me only means of drawing together a tole- handsome and most comfortable easy chair, able congregation; and those constant and at a time when I most needed it. As repiritually injurious ministerial changes, which now binds us as minister and people, durn on Saturday last, he was nearly hit by which Bishop Potter of Philadelphia so may be broken only by death. May we be the ball from a rifle, with which some leatfeelingly laments, as averaging an entire united for the carrying out one great object, ers wer practising at a mark, the ball competency of the advancement of true religion, and while ine so clear that he felt the windage. This or five years! To this same vital error of professing to be christians, let us day by day talting the individual until he comes to regard himself as being to himself the source of all that is great and independent, is to be and spiritual blessing. doubtless greatly attributed to that singular neglect of public worship by the male portion of the population which so greatly prerades the United States, and their sceptical indifferentism. Without reverence for authority there will not long be either order in the State or faith in the Church. And just in proportion as this luciferian bane of independance pervades a community, whether it a sight, and sound, and scent even, of which be in Europe or America, will evangelical religion be found to decrease. God is, and can be the only independant being, just in proportion as independence prevails amongst men will the love of God and our brother be jost and the individual himself becomes intensely wretched.

The final evil resulting from Fourth of July principles to which we shall now allude is the timidity which it producess in the teaching of God's Ministers. Humility and obedience are the chief foundations upon which the fabric of personal holiness may be said to rest; now it is precisely these virtues to the growth of which American instiintions are peculiarly opposed. The Clergyman who should preach the whole Gospel with respect to the duty of submission to earthly rulers, "not only to the good and gentle but also to the froward," would. we fear, bring a sad nest of hornets about his ears; and we know not but fast still worse would be his case were he to "declare the whole counsol of God" as regards these powers and that authority with which God has entrusted His priesthood for His peoples' profit, and to venture thouce to hint the love and reverance with which they ought to regard them for their office's sake. and the liberality with which they ought to be supported for their master's sake:--and yet all this it is necessary for their flocks becoming perfect men in Christ Jesus."

For our own part we have long felt that our Brethren of the Protestant Episcopal Church have a difficult task before them. in that testimony which, to us it appears, they are called to bear against the unscriptural and uncatholic principles upon which the whole frame work of their society, political and social, is based; but we also cannot but think that this they must do, or ever the Church amongst them shall come forth as "a bride adorned for her husband;" or their nation become really great, prosperous, and blessed.

PRESENTATION TO THE REV. H. B. OSLER, OF LLOYDTOWN.

The following pleasing instance of at tachment to their Minister has just been displayed by the congregation of the Rev. H. B. Osler. The value of the present is Fifty Pounds.

ALBION, June 30, 1856.

It is with mingled feelings of gratitude and pleasure that we, on behalf of your you on the present occasion - of gratitude to Almighty God for your restoration to health after a nainful and protracted illness, and of pleasure for having you again to labor amongst us. We request your acceptance of the accompanying Carriage and Harness, as a token of the respect and esteem in which you are held by us all, and for the zeal which you have always displayed in the discharge of the onerous and important duties of a minister of Christ. Your efficient discharge of these duties, and your urbanity as a gentlemen, have not only endeared you to those under your own immediate charge, but also to many of other christian denominations. That you may be long spared in health and strength to spread the glad tidings of the gospel, and that Almighty God may send down upon you the healthful spirit of His grace, is the sincere prayer of

WILLIAM HANNA. ROBT. LOUGHEED. THOS. MILLS. To the Rev. H. B. Osler.

LLOYDTOWN, July 3, 1856.

