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[FOR THE PROVNCIAL WESLEYAN.]

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Scatter ve Seeds.

Scatter ye seeds, and flowers will spring ; Strew them at broadcast o'er hill and glen Sow in your garden, and time will bring Bright flowers, with seeds to scatter again.

Scatter ye seeds-nor think them lost, Though they fall amid leaves, and are buried

tossed

And 10 beautiful flowers those seeds will give birth.

Scatter ye seeds; tire not, but toil; 'T is the work of life-'t is the labor of man ! In the head, in the heart, and on the earth's own soil.

.Sow, gather, and sow, through life's short span.

Scatter ve seeds in the fields of mind-Seeds of flowers, with the seeds of grain ; In the spring and summer sweet garlands ye

And in autumn ye 'll resp rich fruits for your pain.

Scatter ye seeds in the garden of heart-Seeds of affection, of truth, and of love; Cultivate carefully each hidden part, And thy flowers will be seen by angels above

Scatter ye seeds the seeds of hope; Plant in your cosoms the tree of life ---Then the flowers here budding in heaven shall

And in heaven will ripen the fruit of strife.

Then scatter ye seeds each passing year; Sow amid winds and storms of rain; Hope gives thee courage-faith cast out fear-God will requite thee with infinite gain.

From the Christian Advocate and Journal.

A Vindication of Methodist Li-

terature.

qualified him to gather up its fruits and spread them before the reader in that order I find some writers disposed to undervalue Methodist literature, and to echo the censure and regularity which invite him to come and of Isaac Taylor, who seems to think that partake of them to his soul's content. Do Wesley's Sermons, and his other doctrinal we talk about learning as necessary for the tracts, having answered their end, are to be ministry! Let us read this address, and accomplished brother John, and let the evanlaid aside as useless, or, if found at all, only see how highly Wesley appreciated this in the libraries of the clergy. Thus an at-Christ, and which he himself possessed is tempt is made to depreciate Methodistic literature, not only as it is exhibited in the writings of Wesley, but also in the Metho-dist writings generally, such as those of mends to the clergy, nor any qualification, Fletcher, Clarke, Benson, Watson, and either in experience in the deep things of others of more recent date. It may be that religion, in prudence in behaviour, and eco-

satiate the minds of the well informed in

science and divinity, as long as pure Chris-

tianity shall be believed, admired, and ex-

emplified in practice, while the latter will

Greek, Latin, French, and English litera- perpetual repetition of a senseless jargon of his subtile appetite. He live and write for midst, and, if we must have, now and then, Parent's hand? Though dark and dreary sutely impossible.

believer, the seeker, or the enjoyer of per- do, the true spirit of poetry and piety, re-

fect love : to the weak and to the strong be- fine the taste, deepen the piety, and ripen

liever; to the tempted, doubting saint; to the judgment of those who use them, the

historian : or to the learned in Hebrew, piety, and degrade the understanding by a

truth, expressed in energetic diction, sound wreathes them into clusters of poetic beauty, our path with rays of gladness. The with- ways in times of peace, were open by day, confined within the limits of any one coun- which shines upon the government and doctrine, and experimental Christianity is preferred to a vitiated taste, a bloated elo-the choicest fruits of Paradise. He presses, our prospects, enshrouding the future in a direction of the choicest fruits of Paradise. He presses, our prospects, enshrouding the future in a direction of the choicest fruits of Paradise. He presses, a direction of the choicest fr quence, a diluted style, and a superficial knowledge of divine truth, in a word, so long as solidity shall be preferred to stolid-the purest wine of the kingdom of God, and

in literature and religion of the present day, who think to eclipse the glory of his charac-ter by their entries at the flowing fountain of the cup of sorrow fills, and bitter is the ter by the needle's eye," that is, by who think to eclipse the glory of his charac-ter by the needle's eye," that is, by the small side-gate of the city. The camel ter by their ephemeral publications, as the quisitely beautiful stanzas, in which he pours draught; but in the time of darkness heaven can go through the needle's eye, but with by the Apostles, and holds the doctrines Of late years art itself, in Italy has been eagle does above the turkey-buzzard, and out the panting desire of his soul in words is sees, and pitying sends a friend. difficulty, and hard bis masterly writings will continue to feed that breathe and burn with the most ardent it was the will of God that our little sanc-

