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### A Beautiful Poem.

Religious Miscellany

The Philadelphia Christian Observer introducing to its readers the following sublime ode translated from the Russian, remarks:—"It was written by one of their most distinguished poets Derhaven.—The ode is said to have been translated into the Chicaca and Translated into the Chinese and Tartar languages, written on a rich silk, and suspended in the imperial pa-lace at Pekin. The Emperor of Japan had it translated into the Japanese, embroidered with gold, and hung up in the temple of Jedda. We believe that no man, however powerful his intelwith Holy Writ, ever did or ever will compose so exalted a poem. It abounds in Scriptural allusions.—The finest parts of the ode were written when the soul of the author, perhaps unconsci ously, was wrapt in contemplation of passages in the Bible. One of the most exquisite verses in the poem is that where the poet fleeing from the nothingness of humanity, takes shelter in the gloriously consoling idea that the divine spirit Immediately afterward follow the words, 'In thee I live and breathe, and dwell.' beautiful passage is borrowed from Acts, chapter xvii. verse 28, 'In him we live and move, and have our being." GOD.

O Thou Eternal One! whose presence bright All space doth occupy - all motion guide; Unchanged through time's all devastating flight, Thou only God! there is no God beside,

Being above all beings, mighty One! Whom none can comprehend and none explore
Who fills existence with thyself alone, Embracing all-supporting-ruling o'er; Being whom we call God-and know no more

In its sublime research, philosophy May measure out the ocean deep-may count The sands, or the sun's rays-but God! for

There is no weight nor measure, none car

Up to Thy mysteries. Reason's bright spark, Tho' kindled by Thy light in vain would try To trace Thy counsels, infinite and dark; And thought is lost ere thought can soar so high, Even like past moments in eternity,

Thou from primeval nothingness didst call First chaos, then existence—Lord, on Thee Eternity had its foundation; all Sprung forth from Thee-ot light, joy, barmony,

Sole origin-all life, all beauty thine; Thy word created all, and doth create; Thy splendour fills all space with rays di-Thou art, and wast, and shalt be, glorious great !

Life-giving, life-sustaining Potentate! Thy chains the unmeasured universe surround.

Thou, the beginning with the end hath bound, And beautifully mingled life and death!

So suns are born, so worlds spring forth from Thee ; And as the spangles in the sunny rays Shine round the silver snow, the pageantry, Of beaven's bright armies glitters in Thy praise,

A million torches lighted by Thy hand, Wander unwearied through the blue abyss They own Thy power, accomplish Thy command, All gay with life, all elequent with bliss=

What shall we call them? Piles of crystal A glorious company of gloden streams? Lamps of celestial ether burning bright?

Suns lighting systems with their joyous beams But Thou to them art as the moon to night. Yes, as the drop of water in the sea,

All this magnificence in thee is lost: What are ten thousand worlds compared with Thee. And what am I, then? Heaven's unnumber-

ed host, Tho' multiplied by myriads, and arrayed In all the glory of sublimest thought,
Is but an atom in the balance weighed Against Thy greatness-is a cipher brought Against affinity! What am I then ?- Nought

Nought! but the effluence of Thy light divine, Pervading worlds have reached my bosom

Yes, in my spirit doth Thy spirit shine, As shines the sunbeam in a drop of dew, Nought !- but I live, and on Hope's pinions fly Eager toward Thy presence : for in Thee I live and breathe and dwell, aspiring high; E'en to the throne of Thy divinity, I am. O God! and surely Thou must be!

Thou art! directing, guiding all, Thou art! Direct my understanding then, to Thee; Controll my spirit, guide my wandering heart, Tho' but an atom midst immensity, Still I am something, fashioned by Thy hand I hold a middle rank '(wixt heaven and earth, On the last verge of mortal being stand, Close on the realm where angels have their birth, Just on the boundaries of the spirit land.

