

would be subscribed than would be necessary for the portrait, which was not to be a full length one, and would probably cost from £80 to £100, it was further suggested that with the surplus some academic honor should be founded, in the shape of a medal, a bursary, or a scholarship, and that it would be a graceful act to leave the determination of this to the venerable Professor himself. After a short conversation, in the course of which the Rev. Mr. Main of Edinburgh, Rev. Mr. Becket of Rutherglen, and other gentlemen expressed their warm approval of the movement, and in the course of which it was also stated by the Chairman that the Bishop of London had sent a letter volunteering his assistance, it was unanimously agreed to approve of the suggestions thrown out, and a committee, embracing gentlemen in all parts of the United Kingdom, was appointed to collect the necessary funds, and to co-operate with the smaller working committee at headquarters.—*Glasgow Mail*.

**KELSO NORTH CHURCH.**—This chapel, which has been lately vacated by the congregation of the Rev. Dr. Bonar, was re-opened on Sunday last in connection with the Established Church. Our readers will recollect that, in consequence of an arrangement, conducted, we believe, in the best spirit on both sides, the North Church was some time ago handed over to the Presbytery of Kelso as trustees for the Church of Scotland. This took place in September 1862; but, at the suggestion of the Presbytery, the Free Church congregation were allowed to continue to occupy the building for two years longer, that they might have time to build another place of worship. The period agreed upon having now expired, steps have recently been taken by the Established Presbytery to provide religious ordinances in terms of the constitution of the chapel. On Sunday last the Rev. Mr. Smith, of Kelso, conducted the service in the forenoon, and preached an able and appropriate sermon from Eph. iv. 4-6. "There is one body and one spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all." In the afternoon the Rev. P. McKerron, who has been appointed by the Presbytery to the temporary charge of the chapel, entered upon his stated labours, which, we are glad to learn, promise to be successful in a more than ordinary measure. The chapel was filled in every part, and the rev. gentleman's discourse on Psalm lxii. 7—a discourse remarkable for its freshness, earnestness, and eloquence—was listened to throughout with the deepest attention by the crowded audience. It cannot fail to be a subject of congratulation that in the case of this chapel an unavoidable change of occupation should have been at

last effected with, upon the whole, so little interruption of good feeling.—*Kelso Mail*.

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#### A CHRISTIAN.

*What was he?*—A creature of God, a subject of His government, a violator of His law, a despiser of the Gospel, a rejecter of the Saviour, a griever of the Spirit; an awakened inquirer, a convicted rebel; a penitent sinner.

*What is he?*—A regenerated creature, a redeemed sinner, a child of God, a brother of Christ, an heir of heaven, kind to his relatives, a lover of his enemies, a friend of his countrymen, a neighbor of the heathen; diligent in business, fervent in spirit, liberal in giving, abundant in good works, anxious for the welfare of souls; content with his situation, faithful to his promises, poor in spirit, meek under injuries, hungering and thirsting after righteousness, pure in heart, a happiness maker, persecuted for the sake of Christ, reviled for his religion.

*What will he be?*—A sanctified creature, a saved sinner, an inhabitant of heaven, a friend of saints, an associate of angels, a companion of Christ, a son of God.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION.**—Another effort is to be made in the United States with the view of securing important amendments to the American Constitution, relative to the recognition of God and His Christ. A mass Convention was to have been held in Philadelphia on the 29th ult., and the *Dawner of the Covenant* calls attention to the subject in the following earnest remarks:—

"The object of this meeting is surely such as commends itself to every lover of his country. Time has demonstrated that the gifted statesmen who founded this Republic, overlooked one fundamental idea, which necessarily enters into the structure of every enduring fabric of government—viz: a national and unequivocal recognition of Him, in whom men and nations shall be blessed. It is not yet too late to remedy the oversight, and to put the crown of the nation's prosperity and greatness upon the head of Immanuel. The germs of this Republic were men and women who honored Christ. It is our design and prayer, that the government established upon this continent, whatever might be its form, should honor the Son as well as the Father. The hearts of the people are now turned to liberty. Why should the freedom of the slave be the paramount object of the Government? The rights of God and His Christ are superior to all others. Let the nation 'kiss the Son,' and be no longer satisfied with vague acknowledgments of an absolute God, and before many months shall pass,