

instances and nothing to distinguish the sexes in all the others? And from a statement in the "old congregation's circular" you know something was pending just there. If you acted upon the principle that there was "neither male nor female" why distinguish the sexes in an instance or two? I made no objection to the sisters, whether young or aged, voting or transacting business in church matters, not the slightest: but their names were *so written* for effect, and any body can see it. This however, is a small matter, I only regard it as a *straw*.

Bro. Finney and his sister have been known to me for years, and I have esteemed them much, and I am the more sorry that they have left the church and gone with a party—led away by a man whom they do not know. I do hope they and others may prayerfully consider the steps they have taken, see their error and return. We have all to appear at the judgment seat of Christ, and what reason can we give for taking part in dividing his flock. We should duly consider this; and what we are taught to bear for His name's sake.

BRO. FRANKLIN is expected to preach in Oshawa some two weeks, commencing on 20th June. If the brethren will give the precise date the next No. of *Indicator* will advertise it.

STUDY THIS FACT.—Nearly fifty children were received into Spurgeon's church last year, while that eminent minister says that he never yet has had occasion to excommunicate a single member of his church who united with it when a child. This is only a realization of the old assurance, "Train up a child." &c.

A MAN should not praise his works, but his works should praise him."

No evil action can be well done, but a good one may be ill done.

DEATH AND THE RESURRECTION.

[FOR THE BIBLE INDICATOR.]

Written after the Death of my Brother, who departed this life in January last.

What is fashion? what is pow'r?

What are riches, pomp or fame,
In the all compelling hour

When Death to man asserts his claim?

When the spirit looks behind,
O'er the way that it has pass'd.
While the vital cords that bind
To the earth, are breaking fast.

Then the body, now so frail,
Of the earth, returns to earth,
And the spirit trusts the veil
And goes to Him who gave him birth!

And the partnership so strong,
'Tween the body and the soul,
Shall remain dissolved so long,
As earth through time and years shall roll.

Till the elements shall melt,
All dissolved by burning heat;
And the saints call'd from the grave,
Shall rise their coming Lord to meet!

Bodies now, no longer vile,
Welcome back each native guest,
Parted once by mortal pain,
They meet to be forever blessed.

W. A. STEPHENS.

Owen Sound, April, 1870.

NOTES.—G. J. B.—I knew you would be displeased with it; but I have my own way of doing such things. I will do what is right, as I understand it, irrespective of consequences. Always treat a brother who is wrong, faultlessly fair. Give him the benefit of all doubts. Will write soon. . . . Thanks to brethren Spure, Laws, Robertson and Burr. Bro. Hughes has overpaid. Sorry you cannot continue. . . . Sister H.—The paper you so kindly ordered was duly sent. . . . Sister Thompson,—You have again overpaid. Thank you kindly.

Just come to hand, "Another notice to the Brotherhood." I pronounce it "perfectly *unanswerable*." No Christian will attempt it. The "Pastor" has written himself into notoriety: but he will soon work his own ruin. He will soon write himself out of favor with every well regulated mind.