TEXTS AND THOUGHTS FOR EVERY DAY.

JANUARY 28.—FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY.

1. The righteous perisheth, and no man layeth it to heart; .... none considering that the righteous is taken away from the evil to come. Isa. lvii. 1.

If we felt aright, we should especially regret the loss of those who influence the world for good. But when the righteous are removed in unusual numbers, we should take the alarm for ourselves. It may be a sign that evil is coming from which they are removed; and we perhaps are left because we are not prepared, and need some severe visitation. May I take such lessons to myself, and at all times seek to prepare for my latter end.

2. Thou art wearied in the greatness of the way; yet saidst thou not, There is no hope. Isai. lvii. 10.

Worldly men are ever seeking satisfaction and never finding it. They are on a journey which will never bring them to their destination. At times they grow weary with the constant pursuit of an object which is ever removed farther off: but they do not abandon the hope of success, even when age comes and death must therefore be near. May I, in a better cause, imitate their perseverance; and when wearied with the greatness of the way to eternal life, let me ever say, There is a hope full of immortality.

JANUARY 29.

I dwell in the high and holy place: with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit. Isai. lvii. 15.

The men of this world, the higher they are in station the more proud do they become; and although they make use of the lowly, yet they do not associate with them: they avail themselves of the necessities of the weak and erring, but hold themselves aloof from their society. But He who is higher than the highest and holier than the holiest disdains not the sinner, if he be contrite; and he makes the humble his chosen friend. Glory to thee, O Lord, for thy gracious condescension.

2. The wicked is like a troubled sea, whose waters cast up mire and dirt. Isai. lvii. 20.

The wicked are so, because they are governed by their appetites and passions alone; for it is the office of these to move and impel the soul; and if they alone direct it, it is in continual commotion and flustration: for they oppose each other, and become more violent by opposition; whilst each separate passion becomes stronger when not controlled by reason and conscience. The result of this is to bring to light all the corruption of our hearts. Grant me, O Lord, to be ruled by reason and conscience, directed and enlightened by thy Holy Spirit, that my soul may be calm and tranquil.

JANUARY 30.

1. They seek me daily, and delight to know my ways, as a nation that did righteousness, and forsook not the ordinance of their God. Isai. lviii. 2.

This is the strangest of contradictions, and a most serious warning: that men who do not care to follow God fully, but cherish some bosom sin, should still seek him daily in his ordinances and in part seek to know his ways. These either fear to forsake God altogether, or find pleasure in offices of devotion from habit; but they do not desire to be cleansed from evil as evil. They hate not sin. They only dread its consequences. Search me, O Lord, and try the ground of my heart, and see if there be any way of wickedness in me.

2. If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day. Isai. lviii. 13.

The Sabbath is the Lord's own day, and is not for doing our natural pleasure, but his; that by devoting one day in seven to him, we may come to devote all our time to him. If therefore we would fully benefit by it, we must accept it as the Lord's day, and turn away our foot from it; and as his day we must make it separate to him, and honourable in our own estimation above all other days. This will cause us to delight more in God's ways. God grant that I may thus esteem the Lord's day, that I may find delight in him.

JANUARY 31.

1. There is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. Rom. xiii. 1.

This is contrary to the spirit of the age, which declares that the ruling powers derive their authority from the people; but we must take our opinions from God, who declares that, whatever secondary means he employs, the appointment of rulers comes from him. Let rulers own that all their authority is from God, and that they are responsible to One higher than man. Let subjects recognise the same fact, and willingly recognise in the powers that be a divine authority.

2. Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers: .... whosoever .... resisteth the power resisteth the ordinance of God. Rom. xiii. 1, 2.

The holy word of God says nothing of the worthiness of those who hold the power, nor of the justice of their government, but commands every soul to be subject: either performing their biddings, or submitting to their punishments, or pleading peaceably the injurious effect of them: and it declares that whosoever, without exception, resisteth the power resisteth the ordinance of God. May I have grace to take the word of God simply as it stands, and in faith to obey it.

FEBRUARY 1.

He is the minister of God to thee for good. Rom. xiii. 4.

Exercising a function expressly appointed by Him,—that of preserving outward order and executing justice between man and man; and being authorised of God to execute that office. This function is for good; for without it the strong would entirely overpower the weak, and the evil triumph over the good. To the good therefore he is especially God's minister, inasmuch as he is the means of their living in peace and enjoying quietly their own. Let me always confess these truths, and rejoice in the good hand of God in the powers that be.

2. Fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour. Rom. xiii. 7.

This confession of a superiority appointed of God extends, not only to rulers, but to all whom He has placed above us, by relation, by age, by spiritual ministry. To all these we owe fear of offending them, viz., to our parents and guardians, to the aged, and to our spiritual instructors; and we owe them the honour of respectful deportment. Let me cheerfully confess this due, and in all cases pay it willingly.

FEBRUARY 2.—THE PURIFICATION OF THE VIRGIN MARY.

1. They brought him to Jerusalem, to present him to the Lord; as it is written in the law of the Lord. Luke ii. 22, 23.

The law of the Lord required that every firstborn male child should be brought to the temple and presented to the Lord, in token that children and the fruit of the womb are his gift, and that the service and devotion of each succeeding generation is due to him. But Jesus was the firstborn of the spiritual seed of his new people; and in him all we have been presented to the Lord, and devoted to his service. Grant to me, O Lord, in body, soul and spirit to be more and more wholly thine.

2. And to offer a sacrifice, according to that which is said in the law of the Lord. Luke ii. 24.

The sacrifice was offered on behalf of the mother, to show that the fact of bearing and giving birth to a child of Adam is enough to pollute her, because by this means the original sin is continued on in the world; it was offered to entitle the mother again to join the worship of the sanctuary. But in bearing Jesus there was no pollution, for he was conceived by the Holy Ghost; and yet, because the law required the offering, it was willingly rendered. Let me be willing to obey the laws of God and his church, even though I may thus be liable to misconstruction.

FEBRUARY 3.

1. Lord, save us: we perish. Luke viii. 25.

The disciples were in danger of being overwhelmed by the waves, and we are in danger of being overpowered by the floods of temptation. They strove with all their force to get to land, and yet were constrained to cry, Lord, save us! And so we ought to resist temptation with a resolved heart; but we shall not finally drive it away without applying for higher aid. Lord, grant me never to sit still in the hour of peril. Grant me also to look for victory to thine Almighty aid.

2. When they saw him, they besought him that he would depart out of their coasts. Luke viii. 37.

This request could not have come from those who were sensible of the need of their souls, and desired to have them relieved. It was the request of those who were sensible that their desires were not the same as those of Jesus; that he desires to root out unholiness, and they desire to retain some sin: otherwise they would have desired the honour and benefit of his presence. Be thou, O Lord, always with me; and may I ever more and more desire thy presence within me.

Miscellaneous.

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Name of Co. incorporated.	Am't of Capital	No of Miles under cont't.	No of Miles compl'd
1. Champlain & St Lawr'n.	£30,000	—	16
Branch lines do	3 0,000	—	52
2. Cobourg,	1,000,000	charter expired	
3. Great West'n & branch's	10,000,000	65	240
4. Hamilton & P't Dover,	2,000,000	40	—
5. Erie and Ontario,	6 0,000	—	37½
6. Toronto & L. Huron,	2,000,00	not commenced	
7. Niagara and Detroit,	2,000,0 0	charter expired	
8. Huron and Ontario,	1,400,000	"	"
9. Quebec & Providence L.	—	"	"
10. London & Davenport,	200,000	"	"
11. Canada Union,	400,000	not commenced	
12. Upper & L. wer Ottawa,	1,000,000	charter expired.	
13. Eastern Townships,	600,0 0	"	"
14. S. Lawrence & Atlantic	2,400 00,0	—	120
Branch lines of do	—	115	—
15. Montreal & N York,	8,400,000	—	49
Branch of 14 miles,	—	not commenced.	
16. Montreal & Kingston,	4,000,000	"	"
17. Wolf Island, Kingston, and Toronto,	4,000,000	charter expired.	
18. Peterborough & P. Hope	1,000,000	—	—
19. Hamilton and Toronto,	1,500,000	45	—
Branch,	—	31	—
20. S. Lawrence & Industry,	48,000	—	—
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22. Bytown and Britannia,	2,0 0	charter expired	
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24. Canada, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia,	8,000,000	not commenced.	
26. Montreal & Providence Line Junction,	300,000	not commenced.	
27. Toronto and Goderich,	3,000,000	charter repeal'd.	
27. Montreal and Vermont Junction,	400,000	68	—
28. Ontario, Simcoe and Huron,	2,000,000	44	92½
Branch,	1,000,000	6	—
29. St Lawrence & Ottawa	—	not commenced.	—
30. Industry and Rawdon,	50,0 0	—	10
31. Quebec and Richmond,	—	see Grand Trunk.	
32. Quebec & St. Andrews,	3,000,000	not commenced	
33. Bytown and Prescott,	6,000,000	—	62
34. Kingston and Toronto,	[illegible]	not commenced.	
35. Toronto and Guelph, Extension of do	} Included in Grand Trunk.		
36. Wolf Island,	300,000	not commenced.	
37. Old Trunk of Canada, Increased by amalgamation of Co's to	16,000,0 0 / 55,000,000	— / —	— / —
38. Grand Trunk of C. E.	Included in Grand Trunk		
39. Cobourg & Peterboro'	—	—	23
40. Galt and Guelph,	500,00	16	—
41. Grand Junction,	Included in Grand Trunk		
42. Buffalo, Brantford & Goderich,	4,0 0,000	73	80
43. North Shore,	2,400,000	145	—
44. London & Port Sarnia,	2,000,000	60	—
45. Montreal and Bytown,	2,500,000	120	—
46. Megantic Junction,	4,00,00	not commenced.	
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WILL OF THE LATE DR. BURNSIDE.

