

Sayings of the Week.

The Tree of Life.

I HAVE asked Labour men where they obtained the planks of their platform from—was it from the Bible—and they said "Yes." While we are willing to send the Bible to people in the Pacific Islands, let us see that our children are not denied it.—*Mr. Snowball, M.L.A.*

Root and Branch.

The Labour party believe that the House of Lords is useless, and an intolerable barrier against democratic progress. Therefore, we are in favour of the abolition of the House of Lords absolutely—root and branch.—*Mr. G. N. Barnes, Chairman English Labour party.*

Morality Made Easy.

I believe in morality. We just draw a line, and make other people toe it—and that's morality.—*Mr. G. B. Shaw.*

More Retrenchment.

If hospitals in their expenditure would all come down to the average of what the more economically administered hospitals spend, there would be a vast saving.—*Dr. Valantine, Inspector-General of Hospitals.*

Thorough.

My opinion of West Point may be summed up in the word "thorough." It makes men of raw lads, forms their characters, and instructs their minds.—*Lord Kitchener.*

Advice from the Unwed.

Englishmen, in fact, all Continental men, know better how to make love and how to retain it. American men have none of the subtlety of the well-bred Englishman, none of his finesse, or his charm of conversation and manner. If I were to marry—I shall not, for my profession makes my habits and home not permanent—it should be an Englishman. He is far and away the most interesting type of the genius of home.—*Miss Gertrude Atherton.*

Traction, Attraction, and Distraction.

Your railway system is the one great thing in which New Zealand fails to come up to her very excellent reputation abroad. You have a "tourist policy"—that is, you have tourist bureaux here and elsewhere, and advertise the attractions of the country, but if you attract visitors with your Tourist Department

A Dangerous Tendency.

There is a growing tendency on the part of a section of the community to remove their children from school before they are 14, or have passed the standard of exemption, and send them to work. Should they be discovered, the fine imposed does not nearly amount to the sum earned, and it pays to keep the child at work in defiance of the law.—*Mr. W. H. Driffin, headmaster Federal-street School, Auckland.*

Reckless and Dazzling.

I feel bound to confess that there is something naively attractive about the Tory lie. It is so reckless and dazzling. It has a freshness, a frankness, a sort of plump British solidity about it that takes your breath away. It comes for you. It hops itself down before you with a devil-may-care expression as who should say, "Beat that if you can!" It leaves you no time to analyse and prepare replies.—*Mr. Victor Grayson.*

Bobs and Boys.

I am glad to hear the Boy Scout movement is likely to flourish in the Dominion, as it affords an excellent preparation for the cadet training, which is doing so much good for your boys.—*Lord Roberts.*

The Vital Factor.

By experience, over and over again stated, teachers had proved the value of Scripture teaching as a vital factor in

The Humble Ordinary Cabbage.

Many people in an unthinking, casual way are under the impression that if it were not for John Chimanman we should often lack even the humble and ordinary cabbage in the way of green food, and that when we were able to buy it the price would render it one of the comparative luxuries of life. That is all nonsense. The European gardener can grow it as well and better, and quite as cheaply, as does the Chinaman.—*Mr. J. C. Cameron, secretary Anti-Asiatic League.*

"Doctor," said the patient, who had been ailing for a long time, "be frank with me. Why do you demand such a large fee for cutting out my appendix?" "Well, the truth is," explained the frank M.D., "when I remove the appendix I cut off my chief source of revenue."

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Ophelia Asquith: He loves me, he loves me not.
Hamlet Redmond: If she doesn't say "He loves me" I'll hit her!
—Shakespeare, House of Commons Edition.

Grocers and Bonnets.

Some grocers' assistants will not familiarly at the customer, as though he had known him intimately for years, and proceed to chat about the football matches, or the Palmerston affair. The efficient counter-hand suits himself to the customer, but others sometimes make mistakes, for instance, when a lady comes in who is not wearing the latest bonnet.—*Mr. Haselden, S.M.*

St. Peter and the General.

But Heaven is worth suffering for! I mean to have a good time when I get there! It's 20 years since I had a rest. Even when I've been sick I have had to be working at something or another, but when I get well through the Pearly Gates, have kissed my darling wife, and heard the Salvationists shout "Hallelujah!" I am going to ask Peter whether I can't have three months' holiday.—*General Booth.*

The Labour Policy.

Labour's policy was a national one. Labour was anxious to safeguard every interest in the States and Commonwealth. The people seemed to be more Australian than their representatives in Parliament.—*Mr. Andrew Fisher.*

and distract them with your railway system, it will mean that tourists will cease to come to the Dominion in such numbers as they should do.—*Col. Patten.*

The Value of History.

History is a study of immense importance, especially in young countries, which stand greatly in need of the valuable and steady training of the judgment, supplied by history. The patriotic and Imperial movement which is so marked a feature of our time, and in which we are all deeply interested, cannot be the intelligent movement it ought to be without the study of history.—*Dr. Gilray.*

The Old Familiar Faces.

The rejection of old and cherished comrades was hard to bear. Indeed, in such circumstances public life ceased to be worth living from his personal point of view.—*Mr. Deakin.*

The Flowers that Bloom in the Spring.

The result of the rise in wool and frozen meat has not yet been felt, but with the coming spring I look forward to a time of almost phenomenal prosperity for all concerned.—*Mr. E. Tregear, Under-Secretary for Labour.*

the true development of a child, which was the aim of all education.—*Miss Whitehead, headmistress Girls' Grammar School, Auckland.*

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The quality of the work done by engineers and ironmasters in Auckland is, as I have already declared, on the floor of the House, equal to anything of its kind made in any part of the world.—*Mr. Luke, M.P.*

THE WORKER MUST BE WELL.

In these days of sharp competition everyone who works should be keyed up to the highest pitch of efficiency. The rewards of business life go to the clearest thinkers, to the men and women who know and do things better than other people.

But who can do his best work when the health is impaired, when the appetite fails to demand the food necessary to sustain the body, when strength is lacking and ambition gone? Surely the part of wisdom is to begin at once to build up the body to its normal condition, and this may be done more certainly by the use of

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