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CONSOLATIONS OF EXILE, OR AN EXILE'S ADDRESS TO HIS DISTANT CHILDREN. (Written in the East Indies, by David Lester Richardson, author of "Literary Leaves, or Prose and Verse."

O'er the vast realm of tempest-troubled ocean,-O'er the parched lands that vainly thirst for showers,— Through the long night, or when nor sound nor motion Stirs in the noon of day the sultry bowers,-Not all un'companied by pleasant dreams,
My weary spirit panteth on the way;
Still on mine inward sight the subtle gleams
That mock the fleshly vision brightly play.
Oh! the heart's links, nor time nor change may sever,
Nor Fate's destructive hand, if life remain;
O'er bill and solved when the structure and sizer O'er hill, and vale, and plain, and sea, and river, The wanderer draws the inseparable chain.

Fair children! still, like phantoms of delight, As the same stars shine through the tropic night That charmed me at my own sweet cottage door. Though I have left ye long, I love not less; Though ye are far away, I watch ye still; And e'en, though absent, guard ye from each ill! A silent converse o'er the waters wide; And Fancy's spell can speed the lingering hours, And fill the space that yearning hearts divide.

And not alone the written symbols show Your spirits' sacred stores of love and truth, Art's glorious magic bids the canvass glow With all your grace and loveliness and youth; Thus the fair forms that in my native land Oft filled my fond heart with a parent's pride, Are gathered near me on this foreign stra And smilingly in these strange halls reside; And almost I forget an exile's doom : For while your fillal eyes around me gleam, Each scene and object breathes an air of home, And time and distance vanish like a dream!

Oh! when sweet memory's radiant calm comes o'er The weary soul, as moonlight glimmerings fall O'er the hushed ocean, forms beloved of yore, And joys long fled, her whispers soft recal; At such an hour I live and smile again, As light of heart as in that golden time, hen, as a child, I trod the vernal plain, Nor knew the shadow of a care or crime Nor dream of death, nor weariness of life, Nor freezing apathy, nor fierce desire, Then chilled a thought with unborn rapture rife, Or seared my breast with wild ambition's fire.

From many a fruit and flower the hand of time Hath brushed the bloom and beauty; yet mine eye Through life's sweet summer waneth, and my prime Of health and hope is past, can oft espy Amid the fading wilderness around Such lingering hues as Eden's holy bowers earth's first radiance wore, and only found Where not a cloud of sullen sadness lours. Oh! how the pride and glory of this world May pass unmirrored o'er the darkened mind Like gilded banners o'er the grave unfurled, Or Beauty's witcheries flashed upon the blind!

Though this frail form hath felt the shafts of pain, Though my soul sickens for her native sky,
In visionary hours my thoughts regain
Their early freshness, and soon check the sigh
That sometimes from mine inmost heart would swell
And mar a happier mood. Oh! then how sweet
Dear Boy State of the state of Dear Boys, upon remembered bliss to dwell And here your pictured lineaments to greet; Till Fancy, bright enchantress, shifts the scene
To British ground, and, musical as rills,
Ye laugh and loiter in the meadows green,
Or climb with joyous shouts the sunny hills!

IN AMERICA. (Continued from The Church of Sept. 6.)

Such was the plan for supplying some of the more small-pox within a week after his ordination, and rapidly sank under the disease.

ordination, and were even then mourning over the death of a companion who had fallen a victim to the disease of the country, had good right to speak warmly on this subject; and in Bishop Gibson, who had now succeeded to the see of London, they found not merely an attentive listener, but one who proved himself most anxious to redress the wrongs of which they complained. And here, perhaps, it may be convenient to take a review of the several attempts which had been made, both by memorials from the colonies, and Petitions from the society at home, to obtain from the

crown the introduction of episcopacy into America. Already we have quoted the opinions of the first missionaries on this subject, and there would be no difficulty in multiplying, very largely, the testimony of individual clergymen to a want which they all felt in common. It will, however, be sufficient to cite some of the more public and formal appeals.

