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"Come Unto Me!"

How cheering the mem'ry On life's changing sea, That voice of the Saviour " Come unto me!" Blessed words to the sorrowing, " Come unto me!

Over life's sea, Called to the weary ones. " Come unto me! Bid the young children, too " Come unto me

Blessed with his love, Angels may watch them Home to their God_ Sweet little pilgrims,

A mother sits weeping-She finds in this dark hour Of life's gloomy sea; But the voice of the Holy One

Brings strongth to her soul, Bids darkness to flee; For Johnny, her-darling, Has passed o'r the sea The Saviour's voice called him, "Come unto me

Floats this perilous sea Welcome to thee That voice of the Saviour, " Come unto me!"

Now 'mid the ransomed ones, List, for his angel-voice Ever shall be, "Father, dear - mother, love --Come soon to me!"

From the Nashville Christian Advocate.

Baptismal Demonstrations. The Book Agents have recently issued

in its sentiments and arguments as in its The Bantismal Demonstrations is a pamphlet of eighty-two pages-price 10 centson the long, long contested question of baptism, from that stricetly logical and racy the language of Scripture teaches that the sea; they reach it—they shout—and now writer, the Rev. R. Abbey, of Mississippi.

ed exhausted. The public will, then, be a little surprised to see a book-or pamphlet, rather-on baptism, which is entirely new. We copy below, the last chapter of the pamphlet, which, as will be seen, is a recapider. And it will be seen at a glance, that forward before. He yields to the Baptist everything that he has heretofore claimed: he is willing to subscribe to the correctness. rendering of any Greek word.

It may be considered strange that these arguments have never been brought for-

press by thousands, and we are told they now do but the same thing. are going off rapidiv. We will make some more particular remarks in regard to this baptism in the early Church is removed.

RECAPITULATION. The for going arguments were written, as has been already stated, for the people-I have endeavored to aveidall annecessary issues, and to bring forward only the vital points in argument. The argument, however, is seen to cover the entire ground which is generally understood to be in dispute between Pedobaptists and Baptists as they are generally called. I have tried to avoid entirely all unusual expressions, and all technical words not in common use. I have discussed all the points that are properly and legitimately reevant to the general question.

Thave not felt myself either bound or inclined to cumber the discussion with ponbrous side-issues, and long debates which do not properly belong to the question in hand, merely because my opponents if I have any, choose to spend their labors outside of the record. Nor have I chosen to permit my opponents to pass by the true ssies, merely because they choose to avoid hem. The following are the several points brought forward :

First .- I have endeavoured honestly and ogically to look after the TRUTH, irrespective of party or of schools. To slightly paraphrase the noble sentiment of a late distiquished statesman, "I had rather be RIGHT than be triumphant."

Second.-I have plainly stated the questions to be, 1st. Whether immersion is necessary in baptism; and 2nd, whether children ou ht to be members of the Church. I deny the former, and affirm the latter.

Third .- I have explained a few plain, imple matters, very important to be known proper understanding of this questien, but not generally known among the masses, respecting translation from one language to

mean baptism. Words are but the pictures, ly, to the Church for baptism. or signs, or modes of representing ideas;

Fifth.-It was in the next place more tism was, or how it was performed, so long as it was used in the ordinary sense in which to mean what we mean when we say baptism, for they had no knowledge of any such thing as baptism. It is demonstrated that neither this word, nor any other Greek cog-

nate word, mean what it might, could give us any canclusive information as to the ne-

cessity of immersing in baptizing.
Sixth.—This chapter shows the philosophic impossibility of its being said that baptism means immersion and nothing else, even though the meaning of the word was anciently so restricted.

Seventh .- The logical impropriety of debating the question of the mode, or the legal mode of baptism is explained, and the true and proper issue presented.

Eighth.-It is here inquired what baptism is. The thing is distinguished from the manner of its administration.

