

hungry wolves—with them into eternity. See also *Rom. ii. 6-11.*

STRAIGHT HOME. † † † †
 “*Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ.*”—1 Cor. xi. 1.

The ancient natives of Ceylon, being ignorant of the mariner's compass, took with them land birds when navigating the Indian Ocean. When no land was in sight they loosed one of them, and steered in the direction it took.

If sinners who are on the ocean of time would steer their course by that of their sainted friends or relatives, they, too, would land safely at last. If we make a straight course for the kingdom, we shall certainly guide others in the same direction—they will follow us. “Make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way.”—*Heb. xii. 13.*

ARE YOU ON THE RIGHT SIDE? †

“*The path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day. The way of the wicked is as darkness.*”—*Prov. iv. 18, 19.*

On one of Mr. Venn's preaching excursions, a gentleman got into conversation with him, and after talking on different subjects, said, “Are not you on the wrong side of fifty?” “No,” replied Mr. Venn, “I am on the right side.” “Surely,” said the gentleman, “you must be turned fifty?” “Yes, that is so,” added Mr. Venn, “but I am on the right side of fifty for all that; every year I live I am nearer my crown of glory.”

Whether the sinner has passed twenty, thirty, forty, fifty or sixty, whichever it may be, he is on the wrong side of it. He is to-day nearer the reckoning day and lake of fire than ever before. The saint can say with Paul, “For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.”—*Phil. i. 21.*

DO ONE THING WELL. † † †

“*This one thing I do.*”—*Phil. iii. 13.*

Michael Angelo, the great sculptor, was so full of the sublime ideas of his art that he lived very much alone, and never suffered a day to pass without handling his chisel or his pencil. When some person reproached him with living so melancholy and solitary a life he said, “Art is a jealous thing; it requires the whole and entire man.”

How these men shame us; they spend their whole life in learning how to shape a block of marble into a statue, and leave companionships and amusements because “art is a jealous thing, and requires the whole and entire man.” Oh, if we could only see that we are hewing and chiselling for Eternity in a material a thousand times more costly and imperishable than marble! Michael Angelo, like Paul, did *one thing*. How many things do you do?

DON'T FORGET LAZARUS. † † †

“*And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.*”—*Matt. xxv. 40.*

A little fellow noticed that his father and family always sang, “Be present at our table, Lord” before meals. One night after they had sung it as usual he said, “Father, how is it that the Lord Jesus never comes?” The father, whose religion was of the surface kind, scarcely knew what to say. “I know how it is,” he went on, “there has never been a place made ready for Him,” and running to an empty chair he drew it up to the table beside his own. They had only just commenced their meal when a rap was heard at the door. The boy started, and his eyes shone. “Let me go and see,” he said, “perhaps it is the Lord Jesus.” Half amused, they let the little fellow trot to the door. When he opened it, a thin little hungry boy stood there, who asked for bread. The little fellow ran back to the table and told his father, finishing with, “Oh father, do let him come in. Jesus couldn't come, so He sent this poor boy instead.” The father's heart melted; he went to the door, brought in the hungry little one, and put him in the empty chair. As the colour came back to the hungry one's cheeks, and the dull eyes brightened with fresh life, the father felt his heart stir strangely, and began to wonder whether after all there was not something in his boy's fancy. Anyway, this one act of kindness unlocked the door to many others to the same needy one, and to others. He made room for the Lord Jesus, not only in his home, but in his heart.

The man who closes his heart against the cry of the poor, closes it against Jesus Christ. Don't forget Lazarus. (See *Psalms xli. 1-3*; also *Isaiah lviii. 10, 11*.)

The Month's Changes.

Staff Promotions and Changes.—MARCH, 1899.

PROMOTIONS & APPOINTMENTS.

International Headquarters.

Major W. H. HEATHER, Assistant Secretary to the Chief of the Staff, to be Private Secretary to Lieut.-Colonel Lamb.
 Major MOORE, of the City Colony, to be Financial Secretary of Industrial and Land Colony.
 Ensign BARRATT, one of the General's Secretaries, to be Adjutant.
 Ensign HAMMERTON, of the British Field, to the Accountants' Department.
 Captain JOHN CLARK, of the Audit Department, to be Ensign.

