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Family Reading.

FEARFUL PICTURE OF THE DELUGE.

(From the " Dublin Warder.") "The Deluge" (Danby) .- This wonderful production of the painter's art is a scene of utter horror and desolution. The floodgates of heaven seem in reality to be opened, and the fountains of the great deep to be broken up. Except where light from heaven falls on the ark in the centre of the background, and is reflected by a few other objects, a dark greenish and unearthly hue, like what occurs in total eclipse of the sun, overspreads the whole. The inhabitants of a rocky-bound valley, surprised at dawn by the rushing waters, are making a desperate struggle to reach the summit of a craggy hill that still rears its dark mass high above the flood. To the left, in the foreground, is the trunk of a tree that still resists the rushing torrent, but bending beneath the weight of its load of frenzied human beings. The top and principal branches have just been broken off, and strew the whole foreground of the picture with all the objects, human and bestial, that had sought safety on them. Amid the deadly and intensely selfish struggle for existence which meets the eye in every direction, the maternal love of women is like the light on the ark, still brightly and redeemingly conspicuous. One, with her left hand has caught a slight branch of the lower part of the trunk of the tree, and regardless of herself, turns to look at the infant which she closely embraces with her right arm-it is dead, and a shrick of agony seems to be escaping from her lips. Another, with two babes tied on her back, clings desperately to a branch which is just giving away, and a more grown child, with one holding on by the garment in which the little ones are sheltered, is just disappearing beneath the turbid water, the semitransparency of which is wondrously depicted-and the look of despair of the mother, with her eyes fixed on the rending branch is painfully true to nature. Further up on this tree there is a scene of fearfull interest. A serpent is holding on by his tail, and is coiled twice round the body of a woman, with whom it seems about to plunge into the boiling abyss beneath, while a man is engaged in an energetic effort to loose the hold of its tail, and another woman is, with outstretched hand, appealing to the mercy of a man still farther up, who with the face of a fiend is endeavouring to push a mother and two children off the over. loaded tree; while another, at the very end, has his foot on the throat of a young and beautiful woman, forcing her downwards into the foaming waters. In the centre of the foreground is a half submerg. ed lion, clinging helplessly to a branch, while a serpent coiled round another branch above him is attacking him with impunity. Rage and terror are expressed with fidelity in the face of the lion; yet a girl, swim. ming, is straining every nerve to join this Still farther to the right, fearful group. on a rafi, arrested in its course by the fallen branches, is the corpse of a beautiful woman, stretched across the body of a drowned giant; and bending over her, in a weeping attitude, is an angel, surrounded by a blaze of light; while everywhere around is death, and the desperate struggle to prolong existence. Leaning over a shelf of rocks, on the face of a hill in the dis. tance, is a man about to draw a woman up by the wrist; but instead of looking to her own safety, she turns to grasp the little babe at her feet, as if life were not worth saving without it. The groups thicken as the eye wanders up the precipitous hill, and the summit is piled with so dense a crowd of naked human beings, that they are fall ing off on both sides. In the centre at the very top, is a man with his hands convulsively clasped and raised towards heaven, the Chinese are the more deceitful. The as if in prayer: while near him is another prevalence of deceit amongst all classes with his head erect, his arms folded on his of the people in both nations, is one of the breast, and looking down sternly on the greatest and most distressing obstacles to scene of desolation. In the centre back the progress of Christianity. The followground on the left is a partially-submerged ing incident will show that deceit is not city, with seated collossi, like those of only a characteristic of adult Hindus, but Tacbes in Egypt; and half the blood-red is bound up in the hearts of children, and disc of the rising sun is above the line of may give some person a practical idea of the horizon, and its lurid light is dimly seen the raw material on which Missionaries glinting on several objects, and reddening have to operate. the edges of the figures falling from the A bov. called Asher, belonging to the vilbrow of the overcrowded hill. It is a lage of Edeyengoody, and distinguished only composition of sublime terror and inimitable for dulness and obstinacy, had left school

be forgotten.