Ninth.-This short chapter brings ward the issue respecting the supposed identity between baptism and immersion. Tenth .-- The alleged identity in meaning of the words immersion and bup-

tism is shown to be absurd and ridiculous, by the only testimony the nature of the case Eleventh.—The absurdity of supposing by exhibiting their utter inability to inter-

Twelfth .- This chapter looks the questhe face, and places the burden of proof on

the party making the affirmation. Thirteenth .- It is further explained that the writers of the new Testament, in speaking of baptism in Greek, must necessarily use the word they did, which word we trans late baptize, whether they meant that the water used in baptizing would be sprinkled on, or poured on the person, or he be immersed in it; because the Greek language did not contain a word which meant to purify with water by sprinkling on water, or by pouring on water, that did not also in-Still I make no issue as to this much-talkedof word, and those which stand closely re lated to it, how limited or unlimited the

meaning was in classic Greek. Fourteenth .- It is shown that the Scriptures prescribe no particular form in which

ion enjoins things. Fifteenth.-The foundation of the whole that the baptism of John could not by pos-

the Baptist never heard of Christianity. vastly too much.

Christ in baptism is shown to be absurd.

prove it. for the sake of the argument, of any English is shown by the Saviour's own words in this wreck of a world, which is drifting ward before. Why they have not, we will representations of the doctrine of affusion of and plead for that man; the cry, "Lord The work will have a wor'd-wide circulathe Holy Spirit, it is seen that Christ and save me, I perish, changed into one as welcome to a Saviour's ear, "Lord save me, I perish," changed into one as welcome to a Saviour's ear, "Lord save tion. The Agents are bringing it from the sprinkling and pouring baptism, and men

Twenty-first.-The supposed difficulty o On the subject of restricting Church-mem bership to adults, it is shown:

First.—That all persons are proper, legal subjects of baptism. Second.—The baptismal obligation is hown to be co-extensive with mankind.

Third.—That baptism succeeds and is in the place of circumcision, is a well-known, ive of all questions of doctrine. Fourth.-It is as certain as demonstration time of the apostles.

Fifth.-The restricting of baptism to adults, because children are not specifically named in Scripture, is shown to be fallacious. It is further shown to conflict with the cruth that baptism pertains to the family as such, without reference to number or age. And the fallacy of a few other restrictive arguments is pointed out.

Sixth .- The Jews, who were the first converts to Christianity, were all accustomed but to believe in Christ.

Seventh.-The relation betweeen parents and children-some in the Church, and

Eighth .- This restriction upon Churchmembership comes directly in conflict with practical Christianity, as it may, and as it oftentimes does exist in persons of tender years. To say that "true believers are the only proper subjects of baptism," does by no

restrictive system in question.

VIRTUE is not the less venerable for being

A Praying Ministry.

In prayer, in real, hearty, earnest prayer, all things around us are set into their propresence who is the healer; and whose word of power shall restore the sunken change with each other or supply each ful ministry. In God's strength thou must perceive, were visited by Brother Runwrestle with wandering thoughts; sap their die. This can be effected probably, durBefore they left the Fort, they formed a

own countenance. - Bishop Wilberforce. "There is another Man."

any duty should be done. The old dis- served by a British frigate drifting before vest, truly, is great, but the labourers are of the other. Then followed a third, who fatal to piety! Sad spiritual declension pensation prescribed forms. This dispensa- the gale. Every eye and glass were on her, few." If I could only speak to them in kissed each Cree; and then a fourth, who would be the result! and a canvas shelter on a deck almost on a their own tongue, I would willingly level with the sea suggested the idea that mmersion scheme is removed by showing there yet might be life on board. With all his faults no man is more alive to humanity from the press a new and rare book; as new sibility be Christian baptism. It did not than the rough and hardy mariner; and so occur in the Christian dispensation. John the order instantly sounds to put the ship about, and presently a boat puts off, with in-Sixteenth.-It is here shown to be exceed. structions to bear down upon the wreck.ingly improbable that the eunuch, or Paul, Away after that drifting hulk go these galor the jailer was immersed. And that it lant men, through the swell of the roaring eunuch was, it also teaches that Philip, his a strange object rolls out of that canvas It is well known that Mr. Abbey never baptizer, was, And hence if immersion writes anything as any one else does. The pertains to the subject, it also pertains to the subject, it also pertains to the boat it proves to be arguments on Immercion and Infant Churchy membership have heretofore been consider.

