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# Religious Miscellany.

# Standing Idle.

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> Ob, go forth, 'tis early morning; Work to-day," the Master saith Train the fragile vines and tendrils; Work in patience, work in faith."

Standing idle at the noontide ! See the Master draweth nigh ; " Go ye also in my vineyard; Work, for yet the sun is high."

Standing idle ! shades of even Gather over hill and plain; Yet go forth, go forth to labor While the beams of day remain.

Work for all in his great vineyard-None too feeble none too weak; But the Master finds some duty, If his blessed work we seek.

Standing idle, while one sinner Lives to heed a warning voice; If to one afflicted brother We can say, " poor heart, rejoice !

Oh, gesorth with strong endeavor Now to do your Master's will. Tis to-day; he calle his lab'rers; Oh, his earnest work fulfil.

And when even comes-the Master Gives each lab'rer his reward-May we feel the blest assurance. Faithfully we've served our Lord.

Not Much Acquainted with Him Not long since we were much impressed by but somehow I have never got really acquainted to select that her self-denial and sufferings with God, and don't feet easy in his presence. were well pleasing to God, and that the reward The quaintness of his speech elicited many a of a life of such useless seclusion would be certrue philosophy in what he said? A want of intimate sequaintanceship does produce preciseintimate sequaintanceship does prod man nature for us to feel embarrassed in the at a time too, when, according to all appearanof a large audience, and will undoubtedly be a The progress in civilization among the Bassutos presence of greatness, and it needs an intimate ces, the nun of Jouarre was quite established in acquaintanceship to make us feel easy and at self-righteousness; for she had obtained so high home under such circums

What is true of men washing, is true of men though still very young, she had been raised to with G.d. In this truest and ordinary sense of the lofty position of Lady Abbess, and head the word, a man needs to be acquainted with of the whole convent. Suddenly light entered God in order to feel at home in his presence. And is it not in this that many of us fail? We tant tracts. are really not acquainted with God.

Some seem to have had a sort of formal in. troduction to God through their creed, and in the tears, the exhertations, the happiness of her their religious exercises to have exchanged childhood all came back again as fresh as if but countesies with him, but never to have formed a of yesterday. The Spirit aroused conviction in real acquaintance with him.

character.

Arthur who, when about to have his eyes burn- the sun, so did the Abbess of Jouarre when the ed out by executioners sent by the King, ight of the gospel beamed brightly on her soul frightened at their stern looks, begged his jailor to send them away, and be himself the executioner. This granted, one of them as he turned such a sight."

look, but a gentle heart."

It would seem as though almost any one would left to perish miserably! Skeletons have been ker, late from Indis, Rev. Geo. Prentiss, and these men, and others in training to follow them? have answered such a question something thus:
"God loves good little children, and when they
die he will take them to heaven. For Jesus
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might be and the second event referred to is the uncovering of gold mines on the Zambesi about eight hundred
distance from Indis, Rev. Geo. Frentiss, and
Dr. Butler. The conference will raise \$25,
000 this year, an advance of about \$4,000 over
last year. At the afternoen session a profound
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it is a propose to occupy fast as we may. Startimpression was made upon the Conference by children up in his arms, put his hands upon effectual. them ,and blessed them, and said suffer them to It was in the year 1572 that the noise of come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of battle was heard around Jouarre. It came thought was probationer stationed last year in Worcester. In his last sickheaven." Such an answer seems to come almost nearer; nearer—to the very doors of the coninvoluntarily to one's lips as he reads the quest- vent. In vain did the nuns supplicate their imtion. But how is one shocked as he reads the ages; the gates were assailed by the infuriated on answer given, "God will send bad little children soldiery; they yielded, and the nums, driven in death of Rev. Geo Bowler, formerly a member Thus is God leading the way of his people, and

a formal introduction to God through his creed. in sunder." God does punish sin it is true, and as one sees him simply under this aspect he may well feel awe struck before him, but yet viewed in other aspects, there is so much of compassion, of laye, of kindness, of long suffering, that as one becomes acquainted with him under these one becomes acquainted with him under these sown in secret by a mother's voice, and watered by reading a note from a member of St. Paul's aspects he is drawn toward him in sympathy.

