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## Religions Miscellany.

The Triumph of Truth. BY REV. JOSHUA MARSDEN.

'Tis built on a rock, and the tempest may rave; the lion; and you will have gained your bro- hid, God's g'ory from mc, and I feared lest it and as I traced the exquisite spots and mark- broad arrow of the grave. Stars cie, mayber; Is the year 1864 an old workshop or lumber formed an acquaintance were very pleasant and Its solid foundation repels the proud wave ; Thou Sa'au himself should appear in the van, Truth smiles at the rage of the infidel's clan.

Like the sun going forth in his mighty career. To g'adden the earth and illumine each sphere, The chariot of truth shall in majesty roll O'er climate, isle, ocean, to each distant pole.

A glorified course it shall nobly pursue, Encircling with radiance both Gen ile and Jew ; Shall bask in its beams and exult in its rising.

The shadows that cover the regions of Ham Shall vanish or flame with the light of the Lamb,

Already a glory has flamed in the West ; Poor negroes with spiritual freedom are blest The palms of the South show its beautiful blaze And the Boreal pines have been tipped with its TAVA.

A voice in the desert, a voice in the wood, A voice o'er the mountain and billowy fl. od : Thy glory is come, abject heathen, arise, And shine as a new risen star in the skies.

A star in the East is to millions displayed, Whose glory has suck the proud crescent shade :

O'er the darkness of nations for ages forlorn, Bright truth is diffusing millennial morn.

O'er paged and altar the Gospel has blazed ; The brahmin has wondered, the Mussulman gazed ;

The vision delightful shall Salem behold, And under one shepherd the world be one fold.

The sign of the cross has appeared, the blest sign,

And faith has deciphered the motto divine : He must reign till the nations in homage bow,

down. The wicked his footstool, believers his crown.

Life's river of crystal shall everywhere flow. Till flowerless deserts a paradise grow ; And wilds, bleak and barren, burst out in the

of prayer? Have you taken them apart and the scene once more shifted. talked with them ? Have you studied the I was now in the K. Circuit, the one to which never anything but a stunted abortion, crawling character of cach, and applied the truth accord- Conference wished at first to send me. Report Painfully through that brief life which it should ingly? Perhaps you have thought that simply had spoken pretty correctly of this place also. have spent flying through the air on rainbow setting with them an hour and teaching them The chapels were small, and, though neat inside, wings.

know. But the cross is the way to usefulnes. of worship, and for the improvement of the partakers of His holiness. With this glorious Look out for these lions - Christian at Work.

The Doomed Man. There is a time, we know not when-A point, we know not where, That marks the destiny of men To glory or despair.

There is a line by us unseen, Which crosses every path --The hidden boundary between God's patience and His wrath.

To pass that limit is to die-To die as if by stealth ; It does not quench the beaming eye, Or pale the glow of health :

The conscience may be still at ease, The spirits light and gay ; is pleasing still may please

And care be thrust away :

Iudelibly, a mark.

But on that forehead God has set.

Unseen by man ; for man as yet

Is blind, and in the dark.

eged. My efforts seem to be lost on my schol- somewhat successful in my present circuit, my due proportions, and the creature to appear in the funerals of other worlds-the decay of those ars; they are so frivolous and careless.' But success was not at all equal to that of previous all its perfect beauty, as it is in truth one of mighty orbs that we have imagined set forever We have also a flourishing Sunday-school. My false tenderness had been its rnin. It was eternity.

And millions of heathens, their idols despising, the Scriptural lesson was enough. More than not of the most pretentious appearance without; The lesson I got that day has often stood me beach, stirred by the wirds are foul and black, sant suburb of Paris. English Methodist sernight storm the waters of the bay along the this is needed if you ever expect to see them in the minister's residence was far inferior to my in good stead. It has helped me to under-the minister's residence was far inferior to my in good stead. It has helped me to under-with the mire and dit. But look beyond; out vices are held in this church on Sanday after-of the kingdom. They claim a population of