Henry Kirke White, toiled hard for fame. the night scholars, and who was not much His ambition was, that his name might older than himself, proceeded to give him not be forgotten, that among the claimants a little chastisement. for earthly honours he might be recognis-

soon to relinquish,

"What are ye now. But thorns about my bleeding brow ?"

fellowship? Shall I compose eloquent boy's cloth, but Asher himself was not sermons, and preach them in crowded in it. It appeared he had taken off his

being to the enlightenment of pagan na- all over and invisible, and then had flung

The question was soon settled: and Martyn's name and memory are embalmed in the hearts of thousands turned "from darkness to light" by the force of his example, and the labours of his short but

secrated life. Napoleon and Henry Martyn! Behold in one the soldier of ambition, and in the other the soldier of the cross! The one sacrifices myriads to obtain imperial honours; the other sacrifices his own life to place the crown immortal upon ransomed pagans. Napoleon lives in the praises of his countrymen, in the glory of France, in the pleasing consciousness of his own These are his aliment, as they were his impulse. When these are gone, all are gone. But Martyn's life is found in God and in the service of God; sources which never can fail, a fountain of felicity which never can run dry.

Who would not prefer to follow the botsteps of the youthfull missionary over burning plains, and through benighted ities, with the lamp of life and salvation in his hand, than to mingle in the stormy career of the conqueror, with the wheels of his chariot dripping in gore, and his ear saluted alternately with the praises and the maledictions of mankind?

PARIARS ATTENDING A MEETING [From the Gospel Missionary.]

Our native Christians in Tinnevelly, deprived of the pomps and vanities of heanenism, retain a longing for excitemen and show, which is partly met by the due elebration of the greater Christian festivals, and partly by the public meetings for religious and charitable purposes which are held from time to time in every district in Tinnevelly; when great numbers of people ssemble together, not as formerly to wor. ship idols, but to rejoice with their fellow Christians in the progress of their common cause, to gain interesting information, or o gratify feelings which, if they are not udable, are at leas: innocent.

No class of native Christians attend nese joyful gatherings with greater zeal or zest than our Pariar converts. Being po rest of all, they have least of all to give; but they are a social, inquisitive, excitable class of people, and they take care to give at least their presence, which as these meetings are held in the day time, is in their case equivalent to the loss of a day's

Last December, at the close of the anniversary meeting of our Bible Association in Edeyengoody, which was held immediately after a heavy fall of rain, about twenty men and lads belonging to a village about eleven miles to the west of this, beyand the Nattar river, came to see me before they started on their journey home-

"Why," I asked "have no women come from your village to the meeting?"

"Oh," said they, "they intended to come. They came as far as the river, and were obliged to return."

"But," I replied, "how was it that the river was fordable to you, and not fordable to them? How did you manage to cross? "Oh we managed easily enough. We

"Well done," said I; "but surely you are not going home again to-day.

cross the river before it is quite dark.' I need not say I was glad to see that they made so little of what would have deerred most Europeans from attending a

Missionary Meeting. R. CALDWELL.

HINDU DECEIT. [From the Gospel Missionary.]

It is hard to say whether the Hindus or

artistic execution, and once seen will never w thout having succeeded in learning to read, and according to our rule in such cases he was required to attend the night THE POET AND THE MISSIONARY. school. He seldom chose to attend, except expressly sent for; and one night The vouthful poet and eminent scholar, after he came, the youth who instructed

A scuffle ensue, the neighbours gathered ed, and his genius acknowledged. It was round, and made bad worse by taking difthis that made him mourofully inquire, ferent sides, and at length Asher rushed "Fifty years hence, and who will hear of Henry?" out, and being in a high passion he said he Under this impulse he sacrificed health would throw himself into the well, and bring and even life. He trimmed the midnight his blood upon them all. By this time I lamp with a hand tremulous and bony, and heard the noise, and went out to learn the scanned the classic page with an eye al- cause, and perceiving a number of people most drowsy in death. Having received, running towards the principal street of the

