

# THE WONDERFUL TELEGRAM.



HE following is taken from a tract published in Glasgow. We, however give the telegram in the regular telegraphic alphabet, and at the foot of the article will be found a key to the same. The telegram is well worthy your perusal, and we sincerely pray that the study necessary to decipher it may fix its grand truths upon the memory and hearts of many.—Ed.]

“The Electric Telegraph is chiefly used for the purposes of business. Often circumstances of family life call for its power of rapid transmission. At times it is made the means of spiritual work. A young operator in a provincial town in England became the subject of religious awakening. His soul was burdened with the load of sin. He longed for relief. He would have desired a message in re-assuring words from heaven. He did not expect that one would reach him so soon, and in the way it did—in the line of his own profession.

“It was morning, and he went to his daily duty. The beauty of surrounding scenery had nothing to please his eye. It was peace he needed, the peace of God; and that peace had not come. His soul was engaged in unuttered and unutterable prayer. The pent-up cry of the publican was re-echoing in the chambers of his soul, and his tongue was all but rolling out the words in fervent repetition, “God be merciful to me a sinner!”—The answer was given! He heard the click of his instrument. His office was signalled for a message, and a message came! He took his place. With overwhelming amazement and emotion, he spelled out and recorded the following:—

“From H \_\_\_\_\_ To Jane B \_\_\_\_\_, at W \_\_\_\_\_.

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“This telegram had been sent by a Christian brother to his sister,—a servant girl, who, under conviction, and in deep distress, had written to him of her great concern. It was a winged arrow from the quiver of the King. It struck home to the heart of her to whom it was despatched, not to wound, but to heal. It gave life to her despairing soul—and she was saved.

“Yes, it came to him also to whom it was not sent. It was intended for him to whom it was not addressed. It was a direct response from heaven to his eager prayer; it brought the assurance of love and the comfort of light to his distressed soul. He saw, and received, and rested in the Lamb of God.

“That was, my unsaved reader, a wonderful telegram—and it saved two precious souls. It brought a message of living power to them, and it brings the same to you, if you will but receive it. Will you not do so?”

## TELEGRAPHIC ALPHABET.

*The upright dashes | are added to the above telegram to mark the division between words.*

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