

Poeth's Corner.

THE CHILD'S DESIRE.

(Composed for the Children of the Achill Schools)

I think when I hear that sweet story of old, When Jesus was here among men...

But still to His footstool in prayer I may go, And ask for a share of His love...

But thousands of heathen, who wander and fall, Never heard of that heavenly home...

Achill Herald.

THE DOG REPROVING THE FOLLY OF MEN.

An instance of animal sagacity and humanity, unequalled in our remembrance, took place before our door on Saturday...

OLNEY, AND WESTON-UNDERWOOD.

The Poet Cowper's, the Rev. John Newton's, and the Rev. Thomas Scott's residence.

Olney stands upon the Oolite, on the northern side of the valley of the Ouse, and I approached it this morning from the south...

vocal with the gabble of an infant-school: carpet and curtains were gone, sofa and bubbling urn; and I saw, instead, but a few deal forms...

My guide brought me to Cowper's Weston residence, a handsome, though, like the Olney domicile, old-fashioned house, still in a state of good repair...

SURVEY OF SOUTH AMERICA.

Evangelical Christendom.

BY THE REV. DR. JAMES THOMSON.

The continent of South America, compared with the other continents of our globe, may, perhaps, be considered superior to them all...

Among the interesting features of this continent may be considered the noble chain, or rather chains, of the Andes, in their vast extent and height...

are other striking features of this magnificent continent.

The Spaniards and the Portuguese were the discoverers and the early settlers, or rather colonizers of this continent, and its grand divisions in former times were, Brazil belonging to the Portuguese...

But the whole of that continent has been revolutionized. In 1810 these changes commenced, and they may be said to have terminated in 1824.

The population over these quarters is of a mixed character. An extensive native population was found in several parts of South America, when it was discovered by Europeans.

The natives were subjected by the colonists to what may well be called slavery, though that name was not used. At the revolution, in the different places, these bonds were broken.

The entire population of this large and fine continent may be about sixteen millions. Its extent in square miles is about eight millions, thus giving only two for each square mile over the whole.

In the central parts of the continent, which can be considered as only virtually connected with the surrounding nations, savage Indians are chiefly to be found, but their numbers are not great.

To be Continued.

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The ample view from the summit surpassed our expectations. Facing the south, a little river from the distant hills came winding like the Forth, near Stirling; it passes by the south and western walls, and helps to supply the canal with water.

ASTONISHING CONCLUSIONS IN ASTRONOMY.

Light has been calculated to travel at the rate of about 213,000 miles in a second of time: consequently it is nearly a second and a quarter in reaching us from the moon...

MR. ADAMS, THE BOY THAT WASN'T FIT TO BE A FARMER.—The traveller who has come into Cornwall by the north road must remember a long moorland tract between Launceston and Bodmin.

And this passion so grew upon him that he was at length abandoned to its impulses, and allowed to take his own way, in despair of a better.

EDINBURGH ACADEMY FOR THE EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB.

MR. KINNIBURGH, and his son Dr. KINNIBURGH, of the Edinburgh Institution for Deaf and Dumb, having intimated their intention of retiring from their present charge on the 26th of May next...

Extract from Minutes of Meeting of the Directors of the Deaf and Dumb Institution, Edinburgh, 1st February, 1847.

The Directors unanimously expressed their deep regret that no alternative appeared to remain but to accept Mr. Kinniburgh's resignation...

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