

Fourth's Corner.

THE ORPHAN HYMN.

Alone life's road no parent's hand My homeless footsteps led: No mother's arms in sickness sooth'd And raised my throbbing head.

The above was read by the Rev. Thomas Gregg at the meeting of the Downpatrick Auxiliary to the Protestant Orphan Society, held on the 3rd of last month.

For in These the fatherless findeth mercy.— Hos. xiv. 3. "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this—to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world."

What was the comment which the Earl of Roden—for it was he who was chairman—made upon those texts? He took his pen and wrote on the back of the paper—"Pay the Protestant Orphan Society, the sum of Twenty Pounds.—To Messrs. Latouche."

THE NEWCASTLE MASTIFF.

On the evening of the 21st of February, the shop of Mr. Coxon, chandler, in this town, was left in the charge of his daughter, about nine years old, and a large mastiff, which is generally kept there as a safeguard.

This little narrative may furnish our young readers with a useful hint as to the best method of proceeding, if the clothes of their companions catch fire.

But this little anecdote may also remind our young readers, that if an animal was so kind and careful of a little girl, how much more should they watch over their little companions, and try to protect them from danger and harm.

THE FORTUITOUS CONCOURSE OF ATOMS.—When I was a youth with plenty of idle time on my hands, I was much taken with the vanity, of which some grown men are not ashamed, of making anagrams, by transposing the letters of my name, written in Latin.

to make another, I trusted the thing to chance, and taking out of a pack of playing cards as many as there were letters in the name, I wrote one upon each, and then began to shuffle them, and at each shuffle to read them in the order they came, to see if any meaning came out of it.

TOLERATION.

When Abraham sat at his tent-door, according to his custom, waiting to entertain strangers, he espied an old man stooping and leaning on his staff, weary with age and travel, coming towards him, who was an hundred years of age; he received him kindly, washed his feet, provided supper, and caused him to sit down; but observing that the old man eat and prayed not, nor begged for a blessing on his meat, asked him, why did he not worship the God of heaven?

[The above story closes Bishop JEREMY TAYLOR's Treatise of the Liberty of Prophecy; he says he found it "in the Jews' books;" and we are told by the Rev. T. S. Hughes, B. D., in his Biographical Memoir of the Bishop, "it has been traced by Mr. Oxlee, the learned friend of Bishop Heber, to the Bostan of the Persian poet Saadi. Taylor took it from the Epistle Dedicatory, prefixed to the translation of a Jewish work by Gentius in 1651; who quotes it as from Saadi."]

ANECOTE OF THE LATE REV. MATTHEW WILKS.

One day a poor man belonging to his church, and who had something of Matthew Wilks's manner as to the matter of wit, and who certainly was a very worthy and pious man, came to his door and told his minister that "his poor wife had just been confined, and that she had brought him another fine child. But then, so it is," added he, "God has not given us this day a morsel of food in the house."

THE LOADSTONE FOR DRAWING SOULS.

The existence of God as the moral ruler of the universe, and the righteous Judge of men—the reality of an eternal consciousness, of happiness to some, of misery to others—these with their kindred truths of what is called natural religion, may be believed without communicating to the believer of them the slightest practical impulse towards God or godliness.

peculiar object—Jesus Christ and Him crucified. This is the only prevailing attraction. The slings of iron may be tossed from one heap of rubbish to another: they may be transferred from the filthy yard or forge of the artisan to the beautifully cleaned and ornamented parterre of a palace garden.

THE SOCIETE EVANGELIQUE OF FRANCE.

From an Address by the Rev. H. McNeile, at the Liverpool meeting referred to in our last two numbers.

Sir, you are aware that I felt it my duty to accept of an invitation from the Scotch Church, and raise my voice against the disruption, because, although agreeing in the great principles on which that movement was conducted, and prepared to advocate and act upon them when circumstances should arise to render it necessary, I thought, and still think, such circumstances had not arisen.

I grieve to send this negative reply to our brethren on the continent: I grieve to say that from the high places of our land—from the debates in our Parliament, the impression sent abroad is, that there is no reality in religion—that there is no real vital truth worth contending for—that there is no difference between essential truth and Romish falsehood.

With reference to the outward manifestations of unity this morning, for the first time among us here, one word in addition to what Mr. Burgess has said concerning the Foreign Aid Society. The Foreign Aid Society, although without any exclusive rules or regulations, had hitherto consisted chiefly, if not exclusively, of members of the Established Church, both in London and in the auxiliaries, not because of anything exclusive in its rules, but (I must be honest) because of the hitherto more active zeal of churchmen in this good cause.

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his right hand, and walks among the golden candlesticks, to raise up an adequate supply of faithful and competent pastors, to do the work of evangelists from the Mediterranean to the Baltic, after the example of pasteur Roussel, in the department de la haute Vienne.

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