" I thirst for a life giving God. "I thirst for a life giving God, A God that on Calvary died: A fountain of water and blood, That gush'd from Immanuel's side! I gasp for the stream of thy love, The spirit of rapture unknown;

be forgotten among the things that were. And then to redrink it above, Eternally fresh from the throne.' Let any man of sound judgment, deep learning, and genuine experience in the In this prolific field he delighted to roam, things of God, read his "Address to the because it was filled with the trees of Para-Clergy," and he will be at once convinced dise, all loaded with ripened fruit, and all away in oblivion.

intellect and minuteness of perception which above, where "A day without night, We feast in his sight,

And eternity seems as a day." down to posterity with his elder and more

and, while John surveys the vast fields of cause, ye have laboured for God! Ye that learning, science, and religion, with the com- with open hand and liberal heart have not pass of eternal truth, with its needle always withheld the "silver and the gold," shall be touched with the loadstone of divine love, rewarded from on high.

pointing to the river of life, whose waters quench the thirst of weary, fainting souls, sweet and soothing sound ;-'tis not of earth-

Thoughts. METHODIST WEST-PASSAGE CHAPEL. Who is there among the travellers o'er Jews, instead of the former, to give force to This is the only Church which possesses pupulation.

Provincial Weslevan.

BY THE REV. J. C. RYLE.

they are all led by one spirit; they all build

upon one foundation; they all draw their

religion from one single book,-that is the

Bible; they are all joined to one great cen-

tre.-that is Jesus Christ.

Which is the True Church?

Joyfully, joyfully, comes stealing on a

elephants were not uncommon, the phrase mind. Take three or four of them, stran- for the last ten years, that any increase it was, "an elephant passing through a nee- gers to one another, from the remotest cor- may occasionally have, "arises from immidle's eye." But the elephant was a stranger ners of the earth, examine them separately gration, and not from the ordinary causes." the philosopher, astronomer, logician, the former vitiate the taste, and beget rant for ON THE REBUILDING OF THE WESLEYAN in Judea, while the camel was well known; on these points, -you will find them all of Nothing speaks more decidedly of the prosperity of a country than the statistics of its and therefore the latter was used by the one judgment.

ture; nor will the scientific metaphysician fail to find something upon which to feed the maxim. Obviously the object of this form of speech was to express a thing abso-the maxim. Obviously the object of this form of speech was to express a thing abso-the maxim. Obviously the object of this form of speech was to express a thing abso-the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession, the people. They are not merely holy by profession. holy in name, and holy in the judgment of the ruins of old heathen Rome. These at-

in earch; Spring will awaken them, though beedlessly Spring will ture, deep piety, Scriptural orthodoxy, ele-gance of style, the eloquence of truth, and grace their pages by low doggerel,) but also down to the chambers of despair, in ancient lie worgin of adversion, in an ancient lie worgin of adversion, in an and reality, and interval and reality and force. All the all more or less conformed to the image of the business that requires any enterprise. This celebrate the reality is a state of the reality in the interval and ed old city, the "metropolis of Christenindefatigable industry in every good word and work, shall be valued and duly appre-ley's, by way of contrast. While Wesley some blessing from above, to delight and work as the modern tra-bley's by way of contrast. While wesley and work as the modern tra-bley's by way of contrast. While wesley and so they are, as the modern tra-bley's by way of contrast. While wesley and so they are, as the modern tra-bley's by way of contrast. While wesley and so they are, as the modern tra-bley's by way of contrast. While wesley and so they are, as the modern tra-bley's by way of contrast. While wesley and so they are, as the modern tra-bley's by way of contrast. While wesley and a company of ciated, so long shall the name of John Wes- walks through the spacious fields of poesy, cheer. The idols of our homes are gathered veller informs us, at the present day. At Catholic. It is not the Church of any one two or three years ago, and a company of ley be revered as one of the most wise, holy, he marks, with the keen eye of a critic, the to the spirit-land-with bruised and bleed- certain points, these walls were perforated nation or people. Its members are to be Englishmen had to introduce, by the dint of