This is what conscience says. But a lion is or did not seem very great, or might not have and with perfect case, out crawled my moth, hear of the coronation and death of kings. Death six mission stations have been opened in con- question of co-operation with them for the re-

there. I shall displease him-perhaps drive been discernible to others, yet it caused me dragging a huge swollen body, and little shriv- is the black servant who rides behind the char- mection with the central chapel in the Rue Rohim away to some other Church. Oh, these painful apprenensions lest it should be the pre- eled wings. In vain I watched to see that mar- iot of life. See life, and death is close behind quepine. At Asnieres (the first station on the

lions I. But go, servant to God, and do your oursor of a greater evil. A cloud rested over velous process of expansion in which these si- it. Death reaches far throughout this world, Chemin de Fer de l Ouest) there has been Me- body to be intelligent and orderly in the trans-

duty to that man. God will stop the mouth of me which not only veiled, but in some measure lently and swiftly developed before one's eyes and bath stamp d terrestrial things with the thodist preaching in cottages for twelve years. action of business, and the men with whom I

The Sanday-school teacher says, I am discour- into darkness. I was also conscious that, though miniature, I longed to see these assume their off in the ether, and astronomers have marked have regularly held English services on Sunday pored of all the ministers and two delegates

what, by God's belp, can be done for their sal. cidently discovered also that arrangements were is too true to be weak. Because He loves His peace of God that passeth all understanding.-vation. This will be taking up a cross, we on foot for the erection of one or two new places children He chastises them, that they may be Speciator

Take it up, and den't sit mosning any longer, minister's house. Upon inquiring for the minis- end in view, he spares not for their crying .that you have nothing you can do for Christ, ter I was told that he was in excellent health Made perfect through sufferings as the Elder notwithstanding his abundant labors. From the Brother was, the sons of God are trained up to manner in which he was spoken of it was evi- obedience, and brought to glory, through much

dent that he was universally beloved. The eye tribulation .- Family Treasury. of the invalid glistened and the pale face brightened when his name was mentioned ; the sor-It Did me Good.

row-atricken and bereaved breathed a prayer in An earnest, faithful Christian-formerly his behalf as they told of his kindness in the Boston, now of heaven-once had occasion to day of trial; the poor hesped blessings on his visit a sick and dying man who had led an irone of the pleasures of their merry lives. One all plainness and fidelity, urging its claims with from France-the times of the reign of terror, day I met him. We stood face to face. I gazed all the fervor of a warm heart, and the solemnupon him and started ; he was an exact represen- ity of a rapidly approaching eternity. When

tation of myself. He said nothing, but handed afterwards asked as to the result of his visit, he Then followed that period, at the beginning of neonle residing there. me a book and disappeared. The volume thus said : I have no evidence that it did the man mysteriously given to me was a history of my eny good, but it did me good.' The expression, ' It did me good ' has ling-Each page was divided into two columns, the ered in my memory till now. It illustrates the

one recording the actual events of my ministry, proposition, that trying to do good is beneficial, During all this time, and through the career the other what I might have done. I examined if the object aimed at be not attained. of Napoleon I., we had no Methodist preaching the whole. There was much to cause sorrow, We may set a good example by ma

The Calm Depths.

should ingrease and thicken, and bring my soul ings of divers colors which were all there in it is said that corfligrations have been seen afar rorm was fitted up as a chapel, and there we ready to communicate. The Synod was com-

Shallow waters are casily muddied. After a

# Beligions Intelligence.

#### Methodism Preaching in Paris. BY REV. W. GIBSON.

The first Methodist preaching in Paris was by Dr. Coke, in the year 1782. That prince of nissionaries began a service in the French capital for the English residents, but it was not continned. Shorily afterward succeeded the times the times of Danton and Robespierre, the times when the streets of Paris were red with blood. people residing there. this century, when France attempted to throw off altogether the fear of God, and changed her churches into " temples of reason ;" a period the sad fruits of which have not yet passed away.