according to his aims the highest honours village I ran also, and learnt, as I ran, the of the university, he exclaimed respecting particulars I have mentioned. I was also these laurels, which he had so hardly won, told that the people had endeaveured to and which, as the sequel proved, he was prevent the boy from carrying his purpose into effect; but he had broken away from them, outrun them, and before they came up to the well he had jumped in, and they In sacrificing health to fame, however, heard the splash. When I came up I found Henry Kirke White saw his error in time the well surrounded by a crowd of people to reach that higher, purer motive, which who were busily engaged in giving orders combines with feelings of regret and sor. to each other, performing wild gestures, row, the hopes and aspirations of the Chris. and making as much noise as possible. The well, like all the wells in these parts, Another Henry toiled in the same path was an open one, with walls of mason-work. of greatness, but with an eye more steadily and a few small projecting stones in one of fixed on a higher prize. Martyn, the the corners. It was about ten feet to the sainted missionary, stood relatively in the water, and the water was about an equal grade of university honours where Kirke depth. On looking down I distinctly saw White had stood. But a higher impulse something white floating motionless in the than earthly ambition had taken possession middle of the well. I was distressed at of him. "I hear," said he, "the voice of the sight, but having failed only a few weeks suffering humanity calling from the dark places of the earth for relief. What but from the bottom of a well, I was hesithe gospel can afford it? I hear the same tating about going down myself, when a time the voice of my risen Saviour, say shrewd person I recognised among the ing, Go ye into all the world, and preach crowd gave me some information which at the gospel to every creature !- Shall I stay once relieved my mind. The something at home, and enjoy the learned leisure of a white seen floating in the water was the

the cloth into the middle of the well, and sent after it a great stone which he found lying convenient to his purpose. He then self with only his nose above water, where he lay, enjoying the excitement and clamour which were going on overhead, until this phenomenon afforded. he was found out by better eyes than mine.

I think I may well be doubtful whether any country-boy in England-any agricultural labourer's son-would be found able to perpetrate so crafty a trick on the sudden, without assistance, and so success-

The story in itself may be considered as an amusing one, but here is the inference and the moral :- What an amount of deceit must be prevalent amongst Hindus of riper age and more cultivated intellect! to the reception of the Gospel message in spirit and i truth! and how necessary it is that those who are interested in the prosperity of our Mission should pray that all who hear and all who receive the Gospel

visited the village of Edeyengoody, and though many were attacked, all recovered but one, poor Asher, the first who was attacked, and the only victim. You may Imagine the inference deduced from this circumstance by our native Christians. R. CALDWELL.

From our English Files.

Conversions from Popery .- On Sunday last popery in St. James's Church, Latchford, Warigton, and were received into communi the Church of England by the Rev. J. Wright, incumbent, being the seventh time during the pray for England." last fifteen months that such a ceremony has taken place in that Church .- John Bull.

DUBLIN CRYSTAL PALACE.—Have you ever read old John Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress? If not, here is a piece of it, an apropos of the Exhibition and all your trumpery there. The passage occurs in the description of Vanity Fair, and is worthy of due consideration:—

'And as in other fairs of less moment, there are several rows and streets under their proper names, where such and such wares are vended; so here likewise you have the proper places rows, and streets (namely, countries and king-doms,) where these wares of the fair are soonest to be found. Here is the Britain Row, the French Row, the Italian Row, the Spanish Row, the German Row, where several sorts of vanities are to be sold. But, as in other fairs, some one amodity is as the chief of all the fair, so the wares of Rome and her merchandize is greatly pro-moted in this fair; only our English nation, with others, have taken a dislike thereat."-

A DICTIONARY LIBRARY .- The apt reply of a stinguished scholar of our own country to a benefactor of the institution of learning with which he was connected, when an increase of the library was the subject of discussion, deserves perpetual remembrance.

"We need more books," said the professor. "More books!" said the merchant; "why, have you read through all you have already?

"No. I never expect to read them all." "Why, then, do you want more?" "Pray, sir, did you ever read your dictionary

"Certainly not." "Well, a library is my dictionary."

borough for the next year.

Sono.—Northward of the Earl of Leicester's m the square that bears his name. stood King's square, on one side of which stood that unhappy nobleman was executed, his Ho heing the watchword with which he advan-

hall a strong box, on which was painted the words "To be saved first, in case of fire." After the Earl's death it was opened, in expectation of finding some rich treasure, but nothing was found save the toys of an only and departed child, whose memory, by these simple relics, he sought fondly to cherish.