MY DEAR SIES-Will you oblige me by tendering to my Albion friends my sincerest thanks for the very handsome gift they entrusted to your care for presentation to me. Valuable as that gift may be in a monetary point of view, its value is heightened in my estimation by the spirit in which it is given. The very flattering manner in which you have addressed me, proves how ready you have been to overlook the many defects in my ministrations amongst you, and that the end of a period of nearly thirteen years finds the people and pastor united in the bonds of affectionate regard, which neither wish to sever. It has been a comfort to me to know that the hearts and affections of my People were with me; yet had there been a doubt on this point prior to my late illness, the kind regard and attention manifested towards me during that trying season would have entirely dispolled it. There were acts of kindness shown by my Albion friends, and also by my Lloydtown ones, in many instances at great personal inconvenience, which I can never forget. I speak the sincere sentiments of my heart when I say, that the pains of my late affliction were more than

and affectionate feeling shown towards me While thanking, through you, my Albion ously encored. friends generally, I would impose on you the duty of thanking especially those ladies in connection with Christ's church congregation, for their very considerate present of a city yesterday.

counterbalanced by the expression of kind

prove the reality of our faith in Christ by

being imitators of Christ's example.
Wishing you and yours every temporal

and Thos. Mils.

I remain, as ever. My dear hirs, Your affectionate Pastor. HENRY B. OSLER. To Messrs Wm. Hanna, Robt. Lougheed,

INWARD INFLUENCE OF OUTWARD BEAU TY.—Believe me there is many a road into our hearts besides our ears and brains, many we have never thought at all, sinks into our memory, and helps to shape our characters and thus children brought up amid beautiful sights and sweet sounds, will most likely show the fruits of their nursing by thoughtfulness and affection, and no leness of mind. even by the expression of the countenance Those who live in towns should carefully remember this, for their own sakes, for their wives' sake, and for their children's sakes. beautiful. Beauty is God's hand-writinga wayside sacrament; welcome it in every fair face, every fair flower, and thank for it Him, the fountain of all leveliness, and drink BLACK THURSDAY IN SOUTH it in simply and earnestly, with all your eves: it is a charmed draught, a cup of blessing.

The Bible is the only true guide to conscience.

Receive blessings with thankfulness and afflictions with resignation.

Truth is in morals what steam is banics-nothing can resist it.

CLASSICAL SCHOOL, HAMILTON

The Annual Examination of this School was held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday last. It was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Amberry, Professor of Classics in Trinity College, Toronto, with which College the School is connected. The Rev. J. G. Geddes, M. A., examined in Divinity and German. Both the examiners expresto know and believe in order to their really sed their gratification at the answering of the boys, and the efficiency of the school generally. The rank given below was decided by the marks of the daily mark-book added to those gamed at the examination this being considered to be the best method of encouraging steady application, rather than unusual exertions at the end of the year in preparing specially for examination. The names of the boys who were first, and in large classes, of those, also, who were night second, are given below.

> Greek Translation..... A. C. Gunn. Exercises, Class 1st., O. A. Vidal. " 2nd. T. P. Butler ard. J. Kerr. Latin Translation, Class 1st. (Horace and Cicero)..... A. C. Gunn. " 2nd. (Cæsar and Virgil)..... J. Nickinson. J. O'B. Gunn, 2nd. C. B. Mathews. Latin Prose Composition, Class 1st. A. C. in their trunks below; and from them burn-Latin Prose Composition, Class 2nd., J

Kerr. friends at Albion, would wish to address Latin Exercises, Senior Class, T. Mitchell. Junior " J. B. Matthews.

French Class, 1st, J. Kerr.

" 2nd, T. P. Butler. " 3rd, O. A. Vidal. " 4th, J. O'B. Gunn. English Composition, Class 1st. A. C. Gunn 2 A. C. Gunn. Geography Religious Instruction.... 1. J. Kerr. 2. T. P. Butler. German.... A. C. Gunn. Euclid,....Class 1st. { A. C. Gunn. } æq

" 2nd. J. Kerr. " 3rd. R. H. Faithorn. Algebra.....A. C. Gunn. Arithmetic, Class 1st J. O'B. Gunn. H. Sanders.

" 3d J. Sanders. The School will recommence on the 15th of August.

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT .- The two ruffians who were arrested, being part of the gang which committed the violent and unprovoked attack on Mr. Thomas Sylvester the air from it, and turned his horse, saying the air from it, and turned his horse, saying he would look for the family. He soon found the place where the hut had stood Itwas corder's Court on Tuesday, and found guilty of an aggravated assault. They will pro- from it lay the body of doad little boybably soon become acquainted with the interior of the Penitentiary.

