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This whole narrative is to me full of beauty, of

glory, and of majesty. I can conceive of nothing

Religious Miscellany.

Finish thy Work. Finish thy work, thy time is short ; The sun is in the west ; The night is coming down---till then Think not of rest.

Yes, finish thy work, then rest ; Till then rest never ; The rest prepared for thee by God Is rest for ever.

Finish thy work, then wipe thy brow, Ungird thee from thy toil Take breath, and from each weary limb Shake off the soil.

Finish thy work, then sit thee down On some celestial hill, And of its strength-reviving air Take thee thy fill.

Finish thy work, then go in peace Life's battle fought and won : Hear from the throne the Master's voice. "Well done ! well done !"

Finish thy work, then take thy harp, Give praise to God above ; Sing a new song of mighty joy And endless love.

Give thanks to him who held thee up, In all thy path below, Who made thee faithful unto death, And crowns thee now.

Conversion of an Infidel.

in practical instruction. The main thought is divine will. In a neat and beautiful city in one of the this, that the moral law is a monument, a sublime monument, of the great moral transaction oiples must distribute what they receive, and find mentioned in the parable, was thorough and may northern states of this republic lived a lawyer of eminence and talents. I was not informed as at Sinai, at the delivery of the ten commandto the particulars of his moral character, but he ments. Let them mark also the spicies of un the food of epieures ; but it is wholesome and He does not greatly move your emotions, but he to the particulars of his moral character, out no was notoriously profane. He had a negro bey at whom his neighbors used to hear him swear of the Christian elder, and learn to do likewise, each one his substantial pertien; and the more half full. with awful violence. One day he met an elder even to save a soul out of the snare of the devil, they eat the more remains. Here is a slow and At two o'clock, I went to the old Tron Church, forming power of the word of God.-Ch. Ads. basket, at the close, furnished plenty of proof of which his sudience sat and were entranced by years ago, however, by a masterly stroke of polbooks would you advise me to read on the evi-

tion of his Lord.

convinced

his death a firm believer in the truth of Chris- Multiplier of bread.

tianity. He lived about three years after this

times said he was afraid that he chose other

pleasures from that circumstance without a radi-

Bible ? "

I have been thinking," he proceeded, " where Thus did Jesus with his little. He told the dis-Beligions Intelligence. did Moses get that law ? I have read history. ciples to feed them by fifties. All this was quite The Egyptians and the adjacent nations were natural, and like 6 man. But what a spectacle ! idolaters, and the wisest and best Greeks and "What can he mean ? What can he do for us ? · A Sabbath in Glasgow. Romans never gave a code of morals like this. We see no bread !" Ah ! how many degrees

Where did Moses get this law, which surpasses of faith ! In some, how small ! How the grain gow. It contains, including its suburbs, about votedness, his constant self-sacrifice, you would the wisdom and philosophy of the most enlight- of mustard-seed straggles for life ! A peasant- 400,000 inhabitanta. The streets, especially have been, as I was, not only moved, but touch ened ages ? He lived at a period comparatively boy, probably carrying provision for his parents in the lower portions, are broad, and the ed to your heart's core, and filled with hely adbarbarous, but he has given a law in which the and himself, must give it up-lose all to gain buildings are large and substantial. There are eration to our God, who was felt to be specially learning and sagacity of all subsequent time can more. "Five barley loves and two small fishes" on every hand evidences of wealth and liberality. near us at that solemn moment. What joy it detect no flaw. Where did he get it ? He could is scant supply. He would have wanted had he On the West and South are elegant parks, kept was to me ! Picture to yearself that happy time detect no naw. where did neget is react suppy. He would have wanted had he on the west and South are elegant parks, kept in the prison. There—Matamoras, beside him devised it himself. I am satisfied where he ob-tained it. It came down from heaven. I am three being necessary for the entertainment of the missing monument is erected to the wife of Trigo, with her young child, the wife of the prison are elegant parks, kept in the prison. There—Matamoras, beside him the Necropolis, used as a cometery. The can-tained it. It came down from heaven. I am three being necessary for the entertainment of the missing monument is erected to the wife of Trigo, with her young child, the wife of the prison are elegant parks. of the truth of the religion of the one midnight traveller, (Luke xi.) " What a the memory of John Knoz. On the top of the of Blanco, who has a melancholy expression, the mockery !" say the unbelieving. "What are monument is a statue of the " lion-hearted " re- servant of the prison allotted to Matamoras, two

