wished instead of building to her mory a memorial window or stately nument, to endow a bed in this hos-

o the managers found themselves ed in their good work : and there is ed marked, In memory of little y," where there will always be e poor child, saved from want, and sibly from death.

at they will never know that they it to the snow ball which the genialrted directors threw, following the mentary kindly impulse.

he echo of the little word I speak." the Jewish proverb, "goes faster I to heaven or hell."

GOOD NIGHT, PAPA.

he words of a blue-eyed child as kissed her chubby hand and looked n the stairs-'Good-ni\_ht, papa; ie see you in the morning.' came to be a settled thing, and v vening, as the mother slipped white night-gown over the plump Iders, the little one stopped on the , and sang out, 'Good-night, ;' and as the father heard the silaccents of the child, he came and ig the cherub in his arms, kissed enderly, while the mother's eyes and a switt prayer went up, for, ge to say, this man who loved his with a l the warmth of his great nature, had one fault to mar his ines ... From his youth he loved wine-cup Genial in spirit, and a fascination of manner that won unded by his toon companions. mis bome was darkened, the beart wife truised and bleeding, the e of his child shadowed. Three had the winsome prattle of the cr. pt into the avenues of the fas heart, k-eping him closer to his , but stul the faval cup was in his Alas for frail humanity, insento the carls of love! With unutte tenderness God saw there was her way; this father was dear to e. purchase of His Son; He not see him perish; and, calling ft messenger, H. said, 'Speed to earth and bring the babe.' ood night, papa,' sounded from airs. What was there in the 2 was it the echo of the mandate, me the Biber'-a silvery plainsound, a hugering music that fathers beart, as when a rosses the sun. 'Good-night, ring;' but his hps quivered and ad brow grew pale. 'Is Jessie moth r? Her cheeks are flushed, er eyes have a strange light.' at sick,' and the mother stopped s the flushed brow; 'she may played too much. Pet is not ssie tired, mamma; good night Jessie see you in the morning.' hat is all, she is only tired,' said other as she took the small hand. her kiss and the tather turned ; but his heart was not satisfied. lullables were sung; but Jessie estless and could not sleep. 'Tell story, mamma;' and the mother of the blessed bade that Mary d, following along the story till ild had grown to walk and play. lue, wide-open eyes filled with a e light, as though she saw and ehended more than the mother That night the father did not he saloon; tossing on his bed, ig from a feverish leep and bender the crib, the long weary hours Morning revealed the truth ie was smitten with the fever. ep her quiet,' the doctor said : days of good nursing and she

## AN INCIDENT OF CONVICTION.

#### BY REV. W. A. ROBINSON.

As showing the importance of " sowing beside all waters," I send you the following incident in the life of Revd. George F. Reesor, a superannuated member of the Erie Conference, now holding his quarterly conference relations with the Central Charge, Springfield, Obio. In 1843 Father Reesor was holding a protracted meeting at a point which was then known as Eagle Furn. ace, in Pennsylvania. In visiting from house to house one day, he was led to ceoss an open vacant lot, where a man was digging a well, and had already reached a depth of about thirty fret. As he came to the mouth of the well he heard the dull thud of his pick, and, leaning over the opening, he should down to him, "My friend, if I were working down there I should want to be prepared for death at any moment." The man below, leaning on the handle of his pick, looked up in a startled way, and auswered gruffly, "Wby so, sir?" "Because," said he, "some passer-by might, with the jar of his foot-step, loosen one of these small stones, which, falling such a distance, would kill you instantly, without a moment's warning. "O friend," he continued, "prepare to meet your God," and then, without waiting for a reply he hastened on his way.

Eighteen years after this incident about teno'clock on the Saturday mornpulpit. And no doubt in the last day not be possible." "It is even so," said he, "and to you, under God, I am indebted for what I m as a Christian minister. After you had gone that day, 'Prepare to meet thy God,' kept sounding 11 my ears and alarming my soul, until my distress became so great I had to quit work. and from day to day it grew upon me until I could neither eat nor sleep. My wife said to me: "Jamie, Jamie, you are losing your mind :" but I said to her, "O wife, it is worse than that! my soul is lost." Finally, one night, I heard that the Methodists, whom I had always despised and shunned, were going to hold a prayer-meeting at a school house some two miles away. I went and asked them to pray for me, that I might be saved from the wrath to come. It brought great astonishment to them, for they knew how I hated them, and what a wicked man I had been; but that night I was converted, and I shouted all the way home. Soon my wite was brought under conviction and converted, and then my son, who is now a local preacher." Such was the account which he gave of the result of the man of God "drawing the bow at a venture.,' The incident certainly gives encouragement to all Christian workers to be "instant in season and out of season," Mr. Gilfillin died in about three months after this session ot the Conference. In this counection also, as showing the manifold resources of the Holy Spirit, I am reminded of a man who some years ago, at Venice O., was convicted by bis own remark. At the time referred to there was a preacher by the name of Wheat, a very powerful man physically, and a very good preacher. At the close of one of his sermons at a name of M'C., who had straved into the church to hear the preaching, said to a by-stander, "What is that preacher's name?" The man answered, "His "I am sure that crop didu't grow this year." But no sooner nad he made the remark than he was seized with deep conviction, for speaking jestingly and there came rushing upon him the memo- had of any Druggist, price one dollar per ry of all his sins, until his distress g: ew bottle so great that ne went to the altar, cried for mercy, and found pardon. So does the blessed Spirit teach us that if we mourn."

