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Heart-Breathings.

Lord, I am come alone with Thee, Thy voice to hear, thy face to see, And feel Thy presence near. It is not fancy's lovely dream, Though wondrous e'en to taith it seem, That Thou dost wait me here.

Its service, self-denial, strife, I joyfully retreat; My soul, through intercourse with Thee, Strengthened, refreshed and calm'd shall be, Its scenes again to meet.

A sinner, selfish, dark, unclean, Thus in the holiest stands? And in that light divinely pure, Which may no stain of sin endure Lift up rejoicing hands.

Jesus, the answer Thou hast given ! Thy death, Thy life, have opened heaven And all its joys to me. Washed in Thy blood, O wondrous grace I'm holy as the holy place.
In which I worship Thee.

How sweet, how solemn thus to lie And feel Jehovah's searching eye On me well pleased can rest; The Father's grace hath made me one.

The Methodist Sisterhood.

WHAT DOES METHODISM ASK OF THE It asks them to make beneficence, or doing good, their great occupation and work .-"Glory, honor, and peace, to every man that worketh good." We do not ignore the many of them, like Martha of old, are occu-

making this the grand endeavor of life .-Even slaves are directed, in the Scriptures, to perform all their toils and tasks heartily as unto the Lord; that is, to let the spirit of devoted piety toward God pervade every movement and act. So true it is that we may all do good, and please God as the best

and spontaneously leaguing itself, as by a sort of natural affinity, with every move ment looking toward the elevation and salevangelical and stirring age, fresh agencies have awakened for the advancement of human weal, just so far has Methodism sprung to embrace the newly-born activities helped to mature them into healthy and full development-and to wield them lustily and perseveringly for the accomplishment of charity's sublime mission. The Christian ladies of our Church should not fail to apspecial end in view, and her policy is to challenge to its aid every appropriate auxiliary for compassing this end. Every sister Church of their choice, with all its machinery for education, conversion, and evangelizfrom the movements of this machinery let in heaven. each soul be deeply sensitive; like as when exclaims, "Where thou goest, I will go;

To instance, in a single particular. Methpathy and activity in the great Sabbath favored few have caught, as yet, any proper or adequate notion. The Sabbath school

From this more favored position her inor adequate notion. The Sabbath school idea, as existing in the mind of the general Church, is yet but crude and partially formed and defective, and still remains to be developed in its sublime greatness and beauty, before the eyes of an astonished world. It will be seen, some day, that directly, there is the most effective Gospel preaching—preaching in a presence ready to be the most benefitted by the heavenly communication—broadcasting the seeds of the life eternal into a soil the most of all propitious for its reception, and for yielding the peaceable fruits of righteousness.

From this more favored position her influence should ever be to incite her husband or brother to faithfulness and perseverance. As she loves, and, perhaps, suffers, let her conversation be strong withal. Let her conversation be sweet and cheering. Let her example be seen, some day, that directly, there is the most effective Gospel preaching—preaching in a presence ready to be the most benefitted by the heavenly communication—broadcasting the seeds of the life eternal into a soil the most of all propitious for its reception, and for yielding the peaceable fruits of righteousness.

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Into this bright sphere of blissful influence Methodism-whether aged or youthfulenter at once, and enter for a life campaign! Here is an open door indeed, for the Chrisit is for her specially and pre-eminently.

den eternity; and where she shall bind her the earthly spirit. They have taken the brow with laurels whose beauty and fra- Lord to be their portion-they have emgrance shall long outlast the splendors of the braced it as a life-work to deny themselves,

ity and care, a pure reading, thinking, and versations—and all tastes and expenditure, therefore, in this matter so vitally associated with character, happiness, and usefulness, should be deeply circumspect and conscien-tious. Let the Bible be to them the book Christ Jesus, and their names are in the of books. Let it ever be open before them, book of life! and let their minds and hearts ever be open before it. Here let them with open face behold, as in a glass, the glory of the Lord; and thus be changed into the same image, from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord. Then let all their other reading be such as is pure, and edifying, and elevated. They have no time for reading of a different character. The multitudes of books, magazines, and papers, designed as mere pastime or amusement, should scarcely be tolerated by the daughters of the Lord. They should make here a rigid