This is not as pertains to the subject, it also pertains to the subject in death and knees to proclaim the saving power of divisor growth.

Single Account of the subject is also pertains to the subject in account of the subject in the saving power of divisor growth. hardly felt within the ample clothes, and so Seventeenth .- The idea of following light that a mere boy lifted it on board .-It is laid on the deck; in horror and pity Eighteenth .- It is shown to be improba- the crew gather round it; it shows signs of ble at least that the three thousand who life; they draw nearer; it moves, and then ulation of the preceding arguments, in or- were converted on the day of Pentecost in mutters-mutters in a deep sepulchral voice Jerusalem were immersed. But it is requir- - "There is another man." Saved himself, they are such as have never been brought ed of those who make the affirmation to the first use the saved one made of speech was to seek to save another. Oh, learn that Nineteenth.-The symbolical washings of blessed lesson; be daily practicing it. And the Jews are briefly examined; in which it so long as in our homes, among our friends, that any quantity of water is enough to sym- down to ruin, there lives an unconverted bolise the cleansing represented in baptism. one, there is another man, let us go to that Twentieth.-In looking briefly at the man, and plead for Christ. Go to Christ the Holy Spirit, it is seen that Christ and save me, I perish," changed into one as them they perish."-Dr. Guthrie.

A Noble Confessor.

It was a fine reply which Basil, of Casarea, made when the Emperor Valens sent by his prefect endeavoring by threats to his printed Journal of an overland route throughout the world. compel him to receive acknowledged Arians into the fellowship of the church. The prefect demanded whether he alone, when all others obeyed the Emperor, dared to wish tombs being surrounded by pickets. We palpable, and unquestionable fact, irrespec- to have any other religion than that of his master. Basil replied, that he had nothing cross placed at the head of each grave, the to be afraid of; possessions, of which men that the baptism of infants and children has might deprive him, he had none, except his been practiced in the Church ever since the few books and his cloak. An exile was no exile for him, since he knew that the whole earth is the Lord's. If torture was threatened, his feeble body would yield to the first blows; and as for death, that would only bring him nearer to God, after whom he longed. The prefect gave up the case. It was vain to threaten such a man.

Faith Essential.

to have their children with them in Church- long before his death, recited slowly, emphamembership. And if they were required tically, and with great weakness of voice, and children—some in the Church, and see that word printed in capitals. How as those of man, for they are murderers, thieves, traitors, and all that is wicked."

The latter is a retrograde movement refuse to believe and perish! Unbelief is If they are as bad as those described in the For this it has no cure. "Ye will not come to me that ye might live."

William Jav's Theology. Two grand truths have always seemed to me to pervade the whole Bible, and not to ed at the Fort a short time ago. Two of may be, and onght to be, and some are well be confined to a few particular phrases, viz., either of these affirmations, but he will not &c. My feelings were of a mingled cha-Ninth.—The restrictive system in ques- shake my confidence in either while I can and to the idea must first exist before there tion is plainly shown to conflict with the read, O Israel! thou hast destroyed thyprinciples, and course, and progress of self, but in me is thy help." The connectiars, now seen, now hidden from view for a elaborately explained that no Greek word in the Scriptures. It comes directly in opcould possibly inform us what Christian bapposition to the higher and more mature because there is no real reunion, but because abode. They at length reached the river's growth of the Church, and the triumphant it is under water. Lower the water or raise edge, unburdened their horses, and preparreign of grace which will certainly mark the links, and I shall see the centre as well ed to come over, firing off their guns as a sigit was used in the ordinary sense in which certainly mark the world can never be subdu should never suffer what we know to be the certain, since it was impossible, in the nature of the three of the case, that they could have a word to mean the could have a word this coul ler remarks nearly the same when he says, this could be effected, some time necessarily If a truth be established, objections are elapsed. Then commenced a regular march nothing. The one is founded on our knowledge, the other in our ignorance.