Such instances as these might be multiplied many hundred times from experiences of our veteran ministers. The lesson has been repeated many thousands of times to Christian laymen as well as ministers, that they are to be instant in season and out of season to speak for the Master. He has promised to be with his servants, to teach and help them And when they rightly comply the Holy Spirit sends the truth home to the conscience.

"MY MOTHER'S BEEN PRAYING FOR ME."

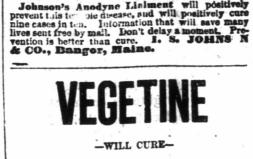
BY MES CHARLES GARNETT.

A mighty storm howled along the northeast cost of England on Friday and Saturday, the 8th and 9th of February, in the year 1861. The wind was blowing from E. N. E., and lashed the foaming and racing waves to fury. Its anger seemed to culminate around the mouth of the Tees, and in the bay of Hartlepool eighty-one vessels were driven ashore, forty three of which became total wrecks, and eighty brave hearts were stilled for ever beneath the waters, and eighty desolate homes were left sulorless on shore. Groups of anxious inhabitants dotted the coast and watched the vessels tossed like corks on the waves which bore them reefward. The five lifeboats which belong to the two Hartlepools were out rescuing the crews of stranded vessels, when

there arose to not a little prominence in ing a stout vess-l was seen in the the Erie Conference, a man by the offing making for the shore. The signame of James Gilfillin, a Scotchman, nal of distress was flying, and she ran whose eloquence thrilled and charmed before the wind landward. Her name the people whenever he occupied the was the "Rising Sun," and the eager eyes which watched he could make out it will be seen that through his agency that she was severely damaged and was very many were led to Curist. About quite unmanageable. A long reef, calithe time named, at a session of the ed Longsear Rock, hes out in the bay Conference, one day, this brother took about a mile from shore, and could she Father Reesor by the arm, and said, - but round this she would be in compara-"Let us take a walk. I have something tive satety, or at least within reach of 1 wish to tell you." Said he, "Brother help. On she came, rolling ou the Reesor, I think this is the last Coufer. waves which bore her to distruction. ence 1 shall ever attend." "Wby, Each moment she neared Longsear Brother Gilfilin, you are not thinking Rock, and the watchers gave a cry as of retiring from the work, are you ?" they saw her strike heavily upon its "Oh, no," he replied, " not that; but I end, and in a few minutes she saik, the have a strong impression that my work hull dissappeared , and the waters hissed is done, and that I shall soon go hence ; and foamed about the two masts which and now I want to ask you a question, continued to stand out of the s-a. "Do you remember holding a meeting Upon these the crew, seven in number, at Eagle Furnace in 1843, and of ad- could be counted as they clung for dressing a word of warming to a man life. All the boats were engaged, and down in a well?" After a moment's the only means left of rescuing the reflection he answered, "Yes, I remem- seven men clinging like flies to the shakber it now v ry distinctly, though I ing mast was the rocket apparatus, and have not thought of it for a number of before this could be obtained one of the years." "Well," said he, "did you masts-upon which were hanging three ever harn who the man was?" "No, men, broke away, and they perished. I never heard anything more about it," The other could be still seen, and three he replied. "Well," said Mr. Gilfilin, more men and a boy were distinctly "I am the man." "Why," said Bro. counted upon it. With intense an-Reesor, in great excitement; "It can xiety and all possible speed the apparraius was abjusted, but just as the light touched the powder and the mortar fired the ball and line across the wreck, this last mast disappeared with its precious burden, and the gray-green waves around the reef rose and fell un. broken by a sign of human life. Sadness fell on all faces, and many a rough hand drew itself across misty eyes. which in vain scanned the waste of the ocean. Hopelessly the line was drawn in, but as it neared the beach something felt to be entangled in its folds. That something was the sailor boy ! At first it seemed that his young life had been beaten out of him, but every means for his recovery was tried. Joyfully the onlookers observed in a short time faint signs of reanimation ; then he struggled and moved, and ultimately became conscious. With wild amazement he gazed around on the vast crowd of kind and sympathising friends. They raised him to his feet. He looked up into the weatherbeaten face of the old fisherman near him, and asked, "Where am I?" "Thou art here my lad."



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d, spare her! I cannot, bear as wrung from his suffering heart assed; the mother was tireless watching. With her bale craher arms her heart was slow to the truth, doing her best to the father's heart. 'A light he Dr. says; Pet will soon be Calmly as one who knows his the father laid his hand upon t brow, looked into the eyes even vered with the film of death and Il the strength of his manhood Spare her, O God! spare my ud I will follow thee.' With a last l effort the parched lips opened : e's too sick; cant say good night, in the morning.' There was a sive shudder, and the clasping finlaxed their hold; the messenger ken the child. Months have Jessie's crib stands by the side father's couch; her blue emed dress and white hat hang in set; her boots with the print of t just as she had last worn them, ed in his eyes as they are in the 's. Not dead, but merely risen gher life : while, sounding down e upper stairs, 'Good-night, papa; see you in the morning,' has been ans of winning to a better way o has shown himself deaf to every call.

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