selection. Of many - many books they. should dare to be ignorant; for multitudes of these will hardly advance them a single step in knowledge or in goodness, while, in cases painfully numerous, they will breathe but a deadening and corrupting influence.
Depart hence! Dwell with holy and heavenly minds, and inhale, in your reading, the atmosphere of life. Thus will your thoughts flow in celestial moulds, and images bane of all loveliness, goodness, and peace,

And while Methodism asks from the

and particular friendships, and forbids not not your heart." those of similar age, tastes, temperaments, and pursuits, to feel and cherish a special sympathy for each other. But our heavenly religion condemns all exclusiveness-all of of the Methodist system, and to fall in, with entire sympathy and cordiality, with its grand beneficent drift. Methodism has one has caught the spirit of his Master as he said, "Whosoever doeth the will of God, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.' And as is the spirit, so is the social outgoing. in the Church should be a sort of personifi-cation of this neble principle. With each one the sympathy and co-operation should It is ample and unrestrained, and sympa be perfect with every agency seized by the bondage, freedom of communication, and not Church for its advancement and final vic- selfish exclusiveness; and she who truly tory. Let the whole sisterhood adopt the comes to Mount Zion, exults in the thought tnat she has not come to a few merely, to the whole general assembly, and Church atton. To every influence breathing forth of the first-born, whose names are written

Methodism further asks and beseeches of the soft breath of evening touches the zolian its sisterhood, that they ever exert a strong strings. O, it is an ornament to the Chris- salutary influence upon the male membertian lady transcending every worldly accom- ship-making use of all efforts and exerplishment combined, when the full deep curtions to restrain them from worldliness and rent of her sympathies flows in delicious backslidings. It is a fact that Christian barmony with the heart of Christ-when men have greater exposures than Christian reaching forth her arms toward Zion, she women. They are more fully abroad amid the ungenial influences and spirits of the where thou weepest I will weep; and where world, while their several occupations apthou dost triumph I will rejoice; thy people pear naturally to lead them to a much fuller shall be my people, and thy God shall be contact with men and things and pursuits of a worldly character, than is the case with women. Her sphere is more retired and odism calls its sisterhood to a special sym- quiet, and less excited and dangerous; and hence the path she travels is more favorable school enterprise. Of the importance of to the cultivation of a devotional spirit and this department of Christian effort, only a to steadfastness and growth in the Christian

and presperity of Zion. Highly does it be come all Methodist ladies, especially those and usefulness, should every woman in whom a kind Providence has placed in comfortable circumstances, to consider well whether their manner of life and action is in accordance with the highest style of Christian lady. It is not for her exclusively, but it is for her specially and pre-eminently, daughter of the Lord should, by any means, that he tasted death for every man. Hold Here spreads a field broad as the vast green come short of the grand mission of this life! earth, where she may wield a power as great and mighty as her brother—and greatgreat and mighty as her brother—and greatfully, and tearfully, should she look to this
tion from every sinful temper and disposi-

So, also, Methodism entreats its sister-hood that they cultivate, with great assidu-labor and recreation, and all visits, and conconversation. These three great matters whether in reference to dress, furniture, or

These are "the holy women" of this and character to our thinking, and our world-making no special profession-asthoughts give shape and temper to our con- suming to be nothing above the least of all versation; for out of the abundance of the saints—ever genial and lovely—attractive heart the mouth speaketh. Christian ladies, by the calm and beautiful radiance of their piety, and not repulsive by any airs of facetious sanctity—they move amid society as bright angels of good—they are helpers in

> lines, shall some dear voice ever whisper from heaven in thine ear, "Many daughters "The modern Jonahs h all! -- Western Christian Advocate.