As one thinks of him, the Almighty hermit of a past eternity, ushering light into existence with a word, and this world with a mere volition, and a word, and this world with a mere volition, and a was broken and the prisoner escaptible the earth.

But when we hear him say, "Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that hear him," "If ye being evil know how to give the content of the new edifice. Zion's Herald, as might be expected, fared well in the hand of its Committee, but her mother's prayers were her protection and a favorable opinion was expressed in reference to the new magazine entitled the St. Paul's reached Heidelberg, where there were Chair. good gifts unto your children, low much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good from the baffled rage of the Romish priesthood, is to be inaugurated by a voluntary subscription things to them that ask him," "Come unto me and the vengeance of an angry, bigoted parent. of individuals to the amount of 30,000 dollars, all ye that are weary and heavy laden and I will Here she made a public renunciation of the to guarantee the expenses and risk incident to give you rest," " If any man open the door I will come in and sup with him and he with me,"
her father's wishes and purposes thus, but she
there seems so much of goodness in him, that
we feel drawn toward him as to a bosom friend.

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And this is what we need in order to love to pray. A sense of duty or danger may drive us to our devotions even with great frequency, but nothing last the factors and of the royal house of France, should a the instance of Rev. I. J. P. Collyer, the Continual last the factors are represented by the factors and in the membership, was received with deep emotion. At the instance of Rev. I. J. P. Collyer, the Continual last the factors are represented by the factors are represent

## The Abbess of Jouarre. OR THE POWER OF PRAYER.

enter a nunnery. The resolution was very distressing to the "Suffer the little children to come unto me and child's mother on many accounts, but especial- forbid them not." ly because she had her eyes open to the errors of Romanism, and by the grace of God, had been brought to know the truth as it is in Carist of opportunity for adorning her christian pro-Jesus. As she was unable to change her hus- fession, and thus giving glory to him who had band's mind, she made the best use of the time loved her and bought her with his precious during which her dear child was yet to be left blood, and when at last the time of her departin her charge, by instructing her in the blessed ure arrived, she resigned her spirit into his truths of the gospel, spending many hours with hands with a confidence and an assured hope her over the blessed word, in her private cham- which nothing but faith in that blood could give. ber, where mother and daughter often wept and Surely a Christian mother's prayers proved an prayed together. Although Charlotte does not unspeakable blessing to the Abbess of Jouarre. seem to have been brought to know the Lord at this time, the teaching, prayers and tears of her affectionate mother were not to remain unfruitful. God never forge's the prayer of faith,-Christ, his own dear son, has pledged himself that the request made in his name shall be granted. Tois the Father never can forget. O! that this simple, yet all-important truth were ever present to the minds of those that love his name. At the early age of thirteen Charlotte was torn from her dear mother's arms, and taken by her father to the numbery of Jouarre. There, manism, her hair was all cut away, her dress changed to coarse linea and hair cloth, a cord tied around her waist and with down cast looks and heavy heart, she trod the stone-bound cloisters by day, and rested at night on the floor of her tomb-like ceil. A few years passed away; ed, yet evidently a very sensible man. He her loving mother had fallen asleep in Jesus, spoke something like this: "My bren, I and, beset on every side by false teaching and kel hesitancy in arising to speak. I have em example, Charlotte began to be not only in some a professor of religion quite a number of years, weasure reconciled to her condition, but partly

the numbery of Jouacre in the form of Protes-.The Lady Abbess read them, and they recall ed the memory of her mother, and the prayers, her heart, and she fled as a lost sinner to the Through lack of such acquaintance we are Cross of Christ. Counting her righteousness quite likely to form incorrect impressions of his but as fithy rage, she looked at the blood of Christ as alone able to put away her sins; and Shakespeare, in King John, speaks of Prince as the blind man rejoices when his eyes behold

Charlotte de Bourbon was saved.

