

thought that we are unveiled through Christ to those beloved and noble spirits with whom we walked in dear homes. In many ways the Apocalypse of Jesus Christ is in progress. Revelation, the unveiling of God's ways with many, is still working itself out even for the departed. Here on earth are vast and multiplying nations on whom Christianity will yet rise as freshly as it broke over Judaea, or Greece, or Rome, or Ireland, or England. To every man the revelation of Christ has to come as freely as it came to His Apostles. For every eye the darkness has to be cleared in which His feet and ours are lurking. To every one the companionship of Christ through the Holy Ghost has to be revealed, and one by one our sonship to God has to be made clearer and dearer to us until it reaches the point of unshrinking confidences. Ah! Lord,

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About the end of last century there lived in the north of Scotland, a poor creature called Jamie Fleeman. He belonged to the class generally known as "naturals." He was no idiot, but, while there was a slight aberration in intellect, he was quite wide awake as to what was going on around him, and on many occasions was chosen to undertake tasks, that would not be confided to persons with greater pretensions to natural ability. Among the masses Jamie was familiarly known as "The Laird of U'dny's fool (i. e., Jester)." He was a staunch churchman; and during the time that Bonnie Prince Charlie was in Scot-

of the accident. A little before his death, some neighbors, standing around his bed, and realizing that the end was near, began to make arrangements for his interment. From some of their remarks, the poor sufferer saw that they regarded him as an idiot, and that very little trouble would be taken about the disposal of his body. He opened his eyes, and looking up into their faces with a beseeching gaze, he said, "I'm o' the gentle persuasion, dinna bury me like a beast." Perhaps some of our readers will not be able to understand this expression; let me therefore explain that about this time, the majority of Episcopalians in some parts of Scotland belonged to the upper classes; and so the Episcopal church was regarded as the "gentle persuasion." The Presbyterian church, at this time, was so frightened of anything that savored of



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that our eyes may be opened, opened upon Thee. The end of the Apocalypse of St. John is but the starting of the true Apocalypse of Jesus Christ in Christian life. When we have been taught all we can be merely taught then its last words sound to action—*"The Spirit and the Bride say, Come; let him that heareth say, Come."*

At the special convention of the Diocese of Western New York, held lately, the Right Rev. William D. Walker, D. D., Bishop of North Dakota, was elected to succeed the late Bishop Cleveland Coxe. Bishop Walker was, on several important occasions, a prominent figure at church functions in the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupertsland.

land, attempting to regain the crown of Great Britain for his father, Jamie was often selected as the messenger from people of importance to the prince's camp. The poor fellow came by his death in a very sad way. He had been making his way to see his sister, who lived a few miles from Peterhead. Being benighted, he sought the shelter of a barn at a farm, the tenants of which were friendly to him. Ensnoring himself among some straw at the back of the barn door, he fell asleep, and slept soundly till morn. At daybreak, some of the workmen came in, to thresh straw for the day's fodder. Not knowing of the sleeper, they overturned some heavy planks upon him, which wounded him so sorely that he died from the effects

prayers for the dead, that they were wont to commit their deceased friends to the grave without any service in the churchyard. This was regarded by poor Jamie, and many others as well, as "burying like a beast." He was only a poor jester, regarded as fit only to provide sport for his "betters" (?)—but, in these last words of his, he taught those around his bed a solemn and important lesson. He wished them to understand that he belonged to a church which regarded the body of man as the "Temple of the Holy Ghost," and, as such, worthy of being committed to God in a solemn and befitting manner. He was of the gentle persuasion. He was of the gentle persuasion." Is there not something in these