Italy-Religion-Methodist Missions. BY REV. E. H. PILCHER, D. D. France. But soon after the settlement of the Having devoted more than thirty days to cated classes, and the fanaticism Italy, and having given to it special attention, people. The cultivated classes have become infrom personal observation and from careful in- fidel in regard to all religion. As they have baquiry I am prepared to speak with some degree come disgusted with the puerile mummeries Wesleyan minister resident in Paris is a record of confidence in regard to the state and prospects of the Romish Church, and offended at its opposiof religion in that country. This field of apos- tion to liberty, they have rejected that, and, tolic labor has for a long season been closed to knowing nothing of true Christianity, they very

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let me ask, have you made each one a subject years. As I sat engaged in these contemplations the loveliest of its kind. But I looked in vain. in sockets of silver, to glisten as the lamps of It will be in the mecallection of those who vis- not to have much of the spirit of propagandism. ited the Exhibition in 1867 that not far from the They seem to be content to enjoy their liberty. Poste Rapp was an iron church where episcopal as they now have toleration. It was a rate services were held. After the Exhibition closed privilege to be with them for a few days and to this iron church was purchased by the Protestant see what kind of spirit animated them. They Reformed Church, and planted at Passy, a plea- have sixteen parishes among the mountains-

Christ. There must be deep personal, prayer. own ; the circuit was very large requiring a great stand what the Germans mean when they the deep water-bow blue and clear it is ? The moons and Thursday evenings. At the Ternes, about twenty-eight thousand That is the numful interest with faith in Ged and correspond amount of labor to work it efficiently; and the speak of the hardness of God's love. I have white caps on the surface show the violence of a populous district near the fortifications on the ber of their adherents, and not of the Christians ing labor. But this is hard work,' you say. people were generally of but small means. But, thought of it often, when watching with painful the wind; but the water is too deep for storms western side of the city, the French Conference. Though not charged with any Each lovely green is and that gems the salt wave, Of course it is. But that is just what is needed though externally the circuit presented no show eyes, those who were struggling with sorrow, that sweep its surface to stir up the bottom. So Dou't let the lion take possession of the path. of great prosperity, its internal appearance (if suffering and distress; and it has seemed to me in Christain experience. A shallow experience house. In this chapel services in the three lan-'Oh,' sighs one, 'I wish I knew how I I may so term it) was far different. The concould do some good. What a useless life I am gregations were prowded, the prayer-meetings fain cut short the discipline, and give deliver-darken the soul whose piety is superficial; while leading ! Well what hinders ? Have you well attended, and the classes all full I learned ance. Short sighted fool ! How know I that the most furious storms of life fail to darken the prayed earnestly for direction? 'Yer' Very that a revival had just taken place, and, in fact, one of these pangs or groans could be spared? soul which has attained a deep experience of the residence of Mr. Isaac Holden, we hold our serwell then, look around and see over whom God was still going on the a embers having laid hold The far sighted perfect love that seeks the perhas given you an influence. Some of the idea that the salvation of souls is not a fection of its object does not weakly shrink from sparkle on the surface, but in the caim depths odist preaching during Mr. Holden's stay. It referred to such co-operation as a possible way impenitent. Go to work upon them, and see work for a few months only, but for life. I in- present transient suffering. Our Father's love of such a spirit reigns eternal tranquility, the into other hands; but no sooner was the appli- Italy, but it was designed to call attention to a cation made to the present proprietor for the re- simple possibility only, and not as the expresstoration of the chapel to its old purpose than it sion of an opinion on the subject. In that comwas at once accorded, and now for five years we munication I also spoke on the subject of a mishave been cultivating this soil, for long very bar- sion to Rome, as I was informed by letter from ren, but now, through God's blessing on our la- the United States that the appropriation was for bors, becoming very fruitful, so that St. Denis, that purpose ; but I have since received the in-

from being the most discouraging, has risen to formation that it was for Italy. Italy is open to be one of the most important of cur six mission us-to all Protestants- and ought to be occustations. At Chantilly, twenty-five miles from pied. Every thing seems to be as auspicious as Paris, we have now a flourishing work. It is now we could reasonably expect. The government proposed to employ a trained schoolmaster who having confiscated much of the Romish Church will also interest himself in the spiritual welfare property, it is to be sold chesp and on long head; and the children hailed his coming as religious life. He presented the Gospel with of the first Revolutior, when the English fiel of the English stable-boys, who number at least time, so that now is a favorable time to secure two or three hundred. French services are also property, and probably much more favorable held in our Chautilly chapel, and ours is the only than it will be a few years hence. Protestant French service in the town. We The way is open, and Methodiam seems to