GOTTSCHALE'S CONCERT:-The Concert s. the Mechanics' Hall on Monday evening was without exception the very best both as regards the selection of pieces and artistic performance, that we have listened to in this city. Two individuals, a lady and gentleman, alone charmed an audience partially composed of most of our best mutical critics, for a couple of bours, and were rapturously applauded throughout. Madamo De Le Grange, postesses a voice of wonderful compass and power, and evinced great depth of feeling in her rendering of some most difficult passages in the works of the great composers. Gottschalk as a brillant pianist probably has hardly an equal, his expressive touches and rapidity of execution, perfectly enchained the audience in silence, and at the conclusion of two pieces, he was raptur-

MASONIC .- The Grand Lodge of Canada. commenced its half yearly Session in this came into she air.

ing so close that he felt the windage. This reprehensible practice should be promptly

Good Appointment -The addition of six new Policemen to the force of this city, is a measure for which the Police committee and city Council deserve every credit, and we trust it will be found to have some effect in checking the robberies which are too ito quently taking place. FAIRCHILD'S CREEK .-- The name of this

station of the G. W. R. is to be changed to Harrisbug out of compliment to the President of the Company. SANGSTER'S POEMS .- A collection of

oems by Mr Sangster, a native poet, has een published. It embraces a charming rariety, many of the pieces being of great nerit. " The St. Lawrence and Saguenay" exhibits much beauty of a descriptive nature, and is well deserving of the perusal of all who delight in the beauties of poetry, espe-Never lose an opportunity to see anything cially as the dearth of good Canadian poetry renders every acquisition of the kind

AUSTRALIA.

(Concluded.)

The stories that the people had to tell rere most melanchely. Houses burnt down flocks destroyed, children suffocated in the smoke or lost in the rapid flight; shepherds and bullock drivers consumed with their cattle. Numbers had fled to creeks and pools, and yetheon severely burnt, the flames driving over the surface of the water with devouring force. Some had fain in shallow broo s, turning over and over, till flually torced to got up and fly. Still, as the day wont on; numbers came pouring in with fresh tales of horror and devastation. The whole country appeared to be the prev of the flames; and men who were, a few hours before, out of the reach of proverty, or calunity, were now homoless paupers. 'The Maxwells, mothers,' Patterson asked

is there any news of them."
'None, my dear Robert, none, replied his mother. I hope and believe that they are quite eafo. They have long ago adopted our own plan of a clearance ring, and I doubt are just now as much a centre of refugo as we are.'
But I should like to be sure,' said Robert,

seriously. 'I must ride over and see.' Must you? I think you must not,' said Mrs Patterson, But if you cannot be satisfled, let some one of the men go, there are plenty at hand, and you are already worn out with fatigue and excitement. 'No, I am quite well and tresh-I had rather go myself,' said Robert; 'it is not int.' And he strode out, his mother say-

ing'If you find all right, don't come back to

Robert Patterson was soon mounted on a fresh and powerful horse, and cantered off towards Mount Hosso. It was only seven miles off. The hot north wind had coused to blow; the air was cooler, and the fires in the forest were burning more tamely. Yet be had to ride over a track which showed bim the ravages which the flames had made in his pleasant woods. The whole of the grass was annihilated; the dead timber lying t the ground was still burning; and bugo troes stood like great chimneys, with 3rd. (Fables) 1st. flamos issuing from their tops as from u furnace, and a red intense fire burning withmatter came tumblin smoking and rolling on the ground. He was about crossing a small creek, when he saw an Irishman—a shopherd of the Max-wells—sitting on its banks; his clothes were nearly all consumed from his back, his hat was the merest remaining fragment scorched and shrivelled. The man was rocking himself to and fro and grouning. 'Fehan!' exclaimed Patterson.

has happened to you?" The man turned upon him a visage that startled him with terror. It was indeed, no 2nd C. O'Reilly.

1st. 1 J. Kerry

2nd R. L. Gunn.

3d J.E. Merritt. follow raised a pair of hands that displayed

oqually the droadful work of the fire.

