


the teaching of not a few is inspired rather by the prince of darkness than by the Author of light. The pastor of "Zion" therefore, when he praises God from whom such blessings (are supposed to) flow, praises him on somewhat questionable grounds. If, on reaching Queen Street, the pastor should wend his way eastward, he will perceive that one of these sanctuaries (?) is for sale; this, we presume, would convert his praises into tears, as he could not do less than "weep when he remembered Zion," and reflected that "Zion" had been sold for some \$4,000 less than might have been obtained for her, had the sale been judiciously effected. Some of us, it is to be feared, have concluded that it is rather "by the rivers of Babylon" that "we sit down"; we are consequently disposed to "hang our harps on the willows in the midst thereof," and to say, "How shall we sing the song of Jehovah in the land of a stranger? If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget me." Our measure of apprehension of the ways of the Almighty would lead us still further to quote (in relation to the objects of Mr. Powis's gratitude)—"O daughter of Babylon, who art

to be destroyed," and we should be less dissatisfied with them, if they paid the "tribute" which is morally due from them to the city which tolerates their existence.

#### THE REV. DR. SWINDLER'S PASTORATE.

The Reverend (or possibly the Very Reverend) gentleman above designated, when going his rounds among his flock recently, accompanied by another touter, addressed his intended victim in the following fashion:—Dear Brother, we want your name for \$500, towards the enlargement of the Queen St. Methodist Church. The intended dupe, being mindful of a wiser and a better half, respectfully replied that he would consider the matter—"My people doth not consider," was the reply of this successor of Iscariot. See Is i, 3. Is it not more than time that this man should go "to his own place," whether that place be Wall Street, New York, or elsewhere?

Whether the work of a Sectarian College be to qualify men for the ministry, or to render them unfit for it, may be said to be one of the grave questions of the hour.

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