FOR THE PROVINCIAL WESLEYAN. To the Unconverted.

the Holy Spirit.

were born in sin; your nature was corrupt gaming-table, and the brothel.] from your first breath; and since you could longer slight His Goodness and love?

and purity of thought and conversation, it how small our portion is of that short time. there is too much conformity to the spirit friend, no matter whether it be one year or mere matter of theory. It has been pre-eminently a thing of life and movement. and usages of this world. Worldly society lifty, you will be in eternity. I need not eminently a thing of the and movement. is made up of caste, while the social stream remind you there will be no repentance It burst forth upon the world in the shape of action, rather than of speculation. It was a fiery energy; and as such swept abroad in all directions, and joining stern issue with ples, that "it shall not be so among you." mercy on me." Will you repent to-mor-And, again, it seems to whisper, "One is your Master, even Christ, and all ye are come and say;—Thou fool! this night thy brethren." Accordingly, the primitive dissipation of the control o dieth not " will your eternity be spent. As Christianity has no frowns for personal you value your eternity-bound soul, "harden

THIRD .- God may withdraw his Holy Spirit and leave you in your coldness and impenitence; and you will then be as sure will poison the air, and blight every thing posed this decree, and his elevation in 1623 the Holy Office will do the rest. But hush! shutting up of the heart against our fellow- not think anything I can say on this subject tian Herald, June 11. Christians. Its genius is that of universal preferable to the following verses. May the Holy Spirit apply them to your heart.

"There is a time, we know not when, To pass that limit is to die ! The conscience still may be at ease,
The Spirit light and gay;
That which is pleasing still may please.
And care be thrust away. But on that forehead God hath set And yet the doomed man's path below He thinks, he feels that all is wel And every fear is calmed; He lives, he dies, he wakes in hell () ! where is that mysterious bourne Where does hope end, and where begin The confines of despair? An answer from the skies is sent, "Ye who from God depart,— While it is called to-day repent,

WHISPERS IN THE EAR OF A PREACHER. -Labor hard, pray much, and testify the Gospel of His grace to every man. Preach the love of God through Jesus to every forth the witness of the Spirit as the gift of

The Theatre Eulogised.

of the east, for we have a minister who can

comments thrown in by the reporter:

And now, lady, who readeth these brief is the church, the second the theatre,' [the children? Do they hear you speak of Jesus,

have done virtuously, but thou excellest them attention toward it, and 'yet God does not warmest love, and a Friend in whom you as such by the Holy Office. Your Eminenwith the theatre.' 'Still does the great Keans, Kembles, Grisis, and Rachaels!' Guy Fawkes, Benedict Arnolds, William Walkers, Joseph Smiths, and Brigham

seek the salvation of your soul; but there writers whose force is dramatic -- the Goethes, are three good reasons why you should not Schillers, Brownings, and Knowleses, [and in harden your heart against the influence of other fields the Voltaires, and Tom Paines, Humes, and Earls of Rochester.] 'It will FIRST.—God's love to you. He first gave be time enough to condemn it as irreligious the Inquisition were met in solemn conclave. not be defiled?" you breath, and since your birth all that you have had or enjoyed came from Him. But onot.' [Neither does the same good God]

Note that the "sacred and supreme congregation of the Holy Office"—such was the high of the Holy Office."—such was the high of the Holy Office. beyond this he has done much more. You seem to have deserted the race-course, the sounding title of this blot on the middle

