

## AD FRATREM.

"Come what sorrow can,  
It cannot countervail the exchange of joy."  
*Romeo and Juliet.*

I.  
Dear as the hopes showed in the days no more,  
Dearer than friendship when its smile was mine,  
Or when sweet thought on fancy's wings did soar,  
To gloss my dreams and make them seem divine!  
Art thou, O brother, to the one who strives,  
Despite our strange and dismantled lives—  
To give affection void as true as thine?

II.  
For every hope was edged with constancy,  
And every dream was touched with sacred fire,  
When thy companionship gave sympathy  
To feed the glow which made me once aspire;  
And now betide of thee, and in a clime  
That holds faint memories of that happy time,  
My dreams have perished on oblivion's pyre.

III.  
Thy nature is so high above my own,  
That I can't stoop to praise, when praise is vain;  
Upon life's rocks dark woods of care have grown,  
And yet, in sunny nooks, without a stain,  
Spring seedlings, which affection's hand has cast,  
Those bright perennial emblems of a past,  
Which to affection's eyes can never wane!

IV.  
I tread men's sordid ways; I add a stir  
Of restless progress and remorseless trade,  
An aimless, solitary worshipper  
Of loveliness that never seems to fade,  
That beautifies an uneventful life,  
And turns to melody the discord's strife;  
The concord which our sympathies have made!

V.  
Those luminous hours I seem to grasp again  
Which thy companionship did render bright,  
Whose beauty still invades my home's domain,  
The ocean's boundless surge—times maddening night—  
Divide us not; no tide can ever stay  
The constancy of souls—affection's way—  
That gather strength in darkness and in light.  
London, Eng. ISHORE.

## "THE ASIATIC CHRIST."

In the *News* of June 28th, there is an article with the above heading, which begins as follows: "What difference would it make if it were proven that Jesus was not, in reality, a Jew by extraction? This is a question which we are altogether unprepared to answer."

For my part, I can answer it without a moment's hesitation. Thousands, myriads would give the same answer that I now give, which is this: "If Jesus were not in reality a Jew by extraction, the Bible is a lie and He is Himself a liar." It was foretold that the Messiah should be an Israelite according to His human nature. The Lord said to Abraham: "In thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed" (*Genesis XXII, 18*). The term "seed" in this promise, the Apostle Paul expressly applies to Christ (*See Galatians III, 16*). The same apostle says: "Of whom" (that is the Israelites) "as concerning the flesh Christ came." (*Romans IX, 5*). Christ said to the Samaritan woman: "Salvation is of the Jews" (*John IV, 22*). I could quote many other passages to the same effect, but let these suffice.

You refer to ERNEST VON BUNSEN's proofs that Jesus was not "a Jew by extraction." These are of the weakest kind possible. Let us look at them.

The first is: "The descent of DAVID from CALEB, the Kenezite, and thus from non-Hebrews." This, BUNSEN says, "points to a connection of JESUS with 'the strangers in Israel.'" It has to be proved that DAVID was descended from CALEB. But, admitting that, CALEB was not a foreigner. When JOSHUA sent twelve spies to view the promised land, CALEB was the one who represented the tribe of Judah—the royal one. He would not have been so honoured, had he been a "stranger in Israel."

The second is: "The four female ancestors of Jesus mentioned in the genealogies of MATTHEW" (there is only one genealogy in MATTHEW) "are all non-Hebrews." BUNSEN admits that the descent of TAMAR is not specified in the Bible. His only authority for calling her a "stranger" is the statement of PHILLO, RAHAB and RUTH, I admit, were gentiles. BATH-SHEBA, BUNSEN says, was born where the Kenezites dwelt. I have just shown that CALEB, a Kenezite, was also a Hebrew. Admitting, however, that all these four female ancestors of JESUS were gentiles, that no more affects His right to be classed among the Jews, than the roughness in the skin of an orange affects its shape. Take the case of a person born in England, and of English parents. Would BUNSEN say that he is not an Englishman, because his great-great-great-grandmother was a French woman? Some of the first English families are descended from ancestors who came over with WILLIAM the Conqueror. According to BUNSEN's reasoning, PRINCESS LOUISE has no right to be called an English lady.

The third is: "One of the sons of ABRAHAM and his concubine, KETURAH, was called SHUA, which name, with the divine prefix, formed JESHO-SHUA, JOSHUA or JESUS." Evidence of this kind would not justify a person in killing a dog charged with sheep-worrying.

You say that BUNSEN is an earnest believer in CHRIST and the redemption, and has no intention of lowering the prestige of the Saviour of the world. "But he also believes in the superhuman claims of BUDDHA." It is, therefore, utterly impossible for him to be "an earnest believer in CHRIST and the redemption." BUNSEN calls BUDDHA, "the Asiatic Christ," and says that he "taught and acted in ways that have for ages been the cherished ways of devout Hindoos.