# Speculation.

ever, it holdly launches into the "deep things | ward show of piety on Sunday to shade the of God, as if nothing were beyond its grasp, sombre hue of week day selfishness. or too obscure for its research, it oftentimes, like the incautious diver, stuns itself against a rock, or sticks in the slimy mud is useful is knowable, and may be obtained by ordinary industry and sagacity; but when mind starts on right principles, and with an humble consciousness of its limited powers. its diligent explorations may bring forth resaid to be allied to insanity, because often illustrations of its wild speculations, not to be surpassed in unintelligibility except by some of the German philosophical theorists, who are suffered to roam at large as men of subtle genius.

Inose wind are organisation of the supporting foundation is the organisation of the society in question places to persons of rank and talent, but, unlike his to persons of rank and talent, but, unlike his to persons of rank and talent, but, unlike his to persons of rank and talent, but, unlike his to persons of rank and talent, but, unlike his to persons of rank and talent, but, unlike his to persons of rank and talent, but, unlike his to thimself; and the organisation of the supporting foundation is the organisation of th

The history of philosophy, falsely so called in the ages past, affords a sad illustration of fruitless and pernicious expenditures of mind. Little benefit have the men of speculative Tractarian Attacks on the Bible mind conferred on the world, while in secular philosophy and theology they have awakhesitation in admitting what is most certain and fixed. It may be thought to be very ingenious to suggest and attempt to demonstrate that the material universe exists only in the idea and is unsubstantial, or that all things are material, and there is no spiritual existence; a man may acquire the reputation of a philosopher who seriously engages in the proof that matter is self-originating, and that the harmony of the universe is the result of a chance medley or of a blind selfdevelopment; one may claim attention as a subtle reasoner who proves there is no God as a first cause; and another by an opposite course of proof that every tree and stone and drop of water is God; it may be esshines in his spirit, 'As shines the sunbeam in a teemed philosophical to explode revelation, to strip the Deity of his attributes, to convince men that they should distrust their own consciousness, and that they should hope in nothing; while if a confirmed lunatic should thus discourse, we would be apt to pity in him the wreck of intellect. In fact, speculations of this kind, wherever seen, are the evidence of disordered intellect. If one should, in these modern days, say: " Life attend to, and I have no time to devote to phers," he should be commended for his practical wisdom. Life is, indeed, too brief to be expended in attempts to understand devil to encourage ungodly scholars to broach were not doing a good work. However such wares. — Presbyterian.

### Fashionable Religion.

Upheld by thee by Thee inspired with necessities to aristocratic devotion; and to Close upon the consecration of this offspring As sparks mount upward from the fiery blaze, of a nightmare, comes a public auction where the right to worship God in a con-spicuous situation is knocked down to the ighest bidder at so much per cubic feet. The election of a pastor is a work of great responsibility, and accompanied with intense excitement. The congregational fleeting is called. Two or three deluded individuals suggest the propriety of choosing a man of eminent piety, which meets with no favor. and the mover is pronounced an "old fogy." The sense of the meeting (meetings are often devoid of the article,) approves of an elothe organ is the next imperative demand, and, by the aid of the figurantes of the opera, a concert leads off the attack upon the strongand, by the aid of the figurantes of the opera,

hold of Satan. It is not impossible, in view of the advancing enlightenment of the age, that we may follow weeks of animated discussion with retrot; and, as pew backs are usually high Record. and angular, they do not exactly accommodate themselves to the skillful execution of that terpsichorean accomplishment, inasmuch as a foot coming in contact with the cushioned stool, frequently facilitates the forward

We believe we speak reverently when we say that such a religion as this works out a curse a thousand-fold more baleful than the blatant infidelity with those kid gloves clerunder the impression of extraordinary genius, gy so eloquently rebuke. Fashionable life under the impression of extraordinary genus, there is a reaching after the unknowable, is at best a sham; but when it carries its the result usually is mystification, and uninthe result usually is mystification, and unincorrupting hypocrisy into the sacred things
the result usually is mystification, and unincorrupting hypocrisy into the sacred things
to require the unknowable, is at best a sham; but when it carries its
Praise to Jesus who is the holy Saviour.
Praise to the holy Spiritual Wind which is the
Holy Ghost.