of delicious beauty will charm the soul, and associations, elevated and blissful, will adorn associations, elevated and blissful, will adorn the spirit, and the inward being will become sion. You have been wandering farther himself by over-work or by over-drinking. mitted him by God to reveal. They clashfact that much the largest number of our sisters have numerous labors and cares of a more intelligent, strengthened, ennobled, "mithous (lad and mithous fact that much the largest number of our more intelligent, strengthened, ennobled, "mithous (lad and mithous fact that much the largest number of our more intelligent, strengthened, ennobled, "mithous (lad and mithous fact that much the largest number of our more intelligent, strengthened, ennobled, "mithous (lad and mithous fact that much the largest number of our more intelligent, strengthened, ennobled, "mithous fact that much the largest number of our more intelligent, strengthened, ennobled, "mithous fact that much the largest number of our more intelligent, strengthened, ennobled, "mithous fact that much the largest number of our more intelligent, strengthened, ennobled, "mithous fact that much the largest number of our more intelligent, strengthened, ennobled, "mithous fact that make the more intelligent, strengthened, ennobled, "mithous fact that make the more intelligent, strengthened, ennobled, "mithous fact that make the more intelligent, strengthened, ennobled, "mithous fact that make the more intelligent, strengthened, ennobled, "mithous fact that make the more intelligent, strengthened, ennobled, "mithous fact that make the more intelligent, strengthened, ennobled, "mithous fact that make the mithous fact that make the more intelligent, strengthened, ennobled, "mithous fact that make the mithous fact that make the mit sanctified, and the improved and refined spirit will look out through the eyes, and spirit will be even to the eyes and spirit will be even to the eyes are even to the e render luminous the countenance, and speak said, "the soul that sinneth it shall die;" and crime, and the rest of his time taken they opened the eyes of the people to seek pied with "much serving," and very heavy out through the lips. Evil-speaking, that is the burden which is thus oftentimes laid one hold that doctrine at present. Must before those whose whole intellect concentrations with the lips. Evil-speaking, that have no single the property of the people to seek polished like a mirror of bronze, and we polished like a mirror an eternal death. But, O, the mercy, the human sin,' and if there was no such relief which the pure light of Christianity was we not, therefore, instead of attempting to goodness of God;—Christ offers himself an as the theatre, there was danger to him of quenched; and their Eminences—wise men At the same time, nothing can excuse us from devoting ourselves to well-doing, and for the same time, nothing can excuse us from devoting ourselves to well-doing, and sometimes of the network of the ne

SECOND.—Time is very short. The do not feel at liberty to absent myself en- many more; and that a blow would be women of its communion, all this innocency whole length of time must be but little, yet tirely from the theatre.' Even if the play struck at Roman Catholicity which would were uninteresting, there is the pit—an epifurther invites them to a broad Christian sociality—and that with a special view to you laugh at the thought of a short life for and happiest thing in the world. All may put on, as a magnificent garment, the heavely character of genuine beneficence, and all may work the works of God.

In accordance with the foregoing suggestions, Methodism asks of its sisterhood to fions, Methodism asks of its sisterhood to fions in the reality of the Conernican against heretical decompositions, thoughts, it is described to their own good and the good of others. The cardinals and prelates? what the thought of a short life for its swayed, for I am really interested in onthing but man, and the prejudices and gathers them in deep conference round the sword dissatisfaction at their own good and the good of others. The Cardinal di Ascoli, however, check-in the increasing signs of dissatisfaction at their own good and the good of others. The Cardinal di Ascoli, however, check-in the increasing signs of dissatisfaction at their own good and the good of others. The Cardinal di Ascoli, however, check-in the increasing signs of dissatisfaction at their own good and the good of the sacred office. This:

Callieo Galilei, on of the late Vincenzo Galilei, or I am really interested in onthing the increasing signs of dissatisfaction at their own good and the good of the sacred office. This is swayed, for I am really interested in onthing the increasing signs of dissatisfaction at the council boa fuse itself widely amid the Christian circle.

In this respect as well as in some others and it is gone." In a short time deer the continue to go to the c

know just what are the ideas in regard to social evils, and personal character of those Cardinal Bellarmine, on the part of the Inwho reject the divinity of Christ, then we hell as if you were already there. I do lovely and pure around it.—Central Chris-

The Gospel Rejected.

A missionary in South Africa says: "We ment of science and truth. once met a company of men, young and old, one of whom addressed us, as speaker for all in the following language: joins the church, and tries to lead others after him. And as to our cattle—our girls

The hall in which the conclave is met in and women are our cattle; but you teach hung with black, and lighted by silver canthat they are not cattle, and ought not to be delabra; an oblong table stretches across the sold for cattle, but to be taught and clothed. and made the servants of God, and not the At the centre is placed a chair, raised slaves of men. This is the way you eat up slightly from the floor, and overshadowed our cattle.' "-Journal of Missions.