He taught, for example, the doctrine of non-resistance, while the Western Christians teach the need and justifiability of war." This extract is a piece of confusion. Professing Christians do not always act as Christ commands. When BUNSEN proposes to compare BUDDHA and CHRIST, he has no right to take BUDDHA and professing Christians. But "Western Christians" do not teach "the need" and justifiability of war. They only say that war in self-defence is allowable. The teachings of CHRIST do not forbid it. BUNSEN says that "the doctrines taught by CHRIST—especially in the matter of getting and keeping the goods of the world—resemble very closely the doctrines of BUDDHA." The impression which he here means to produce in the minds of his readers is that CHRIST copied his doctrines from BUDDHA.

According to these views one may be "an earnest believer in CHRIST and the redemption," and yet a believer also in "the superhuman claims" of MAHOMET or JOE SMITH.

"Devout" Hindoos have for ages acted in a very different manner from the teachings and example of CHRIST.

The term "CHRIST" which BUNSEN applies to BUDDHA is a blasphemous one. There is only one Christ. I suppose BUNSEN would call JOE SMITH "the American CHRIST."

*Metis, Que.*

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## "A FIFTH GOSPEL."

Such is the term applied to the Gospel according to the Hebrews, referred to in an editorial in the *News* of June 28th. On that editorial I would make a remark or two. It is there said that the appearance of JESUS to JAMES (His brother), alluded to by PAUL in I. Corinth. XV, has been lost out of the Gospels in the century which followed him. According to this a great many facts in the life of Christ have been lost out of one or other of the Gospels. For example, MATTHEW is the only one who speaks of the wise men from the east coming to Jerusalem. LUKE is the only one who speaks of the appearance of the angel Gabriel to Mary, and of the angels to the shepherds. JOHN is the only one who speaks of the miracle at the marriage at Cana of Galilee. PAUL is the only one who speaks of Christ's appearing to above five hundred brethren at once. Have all these facts been "lost out of" the Gospels in which they are not mentioned?

It is said in the editorial referred to, that "this recovered Gospel says that JESUS asked all His disciples to handle Him, and see that He was out an 'incorporal demon' (demonion), and not THOMAS alone. Any one who knows anything of the Scriptures, knows that LUKE tells us that when CHRIST showed Himself to His disciples in the evening of the day in which He arose from the dead, He bade them all handle Him (*Luke XXIV, 39, 40*).

Mention is made of "baptismal redemption." This is a new term. According to the so-called "Fifth Gospel," CHRIST was advised by His mother and His brothers to go with them and be baptized by JOHN. He however saw no need of His doing so. He is represented as saying, "Wherein have I sinned that I should go and be baptized by him; except perchance that this very thing that I have said is ignorance." MATTHEW represents CHRIST as coming to JOHN to be baptized by him in order "to fulfil all righteousness."

The Gospel according to the Hebrews will do no harm whatever to those by MATTHEW, MARK, LUKE and JOHN.

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## VARIETIES.

A FAMOUS WINE.—The most famous Madeira ever known was "the 1814 pipe." It was fished up from the bottom of the Scheldt, above Flushing, in 1814, having remained there since 1778 in the timbers of a ship which had been wrecked at the mouth of the river in that year. It was sold by auction at Antwerp, the greater portion being secured for Louis XVIII., who despatched an agent with instructions to secure it regardless of expense. The King (or the agent) presented the French consul at Antwerp with several dozens, which he sold to the Duc de Raguse. In 1858, after the death of the Duchesse de Raguse, four dozens remained in her cellars, and they were sold for something over their weight in gold to Baron Rothschild. On the occasion when the Duchesse entertained Tagliani at dinner several bottles were produced, the hostess rightly considering that to be thought worthy of the precious liquor was the greatest honour that could be paid to anybody.

ISCOG.—During Napoleon I.'s reign, royal visits to Paris were frequent; but the Emperor, who loved state, would not hear of privacy, even when his own brothers were concerned. For having disobeyed him in this particular, Jerome, King of Westphalia, once got into a scrape. His Majesty had gone to dine quietly at a restaurant at the Palais-Royal with Pigault-Lebrun, the novelist, and when the bill was brought up the two discovered that they had no money. Jerome, without saying who he was, tendered his watch in pledge; but the landlord, perceiving the Imperial arms on the article, took his customers for a pair of thieves, and sent for the police. The affair reached Napoleon's ears, and he ordered Jerome to Westphalia, just as he would have packed off a subaltern to his garrison, and at the same time he refused him leave to take Pigault-Lebrun with him as his Librarian.