But now how was she to escape her gilded chains as Lady Abbeas of the Romish convent? away exclaimed, " I am best pleased to be from For a nun to leave convent in those days and return to the world-as it was called-was "Alas," said Arthur, as he heard it, " 1 then certain death, and that, too, by one of the most have chid away my friend. He hath a stern oruel methods that superstition could devise. When recaptured the unhappy prisoner was Many misread God as Arthur misread that first subjected to a mock trial before a secret tribunal of monks, and then carried to a duned upon the popular power of supernatural reed upon the popular po The author of the Country Parson tells us of geon, where a niche in the wall had been previa Catechism for children that he once took up ously prepared, in which she was placed with a in Scotland. Among other questions, this was loaf of bread and a jug of water, and a wall out an immense audience, who were inspired but all these things we are willing to bear for asked. "What does God do to little children?" built in front, was literally entombed slive, and and profited by addresses from Rev. E. W.

terror from the cloistered homes, sought a of this Conference, now of the New Hampshire, It is no sufficient excuse for the author to say temporary shelter in the neighboring woodsthat the answer is strictly true. No man really Charlotte de Bourbon was free. The proud acquainted with God would have felt like giving self-will of her ducal father had imprisoned her there, but her gentle mother's prayers had " burst The author could have had nothing more than the gates of brass, and broken the bars of iron

Not all the powers of Romish superstition. with a Beurbon to back it, could hinder the accomplishment of a lonely Christian mother's ral interests, and closed his speech with a strikwhen we listen to him at S.nai, whilst the earth ed!" Adopting various disguises she fled the third Sabbath in April to take up collections

trembles at the sound of his voice, we are ready through France. Her peril was great; detector asy with the Jews, "Let not God speak with tion was death, or life long imprisonment; and the new edifice. Zion's Herald, as might be extion was death, or life long imprisonment; and tians ready to receive and able to protect her sociation. It is understood that the movement Romish religion. It grieved here to disappoint its starting.

nothing less than intimate acquaintance with thus sacrifice everything for the truth's sake, and ference arose and praised God by unitedly singhim will draw us to him in prayer. Reader, are contentedly enter into obscurity was a cause of ing the long meter Doxology. you on such terms of intimacy with God that joy to those who love the Lord, while it was a A noticeable peculiarity of this session of Conand the second shall come unto thee—Pres. Banner.

A noticeable peculiarity of this session of Contact and second to seek of the floor and such that are you going for—to pick berries or to play.' 'To pick berries,' Altar,' and 'Secrifice' stand forth good shall come unto thee—Pres. Banner.

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In a smell town in Normandy, named Jou- and being himself a Protestant, sought and ob- pondence. arre, there once stood a famous nunnery, long tained her hand in marriage. Thus raised to a since in ruins, but still remembered as the home position higher than that she had resigned for of Charlotte de Bourbon. Charlotte was born the Lord's sake, she became an example slike

in the middle of the sixteenth century, and her to the ladies of her court, and the lowly mothfather was the Duke of Montpensier, of the ere in their families; and if the meekness, reyal house of Bourbon-His property had be- charity and devotion, which characterized the come reduced, and being unable to give his whole after life of Charlotte de Bourbon were daughter a dowry equal to her rank, he-a blessed to any, it too was traceable to the teachproud, stern Romanist-resolved that she should ing and prayers of that mother who, in her childhood sought to lead her to him who said :

As Princees of Orange, and lady of highest rank in the Northerland, she had a wide sphere

