

POETRY.

The following beautiful "MISSIONARY HYMN" is from the pen of the late Bishop HARRIS. It evinces a highly poetical imagination, and at the same time, manifests his ardent zeal for the extension of Messiah's kingdom.—We do not wish to particularize, but we think the last verse is singularly beautiful, and calculated to warm the coldest heart.
EPI. JOURNAL.

From Greenland's icy mountains,
From India's coral strand,
Where Afric's sunny fountains
Roll down their golden sand,
From many an ancient river,
From many a palmy plain;
They call us to deliver
Their land from Error's chain.

What though the spicy breezes
Blow soft o'er Ceylon's isle,
Though every prospect pleases,
And only man is vile;
In vain with lavish kindness
The gifts of God are strew'd;
The heathen, in his blindness,
Rows down to wood and stone.

Shall we, whose souls are lighted
With wisdom from on high,
Shall we to men benighted
The Lamp of Life deny?
Salvation! oh, Salvation!
The joyful sound proclaim,
Till each remotest nation
Has learnt Messiah's name!

Waft, waft, ye winds, His story,
And you, ye waters roll,
Till, like a sea of glory,
It spreads from pole to pole;
Till o'er our ransom'd nature
The Lamb for sinners slain,
Redeemer, King, Creator,
In bliss returns to reign.

EXTRACT.

"I sing of Death; yet soon perchance may be
A dweller in the tomb. But twenty years
Have wither'd since my pilgrimage began,
And I look back upon my boyish days
With mournful joy; as musing wanderers do,
Upon the bright and peaceful vale below,—
Oh! let me live, until the fires that feed
My soul, have worked themselves away, and then,
Eternal Spirit, take me to thy home!
For when a child, I shaped inspiring dreams,
And nourish'd aspirations that awoke
Beautiful feelings flowing from the face
Of Nature: from a child I learn'd to reap
A harvest of sweet thoughts, for future years."

MONTGOMERY.

THE GATHERER.

EARLY RISING.

Cobbett thus accounts for his having been enabled to accomplish so much as he has achieved, he says:—

"If such young men wish to know the grand secret relative to the performance of such wondrous labour it is told to him in a few words: be abstinent, be sober, go to bed at eight o'clock, and get up at four; the two last being of still more importance than the two former. A full half of all that I have ever written has been written before ten o'clock in the day; so that I have had as much leisure as any man I ever knew any thing of. If young men will set about the thing in earnest, let them not fear of success; they will soon find, that it is disagreeable to sit up or rise late. Literary coxcombs talk of 'consuming the midnight oil.' No oil and a very small portion of candle, have I ever consumed; and I am convinced that no writing is so good as that which comes from under the light of the sun."

A frequent impediment in reading is a disinclination in the mind to settle on the subject; at other times the mind is alive to the subject, but the memory retains no impression. It is necessary to summon the mental faculties, and carefully superintend their exercise. Various are the methods adopted to read

with advantage. Dr. Young used to fold down the leaves of particular passages. Dr. Watts recommends us to mark any striking parts with a pencil, in the margin; and others have made it a point to write out pithy extracts. Whatever is well worth reading should be reviewed to fix it in the mind.

The late Sir William Jones was one of the most eminent scholars and excellent men of the age. When he was a little boy, his inquisitive disposition led him to ask a great many questions, and his good mother used to say to him, *Read and you will know.* To this maxim, impressed upon his mind by frequent repetition, he confessed he owed all the advantages gained from books.

We seek the society of the ladies with a view to be pleased, rather than to be instructed, and are more gratified by those who will talk, than by those that are silent; for if they talk well, we are doubly delighted to receive information from so pleasant a source, and if they are at times a little out in their conclusions, it is flattering to our vanity, to set them right. Therefore I would have the ladies indulge with less of reserve in the freedom of conversation, notwithstanding the remark of him who said with more of point than of politeness, that they were the very reverse of their own mirrors;—the one reflected, without talking, but the other talked without reflecting.

SWALLOWING PLUMB STONES.—In August 1826, a Mr. Robert Martin, of Blenheim, N. Y. ate a quantity of plumbs, and under the impression that they would be less liable to injure him, swallowed stones and all. He was shortly after taken ill, and has been out of health ever since, until about two weeks ago, when he took a powerful emetic, and, singular as it may seem, he vomited up rising of thirty plumb stones, which must have remained on his stomach from the period of his having eaten the plumbs in 1826, to that time, about 18 months.

SWEET POTATOES.—A correspondent of the New England Farmer says that the sweet potato may be raised in this State with as much ease as the common potato. The writer has raised them for two successive years at the rate of 220 bushels per acre with less care than is bestowed on the common potato. A light, dry soil suits them best, and they will endure several frosts after the vines of the common potato are destroyed. We have seen some, very large, and of an excellent quality, in this vicinity.