ity, so long will Wesley continue to be read, admired, and followed by the wise and good. He soars, indeed, as far above the pignies in literation of the analysis on the threshold ready good. He soars, indeed, as far above the pignies in literation of the analysis on the threshold ready good. He soars, indeed, as far above the pignies in literation of the analysis on the threshold ready good. He soars, indeed, as far above the pignies in literation of the analysis of the an

difficulty, and bardly with a full load; nor which they preached. The two grand ob- mostly in the hands of foreigners. There

jects at which the members aim, are Apos. is now no great national painter or sculptor and strengthen the souls of believers, and to prayer after the fulness of redeeming love: tuary, from which praises had ascended for I think this expresses the just idea of the tolic faith and Apostolic practice; and they in the country, and in literature it is equally many years, should consume away 'neath a passage, "It is easier for a camel to go consider the man who talks of following the sterile. Oppression kills genius, unless opudevouring fire. With stricken hearts, from through the needle's eye, than for a rich Apostles, without possessing these two things, lent patronage can sustain it in the absence which the light of hope was fast fading, we man to enter the gate of heaven." It is not to be no better than sounding brass and a of popular encouragement; but there is gazed on the blackened ruins that remained. impossible for a rich man to enter heaven, tinkling cymbal. This is the only Church little opulent capacity now-a-days for such But, thank heaven! there are yet dwelling for we may believe there are many already which is certain to endure unto the end. patronage-the nobles are too generally reon earth brave and generous ones, loving in the paradise of God, who consecrated Nothing can altogether overthrow and de- duced-the Pope himself is poor, and a their fellow-men, by whose potent spell their wealth to the service of their Redeemer, stroy it. Its members may be persecuted, Jew, Rothschild, it is said, is the real prodespair and cowering fear have shrunk and trusted in him always for salvation. — oppressed, imprisoned, beaten, beheaded, prietor, by virtue of redoubled mortgages — But just as the camel must be relieved of burned, but the true Church is never alto- of the very palace of the Vatican, and of the Once more has the incense of praise gone part of his load, before he can pass through gether extinguished. It rises again from splendid collections of art belonging to the mind which enabled him to survey the whole field of sacred literature, and that sweep of thus we may be prepared for the Paradise from Protestant countries, stands at the winged words," hath charmed the listener's in the walks of benevolence, in order to en- up in another. The Pharaohs, the Herods, head of the fine arts here. Gibbon of Engear and warmed the Christian's heart .- ter the gates of glory. Our Saviour seems the Neroes, the bloody Marys, have laboured land, and Crawford of America, take the Once more the voice of prayer-ardent to have reference to the same idea when he in vain to put down this Church. They lead. As for Rome itself, it never did proprayer-thrilling in its solemn cadence, bath says, "Strait is the gate." And as the ca- slay their thousands, and then pass away, duce (under the pope) a great artist or a Let, then, Charles Wesley live and go been borne upward to the throne. And mel was compelled to stoop in order to enter and go to their own place. The true Church great writer-all the genius that has adornonce again an earthly temple hath been by the low and narrow gate of the city, so outlives them all, and sees them buried in ed it came from other parts of the country: reared, that those living on the shores of must the rich man learn humility, if he their turn. It is an anvil that has broken the presence of the holy court has not been gelical prose of the latter be beautified and time may learn how to gain the land of fired with the angelical poetry of the former, heaven. Ye that have laboured in the joy."—Chn. Witness. many a hammer in this world, and will favourable to the birth of great talent. The break many a hammer still. It is a bush remains of beathenism, in the galleries, help which is so often burning and yet is not con- it greatly, when it has had the opportunity of a fair ingress into the world elsewhere, sumed

This is the Church which does the work but it cannot struggle safely through its parof Christ upon earth. Its members are a turition here.