# Religious Intelligence.

# New England Conference.

On Friday, in requesting the appointment of the American and Foreign Christian Union, the Conference passed a series of very complimentary and fraternal resolutions in reference the West. to this beloved and honored member. The Doctor has made a special arrangement with the ever heard from his lips. He wrought up his ism and spiritual death. call to the ministry. The service was one of pe- municants attest the value of the efforts made drawn together by elective affinity, are making culiar interest, holding the unbroken attention to reach the benighted tribes of South Africa in many places." precedent to be followed hereafter. A very spi- with whom the French Protestants had labored. rited temperance meeting was held the same was so marked as to stir the envy and jealousy a character for piety and self-denial that, alrendered more impressive and practical from the State, who swept the country with fire and lowing :fact that at the present time the reinauguration sword; but English protection it is hoped, will PACTS OF TO-DAY IN MEXICO.-A few only of the prohibitory law of the State is pending in now secure them from further molestation, and but most weighty and significant. the Legislature. The sentiment of Conference the full power of the Gospel shall yet be witness. The movement to which we have be he discussed with much ability and felicity of plough with oxen instead of women, and draw

> has fallen asleep this year-Rev. Samuel Tup- symbols of the civilization yet to be. per, a laborious, devout, and successful minister

Mr. Gee, of Keutucky. An uncommonly sweet and subduing lovefeast opened the services of the Sabbath. Bish-

ness and death the grace of the Gospel in the extreme hour received a glorious illustration.

claims of the Church extension Society, Dr. Thayer advocating very strongly the pressing necessities of the home work. Rev. W. R. Clark responded in a short, eloqueut plea for the gene-

rich in promise. The Church Missionary 59siety, and the Wesleyans of England, have won some of their richest victories for Christ in this inga of your Third Triennial Charge inculcating the duty of unconditional submission to ecclesion and the action of the section of the section of the last Annual Convention of this discose, I cannot, with the native churches have now attained their manual Convention of this discose, I cannot, with the native churches have now attained their manual Convention of this discose, I cannot, with the native churches have now attained their manual Convention of this discose, I cannot, with the native churches have now attained their manual Convention of this discose, I cannot, with the native churches have now attained their manual Convention of this discose, I cannot, with the native churches have now attained their manual Convention of the section of the native churches have now attained their manual Convention of the native churches have now attained their manual Convention of the section of the native churches have now attained their manual Convention of the section of the native churches have now attained their manual Convention of the section of the native churches have now attained their manual Convention of the section of t of the Gospel. Fifteen thousand communicants in Christian Churches, the arts and usages of civilized life taking the place of the superstitions and degradations of fetishism, proclaim the success of the missionary effort. Archio Bibles.

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Always stick to your bush.'

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vocate our missionary claims Dr. Harris oc- men; the Amharic version of the Scriptures.

Two or three events have recently occurred of Christ. He died in great peace. A memori- of no little moment in their prospective influal service was held on Saturday afternoon. Ap- ence. Three years ago six young men left their energetically employed. propriate addresses were made by Revs. David homes, seven hundred miles to the northward. Sherman, L. Crowel, and Dr. E. Cook. In the and came to Natal in quest of labor. They evening the anniversary of the Freedman's Aid came half naked, ignorant, degreded heathens; Society was held. Interesting addresses were they have just returned, devoted to the cause of delivered by Drs. Rust and Haven and Rev. Christ, taking with them the Scriptures and taneously organized, in some of which both as they can carry a forty day's journey.