You don't talk of Jesus at Home.

who was in the habit of visiting the poor for interested. But there was something which on the road home, she said, "Mamma, when you are out visiting the poor, you always talk about Jesus Christ to them, but you don't talk of Him at home."

have been just? Could it be said with parents seem to think, that if they take their mater of so much moment. Two modes of a where she may go forth a proportiate arena, where she may go forth appropriate arena, where she may go fortise to every believer. Fearlessly deformed the month of the many proportial and undertake a protracted and life there are, as practiced by Christian woment glorious career, and and achieve victories that shall stagger and crush devils, and life precious spirits to the skies; and shall spiring fountains whose streams shall glad
Most carefully, and prayer. Christ to every penitent; and full redemptons the holy Office. It is family prayer, they have done all that is gloat over the prospective codemnation of the hoary sage; and the able castelli, himmater of so much moment. Two modes of the hoary sage; and the able of every believer. Fearlessly destore their children, and they talk with them on many points, but they do not talk of Jesus. They act as if they fancied that them to manner of spirit, communication, who vain life precious spirits to the skies; and shall stagger and crush devils, and life precious spirits to the skies; and shall stagger and crush devils, and life precious spirits to the skies; and shall stagger and crush devils, and life precious spirits to the skies; and shall stagger and crush devils, and life there are, as practiced by Christian womater of so much moment. Two modes of the time—of the Holy Office. It is family prayer, they have done all that is gloat over the prospective codemnation of the hoary sage; and the able of almost all subjects privilege of every believer. Fearlessly destore their children, and they talk with them on many points, but they do not talk of Jesus. They act as if they fancied that is addition from every sinful temper and disposition family prayer, they have done all that is gloat over the prospective codemnation of the hoary sage; and the able, of the time—of the Holy Office.

It is fully, and tearf

Reader, are you a parent? Have you the President, Ascoli, the secretary, is pain tory of the persecuting Inquisition, and their the town expands, the first petal it puts forth and in receiving and blessing even little ty, a copy of the objectionable book. "The modern Jonahs have directed their interest, of a Saviour to whom you feel the restrain him; "and ought to be dealt with side with them, but rather, it would seem, place the strongest confidence? Could they ces would do well not to imitate the lenity God send to each generation its Garricks, speak of Jesus, and the reverence and grati- what it has led to? This visionary staryour all and in all.—Rev. J. Smith.

nal of the Inquisition.

ages-was ill it ease. A man, noble and "The preacher then spoke of the duty of learned, whom they had hoped was silenced level the stately fabric raised on the spiritual prostration of mankind.

And what was it that caused this dismay

the universe.

ablest defences of its most eloquent advo- and get up the case against him. The re- fiendish smile, "and he shall recant!" cates. Let the lines be drawn. Let us sult of these machinations was that, on the can judge of the soil in which the system is of the earth's motion, on pain of being his anger is cooled, he will consent to Galito the papal chair, under the title of Urban the president is about to speak." VIII. was hailed by Galileo and his friends

Teacher, the advanced age of sixty-eight under- against heretical depravity, to consider whewe like to live in darkness. You break up mitted to Niccolo Ricciardi, who filled the ing in inculcating doctrines which the Holy be the ruin of our tribe. And now we tell tion; and he, either from being too dult to teach. The holy tribunal, at that time degospel is not known.' 'But how is this?' a few alterations which he pointed out. It If I oppose your customs, it is because the was Galileo's intention to have published it Bible is opposed to them, and because they at Rome, under the superintendance of his are wrong. Your children I teach, as I do firm ally, Prince Cesi; but the death of that And I sometimes try to do you a good turn eral at that place, who also must have been besides.' 'Yes; but you teach repentance blind to the real aim of that book. All difand faith; and a penitent, believing man, figulties surmounted, it was printed, and is, to us, as good as dead. He no longer early in 1632 lay before the Council of the takes pleasure in our pursuits, nor labours Inquisition, troubling their minds as much to build his father's kraal, but leaves it and as the writing on the wall did the Babylon-