little flock, and few in number compared I have referred to the population of I want you to belong to the one true with the children of the world; one or two Rome, and have something more to say on Fletcher, Clarke, Benson, watson, and others of more recent date. It may be that Methodistic literature is defective, yet I can-not help thinking that it will compare favour-ably with, if not indeed surpass, that of any it is description now arising as dean of the clergyman's office, and the high im-and denth" of that ocean of redeeming. and depine of that occan of redecands, cord my name, i will could unto the disc and your attention and I will provide you the active workers for spreading the know-they were both indebted for all the good and sanctified this house that my name may with some answers. You may well ask such questions. Give the active workers for spreading the know-and sanctified this house that my name may with some answers. You may well ask such questions. Give the active workers for spreading the know-ledge of pure religion, and undefield. These this number, six thousand four hundred are ecclesiastics, priests, monks, nuns, &c., leav-ecclesiastics, priests, monks, nuns, &c., leav-You may well ask such questions. Give the active workers for spreading the know- and thirty-eight Roman Catholics. Now of The one true Church is composed of all are the life-blood of a country—the shield, ecclesiastics, priests, month, and sixty-three thou-the defence, the stay, and the support of any ing about one hundred and sixty-three thoube there forever!" And who knowen the blessed results of that day when the house of praver was dedicated to the service of made up of all God's elect—of all converted made up of all God's elect—of all converted made up of all God's elect—of all converted This is the Church which shall be truly This is the Church which shall be truly the Catholic population! Think of an immade up of all trod's elect—of all converted men and women—of all true Christians.— In whomsoever we can discern the election of God the Father, the sprinkling of the blood of God the Son, the sanctifying work of God the Spirit, in that person we see a powers upon earth shall come to nothing - why population stagnates and enterprise exmember of Christ's true Church. It is a Dignities, and offices, and endowments, shall pires. Church, of which all the members have the all pass away; but the Church of the Firstsame marks. They are all born again of born shall shine as the stars at the last, and less than three bundred and sixty-four the Spirit. They possess "repentance to- be presented with joy before the Father's churches in Rome. The number seems inwards God, faith towards our Lord Jesus throne, in the day of Christ's appearing. credible. I am aware, but it is none the less true. The calendars give it, and you will

learned, and useful men the world ever saw. And so long as a refined taste for simple cutting the branches from their main stems, while and some unlooked for blessing lights trance of the inhabitants. These passage- gospel is received and believed. It is not

classical, theological, biographical, and his-Wesley urges upon the clergy with all that corical literature, as well as critical, exegetital, experimental, and practical interpreta- clearness of expression, and earnestness of tal, experimental, and practical interpreta-tions of the holy Scriptures. Who will manner which characterize all his writings, they sing compare with our immortal Wesley? Will It we wish to know, therefore, what sort of Calvin? Alas for the comparison! Will a ministry is suited to the times, to all times, Arminius? He falls seven degrees below in every age and generation, let us study Wesley in ease, in classical elegance, in plain- this "Address to the Clergy," and we need each other than were John and Charles unbelieving spirit was nerved afresh to brave ness and chaste simplicity, and in eloquence look no further; and it is worth a thousand Wesley, in heart and soul, and they combin--true, genuine eloquence; not that tinselled, times more than all the light, tinselled flip- ed their strength together to build up the diluted eloquence which weak and superficial pery that can be thrown off by the compar- temple of the Lord, each contributing his received fresh courage to win the heavenly minds substitute for that adorament which is atively superficial thinkers of the present share in laying the foundation, and erecting goal, to whom the dark valley of death

evangelical sentiments which are uttered, and as in that hearty earnestness so characteristic of the style of Wesley. Let Isaac Taylor I should seem to trespass upon good nature mortality; say whatever he may in depreciation of the by a too lengthened eulogy upon the excellence of his writings-writings which need sermons of Wesley, and his other doctrinal tracts, they will ever remain a monument of only be read to be admired, loved, and highthe profound learning, deep experience, genuine eloquence, chasteness of style, ac-as "grass grows and water runs." curacy of thought, and the ardency of zeal, Charles Wesley, it is thought, will pass on