The two months before they left were devotop Thompson discoursed clearly and powerfully ed to the study of the scripture, and the gatherupon the kingship of Christ, and ordained the ing up of such information as might be of use deacons. In the afternoon Dr. Kynett preach- to their people. " We go, said they " to spend ed upon the popular power of supernatural. The lo escape trouble persecution and suffering. of America. As those set to watch and report, ligion as distinguished from Bationalism. The missionary anniversary in the evening called We know our countrymen too well for this; Christ's sake." What may not be hoped from open, more needy, more desirous, and more the announcement of the death, the preceding evening, of Rev. B. F. Chase, a probationer staidentical with that of the Zulus, that the Scrip- Dr. Mattison, deceased, of the Rev. Wm. Butler, ropean and the Kedron, east and west of Mount lowest point was the southwest angle of the wall tures and other religious works, only now just Thus is God leading the way of his people, and for the Methodist Episcopal Church." We welbidding them go forward, no longer lingering and stationed in Nashua, was announced, and upon the border, but pressing into the heart of appropriate resolutions of sympathy were passed the continent. And is not the breaking of the An extended and animated debate occured on bonds of the colored race, not in this country the Methodist Churches respecting the issues valley on the east, like the one on the west, was splendid arch crossing the Tyropson Valley Tuesday morning in Conference upon the alone, but round the world, another step in the great work? Is He not thus preparing a people to serve Him? The evangelisation of every nation must, in the main, be the work of its own

# Withdrawal from the Episcopal

Rev. Marshall B. Smith, late rector of St John's Church, Passaic, N. J., and for the last two years Editor of the Protestant Churchman has formally withdrawn from the ministry o the Protestant Episcopal Church. In his letter the reasons for the step he has taken :

"My entire religious life has been in con-nection with the Episcopal Church. I was bap-tised and confirmed in it, graduated from one of its oldest theological seminaries, was ordained by one of its most devout Bishops, and in a ministry of more than ten years have endeavored, according to my measure, to preach Chris crucified, and have, with strict fidelity to canoni cal requirements, devoted my energies to the service of our Church.

"For some time I believed that the Book of

Common Prayer was consistently and thoroughly Protestant, and therefore in harmony with the that the baptismal, communion, and other offices

cess of the missionary effort. Arabic Bibles. Mr. Smith states in his letter that he withhave been introduced through Liberia into the draws " not from the ministry of Christ, but heart of the continent. Missionaries of the U-nited Presbyterian Church, from this country, known as the Protestant Episcopal Church." thousand miles to German missionaries, who ception to any of his positions, and we feel the will send them on to meet those coming from pressure of the same things which burdened his conscience. We have borne them for a longer The Abyssinian expedition has taught the bar. time than he has, and have felt their accumulation barous tribes of the interior to have a wholsome increasing in weight for more years than he has. Society to permit him, from time to time, to ad- fear of trespassing upon the rights of civilized The sym; athies of those who admire the action cupied half and hour in one of the most earnest made as a literary exploit, may yet be the means views will be with the withdrawing clergyman, and effective addresses upon the present exi- of reviving one of the oldest churches of the and perhaps the question will arise, Why do not gencies of the Missionary Board that we have world, now sunk, almost hopelessly, in formal all who agree with him in their views, and who motto—'Stick to your bush.," are fellow-sufferers with him, do likewise? The hearers into a fine glow of evangelical enthus- The southern portion of the continent, for a evangelical portion of our Church, or at least issm, which we trust will not be entirely ex. thousand miles north of the Cape of Good Hope some of them, are still indulging the hope that hausted in the shouts and cheers that accom- has been traversed by the heralds of the cross they can effect a change in the condition of our panied its delivery. A service unusual with us, English, Scotch, German, French, and Amer- Church, and they think best to adhere to each but long the custom among the Wesleyans of ican missionaries are there, engaged vigorously other and make common cause against the errors Great Britisn, was held in the afternoon. The in the common work. A church gathered by of doctrine and practice, and by their efforts young brethren recommended by Conference the Wesleyans a year or two since, tent to Eng. they hope to regenerate the communion. They for ordination, at a public meeting over which land for a pastor, pledging him his support, and think they can fight the evils better in the The quaintiness of his speech elicited many a smile, and yet was there not a deep sense and tain glory in heaven. But her mother's prayers, but her mother's prayers, and this expectation of the prayers and their words good by raising a year's safery. Church than they can out of it. And this ex-

