedromes, in Accrington, Church, bring any money home. Burnley and Blackburn, were outlined, and other interesting items of news were: The will of Mr. Peter Grimshaw, 55, Roe Greave-road, Oswaldtwistle, returned at £3,427; the failure

Barn Meadow-street, Great Harwood, from the Accrimpton and District Gas and Water Board; a report of the tramway employee social.

and District Semi-Billiard League.

The King and Queen left Sandringham on Wednesday for Windsor, where they will remain until about February 7.



of a claim for compensation by J. R. Graham, The bench complimented Mr. Fairhund the pawnbroker, on detaining the girl and giving her into custody.

page was given over to reports of local and League football matches, and the results of billiard matches between clube in Accrington

### CASH CHEMISTS, CHURCH STREET, ACCRINGTON. Also at Burnley, Nelson, etc.

## A BRAVE MAN'S RECORDS

Captain Scott and his companions reached the British Museum arranged for the exon board ship or in winter quarters, and the sword, and so on, is closely parallel with the six small volumes used on the sledging symbolism of the Book of Revelation, where journeys. A portion of the diary for January 17, which was exhibited, described the arrival at the Pole under very different conditions from those which had been exbocted. The manuscript is in pencil, and for the healing of the nations." the ordinary course of it is broken by the To read Genesis or Revelation with a little fellowship, for when Christ started his

words "The Pole" printed in capitals. small notebooks containing the record of the been wont to read into these works, rather sledge journey to the Pole. These books are than having got them out of the writings about Sin. by 5in, in size, and were carried themselves; and one who has once scoepted by Captain Scott in a small wallet which he the spiritual view will see a value in these, doing good. By the aid of God their spirit handwriting betrays no trace of the trying conditions under which they were written, and the final entry made in the lonely tent I hope my critic "New Theologian" will and would be their's for ever. words. " For God's sake look after our if I say that in his column and a quarter of of the Christian Endeavour movement in hibited contained the entry made at the Pole, when the party found they had been preceded by Amundsen. In spite of the won-

derful fortitude which bore up the leader. the passage reveals Captain's Scott's bitter the reward of priority."

their perfect development in Christ."

though we do not look in Genesis for the one way or the other; it meant either going the South Pole two years ago last Saturday, method in which the universe was developed. up or down. God sent them their gifts and and for the anniversary of their achievement | The story of the Garden of Eden and the talents, and they came to the young earlier origin of sin is primarily a study in the than they used to do, and they had to learn hibition of the journals of Captain Scott, human mind, and full of present-day truth. earlier in life. Let the Christian Endeavour which have been deposited in the Museum As a delineation of character it is psychologi. pledge play an important part, and whatby Lady Scott. The exhibit consisted of the cally true in every age, and its symbolism of over form their power took, guard all nine large volumes that were written either | a garden, trees, serpent, rivers, the flaming Passions and use it for Christ, and would grow into the beauties of God. Their Endeavour meetings were like Alpine plants, which made a cushion that enabled again the garden, the river of water of life, them to grow. He had known young men the first meeting after our election, the sub- in one generation, but in the next generation and the tree of life appear, while the serpent go away from home to foreign lands and is destroyed, "and the leaves of the tree are throw overboard their Christianity. They lost their fellowship, and they

of the mind of the writers will deliver us crusade he formed a fellowship. They The greatest interest was naturally in the from a good many strange ideas that we have could not live like Robinson Crusoes in the Christian life; they must get together. The young men of England were confronted with many opportunities of going wrong, and on writings that is perennial. would attain to the highest, and they would

time in travelling eternally round a circle.

sign a document agreeing to pay a fine of 20s. begin to-day.

Jesus Christ. I see the gradual preparation of Israel to receive the Law which was the pedagogue to bring mankind to the school with. Being 21 was half the thing it was when pedagogue to bring mankind to the school when they were eleven of the outfitter's assistants who enof the Divine Master. Genesis is to me a years old than their fathers had when they deavoured to procure shorter hours, but I am real genesis-a birth of a new world, new were 21. To have money in their pockets entirely in agreement with their petition, and John Budman, the oldest teacher, after being thoughts, new ideas, which were to reach, was one kind of temptation. It was one hope it will prove successful, either with or presented with a couvenir key by Gladys Catof the winds that blew upon them, the without Mr. Croft's authority. This effort, terall, the young st scholar, unlocked the The stories of the Creation are dominated wind of power. They had got so many shil- if successful, will in no sense jeopardise the by a religious motive. They are amazingly lings in their pockets that they were being movement started by the Shop Assistants' true so far as they go, and wonderfully near tested. Many a young man was going fast Union, but the letter from Mr. Oroft will. to a doctrine of development. There is noth-ing in them inconsistent with evolution, as they had got power they had to use it such autocratic officialdom. Yours,

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#### WEST WARD LICHTING.