"Transe to the three persons who are one true God."

its members are actively engaged in canvassing for the candidates of the clerical party to pointed the distance of the clerical telligible and pernicious theory. When the of life, it becomes a malevolent demon, trifling with realities that stretch into the unknown hereafter. And it is the imperative sults of real value. The contrary of this is duty of all who can, to tear from its face the true of a perverse intellectualism, which painted mask with which it hides its dishefice itself within any bounds. Genius is velled deformity, and hold it up before the world in its true light—a cold and calculatfound in connection with abnormal mental ing fiend, working disastrously in all our so. the world? exercises, and often in our hospitals we find cial system, blasting with its foul breath the

# Religious Intelligence.

Society. A Correspondent has called our attention o the East Cornwall Times' report of a lecture delivered at Launceston by the Rev. E. L. T. Daunt, who (as we learn from the Clergy List) is Vicar of St. Stephen's, in or near that town. The lecture was professed ly on the "Origin, Design, and Applica-bility of the Bible," but it was, in fact, an attack not only on the Bible Society, but on the sacred volume itself. The reporter first recapitulates the introductory part of the lecture, which appears to have been a laboured attempt to confine the "applicability" of the various books of the Old and New Testament to the narrowest limits. He

" From all this the lecturer concluded that the possession of the Bible by the laity or great body of the people was totally unnecessary and even burtful; he would challenge any one to bring forward a single instance in which the Bible, separate from the teach ings of the Church, that is, the Episcopa clergy, had ever been the means of saving a single soul. On all these grounds he held it incontrovertible that the Church, meaning by that term the clergy—or, as he would from evil and calamity and receive our souls s brief; I have many duties to perform; I denominate them, the priesthood—were the have my temporal and spiritual interests to only fit depositories of the Bible, and only under due regulation should the Scriptures the unravelling of the vagaries and specula-tions of those so-called profound philosoinnumerable errors in their attempts to learn the doctrines it contains On these accounts he strongly condemned the 'Bible Society,' what is not intelligible, or worthless, if it and all the efforts it employed to distribute had a meaning. It is an artifice of the the Scriptures among the people. They theories which profess to explode religion, startled his audience might be at what he and thus, in a measure, to force ministers of was going to say, he still would not hesitate the defence of liberty of conscience; but religion, as conservators of the truth, to to declare in the name of the Father, the leave their great duties of instruction to gain | Son, and the Holy Ghost, standing on the a knowledge of such daring speculations, in brink of eternity, heaven or hell before him. order to resist and refute them It is even that 'the Bible Society was doing its work far worse, when ministers themselves, by a sacrifice of their high and holy calling set All this was uttered by the speaker in tones and love, and with strong desire that the evil aside plain truths, to become traffickers in of solemnity, but his audience were greatly may soon be corrected. shocked by sentiments so utterly opposed, in their judgment, to the doctrines of the Bible and the teachings of the Church of which

he professed to be the expositor." The lecture was followed by a discussion In high aristocratic quarters, hypocrisy in the course of which the Chairman (Rev. gress of their principles, or the union of the ty" religion is popular, and devotional exer-Christ is a congregation of faithful men."

quent satisfies, who has a reputation for saying exceedingly uncharitable things in a very quiet way, about sister denominations Under the guardianship of this shepherd, the Under the guardianship of this shepherd the Under the guardianship of this shepherd the Under the guardianship of this shepherd the Under the guardianship of this shepherd. The guardianship of this shepherd the Under the Guardianship of this shepherd the Under the Guardianship of this shepherd th Church commences operations. A trial of my numerous friends help you among our Somerset clergy."

the possession of the Bible by the laity was unnecessary and hurtful," or "that the Church means the priesthood," but by imyet chronicle disappearance of installation plication, admitting the other points stated. services, and, in their place, dilate upon the Such sentiments need no comment. Our graceful waltzing of Miss ———, at the Rev. Mr. ———'s inauguration ball. Here the surprise and indignation manifested by Mr. Daunt's audience. A correspondent, gard to pew furniture. Knots of jewelled signing "Veritas," pointedly remarks :- "I dowagers meet in the aisles of vestibules, to am very much surprised that your very res interchange views in respect to what color pected clergyman could sit so long in the of velvet for prayer-book bindings, the light chair, and hear the Christian religion so vilistreaming through the stained glass window, fied, and the glorious liberty of the Gospel would enhance in its effect. On the Sab- truth trampled under foot; much better bath morning, flashing carriages roll up be- would it have been, had he vacated the chair, fore the Church door, and set down their and stated that the doctrines set forth were loads of richly dressed ladies. It seems to not his. If such had been propounded by be impossible for a young lady to get into a an humble tradesman, or a mechanic, he pew without performing the Jenny Lind would have been branded with infamy."-