When you read moral or religious books, first lay the instructions you receive to the heart, that they may affect you; then lay them up in the memory, that they may enrich you; lastly, lay them out in your conduct that they may guide and govern you.

RESIGNATION.—I am a resigned being, and take health and sickness as I do light and darkness, or the vicissitudes of the seasons, that is, just as it pleases God to send them, and accommodate myself to the periodic returns as well as I can, only taking care, whatever befalls me in this silly world, not to lose my temper at it. This, I believe to be the truest philosophy, for this we must be indebted to ourselves, and not to our fortune.—Sterne.

A machine has been invented by an Italian, for the purpose of banishing the fog from the City of Paris. It is mounted on wheels, and to omit sulphurous fumes through tubes, and is to be called *le diable ambulant*.

REMARKABLE SAGACITY OF A DOG.—A short time back a gentleman residing in the upper part of Carnarvonshire, received an invitation from a gentleman in Middlewich, Cheshire, to spend a month with him. The gentleman accepted the invitation, and took with him a favourite greyhound. The next day after their arrival, a mastiff belonging to the inviter, attacked the greyhound, and gave him a severe drubbing. The greyhound immediately took to his heels and fled to Carnarvonshire, a distance of about 90 miles, and the family were surprised to see the dog return without his master. Next morning the greyhound, and a remarkable strong bull and mastiff dog,

belonging to the same gentleman had disappeared, and no trace could be found of either of them until a few days afterwards, when a letter was received from the Welsh gentleman, stating, his bull dog and greyhound had arrived in Cheshire, and both had attacked the mastiff belonging to his friend, and had destroyed him before they could be separated.

Rath Journal.

SOCIAL.

London Papers of the 4th ult. brought by the Barque Juno from Liverpool, state, that the CATHOLIC RELIEF BILL had gone through the second reading in the House of Lords, by a majority of 105.

CORRECTION.—In our last number, we copied from the Minutes of the Wesleyan Conference for 1803, the Regulations adopted by that Body on the subject of *Female Preaching*.

In looking over the article, we find, that in copying the second regulation some words were omitted; in consequence of which, the force of the regulation is not fully expressed. To correct this error, we now copy the regulation entire.

"2. Before they go into any other circuit to preach, they shall have a *written* invitation from the superintendent of such circuit, and a recommendatory note from the superintendent of their own circuit."

Collect for the Third Sunday after Easter.

Almighty God, who shewest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness; Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's Religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

MARRIED,

On the 2d inst., by the Rev. the Rector of the Parish, Mr. GEORGE W. PORTER, to Miss CHARLOTTE MARY WAINOT, both of this City.

On Thursday morning, in Trinity Church, by the same, Mr. THOMAS PLUMMER, Merchant, to Miss MARY, fifth daughter of the late Capt. William Melck, of this City.

AGENTS FOR THIS PAPER.

Frederickton,	Mr. WILLIAM TILL.
Sheffield,	Dr. J. W. BARKER.
Chatham, Miramichi,	Mr. ROBERT MORROW.
Newcastle, ditto,	Mr. EDWARD BAKER.
Bathurst,	T. M. DEBLOIS, Esq.
Sussex Vale,	Rev. M. PICKLES.
Sackville,	Rev. S. BUSBY.
Moncton,	WILLIAM WILEY, Esq.
Shepody,	Mr. GEORGE ROGERS.
St. Andrews,	Mr. G. RUGGLES.
St. Stephen,	Geo. S. HILL, Esq.
Magaquadvic,	Mr. THOMAS GARD.
P. Edward Island,	Mr. JOHN BOWES.

NOVA-SCOTIA.

Halifax,	Rev. Mr. ROSCOMBE.
Cumberland,	THOMAS CRAIG, Esquire.
Newport,	Rev. R. H. CRANE.
Bridgetown,	Mr. A. HENDERSON.
Granville,	Rev. A. DESBRISAY.
Yarmouth,	Mr. JOHN MURRAY.
Barrington,	W. SARGENT, Esquire.

TERMS.—The "New-Brunswick Religious and Literary Journal" is published Weekly, by ALEX. McLEOD, at "The City Gazette" Office, at 15 shillings per annum, exclusive of Postage: one half payable in advance, the other half in six months.—All arrearsages must be paid, before any subscription can be discontinued, except at the discretion of the Publisher.

Ministers of any denomination are authorized and respectfully requested to act as Agents. To any such, and to other authorized Agents, procuring and forwarding to the Publisher ten responsible Subscribers, one copy will be sent gratis.

All Communications involving facts, must be accompanied by the proper names of the writer.