> upper end, covered also with black cloth. by a canopy. In it is seated the president of the assembly. Is it the holy father, Pope Urban VIII., come to condemn that

which as Cardinal Barberini he encourag-In the neighbourhood of Ross, a lady, Vatican, but it is wispered about that he ed? No; his Sanctity remains in the benevolent purposes, took her little daughter has caricatured him in his book under the character of Simplico, who conducts the dithe child could not exactly make out. So, Others say that he is absent, because he alogue in favour of the Ptolemiac system. the infallible head of the church, entertains similar opinions to the Florentine: and, not having the candor and boldness to protect Galileo, will not take personally a part in I need not say one word about how the lady felt, but, if the remark had been made Cardinal di Ascoli clad in the robes of the to us, how should we have felt? Would it chief inquisitor, occupies the chair. On each side of him sit, according to their rank, truth? In reference to too many, I fear, it the eleven cardinals who compose this termay be said with too much truth. Many rible and searching court. But, besides these, we observe the violent friar of former children to public worship, if they put good books into their hands, and if they have Minerva, whose whole frame appears to

We have heard of sermons preached in how attentively they often listen to you? ary evidence, collected by the malice of them deserve the reproach. It is hard to conhow attentively they often listen to you? take up the cross, and follow Christ. They live to do good and please God, while every labor and received the control of the cast for we have a minister who can be asset for who can be asset for we have a minister who can be asset for we have a minister who can be asset for who can your highest love? As of that Saviour, to the floor, seems to enshrine the assemt o exercise their unlimited power to attain not be satisfied with merely defending the who, for you, performed wondrous deeds, blage in impenetrable mystery; there is the desired end. theatre. He eulogizes it. He claims that who for you suffered tremendous agonies, nothing to relieve its monotony, except at are named together for the reason that in philosophy and practice they are well-nigh inseparable. Our reading furnishes food

These are "the holv women" of this are named together for the reason that in equipage—all is brought into subjection to the one supreme purpose of their lives.

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as of a subject in which you feel the deepest cini, overcoming the efforts of Castelli to conclude, from the frequency of which you of the supreme congregation in 1616. See tude that you feel toward Jesus, that He is gazer, who sets himself up against the Holy Scriptures, is not content with reiterating his damnable heresies, but he mocks you by Youngs. Rep.]
"Still also does he send into the world The Philosopher at the Tribuers, and scandalises the Church; and you," his subtle disguise; he insults our holy fath-

continued he, turuing fiercely to Castelli, you were the correspondent of this arch-It was winter time in the year of grace heretic; take heed that the mud does not 1632, and the members of the tribunal of stick to you! Who can touch pitch, and centre of our system," asked the Cardinal

Ginetti, "why should Joshua have commanded it to stand still?" "Might it not be, your eminences," mildly suggested Castelli, "that Scripture must age has not tamed his noble spirit; but his not always be interpreted too literally; and downcast look evinces the degradation he that in speaking of these things, it only conveyed the popular notion of the day." a penitent, barefooted and bareheaded, bear-Caccini started back. "For the Scriptures ing a lighted taper in his hand he reaches polished like a mirror of bronze, and we reconcile-your pardon, Lord Abbot," said single mind. Truly the Inquisition has mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace to the "'I will say openly, that as a preacher I must inevitably lead to the confession of to Holy Writ, construe with all due reverence the sacred page not too literally.'

A murmur of dissatisfaction at this "liberal" opinion passed through the assembly, and Caccini muttered that the Abbe Castelli had acknowledged himself a heretic.

