

The pious and learned Dr. Buchanan in his last will written by his own hand, has in its preamble the following expression ; " I account the origin of my salvation to be the love of God the Father, who loved my soul in Christ its Head before the foundation of the world." How similar to the language of inspiration. " Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ : According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love."—Eph. i. 3-4.

Rev. Thomas Cole, a renowned minister of the Church of England, who died in 1697, said, " If a sinner comes to judgment in his own righteousness; shut him out, saith God; so saith conscience ; so saith the law. But, when one comes clothed with the righteousness of Christ ; let him in, saith God ; so saith conscience ; so saith the law and let the devil say a word to the contrary, if he dare."

About twenty-five years ago, a somewhat rash, impulsive, but passably honest and outspoken Methodist minister at a protracted meeting in Westminster Township, said, " The first time I meet the Apostle Paul after I get to heaven, I shall certainly say to him, " Paul, what tempted you to write the 9th Chapter of the Epistle to the Romans?" If all Arminians who have felt just the same way as that preacher, were to ply the Apostle with the same question he would be kept busy. No doubt he could answer it, and satisfactorily, but not, we fear to suit those with Arminian proclivities.

Spasmodic piety, was illustrated in a New Hampshire meeting, by an incident which met the case. A dweller in the region of summer boarders, who during the leisure of winter, was a constant attendant on religious meetings and an earnest exhorter therein, but during the boarding-season