In the year 1705, a memorial to the Archbishops and Bishops was agreed upon, and signed by fourteen clergymen assembled at Burlington in New Jersey, praying for the "presence and assistance of a suffragan bishop to ordain such persons as are fit to be called serve in the sacred ministry of the Church, and stating that they had been "deprived of the advantages which might have been received of some Presterian and Independent ministers that formerly were, and of others that still are, willing to conform and ree the holy character, for want of a bishop to give it.

aptized (they added) want to be confirmed."* Thus appealed to, both publicly in formal representations, and privately in the correspondence of its missions. donaries, the society took occasion to embody the stance of these several petitions in a memorial to e queen in 1709, as follows:—

We cannot but take this opportunity further to the cannot but take this opportunity, the misthe earnest and repeated desires, not only of the missiona. sionaries, but of divers other considerable persons that are in communion with our excellent Church, to have a bishop settled in your American plantations, (which we humbly conceive to be very useful and necessary for establishing the gospel in those parts,) that they may be the better united among themselves than at Present they are, and more able to withstand the designs of their enemies; that there may be confirmaons, which, in their present state, they cannot have benefit of, and that an easy and speedy care may be taken of all the other affairs of the Church which much increased in those parts, and to which, through Jour majesty's gracious protection and encouragement, trust that yet a greater addition will daily be made. humbly beg leave to add, that we are informed at the French have received several great advantages

from their establishing a bishop at Quebec."† It was about this time that, as we are informed by biographer, a plan was proposed for sending out ean Swift as bishop to Virginia, but it is needless to say that no appointment was made.

In 1710, Colonel Nicholson, the Governor of Virginia, and a most munificent benefactor to the Church, expressed in a letter to the Archbishop of Canterbury,

increase in North America."*

accession of George I., of renewing their application | belong to our peace."* to the Crown, and as the memorial contains not only The following is another specimen in the same rea full statement of the wants of the American Church, proachful strain:but proposals in detail for the best mode of supplying them, it is here given at length.

Grace of God of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, have freely received, they would freely give; but King, Defender of the Faith, &c.

Parts, 3rd of June, 1715. "May it please your Majesty,

late majesty, King William the Third, they have used of the Clergy and laity of the infant Church of Ametution, by sending over, at their very great expense, lously defending their independence, they discovered ministers, and to the utmost of their ability, for the it to be nothing but a source of disorder, and with one more regular administration of God's holy word and | voice they demanded to be placed under the governin many of your majesty's plantations and colonies in ances, and a plan by which they might be redressed. sound religion, which, as they humbly hope, hath re- bishops, the Bishops of the Church of England, dounded to the advancement of God's glory and the good of your subjects in those parts. In prosecution whereof, the said society were greatly encouraged and the earnest desires and repeated applications, not only the pure and primitive doctrine and worship of our speaker's line of thought may be so familiarly known, must take part each for themselves in her office, they of the missionaries, but of divers other considerable mother the Church of England, of which you are happy that his hearers may anticipate his conclusion; but in must listen to those commands which all their lives Church of God? persons in those parts in communion with our Church, at this day in [being] the great ornaments and rulers: such instances a form is in reality employed, though a they have neglected, before they can enter into the lift the clergy in general were more attentive to this to have bishops settled in your American plantations, "And whereas, for want of episcopacy being estamore judicious and considerate form might often be truth of Christ's presence with his people, or discern subject, their influence might modify the whole manpline, for ordaining men well qualified and willing to crated, our children are grown up and cannot be conjustly censured in the Romanists, who think it enough doth acknowledge thee." and unity, as well among the clergy as laity. To under doubts, and cannot be resolved,

LABOURS OF THE FIRST MISSIONARIES practice as are already converted thereunto: that is ministry, to say, two for the care and superintendency of islands, "May it therefore please your lordships, in your to pray with the understanding also. and as many for the continent; with the appointments of fifteen hundred pounds sterling per annum for each of the former, and one thousand pounds per annum important stations in the colony, but it pleased God to call away one of those who had just been separated this more especial service, before he could enter upon his ministry. Mr. Brown was seized with the small-pox within a week after his ordination, and rahama and Bermuda Islands: those for the continent, His surviving friends, during their short stay in the one of them at Burlington in New Jersey, where England, visited the Universities of Oxford and Cambridbridge, where they were received with every mark of took every opportunity, both there and in London, of entering fully into the condition of the colonial church, and of short in the condition of the colonial church, and of short in the condition of the colonial church, and of short in the condition of the colonial church, and of short in the condition of the colonial church, and of short in the condition of the colonial church, and of short in the condition of the colonial church, and of the colonial church, and admitted to honorary degrees. They exist denote the condition of the colonial church, and admitted to honorary degrees. They exist denote the condition of the colonial church, and admitted to honorary degrees. They exist denote the colonial church is residence, for a district extending from the east side of Delaware River to the utmost bounds of your majesty's dominions eastward, including Newfoundand of shewing the injury it was suffering for want of They who had crossed the ocean to obtain lawful ver to the atmost bounds of your majesty's dominions

