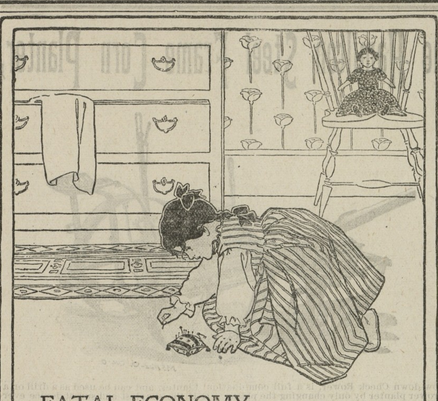

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Though "The Biography of a Grizzly" and "The Autobiography of a Quack" have run their course in the *Century*, Dr. Weir Mitchell and Ernest Seton-Thompson are both contributors to the March number of that magazine. Mr. Seton-Thompson begins a study of "The National 'Zoo' at Washington," in which he shows wild animals to be as interesting in captivity as in their natural state of freedom. His text is, of course, fully illustrated. Dr. Mitchell, in "Dr. North and his Friends," presents the opening chapters of the most important serial he has written since "Hugh Wynne." It is a novel embodying the results of a long life of observation, reflection, and experience. A study of Robert Herrick, by Thomas Bailey Aldrich, sketches the poet's life, and claims for him a unique position in English literature as "a great little poet." The life of the laboring class is the special theme of Richard Whiteing's Paris article this month, the tittle being "Paris of the Faubourgs"; and Castaigne's pictures throw vivid sidelights on the subject. Frederick A. Cook, continuing his account of the Belgica Antartic Expedition, writes of "The Giant Indians of Tierra del Fuego." No one will be surprised to learn that even this race of remote and hardy aborigines is dying out before the advance of civilization and the rifle.

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Dramatic Power.

The world suffers more from too little dramatic power in the church than from too much outside.—Rev. Dr. Madison C. Peters, Reformed, New York.

American Patriotism.

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Spiritual Beings.

We will be spiritual, not physical, beings. The worm in the earth may prey on the seed, but it cannot touch the blossom in the air.—Rev. Dr. Warner, Episcopal, New Orleans.

Learning to Know Christ.

Men do not know Jesus Christ at once. There must be years spent in his service before his character is seen in its full perfection.—Rev. Dr. George E. Rees, Baptist, Philadelphia.

Character of the Church.

The church in her work and character must keep herself separate from the wicked of the world. Otherwise she will lose her power to save men or nations.—Rev. J. H. Leiper, Presbyterian, Philadelphia.

Dreams.

Eternal peace and unchanging friendship among the peoples of the earth are not dreams. Nay, hatred and war are dreams from which humanity will at some time awake.—Rev. David Philipson, Rabbi, Cincinnati.

Taking God's Name In Vain.

Oh, that the saving and restraining grace of God may keep each of us from ever again, in any form or spirit, using the name that is to be hallowed—the adorable name—"in vain."—Dr. W. A. Robinson, Methodist, Cincinnati.

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Our Faith and Good Thoughts.

We must keep our minds well stored with good thoughts, for an idle mind is always in peril. We must put our faith in Christ, who is ever ready to aid us when we battle for the right.—Rev. Charles H. Richards, Congregational, Philadelphia.

Kind of Politics Needed.

The crying need of the time is a politics that stands for all that is highest and noblest in our thought of the rights and duties and possibilities of men, a politics that we can take to the altar.—Edwin D. Mead, Editor of New England Magazine, Boston.

The Scriptures.

The Scriptures are the key of creation, the key of divinity, the key of the sources of history, the key of archæology, the key of the record of man's moral and spiritual development.—Rev. Lawrence M. Colfelt, D. D., Presbyterian, Philadelphia.

The Christian's Faith.

It is a matter of very great pleasure to know that the Christian's faith does not stand in the wisdom of men, is not the product of human reasoning, the development of a purely rational system, for the wisdom of one age becomes the folly of the next.—Rev. James A. Harmon, Methodist, Hawkinsville, Ga.

Woman's Sphere.

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Religious Need of the Day.

The great religious need of this day is for Christians to seek the gospel needy, preferably in walks of life less exalted than their own, and to seek them not so much for "Jesus' sake" as for the people's sake. The heart has no door which it can keep closed when love knocks, and the voice of sincere Christian friendship seems like the voice of God.—Rev. J. Clayton Louker, Methodist, Chicago.