Women's Social Work.

Lieutenant HONEYBALL, of Plymouth, to be Captain.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Lieut.-Colonel HEDDER, Western Province, to be Colonel.
 Lieutenant MYNIE ALLEN, Helper, Northampton Division, to be Captain.
 Lieutenant PEARSON, of Hoeflach, to be Helper, Northampton Division.

OVER-SEA STAFF CHANGES.

INDIA.

Ensign DHURA LAKHA to the Matar District.

AUSTRALASIA.

Staff-Captain WILLIAM WINTER to be District Officer for Kalkoorle.
 Adjutant RUTH GOODALL to be Women's Social Secretary for Queensland.
 Adjutant ISABELLA COOK to be Women's Social Secretary for New South Wales.
 Adjutant EMMA SUGDEN to be Women's Social Secretary for South Australia.
 Adjutant HARRY SHARP to be District Officer for Broken Hill District, New South Wales.
 Adjutant JAMES DUTTON to be Assistant, Limestone Department, T.H.Q.
 Adjutant MERCIE MORETON to be Women's Social Secretary for Victoria.
 Adjutant ANNIE HUTCHINSON to be Women's Social Secretary for New Zealand.

JAPAN.

Ensign WALDRON to Okayama Corps.

British Field Changes.

Corps. Officers Appointed.

LONDON SLUMS.

Southwark .. *Gimber* —

SOUTH LONDON PROVINCE.

South-East London Division.

Bell Green .. — *Blee*
 Forest Hill .. — *Burkett*
 Supply *Davies*
 “ *Lt. Jones*

EASTERN PROVINCE.

Ipswich Division.

Capel C. — *Russell*

MIDLAND PROVINCE.

Notts Division.

Netherfield C. Handford —
 Kirby Folly .. *Ens. Flowers* —
 Shirebrook C. *Duggan* *Boxall*
 Kimberley .. Lt. Blower *(in ch.)*
 Gotham — *Davies*

Potteries and Crewe Division.

Silverdale .. *Fletcher* —

NORTHERN PROVINCE.

Sunderland Division.

Boyne *Ens. Manewell* † —

Corps. Officers Appointed.

NORTH-EAST PROVINCE.

Sheffield Division.
 Worsbro' Dale .. — *Hills*
Bradford and Huddersfield Division.
 Sowerby B&G .. — *Davey*
East Riding Division.
 York I. *Ens. Charlesworth*

NORTH-WEST PROVINCE.

Liverpool Division.
 L'pool I. Slum Lt. *Garlick (in ch.)*
Oldham Division.
 Ashton-under-Lyne Adj. *Doughty* † —
 St. Clekport II. .. — *Bousfield*
Preston Division.
 Gt. Harwood .. Lt. *Pritchard (pro tem.)*
Wilbraham (pro tem.)

SOUTHERN PROVINCE.

Southampton and Portismuth Division.

Alresford C. .. *Forth* *Chapman*
 Bi-hops Wal-
 tham C. .. *Cosh* —
 Ventnor — *Hutchins*

Channel Islands Division.

St. Helier II. .. *Illman* *Porter*

Corps. Officers Appointed.

Brighton Division.

Hastings III. .. — *Bradley*
 Westergate .. — *Grist*
Canterbury and Maidstone Division.
 Sneerness .. *Nash (pro tem.)*
Keeling (pro tem.)

SOUTH MID. PROVINCE.

Herts and Beds Division.

Biggleswade C. *Nicholls* † A.-C.
 Berkhamst'd .. — *A. Hunt*
Oxford and Reading Division.
 Cricklade C. .. *Bourditch* —
 Abingdon — *Dear*

WESTERN PROVINCE.

Dorset Division.

Winton — *Gill*
Cornwall Division.
 Plymouth III. .. — *Phayard*
Bristol Division.
 Banwell Lt. *Oakes (in ch.)*
 Bristol III. — *K. Mitchell*

IRISH PROVINCE.

Cookstown .. Lt. *Irving (in ch.)*

WALES PROVINCE.

Cardiff Division

Clydach Vale .. — *Hillis*