The establishment of the chimenoccupying dwelling-rooms, three chambers, and a kitchen, all under the same roof, made up the

Paganism in Hudson's Bay.

ment, who sees heaven opened and Jesus of those Pagan multitudes be promptly met said to be quite common with this tribe.

Yet they hesitated at receiving a scanty suping temptations of the day; they are cooled, greatly rejoice that the Wesleyan Missions horses. The men, were, in most cases, exrefreshed, and calmed after its vexations, fatigues, and anxiety. In it, we can, indeed, even whilst compassed with infirmities, bring even whilst compassed with infirmities, bring

dated Edmonton, Dec. 14, 1855. clude the idea of immersing in water. powers and fragrance by the sunshine of his fetters of Popery. There are, indeed, porplaced the calumen (or sacred pipe) upon backward. tions of this immense territory comparacross, where thousands are found without During a heavy storm off the coast of hour with a well-grounded hope of eternal Spain, a dismantled merchantman was ob- life. All these things considered, "the har-

> It was said in 1843, that "The Romish priests appear to have just risen from the dead in the land, and are making the most strenuous efforts to get before us in every Well, this appears to have been the case just now, there being one here, &c. Had I been a priest, I could easily have added to the ranks of papacy. If the contents of P. J. De Smet's book are to be believed, one would infer that all the Indians in the north-west had come under the power of the Romanists. In one place he observes that "All the Flat Heads, with very few exceptions, had, in the space of three months, complied with everything necessary to merit the glorious title of the true children of God." And as a proof, I suppose, of the effect pro duced, he says, "Just at this time, on Christmas eve, the blessed Virgin appeared to a little boy, in the but of an aged and truly pious woman, which was deemed a special mark of heaven's favour." If conforming to the externalisms of the Romish church make persons "true children of God." wonder that the Virgin Mary appeared. was enough to move heaven and earth!-But, as a certain writer says,

"There are more things in heaven and earth Than are dreamt of in our philosophy." from Edmonton House to Fort Vancouver, where he observes-" Near my encampment there was a native cemetery, the neat little were surprised, however, to see a wooden result of a recent visit of some Catholic priests; but, as a practical illustration of the value of such conversions, we found on a explorations, makes the following pleasant neighboring tree a number of offerings to mention of a visit to the Moravian missionone of the departed spirits, and a basket of aries who are laboring on the sterile coast of

hearted Protestants say to this?

valuantly, for-

A company of Pagans (of the Black-feet tribe, although bearing another name) arrivracter as I saw them the next day wending

From the Canada Conference Wesleyan Missionary Notices ed, their faces and hands variously colored; structure of Lichtenfels. Its kind-hearted and, as they proceeded, the jingling of bells, inmates were not without intelligence and Whatever excellence may have been seen impression upon my mind. The moment their dress, and something of the stiffness per places. The earth and its interests in other communications from Mr. Woolsey, they reached the Fort, two salutes were fired that belongs to a protracted solitary life, it shrink into their real insignificance. Time there is an interest about the following by a large piece of ordnance, when a dis- was impossible not to recognize in their deand all its train of pleasures, pains, shame, which is important at the present time, when charge of musketry, on their part, took meanor and course of thought the liberal poverty, honor and riches, what are these to we are desirous that our friends should be place; after which, they shook hands with spirit that has always characterized their one whose eye is on the great white throne, well acquainted with the condition of the the gentleman in charge, &c., and kissed all church. Two of their 'children,' they said, before whom lies the awful book of judg- Hudson's Bay Indian tribes, and the claims who would allow them. This latter act is had gone home least year with the scurvy. current session seems to be fully maintained,

standing on the right hand of God? In at the Missionary Anniversaries now being prayer, our minds are armed for the com- held by all the Branch Societies. We wives to remove the robes, &c., from off the