The infidel --infidel no longer-remained to these among so many ?" says Little Faith to the former, holding in his right hand the Bible, other brethren besides them, and then my wife and I. All together we read the Werd of God, whose truths he so fearlessly and successfully They are now all seated on the soft grass. enforced. Near by is the Cathedral in which he Matamoras one part, and I the other, in Spanish ; conversation. He continued to pursue the study The little store is openly brought, that no sus- onee preached, "the old rookery;" which he then we all knelt down, and Matamoras offered of the Bible, his views of the Christian religion picion or collusion may find entrance. The Son wished pulled down, hoping, in his flery zeal, up an earnest prayer. I fellowed him, deeply expanding and growing more and more correct. asks the Father's blessing on the food, in the thus to obliterate every vestige of Popery. If his touched, and we were all refreshed in spirit. ess was abandoned ; on oath was now sight of five thousand hungry, watching specta- connects had prevailed, Glasgow would have lest That was indeed the service of God-it was a as offensive to him as it was familiar before. tors. Each of the ten disciples might receive its proudest and grandest specimen of architecblessed Evangelical Alliance, in which the sor-When his former gay companions used one he the moiety of a small cake for his five hundred ture. rows or this world were for a time forgotten, that

habitually reproved them ; he remonstrated with hungry mouths ; and the other two might re- It is a city of churches ancient and modern, we might be all the more satisfied with eternal them upon its folly and want of meaning, and seive the small fishes for the five thousand. their spires and towers are seen in every direcblessedness. Since then our meeting place, at said that he could never before imagine how They go forth nothing doubting, and break bread tion. When the bells strike the hour of service, about ten o'eleck every morning, is in the prispainful profane language must be to a Christian. to the multitude ; and behold ! it fails not in Argyle, its great theroughfare, with its subja- on, and we continue there one or two hours. He hoped for nothing from the world, and some- their hands, nor lessens. He who makes corn cent streets, swarms with men, women and chil-"If I expected much from this man of God. to grow into wavy harvests, makes bread increase dren, hurrying to their place of worship. On expectations have all been greatly exceeded by by creative energy. There is no more power in Sabbath morning I found myself in this throng, his personal presence. I had before my mind eal change of heart, and often expressed some she grain of wheat than in the leavened bread. and went out to the west end of the city, to the St. Paul, in his prison at Rome, writing to the doubts whether he was such a sincere disciple of The law of nature is but the manifestation of Free Church College, to hear Dr. Buchanan. Byhesians, the Corinthians, and others, interest-His working who is the spiritual source of mo-He is, in stature, little above the medium height, ing himself in every one, directing everything tion and of life. The more we sow the more and compactly built. He has a large full fore- from his prison; redoubling his powers, giving Let the readers of the good old Advocate me- we reap ; the more they gave the more they had : head. His hair is white. He read his sermon proof of his devotion and a self-denial which

ditate on this history, for it is believed to be rich both are mysteries, only to be resolved into the tolerably well. It was an expecition of the parknew no limits, and giving for all to Him from able of the Sower, plain and direct in statement. he had received a new life ; doveloping an unparalleled and indefatigable activity." Happy almoners of a King's bounty ! Dis- His analysis of the first three classes of hearers

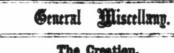
The Nestorians.

From time to time we have recorded the oper ations of the American missionaries among the

them to rise from the earth, and float about the Nestorians. These Nestorians occupy the eastwith a wrul violence. One day as met an elder the beautiful arrangement of Providence by hearty meal to full satisfaction ; and the remof the Freeovyterian Church, who was also a law-yer, and said to him, "I wish, sir, to examine into the truth of the Christian religion ; what n, the God's command, that besutiful arrangement in

have seen in that terrible place, the vivacity, the even now ; but things are in a deplorable con- fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and esservess of our dear Matamoras, his tall figure, dition, nor is there hope of permanent amend- over every living thing that moveth upon the his eyes sparkling with love and with courage, ment, except in the change of policy, or rather earth." He then looks upon every thing that he the decision displayed in his whole bearing, his perhaps of administration, on the part of the hath made, "and behold, it was very good Glasgow is the great commercial city of Glas- joyful expression, his anxiety for others, his de- Persian Government.- Brangeical Christendom. He ceases from his work on the seventh day, and sanctifies that seventh day, for man's use and

