

POETRY.

A PRAYER.

Lord of the glorious realms above,
Lord of the earth and sea,
Fountain of everlasting love,
Deign to look down on me.

Humbly before thee now I kneel,
Be this sweet mercy's day;
Help me my numerous sins to feel;
Teach me, O Lord, to pray.

Full many an hour—nay, many a day—
Since first I saw the light,
Have pass'd without true love or fear
Of thee, who gav'st me night.

Pardon I ask for time mispent,
Pardon do not refuse;
Into my heart let grace be sent,
And grace that grace to use.

Jesus, henceforth vouchsafe to keep,
Watch over, succour, aid,
One of thy weak and wand'ring sheep,
Who oft from thee has stray'd.

In thine own blood wash out my sin,
With peace my conscience bless;
Give me that robe so pure and clean—
Thy spotless righteousness.

Help me to live to thee alone,
Though here I linger long;
All other lords may I disown,
And Jesus be my song.

And when the hour of death shall come,
O then, dear Lord, be nigh,
Bear me to thine eternal home,
Thy mansion in the sky.

REV. J. HARVEY.

RELIGIOUS MISCELLANY.

HAPPY ENGLAND.*

In the country to which I belong, the cause of the Jews has excited little or no interest. There are very few Jews in the United States. I heard there of some of the doings of this Society; and I could not but feel that no Society was more deserving the efforts and sympathies of all denominations of Christians. On my arrival in London, my first step was to present myself at the Jewish chapel, where I found myself, for the first time in my life, in a congregation of converted Israelites and believing Gentiles. At the Hebrew service I saw an Israelitish minister taking on his lips the name of Jesus of Nazareth; reminding me, not inappropriately, of the day in which Israel went forth to preach glad tidings. I should in vain attempt to describe to you my impression of the solemn service of that day. The whole service in the afternoon was performed in Hebrew; and, with my imperfect knowledge of that language, I did what I could to unite in prayer and praise with the blessed Jews. In the evening of the same day there was a Jew baptized; and I stood within a few feet of a converted sinner, over whom the angels of God were rejoicing.

My mind was naturally led to the contemplation of other countries, as contrasted with this, but I could not help thinking, looking to England's present condition and future history, that she had indeed a glorious destiny, and a high reward assigned to her—There are in England—as there must be in every state composed of such vast and complicated interests, and of so many mixed and various elements—many difficulties, many distractions, and many causes for dissensions, which retard her Christian progress; yet in the midst of all, I could not help saying, happy

*From an Address of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Hopkins, Bishop of Vermont, before the Episcopal Jews' Society of England.

England, happy England!—the first country which, having joined in the glorious bonds of the Reformation, did not stop till she had made the throne stand on the basis of the cross—until she had stamped the Bible on the richest diadem of the crown! Happy England, which has found out how to unite the majesty of the sceptre with the liberty of the people! Happy England, first in the rank to abolish the trade in blood—to break the fetters of the captive—to let the oppressed go free! Happy England, which first found out the spirit of genuine toleration! Happy England, which first held out the right hand of fellowship to the misguided Jew, and first strove to give back the oracles of God to his ancient people! And most heartily did I then unite, most heartily do I now in those words, with regard to the glory, liberty, and constitution of this country, happy, happy England, "Esto perpetua!"—*Missionary Register.*

AMERICAN ITEMS.

BISHOP MOORE.

It is a source of great satisfaction to the friends of this aged and venerable prelate—says the New York Express—that they have again the satisfaction of seeing him among them. On Sunday he preached from the desk of his son, in St. Philip's Church.—It was a pleasing sight to see the aged man, his head silvered over, dispensing the word of God to a people over many of whom he was a settled pastor more than half a century ago. No person has a more apostolic and sainted appearance than the Bishop, as he spreads his trembling hands over the desk. Although of great age, he appears to enjoy excellent health. He preaches with as much, or more vigor and animation, than at any period of his life.—*Ban. of the Cross.*

Missionary Contributions.—The S. S. Journal estimates the amount raised for Missionary contributions in the United States at \$729,871:—

	FOREIGN.	DOMESTIC.
Amer. Board of Commis'rs,	\$241,688	\$82,564
Baptist, - - - - -	110,190	18,720
Methodists, - - - - -	90,348	45,174
Presbyterian, - - - - -	62,979	41,759
Episcopal, - - - - -	29,153	38,444
Moravian, - - - - -	10,000	
Minor Denominations, -	10,000	10,000
	\$556,210	\$236,661

By the act of the revocation of the Edict of Nantz, the Protestants at Tours, were not only debarred their worship but exiled. The days of persecution for religion however are at an end, and it appears a Royal Ordinance just published, authorises the establishment of a French Protestant Church at Tours, which will enjoy all the privileges and advantages assured by the charter to such modes of worship as are recognized by the State.—*Ibid.*

Castle Street Chapel in Reading, which has been forty years in the Connex of Huntingdon's Connexion, has been consecrated for the service of the church of England by the Bishop of Salisbury.—*Ibid.*

It was stated by a speaker at a recent meeting of the Church Missionary Society, that a Methodist Missionary had translated the Prayer Book (some portions of it we presume) into three dialects of the Cingalese.—*Ibid.*

The very Rev. Dr. Wood, a distinguished member of the University of Cambridge, who died early in May last, contributed during his life, about \$66,000 towards building the College, besides founding nine scholarships of about \$180 each per annum. He has left to his college by his will more than \$180,000 besides his excellent library of 4000 volumes.—*Ibid.*

At a late meeting of the Church Missionary Society, it was stated that the negroes of Western Africa had contributed altogether, to the funds of that Institution, the sum of £1000.—*Ibid.*

South Australia—In his address to the natives who had assembled with the colonists to greet him on his arrival in Australia, Governor Goaler spoke of their duty to a higher authority than his own, and exhorted them to reverence their MAKER and GOD; whereupon the interpreter turned to him, and regretted that he knew of no terms in the language of the natives that would convey to them the import of those words.—*Ibid.*

A wicked man is a candidate for nothing but hell! However he may live, if his conscience were awake, he would turn pale at this question "What shall I do in the end thereof?"—*Cecil.*

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