our own crooked or withered will into his Extract of a Letter from the Rev. T. Woolsey, During the day I was rather startled by I have brought my correspondence to a with a drawn sword in his hand. One of the general style of church architecture and he clearly exemplated the presence of sinews to their vigor, and make him straight close for the present, yet certain promptings the officials accompanying him, somewhat among Methodists. whom long infirmity hath bowed down from within impel me onward. You re- calmed my perturbed spirit. Although I On our knees, if any where, we learn to marked in one of your letters to me, relalove the souls of our people; to hate our tive to accepting this appointment, "If you I was now victimized, for the said Indian with extravagant frescoes and gilding," etc., of his hearers to the contemplation of the baptism to mean immersion is further shown own sins; to trust in Him who shows us have a missionary soul, now is your time to approached me at once, and, before I was but desire to leave them "superbly simple." works of God: If we view the heavens, or then His wounded side and pierced hands; consent; language somewhat similar to that aware of it, flung his arms around my neck I wish every one who has anything to do turn our eye to the vegetable and animal to love Him with our whole heart. Nothing employed by the venerable Asbury, in writ- and embraced me, asking for rum. I told with building churches would read those creation, or penetrate the crust of the earth, will make up for the lack of prayer. The ing to England to Dr. Coke, concerning him that I did not drink it, or keep it for observation and profit by them. busiest ministry without it, is sure to become going to the United States, when he said, others. He sat for some moments gazing at tion—Is immersion required?—directly in shallow and bustling. To come torth from "If you are a man of a large mind, you me most intensely, and upon being informwitness, and to retire again behind the veil nent." Territorially viewed, my parish is dicine to make me wise!" Poor tellow! to pour out our heart before Him in unceas-ing intercessions and devout adorations; Mountain House, Fort Assineboine, and but before I could speak to him, he arose, this is, indeed, the secret of a blessed fruit- Lesser Slave Lake-post places which, I gave the second embrace, and departed, they may, by mistake, have found their way

> the table, forming an angle, after which the Not unfrequently men who thus mourn one ray of gospel light to cheer their dying tollowed another, giving to each Cree a desires and wealth can command; but there shook hands with them. This was followed a very extensive oration. The Blackfeet edifice. another at St. Ann's Lake, and a third at expressed themselves most enthusiastically kets, &c. An Indian, from Fort Pitt, effected if some of their numbers were conunfold the amazing scheme of Redeeming mercy; and, thus, under the Divine blessing, the fortitude and perseverance which they now display in warring upon each other, would then become subservient to the

While contemplating the character of these the period when my own country was sunk in the grossest superstition and ignorance; when the ancient Briton could boast no higher place in the scale of civilization than these; and when he boped to propitiate by shedding the blood of human victims -Who, for centuries after, could have believed that a time would arrive when the descendants of the despised barbarians would become a great and powerful nation?—that their fleet would cover the seas, their enterthe globe unexplored, and be made the honored instrument of improving the moral Conversions such as these are very properly and spiritual condition of our fellow men, commented on by Sir George Simpson, in and of diffusing the light of revelation

"Christians' behold the outcasts of your race; Behold their gous, and o'er the milions weep, Who, sunk in misery and in darkness, sleep Think of the Saviour's love that found out you And if you love Him, give the bread of life To them, and bid them live,

