

course of fifty, sixty, or seventy years, without one of the sins of these years being forgiven. Oh! think of this. Think again, that you have no clothing to cover you in that day; no wedding-garment, in which to meet the king; but you stand with all the spots and defilements of sin visible upon you. Think also, that your heart remains in the state in which you were born: with this increased evil, that it has become more unfit for heaven, by the earthly dispositions it has so long indulged. Oh! think of these things. The thoughts may not be pleasant at the moment, but they are wholesome thoughts. For, when the Lord comes—yes, when death comes it shall be too late to think. Now is the accepted time; the happy moment, when you may reflect to your eternal benefit. For, as if to encourage you in these thoughts, the Lord invites you to enter into his vineyard even “at the eleventh hour.”

I had lately a most pleasing visit from a person between seventy and eighty years of age, who was in deep concern for his eternal welfare. He said that it was not till that age, that he had begun to consider his ways; but that he now would be thankful for any instruction. Do you then who are advanced in life, now prepare to meet the Lord. And as your memory may not be so strong as in former days, that I may not burden it, I will only request you to recollect these few things—that your readiness consists in your sins being pardoned; in your person being accepted in Christ; and in your heart being changed by the Holy Spirit: and that the way to obtain these blessings, is to cast yourself upon the Saviour, and, exercising simple faith in him, to cry with earnestness, “Lord Jesus, save me.” Oh! that the Holy Ghost may bring this prayer to your remembrance, and incline your heart to use it, for the Lord’s sake!—[From Stewart’s Advent.

## ITEMS.

The Marquis of Breadalbane, it is said has contributed the sum of £10,000 to the funds of the late Secession from the Church of Scotland.

Mr. Smith of Nottingham, a member of the Church of England, and brother of Mr. Able Smith, the London Banker, has subscribed the sum of £300 per annum to the same funds.

The people of Prince Edward Island have recently given the sum of £25 sterling, for the purpose of aiding in the circulation of the Scriptures in China.

In a speech delivered by Dr. Chalmers on the 18th day of May, on the financial affairs of the Free Presbyterian Church, it was stated that there was already subscribed the sum of £232,000.

The Treasurer of the *Domestic Missionary Society*, Pictou, acknowledges the receipt of FIVE POUNDS from “A Friend to Missions.”