This work fell upon the Romish priest-that the Pope's mathematician has only a waste of type, paper, and the patience of our readers. We publish the extracts mereour readers. We publish the extracts mereour readers. We publish the extracts mereour readers. We publish the extracts mereof action, rather than of speculation. It was a fiery energy; and as such swept abroad in all directions, and joining stern issue with everything of a sinful character or tendency, every article which the ensiave there; no sighs, or groans, or gnashing of the Inquisition. In 1615, a that his holiness himself. Remember you not, lord cardinal, there; no sighs, or groans, or gnashing of the individual character mere in such that his holiness himself. Remember you not, lord cardinal, that his holiness himself. Church of Rome holds, teaches, and monk of the Dominican order, Lorini by name, had denounced him to this fell tributed that no person need fear to undertake to prove it true? Will be, think you, consent where the noty cambrid apostomic apostom into a maze of sophism and absurdities.— nal. Caccini, the Dominican, his deadly prove it true? Will he, think you, consent The preaching of such 'liberal Christianity' enemy, was bribed by the masterpiece of to this heretic being summoned before the as this, will do more for orthodoxy than the the convent of Minerva to settle at Rome, Holy Office? Once here," added he, with a

> "The Pope," returned the cardinal hur quisition, to renounce his heretical doctrine and if we seek permission of him before rooted—then we can decide whether it is thrown into prison. To his honor be it leo's being arrested; then," continued he the "tree of life," or a deadly upas that said, that Cardinal Maffeo Barberini op- with a sardonic smile, "the parental care of

> The Cardinal di Ascoli at this moment as a safeguard and pledge against the un- rose, and kissing the crucifix before him, scrupulous meddling of the Holy Office, then spoke to the assembled prelateswhich checked and crippled the advance- "Your Eminences are aware that we are met this day as Inquisitors-General through-In 1630, accordingly, Galileo completed out the whole Christian republic, and spethe work we have mentioned above, and at cial deputies of the holy apostolical chair white man! We black people do not like took a journey to Rome, to obtain the ther Galileo Galileli ought not to be sumthen news you bring us. We are black, and requisite licence to publish it. It was submoned before this Holy Office, for persistour kraals, and eat up our cattle; you will office of "Master of the Palace," for inspecyou to-day, if you do not cease, we will leave apprehend its real meaning, or willing to sirous of providing against the disorder and you, and all this region, and go where the serve Galileo, gave his approval, subject to mischief which was proceeding and increasing through his erroneous doctrine, to the detriment of the holy faith, commanded the Theological Qualifiers to express the doctrine of the Church, and they laid down, you, to become wise, and good, and happy.
> And how do I eat up your cattle, and break up your kraals and your tribes? All that I obtain from you I pay for—do I not?
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> I obtain from you I pay for—do I not? pressly contrary to the Holy Scriptures and the proposition that the earth is not the centre of the world, nor immovable, but that t moves, and also with a diurnal motion, is also absurd, philosophically false, and theologically considered, equally erroneous in faith.' This Galileo subscribed to; but he has now dared to publish a book"-pointing to the copy lying on the table—" In which he reiterates, under specious guise, all his former heresies. The Inquisition was mild before, but it must be firm now; for the Church will lose all its power, if a man like this is allowed to contravene her settled doctrine with impunity. The holy father, just-

> > before the sacred and supreme congregation, he must and shall be made to abjure his will no longer befriend the Florentine, who heresies. Is it your pleasure, then, that he be at once summoned before us?" The council all expressed their approval -Castelli alone remaining silent; and half an hour afterwards, the mandate which was to summon the noble philosopher before the dreadful tribunal, was returned, bearing the signature of Urban VIII.

y amazed at his contumacy, will consent to his admonition by the Holy Office, and once

this act of religious persecution. at the gates of the convent of Minerva. This day the Inquisition is to signalise its triumph-to reap the fruit of its unweary ing persecution. Galileo has been in the eternal city since the 14th of February. part of the time—of the Holy Office. It is darkly hinted by many that torture has

little ones around you? Do you notice fully laboring through a mass of document- acknowledged cruelties in many cases make