> "The society humbly beg leave further to represent that the appointments for the bishops of the slands may be raised from the best rectory in the capital seat of each bishop from the ordinary jurisdiction, and from the tenth part of all future grants and escheats to the crown, if your majesty shall so please, with such local revenues as shall be thought fit to be made by the respective assemblies. The bishop of Barbados may have towards completing the said sum of 1,500%. per annum, the presidentship of General Codrington's College, to be erected within that island by the society therewith entrusted, under your majesty's royal licence. And the Bishop of Jamaica may have a like provision out of the church lands of St. Christopher's, formerly belonging to the Jesuits and the Carmelites, and other French popish clergy, if your majesty shall be so pleased to grant them to the use of the said Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, for the pected from St. Christopher's, may, unless other proper means be found out for their maintenance and by the favour of your majesty's donations, with a tenth

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minds of such men as Talbot, who, in his impatience, Johnson, says:

there's none to guide her among all the sons that she and I am persuaded that no bishop residing in Eng- bereft. has brought forth, nor is there any that takes her by land ought to have, or willingly to undertake, the proof the Gospel, p. 86.

Appendix to Journal of the Society for the Propagation
Appendix to Journal, p. 139.

Scott's Life of Swift, prefixed to his Works, p. 98.

The chief, Peter and John, to lay their hands of the Chief, Peter and J they did not stay for a secular design of salary; and

her Majesty, who was graciously pleased to return a twenty years calling till our hearts ache, and ye own tions of its advocates. favourable answer. The Church, therefore, seemed 'tis the call and cause of God, and yet ye have not so long aimed; but, unhappily, the queen's death oc-curring soon afterwards, put an end to the arrange-said the kingdom of God shall be taken from them,

(From the Visitation Charge of the Ven. Archdeacon R. J. Wilberforce.) and given to a nation that will bring forth the fruits The Society took an early opportunity, after the of it. God give us all the grace to do the things that

"I cannot think but the honourable society had | there's a nolo episcopari only for poor America; but "The most humble representation of the Society she shall have her gospel day even as others, but we for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign | shall never see it unless we make more haste than we have done."†

No stronger testimony could be afforded to the "The said society, with greatest humility, crave value and importance of episcopal superintendence, leave to represent to your majesty that since the time regarded merely as a matter of ecclesiastical polity, of their incorporation, which was in the reign of his than is to be found in the frequent and earnest appeals their best endeavours to answer the end of their insti- rica. Instead, as some would have supposed, of jeasacraments, together with schoolmasters, pious and ment of bishops and the discipline of the Church. useful books to and amongst your majesty's subjects The following is a statement at once of their griev-

of England in North America,

"May it please your lordships,

most obedient sons and servants."

An event occurred in 1723, which induced Bishop the service of the Church affords.

* MS. Letters, vol. xi. p. 335. † Ibid. vol. xii. p. 178. ‡ Vol. xiv. p. 144. § Fulbam Papers. || Chandler's Life of Dr. Johnson, p. 131.

his opinion, "that unless a bishop be sent in a short when the apostles heard that the Word of God was It will naturally be asked, if so general a desire was and thankfulness, as were manifested in the consentient inspired compositions, who not only abstain from its

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to take part in the service, they are open to the deludone much more if they had found one honest man to sion that written prayers are in some measure incon-"To His most Excellent Majesty George, by the bring gospel orders over to us. No doubt, as they sistent with fervency of spirit, and that the affections sistent with fervency of spirit, and that the affections and adoption the children of the kingdom, have lost impossible. Our Reformers were clearly of opinion, will not flow forth within the artificial barriers of a the habit of worship from the midst of us. preconceived devotion. That it has been so with themselves is obvious, otherwise they would not have make men feel than to demonstrate.