MISAPPLICATION OF WORDS BY FOREIGNERS. -The misapplication of English words by foreigners is often very ludicrous. It is said that been compelled, by the force of circumstances, Dr. Chalmers once entertained a distinguished to declare war against Russia. By so doing he guest from Switzerland, whom he asked if he has conciliated his own subjects, and placed foreign divine asked the meaning of the uncouth word kippered, and was told that it meant preserved. The poor man, in a public prayer, soon after offered a petition that the distinguishsoon after offered a petition that the distinguished divine might long be "kippered to the Free course all treaties between the Sultan and Church of Scotland."

THE NEW DECIMAL COINAGE. - The employés at the Royal Mint, Tower-hill, have been actively at work in striking off the new decimal silver inage, which, it was stated, will be issued for public circulation as a currency of the realm at the commencement of the next year, as they are stamped 1854, when the present old silver coi age will be called in. The sovereigns, halfovereigns, and florins, or tenth of a sovereign, will remain without any alteration.

CIRCUIT OF THE EARTH .- A writer in the Cotton Plant states that when the railroad from St. Louis to San Francisco is completed, a traveller | land, France and Turkey have, however, nothing may make the circuit of the earth, by railway and by steamer, in the space of 93 days. The

From New York to San Francisco, 4 days. From San Francisco to Hong Kong, 25 From Hong Kong to Calcutta, From Calcutta to Bombay, From Bombay to England, From England to New York,

THE DUKE OF ARGYLL .- An English correspondent of the Register gives the following description of a prominent man in England:— "Perhaps the most rising man altogether is the Duke of Argyll, a little sharp, red-haired fellow of 30, intelligent, and not unfair; for a person in his position he is poor, and politics may not be inconvenient to him, in a way which you understand as well as we; but I should say that of all the public men here he has the best chance of a ten years' Premiership.

ANECDOTE OF PITT .- Mr. Pitt was a remarkaly shy man. He was on terms of the greatest timacy with Mr. Camden, and being at his house on a morning visit, "Pitt," said his lordship, "my children have heard so much about you that they are extremely anxious to have a envelop the glimpse at the great man. They are just now damp cloth, y going in with me for a moment." 'Oh, pray don't ask me; what would I say

'Give them, at least, the pleasure of seeing

And half led, half pushed into the room, he approached the little group, looking from their father to them, from them to their father, twirling his hat, without finding a single sentence at his disposal. So much for the domestic eloquence of an orator. - Selected.

stagnant pools, whence deleterious gases are object, without touching the flesh, he believed farm at Woburn. He found friends as well as

water was spouting forth, when suddenly a jet

ABBAS PASHA AND HIS Dog .- Abbas Pasha lately obtained from England, by great exertions, a gigantic mastiff, of the celebrated Lyme breed, and the monster was the talk of the whole city of Cairo. As the Pasha's private secretary proceeded through the narrow streets, ied by his very docile but very formidable-looking acquisition, the Turks did not fly, nor did they seek shelter, nor put themselves in attitude of resistance. They stood still and trembled. Some muttered only "Wonderful wonderful !" others adopted literally the Haydon phrase, "Our trust is in God." was heard to exclaim, "Many of the creations What an obstacle must thus be presented to the reception of the Gospel message in the dignified dog, "Art thou sent to consume us utterly? The general expression, however, was, "God can protect us even from thee, oh terrible one!"-New Quarterly Review.

The Romish clergy on the continent are very busy in their attempts to convert England ward parts!"

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Of Edward parts, and the control of them the control of them. It commences "Almighty and everlasting God, who has ordained in thine unfathomable wisdom that men shall only be happy by means of the true faith, look down in pity on England, once the island of the blessed ut which for a long while past, being caught in the errors of heresy, has fallen from the true belief :- drive away from it all the ignorance destroy the vain, dark, false teaching which keeps it from the knowledge of the truth." Its conclusion is as follows: "Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for England. Holy Peter and Paul, pray for England. Holy George, Eng-land's champion, pray for this land. Holy Pope Gregory, father of England, pray for th land. Holy Pope Gregory, Father of England, pray for this land. Holy Augustin, England's apostle, pray for this land. Holy Boniface, wh came out of England an apostle to the Germans