ADVICE TO YOUNG LADIES.—Ladies—caged birds of beautiful plumage, but sickly looks—

pale pets of the parlour, who vegetate in unhealthy atmosphere, like the potato germinating in a dark cellar, why do you not go into the open air and warm sunshine and add lustre to your eyes, bloom to your cheeks, elasticity to your steps and vigor to your frames? Take exercise; run up the hill on a wage, and down again for fun; roam the fields, climb the fences, leap the ditches, wade the brooks, and after a day of exhilarating exercise and unrestrained liberty, go home with an appetite acquired by healthy enjoyment. The beautiful and blooming young lady—rosy-cheeked and bright-eyed—who can darn a stocking, mend her own frock, command a regiment of pots and kettles, and be a lady when required, is a girl that young men are in quest of for a wife. But you pining, screwed-up, wasp-waisted, doll-dressed, consumption-mortgaged, music-murdering, novel-devouring daughters of fashion and idleness, you are no more fit for matrimony than a pullet is to look after a brood of fourteen chickens. The truth is, my dear girls, you want less fashionable restraint and more liberty of action; more kitchen and less parlour, more leg exercise and less sofa; more frankness and less mock modesty. Loosen your waist-strings, and breathe pure atmosphere, and become something as good and beautiful as nature designed.

WILLING TO OBLIGE.—A very prepossessing young lady, canvassing for a popular book, stepped into the office of a broker, and, finding him apparently at leisure, asked him to look at her book. The gentleman informed her that it would be only a waste of time, as he could not purchase it. "Oh, never mind that, even if you don't buy it, I should like to have you read some portions of it, and see what it is." The accommodating broker took the volume, and, glancing at the title-page, commenced a perusal of the introduction. This finished, he began at the first chapter, and read carefully and leisurely along. It was about nine o'clock when he commenced, and an hour passed silently away, when the book agent began to show signs of nervousness, which were apparently unnoticed by the broker for he never took his eyes from the volume, but read on steadily. Eleven o'clock came, and the lady began to walk smartly around the room, glancing occasionally out of the windows. At noon the broker was still reading, and the agent was a decidedly troubled countenance. A few moments before one o'clock the broker, laid the book down, leisurely donned his overcoat and hat, and remarked, "That is a very good book. I am sorry I cannot read more of it, but I am obliged to go to luncheon. If you call this afternoon, I will continue reading it."

DANIEL WEBSTER'S FIRST PLEA.—When Daniel Webster and his brother Ezekiel were boys on their father's farm in New Hampshire, they were greatly annoyed one year by the ravages of the squirrels, and traps were set to catch them. Ezekiel brought the first capture to the house in triumph, and was, boy-like, eager to kill him at once, as a punishment for his misdeeds, or to make him a prisoner for life in a cage; but Daniel would consent to neither sentence—he wanted to set the poor frightened little creature free. The dispute waxed warm, and the boys appealed to their father. He proposed to hold a court, and have the squirrel tried, Ezekiel appearing for the prosecution, Daniel for the defence. This was a grand idea. The court was organised in the family sitting-room, with the father on the bench. Ezekiel did his very best. He enlarged upon the iniquities of the squirrel, and the necessity for punishment, and supposed he had covered the whole ground. But Daniel rose, his young face lighted with enthusiasm, and his young heart full of pity for the helpless creature whose life he was to plead for. Boy as he was, he poured out such a flood of eloquent speech on the beauty and worth of life, even to a squirrel, on the great wrong of imprisonment for an unconscious offence, and on the charm of free-dom, that when he sat down his hearers wiped the tears from their eyes. The prosecutor was the first to deliver the little prisoner, and Daniel and Ezekiel set no more traps.

THE NEW PRINCE OF BULGARIA.—Prince Alexander, who is but twenty-two years of age, was unanimously elected to the new Bulgarian throne, about the end of last April, by the Bulgarian Assembly of Deputies at Tirnova, with the approval of the Delegates of the European Powers. He is a son of Prince Alexander of Hesse, brother of the Empress of Russia. He is a nephew, by her marriage, of the late lamented Princess Alice. His mother, born Countess von Hauke, was the daughter of a former Polish Minister of War, and was raised to the rank of Princess on her morganatic marriage with the Prince of Hesse. The Prince-Elect of Bulgaria is a second son of this union, an elder brother, Prince Louis of Battenberg, serving in the British navy. Prince Alexander knows the country and its inhabitants which he has been called upon to rule, having, it will be remembered, served with the Russian army during the late war. Part of the time he rode in the ranks of the 8th Regiment of Uhlans, whose honorary Colonel his father is, and he was also attached to the staff of Prince Charles of Roumania, as well as to the Russian headquarters. He was present with Prince Charles at the siege of Plevna, and crossed the Balkans with General Gourko. Soon after returning to Germany from the Russo-Turkish campaign he was transferred from the Hessian regiment of Dragoons, to which he had belonged, to the Prussian Life Guards, and has since done garrison duty in Potsdam.

## ROUND THE DOMINION.

STRAWBERRY festivals are all the rage in Ontario.