# Chinese Christian Prayers.

movement without materially adding to its American Missionaries - Messrs Hartwell. grace. The congregation once seated, the Crawford, and Holmes to the rebels at Qung the Holy Synod have the means of making overture is performed on the organ, introduc- San and Soochow, about forty miles from the office of Patriarch anything but an easy ing all the popular airs, from the of Jullien, or the latest gem of Ethiopian Minssad condition, the natural consequence of the ex-Patriarch. He is said to be a dull trelsy, to the sounding diapasons of Mozart war, infested with bands of robbers, and dan- and narrow-minded man, and by no means A speculative mind, in connection with religion, is surrounded by peculiar dangers. thus afforded for close observation of every religion. The Missioneries between the surrounded by peculiar dangers. religion, is surrounded by pectual dangers. Thus another thus another than manual making before self-protection. The Missionaries however some delay in the election of his successor track, and to despise common sense—to search after the hidden, to deal with the subtle, and to pry into the abstruse, may be harm- sions in the west end, to discuss epicurean wherever they went, they had only to hold less and even profitable, provided its subjects of investigation are ligitimate. When, howamong them, we do not gather from the re- Society of St. Vincent de Paul. port; but they certainly found the assertion of a Christian belief. The Sabbath is observed among them as a day of social worship, and they have an ordinance which answers to that of baptism. Their doxology is

"Praise to Shangti who is the heavenly holy Father,

The missionaries obtained also from the nay, more, they act as political spies on the military commander at Qung San an ab- pledges and the votes of their neighbours. stract of their faith, a prayer, and a blessing This additional feature in the business is before meat, which is always repeated kneel- rendered necessary by the nominal preva-

They are as follows:

"It saves the soul of man that he may en- opposition to his clerical supervisors. The

evil his soul shall ascend to heaven."

"Morning and evening prayer. We ---- little ones bow down upon the earth to pray our heavenly Father the great Shangti, to grant grace, to pity, to save, o preserve us. Give thou continually to us. the Holy Breath (or Spirit) of God to change our wicked hearts. - Never let the Devil deceive us, but evermore strengthen us. Never let the Devil persecute us. We trust in the redeeming merits of the Holy Saviour, the ancient Teacher who is our elder brother in heaven. We trust also in the merits of the learned teacher of later day, the eastern King who redeems us from disease, that they may in our stead pray our heavenly Father the great Shangti that his will may be perfectly done on earth as it is in heaven.

"Look down upon us and answer our prayer.-In our hearts we truly wish these

" Blessing before a meal. "Heavenly Father the great Shangti bless us little ones. Give us day by day clothes to wear and food to eat. Deliver us

#### Baptist Churches.

The Morning Star Freewill Baptist pa per, in speaking of the "slavery of ecclesias-

tical intolerance," says : "It is singular that Bantists should be in tolerant; that they should so far forget their principles, and their history, and depart from the spirit of the gospel as to curtail Chris tain freedom. Once they stood foremost in they have now fallen under the power of a proscriptive spirit, which divides their ranks, hinders their prosperity, grieves their breth ren, and injures their own enjoyment and We are unable to see how truth con

