## A SOLDIER'S RELIGION.

### Chinese Gordon's Modest Estimate of His Own Powers.

Slightly built, somewhat below the average height, Gen. Gordon's most re; markable characteristic at first sight is a childlike simplicity of manners, says the white wall of frost and snow appeared in the Pall Mall Gazette. Notwithstanding his 50 years, his face is almost bovish in its youthfulness, his step is as light and his movements as lithe as the leopard. Although he is still excitable and vehement, those who know him best say he has under much firmer control those volcanic which blazed out with fiercest fury in his younger days; as, for instance, when he hunted Li Hung Chang, revolver in hand, from house to house day after day, in order to slay the man who had dishonored and massacred the prisoners whom he had pledged his word to save. But there is that in his face at times, even now, that contrasts the ability of Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil strangely with the sweetness of his to cure asthma, catarrh, croup, colds, smile, or the radiance which lights up his face when discoursing on his favor ite author and the choice texts of the "Immitation" [Thomas a Kempis], which ous." [Mrs. Jacob Mellisor of Marifor the present seems to have super-seded his old favorite, "Watson on Contentment" "This," said he, holding a asthma of the worst kind, took one dose small copy of the "Imitation" in his hand, "is my book. And al-though I never shall be able to attain to a hundreth part of the perfection of for this medicine and pay 85 a bottle for that saint, I strive toward it—the ideal it." Druggist C. R. Hall, Grayville, Ill., is here." Gen. Gordon carries with him says: "Cured an ulcerated throat for me the saintly ideal of the cloister into the rough realities of the camp. His self-less humility and absolute abnegation was broken only now and then by a ing was wet with perspiramorbid horror of publicity or praise. tion. My wife insisted that I use Thomas' 'No gilt, mind; no gilt. Say what is to Eclectric Oil. The first teaspoonful re-"No gilt, mind; no gilt. Say what is to be said, but no praise. Remember," he added, with a smile, "it is the superior tre, N. Y. Thomas' Eclectric Oil is who praises his inferior," an observation which, taken by itself, conveys a curiously false impression of the motive of his distaste of laudation. "In all gist ask him what he knows of Dr. my career," he once wrote. "I Thomas Eclectric Oil; if he has been can lay no claim to cleverness, discretion or wisdom. My success speak highly of it. Sold everywhere. has been due to a series of (called by the world) flukes. When one knows the little one does of one's self, and any praises you, I, at any rate, have a rising in the gorge which is a suppres-sed 'You lie." To him "a true preception of the gospel is entire emptiness of self, and utter absence of any pretension, a complete and entire refusal to accept the world's praise or judgment. Who is he or who is any man, that he should be praised? I do nothing, I am a chisel which cuts the wood. The carpenter directs it. If I lose my edge. he must sharpen me; if he puts me aside and takes up another, it is his own good will. None are indispensable to him. He will do his work with a straw equally as well.'

## A Minister's Experience with Choirs.

Is art a "service?" Does the exer cise of it in divine worship partake of the spirit of the inspired counsel, "Whosoever will be chief among you let him be your servant?" This thrusting forward of a personality of display deal of property was destroyed, but there were not many faralities. does not look like it. Once our alto asked me, as I was entering the pulpit, whether I had any objections to changthey could not come till late, and she turn of his complaint, wanted to sing a solo. And once, at a week-day funeral, our tenor crowded me even to my embarrassment with a request that he might be permitted to of the Milwankee & St. Paul, on the 21st inst., precede the arrival of the train of mourners with a vocal piece in the gallery, for he had just heard that two members of the Music Commit-tee of another congregation would be present, and he wished them to hear him, as he desired to secure the place of conductor there.
"Art's a service mark!" But does it

take the place of the rest of the service

This entire discussion turns at once upon the answer to the question whethor the choir, the organ, the tune book, and the blower are for the sake of helping God's people worship Him, or whether the public assemblies of Christians are for the sake of an artistic regalement of listeners, the personal exhibition of musicians, or the advertise-ment of professional soloists who are competing for a salary. In our travels some of us have seen

the old organ in a remote village of Germany on the case of which are carved, in the ruggedness of Teutonic characters, three mottoes; if they could restorer and dressing be rendered from their terse poetry into English they would do valiant service in our time for all the singers and players together. Across the top of the key-board is this: "Thou prayest here not for thyself, thou prayest for the congregation; so the playing should elevate the heart, should be simple, earnest and pure." Across above the right hand row of stops is this: "The organ tone must ever be adapted to the subject of the song: it is for thee, therefore, to read the hymn entirely through so as to catch the true

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Minnesota had 8,909 marriages and 292 divor-English they would do valiant service entirely through so as to catch the true spirit." Across above the left hand stops is this: 'In order that thy playing shall is this; "In order that thy playing shall not bring the singing into confusion, it becoming that thou listen sometimes, and as thou hearest thou wilt be like iter to play as God's people sing."—Rev. Dr. Charles S. Robinson in the Century. Charles S. Robinson in the Century.

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paircad contractor was demonshed. The body of Dr. Wright's mother was found an hundred yards from the house, fearfully mangled. Augue, Jeannie, Thomas, James and Edward, chiltren of Dr. Wright, have arms and legs broken. Harriet McCrew, a cook was killed. Of twenty-four earts, two wagons and three horses in the place, nothing remained but the carcass of one horse. Latest intelligence but adds to the horrors of the woful story. From the names of the dead already published it appears that hundreds of lives were lost.

From Georgia the reports are of the same tenor as those from Alabama, and in North Carolina, also, and in South Carolina, the lists of the dead are frightful. The cyclone was of the same character as those of previous years, bounding from point to point, creating terrific winds for ten miles on each side of its track.

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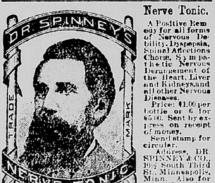
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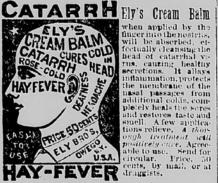
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