

in the trade between England and America from the earnings of their regular business.

It is an open secret at Washington that a combination has been formed between the Hanna-Payne subsidy and the Nicaragua Canal. Senator Hanna had agreed to await the report of the Isthmian Canal Commission, and the President had accordingly recommended delay on the canal bill for that purpose, but there has been a sudden change in in both quarters. Mr. Hanna has put his name to the report for immediate action on the canal bill, and he thinks that he has secured a sufficient number of votes for the shipping subsidy bill. It may be so, but it is not yet certain. The debate in the Senate is yet to take place, and it is scarcely credible that the bill should fail to be exposed in its true character as a brazen scheme for filling private pockets at the expense of the people.

German Students Present a Bible to Rev. Mary Baker Eddy.

Concord has recently had two visitors who came here upon an unusual and unique errand. These visitors were Frau Bertha Gunther-Peterson and Fraulein Ida Schoen of Hanover, Germany, who crossed the water to pay their respects to an eminent citizen of Concord, Mary Baker Eddy, and to present her with a beautiful and valuable copy of the German Bible, the gift of the Christian Scientists of Germany.

Frau Peterson, who is the leader of Christian Science work in Hanover, Germany, is the daughter of a celebrated physician, and is a woman of great intellectuality and marked ability. Through the healing of a friend who had come to America, she was led to send for a copy of the Christian Science text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," of which Mrs. Eddy is the author. From her study of this treatise on the Science of Life, she was herself healed of severe maladies and restored to perfect health. She then visited America and took a thorough course of study in one of the leading Christian Science institutes. On her return to Germany, she at once entered actively upon the work of applied Christianity with great success.

The movement has a large following in Germany, and, as elsewhere, is growing rapidly. Among the first to visit Frau Peterson for help was the nephew of the famous Count von Moltke, the great field-marshal of the German Empire. Herr von Moltke was completely healed of long-standing ailments, for which he had in vain sought far and wide for relief. His restoration to health was so remarkable that it attracted widespread interest in the court circles of the empire; and among others who became interested is the sister of Emperor William, who is now reading

Science and Health with interest and profit.

Herr von Moltke, thoroughly convinced from careful study and from his own practical experience, of the trustworthiness of the Christly religion which had healed him, identified himself with the movement, and, being a talented musician of exceptional ability, gladly gave his services as soloist for the religious services of First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Hanover.

Among others to receive physical and spiritual help in Hanover from this healing religion is a distinguished doctor of medicine, who said to Frau Peterson: "Your religion is doing greater things than I have ever done." A clergyman was healed of many ailments after an unprejudiced and intelligent study of Science and Health, and is now performing his Christly ministrations in healing the sick and restoring the sinful in the light of Christian Science. After being convinced from a thorough investigation of the Christ Spirit made manifest in its followers, he declared that he must put in practice its divine Principle.

The studious habits, the profound scholarship, the kindly nature, and the simple faith of the German people make easy the acceptance of the Christ Science which Mrs. Eddy has named Christian Science.

In the past, only the State church of Germany has had a charter from the government. On application, however, from the Christian Scientists, an exception was made in their favor. Apart from the State church this is the only denomination which has ever been granted a charter by the empire.

Cases of healing have occurred so frequently at the meetings of this Hanover church that now people attend their services for that purpose, and their simple faith is thus manifested.

The gratitude of the German people for benefits received and their profound reverence and esteem for the Founder and Discoverer of Christian Science is especially marked and notable. This gratitude found expression in the presentation of the gift for which Frau Peterson visited Concord.

This copy of the Holy Scriptures, which is a rare specimen of the printer's and book-binder's art, is substantially bound in leather with rich silver trimmings and clasp, upon the latter of which is engraved the name of Mrs. Eddy.

From the title-page one learns that the sacred work is a translation of the Holy Scriptures according to Martin Luther, and contains thirty fine engravings upon Old Testament subjects by the great masters, and fifteen rare engravings on the life of Jesus by the world-famous artist, Heinrich Hofmann.

A handsome, illuminated page has been inserted, which in beautiful Ger-

man text reads as follows: "The members of First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Hanover, Germany, in profound esteem, present this volume to their beloved Teacher and Leader." Then follow the names of the donors.

In connection with this expression of love and gratitude for the physical and spiritual healing that has come to these reverend people through Mrs. Eddy is an interesting incident. One of the early students of Mrs. Eddy was a German, and to him Mrs. Eddy said: "Germany will be the first European nation to accept Christian Science. Their love of God, their profound religious character, their deep faith and strong intellectual qualities make them particularly receptive to Christian Science." In the presence of this prized gift it is seen that this prophecy is being fulfilled.—Concord Monitor.

DELIVERANCE.

Only son of widowed mother,
Brave and void of guile and harm,
Loving sister's noble brother,
Owner of a Western farm.
In the hay-field over heated,
Chilled by draughts from cooling spring,
Now in sick-bed swathed and sheeted,
Day nor night can comfort bring.
"Only one thing still can save him,"
Says the Doctor: "He must sweat;
Cease with spongings fresh to lave him,
Hurry all things hot to get:
Warming-pan, big water-bottle,
Flannel blankets, feather bed,
Strong herb-teas and spicy pottles—
Keep him warm from feet to head."
Anxious Doctor waits and watches,
Mother, sister, work with will,
Patient's breath comes in short catches;
Fever burning, burning still.
Daily paper comes with morning;
Doctor reads the news aloud:
"Prisoners shot without a warning;
Stricken men the sick wards crowd."
Springs the patient from his pillow,
Feather-bed falls on the floor;
Fevered he begins to bellow,
Fevered he begins to roar:
"Are we ruffians? are we robbers?
Shooting prisoners, stealing land—
We are ruled by shameless jobbers;
Such mean doings I can't stand!
Let alone those Filipinos,
Brave men trying to be free:
What McKinley promised he knows,
How he keeps his word we see!
Damn McKinley, Alger, Otis,
Damn the whole infernal pack!
Give those politicians notice
They're to send our soldiers back!"
"Let him bawl and let him bellow,
Let him roar and let him rave,"
Says the Doctor: "Ah, poor fellow,
Here's the sweat in time to save.
See the big drops on his forehead,
Feel, his hair is dripping wet—
Mother, sister, don't be worried,
Let him sweat, IT MAKES HIM SWEAT!
Good boy! You have cursed them roundly,
Now lie down and take a rest.
If you'll only sleep as soundly,
You will soon be up and dressed.
Just keep cool till Nineteen Hundred
Sounds its loud, unwavering note;
Till the People's Voice has thundered
Condemnation in its Vote!"

ELIZABETH E. EVANS.