for his own glory, for evermore



ore God-like. There is no haste ; but there is The Creation. t every step Divine power. It has been truly FROM " IN THE BIBLE TRUN! said, that " God could have created the whole In the far distant beginning, then, million universe in a moment." But, to his intelligent existence this earth ears ago, God called into creatures, this majestic, deliberate progress more

on which we tread, and all those shining fully exhibits his power and his glory. Step by stop, day by day,-each morning bringing forth which make the heaven so glorious. To describe them all, with their laws and mosome new manifestation of goodness and of tions, would have filled large volumes ; and Moses might,-the glorious work proceeds. A dark had no mission for any such work, neither does chaotic mass receives the light ; the vapours are he give us any history of this earth, during the drawn upward and formed into beautiful clouds. niums of centuries" which elasped before sailing about the newly-formed expanse; the man was placed upon it. With man's world, and earth uprises and the seas retire into their beds; man's history, his narrative begins. grass, herbage, and trees spring up; the finny

But many previous periods of the earth's histribes begin to people the seas and rivers ; the tory had been divided from each other by vast birds of heaven sail joyfully over the expanse subtranean convulsions, occurring at periods of the beasts of the field come forth ; and last of all, very unequal length, breaking up and sweeping man, in God's own image, takes his place as apaway first one and then another state of things, pointed ruler of the whole. Well might "the and into the history of these geology has been morning stars sing together, and all the sons of searching. The last of these convalsions had God about for joy." Well might man himself reduced the earth once more to a state of shace exclaim, "O Lord ! how excellent is thy name in and darkness ; a thick mantle of vapour covering all the earth ! who hast set thy glory above the it, under which one wide billowy sea of boiling heavens : What is man, that thou art mindful of waters relied. Upon this scene of darkness and him, or the son of man that thou so regardest sonfusion the Spirit of God descended, and commenoed the work of a new creation ; or, rather of just as it is, is almost overpowering ; and I won-The first command given is, that light should der at, as well as pity the man who, upon some

ignorant quibbles about " light" and " the firmaagain appear. This would quickly follow from ment," can build the abourd notion that the whole sation of the clouds of vapour which is the dream or " speculation of some early Coperany conden hung round the globe, so as to allow of the reap- nieus or Newtor, who devised a scheme of the hung round the globe, so as to another the world. pearance of light on the surface of the world. But a new element was needed to give to the cordance with his own observations." A scepti-cal writer has truly said, that " none but a Jesus atmosphere to support the eloude, and to enable

could have imagined such a character as that of Jesus ;" and I repeat the same thought when I say, that none could have described the six days red at that work.

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elder. " I believe you de not anderstand me." you will devote all your income to benevolent matter less, than at the finishing of the creation : "I wish to investigate the truth of the Bible." purposes or even half of it, your example will "nothing is changed but the form." Even what "I would advise you, sir," repeated the elder, show the world the power of true religion, and inte a gaseous state, to reappear in some other make other men who have wealth feel their duty will give you my reasons. Most infidela are to do likewise. You will thus mark an era in combination and form... But we say there must the history of our churches, and make our city be something more. Here is bread, " act made on any subject with correctness we must underbeen for its material prosperity." stand what it is about which we reason. In the

bread is. The remark was undoubtedly true. The silent next place I consider the internal evidence of the example of a man of large means who unostentruth of the Scriptures stronger than the extertatiously devotes his wealth and his time to donal." And where shall I begin ? " inquired the nal." And where shall I begin ?" inquired the unbeliever. "At the New Testament ?" "No," which no oge can measure. Our thoughts were said the elder, " at the beginning, at Genesis." called to this subject by reading the life of Dea. The infidel bought a commentary, went home, Daniel Safford of Boston, which we have just and sat down to the serious study of the Seripfinished. This book ought to be in every famitures. He applied all his strong and well-disly, and by all means in every Sunday school tery.