The young squatter exclaimed, 'llow dreadful! Let me help you. Fehan—let me take you home. The man groaned again; and, opening his

distorted mouth with difficulty, and with agony, said : il have no home—it is hurnt."

'And your family?' 'Dead-all dead !'

But are you sure-are you quite sure !' said Robert, excitedly.
I saw one—my eldest boy: he was lying

urnt near the house I lifted nim, to carry him away, but he said, Lay me down, father,-lay me down; I cannot boar it.' laid him down; and asked, Where are the rest? 'All fled into the bush,' he said, and then he died. They are all burnt.?

Robert Patterson flung the wretched man a linen handkerchief, bidding him dip it in the crock and lay it on his face to keep burnt to ashes. On the ground, not tar Patterson bastened along the track of the old road to the Maxwell's station, tracing it se well as he could in the fire and the fallen flaming branches. He felt sure the flying family would take that way. In a for minutes it brought him again upon the creek by which the poor man sate, but low-

There stood a but in a damp swamp. which had been deserted It was surround ed by thick wattles, still burning. The hut was on fire; but its rotten timbers forcing out far more smoke than flame. As he approschod, he heard low cries and ismenta-tions. 'The family is fled thither,' he said to himself, 'and are perishing of suffocation. He sprang to the ground, and dashed forward through columns of heavy smoke. It was hopeless to breathe in it, for its pungent and stinging strength seemed to close his lungs, and water rushed from his eyes in

But pushing in, he seized the first living thing that he laid his hands on, and bore it away. It was a child. Again and again he made the desperate essay, and succeeded in bringing out no less than four children and the mother, who was sunk on the floor as

NEARLY FATAL -- As a respectable young | rending sight. The whole group were sought out the track of his horse's feet and man named Pettigrew, a watchmaker, was more on less burnt; but, as hiseemed to him there till he rode on and sent a carr fer them. With much labour, carrying the children one after another in his arms, ho

conveying the weeful group to the fither. As the years man stood bewildered by the cries and lamentations of the family of meeting the tather, a borse ridden by a sady approached at a gallop. This apparition contrasted strangely with the lamentable group of sufferers. The young lady was mounted on a fine bay horse. A light skirt, and bread felt hat were all the deviations rem her home costumb that haste had led er to assume. Her face, fresh and reseate tull of youth, love iness, and techng, was at the sam time grave and anxious, as she gazed in speechees wonder on the scene. Miss Mozwoll ! Patterson exclaimed, in the name of Hoaron, what news? How is of at the Mount? Yet, on this dreadful lay what but ill can happen !"
- Nothing is amiss, that I know of,' said

he vound hely, 'we are safe at home. The ite has not come near us. "Thank ticel ! said Robert. "I was going

to your house, when I foll in with this un-tortunate family. Will you this back and end us a cart P But I bog you will come with me; for I

oo, was going to you.

To me I cried the young man, in the number astonishment. Then all is not right ls George well 🟱 'I hope so,' replied Miss Maxwell; but the tears started into her avos at the same me ment, and Robert Pattorson gave a grean of

apprehension.
Thops so, added the young lady, recor ering her self possession; but that is the point I want to ascertain. Yesterday, he went with Turcen late the hills to bring in cattie, and this morning the fire surprised them when they had taken two different sweeps along the side of a range Turcon could not find George again, but made his way home; hoping his master had done the same. George has not yet come, and the fire is raging so florcoly in the hills, that I' could think of nothing but coming to you

for your advice end posistance. Thank you, Eilen P said Robort with a and emotion. I will find him it he lives. the sprang to his horse; and, telling the unhappy tamily that he would send them immediate assistance, both he and Mirs Max-

well galleped away. oll galloped awny.
We will not attempt to divulge their con creation on the way; but will let the reader little into the mutual relations of these two families and those young people. Miss Ellen Maxwell and her brother Goorge were the sole remaining members of their family. As the nearest neighbours of the Pattersons they had grown into intimate friends. Goo. and Robert had been play-follows in Van-Diemen's Land; and here, where they had come in their boyhood, they were school-follows. Since then they had gradually grown; from a similarity of tastos and modes of life, the most intimated friends. It was not likely that sobort l'atterson and Ellen Maxwell could avoid liking one another.— They possessed everything in mind, person; and estate, which made such an attachment the most natural thing in the world. Rilen was extremely attached to Mrs Patterson, ter whom she had the highest veneration; Ellen had received an excellent education in Edinburgh, whither she had been sent to

keon sense of womanly pride, which gave a cortain dignity to her manner, and a reputation for high spirit.