The late Dr. Burnside died possessed of property to the value of over £30,000, and as it was understood that he had no very near relatives who would fall heirs to it, considerable interest was felt in the way in which he would dispose of it. Our readers are already aware that some years ago Dr. Burnside devoted £6,000 to Trinity College, to be paid after his death. In addition, he bequeathed £1,750 to the Church Society: £1,000 for the support of Clergymen of the Diocese of Toronto; £750 to the widows and orphans' fund of the Episcopal Church, and £1,000 to the House of Industry. To his nephew, Mr. J. M. Chaffee, of Tullamore, he left a house in City Buildings, bringing a rental of £200 per annum; and to two nieces living somewhere in the United States, city property to the value of £6,000. To his house-keeper, the use of the house in which he lived on Adelaide Street, for her life, with the furniture, and in addition £300 in money and some insurance stock, the value of which we have not learned. She was an old and faithful servant. Some other legacies to relatives, amounting to about £800, are also devised. He appears not to have been able to determine what disposition he should make of the remainder of his property, amounting to between £10,000 and £15,000. He accordingly bequeathed the residue of his estate after paying the legacies, to Messrs. John Crawford, John H. Hagarty, and G. W. Allan, to be used as they might deem right. Mr. Crawford and Mr. Hagarty he also appointed executors of the will. We understand that Mr. Hagarty declined accepting the executorship, and also the residuary bequest, but that Mr. Crawford and Mr. Allan have undertaken the trust and have determined to devote the residuum, whatever it may be, to charitable purposes. What public institution or institutions may be selected as recipients, whether those already established, for a new one, has not yet been determined. It is supposed that two or three years must elapse before the estate can be wound up, and the residuary sum become available. The trustees will no doubt have many applications for the money, and various plans will be suggested to them; but we are sure they will exercise their own unbiassed judgment, and discharge their trust in a proper manner.—*The Globe.*

The Hon. J. Chabot, Chief Commissioner of Public Works, has been staying in this city for a few days, for the purpose of making arrangements for the accommodation of the Legislature, in anticipation of its removal to Toronto. He has, we understand, succeeded in leasing Elmsley Villa for the use of the Governor General, but whether conditionally or absolutely, we are not informed. Mr. Chabot was expected to leave for Quebec on Saturday.

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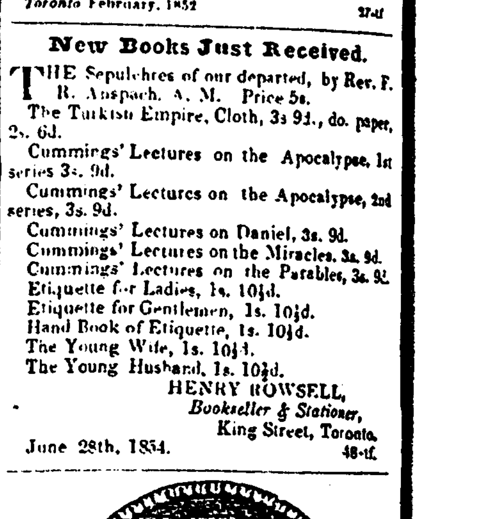

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