A PHILOSOPHER.—After ceasing to write for the stage, Lemercier, who was a very learned man, delivered a remarkable course of lecture on literature, at the Athénée of Paris. cheerful disposition remained unimpaired to the last, even by his physical calamities. One day, as he was reading to the members of the French academy a new drama-a comedy strange to say, bearing the title of "Attila"-"I must throw myself your indulgence, gentlemen," said he mildly "I am struck blind, and cannot proceed." He ad, in truth, totally lost his eyesight, which he never recovered. A short time afterward he made his appearance at the academy, where ne of his colleagues had undertaken to read, i his name, a charming essay on the writings of Pascal, which he had just completed. At the close of the lecture his friends crowded round him with congratulation. But alas! poor Lemercier could not rise from his chair to offer his thanks. He had been stricken with universal paralysis. He was conveyed home with the ost tenderness by his brother academicians and two days afterwards expired .- Bentley' A BURGLAR CAPTURED BY A LADY .- Liver

ool, Oct. 3 .- At the Borough Police Court this orning, John Tutty, a man well known to the olice, was charged with breaking into the ouse of Mr. Elliott, Estate Agent, Camden Street, and in the course of the proceedings the gallant mode of his capture was elicited. On Saturday evening, about half-past 6 o'clock Mrs. Elliott, who is a lady of considerable per-sonal attractions, went into her chamber, when she found that her jewel case on the dressingtable had been meddled with, and that variou articles were disarranged. She was questioning The Rev. Henry H. Duke, M. A., vicar of the servant, whom she had called into the room Westbury, Wilts, has been elected mayor of that for that purpose, about the matter, when she which contains a representation of a child with suddenly perceived a man's feet projecting a chaplet round its head and the hands tied be slightly from under the bed. She ordered the girl to go into the street, being careful to shut who holds a sword in his right hand, while a the front door after her to keep the thief in, and seek for a policeman. The robber hearing the mansion of the Duke of Monmouth. When that unhappy nobleman was executed, his friends changed the name to So-Ho Square. Sofriends changed the name to So-Ho Square, So-Ho heing the watchword with which be educated at the chamber door. Mrs. Elliott, however, a firmness and tenacity which resisted the fel-PATERNAL LOVE.—It is said of one of the low's strenuous exertions to shake her off. The Earls of Roden that there stood in his stately servant girl returned in a few seconds with an officer, and the burglar was given into custody. The most singular part of the matter is, that Grotefend, of Hanover, that learned Orientalis some time ago the same courageous lady re- said he had deciphered an arrowheaded inscrip ceived the thanks of the Grand Jury in Liverpool for a similar capture of a house-breaker in his son to be burnt to death in order to ward off her premises. The prisoner, who in July last the affliction of Babylon, something similar to was committed for three months for a felony, what we read of the King of Moab—"Then he was sent for trial at the sessions.

THE TURKISH WAR .- At last the Sultan has ould be helped to kippered salmon. The his allies in a much better position than they sequently, the combined fleets can enter the Russia are now at an end; but this renders the task of the Four Powers much easier. They have a clear field before them, and can now present such a treaty of peace to Russia and Turkey, as both parties may sign without humiliation. Should, however, the Emperor of Russia refuse to ratify a reasonable treaty of

peace, what will result? We have not the slightest doubt that Austria and Prussia will join the Russians. Since the fatal partition of Poland, Austria and Prussia have been fastened by a chain of iron to the Czar of Russia, and, whatever may happen, will never join the Anglo-Gallican alliance. Engto fear from these three powers; and this Russia, Prussia and Austria will soon find out, if they render inevitable a war of which they will bear all the responsibility and all the iniquity. What can Russia do, if deprived of her marine? What can Austria do, wedged in, Harrison, butcher, Lancashire-hill, was passing as she is, between Hungary and Italy? Having broken all the engagements of 1815 and 1848, brother, he casually plucked a few blades of tall made in the name of liberty, to the whole of seeding grass, and putting them into his mouth, Germany, of what weight are the promises of Prussia? Besides, we must consider that, if cassians are sure to revolt. The result of such | The inflammatory appearances, however, instead a war would not long be doubtful. England, France, Turkey, Italy, Hungary, Poland, and Circassia have certainly nothing to fear from Russia, Austria and Prussia. We shall, therefore, either have peace very soon, or else a dreadful war, from the effects of which the swelled so frightfully as to preclude the pos-

