

weather a considerable number of the more expensive articles remain unsold, but, notwithstanding this, the sum of nearly three hundred dollars was raised for missionary purposes. In the evening the Rev. Wm. Cochrane, of Brantford, delivered an admirable lecture on the "Scottish moderation of last century," which was listened to by a large audience. The anniversary of the Sabbath School was, also, held on Monday, the 4th, in the town hall, when the children attending Mr. Maitland's music class sang several choice melodies to the delight of all who heard them. The amount collected for missionary purposes during the year was then divided, one third to the Foreign mission, one third to the French Canadian mission, and the remaining third it was unanimously resolved to apply to the purchase of a set of communion vessels for the congregation of their friend, the Rev. James McDowall. After addresses by the minister, his honour Judge Miller, and Mr. James Robson, the happy meeting dispersed singing as they went.

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### Book Notices.

**NICHOL'S SERIES OF THE PURITAN DIVINES.** Vols. 5 and 6 of the works of Richard Sibbes, D.D. Montreal: B. Dawson and Sons. Toronto, W. C. Chewett & Co.

We have received two additional volumes of this valuable series. The former of these volumes, the 5th of the works of Sibbes, contains, first, a lengthened and elaborate discourse on "The Christian Work," or working out our own salvation, Phil. 1, 12. This is followed by a treatise on "Divine Providence," and another on the "Redemption of the Body," "The Art of Contentment," "The Hidden Life," "The Spiritual Jubilee," "The Privileges of the Faithful," "The Christian's End," and "Christ's Exaltation purchased by Humiliation" fill up the remainder of the volume. The 6th volume contains "The Faithful Covenant," "Josiah's Reformation," "The Spiritual Favorite at the Throne of Grace," "The Successful Seeker," and several other treatises.

The works of Sibbes are among the most rich and useful of the works of the Puritans. They are thoroughly evangelical, free from the conceits which make their appearance in some of the writings of the same period, and exhaustive of the subjects which are discussed. We again recommend to Congregations forming libraries for their ministers this valuable series of Standard Divines.

**AN ESSAY ON THE IMPROVEMENT OF TIME.** By John Foster, author of "Essay on Decision of Character," with Preface by John Sheppard. New-York: R. Carter & Bros. Sold by D. McLellan, Hamilton; at the Tract Depository Toronto, and by other Booksellers.

The Essays of John Foster are so well established in the favour and approbation of intelligent readers, that any commendation of the essay now before us appears to be almost unnecessary. We shall only say that the subject is most important to every individual. It is ably and impressively discussed; and to any who will give a little of their time to the careful perusal of the volume, it cannot fail to prove satisfactory and profitable. The essay was one of the earliest productions of the author, although it now appears as a posthumous publication twenty years after his decease.

The Essay is divided into two parts. In the first part, after an introduction, the Author treats of the value of time—the capacity of time—the swiftness of time—the ultimate object of the improvement of time. In the second part, after some introductory observations, he treats of indolence—intervals of time—and solitary life.

**FAITHFUL AND TRUE, OR THE EVANS FAMILY.**

**THE TWO BROTHERS, AND THE TWO PATHS.**

**MAUD SUMMERS, THE SIGHTLESS.**