All had gone well between horself and Robert till some six months ago.

But, since then, there had sprung up a misunderstanding. Nobody could tell how it had arisen; nobody except Ellou knew, and whatever was the secret cause, she locked it imnune trably within her own bosom. All at once she had assumed a distant and baughty manner towards Robert Patterson. From him she did not concost that she felt she had bade him search his own memory and his boart, and they would instruct him. She insisted that they cense to regard themselves as affianced, and only consented that nothing as yet should be said on the subject to

that it would most painfully afflict them. Ellen, who used to be continually riding over to see Mrs. l'atterson with her brother, now rarely appeared, and proudly declined now rarely appeared, and proudly control to give her reasons for the change in her; adding that she must absent herself alteged and the shear ware renewed. To her ther, it the subject were renewed. To he brother she was equally reserved, and he natributed her conduct to caprice-bidding Robert take no notice of it. Bilen was not without other admirers, but that was nothing new. One young man, who had lately come into the neighbourhood, paid her asiduous attention, and gossip did not fail to attribute the cause of Robert Patterron's decline of favour to his influence. But Ellen gave no countenance to such a supposition. She was evidently under no desire to pique her old lover by any marked predilection for a new one. Her nature was too noble for the pettiness of coquetry, and any desire to add poignancy to coldness. On the other hand, it was clear to the quietly watchful eyo of hor brother, that she was herself even more unhappy than Robert --Her eyes often betrayed the effects of secret weeping, and the paleness of her cheek be-lied the assumed air of cheerfulness that

she wore. Things ere in this sucomfortable state at the outbreak of the fire. It was, therefore; a most cheering thought to Patterson that, in her distress, she had flown first, and at once to him. This demonstrated confidence in his friendship. True, on all occa-ions, she had protested that ber sense of his high moral character was not an iota abated but in this spontaneous not, Robert's heart persuaded himself that something more.

No sooner did he reach the Mount, than, leaving Elion to send off essistance to the Febans, he took Turesu the stockman, and rode into the forest hills. It was soon dark and ther had to balt, but not far from the spot where Turcen and lost sight of his master. They tethered their borses in a space clear of trees and of fire, and gave them corn that they had brought with them When the moon rose, they went on to some distance, uttoring loud cooses to attract the ear of the lost man; but all in vain. The ire had left the ground hot and covered with sahes, here and there buge trees burning like columns, of led-hot iron.

Finding all their efforts for the night fruitless, they flung themselves down braids their horses, and with the carliest peop of dawn they were up and off higher into the hitls. Their way presented at every step the most shocking effects of the fire. Ever and anon they came upon bullocks a usch had perished in it. Here and there, too, they

followed them. These were either oblinot so much burnt as to affect their irres—
their station was three miles distant, and hardness of the ground; but by indefatigable search they regained them, and were led at length to the edge of a deep and precipitous ravine. In the ravine itself the trees and grass remained unscathed; the torrent of fire had leapt over it, sweeping away, however, every shrub and blade of herb from the heights.

"God dofend us!" exclaimed Robert, borse are doubtless dashed to pieces."

He raised a loud and clear cooses, instantly answered by the wild and clamorous barking of a dog, which in the next instant was seen leaping and springing about in the bottom of the dell, as if frantio with delight. "That is Suirrup!" exclaimed Turcen;

and the two men began to descend the steep side of the ravine. Robert Patterson outstripped his older and hearier companion. He seemed to fly down the sheer and craggy descent. Here he seized a bough, there a point of the rock, and in the next instant was as rapidly traversing; the bottom of the glen. Snirrup, the cattle dog, rushed barking and whining upon him, as in a fit of ecstatio undness, and then bounded on before him. Robert followed in breathless anxiety; stopped the next moment by the sight of George Maxwell's horse, lying crushed and dead. Robert cast a rapid glance around, expecting every moment to see his friend stretched equally lifeless. But presently he heard the faint sound of a hu-. man voice.

