

is the work for genius to accomplish, and genius alone; for ordinary men cannot perceive analogies in language, and do not know what rough jewels lie by the way side. But the wise man will pick them up and smooth them to his purpose. Even the commonest words gain force and beauty when put into new connections of thought. I remember being present at a great meeting at Manchester, assembled to discuss the best means of promoting a national system of education, and hearing a public character remark "that by attending that meeting he was not making *political capital*;" and I saw clearly that this expression was a new coinage, and would have extensive currency, which has proved to be the case, for I have noticed its adoption by men of eminence in letters, as well as by journalists and public speakers. And this is an example of what I mean by the enrichment of literature from sources which are foreign to it. The phrase in question is, however, I believe, of American origin.

In order to correct and form the taste for good English writing and speaking, it is necessary to read none but the best books. The mind soon becomes accustomed to noble and eloquent speech, and demands thenceforth a high standard from those who would win its favours: and it as readily becomes diseased when it feeds upon the garbage of the common shambles. Culture is the one thing needful to put down quackery, whether on the platform or in literature.

DIBINITY.

THE ATONEMENT OF CHRIST.

Should the Editors of the *Repository* think of publishing any more original sermons, we place at their disposal the accompanying sketch, from the pen of a rising member of the Irish Conference. It was sent to his friend in Canada, the "Stripling Preacher," the late lamented A. S. Byrne, by whom it was highly estimated for its theology and arrangement. It was copied out for the writer, by the hand of Byrne. It is sent as received from him.

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A sermon preached by Rev. Charles Lynn Grant, before the annual meeting of the Inniskillen District, * * * May, 1849.

"For I delivered unto you first of all that which I received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures;"—1. Cor. xv. 3.

I. THE EVENT, AS RECORDED IN THE TEXT.

II. THE EVENT, AS IN AGREEMENT WITH THE SCRIPTURES.

I. The event as recorded in the text,—Here we remark:—