The Christian World, organ of the American afternoon at a later hour. The exercises were of the slave holding Dutch of the Orange Free and Foreign Christian, Union gives the fol-

is very distinctly prenounced in favor of the law. ed among this people. One small tribe among the pelled by the clear Providence of God, has been Rev. W. R. Clark preached the annual sermon in Zulus, where the missionaries of the Board are commenced, and is now in hepeful progress in the evening, on ministerial education. His sub- laboring, has " sixty American ploughs," writes the Capital City. This newly undertaken enterject was " the laws of Pulpit Persuasion," which Mrs Lloyd, " oxen unnumbered; and they prise, designed to aid in introducing the essential elements of a Protestant civilization and wood with them, instead of bringing it on wo- Christianity into that long afflicted neighbor But one of the members of the Conference men's heads." Another has eighty ploughs— land, is heartily welcomed by many leading Mexican gentlemen, some of whom are among the foremost in social position. The Press cent from New York is there, and will be wisely and

> In many parts of the interior, we hear of spirit of inquiry in reference to the truths of the Bible. And, what is most amasing, six churches other books, and such implements of industry sacraments have been administered without an ordained minister. More than suggestive these facts, surely. They ought to quicken the Chrisevery one who believingly uses the petition, "Thy kingdom come." God puts this new obupon the face of the earth there is no field more

We chronicle the appointment, in the place o masses information concerning the plans and spirit of the Romish hierarchy.

# General Miscellann.

# "Stick to your Bush"

Mr. Morgan was a rich, and also a good man The people of the town respected him, sent him of withdrawal written to Bishop Odenheimer of to Parliament, and seldom undertook anything New Jersey, he speaks as follows with regard to without asking his advice. If a school-house was to be built, the plan had to be talked over with him. Widow P. asked him what she should plant in her field, farmer S. always got his advice in buying cattle, and Mrs. R. consulted him about bringing up her boys.

been made less Protestant by each succeeding ther for a luncheon. I had the basket on my size it was six feet by four, smoothly cut out of lowed up for a distance of two hundred and fifty revision, our American revision included, and arm, and was just going out of the gate, when my the solid rock. At the height of forty-four feet feet, its destination being yet uncertain, and its father called me back. He took hold of my from the bottom, the shaft was found to open use problematical. Perhaps, however, it was a

sought. William, Prince of Orange, had heard of her piety and the sacrifices she had made; and being himself a Protestant, sought and obposition higher than that she had resigned for a position higher than that she had resigned for the Lord's sake, she became an example slike to the ladies of her court, and the lowly moth, a charity and devotion, which characterized the meakness, charity and devotion, which characterized the whole after life of Charlotte de Bourbon were should be after life of Charlotte and the least general Converte la should be after life of the should be after life of Charlotte and true should be after life of the should be after life of the should be after life of th

jority under the fostering care of the first of the a clear conscience, enderse or submit to-adhershove named societies, for two thousand miles of coast, reaching to the Gaboon, missionary stations have taken the place of the slave factories and the state of the Book of Common stations have taken the place of the slave factories. stations have taken the piace of the state including villages, and instead of the smoke of burning villages, and the cries of the wretched victims of murder, and rapine, the voice of prayer and praise goes up from Christian congregations, gathered by tens of thousands, from peaceful homes, that bear witness to the benign influence with the midst of the Book of Common my bush.' When I had done with one, I found another, and finished that: then I took another. When night came, I had a large basketful of nice berries, more than all the others put together, and was not half so tired as they were. I went homes, that bear witness to the benign influence with one, I found another, and finished that: then I took another. When night came, I had a large basketful of nice berries, more than all the others put together, and was not half so tired as they were. I went home happy. But when I entered I found against the roof for a distance of fifty feet, when many others—although we respectfully appealed.