-Emile de Girardin. Mr. Wakley, in the course of an inquest observed that it would be well to acquaint the public with the fact that, if persons in a house n fire had the presence of mind to apply damp cloth or handkerchief to their mouth and nostrils, they could effect a passage through the densest smoke; but the surest mode would be to

NAPIER AND THE INDIAN SWORDSMAN .- We give an anecdote illustrative of the unparaleled dexterity of the Indians with the sword, as well as of Napier's simplicity of character. After the Indian battles, on one occasion a amous juggler visited the camp, and performed his feats before the General, his family, and staff. Among other performances, this man cut in two, with a stroke of his sword, a lime or lemon placed in the hand of his assistant.

one of the buildings, late at night, to fetch To determine the point, the General offered his dent of the experimental farm; and from the water from the pump unintentionally approached with her candle to the nozzle from which the out his right arm. The juggler looked attentively at the hand, and said he would not make of hydrogen gas, which streamed out with the the trial. "I thought I would find you out!" rapidly clambered down the stones in the corner of the well, and there ensconced himself with only his nose above water, where thought, threw down candle and water-bound, and fled screaming into the house. It may easily be imagined what food for conjectures easily be imagined what food for conjectures and not the right?" "Because the right hand and not the right?" "Because the right hand and not the right?" is hollow in the centre, and there is cutting off the thumb; the left is high, and the danger will be less." Napier was startled. "I got frightened," he said; "it was an actual feat of delicate swordsmanship, and if I had not abused the man, as I did before my staff, and challenged him to the trial, I honestly acknow ledge I would have retired from the encounte However, I put the lime on my hand, and held out my arm steadily. The juggler balanced himself, and with a swift stroke cut the lime in two pieces. I felt the edge of the sword on my hand as if a cold thread had been drawn acro it; and so much (he added) for the brave swordsmen of India, whom our fine fellows defeated at Mecanee." This anecdote is certainly a proof of the sincerity of an honest ready to acknowledge error, and of bravery and calmness in expiating that error -

> OMER PASHA AND THE PHYSICIAN .- The Con stitutional communicates the following fact, which is confirmed by letters from Constantino-

ple and Schumla:—
"A European physician, who arrived a few months since at Constantinople, by dint of constant solicitations obtained the direction of the Military Hospital at Schumla. Omer Pasha was not long in finding out that this physician held mysterious conferences with the Russian spies; and, from that time, he was on his guard. Being made aware that this physician had con ceived the design of poisoning him, Omer Pasha sician to cure him. The Director of the Mil tary Hospital at Schumla came immediately with a potion, which he presented to Omer Pasha. The Turkish General requested the physician to taste it first; and, as he refused, ne forced him to swallow it in his presen Seeing that he was going to leave the tent, the Pasha forced him to remain, in order that he might judge himself of the effects of the potion. n a few hours the physician died of the poison.

In the memoirs lately given of the late Sir C. Vapier, it was stated that he owed his liberation after the battle of Corunna to Marshall Soult; but Major-General W. Napier (his brother) has written to deny that this was the case. He

Marshall Soult treated him with great kindness, and would, no doubt, have continued to do so; but he marched from Corunna three days after the battle, leaving Sir C. Napier to the care of Marshall Ney, who protected him for several months, and finally gave him his liberty. The circumstances deserve to be repeated, as showing the generous temper of Ney. His Aide-de-Camp (Captain Clouet) reported that a frigate had sent a flag of truce to inquire if Major Napier was living? 'Tell them, Yes. Clouet looked expressly at the Marshall, and said. 'He has an aged mother—a widow.' 'Let him go himself, then, to tell her he is alive, was the response. And with Major Napier he freed about twenty-five English soldiers, who had been badly wounded and left behind.'

ROMISH PROCESSIONS PROHIBITED IN PARIS -The correspondent of the New York Observer, in a letter dated from Paris, remarks that lately the Priests asked leave to make public proces sions in the streets of Paris, and the Govern-ment did not admit this request lest the labouring people should be offended. Louis Napoleon reerves to himself the right to say to the clergy hitherto shalt thou come but no further.'