There lay George stretched in the midst of a grassy thicket, with a face expressing agony and exhaustion. Robert seized his lytic bonds which had enchained her for offered hand, and George called first for years. The same cause which had disabled water. His friend started up and ran down her limbs had restored them. the valley at full speed. He was soon back | The conflagration had extended over with a pannikin of water, which the sufferer space of three hundred miles by a hundred drank with avidity.

He now learned that, as had been supposed, in the thick smoke the horse had witnessed the remaining traces of its desogone over the precipice, and was killed in lation. Over all this space, flocks and an instant. George had escaped, his fall berds in thousands had porished. Houses. being broken by his steed; and he was ricks, fences and bridges had been annihil thing into the thicket, which again softened ated. Whole families had been destroyed. the shock of his descent. But he had a broken leg, and was besides extremely bruised and torn. Life, however, was strong within him; and Turcen and Robert lost no time in having a litter of poles bound together with stringy bark made soft with grass and leaves, laid in a sheet of the ame bark. They had three miles to bear the shattered patient, to whom every motion produced excruciating agonies. was not long before they heard people in different parts of the wood loudly conceing and their answers soon brought, not only a number of men who had been sent out in quest of them, but Miss Maxwell herself.

We shall not attempt to describe the sad and yet rejoicing interview of the brother and sister, nor the rapidity with which the different men were sent off upon the horses tied in the hills for the surgeon, who lived two miles off.

In a few days George Maxwell-his leg joyous, and affectionate, but not without a having been set and his wounds dressedhad become easy enough to relate all that had happened to him; the dreadful hight which he had passed in extreme agony the gien, and the excitement which the loud ringing cooces of Robert of Robert which had reached him, but to which he was unable to reply, had occasioned both him and the faithful and sympathining dog, who barked vehemently, but, as it proved, in

From the moment of this tragic occur cause for uissatisfaction, but she refused to rence, Robert l'atterson was constantly it explain. When, confounded at the circumstance, he sought for an explanation, she slept in the same room with him, and attended with Ellen as his nurse in the daytime. From this moment the cloud which had so long hung over the spirit of Ellen Maxwell had vanished. She was herself her brother or Mrs Patterson, on the ground again; always kind and open, yet with a mournful tone in her bearing towards Robert which surprised and yet pleased him. It looked like regret for past unkladness. As they sat one evening over their tea, while George was in a profound sleep in the next room, Ellen, looking with emotion at him, soid, in a low tremulous voice Robert, I owe much to you."

"To me?" said Robert hastily. "Isn't George as much a brother to me as to vou ?

"It is not that which I mean," added Ellen, coloring deeply, yet speaking more firmly; "it is that I have done you great wrong. I believed that you had said a most ungenerous thing, and I acted upon my belief with too much pride and resentment. I was told that you had jested at me as the daughter of a convict."

Robert sprang up. "It is false! I never said it," he exclaimed. "Who could have told you have told such a malicious falschood Ϋ

"Calm yourself," added Ellen, taking the young man's hand. "I shall tell you

"Hear me patiently; for I must impress first on you the strange likelihood of what was reported to me. You were driven to tive me the Priest these graces shall posses stockman's but, it was said, by a storm-

ment; "what have I ever done to her that Would rather souls than his own gain ense

pause of astonishment. "And this was the deadly revenge—the serpents? But O, Ellen! why could you not speak?" One word, and all would have been explained." Whose province, Heaven, all bis endeavour she will could not speak, Robert. Wounded Of on his pastoral account reflects, "I could not speak, Robert. Wounded Oft on his pastoral account redocts, pride allenced me. But I have suffered By holiness, not rishes gains respect—severely—have been fearfully punished. I "Who is all that he would have others bad"