# House Plants. BY KATE WOODLAND. Yes, I have " house plants," have you not seen

Come and I'll show you in this little room;

Bleet is the bower that its graces adorn; Sunniest hopes in its yourglife are gushing: But touch it not rudely, my Rose has a thorn.

This is my "Woodbine," eagerly reaching After new objects around and above, Each wayward tendril I'm training and teaching, Hoping it ne'er may outgrow my fond love. This is my "Snowdrop," timid and gentle; Trimming and pruning, I'm striving to bring Into fair form like a blooming mantle

Every new growth from its life that may spring This is my " Cactus," the stranger repelling-Blossoming slow, yet a promise I hear, Patience, and care on its features are telling The longest delayed will the fairest appear." This tiny thing is my gay little " Creeper." Winning its way wherever it will,

Closing its eyes with the earliest aleeper,

To the great Florist my Lily I tendered.

First in the morning its sweets to distil. Here is the vase where I cherished a " Lily ; Fair as the morning, fragrant and pure, Fond was my care, but it fitted it illy-The climate of the earth it could never endu Back to the Giver my flower I surrendered-Wept as its fragrance was wafted away-

Fair in His garden 'tis blooming to-day. Yes, I have house-plants, the tender and hardy Daily I'm striving their natures to learn, Guiding the wayward, urging the tardy, Trimming, and pruning, and watering by turn Fain would I bring unto glorious perfection, Every fair flower which the Father hath giver Fitting alike for an earthly connection

# Explorations in Jerusalem. BY REV. W. I. BUDINGTON, D. D.

To battle with life for the glories of Heaven.

D.D., as the "Traveling Secretary of the Union Moriah or the temple area, the first separating where the great arch is known as Robinson's come our brother to this great and responsible Mount of Olives. The original bed of the Ke- spring of the old arch at this point. They will work in the firm belief and hope, that through dren has been reached, much below the existing be gratified to learn that all the conjectures with his energy in ordering and executing his mis- one, and further west, underneath the eastern reference to what formerly stood there have sion, a correct sentiment may be diffused among | wall of the temple enclosure, showing that the | been abundantly verified. Not only was there a presented by the Romanism of to-day in this deep and precipitous, and that the Temple must (the span of which was forty feet across, and the land, and that our brethren in that great denomi- bave risen to diszy heights above the depths benation may be moved to lend us needed help in low. The ancient bed of the Kedron is more the debris,) but beneath this old arch, covered scattering broadcast among the unthinking than eighty feet beneath the present surface of over with a pavement built presumably to cover the ground, and this enormous debris, composed these ruins, lie the stones of an arch older still. sult of the successive ruins which have been complete investigation of the arch has been a found in the bed of the Kedron, although it bore is very great. the name of a brook in the time of our Saviour. On the east side of the Haram wall lies the There is, however, a little distance down the valley of the Kedron. Lieut. Werren, by a valley, a fountain, which is called the Fountain series of shafts and springs, has ascertained that of the Virgin, and here curious discoveries have the present bed of the stream is no less than been made. This fountain is connected, as was forty feet higher than the old bed-the bed havpreved by our countrymen, Drs. Smith and Ro-ling been raised by the enormous masses of debinson, with the Pool of Siloam, which is at a oris and ruins that have been hurled over into distance of between one and two thousand feet the valley. By the last letter from Jerusalem. further south and west; an squaduct between we received a plan of the system of chambers the two running under Ophel, which was trav- discovered at "Wilson's Arch," higher up 02 ersed with great difficulty and by no little perig the western wall, near the "Wailing Place" of When asked how he was so successful, Mr by them, as it has been since by Lieut. Warren, the Jews, Lieut. Warren has discovered, at a Morgan said: "I will tell you how it was. One At right angles to this, another passage has depth of some fifty feet below the surface of the day, when I was a lad, a party of boys and girls been found. It was full of hard mud, which was ground, a vast system of chambers and passages were going to a distant pasture to pick whortle- cleared out to a distance of seventeen feet, The chambers, whose use has not yet been de-