to apparent in every page of his writings. to generations yet to come. I thank them I should, indeed, greatly lament if the most heartily for this. Yet they seem to It is not to watch children with a suspicious day should ever come when the sermons of have forgotten that the poetry of Charles eye; to frown at the merry outbursts of in- main, rearing its summit, pointing to the Wesley should be confined to clerical libra- owes much of its excellence to the pruning nocent hilarity; to suppress their joyous bright and better land. Shielded by the ries, and the miserable jejune trash thrown of John, for most of it passed through his laughter, and to mould them into melancholy hand of the all-powerful One, may the fire out upon the community by shallow think-ers, professedly adorned with their tinselled of the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and when they have been in fault it is some whose childish footsteps now are heard in the solution of the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and when they have been in fault it is some whose childish footsteps now are heard in the solution of the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and when they have been in fault it is some whose childish footsteps now are heard in the solution of the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and when they have been in fault it is some whose childish footsteps now are heard in the solution of the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and when they have been in fault it is some whose childish footsteps now are heard the solution of the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and when they have been in fault it is some whose childish footsteps now are heard the solution of the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and when they have been in fault it is some whose childish footsteps now are heard the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and when they have been in fault it is some whose childish footsteps now are heard the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and the fire of his poetic genuis before it was and the fire of his drapery, and diluted with waters drained published; and had he given himself up to not to punish simply on account of personal within its walls be heard there in after from merely human pools, the writers of poetry, if we may judge from the few spe- injury that you may have chanced to suffer years, when age has hung its shadow's o'er which seem to be saying, "See how pretty cimens he has left upon record, he might in consequence of their fault; while dis-I write !" should be substituted for them.- have rivalled, if not outshone, his brother obedience, unattended by inconvenience to And when the fair earth on which we tread Such a day would be equally as ill-omened as was the time when the Christian Church ature. I have not made this remark to de-Nor is it to overwhelm the little culprit heaven shall fall," and the sea yield up the as was the time when the Christian Church ature. I have not made this remark to desubstituted the writings of the fathers of the tract aught from the real excellence of with a flood of angry words; to stun him forms lying far down beneath her roar, when second and third centuries for those of the Charles Wesley as a Christian poet of the with a deafening voice ; to call him by hard the watchmen from the walls of Zion shall

evangelists and the apostolic epistles. No! no! indeed no! Let the sermons place, his poetry is used in all our families, to load him with epithets which would be gone up to "inherit the promises," when all of Wesley, by which a foreign writer proved and sung in all our worshipping assemblies, extravagant, if applied to a fault of tenfold the saints shall be gathered home, -- then in his critical taste, and the soundness of his and by all the intelligently pious, of correct enormity; or to declare with passionate vejudgment, by pronouncing them " tremend- taste and sound judgment, it is preferred hemence, that he is the worst child in the new song," may some be found tuning their ously eloquent," as well as his doctrinal and before all others. Indeed, such is the ex- world, and destined to the gallows. other tracts, and particularly his "Plain cellence of his poetry, in its rhythm, the But it is to watch anxiously for the first Account of Christian Perfection," be put easy flow of its numbers, its sterling sense, risings of sin, and to repress them : to couninto the hands of every member of the its deep experimental piety, and its exquisite teract the earliest workings of selfishness : Church, and every one else who can read beauty of composition, springing up so spon- to suppress the first beginnings of rebellion them, and let them remain as a standing taneously from a heart overflowing with di- against rightin authority; to teach an im- The Camel and the Needle's Eye, churches, chapels, pulpits, fonts, vestments, whole army of the United States of Amproof of the deep piety, the profound learn- vine love, and all gliding along so sweetly plicit and unquestioning and cheerful obeing, the orthodox divinity, the genuine elo- and smoothly, that the Edinburgh Review, their venerated author. With all the im-thodism, said, "It almost sings itself;" and requirements of the civil magistrate, and to mel to go through the eye of a needle, than provements of the age, and, among others, Watts, himself a Christian poet of no com- the laws of the great Ruler and Father in for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of of preparing tracts for distribution among mon order, on reading Wesley's " Wrestling heaven. entitled "A Word to the Drunkard," "A referring to the above opinion of Dr. Watts, mands of God, without reference to whether my curiosity and wonder. In the days of Word to the Profane Swearer," " A Word said, with apparent emotion, " O what would