Dr. Kane and the Moravians. Dr. Kane, in his narrative of his Arctic

provisions for its voyage to the next world. Greenland. "While we were beating out the Indians had any definite idea at all of the fiord of Fishernaes, I had an opportuof the cross, they put it merely on the same nity of visiting Lichtenfels, the ancient seat footing as their other medicine charms."- of the congregations, and one of the three The above will, I think, tell more than aught (four) . Moravian settlements. I had read I have written. These persons must have much of the history of its founders : and been Romanists in life; or if not, in being was with feelings almost of devotion, that I made such after death, the absurdity be- drew near the scene their labors had conse-Mr. James Ruthven, of New York, not comes the more palpable. What will half-crated. As we rowed into the harbor of its rock-embayed cove, everything was so deso-The Crees, Blackfeet, and Stone Indians late and still, that we might have fancied on embracing Christianity to relinquish this "He that believeth on the Son hath ever- are those that frequent this station. With ourselves outside the world of life; even the dearly cherished feature in their religion the lasting life; and he that believeth not on the thing is manifestly susceptible of the clear-est proof. But, on the contrary, it is well God abideth on him." What a contrast!" ferent to the Cree. P. J. De Smet says. known that nothing was required of a Jew said he, "there is none in the universe like "The Blackfeet are the only Indians of around a projecting cliff brought to view a whose salvation we would have reason to quaint old Silesian mansion, bristling with in their "ceiled houses," and the houses of question!—Believern—I would like to despair, if the ways of God were the same irregularly disposed chimneys, its black, as those of man, for they are murderers, overhanging roof studded with dormer windows, and crowned with an antique belfry. If they are as bad as those described in the We were met, as we landed, by a couple of upon Judaism which Christianity does not the only sin which the gospel does not meet. 1st chapter of the Epistle to the Romans, grave ancient men, in sable jackets and close we will, in the name of our God, set up our velvet skull caps, such as Vandyke or Rembanners, and through our Joshua we will do brandt himself might have painted, who gave us a quiet but kindly welcome. All inside the mansion house-the furniture, the matron, even the children-had the same home-sobered look. The sanded floor was dried by one of those huge white tiled stoves, which have been known for generations in the north of Europe, and the stiffbaptism cannot in any language have the known to be "true believers" in the strictest that if we are saved, it is entirely of God's first, to intimate their approach, as the backed chairs were evidently coeval with the meaning we attach to it elsewhere than and most evangelical sense of these words, grace; and if we are lost it will be entirely crees, with whom they were at war, were first days of the settlement. The heavyamong people acquainted with Chaistianity. long before they are capable of such an acfrom ourselves. I know full well that a man

| Blue | Chaistianity | built table, in the middle of the room, was made for their arrival by the gentleman in quaintance with ecclesiastical regulations as may easily force me into a corner with things who expostulated with the Creek who expostu Greek, or in any language could possibly will admit of their applying, understanding- seemingly or really related to the truths of lands we had come from, and the changing wonders of the times. We learned that the thew Stach, built, no doubt, with the beams principles, and course, and progress of sen, out in me is thy neight in five years.—Chr. Obs. some twenty-four years after the first landing of Egede; and it has been the home of the brethren who now greeted us, one for 29, and the other for 27 years. The "Congregation Hall" was within the building cherrless now, with its empty bencher, and the other for 27 years. The "Congregation Hall" was within the building. A church has been formed at trace of birds was found in the red sand-

and the singing of songs, produced a strong education. In spite of the formal cut of

Superior Churches.

THEIR INFLUENCE UPON PIETY. seeing one of the men enter my apartment mendation of the improvement going on in particularly happy in his selection of a topic;

> You approve of elegance and costliness in Creation. churches, condemn the "bedaubing them He commenced by directing the thoughts

secret communing with Him, and bear our will give up a few islands for a vast conti- ed as to whom I was, he said, "Give me me- fences against good taste; and temples, in- subject is too vast for minute explanation," ed with such tawdry and inappropriate or that a unity of design pervades all the works naments, that some, when they enter, think of the Almighty.

into a theater.

tively unexplored by the heralds of the pipes were lighted and handed round by one are wealthy, and have their own mansions of the Creator. of the Blackfeet to each of the Crees. Then adorned with everything that a refined taste

> Happily, we have many illustrations of by a recognition on the part of the Crees, the fact, that Christians can be as deeply eighths. three or four of whom presented several and devotedly pious worshipping in noble small parcels of tobacco to the Blackfeet sanctuaries as in meaner and poorer temchiefs, as presents for the other chiefs of ples. God will meet the devout worshiper their tribe, whom they expected to meet anywhere, in the log school-house, under