science, consistency, or any good reason, demands or justifies this illiberality. It is not profitable to the truth; to the Christian growth of those who practice it; to the prohas its vantage ground. In "the best socie- G. B. Gibbons, Perpetual Curate of Laun- saints. If a brother or a Church, is in concises are essential as contrasts to opera nights views of the lecturer in regard to the Bible Christ from the Lord's table who have not and ball-room festivities. A pew in Church Society, towards whose funds he was a subis an element of respectability akin to a res- scriber, and although taking no active share who have been regularly baptized be exclu-Unique crucilorm Churches are absolute necessities to aristocratic devotion; and to this end human ingenuity is tortured to the table, but they also exclude all Christians, lair a league distant from Unique crucilorm Churches are absolute necessities to aristocratic devotion; and to the table, but they also exclude all Baptins end human ingenuity is tortured to the table, but they also exclude all Christians, lair a league distant from Unique crucilorm Churches are absolute only forbid Pedobaptist Christians coming the Brandenberg Gate of Potsdam, had been death-like send human ingenuity is tortured to the table, but they also exclude all Baptins end human ingenuity is tortured to the formula of the key will be read and the send and the achieve a medieval atrocity of diabolical as well as clergy, according to the Church's ugliness and miraculous includes and miraculous includes and miraculous included and said, 'Happy Ziethen, I was a moderate and practice, they say to est one-storied pavilion, with light glass doors will again appear. In the case of bodies will again appear. In the case of bodies scribe all Pedobartists, we will exclude you sided from the end of March to late in the your faith, it shall be done no more.' After more highly phosphorescent then paper, the Several other speakers concurred in these from our associations; we will denounce you wiews.

Several other speakers concurred in these from our associations; we will denounce you as irregular; we will not recognize you as vilion, which comprised five chambers, a re-Since penning this report, we (East Corn- churches, by giving letters to those of our ception room, a music and a dining-room, a symposium. We recollect to have seen this wall Times) have seen a letter addressed to the lecturer by a dignitary of the Church, acknowledge your ministers to be regularly which latter apartment, wainscoted with celately attending the assizes at a town in Cornwall, a portion of which, by the lecturer's permission, we here insert:

"My dear Six — Ide not know you gither the colours or striking contrasts, therefore all the lecturer's permission, we have involved in the universal minds. We are invo er's permission, we here insert :—

"My dear Sir,—I do not know you either because they are in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and coverings of his rooms were in error on the subject of curtains and covering error of the err by name or personally—I wish I did; but I baptism; and they proscribe the baptists be- soft tints. have just this minute read your noble and bonest stand (in to-day's Western Morning Christian brethren with this severity. In four, and in winter at five, sleeping five or ing things to the King, Frederick himself News) against that vile Society calling itself order, therefore, to get permission from them six hours during the strength of manhood, answered, 'You see only my bright side; phrases, which in past years they have heard quent satiriet, who has a reputation for saythe 'Bible Society,' and that, too, in this to celebrate the Lord's death, we must not and seven or eight in old age. He was ask the generals about my obstinancy and

#### The Pope's Contribution to the Maronites.

A letter from Rome says :- " The Holy Father has sent his subscription of 5,370 francs for the Maronites of Syria, and ha given orders that the Society of the Propaganda shall likewise subscribe. All the clergy approve the expedition, and are offering up prayers that the French may interfere and establish themselves in Suria. Statistical returns to be found in the College of the Propaganda, show that the Roman Catholic Maronites amount to five hundred thousand souls, forming nine divisions, of which the principal are established at Aleppo, Tripoli, Damascus, Beyrout, and Sidon. There are one hundred convents, inhabited by one thousand monks. There are three hundred churches, and five hundred secular priests."

# State of the Greek Church.

The Greek Church is at present without head, as the Patriarch Cyril has placed An interesting account is given in the his resignation in the hands of the Turkish North China Herald of a visit of three Government. Such an act in the East is by no means uncommon, as the Porte and

Of this Popish Society, which has just received a heavy blow from the French Government, a "Roman Catholic" writes -" I happen to know something of the working of the society in Belgium, and I can testify to the fact of its being a tool in the hands of the clerical party for political ends its members are actively engaged in canvass ing for the candidates of the clerical party lence of the ballot in Belgian elections,-an arrangement which leaves a tradesman not "Is the true doctrine like the doctrines of the less exposed to intimidation and loss of custom if he presumes to give a vote in

## General Miscellany.

#### Tyrolese Song.

When freedom's fight is fought in vain, Where doth the sacred goddess rest? Doth she not leave the fated plain For hunters' home and mountain cres Where tyrant's foot has never trod. Where despot power has left no trace, Where hearts are true to home and God-Say, is not that her dwelling place?

