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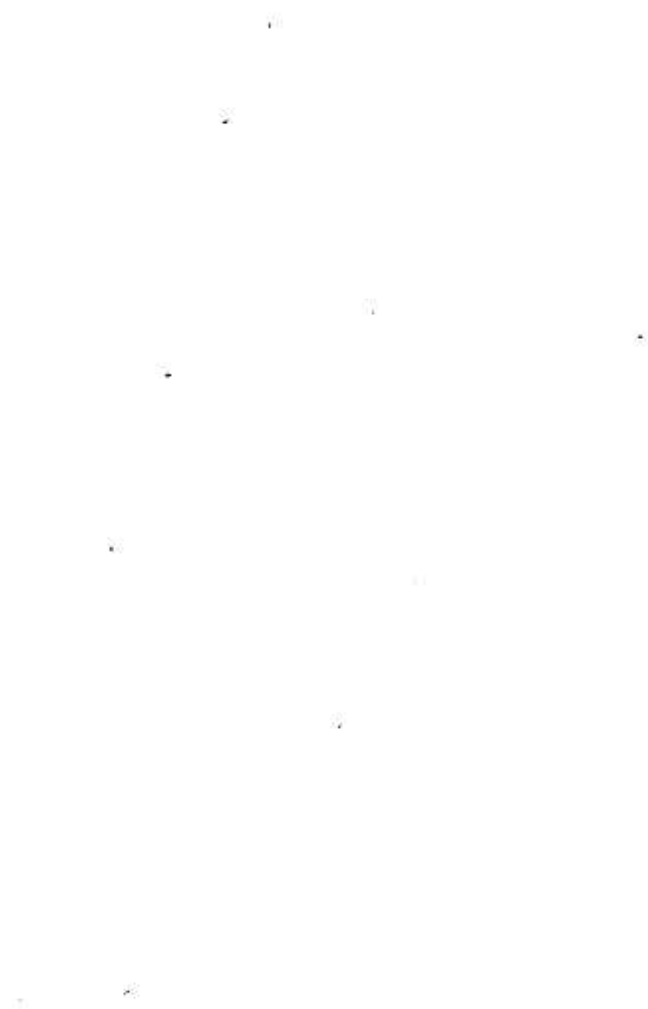


Figure 1: A line graph showing the relationship between the number of days of rain (x-axis, 0 to 10) and the number of days of sunshine (y-axis, 0 to 10). The data points are: (0, 10), (1, 9), (2, 8), (3, 7), (4, 6), (5, 5), (6, 4), (7, 3), (8, 2), (9, 1), (10, 0). A straight line of best fit is drawn through the points, starting at (0, 10) and ending at (10, 0).

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I

The Dimensions of the Work

A MINISTER of the Gospel is expected to do a wider variety of things than any other man in the community. The division of labor has been carried farther in every other profession than in the ministry. His work is multiform, and it is impossible in five brief lectures to cover more than a small fraction of it.

The minister is an administrator. His church is an organization, and like all organizations it must have an executive head. The minister is that head. It is in one sense a machine, and like all machines must be run. Friction must be reduced, the wheels must be lubricated, repairs must be made, every part of the