siplined powers of mind to the Bible, to try liv, and by all means in every summer siplined powers of mind to the Bible, to try library. When his property was worth \$35,000, rapidly, but impartially, its truth. As he went on in the perusal he received cecasional calls from the elder. The infidel freely remarked Though he had given largely for years before, he from the elder. The infidel freely remarked upon what he had read, and stated his objections. He liked this passage, he thought that touching upon what he had read, and stated in organized woted to benevolent objects. He liked this passage, he thought that touching and faithfully carried out. During the remaindtions, and craves new evidences. When the four and beautiful, but he could not credit a third. er of his life he gave over \$70,000 to benevolent One evening the elder called and found the unbeliever at his office, walking the room with

a dejected look, his mind apparently absorbed give. It was not done indiscriminately, but as appeared : " Can he give bread in the wilderin thought. He continued, not noticing that any one had come in, busily to trace and retrace his steps. The elder at length spoke. "You seem, sir," said he, "to be in a brown study. Of what are you thinking?" "I have been reading," replied the infidel, "the moral law." "Well, what do you think of it?" asked the elder. "I will tall non what is the moral law." But why should we ever despond when his

elder. "I will tell you what I usED to think," left to his wife, to be used accodring to her dishe answered ; " I supposed that Moses was the cretion in works of benevolence. "There's Light Beyond."

leader of a hords of banditti, that having a strong mind he sequired great influence over When we read of the princely giving of the Law-

reverence. That is right. If he be out cleans, plenty of witnesses. There was not enough for supper, and supreme benefactor we ought to treat him and none other as such. The second forbids idolatry; that certainly is right. The enough, more than enough—more at the end

third forbids idolatry; that certainly is fight and the beginning. time for religious worship. If there be a God, he cught surely to be worshipped. It is suitable yet all heartily welcome. They did not know

books would you advise me to reas on the error dences of Christianity ?" The elder, surprised at the inquiry, replied, "that is a guestion, sin, which we settled long go. You og to have settled long go. You to this late period of life. "It is too to the late of the multitude ? or in the subject of new your advise me to reas (if a subject of the second if a subject of the second of the second if the second of the s

than enough for all your wants, and your child-ren are already abundantly provided for. If now a particle of matter more, nor a particle of you will devote all your income to benevolent matter less, than at the finishing of the creation : It was my pleasure also to visit a Sabbath Eurona to the function and opened the formation and besterous ocean. God said, "Let the waters in the matter less, than at the finishing of the creation :

their satisfaction in satisfying others. It is not terly. The unity of his discourse was admirable

however gradual, yet a creation bread was not,

"Are there churches in your country supported writing. They, therefore, undertook and accom-by the Government," said he? "No sir," said plished the task; and now the whole of the plished the task; and now the whole of the plished the task and now the whole of the plished task and now ta How clearly is there a twofold nature in Jesus ! In the main appears in numan sympathies; in or-derly, rational, human arrangements; the God appears in the created supply at his word alone; out of that which was not "He fills the hungry with good things." The human we can com-prehend; the divine is inservible, lost in mys-tery. Shall any of these theusands deny or doubt

Shall any of these theusands deny or doubt

church of Dr. McCall. He is absent recruiting ten people the knowledge of sternal things. thousand were afterward in straits the old leaven bis health and strongth, and his church holds, A great blessing has rested upon this mission. them. The earth, in its new mantle of green, and dust, which let the wind blow whither it

each week, a special prayer meeting, that, on his and the state of the Nestorians, intellectually and return, his labours may be greatly blessed in the spiritually is vastly improved. There have been skies. And now God set or appointed two great Unspeakably touching is it, however, when I conversion of souls. The prayers were most sim-ple and heartfelt, real pleadings with God, with have been savingly converted to Christ. Some, light-bearers, or lamps; the greater to rule or outwardly for the lowest of man's wants is also an evident expectation of an answer.

in the outer wall ; passing through it you stand od in this interesting department.

te the crowds of the city. The Catholic priest times of our Lord. They have and use the old-

complained that he obstructed the street by this est version of the New Testament-the venerable "When in Madeira." writes a traveler. " I set survers mind he acquired great influence over when we read of the princely giving of the daily life work, with off one morning to reach the summit of a mounthe played off some sort of fireworks to the and Dea. Safford, we cease to wonder that Bos-agined in their their the played off some sort of fireworks to the and Dea. Safford, we cease to wonder that Bosamassment of his ignorant followers, whe im-agined in their mingled fear and superstition that the exhibition was supernatural."

trace our steps, or be lost ; but as the cloud This system was secured by many of his brothern history and peculiarties, and will only add that for The habitation of man was now prepared for smoky will a clear, dewy heaven of rest envolves trying to see whether I can add anything to it, or take anything from it, so as to make it better. Sir, I cannot. It is perfect. The first com-Sir, I cannot. It is perfect. The first com-Sir REV. FRANCIS A. WEST.