> CHORUS: For the rifle that rings the Chamois'skne Can stop the invader's march as well, And the ramparts we ask against our fo Are rifles like these and rocks like those,

The simple faith that our fathers knew We cherish now with a jealous care, The mountain songs that moved them, too, Can urge us still to do and dare : Ho! comrades, raise our battle shout, Let each one grasp his brother's hand

And let the suow-crowned peaks ring out " Our homes, our God, our Father land." CHORUS: For Tyrol hearts have never quailed, And Tyrol arms have never tailed With rifle and steel to meet the foe, And hurl him back on the vale below,

#### Frederick the Great-The Latter years of his Life.

From the New Orleans Picayune

on brethren not This country-seat, half a league distant from

did not rise at the appointed hour. He then its value in his eyes solely from its relation ble; but these traces were there, and in the read his letters, washed himself, and in his to the future; it may, therefore, well be belatter years put on his wig and hat, which lieved that the unintellectual indolence, imhe always wore except when at table or providence, and voluptuousness of his ne be then looked over the list of strangers who novance to him. All his hopes were centerglasses of water, he took coffee. At an ear- nephew, who so long occupied the Prussian but as he grew older it no longer agreed him; he then played the flute until nine Frederick the Great said, 'Il me recomo'clock, and these were the moments when mencera." It was to this youthful prince, his best thoughts occurred, as it were flow- for whom destiny had reserved so many

ner, remaining at table generally three hours. | Bishop Eylert, in the park of Sans Souci. It was not till his later years that the fashion set in of dining at two in the afternoon. His guests were generally from seven to ten in French; after which he took from his in number-officers, men of letters, and and two prepared according to his peculiar fancy and from his own recipe. He generalwere given up, and the evening closed with trangers were delighted. "Ce roi, said Voltaire, 'avait bien de l'esprit et en faisoit avoir ; et ce qu'il y a d'extraordinarie, c'est que jo n'ai jamais fait de repas si libres.

Unlike his father, Frederick was slovenly several days' growth, with snuff powdering self, and be firm; think of me; watch over his face and his waistcoat. On his left hand

en is open to him. The mercy of our towns this society is a focus and hotbed of ness. Repartee was dangerous with him, head to foot, offered me his hand, embraced heavenly Father is boundless. He spared intrigue and of clerical espionage. I do not except of superlative quality, on which oc- me, and dismissed me with the words, " Do not his first born Son, but sent him down to know whether it is so in France, or not; casion he was rather pleased than offended. not forget this hour " I have not forgotten the world to give up his life as a ransom that but I should think nothing more likely, as He once asked a physician from Hanover it. he might forgive the sins of men. If a man the organisation of the society is the same how many men he had sent into the other In the summer of 1786 he was so awolknow this doctrine, repent, and depart from everywhere In England the political no- world; to which the son of Esculapius re- len with dropsy that he was unable to lie in nentity of the Popish body, and of its clergy, plied with readiness, 'Not nearly so many bed, and he called himself 'a good night bappily does not permit a similar employ- as your Majesty, and with infinitely less watchman' to the Duke of Courland, as he ment of this society; but, were the occas.on glory.' The Canon of Breslau, Abbe Bastia- was awake the whole night. Being pressed ever to arise, I have no doubt that its mem- na, being teased by Frederick about his be by the Moravians in Berlin to think of a bers, consisting chiefly of young enthusiasts, coming some day pope, with the question in future state for 'with God nothing was imwho, under clerical 'direction,' hardly dare conclusion, 'How will your Holiness then possible' he said to his secretary, 'You to call their souls their own, would be found receive me? To this Bastiani replied, must give these people a civil answer; they equally ready with their Belgian brethren 'Qu'on fasse entrer l'aigle noir, je dirai ; certainly mean well to me.' On the morning for intrigue and underhand dealing, in the Aigle tout puissant, couvre moi de tes ailes, of the 16th of August, General Robdich enservice of religion, as they would say. As mais epargne moi tes coups de bec! He tered to receive orders, but Frederick, with is, they are fortunately restricted to the could even stand a repartee from one of his an imploring look made him understand that less obstrusive, although, possibly, the less domestics: his coachman, who had been he could no more attend to him: his last exciting, function of prescribing soup and many years in his service, once upset him words were after a fit of coughing, ' Cela flannel to the poor old women. Let us hope while going at an extraordinary pace; Fred- sera hon la montagne est passee' that this period of Arcadian innocence may erick grasped his cane to inflict a blow, but ing to his own wish he was not embalmed, be perpetual. I write from personal know- Jehu disarmed his anger by the resolute and was laid out in state with his military question, "Has your Majesty never lost a cloak up to the neck-