These donations shew that the interest in the full or- fullness of promise conditional on the common parti- party rancour which would be as repulsive to them as been followed in most forms of family devotion. ganization of the American Church was not confined cipation in a pre-arranged devotion. With such sanc- dangerous to ourselves. For nothing would be more A still more serious evil has been the prevalent

copate in America, were consecrated by the nonjuring unreasonable to imagine localities where there would Churchman.

into the kingdom of God's dear Son, their wonderful nothing is more usual than for men to speak of the necessary bondage than resort to it as the most approalteration produced such feelings of awe, reverence, Liturgy as the sublimest and most spiritual of all un-

not our Lord's own example for a form of prayer? that they take any part in addresses to which the very Was not written prayer the usage of that Jewish stones might be expected to respond. And yet, for

work, is the most earnest and daily prayer of, not follow unwritten words with which they were pre-

time, the Church of England will rather diminish than preached at Antioch, presently they sent out Paul and expressed by the clergy in the plantations for the ap-Barnabas, that they should go as far as Antioch to pointment of bishops, and the reasonableness and im-At length the Society appears to have matured a confirm the disciples, and so the churches were esta
portance of the measure were so fully admitted by the neighbourhood listen with a careless and insensible uppremeditated prayers in their families, or when they At leagth the Society appropriate the Society appropri colonies with episcopal government; and accordingly, and when Paul did but dream that a man of Macedo- was still delayed? The answer must be, that the voices of thronging congregations. Their responses, supply endless variety, their course is exactly contraon the 24th of March, 1713, a representation on the nia called him, he set sail all so fast, and went over prejudices of those who opposed the introduction of their psalms, are compared, as is well known, to the riant to that rule of our Reformers, which commanded subject was drawn up, and, in due time, presented to himself to help them. But we have been here these episcopacy into America outweighed the representative voice of many waters. And we hear with thankfulness the clergy to use "morning and evening prayer" every that when our Church is planted out in the new soil day, under a feeling that one day stands in want of few of heathen countries, the half-civilized inhabitants of petitions which are not needed by another. If it be on the point of attaining the object at which she had heard or have not answered, and that's all one. PUBLIC WORSHIP AND FORMS OF PRAYER. Africa or New Zealand are in like manner not unmoved by invitations which our own countrymen hear are continually employed, is not this an objection to with indifference; that the responses to our service the use of any public Liturgy? We come back, thereare now re-echoed in their native tongues with such fore, to the very fallacy which has been already refuted. piety and enthusiasm as befits the service of the King If unpremeditated prayer is expedient in a family, it And here must be noticed a difficulty which you of Heaven. Glad must we be that men should come is difficult to discern why it is unsuitable in that larger will no doubt experience, and which it will require from the East and West, and North and South, and household, the Church of God. But, in truth, its patience as well as reason to overcome. When men sit down as welcome guests in the great supper which adoption in a family is found to produce the same evils is set forth before mankind in the Church of God; but as would attend its employment in public worship, that O shame, my brethren, and confusion of face to our- common prayer, united worship, the consentient flowselves, who, living in a Christian land, being by birth ing forth of many persons in the self-same petitions is and I believe that no one has ever tried the experiment Excuse these passionate exclamations, to which I without witnessing to its success, that the constant been deaf to the Church's call, when she invited them am sure any zealous man among you must often be reiteration of the same prayers, if men combine with to lift up their voices in the sanctuary. But that this tempted. Surely the prophets of old time would have one heart and one voice in giving them meaning and error is their own fault, that it is by no means essen- called heaven and earth to witness against the irrevetial, that it flows from their negligent use of an rence and coldness of mankind, had they seen men their use. But even if the rule which they have preappointed means,—is a thing which it is less easy to assemble as our countrymen do in God's house, with- scribed is not fully complied with, yet to render a parout even bowing the knee in worship, without witnes- tial obedience to its spirit would in some measure con-To prove it, indeed, seems easy enough. Have we sing, either by word or deed, by answer or gesture, tribute to the same result. Suppose only that the family devotions of the clergy, if not consisting of the Order of Morning and Evening Prayer, were framed Church in the worship whereof he participated? Is all this, I am far from supposing that there is no piety in some degree upon its model. Would not the cusnot a part of the language of our prayer-book actually and devotion in the hearts of those, who, in the habit tom of bearing their part in responses and psalms give employed in the perfect worship of the hosts of of worship, are so lamentably defective. But since their households that habit of public worship, which, heaven? Has not the whole book of Psalms been put there are no new facts and no fresh profession by even among them, is often wanting? Might not this into the mouth of the Christian Church by God's which to alter their ways, it is impossible to enlist spirit spread to the rest of the parishioners? If the America, for their instruction and improvement in spirit? But more than this: not only is the use of a them in the startling and unwonted usage of a new part in the Christian Church by God's them in the startling and unwonted usage of a new part in the Christian Church by God's them in the startling and unwonted usage of a new part in the Christian Church by God's them in the startling and unwonted usage of a new part in the Christian Church by God's them in the startling and unwonted usage of a new part in the Christian Church by God's price of them in the startling and unwonted usage of a new part in the Christian Church by God's price of them in the startling and unwonted usage of a new part in the Christian Church by God's price of them in the startling and unwonted usage of a new part in the Christian Church by God's price of them in the startling and unwonted usage of a new part in the Christian Church by God's price of them in the startling and unwonted usage of a new part in the Christian Church by God's price of them in the startling and unwonted usage of a new part in the Christian Church by God's price of them in the startling and unwonted usage of a new part in the Christian Church by God's price of them in the startling and unwonted usage of a new part in the Christian Church by God's price of the children character of the church by God's price of the children character of the children character of the children character of the children character of the children children character of the children childre form of prayer defensible; it is in truth the orly means | service. Preaching and instruction in old truths will | part in the Church's public acclamations, if they listen "The representation and humble petition of many by which the full purposes of Christian worship are never move men to enter upon the novel practice of unconcerned while he invites them to join him in praise of the faithful in the communion of the Church attainable. Suppose one party to pray in the presence united worship. Rather must our beginning be on and supplication; can we wonder if a similar listlessof others, they may be edified, as St. Paul expresses the other side, and by a new mode of worship must we ness is found in the congregation? Are we not taught Anne, to whom, among other things, they then represented, as they now do most humbly to your majesty, the earnest desires and repeated applications, not only the pure and, primitive doctrine and worship of our public duties? The we not aught it, by his words, and his fervour may kindle theirs, but it is no common prayer;—they do but listen to his expressions. Cases may occur indeed in which the rule his own house, how shall he take care of the