to a Protestant," &c., &c., which he wrote, Dr. Watts have said if he had lived to see printed, and distributed gratuitously, about my brother's two exquisite funeral hymns, one hundred years since, long before any beginning, tract society existed, either in Europe or " How happy every child of grace, That knows his sins forgiven," & e

America. Nor will his journals ever cease "Come let us join our triends above, That have obtain'd the prize." &c. to edify the reader so long as he takes plea-

sure in following their distinguished suthor To this I answer, that he would not only through his fields of labor, and in beholding have confirmed his former opinion, but have the outgushings of a heart overflowing with strengthened it by adding, "These surpass love to God and man, and in witnessing his all that I have ever seen or read of a similar ceaseless activity in preaching, in visiting character." Watts was indeed a Christian of him who gave you authority, who will from house to house, in meeting classes, ad- poet that sung sweetly and smoothly on

letters to comfort the feeble-minded, to en- Wesley, he sinks many degrees below him your criminal neglect with such curses as he ovurage the halting, and to stimulate the in the outflowing of pathos, in the energy of visited on Eli.-Religious Herald. sincere believer to seek after pure and per- his diction, in the rhythm of his verses, and

fect love. To say that he lived merely for his own breathes through all his sentences, and "come with me and see thy God."

"Plunged in the Godhead's deepest sea, And lost in Thy immensity.'

But I shall say no more upon this head, lest lovers of Jesus, who are panting after im-

"With thanks we approve the design of thy love, Which has join d us in Jesus's name; So united in heart, that we never can part, Till we meet at the feast of the Lamb." N. BANGS.

first character. As I have said in another names, which do not express his misdeeds ;

dience to the will of the parent, as the best heaven."

it may or may not have been productive of the Evangelist, as well as our own, needles immediate injury to the parent or others.

threaten only when you intend and can reand infallibly do as you say.

It is to govern your family as in the sight reward your strict fidelity with such blessministering to the sick and needy, writing Scriptural subjects; but when compared to ings as he bestowed on Abraham, or punish

Never were two brothers more fitted to the Most High? Perchance some sad and made up of all God's elect-of all converted the conflicts of life-some on whose heads the hoar-frost of time was fast gathering, day, who may set themselves up as infallible the superstructure, and in finishing and beaubut that which arises from the depth of the judges of what is good and excellent among tifying its walls and ceilings, and erecting of endless life. And some in youth's glad thought, the profoundness of the views, the men, and attempt to ignore such men as its altars. They could, therefore, unite spring-time learned that "life hath higher, Wesley, as having outlived their day. Out-lived their day! I can hardly suppress my following sweet and pleasant words, which dance." Words may have fallen to take Christ," and holiness of life and conversawords with which they are expressed as well indignation at such an ignoble suggestion. Charles puts into the mouths of all true deep root-seeds been sown which the fowls tion. They all hate sin, and they all love of the air may never gather. No deep-toned Christ; they all worship with one heart;

organ greets the ear of worshippers within its walls. No painted window lures the eye and steals the thoughts from things of heaven; but all unpretendingly it stands, beautiful in its simplicity-a place of refuge for the world-weary-where the words of

Passage Chapel.

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wisdom are uttered-where the wounded may come and find a healing balm.

Years, many years may that house re have no more power to harm ! And may

shall be consumed, when "the stars of

have ceased from their labours and have He may be excommunicated by ordained other enormities, is, you will bear in mind, sands of people each. men, and cut from the outward ordinances thus dominant in a small sovereignty, not harps to more glorious strains for the reof the professing Church, but all the ordain- larger than some single counties in your

building of the Wesleyan Methodist West ed men in the world cannot shut him out of states, governed by a court of an unusual the true Church. LIZZIE LESLIE.