Sir.-In your issue of Tuesday "A Resident" writes, complaining of the want of better lighting of West ward, and says at the Novthey ember election and the by-election, the candidates made certain promises which have not regard to the Tory penaces of small ownership ject was thrashed out in open Council, with the result that the candidates were asked to needed meet the Lighting Sub-Committee the following evening, and point out to them what was necessary. Although we did not get everything the burgeeses demanded, the Committee decided to improve the lighting of the ward to the following extent, and instructions were given to the Lighting Superintendent to proceed with the work at once, viz :- Emma-street, new piller lamp; Nelson-square, two new piller lamps; Holland-street, new pillar lamp;

receive the crown that never faded away Newark-street, new bracket lamp; Lonsdalestreet, lamps all duplex lights: Wesley-street, among the ice and enow, were the closing acquit me of any desire to burke discussion | Mr. H. Ellis, of Sydney, who is secretary double lights; China-street, double lights Porter-street, lamp removed to opposite side people," is even firmer and stronger than last week I cannot find a single idea which Australia, gave his impressions of the work | Barlow-street, double lights; Park-road, lamp the rest, as if the explorer had nerved him- I have not already fully, and I believe satis. in Australia. One great side of the work removed to light the back road; Tremellenself for the last effort. One of the pages ex- factorily, answered. It is no use wasting was the branch of social service which called street, lamp removed to light the back road upon every individual to perform, if pos- Leyland-street, double lights,

sible, some practical act every day. He The majority of this work has been carried thought that if the societies at home were out, though the fixing of the lamps in Nelson-London builders asked their workmen to more actively connected with some kind of equare has not been done, owing to the want individual work they would be more help of a gas main. We caw Alderman Dewhurst, disappointment, and he exclaims, "Great each if they decline to work with non-unionists, to the churches. He and four others stayed chairman of the Gas Board, and he has God! This is an awful place, and terrible The men refused, declaring that a 20s, fine is to their meals in a big warehouse where they promised to take the manager with him to enough for us to have laboured to it without illegal, and it is probable that a lock-out will were employed in Sydney, and there they the site and do something at an early date.

the addition of six class-rooms and vestry. Mr. door. The alterations, it was announced cost between £500 and £600. Councillor Har-It greaves, of Oswaldtwistle, and the Rev. John England subsequently gave addresses. one sentence from Mr. Hargreaves was "Some people thought they were conferring a great boon on the teachers by sending their children to school when the reverse was the case." Mr. England also dwelt upon the importance of Sunday schools, and their influence, and gave some sound advice on books to read and how to read them A report of a lecture on Land Monopoly at the Co-operative rooms by Mr. H. Diggle, con-

tained many facts and arguments of use to students of the problem of the land. With by the consolidation of several small holdings, they might be faced with the same problem once more."

The debate at the Accrington Discussion class was recorded, the subject being "A common platform for agnostic and theist." Mr. enner Brockway, of Manchester, was the consyint.

The pulpit reference to the death of Mr. Bradshaw Riley, for 50 years organist at Wesley Church, Accrington, by the Rev. Ernest Jones was reported, and the death was announced of Mr. Frank Greenhalgh, of Church, a member of a well known Accrington family, in his 60th year. Other facts to be gleaned were the funeral of Mr. Gabriel Taylor, aged 58, of Sharples-street, Accrington, an old bandsman; that the coroner's jury on the body of John Thomas Eastwood, aged 63, of 73. Spring Hill-road, Accrimeton, who died suddenly whilet walking from Burnley to Acorington on Friday, returned a verdict of "death from natural causes." At an inquest held at the Town Hall, on Saturday, on Frederick S. Allen, a mason's labourer. 31. Spring Hill read, it was shown that deceased died whilst

formed a Christian Endeavour meeting, and | Only yesterday, we had a lengthy interview operation at the Victoria Hospital. Frankish stated that deceased struggled

chloroform was being administered prior to an Printed and Published by ROBERT SHAW OROSSLEY for the "Accrington Observer and Offices: Accrington, Edgar-street; Haslingden; 130, Blackburn-road Times," Limited. London, 92, Fleet-street.