my way in the world as best I could. But my way, and twenty the other. By means of ropes, father's words sunk deep into my mind, and I Lieut. Warren descended into the pit, twenty never forgot the experience of the whortleberry feet deep, beneath which he found another smallparty-I 'atuck to my bush.' When I had a er one, eight feet deeper, in which he saw what fair place, and was doing tolerably well, I did not be took for a passage blocked up. Beyond this leave it and spend weeks and months in finding he has made no discovery. He fails, or had one a little better .- When other young men said, failed at our last advices, to find any openings Come with us, and we will make a fortune in out of the vault, although there are two pasa few weeks, I shook my head and 'stuck to my sages which he has examined without results. bush.' Presently my employers offered to take Toe archeof the chamber is made of well-cut, me into business with them. I staid with the equared-stone, and is semi-circular. He has old house until the principals died, and then I since made an opening into this chamber, from had everything I wanted. The habit of sticking above, on the outside, as he found the passage, to my business led people to trust me, and gave i have described, both difficult and dangerous. me a character. I owe all I have and am to this Along these passages, he came upon some vessels of pottery, which are interesting. The horisontal portion of the passage was lined with piles of loose stones, as if placed there to be thrown down the shaft, and in these he found three glass lamps, of curious construction, at intervals, as if to light up the passage to the well or shaft. In the vaulted chamber, also, he found a pile of chargoal, as if for cooking, a glas-The shades of evening have fallen between them, ed dish for heating food, another lamp, and a And day's golden glories of sunshine and vessel for water. Two other water-vessels, of

> water. Now the question arises, which is an open one, how to account for all this? For what was this vaulted chamber used, and why were these curious passages constructed at so great expense? I do not know that a certain answer can be returned with which all archmologists will be satisfied. Lieut. Warren calls attention to the Bible history, recorded in 2 Chron, 32 . 4. that King Hezekish, as a means of defending himself against Sennacherib, stopped up the fountains that were outside the city; and the brook which is described as running through the midst of the land, saying, "Why should the Kings of Assyria come and find much water?" He conjectures that the "Virgin's Fount" is one of the fountains closed by Hezekiah, and that the passage was made by the people at that time, so that from Ophel they could go down from the high ground within the walls, and get water unknown to the enemy. But the time has not yet come to form a definite theory; more facts are needed, and passages that are blocked up must be opened and followed before certainty can be reached. The whole question of the water supply of Jerusalem is curious and interesting and the determination of it will do much to throw light upon the topography of Jerusalem, and the illustration of the Bible. A correspondent of the New York Cimes

writes from Jerusalem :

The discoveries made hitherto may be summed up briefly. The south wall of the sacred area, Haram E. Sheer, within which stood the temple, has been explored to the very foundations. It is found that is one place the wall was no less than one hundred and eighty feet high. At the lowest point of the wall, which is now determined to be also the lowest point of the Tyropæon Valley, he discovered a small passage, which he king in Jerusalem. Most of the labor thus far, has been spent upon the two valleys of the Tyof loose shingle and stone chippings, is the re- perhaps the arch built by Solomon himself. The thrown from the heights above. No water was long and coatly undertaking, but its importance

berries. I wanted to go with them, but was when a shaft was arrived at, which resembled a cided, are mostly about twelve feet square fearful that my father would not let me. When well, and rose perpendicularly through the solid vaulted and filled up with water. About eigh-I told him what was going on, and he at once rock to a height of not less than sixty feet. The teen have been opened, of which it is conjectur-Low Church theory; but after a thorough study of the Prayer Book in its history and phraseo-logy, it has become evident to me that the unfaished work of the Edwardian Reformers has the kitchen and got a big basket, and seked mogave me permission to go with them, I could ascent of this well or shaft, was a work of no ed that two or three are of Saraceuic origin, and