than any other form of Protestantism. The people are warm-hearted and impulsive, and have so long been under the yoke of a spiritual vassalage they need the life and love which form the great elements of Methodism. Still we should find two great obstacles to contend against : the infidelity of the higher and edu-

Predicted by seers in prophetical story.

" The record " denounces that Babel shall fall Fane, idol, mosque, minaret, temple, and all The strongholds of Satan to ruin be hurled. And glory shall cover our desolate world.

The wicked may fight with Jehovah's decree, And the sceptic may write that it never shall be : But the fingers of time on its dial shall stop, E'er one promise prove false or one prophecy drop.

Go, stop it, proud scorners! Alas ! it is vain ; You may as well tie up the winds with a chain ; Or the stars, or the tides of the ocean control, Or fuse the yest ices that rivet the pole.

### A Lion in the Way.

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Every person who aims at doing good, finds

obstructions lying directly across his path.— Natural indolence is one. Doing good is up held in my hand an efficial copy of the stations for the ensuing year. Having been from home The Conference of 18-was just over, and I Natural indolence is one. Doing good is up new in any using the original densities of Mount Calvary, and his hill work. It calls for effort and self denial.- for the ensuing year. Having been from home surprise; "thou hast chosen," he repeated, eyes upward to the cross, whe Carist hanging In work. It can be demands all the energy a man for a forinight no previous communication had thyself hast thou chosen; repart, and do upon it, and bid him friend to the kind invita-thyself hast thou chosen; repart, and do upon it, and bid him friend to the kind invita-tion from the Satisfier, Come unto me'so position says, It's asking too much of me. It degree of interest that I searched for my name to be so tones of his voice conveyed so much of reproof, that great sight and that heavenly sound may devoted and self-denying Methodist ministers position says, It's asking too much of me. It degree of interest that a sentence is an one of my brethren. I was greatly is easy thus to give Christian duty the go by is easy thus to give Christian duty the go by and leave its discharge to more heroic spirits. It degree of interest that a sociated with a circuit trition, I was about to cast myself at his feet. Having done this, we may stand peacefully which threatened to overthrow the Protestant Christian duty the go by Another impediment is a belief that it's of no which was generally considered to be one of the when I discovered that he was gone. Just then by his coffin and grave; and while we mourn

We give the devil credit for more strength that the Conference would have than is possessed by A'mighty God. 4 The sent me to a station occupying a more distinthan is possessed by A mighty God. The sent me to a station, especially as my present parish "Trust in the Lord with all thine nearr, and s'rong man armed' is in our view capable of guished position, especially as my present parish learn not unto thise own ut derstanding. In all bolding the citadel against the strongest par- was one of very hard labor.

ty in the universe. So we sit down and do A few moments' consideration would have thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct nothing under a conviction that it's of no use convinced me of the siafulness of the thoughts nothing under a conviction that it's of no use to try. By an intimidating unbelief, we suffer the devil to have all things his own way. (for the greater part of the time in the Rue d' and feelings I was indulging, and of my duty the devil to have all things his own way. Again : we dread opposition. Knowing that my mind was too unsettled for any such medi-

men are not in favor of religion-that some- tations; in fact, I did not feel fit for lengthened men are not in favor of religion-that some-times they are bitterly opposed-we retreat meditations of any sort, being almost overcome to abund and to suffer need. I can do all things field at death, lose all repugnance as it approaches. I all for twenty years. In 1862, our new building through Christ stengtheneth me." behind this cowardly idea, and sit still in inac- with fatigue. Presently I fell asleep, and as I tion. 'It will do more barm than good,' says slept I dreamed.

