

POETRY.

(From "The Christian Year.")

THE NATURAL AND SPIRITUAL WORLD.

"The invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things which are made."—Rom. i. 20.

There is a book, who run—may read,
Which heavenly truth imparts,
And all the lore its scholars need,
Pure eyes and Christian hearts
The works of God, above, below,
Within us, and around,
Are pages in that book, to show
How God himself is found.
The glorious sky, embracing all,
Is like the Maker's love;
Wherewith compass'd, great and small
In peace and order move.
The Moon above, the Church below,
A wondrous race they run;
But all their radiance, all their glow,
Each borrows of its Sun.
The Saviour leads the light and heat
That crown his holy bill,
The saints, like stars, around his seat,
Perform their courses still.*
The saints above are stars in heaven,—
What are the saints on earth?
Like trees they stand, whom God hath given,
Our Eden's happy birth.
Faith is their fix'd, unswerving root,
Hope, their unfading flower;
Fair deeds of charity their fruit,
The glory of their bower.
The dew of heaven is like Thy grace,
It steals in silence down;
But where it lights, the favour'd place
By richest fruit is known
One Name above all glorious names,
With its ten thousand tongues
The everlasting sea proclaims,
Echoing angelic songs.
The raging fire, the roaring wind,
Thy boundless power display;
But in the gentler breeze we find
Thy Spirit's viewless way.†
Two worlds are ours: 'tis only Sin
Forbids us to descry
The mystic heaven and earth within,
Plain as the sea and sky.
Thou, who hast given me eye to see
And love this sight so fair,
Give me a heart to find out Thee,
And read Thee everywhere!

* Dan. xii. 3. † Isaiah lx. 21. ‡ Psalm lxxviii. 9.
§ Heb. xii. 29. || John iii.

THE JOURNAL.

CHRISTIAN REGISTER.

We have much pleasure in acknowledging to have received this morning, the *Christian Register*, published in June of the present year, which has been kindly sent us from London, by ROBERT PARKER, Esq. of this City.

The *Christian Register*, is published at the Atlas Office, London, and is a Record of the several Religious Metropolitan Meetings held for the Promotion of Christianity and the Diffusion of Education: it contains their Proceedings and Speeches, and is to be continued annually. From this work, we shall be enabled to give our readers a condensed view of the wide field of Christian benevolence occupied by the wise and good of all denominations, and in some measure contribute, towards fanning the flame of zeal which we trust has already been kindled among the people of these Provinces.

The English Mail, which arrived on Saturday evening from Halifax, brought London dates to the 6th August, and the Francis Peabody, which had arrived on the day previous, brought Liverpool papers to the 12th of that month, the most important articles from which we have copied for this day's page. The war in the east of Europe is apparently verging to a crisis, an air of mystery still pervades the councils and the policy of the European nations, and the most profound politicians, are yet unable to determine on which side the scale will

turn; whether for a general war, or for a general pacification.

We much regret to see that the great leading interests of the mother country, her Agriculture, her Manufactures, and her Commerce, are still represented to be in a state of great depression. As however she possesses in herself all the elements of great national prosperity, capital, talent, enterprise, ingenuity, and industry; and as the wisdom of the nation is now engaged to discover the causes of her depression, and the proper course to be pursued for its removal; we indulge a hope that it will soon give place to brighter prospects, and that such measures will be devised as will provide permanent employment, and comfortable subsistence for the labouring classes. Affection and duty lead the people of this Province to sympathise with their suffering brethren at Home, and indeed their interests are so intimately connected, that they are constrained to feel the consequences of that depression.

The affairs of Ireland, are still represented to be in an unsatisfactory state. The good order and quiet which is now apparent among the Catholics is thought by some to be ominous, and to portend either some now and inadmissible demands, or some fearful explosion. We however, hope better things. We trust that the persons who entertain the views above stated will be disappointed, and that the calm and good order now said to exist, are but the beginnings of a peaceful and happy state of things.—In the mean time, as in every point of view, the present is unquestionably an eventful era, whether as relates to the internal or external relations of Great Britain, to her tranquility, her prosperity, and to her policy; it becomes all those who acknowledge the superintending care of that DIVINE BEING who "is the author of peace and lover of concord," to look to Him, that He may so preside in, and guide and direct our councils, that a spirit of conciliation and good-will may be diffused throughout the people, that the true interests of the nation may be established upon a solid basis, and that harmony and prosperity may permanently prevail in all parts of the British Empire; and also among all the nations of the earth.

NEREPIS ROAD.—A gentleman of this City, lately travelled in a Gig, on the Nerepis Road, to Fredericton, with much ease in 12 hours; which is somewhat less than the time generally taken by the steam boat, in going to the same place. He reports the road to be perfectly safe for wheel carriages, but recommends a light waggon as preferable to a gig on account of dispatch. He speaks in the highest terms of Mr. DAVID MATHER'S Hotel, the "Douglas Arms," and says, the style of the establishment, and the accommodations, are greatly superior to any thing of the kind he has hitherto seen in the Province; and is well worthy to be encouraged by gentlemen passing that way.