as very useful and necessary for establishing the gosblished amongst us, and that there has never been any
adopted. In many cases, indeed, there is a virtual the divine significancy of what they have been wont ner of performing the important duty of family devopel there, for the due exercise of ecclesiastical discibishop sent to visit us, our churches remain unconserecurrence to the very practice which has been so
to hear, "the holy Church throughout all the world tion. The laity who have adopted this salutary take upon them episcopal ordination, for confirming firmed, their sureties are under solemn obligations, that the people should know the general purport of Here then lies our difficulty. We must infuse a manuer of performing it. The general prevalence of practice might often be guided to a more expedient persons baptized, and promoting of piety, duty, peace, but cannot be absolved, and our clergy, sometimes, the priests' petitions, and should accompany him belief in the existence of Christ's Church, not so the present usage must be traced probably to the fact silently after their own way, and in their own language. much by the force of argument, as by the habit of that in former times family prayers were often employwhich request she was graciously pleased to make a "But whereas, more especially for the want of that Thus we hear of persons who testify their approbation devotion. We must teach men through their prayers. ed by those who disliked that more frequent observmost favourable answer. But it pleased God the sacred power which is inherent to your apostolic, the of a prayer offered in their presence, by reiterated and Instead of founding habit on belief, we must build up ance of public worship, which was maintained till the same could not be perfected by her late majesty, as vacancies which daily happen in our ministry cannot sometimes unmeaning acclamations. A somewhat belief through habit. And, no doubt, some part of the last century. The consequence the society most humbly hope it will be under your be supplied for a considerable time from England, similar custom prevailed at one period in a part of this work may be effected through personal persuasion. has been that the great mass of forms of family devowhereby many congregations are not only become des- Spain, where, according to the Mosarabic usage, the The man who unites firm faith with earnest devotion, tion have been constructed upon a puritan basis. Not "Therefore, the said society, with all submission, olate, and the light of the gospel therein extinguished, people were taught to exclaim Amen, at each succeed- who is himself a living pattern of the principles which only is their language oftentimes cold and unspiritual, lay it before your majesty as their opinion, after the but great encouragement is thereby given to sectaries ing clause of the prayer of our Lord; but even in that he desires to cherish, will diffuse the contagion of a implying little gratitude for the benefits of the Bapmost mature deliberation, that it is highly expedient of all sorts which abound and increase amongst us, land it has been abandoned; nor did it ever find godly example among those who are within the sphere tismal covenant, and a low view therefore of the refour bishops be sent thither, as soon as conveniently and some of them pretending to what they call the entrance into our own. And there seems small wis- of his influence. For this end we need to be ourselves sponsibilities of the Christian character—the very may be, to forward the great work of converting infipower of ordination, the country is filled with fanatic dom in introducing it in the present day, since it imfully convinced of those truths to which we have dels to the saving faith of our blessed Redeemer, and teachers, debauching the good inclinations of many plies an obvious forgetfulness of our Lord's prohibition declared our assent at our ordination, that the ministration declared our assent at our ordination, that the ministration declared our assent at our ordination, that the ministration declared our assent at our ordination declared our assent at our ordination. for the regulating such Christians in their faith and poor souls who are left destitute of any instruction or against using vain repetitions like the heathen, as well tration of the doctrine and sacraments as they obtain but their very form and arrangement show that the as of St. Paul's counsel, to pray with the spirit, and in the Church of England is accordant to the com- public offices of the Church have not been the ideal mandments of God. Let a man be duly versed in models after which they have been fashioned. An great piety and regard for the government of the Indeed, why should one part of the Apostle's pre- Holy Scripture and ancient authors; let him perceive, obvious proof is the manner of using the Lord's Church by bishops, to think of some means cept be deemed at variance with the other? No one as the preface to the ordination service witnesses, that Prayer. This hallowed form of words has of long whereby these sorrowful complaints and most questions that the singing of hymns gives scope to the Christ's Church has existed from the days of the time been employed in the English Church as the ingrievous misfortunes may be heard and redressed, utmost measure of warmth and fervency. Yet, unless Apostles; let him be well grounded in those unantroduction to our acts of common worship. "It has and that Almighty God may, of his infinite mercy, the words are agreed upon beforehand, how could men swerable arguments by which the Anglican Divines been the foundation," according to the recommeninspire your thoughts, and assist your pious en- join with one accord in their adscription. United have shown that its present practise in this land is dation of Tertullian, "upon which our other prayers deavours to accomplish this evidently necessary praise would thus be impossible, because men could conformable to ancient law and Apostolic usage; let have been built." Such was not the primitive usage, viously unacquainted. Now what is common prayer his soul, as what neither requires proof nor admits our Lord's words, and address God as their Father, "Your lordships' most humble petitioners, and but the uniting in like manner in the same petition? refutation; let him be ready to risk all on this basis, Is not praise as much an address to God as prayer; and to flinch neither at the weakness of friends nor the mencement of worship, while a large portion of the This petition, which is dated June 2, 1718, was do not we speak to him when we thank, as much as to violence of enemies; let him resolve at all hazards to congregation consisted of unbaptized men. But not signed by order of the vestries of Christ Church, Phi- him whom we supplicate? The mass of men have put his resolutions into action, and to exhibit in the only does the daily service of the English Church beladelphia, and St. Ann's, Burlington, as also by the the same wants, as they have the same reasons for face of mankind the principles of the cross; let him gin with the Lord's Prayer, so soon as the profession of clergy and many of the laity in Maryland, and it may rendering gratitude; and why should they not employ make up his mind neither to desire praise nor fear penitence and promulgation of forgiveness have prepartherefore be fairly presumed to convey the sentiments the same words for petitioning favours, as well as for censure, but to fight to the death under Christ's ban- ed the worshippers to appear before God; but the district extending from the west side of Delaware Ridistrict extending from the west side of Delaware Riof the members of our Church in those colonies.