> Frederick, the severest was that administered to him by General Ziethen, one of his dition of his age, and even of the lighter acbravest and most devoted officers, who was complishments of the drawing-room, he so great a favorite that when the King in his creates our astonishment and extorts our adlatter years came only occasionally to Ber- miration. But that large philosophy which lin, his old companion in arms had the leads to not from, God was unknown to Frehonor of a personal visit at his house, in the derick; and it is impossible to read with at-Koch Strasse. Having been invited to the tention the history of Prussia in the days of King's table on Good Friday, the old gen- our Fathers, without coming to the conclueral excused himself, as he was in the habit of taking the Sacrament on that day, and the indifference which signalized the tempassing the remainder of it in religious meditation. When Ziethen hext dined at the royal table at Saus Souci, the King said, Well, how did the Sacrament on Good Friday agree with you?—have you digested well the real body and blood of Christ?' spicuous, example - Edinburgh Review. This question was followed by the hilarity of the company, but Ziethen shook his hoary head, and rising, addressed the King

never feared any danger; and that, whenever it was required, I have resolutely risk- ated, the wafer be shaken off, we shall find ed my life for you and for the country. This that the whole polished surface is not as it feeling still animates me: and if it is of any was before, although our senses can detect use, and you command it, I will obediently no difference; for if we breathe again upon it, lay my head at your feet. But there is One the surface will be moist everywhere, except above us who is more than you or I, on the spot previously sheltered by the wathan all men-the Saviour and Redeemer of fer, which will now appear as a spectral the world, who has dearly purchased salva- image on the surface. Again and again we tion for us with his blood. That Holy Sa- breathe, and the moisture evaporates, but viour I cannot allow to be ridiculed, for in the spectral wafer re-appears. This experihim rests my faith, my trust, and my hope ment succeeds after a lapse of many months, in life and death. In the strength of this if the metal be carefully put aside where its faith your brave army has courageously surface cannot be disturbed. If a sheet of lought and conquered; if your Majesty un- paper on which a key has been laid be ex-The advanced period of Frederick's life dermines it, you undermine at the same posed for some minutes to the sunshine, and was spent in the tranquillity of Sans-Souci. time the welfare of the State. This is a then instantaneously viewed in the dark, the true saying indeed. May it please your key being removed, a fading spec

When the Prince de Ligne, in 1789, dur- with our being and modifies it. There are when speaking with persons of high rank; phew and snecessor were a deep source of anhad arrived, and after drinking several ed on the infant son of his spendthrift lier period he used to breakfast on chocolate, throne with the title of Frederick William III., father of the reigning king, and of whom dark days, beginning with that of Jena, that Then followed the audiences of his minis- Frederick the Great said, when pressed to ers, who presented themselves before him give up his playing ball, 'You will not alin full dress, and transacted their business low Silesia to be taken from you."

with him standing. The King, then took The last interview of the youthful prince exercise, and attended parade, after which at with Frederick the Great, when on the eve 'Just on this bench I saw him for the