Perfected Personality.

A man must be endowed with personality if he accomplishes anything. It is personality which makes him realize that he is something more than a mere body, that makes him something more than an animal. Human personality, however, can reach its goal and perfection only in surrender to the Divine.—Rev. W. P. Thirkield, Methodist, Chicago.

Bold Fast That Which Is Good.

The Lord hasten the day when his people without prejudice or partisan spirit may take hold and hold on to "the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth." May the lessons of experience, the study of the Scriptures and the reign of the Holy Spirit bring us to the point where we can "prove all things and hold fast that which is good."—Rev. A. U. Boone, Baptist, Memphis.

Golden Rule's Practicability.

The supreme object of this life is obedience to the word of God. Now, if this is the true object of life, then the golden rule is practicable. If the commercial world were reorganized upon the basis of the golden rule, it would result ultimately in greater success for more people than it does today. We should not discuss its feasibility, but obey its precepts.—Rev. J. J. Dunlop, Universalist, Roxbury, Mass.

Zulu Servants.

The Zulu boy servants are much appreciated in Africa, but they have difficulties with the English language. Their special weakness is the confusion of the letters "l" and "r." As a result, instead of saying that "Breakfast is ready" they announce, to the astonishment of the stranger, "Blackfaced lady, baas."

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How the Persians Dine.

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IN THE SUGAR BUSH.

Maple Sugar Making—The Modern Processes and Product.

Though tons of maple sugar are made, for the most part in New York and Vermont, there are probably many people living on farms throughout the United States who have no more clear idea of how maple sugar is made than they have of the production of electricity, says a writer in Farm and Fireside, from whose description of the process the following items and illustrations are reproduced:

The sugar maple is so called on account of the sugar contained in the sap. The person with no experience can hardly tell the difference between it and water, as it is clear and sparkling and has but a faint taste of sugar. There is just about enough sugar to make it a little sickish.

In the fall the greater part of the sap goes from the trunk and branches into the roots, where, buried deep in the

THREE METHODS OF COLLECTING SAP.

ground, it will not be chilled. In the spring, beginning in the latter part of February or first of March, according as the season is forward or backward, the sap begins to ascend the body of the tree, the greater part in the outer layers of the tree. Securing this sap as it ascends and boiling it down constitutes the work of maple sugar making.

The first thing is to get the sap. In the early days before the bit and brace an oblique notch was cut into the tree near the ground, and from this wound the sap would of course flow. Then under the lower corner of this wound a curved hole wide from one side of the tree to the other, but narrow up and down, was made with a "gouge," and into this was driven a short wooden spout of the same shape, which caught the sap as it dropped from the cut, and thus carried it to short wooden troughs made by digging out basswood blocks. After the bit and brace came into use a hole was bored into the tree, and a round spout made from a piece of sumac from which the pith had been burned out was driven into the hole to convey the sap to the trough.

Next the wooden bucket came into use. By driving a nail into the tree under the spout the bucket could be hung anywhere on the tree.

In the days of boiling in kettles color was the last thing aimed at in making maple sugar, which was a dull black when finished. Sweetness was the main consideration, and there was no incentive to keep out the dirt and cinders, for black sugar was just as sweet, and sugar lighter than chocolate was looked upon as having been adulterated.

The next improvement was the large pan placed upon an arch made of stone or brick. About the same time tin buckets came into use. A little later the metallic spout was invented. This is now of such shape that it fills but a small portion of the hole bored in the tree, but is held so firmly that the bucket is supported by it. It allows sap to flow from the outer layers of the tree where there is the greatest amount of sap, and that which makes the whitest sugar.

A few sugar makers have their plant so arranged that the sap, or sirup, does not touch wood after the sap leaves the tree. At the present time color is an important factor in the value of maple sugar, and as wood tends to color it wooden utensils of all kinds have been discarded as far as possible. The maple sugar now made is of a light straw color. Any darker than

AVERAGE BOILING PLACE OF TODAY.

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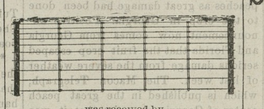

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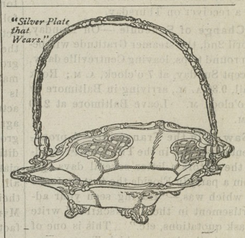

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