CHILD SACRIFICES .- The abominable practice of sacrificing children to Moloch, the god of th Babylonians and of the ancient Hebrews, ha lately received a curious illustration in the Baby lonian cylinders published by the Syro-Egyptia Among those cylinders one is female figure stands by in the act of supplication if for presentation to the god; she has the right shoulder uncovered, and the hand on the same side is elevated, as if in the act of addressing earnestly or supplicating the god. The moor and the stars are represented above. In a letter lately read before the same society from Dr tion in which Nebuchadnezzar is made to offe took his eldest son, that should have reigned in his stead, and offered him for a burnt offering upon the wall." (2 Kings, iii., 27.)

INSANITY IN ROMISH CONVENTS .- Mr. Sevnour has stated, on the authority of an officia visitor of the Roman convents, that one-half of the nuns die raving mad before they have reached the age of twenty-five. It is not otherwise with their unhappy sisters of Tuscany. A gentleman, whose veracity and whose means of information are unquestionable, informs me that in one of the best managed converts in Florence, three girls have died during the course of the last year, screaming, foaming, cursing the system to which their youth had been offered up. Hitherto, con-siderable facilities have been offered by the Tuscan law for the temporary return of the nuns to their families, in cases where the certificate of the family physician had pronounced such return to be necessary. But the law is constantly evaded or defied by the superiors of the convents. They hold at bay relatives, medical advisers. bishops, and even conceal or disregard the orders which they receive from Rome. In the Papist, as in all other despotisms, the delegated tyranny often defies its head, and effectually escape from the control by which in theory it is curbed Cor. of London Christian Times.

SHOCKING FATALITY FROM CHEWING GRASS .long Heaton Moor, accompanied by an elde brother, he casually plucked a few blades of tall commenced chewing them. On arriving at home he complained of a swelling round the root of nce war were to break out, the Poles and Cir- his tongue, till at length his mouth was inflamed. of yielding to professional treatment, were bstinate, increasing to such an extent as to block the throat, and thus prevented the unfortunate young man from swallowing his food On the Thursday, the glands of the tongue had sultan will certainly not be the greater sufferer. sibility of getting any aliment into the stomach. This state of things continued; the best exertions and skill of surgeons were baffled beyond description, and as the distressing symptoms grew rapidly worse, the poor fellow ultimately died n great agony from suffocation.

The Liverpool Mercury states, that a highly respectable clrrgyman died on the 20th ultimo after months of agony, the loss of an eye, and envelop the head and face completely in the two years of hopeless decline, caused by the cork which he was loosening from a soda water bottle flying with immense force against his eye, at a moment when he was in full health, and surrounded by all the comforts of a happy fireside.

THE INVENTOR OF THE POWER-LOOM AND LORD JOHN RUSSELL .- Waiting the result of his petition to parliament, he yet could bring himself to suspend his master-passion for experiment; but, as though driven for a time from the manufacturing field, he now indulged in that of agriculture. In 1801 he got a prize from Napier thought there was some collusion between the juggler and his retainer. To divide by a soon after received from the Duke of Bedford an Many of the Berlin houses are built over sweep of the sword on a man's hand so small an appointment to superintend an experimental cathedrals? Or, shall I lay my honours as well as abundantly generated. A week or two back a to be impossible, though a similar incident is at the feet of Jesus, and consecrate my thus rendered himself as dark as the night

early intelligence of the Duke's third son there flashed out at once upon the brave old man a quick and true feeling for all that was noble of true, to which his nature, warmly responded Their friendship began in play, and ended in ad-miration as marked and full of sympathy as could When I went to Woburn," the old man afterwards wrote, describing the steam-boat model he had constructed for Fulton, I gave it to Lord John Russell, then about ten or eleven years old, as a plaything. It went by clock-work; and Lord John used frequently to amuse himself with setting it affoat on the stew-ponds in the garden." In the next year we find him publishing a volume of verses, of which Lord John received the dedication; and, up to the year of his death, it is touching to see the eager and trembling fervour with which he follows each successive step in the young statesman's public life. From that happy interval at Wobarn, indeed may be traced the brighter fortune as gilded the old man's declining years. Parliament soon granted him the patent which his memorial prayed, and this protection brought other more substantial justice

with it .- Household Words. Charles Dickens denies the statement of the London Times, that he availed himself of the experience of Inspector Field in the story of Bleak House. He also says that the report that he had undertaken to write that officer's biography was the greatest news to him that the Times contained

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