The distance from this City to Fredericton upon that road, he gives as follows:—To Mather's 13 miles, to Lyon's 11½, to Gillan's 9½, to Smith's 7, to Oranoceto 7, to Fredericton 11—in all 64 miles.

MIRAMICHEP, Sept. 15.—His Honor Judge Bliss, accompanied by G. P. Bliss, and S. Wetmore, Esqrs. arrived last evening at Newcastle. We regret to state that the Attorney General, when within a few miles of Newcastle, was forced to return in consequence of illness; by this unforeseen event, the Court will be deprived for the present, of the learned gentleman's professional services. As the indisposition in which he proceeded from fatigue, we hope it will be of but temporary duration.—*Schediasma.*

QUEBEC, September 14.

The light easterly wind of Saturday, brought up about 90 sail of large ships, principally in ballast;—yesterday and to-day about 20 more arrived, making on an average about 30,000 tons. The unfavourable

state of last season for drawing out timber from the interior of New-Brunswick is said to be a principal cause of this unusual increase; a number of the ships destined for the lower ports having taken charters for Quebec.

The following is a comparative statement of arrivals at Quebec up to the 14th September in this and last year.

1828	503 vessels	127,866 tons	11,160 settlers.
1829	708 "	195,301 "	12,823 "

The increase of shipping has effected a great rise in the value of timber. At this season last year pine and oak, which form the principal part of the cargoes, sold the first at 2½d to 3½d, and the latter at 10d a cubic foot.

The following are the present nominal prices; Deals £10 a £10 10; white pine 7d. a 7½d. red do. 12d. a 13d; oak 1s. 3d. a 1s. 6d.; Staves £39.

Those who have contracted for the delivery of timber in the home market at the usual average prices must of course suffer great losses, while on the other hand those who bring their timber to the Quebec market from the upper country and have not entered into contracts, but calculated upon the average prices, must make a full hundred per cent above what they looked for. These gains will chiefly fall to the Lower and Upper Canada dealers and lumber merchants.

During all this the home market, where the ultimate payments must be obtained, remains fully as low, if not lower than last year, and from the great imports from the Baltic will likely continue so. Yet vessels here must obtain cargoes, and the prices support their increased rates. The market will be made bare, inferior timber shipped, prices finally hurt to some extent and timber ships not finding cargoes early next spring will arrive late or not be so numerous.

We are sorry to learn that the prospects of a most bountiful harvest in the settlements of St. Paul's Bay, Eboulemens and Murray Bay, were suddenly blasted by a late severe storm and rain. In most places the seed of the wheat which was ripe and heavy, has been shaken off by the wind and rain. So much harm has been done that it is expected that no more than a fourth to a sixth of the crop will be realized. The part of the crop which had been cut had also sprouted, owing to the continued exposure to rain.

In the vicinity of Quebec the weather continues still unsettled, but the crops have received no damage.

Collect for the fifteenth Sunday after Trinity.

Keep, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy: And because the frailty of man without thee cannot but fall, keep us over by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord.—Amen.

LADIES' BIBLE ASSOCIATION.

The LADIES of the Saint John Bible Association, are respectfully requested to meet at the house of Mr. JOHN FERGUSON, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, on Monday the 5th day of October, if the weather permits; if not, on the first fair day after.

By Order of the President.

September 16. H. WIGGINS, Secretary.

MARRIED.

On Sunday morning last, by the Rev. Rector of the Parish, Mr. JOHN KESNER, to Miss MARY THOMPSON; both of the State of Maine.

At Fredericton, on the 16th instant, by the Rev. George McCawley, Mr. ABRAHAM T. COBURN, to HEZELBAH, second daughter of Mr. THOMAS PICKARD; all of that place.

At All Saints Church, St. Andrews, on the 5th instant, by the Rev. Jerome Alley, Rector, Capt. J. JEREM BAXTER, of the Provincial Revenue Cutter *Defiance*, to MARY, youngest daughter of C. J. BRISCOE, Esquire, of His Majesty's Customs.

On the 14th instant, at Court Hill (Nova-Scotia), by the Rev. John Martin, Mr. JOHN ACKERSON, of Sheffield (N. B.), to ANN, daughter of Mr. John Drysdale.

On the 15th instant, in the Parish Church of St. Stephen's, Chester (N. S.), by the Rev. J. SHREVE, A. M., the Rev. G. J. JARVIS, A. M., to MARTHA, second daughter of the late Rev. T. SHREVE.

At Grandville, on the 17th instant, by the Rev. Mr. Whalley, Mr. ABEL SANDS, Merchant, of this City, to JANE R. PALMER, eldest daughter of Timothy Ruggles, Esquire, of the former place.

DIED.

On Wednesday Morning last, after a long illness, Mr. ALEXANDER M. DONALD, aged 54 years.