It is a Church whose existence does not sides its police force, an army of domestic depend on forms, ceremonies, cathedrals, and foreign troops twice as large as the

organs, endowments, money, kings, govern- erica. St. Matthew, xix. 24. St. Mark, x. 25. ments, magistrates, or any act of favour A most notable state of things this, asquence, and the chaste and classical taste of in its notice of Taylor on Wesley and Me-preparation for a future allegiance to the St. Luke, xviii. 25. "It is easier for a ca-whatever from the hand of man. It has suredly, but the strongest of all wonders \$31,000; there are others here, also two or often been driven into the wilderness, or about it is the fact that this miserable little or three of which would buy up all the into dens and caves of the earth, by those pandemonium of robbers, beggars, and churches in New York city, if you except who ought to have been its friends. Its monks, is the only state on earth that pre-

the people at large, many of which are mere Jacob," seid that it was worth all the poetry It is to punish a fault because it is a fault; I can scarcely remember the time in my existence depends on nothing but the pre- tends to be the express image of the king- Among the many little side chapels in St. fictions, there is none equal to Wesley's, he ever had written. Mr. John Wesley, because it is sinful and contrary to the com-tearly youth, when this text did not excite sence of Christ and his Spirit, and they dom of heaven among men. Its head is John Lateran, for instance, is one (the Corbeing ever with it, the Church cannot die. the infallible representative of Christ upon sini Chapel) which alone cost \$2,000,000. This is the Church to which the Scrip- earth, and the very state itself is but a The gold, silver, gems, bronze, chef d'auvres were of various sizes. There are the large tural titles of the present honour and privi- Church-an ecclesiastical organization. So of painting and sculpture in these magni-It is to reprove with calmness and com-needles, such as St. Paul used in making leges, and the promises of future glory spe-small, and ruled by such a divine sovereign-It is to reprove with calmness and com-posure, and not with angry irritation; in a tents, and such also, as we know, are now cially belong. This is the body of Christ; ty, we certainly have the right to look to it value.

posure, and not with angry irritation; in a employed in making the broad sails of some this is the bride; this is the Lamb's wife; as the most unexceptionable model of civil few words, fitly chosen, and not with a tor-rent of abuse; to punish as often as you great admiral. There are the finest points this is the flock of Christ; this is the house-order and social purity out of heaven-an chy has magnified itself, and beggared the of steel, used in ancient and modern times, hold of faith and the family of God; this is incorporation of the Gospel itself into the people!

John Lateran

threaten only when you intend and can re-member to perform; to say what you mean, it to deck the person of a Queen, at her co-ti to deck the person of a Queen, at her co-temple of the Holy Ghost; this is the sided over by the vice regent of Christ, and a text for volumes of comment, but I preronation. The camel is a beast of burden, Church of the first-born, whose names are totally possessed by the devil. This is sent them in their stern naked significance; much used in Eastern countries. It is about written in Heaven; this the royal priest-the size of the largest ox, with one or two hood, the chosen generation, the peculiar subject we ought to be honest. It have identically referred to the Roman

