

blood, give me the righteousness of Jesus to adorn me, and give me the good Spirit of Jesus to instruct me, and make my heart good, to make me a man of Jesus, and take me to heaven when I die." "Well," I replied, "that Buteve, is very excellent, but where did you obtain your knowledge?" "From you, to be sure: who brought us the news of salvation but yourself?" "True," I replied, "but I do not ever recollect to have seen you at either of the settlements to hear me speak of these things, and how do you obtain your knowledge of them?" "Why," he said, as the people return from the services, I take my seat by the way side, and beg a bit of the word of them as they pass by: one gives me one piece, another another piece, and I collect them together in my heart, and by thinking over what I thus obtain, and praying to God to make me know, I understand a little about his word."

This was altogether a most interesting incident, as I had never seen the poor cripple before, and I could not learn that he had ever been in a place of worship in his life. His knowledge, however, was such as to afford me both astonishment and delight; and I seldom passed his house after this interview, without holding an interesting conversation with him.

## POETRY.

## "THE LOVED AND THE LOST."

At the festive board there's a vacant place,  
At the hearth an empty chair;  
And we miss from our group a merry face,  
That smiled upon us there.

A light step is gone from our merry throng;  
Its echo hath passed away;  
And a voice is hushed in our cheerful song,—  
Our song at the close of day.

There's an angel more in the spirit land,  
In its robe of dazzling white;  
There's a new strung harp in that blest one's hand;  
On its brow a crown of light.

And a glorious song is bursting forth,  
Praise to the Lamb is given;  
And the gentle voice we loved on earth,  
Is singing the note of heaven.

Time's flight may not fill the empty chair,  
Nor bring back the form we love;  
But the voice that called our lost one there,  
Can welcome us too above.

And a robe and a crown of priceless worth,  
In the place of sins forgiven;  
And the much loved friends, one group on earth,  
May be again in Heaven.

## MONTHLY SUMMARY OF NEWS.

PROVINCE OF CANADA.—The late census of Upper Canada gives the population as 506,055; of which number, the natal country of 40,684 is England; 78,255 Ireland; 39,781 Scotland; 247,665 Canada, of British origin; 13,969 do., of French origin; 6,681 Continent of Europe; 32,838 U. States; 7,595 are foreigners, not naturalized.

INDIA.—The India mail brings important dispatches. Lord Ellenborough has by proclamation annexed the Scinde country to the British territory—abolished slavery therein—declared all transit duties abandoned, and opened the trade of the Indus to all the nations of the world. This is a great acquisition to commerce, as the valley of the Indus is rich and fertile in the extreme; but, heretofore of little value, in consequence of the illiterate bigotry and tyranny of the Ameers or chiefs. Sir Charles Napier is appointed Governor of the territory.

ENGLAND.—The remains of His Royal Highness the Duke of Sussex were interred on the 4th.

The general intelligence is very interesting, and, indeed, important. The state of the finances of the nation as set forth in the Budget—the debate on the Corn-laws, and the resolution evinced by the Cabinet to resist the cry for *Irish Repeal*,—are all subjects of deep import.

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