

tion in the narrations, but the lessons conveyed are such as it well becomes the young to lay to heart.

WHISPERS FROM DREAM LAND. By Nellie Graham, author of "Little Annie's first thoughts about God." 18mo. pp. 128.

After Bunyan, the wonderful dreamer, many have essayed to convey religious instruction in an allegorical form, and have employed a dream as the vehicle of their thoughts. These attempts have not generally been very successful, and we think that the same instruction might be conveyed as well if not better in another form, but leaving this out of view, the work is replete with sound scriptural sentiments.

APPEAL FOR OUR COLLEGES.

TO THE OFFICE-BEARERS, MEMBERS AND ADHERENTS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF THE LOWER PROVINCES.

Brethren:—

The Union recently consummated will ever form a marked feature in the Presbyterianism of British America. Those who witnessed the scene of October 4th, 1860, and thousands present only in spirit, felt that a bright day had dawned upon the Church, and in glowing language was the future prosperity of the United Body depicted. It is, however, one thing to anticipate great events, but quite another to display the personal activity inseparable from their accomplishment. The feelings incident to that interesting season have now partially subsided, and it becomes those who delighted to sketch the future glory of the Church, to grapple honestly and firmly, with the responsibilities involved in the Union, and to devise the best mode of making bright prospects, realities. The means by divine blessing, are in your hands, by a generous and impartial support, and a wise and energetic management of all the schemes and operations of the Church. In this lies your obligation, and it forms the sole element of stability and success. Earnestness in meeting obligation, will test your sincerity when dwelling upon the delights, and anticipating the effects of Union.

The relative importance of the various schemes, requires no discussion here. Each has its own sphere, and its own intrinsic character and bearing; yet so mutually dependent and reactive are they, that failure in any one operates injuriously on the rest. *The duty of the Church is to give the highest possible efficiency to all her schemes.* All that is requisite to this end, is the exhibition of that expansive spirit, the existence and power of which, the very fact of Union would seem to indicate. But, if a distinction may be permitted, your Educational arrangements form the basis, on which, the permanency and success of the others depend. Still, tho' one scheme may have more extensive relations to the general prosperity than others, this fact does not entitle to an undue share of attention. "This ought ye to have done, and not to have left the other undone."

At the last meeting of Synod, it was resolved to submit to the notice of the Church, the position and claims of the Educational institutions of the United Body; and to press those claims upon the prayerful consideration and Christian liberality of pastors and congregations. The necessity of conveying to the United Church full information, regarding what were, till recently separate and comparatively unknown interests and plans, must be the apology for the length, to which this appeal may extend.

Your institutions consist of first the Seminary at Truro, with three Professors and fifty-one students. To this is attached a training school, whose term is at present, co-extensive with that of the Seminary. Secondly, the College and Divinity Hall in Halifax, with three Professors and sixteen students. These students