the size of the largest ox, with one or two bood, the chosen generation, the peculiar subject we ought to be honest. bunches on its back, with long neck and people, the purchased possession, the habi-An Italian newspaper (Il Piemonte) of Jews. They are a community by themand legs, and with feet adapted to the hot tation of God, the light of the world, the December, states that in his holiness's do- selves here. They live huddled together in and sandy desert. Such is the general un- salt and the wheat of the earth; this is that minion, one person in every two hundred the most obscure, and filthy, and labyrinderstanding of the two more prominent Church to which the Lord Jesus promises, and thirty is in prison. No one pretends thine part of the city, and though one of terms of the passage of Holy Writ, now un- "The gates of helt shall not prevail against to doubt this calculation here. Add to this their own faith owns the Vatican itself, they the overflowings of divine love which Suppose an angel should say to-day, der consideration. Some have supposed that it," and to which he says, "I am with you ratio the number of paupers, and then also are not allowed to live outside of their number of paupers. What a slight various reading in the original word, always, even unto the end of the world." those equal nuisances of the state, the idle rable quarter—the Ghetto as it is called. day, and that his writings are adapted to his winch is translated "come with me and see thy God!" What a significant fact that this cruel restriction on the end of the word, those equal nuisances of the state, the idle into equal nuisances of the state, the idle is spreads a sanctified incense over all his most effect would it have upon you? Don't deown age and generation only, is to falsify exquisite hymns. Considering the super-ceive yourself! If you do not love God, ed, by which the phrase would be made to his character, and the character of his writ-ings. He live a hundred years in advance of his time and found its population four million f of his time, and most of his writings are adapted to all times, the past and present; to all ages, the young and dot to helve young and the young and to all ages, the young and old; to both sexes, the young and old; to both sexes, the would nave called new, as ne did to both sexes, the would nave called new, as ne did say, "thou knowest all things, thou knowest all things, the energy of a similar character which appeared is a sinclustry of the simila the male and female; to all classes, the learned and unlearned; to the hardened sinner, the penitent in d, to the hardened sinner, the penitent

find it asserted in Bradshaw's Monthly Con-Correspondence of the Christian Advocate & Journal. tinental Railroad Guide. The fact is, that Letter from Italy. every spot where any legendary event is

Number of Prisoners-Population of the City-Absence of native Talent in the Arts-Euromous Proportion of Eccle-issics-Excees of Charrebes-Great Expenditor, on Charches-St. Peter's-The Corsini Chapel in St or an absurd old relic found, a stray big toe,

It is a Church which is dependent upon MR. EDITOR,-In my last I gave you or a felon's head taken for a martyr's, has no ministers upon the earth, however much some account of the moral condition of the been consecrated by a Church, and a good, it values those who preach the gospel to its southern sections of Italy-the kingdom of fat brotherhood of friars appointed to the members. The life of its members does the Two Cicilies. Rome, and its adjunct enormous work of counting rosaries, cating not hang upon Church-membership, and "States of the Church." form the next dark hearty dinners, and taking " siestas " within Baptism, and the Lord's Supper, although patch on the map of this beautiful, but de- its precincts. But to these statistics: one they highly value these things when they graded peninsula. I have little to say of it hundred and sixty-three thousand people di-are to be had. But it has only one great that is encouraging, and to speak fully of vide among three hundred and sixty-four Head-one Shepherd-one chief Bishop- what is discouraging would fill volumes. churches, giving hardly four hundred and and that is Jesus Christ. He alone, by his Yon can tell when you pass from his Nea- fifty to each church. One church to less Spirit, admits the members of this Church ; politan majesty's territories into those of his than four hundred and fitty inhabitants is, I though ministers may show the door, no boliness, not by an improved cultivation of will venture to say, a supply unequal to any man on earth can open it - neither bishops, the country, for that is alike barbarous in other large city of the world. Making alnor presbyters, nor convocations, nor synods. both; not by any increase of village and lowance for the sick, for infant children, and Once let a man repent and believe the gos- highway beggary, perhaps, for that evil the necessary average absence from worpel, and that moment he becomes a member seems to have reached its maximum in sbip, it is, at the very least, more than twice of this Church. Like the penitent thief, he both ; but by increased perils from banditti, the necessary amount of such accomodation. may have no opportunity of being baptized. So serious is this evil, that most travellers But in Rome two thirds of it is superfluous. But he has that which is far better than any prefer to pass from one to the other by sea; One of these churches is the largest in the water baptism,-the baptism of the Spirit, and this prevalent crime, with so many world; scores of them will hold many thou-

Thus is religious expenditure itself made an abuse-an impoverishing and degenerating prodigality. The expense lavished on these churches

number of functionaries, and possessing, bewould be absolutely incredible to an American reader who has never visited Italy. Not to speak of St. Peter's, which, independently of its vast treasures of art, cost

\$50,000,000, and costs annually for repairs ficent structures, are of almost boundless

Such is the manner in which the hierar-Each of the facts I have given would be

"central and representative seat of Christi-

What Family Government Is.