There was not a man in the penal settlement who did not honor his political integrity and foresight, and who did not reverence his character. But the convicts as a band were proud to claim him as of their own class, though sent thither only for the crime of a Hampden or a Sidney. Whenever reproach was thrown on the convict portion of society, the insulted party pointed to the venerable exile, and triumphantly bailed him as their chief. No endeavors, though they were many, and conducted by powerthe smoke must have blinded him, and ful hands, had ever been able to procure a concealed this frightful place. Man and reversal of his sentence. The injuries of a man of his high talents and noble nature might be comparatively buried at the antipodes; at home they would be a present, a perpetual and a damaging reproach. He had lived and died a banished, but a highlyhonored man. Still, as he rose to a higher estimation and an unusual affluence, there were little minds who delighted occasionally to whisper-"After all, he is but a lag." And it was on this tender point that the minds of his children, whose ears such remarks had reached and wounded, had be-

come morbidly sensitive. Amid the general calamity, this reconciliation was like a song of thanksgiving in the genorous heart of Robert Patterson, and quickened it to tenfold exertions in alleviating the sufferings of his neighbors. His joy was made boundless and overflowing by a circumstance which appeared to be little short of a miracle. When Robert rode up to his own station, he beheld his mothernot seated in her wheeled chair-but on foot! light, active and alert, going to and fin amongst the people whose destitution still kept them near his house. The mass of misery which she saw around her, and the exertion which it stimulated, burst the para-

and fifty, and far away beyond the Golburn, the Broken River, and the Ovens, we have Solitary travellers, flying through the boundless woods before the surging thame, had fallen and perished. For weeks and months, till the kindly rains of autumn had renewed the grass, people journeying through the bush behald lean and famishing cattle unable to rise from the ground, and which by faint bellowings seemed to claim the pity and aid of man. Perhaps no such vast devastation ever fell on any nation; and the memory of Black Thursday is an indelible retrospect in Victoria.

Poetry.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

BY MRS. L, H. SIGOURNEY.

Group after group are gathering—such a press'd Once to their Saviour's arms, and gently laid Their therub heads upon his shielding breast, Though sterner souls the fond approach for

bade;
Group after group glide on with noiseless tread,
And round Jehovah's sacred after meet.
Where hely thoughts in infant hearts are bred,
And holy words their suby lips repeat.
On with a chasten'd glance, in modulation

Yet some there are apou whose shijdish brows
Wan poverty hath done the work of care;
Look up, ye sad ones I tis your father's house
Beneath whose consecrated dome you are;

And watch the gaudier forms that gaily more, And doom, perchance, initaking as you are, The 'coat of many colors' proves Bla love, Whose sign is in the heart, and whose reward

And ye, bleat laborers in this humble ephere,
To deeds of saint like obserty inclined,
Who from your cells of meditation dear,
Come forth to guide the weak, untutored misd
Yet ask no payment, save one smile refined Of grateful love—one tear of contrile pain!
Meakly ye forfelt to your mission kind
The rest of earthly Sabbaths. Be your gain
A Sabbath without end, mind you celestial plain

VALLE CRUCIS.

A WELCH SONG.

Valo of the cross, the shepherds tell The sweet within thy woods to dwell— For there are sainted shadows seen; That frequent haunt the dawy green: In wendering winds the directs sung, The convent bell with spirits rung, And matin bymus, and vesper prayer, Break softly on the tranquil sir

Vale of the cross, the shepherds tell 'Tie sweet within thy shades to dwell; For peace has there her spotten throne, For I case has there her apottes throne, And pleasures to the world unknown— The mermurs of the distant rills, The Sabbath silence of the hills, And all the quiet God hath given Without the golden gates of heaven.

PORTRAIT OF A PARISH PRIEST.

Of ambassalor the just address; A father's tanderness, a shepherd's care, A leader's courses, which the cross can bes A ruler's awe, a watchman's wakeful eye, of ambassaicr tie just salrees, a shepherd's care, A father's tenderseas, a shepherd's care, a ladder's courage, which the cross can bear.—A ruler's awe, a watchman's dearest organical systems of plot's skill the helm in storms or plot's tall the helm in storms or plot's skill the helm in storms to plot, A fighter's tenderness, a shelm or plot's skill th deserved such a stab?"