REPORTS of fisheries at the Magdalen Islands and Newfoundland are very favourable.

THE new departmental buildings at Quebec will probably be completed and delivered to the Government next spring.

THE vice-regal party have returned to Quebec, and will spend three weeks there before going to New Brunswick.

BARNUM's giant came to grief at St. John, N.B. His wife has run away from him, and has taken his trained goat and \$10,000 in bonds.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P.E.I., is exercised as to who is to be the next Governor of the Island. The present Governor's time expired on the 1st inst.

A STURDY old farmer of Pont Rouge, Quebec, 92 years of age, recently tramped for a wage from his home to Quebec in one day, a distance of 27 miles.

A CANADIAN officer, Major H. G. Elliot, who hails from Lambton County, Ont., has gone out to the Cape as one of Sir Garnet Wolseley's right-hand men.

MR. BALCH, of the Boston *Herald*, who succeeded in having the murderer of Mrs. Hull arrested, is a native of Montreal, and son of the late Dean Balch.

THE Montreal Orangemen celebrate the forthcoming anniversary with their brethren in Ottawa, who, on the 24th July, receive delegates from Great Britain, Australia, and the United States.

THE value of the produce of the Canadian fisheries last year was \$13,215,000, as compared with \$12,030,000 in 1878. The increase is principally in the cod, mackerel, salmon, and lobster fisheries. The value of the fish exported last year was \$11,775,000 the United States markets absorbing about one-half of the total exports.

HALIFAX, N.S., was founded one hundred and thirty years ago by the Hon. Edward Cornwallis, a relative of the General Cornwallis who figured so prominently in the Revolutionary War. The colony which he brought with him consisted of two thousand five hundred persons, many of them disbanded officers, soldiers, and sailors. Halifax received its name out of compliment to the Lord then at the head of the Board of Trade.

## HUMOROUS.

PERSPICACITY is about the only honest thing that emanates from a mean man.

FOURTH of July orators and lemonade are made out of the same material.

A LADY, describing an ill-natured man, says he never smiles but he feels ashamed of it.

THE schoolboy imagines to be more perfect in "recess" than any other exercise of the school.

WHEN a boy reaches the age of 10 years, he condescendingly begins to talk about "the children."

A CHILD without legs has just been born. "Thank heaven!" said the weeping father, "this will not be a champion pedestrian."

A LONDON philosopher says there is something inexplicably sad about the music of a church organ—while the collection is being made.

THE incognito business is being run into the ground. John Smith, of Detroit, is travelling in Germany under the name of De Bologna.

Down in North Carolina a man has been sued for selling the false teeth of his first wife's estate to get money to buy clothes for his second wedding.

AN old miser having listened to a powerful discourse on charity, said: "That sermon so strongly proves the necessity of alms giving that I've almost a mind to beg."

THE man who walks for twenty-four hours on a stretch is considered a hero, but no one seems to have a kind word for the baby who yells straight ahead for seventeen hours.

AN editor has one advantage over a king. When an editor goes out riding in his open barouche, drawn by four milk-white steeds, he is never shot at by a Socialist. You have probably remarked this yourself.

A YOUNG man may do a great many foolish things, but he will never wear a pair of white pantaloons to a picnic but once. He will never forget the large amount of fun he didn't have on the first occasion.

"Isn't my poetry of a high order?" asked a spring poet, indignantly, when it didn't appear in the paper. "It is, it is," replied the editor, recollecting that he saw his wife papering the garret with a lot of it.

PROFESSOR: What is monarchy? Freshman: A people governed by a king. Professor: Who would reign if the king should die? Freshman: The queen. Professor: And if the queen should die? Freshman: The Jack.

A LITTLE dog in a front yard will make more noise than a whole menagerie, particularly when a fellow is trying to slip out of the front door without making any noise and the old folks happen to sleep right over the front stoop.

A MISSISSIPPI man puts it thus: "At the earnest solicitation of those whom I owe money, I have consented to become a candidate for county treasurer."

Rain is real, rain is earnest; We would not stop it if we could; Dust thou art, to dust returneth, Was surely written of the mud.

It was a German orator who, warming with his subject, exclaimed: "There is no man or child in this vast assembly who has arrived at the age of fifty years that has not felt the truth of this mighty subject thundering through his mind for centuries!"

June with a rose in her hair;  
Sweet as her breath is sweet;  
Her lips quiver with song,  
With a ripple of soft warm air  
Stirred by her love-urged feet,  
Is booming right along.

## A CARD.

To all who are suffering from the errors and indiscretions of youth, nervous weakness, early decay, loss of manhood, &c., I will send a recipe that will cure you, FREE OF CHARGE. This great remedy was discovered by a missionary in South America. Send a self-addressed envelope to the REV. JOSEPH T. INMAN, Station D, New York City.