Last spring the writer had the pleasure and eloquently. Many of their tribes are of worshipping two or three evenings in the admit, so long as beads and crosses can be had, as the Indians are very partial to trinthe religion of those who worship there. I interest of the Redeemer's kingdom upon some of our people, who are so fearful about the increase of "superior churches," could only be permitted to listen to the gushing red men of the forest, my mind reverts to melody which came from the lips and hearts of those worshippers, and the hearty amens from hundreds of voices, they would be satisfied that the presence of God is not confined to buildings which outrage every principle of the beautiful, the beautiful which God himself has ordained, and spread over his own works.

I find another example in point in the condition of the North Second-street Church in Troy. They erected a spacious, and, bating a few things, a very tasteful edifice, prising industry would leave no corner of about two years ago. There is a noble band of members connected with that church they have been somewhat noted for having the revival spirit, nor have they lost it in the least since they took possession of that improved sanctuary.

The writer dropped in upon them while

engaged in their love-feast the other evening, and there was the same heartiness of spirit that formerly characterized their exercises; there was the same clear and decided estimony as to the power of Christ to save, the same joyfulness in trusting in the precious love of the Redeemer, the same burning desire for the salvation of sinners which they were wont to manifest before.

It was quite refreshing to hear them, the old and venerable, the young and vigorous. the poor and the rich, the business man and the laborer, witness for Christ, and tell of their hopes of immortal life. May the Lord continue to smile upon them. Methodist Church, of the right kind, is needed in the south part of Troy, and our people are abundantly able to build it too, and should set about it speedily.

Methodists, in the cities especially, should be more enterprising, and be ready to erect us should invest largely in this way, if they them. - Christian Advecate and Journal.

minister is one thousand dollars per annum, together with a parsonage. In Cape Town. however, five hundred dollars per year is lata; and the fourth and highest called greater cost of living. The ministers of the into eight "rings," or classes, which meet house dated back as far as the days of Mat- annually. The Synod, which is a convention of all the ministers, assembles but once

Young Men's Christian Associa-

tion.—Sixth Lecture.

BY P. C. HILL, ESQ. Subject - The Unity of the Works of Creation The interest which has been manifested in the fortnightly lectures throughout the Tuesday evening the 3d inst. The Chair was occupied by J. W. Riichie, E-q. After the customary opening exercises Mr. Hill rose, and for about an hour rivetted the attention of the assembly by a highly in-Your editorial of last week speaks in com- structive and eloquent address. He was

or look into ourselves ; we cannot fail to see We should not then, in revolutionizing a unity of design, proving that one intelliour houses of worship, commit so many of gence has contrived and regulated ail. The tended to be elegant, would not be disfigur- but a few illustrations will serve to shew

In tormer ages the sciences were pursued independently, without any connection with Your observations will also, I trust, do each other. Modern discoveries, however strength by the countermines of watchful- ing the next year and the year following, treaty of peace with the Crees. For this good to another class, of which there are not have on the contrary shewn that the several ness and self-denial; fly from them into in conjunction with Brother Steinhaur.— purpose the different tribes assembled in the quietness and separation; so shalt thou find Numerically considered, there are multitudes hall, when energetic addresses were deliver-churches and piety, or, at least, deep and ding light upon the other; and the further in the wilderness of this world the moun- who know not the things belonging to their ed by the Blackfeet, which were made fervent piety, are incompatible. They investigations are made, this harmonious tain of God's presence, where he shall look in upon the soul, and draw out all its hidden darkness of heathenism or tramelled by the index of many to the Blackfeet, which were made to be more perfectly recognized. The researches of geology, testifying to a whom made a suitable reply. Each tribe then wondrous order in the works of nature, lead

us to acknowledge the wisdom and greatness It has been proved that there exist laws determining the order and arrangement of piece of lump sugar, first touching his own must be nothing attractive and elegant about the works of creation. It has been found that lips with it, and then applying it to the lips the place of worship! O no, that would be the leaves of plants are not attached to the stem at random, but by certain rules; they are placed at relative fractional distances as,

one-half, one-third, two-fifths and threethe planets are also regulated by a similar proportion or gradation. It appears from these and other facts which have been ascershortly. All these acts were preceded by the forest trees, or in the spacious and grand tained, that a general order in all things is the final object to be attained.