"You threatened to send Pechan to prison for bush-ranging. You reminded him of his former life and unexpired sentence."

"That is true," said Robert, after a pause of astonishment. "And this was the Instructive in his visits and conve the mother, who was sunk on the floor as dead, but who soon gave signs of life as she came into she air.

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CITY COUNCIL. From the Hamilton Genetia The Council met on Monday at 4 p.m. Several communications and memorials were read, amongst which were a memorial from Mr. Donald Stuart, asking for the use of the St. Lawrence engine station for the Highwood land Rifle Corps to drill in ; communicati from James S. Wetenhall, amessor, relativo to the ward census; and one from G. C.

Alderman Mitchell and Councillors Sunley and Robertson tendered their resignations as members of the Market Committee, on the ground of their chairman not suffciently consulting them as to various improvements and alterations.

Cockburn, the city engineer, stating the

suspension bridge at Burlington Heights to

be in a very unsafe and unsatisfactory con-

Momorials from Charles Magill and 36 others, praying for the grading of East, West and Victoria Avenues, and from Henry Spencer and others, praying for the construction of a sewer on Catheart Street.

The whole of these were referred to the espective Committees. Alderman Brown road the eighth report of the Committee on Finance, showing that the Committee calculated that a rate of 3s in the pound would enable them to meet all demands on the city, the estimate of ex-

penses being £50,819 10s, and expected revenue £56,525 10s 7d, which would leave a handsome surplus. The Chairman of the Fire and Water. lloard of Works and Market Committees

had no reports to offer, the latter naievely stating, when called on for the report of the Committee, that he had no committee. In the report of the Police Committee, the following applicants were recommended

to be added to the police force;-Michael Garvey, John Bain, S. W. Nair, James Powell, Edward Lanigan, Thomas Evans, and John King to be appointed pound The special Committee appointed to entit

quire into the reports concerning the letting of the contract for the Hamilton and Port Dover Railway reported that, in their opinion, no grounds existed for those reports it m and that the contract was let on better and torus than it would probably be now taken solver They also expressed their entire confidence na.1 in the present Directors, and in their careful and proper management of the road, we want No report from the Committee on the 1200

Industrial Farm. On the consideration of reports being to taken up, it was moved by Councillor Mo. 1841 Killop, seconded by Alderman Balfour, that the report of the Finance Committee be adopted.

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Aklerman Stuart objected to the placing the proceeds of £15,000 of city debentures, which had been disposed of through Meserst J. & D. M. Osborne, in the Commercial and Bank. He said the Gore Bank had always last stood by the city when the coffers were it

empty. Alderman Browne and other men owever, explained that the Gore Bank had never allowed any laterest on deposite what overdrawn accounts, and the Commercial had liberally offered to allow six per cent. bas on the deposit, and this was why the shoot amount in question was deposited there, It was also stated that Mesers, Osborna, water had taken Hamilton debentures at 280, in a set preference to those of London at £78.7 3s bared The report was adopted, Alderman

Stuart alone dissenting. The report of the Police Committee was A beauty for the contract of also adopted.

alderman Browne read two new by-laws, 16 100 on the subject of levying rates and other purposes, which went through the various singes and became law.

Alderman Gilkison gave notice of his invit tention to introduce, at the next meeting of the Council, a by-law to authorize the city. of Hamilton to take £75,000 additional, tails stock in the Hamilton and Port Dover desired Railway.

A by-law, in amendment of by-laws 82, 71, 72, 77 and 86, was passed, a portion of the provisions being to enforce the clean, Madi sing of side-walks, and to increase the taken not on dogs to 7s 6d, and on bitches to 14s. 5 bas 14 On the motion of Alderman Devany, the resignation of three members of the Market Committee was accepted, and three others stant appointed in their place, thus sustaining a process

Councillor Branigan in his position. whicher orders Alderman Ford, in consequence of disagreements between himself and one of the members, resigned his position as chairman zatota of the Committee on the Gore improvement. A few other proceedings took place, batt of no great public interest.

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