

tended, and we are glad that he is permitted to make known the whole truth on this subject in churches and in pulpits from which we are excluded. Our readers will be interested in reading the following account of his preaching on this point, and with it we must for want of space, close for the present.

"Mr. Hammond proceeded to say that he had been showing how God was able to turn sinners to himself, and here (referring to a young man who had just given an account of his conversion) was a witness that the statement was true. God call d on all unconverted men to turn from their evil ways. There were some of God's servants who did not hold the whole truth in regard to this matter, and preached sinners down to hell. In scripture, three agencies were represented as being at work in turning or converting sinners, as described in the following different passages: 'He which converteth the sinner from the error of his ways, shall save a soul from death.' 'They that turn many to righteousness shall shine as the stars for ever and ever.' These passages pointed out the agency of man, while others, such as John vi. 44, represented God as the agent. 'No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him.' Then in the text from which he was speaking, the sinner himself was urged to turn. These passages appeared to clash with each other, but it was only in appearance. In corroboration of this remark, Mr. Hammond supposed the case of a man walking in a reverie on the brink of Niagara Falls, and about to drop into destruction. In this perilous position he is seen by another individual, who cries out, 'stop, turn, or you will perish!' and the man turns and is saved. That man acknowledges with gratitude the service rendered to him by the person who called upon him to turn; he speaks, too, of himself as being turned from the yawning gulf; and he also returns thanks to God for his providential interposition, by which he was led to turn and escape. Did the man contradict himself when he thus spoke of three agencies operating to save him? Not a bit; and in the same way there was no contradiction in scripture when three agencies were shewn to be at work in converting the sinner—three agencies (not three instruments)—God, the sinner, and God's servants—truth being the instrument." (Pages 131, 132.) M.

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TRIALS are laid on the Christian in order to keep down the risings of pride, and the love of the world. They sweeten the prospect of that state which is exempt from all sorrows and all its causes.