There is another great principle to be noticed, viz., the perfect adaptation of the means to the end. We may take, as examples, he web-foot of swimming birds, Church in America; there was there in the tail of the whale, the mouth of the crocodile, or the powerful vertebræ of the servisage, &c., certain indications of Paganism, with what builting power of divine grace! Sinners were flocking to the Saviour; the pent, by which it destroys its enemies; or was most excellent; the prayers were fer- the bones of which, unlike the head of other vent, and called forth hearty responses, and animals, are disjointed, so as to admit o everything indicated vitality and power in great enlargement; and by which it is enacould not help thinking while there, that if wards the bones return to their place .-He also described the formation and composition of the teeth of different animals peculiarly adapted to their habits and vari-

He next referred to the boundless ocean, which, though apparently spurning our control, has through modern science been made to utter its voice in testifying to the wisdom and beneficence of the Creator. There was given under this head a beautiful and enivening description of the well-known Gulf Stream, which, taking its rise in the Gulf of Mexico, pursues a north-eastwardly course for 3000 miles across the Atlantic to

the West of Europe. The lecturer explained it as being caused by the cold water rushing towards the tropics, and returning to modify the temperature of the Northern He also alluded to the uniform outline of continents and peninsulas, expanding towards the North, and narrowing towards the South

He referred to the form of the continent of Europe as being composed of so many inlets and promontories, and being evidently formed by the Creator in regard to its high des tiny as the centre of Christianity and civilization; and by its conformation being peculiarly fitted for extending their benign inluence throughout the world. The mountain chains in each continent run in a parallel direction, and the outside

chain is invariably the inst. These peculiarities the lecturer explained as exerting a marked influence in the Earth's temperature, and, consequently, of the state of vegetation in different localities. We were now directed to the animal kingdom to shew the regular gradation of

the animal formations, from the lowest to the highest. Allusion was made to the fossil remains which have been revealed in connecchurches wherever there is a prospect of tion with geological discoveries; and here the gathering a congregation. The rich among lecturer made a passing eulogy to the memory of the late Hugh Miller (who by his do not wish to have piety eaten out of their souls by their gold. They should not dwell and given it a high position as a corroboragenius has rescued geology from scepticism, tive proof of the truth of the Divine Word). the Lord lying dilapidated and mean around In former ages natural history was nothing more than a list of the animals known; but since attention has been directed to the internal structure it has been found that the animal Dutch Church in South Africa. structure it has been found that the animal world may be divided into four great branches. The extent of country over which the In the lowest division the organs are simple Dutch Reformed Church in South Africa and undefined, without the nervous or arteral spreads, is 900 miles in one direction and systems. In the highest division, of which 400 miles in another. The ministers in the man is the most perfect type, the organs are Yellow River republics are sustained on the complex and clearly defined. These divivoluntary principle, and compose an integral sions are the two extremes. To furnish an part of the Synod of South Africa. The sa- example of each, we may refer to the starlaries of the other ministers are paid by the fish as belonging to the lowest division British Government. The salary of each called radiata; the snail, oyster, and nautilus as the next, called the mollusca; the Various insects as the third, called articutiles, birds and mammalia, of which last Synod about forty in number, are divided class man is the summit. In each branch there is a peculiar type; in the vertabrata the vertebra is the type, and so in each There is a parallelism between the grada-

tion and the order of time in which the RECENT intelligence from the Methodist The fossils discovered in the lower formations cheerless now, with its empty benches: a Frederikshan consisting of upward of fifty couple of French-horns, all that I could associate with the gladsome piety of the Mora-vians, hung on each side of the altar. Two