The destrict extending from the west side of Delaware Riof the members of our Church in those colonies. It was about this time that an unknown benefactor Besides, our Lord has been pleased to sanction the that He who sways mortal hearts will in time reward follow the reading of Scripture are commenced in the gave the sum of 1000% to the "Society for the Pro- use of preconceived expressions, not only by his own the fidelity of his service. Whereas a pusillanimous same manner. A similar practice is observable in the pagation of the Gospel," with directions that "the example, but by a promise of peculiar importance.— doubt whether the Church is truly Christ's earthly private prayers of some of our ancient worthies. But principal and interest might be applied towards the The common prayer of the Church, however few the kingdom, and whether invisible gifts are really dismaintenance of a bishop in America, when such bishop worshippers, intitles them to an attention, which surshould be established." This fund was increased in passes what is promised to any single devotion. If chill his heart and enfeeble his efforts. The same Public Worship, which was put forth by the long 1720, by a gift of 500l. for the same purpose, by Du- two of you shall agree upon earth as touching any confidence in his principles will produce a spirit of Parliament, together with their prohibition of the gald Campbell, Esq.; and, in 1741, by a benefaction thing which you shall ask, it shall be done for you of truly enlightened affection towards them who separate liturgy, defers all mention of the Lord's Prayer to the of like amount from the Lady Elizabeth Hastings. my Father which is in heaven. Observe the peculiar themselves from the body of Christ, instead of that conclusion of its ordinances. And this example has