foreigners; his amiability at the convivial I translated for him. It chanced to be one. board was renowed, and the conversation which I had studied with my tutor, and such as persons of higher intelligence delight him this when he commended my proficien to discuss. The table was generally served cy. His stern face then brightened up, and, He was fond of champagne, but objected to Rhine wine, its acidity contracting the shable impression upon me, and dissimulade la pendaison.' After dinner the King from a child. When Frederick dismissed again played the flute, and in the evening me, he said, "Well, Fritz, try to be a sterlthere was a concert, in which he took a part; ing character, par excellence. Great things but in his latter years, when his hand shook, await you. I am at the end of my carrer, and he had lost his front teeth the concerts and my day's work will soon be accomplished. I am afraid that things will after my of ferment everywhere, which the rulers, especially those in France, unfortunately foster, instead of appeasing and extirpating them. The masses are already beginning to make a move, and if this comes to a head, n person, a defect that increased as he grew it will be the 'devil let loose.' I am afraid older; he wore ragged linen, dirty shirts, you will some time be in a very persons and old clothes, cracked boots, and a beard of difficult position Well, then prepare yourour honour and our glory; commit no injushe constantly wore two costly diamonds o tice, nor submit to any." Whilst thus speak he will be alarmed at everything; he shall the first water. His hat when new had to ing he had arrived at the entrance of the be afraid of that which is high, and fears be kneaded until it was soft. His only expensive personal (ancy was for snuff boxes, it," he said to me; "this pyramid says to tree when it flourishes in full blossom, his which he left one hundred and thirty, of you, 'Ma force est ma droiture.' The cul- hoary head shall be conspicuous in the conthe collective value of one million three hundred thousand dollars. He could not looks and crowns the whole; yet it does not look and crowns the whole; yet it does not

Thus died Frederick in the unbelief of Of the various rebuffs experienced by the eighteenth century. Great king, great warrior, great statesman, master of the erusion that the frivolity, the corruption, and porary fall of this otherwise vigorous State, had its ultimate cause in that systematic ridicule directed against the religious sentiment, of which Frederick set the most pernicious, because the most signal and con

#### The Universal Metamorphosis If a wafer be laid on a surface of polished

metal, which is then breathed upon, and if, when the moisture of the breath has evaporwarming, emerge in their proper order. This is equally true of our bodies and our minds. We are involved in the universal their masters utter, without of course, comintense light of cerebral excitement they started into prominence, just as the speciral image of the key started into sight on the application of heat. It is thus with all the fluences to which we are subjected .- Corn hill Magazine.

# Human Life.

A view of the different materials of which man is composed may teach us to form a proper estimate of him. He stands between he two worlds-the natural and the spiritual-and partakes of both. His body is material; but its inhabitant descends from another system. His soul, like the world from which it comes, is immortal; but his body, like the world to which it belongs, is twelve o'clock precisely, he set down to din- of dissolution, was described by himself to frail and perishable. From its birth it contains in itself the seeds and principles of dissolution-towards which it tends every day and hour-by the very means which last time. I was required to speak to him nourish and maintain it, and which no art pocket La Fontaine's Fables, one of which can protract beyond a certain term. In spite of precaution and medicine, the evil days will come, and the years draw nigh when he was in French, mostly on abstract topics, which I therefore knew very well. I told shall say, I have no pleasure in them. Pains and sorrows will succeed each other, as the clouds return after the rain, blackening the with eight dishes, -four French, two Italian, gently patting my cheeks, he added, "That's lace of heaven, and darkening the sources right my dear Fritz; only be always hon-est and sincere, and never try to appear active and vigorous keepers of the house y drank a bottle of French wine at a sitting. what you are not, but always be more than grown paralytic, shall trembe; and the strong men-those firm and able columns which support it-shall bow themselves and throat, giving, as he said, 'un avant-gout tion and lies have ever been hateful to me sink under the weight. The ex ernal grinders of the food, the teath, shall cease, because they are few, and the work of mastitication be imperfectly performed. Dim suffusion shall vail the organs of sight; those hat look out of the windows shall be darkened. The doors, or valves, shall be shut in supper and conversation, with which all death, go on pele-mele. There are elements the streets—or a leys—of the body, when the digestive powers are weakened, and the ound of the internal grinding is low. Sleep, if it lights upon the eyelids of age,

will quickly remove again, and he will rise up at the time when the first voice of the bird proclaims the first approach of the morning All the daughters of music shall be brought low; he shall hear no more the voices of singing men and singing woman. Timidity and distrust shall predominate, and bear smoking, which was the way in which his father preferred to use tobacco.

Frederick was most engaging and polite to persons of rank and talent, but, unlike his father, indulged in no familiarity with ordinate father fathe grasshopper, in the season of his youth was