have invited this devoted servant of Christian Union despised and oppressed. Even at the present causes them to appear on the present occasion. It is not said, except in the case of whales, that folded? That there should one man die ignorant

ne ought surely to be worshipped. It is suitable that there should be an outward hemage, signi-feant of our inward regard. If God be wor-shipped, it is proper that some time should be a working earpenter! He was very poor, yet that many of these oreating ear points of the earth's histery. As to the set apart for that purpose when all may worship him harmonionsly and without interruption. Concise

The purpose wann all may werstly and withest interruption of a prevent of the intervention of a prevent of the intervent of the intervent of a prevent of the intervent of the intervent of the intervent of

straight limbs and fingers so deformed. Thou you will devote all your income to benevolent in addition to be additional to be additin to be additional to be additin to be additin to be additional t These children were well instructed and ready in the second state is the second state is the second state in the second state is the second state in the second state is the second state works attest their extraordinary diligence. They it, in all its varied beauty of see and land, hill thick adhesions and defacements of labor: and The Superintendent of this school asked me if found the people speaking a language descend-I belonged to the Free Church in America. " Cer-I belonged to the Free Church in America." " Cer-I belonged to the Free Church in America. " Cer-I belonged to the Free Church in America." " Cer-I belonged to the Free Church in America." " Cer-I belonged to the Free Church in America." " Cer-I belonged to the Free Church in America." " Cer-I belonged to the Free Church in America." " Cer-I belonged to the Free Church in America." " Cer-I belonged to the Free Church in America." " Cer-I belonged to the Free Church in America." " Cer-I belonged to the Free Church in America." " Cer-I belonged to the Free Church in America." " Cer-I belonged to the Free Church in America." " Cer-I belonged to the Free Church in America." " Cer-I belonged to the Free Church in America." " Cer-I belonged to the Free Church in America." " Cer-I belonged to the Free Church in Ameri I belonged to the Free Church in America. "Cer-tainly," I replied, "we are all free church there." to have been made to reduce this vernacular to grass, the herb, and the fruit-tree ; and it was so." of it who may ; thou toilest for the altogether in-

> temen from South America. He sppeared, how- doned the use of in their services; in the same to spring forth demands no lengthened space of and his inward behavior are one; when he can tlemen from South America. He sppeared, how-ever, to be an excellent superintendent, but like language they also had other works; but the mass time. The inspired historian declares them both name him artist; not earthly craftsman only, but ever, to be an excellent superintenaesit, but like of the people were very ignorant, and few, if any, to have taken place on the third day, and most inspired thinker, that with heaven-made imple-

> is very little worth knowing out of Great Brit-established, and appliances of all sorts have been instituted to disseminate among this long forgot-I found an interesting prayer meeting at the vens assumed the aspect in which we now behold two, in all their degrees I honor ; all else is chaff

> and ohiefly Dr. Justin Perkins, gives the most give laws to the day, the lesser to preside over toiling inwardly for the highest. Sublimer in In one and of the church edifice there is a door gratifying account of what has been accomplishrelations of these two luminaries with the earth could such now anywhere be met with. Such a

in the outer wail; passing through it you stand the bill of the street. The Nestorians alone speak a language deriv-Here Dr. McCall has been accustomed to preach of directly from the language of Canaan in the siderably from those of the former periods. So the humblest depths of earth, like a light shinmighty a work as this might well occupy a whole ing in a great darkness. It is not because of his day and night-the fourth ; but once more I re-toils that I lament for the poor man. We must peat, that no valid reason can be given why a all toil or steal (howsoever we name our stealing) The prior for the chief of the

mandment," continued he, " directs us to make our Creator the object of our supreme love and reverence. That is right. If he be our creator, presenger, and supreme benefactor we ough to the the very one mint the every one mint the missions from Ame-big dot's blessing upon the missions from Ame-big dot's a remarkable degree. And yet this small peo- then in fishes, then in birds, and lastly, in the soul lie blinded, dwarfed, stupefied, almost an-The American and Foreign Christian Union ple, numbering but forty or fifty thousand, are beasts of the earth. In a similar order, God nihilated? Alas! was this too a breath of God;

America, as soon as his health should be suffic- made to our Government in their behalf. Not God created them." The command is, "Let the who had capacity for knowledge, this I call a