tion from scriptural authority, and with those divine fatal either to our peace or our usefulness than to adoption of protracted recitations by the reader in-The fund continued to accumulate till the year examples of prayer and praise which have been allow that godly zeal with which we ought to contend stead of that system of antiphonal response of which 1787, since which time the interest has been paid bequeathed to us in the book of Psalms, it were for the truth, once delivered to the saints, to be contained to accommon Prayer affords so striking an towards the endowment of the bishopric of Nova impossible that so singular a blessing should be neg- taminated by the low and pitiful suggestions of per- example. Yet what can be better than the usage Scotia; the whole capital, in government securities, lected, did not entire disuse make our people wholly sonal jealousy. To be actuated by charity to men's which the Church has sanctioned, whether as regards ignorant of the rich mine of thought and feeling which souls, not by love of popularity, to lament their separation, because it shuts them out from the grace of in the Jewish Church, when under the immediate Gibson to press the matter more urgently on the at
But how are we to awaken them to greater attensacraments, not because it diminishes the number of direction of God; but the self-same manner of wortention of the minister. The Rev. Robert Welton, tion? How shall we induce them to seek for an ore our own hearers; to be zealous for Christ's glory, ship is practised as we are assured by that portion of purposes above mentioned. And the appointments and the Rev. John Talbot, who had so long and so of the value whereof they know nothing? Where are instead of wishing to be held in admiration because of the united family of worshippers which stand nearwarmly contended for the establishment of the epis- we to begin our efforts? It would not, I fear, be advantage, this is truly to act upon the principles of a est to the throne of God, with which the Church bishops, and went back to the colonies. The Govern-scarcely be found two or three persons enlightened on But we must not flatter ourselves that our admoni- if we regard the natural effect of a frequent interchange militant must naturally crave to be associated. And support by your majesty's great wisdom, be made up ment at home successfully interfered to prevent the the great truth that the Christian Kingdom is set up tions, how serious, earnest, and affectionate soever, of address and answer, we must recognize their efficacy out of the ordinary jurisdiction of their respective exercise of their functions, but still unaccountably re- in the world, and that by union with the Church men will produce at once any great effect. Men in general in arresting the attention and aiding the devotion of dioceses, some lands which may be purchased in those disconstruction of clergymen friendly are associated in its ranks. Are there not places in are not to be reasoned by old arguments into a new those whose thoughts are too apt to be left behind in which all serious and vital godliness is associated practice. We must teach them by example the nature a lengthened supplication. The two systems which In 1725, the society received a memorial from the merely with the thought of personal religion, where no of public worship. Yet, how are we to begin? In are thus opposed to one another depend in reality on part clear out of all future grants and escheats, if your clergy of New England, conveying a generally favour- sense prevails of the supernatural blessings which are some cases the question is hard to answer, but in two different principles and propose to themselves difmajesty shall be so pleased, and such proportion of the able account of the condition of their congregations, promised to communion with God in his public ordilocal revenues as shall be sufficient to make up the but complaining of the annoyance and oppression to nances, where men look solely to the experience of begin at home. Are we not reminded by Joshua's ers proceeds on the notion that prayer is a species of sum proposed, or in lieu of such appointments which which those who joined the Church were subject, es- their individual minds, and belief in the truth of declaration, that from the obedience and order of instruction, and is mainly designed to admonish the shall not be judged practicable, such bishopric on the pecially by imprisonment for non-payment of taxes Christ's public presence is well nigh obliterated.— individual families must arise that spirit which, radiat- auditory. The autiphonal responses of our public continent as shall most want a complete maintenance, towards the support of dissenting teachers, and sugmay have annexed to it either a prebend in your ma gesting, as the most effectual remedy, the sending of devotion with which we are so familiar? Do men extending its influence, will gradually overspread the prayer is God's worship. The former therefore seeks jesty's gift, the mastership of the Savoy, or that of St. "an orthodox and loyal bishop" to reside among them. enter God's House almost as carelessly as they would whole surface of social life. And where, if not in the such variety of expression as may stimulate the hear-"This great blessing of a worthy bishop" was desired, the Market-place,—do they sit at ease when the confamilies of the clergy, must we look for an attention to ers by its novelty; the latter desires that the public "And the society, as in duty bound, shall ever pray, not only by the professed members of the Church, but gregation is called upon to fall down with one accord the heart-stirring declaration of the latriarch, "As offices may be so familiar to men's minds, that all by many who, though disposed to it in their hearts, before the Majesty of Heaven,—is their voice silent for me and my house we will serve the