Within the walls of the convent are the truth-to pride themselves on the noble heart about to be broken. It is their work. Let them enjoy one hour of malice and revenge. It was truly a bitter stroke, to compel him to abnegate his belief, under the roof of his deadliest enemy; but the Inquisition plumes itself on omitting nothing which can add to the Florentine's degrada-

The solemn mockeries of the mass have been performed; cardinals, bishops, priests, and monks, have prostrated themselves before the consecrated host; the incense in lazy clouds is mounting to the vaulted roof; the pealing organ is still reverberating through the pillared aisles; the thousand lights are flashing back through the perfumed haze, from the magnificent pix and massive gold plate on the high altar; when the crowd at the lower end of the chapel divides, and an old man, guarded by two familiars, slowly advances towards the glittering throng. He is of middle height, and although now somewhat bent by age and shame he must have once possessed a mus-"If the sun does not move, but is in the entre of our system," asked the Cardinal fire of genius still flashes from his penetrating eyes, and his now snowy hair and long beard emhance the natural dignity of his countenance. His quick glance shows that feels. Clad in the coarse woollen garment of before his judges. Yes! prostates himself well broken in its victim.

His sentence, subscribed by seven cardi-

nals, is read by the chancellor, and then comes the concluding act of this atrocious trial. Still kneeling before the Inquisition, as though before his God, Galileo, laying his hands on the holy evangelists, repeats after the fiscal proctor of the Holy Office this humiliating falsehood :- " I, Galileo "I am afraid," whispered Caccini to his other neighbour, the Cardinal Bentivoglio, that the Pope's mathematician has only swear that I have always believed, and with the help of God will in future believe. every article which the holy catholic aposthe sun is the centre and immovable, and forbidden to hold, defend, or teach the said false dectrine in any manner: and after it had been signified to me that the said doc trine is repugnant to the Holy Scriptures, I have written a book, in which I treat of the same doctrine now condemned, and adduce reasons with great force in support of the same, without giving any solution, and therefore have been judged greviously suspected of heresy; that is to say, that I held and believed that the sun is the centre of the world and immoveable. Willing, therefore, to remove from the minds of your eminences, and of every Catholic Christian this vehement suspicion rightfully entertain ed towards me, with a sincere heart and unfeigned faith, I abjure, curse, and detest the said errors and heresses, and generally every other error and sect contrary to the said holy Church; and I swear that I will never more in future say or assert anything, verbally or in writing, which may give rise to a suspicion of me; but if I shall know any heretic, or any one suspected of heresy, that I will denounce him to this Holy Office, or to the inquisitor or ordinary of the place in which I may be. I swear, moreover, and promise, that I will fulfil and observe fully. all the penances which have been or shall be laid upon me by the holy Office; but if it shall happen that I violate any of my said promises, oaths, and protestations (which God avert!) I subject myself to all the pains and punishments which have been decreed and promulgated by the sacred canons, and other general and particular constitutions against delinquents of this description. So may God help me, and his holy gospels, which I touch with my hands. I, the above named Galileo Galilei, have abjured, sworn, promised, and bound myself as above; and in witness thereof, with my own hand have subscribed this present writing of my abjuration, which I have recited, word for word.' The inquisitors looked on with grim satis-

faction, whilst the old Florentine recited his abjuration. Rising painfully from his knees, the hot stinging blood of shame and remorse tinging his withered cheek, his eyes wandered over his ruthless persecutors. Foremost among them, with an expression of almost demoniacal satisfaction, stood the mitred abbot, Caccini. For a moment the spirit of younger days stirred up Galileo's heart; the memory of the past overwhelmed his fear of the present, and turning to one who stood near, he exclaimed, fiercely stamping his foot on the ground, "E pur si muove"-" It does move though."

From this assembly of tyrannical and bignature of Urban VIII.

Let us pass on to the concluding scene of its act of religious persecution.

On the 22d of June, the whole of Rome at the gates of the ga family misfortune, its spiritual sword was ded over his head. His discoveries, which shamed the country in which they were elaborated, were condemned in the Index Expurgatorious, and a disease, contracted, it is said by some, through the tor-