

and departed. He had seen and heard something wonderful, and he resolved to know more about it. He had seen a man in humble life happier than any noble or king, and who appeared to have acquired the habits and manners of a new life. His religion seemed to have ennobled him, so that it touched his worldly calling and made it honorable; touched his station in society, and rendered it not unworthy of one holding good rank in the household of God. It was evident that rank with God and wealth with him did not depend upon externals; for the honorables of heaven were often poor, and yet might convey the greatest riches to others. This cobbler enjoyed all the privileges of his Father's house. The shadow of the throne was over him, he communed with the King, and received constant supplies of grace from the fountain of all grace, communicated by the Holy Spirit. So the Jewish student read, and weighed the evidences of the New Testament in comparison with the Old. He came to Hans and conversed about his doubts and discoveries and expectations; and the poor disciple became the teacher

of the lettered student. The result was his conversion to the faith of Christ. He became the Rev. Mr. N——, for many years an eminent and successful missionary to his Jewish brethren in Siberia.

Let every Christian remember his rank; see that he does not dishonor it; but in every way recommend it to the attention of the world. It does not become a king's son to adopt the manners of a clown. The sons of God should be without reproach, and shine as lights in the world, putting always first the interests of their Father's house. He who belongs to heaven's nobility should be above the world's mendicacy. It was an old saying in the primitive times of the church: "I am a Christian, and such conduct is not permitted unto me;" and he who remembers God's words, "I will be a Father unto you," should so dignify his calling as to render it the greatest power on earth for the benefit of mankind. When God's children more fully prove by their whole lives that their names are enrolled in the heraldry of the New Jerusalem, converts will be everywhere multiplied.—*Cottager and Artizan.*

Christian Work.

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LAY REPRESENTATION IN WESLEYAN CHURCH.

The rights of the Christian laity have been the theme of animated debate in the recent Conference of the Wesleyans. In no Protestant communion whatever can these rights

henceforth be overlooked. Steps have been taken by Convocation with a view to representation of the lay element in the English Church. A joint committee of both provinces has affirmed the principle that the laity should be represented, and has suggested a plan whereby that end may be attained. Events now indicate that the Wesleyan body may be expected soon to follow their example. In Ireland that denomination has re-