Lord." Every may be able to partake in them. Now, strictly speak-But the time was most unfavourable for a conside- had hitherto been prevented from joining it openly." when men are invited to respond in prayer and Psalm, Clergyman, to whom God has given the government ing, it is this last system only which has in view the ration of the claims of the Church. The rebellion And here it may be permitted to an icipate the or —do they render no loud amen when the priest offers of an household, may secure at all events such habits real purposes of public prayer. And therefore, withhad just broken out in Scotland, and the jealousies of der of events, in order to shew somewhat more con- to God the collective services of the multitude, as of common worship amidst those who are sheltered by out implying censure upon those who have adopted party, heightened by distrust of a clergy suspected of nectedly how constantly this great question of the though for them were no part in the solemn offering his own roof as may teach his parishioners for what other methods of doing good, I cannot but think that favouring the Stuart family, precluded all hope of their American episcopate was pressed upon public attenof the people's worship—we cannot doubt that such purpose they assemble together. I am not speaking the clergy would find great advantage from constructpetition being entertained by the administration of Sir tion by the heads of the Church, even in an age of men have no knowledge of Christ's presence, or any now of the daily duty of public intercession in Church, ing their family devotion on the model of our public belief in the efficacy of that sacrifice which the Church but of the effect which may be produced upon the offices. In places in which the Church service is not Archbishop Tenison attached to the subject may be In his sermon before the society, in 1741, Secker, has been elected out of all nations to offer. There people on the Lord's day, if the habit of public worpublic worp judged of by the fact, that he bequeathed, by will, then Bishop of Oxford, spoke of the disadvantages may be among them much private worth, and personal ship be duly cultivated in the family of the priest.— Litany, according to the day of the week, together dated 1715, the sum of 1,000% towards the settle- under which the Church in America laboured for holiness,—and may God in his mercy through Christ There is no Clergyman probably whose daily life is with the appointed portion of the psalter, would supply accept and increase it,—but of the peculiar truths of not consecrated by some species of family devotion.— opportunity for accustoming their housholds to bear These delays were very mortifying to the ardent In 1749, Bishop Sherlock, writing to the Rev. Dr. the Christian covenant they are doubtless ignorant, But it may be questioned whether the mode in which part for themselves in social worship. Indeed such they are untaught in the doctrines of grace, in a mate- this duty is performed is always that which is best an usage seems naturally suggested by the obligation was tempted to lay the blame, though most unjustly, "I have been soliciting the establishment of one or rial portion of the creed of the Apostles they are un- adapted to make our households, as the ordination which the clergy have themselves contracted, that upon the society. The following characteristic re- two bishops, to reside in proper parts of the planta- informed, like the Samaritans they worship they know service suggests, "wholesome examples and patterns, either in public or private they will make daily use of monstrance is contained in one of his letters, written tions, and to have the conduct and direction of the not what, they are in danger of still greater and more as much as in us lieth, to the flock of Christ." Of the Common Prayer. Surely those who maintain a whole. I am sensible, for myself, that I am capable fatal heresies, and of all the inspiring and renewing the forms of worship which have been composed for form of family service, which has no reference what-"The poor Church of God here in the wilderness, of doing but little service to those distant Churches; effects of Christ's special presence they are absolutely family use during the present century, many have been ever to the authorised formularies of the Church, are the work of good men, and are adapted to call forth hardly shewing them such genuine affection as is like-And yet how are such persons to be instructed?— the feelings and express the wants of our nature. But ly to tell upon the feelings of their people. Nothing the hand of all the sons that she has brought up. vince. As soon as I came to the see of London, I The mere force of teaching will do little for their without exposing the Book of Common Prayer to be is more important for the clergy than consistency. When the apostles heard that Samaria had received presented a memorial to the king on this subject, which benefit. The facts of the Christian system have lost viewed in the unattractive light of a compulsory ser- Should it ever seem that while eulogizing the Book of the Word of God, immediately they sent out two of that novelty which produced the habit of devout worthat novelty which produced the habit of devout worthat novelty which produced the habit of devout woridentified by the sent out two of the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conthat novelty which produced the habit of devout woridentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, to be conidentified by the referred to his principal officers of state, ship among the earlier disciples. When men in adult praises which our ordinal receives should lead men if use; should we abandon it whenever we can evade the years were suddenly translated from Pagan darkness not to adopt, at all events to imitate it. Whereas requirements of authority, and rather accept it as a