

is a hero indeed. Little does England know the worth of her noble sons who with the morning light say farewell to wife and child, taking their lives in their hands and descend to the bowels of the earth.

These are the men who help to make England great, and yet they are little better than slaves. Why should they be slaves? When will England learn to put a higher price upon honest toil than upon luxurious idleness?

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

In the death of Rev. Joseph H. Doolittle, B.A., our denomination loses one of its noblest ministers, and our University one of its most honored alumni. The funeral sermon preached by Professor Trotter, his classmate and intimate friend, has been published in the *Canadian Baptist*, and is a most eloquent and tender tribute to our departed brother.

We are glad to receive a copy of Rev. W. H. Porter's "Converse with the King." With rare taste and skill and scrupulous care Mr. Porter has selected and brought together in admirable connection and harmony kindred passages of God's word. Each page presents a distinct thought, which is amply sustained by numerous quotations, simple truth direct from the Book; nothing is added, except a short verse of an appropriate hymn or poem. Pastors will find it valuable for prayer meeting topics, families may use it profitably at morning and evening worship. The author's poetic introduction reminds one of John Bunyan's famous introduction to the *Progress* :—

Here wreathed are flowrets bright with orient dyes,
And blended hues from radiant eastern skies :
And gathered fruits most luscious, grown in climes
For ever hallowed by the rapturous chimes
Of heavenly music, and inspired bard ;
And perfumes sweet from fields of myrrh and nard.

Here food prepared is found, and water cold
From springs that rise in snowy mountains old,
And here are rubies rich, and gold most fine,
And jewels rare from ancient stream and mine.
Here gathered treasures lie from many a land,
And distant age, "sought out," and brought to hand.
Here comfort, joy, and peace, and strength are found ;
Here counsels wise, and promises abound :
And best of all, to him who but receives,
All things are his, if only he believes.