one. How do you know that? Perhaps you I was in the Conference listening to the first are mistaken, the enemy of all good may reading of the stations. At length my name in prayer I said, "O Lord, do thou choose for rious tempersmants, comes to the knowledge of There are many Methodists who have been have sent this lion across your path to frighten was apnounced, K., R. P. I was surprised, disyou back from duty. Go forward and see if appointed, vexed. K. was only a third or fourth the lion isn't muzzled. rate circuit, and one which I considered beneath Another barrier to Christian usefulness is the my abilities as well as my desires. Moreover, 1

belief that we are not adapted to do good in had received an invitation to the flourishing circertain directions. It may be so. But how can cuit of B., and my mind was set on going thither. ws know until we have tried ? Let us in God's In the after sitting of Conference I sought hard strength, go to work ; and if we fail, the respon- to secure an alteration of my appointment, and sibility will not lie at our door. God accom- also tried to exert some influence over my breplishes some of His mightiest works by his thren in private. For some time my efforts were unsuccessful, and I was almost giving up in weakest instruments.

ILLUSTRATIONS.

ing up your preaching by personal and individ- terposition of D.vine Providence. ual application. Many a man is affected under Suddenly the scene changed. I was in the place. The great disproportion between the der planet, where we once went to school toge line is a junction of boulewards. Bear to the preaching : but the enemy is there to catch comfortable home of my new station, where 1 means of egress and the size of the imprisoned ther, and what happened in that school.

away the Word, or the rush of worldly things had been laboring for some few months. The insect make one wonder how the exit is ever drives it out of the scul. favorable reports received and the high opinion accomplished at all-and it never is without drives it out of the scul. Go to the hearer, on whose face you have formed by me of this circuit were fully borne great labor and difficulty. It is supposed that

despair, when a sudden and unaccountable

Go to the hearer, on whose face you have formed by me of this circuit were fully borne great labor and difficulty. It is supposed that the pressure to which the moth's body is subhim on the subject. If the way is opened not very extensive, was wealthy, had several jected, in passing through such a narrow open- age on earth but a journey to the grave. The him on the subject. If the way is opened not very extensive, was wealthy, had several jected, in passing through such a narrow open-pray with him. And very lik-ly you will gain elegant churches, and ranked among the first in ing, is a provision of nature for forcing the pulse that preserves our being beats our dead English service at 11 30 A. M., and 7 30 P. M.,

We asked an old diergraam once, why it was some degree of success in my ishors specified in that so many of the influential men of his par-ish were church members? I'll tell you, ish die ; ' vest to them personally; sat down with them, if quired into their spiritual state besing; they came into the Church.' It is the besing they came into the Church.' It is the man base of iss range as and is a law more look hand to hand conflict that does the work. Again, the Minister solitoquizer. That man, loging astray. He comes no more to the prayer meetings. He is evidently growing worldy and lesing his rest is sol contented under trais incidentate the prayer meetings. He is evidently growing worldy and lesing his rest rest is sol contented under trais incidentate worldy and lesing his rest rest is sol contented under trais incidentate worldy and lesing his rest rest is sol and has prayer we into the bases of the meeting. He is reliable for diving this worldy and lesing his rest rest is and that prayer we into that the prayer meetings. He is reliable for diving this worldy and lesing his rest rest is and has prayer we into the the prayer meetings. He is reliable for diving this worldy and lesing his rest rest is and has prayer we into the the prayer meetings. He is reliable for diving this worldy and lesing the stray the comes the to protest. The we into the following to the stray the compassionate the ministry; and that prayer we into the the ministry; and that prayer we into the the ministry; and that prayer we into that protest. The second the provident this the ministry; and that prayer we into that the prayer we into the prayer we into the the prayer meetings. He is reliable for diving this the prayer meetings. He is reliable for diving this the prayer meetings. He is reliable for diving this the prayer meetings. He is reliable for diving this the prayer meetings. He is reliable for diving this the prayer we into the the prayer meetings. He is reliable for diving this the prayer we into that the prayer meetings. He

the prayer-meetings. He is evidently growing worldly and losing his relish for divine things. I ought to go to him and aff-ctionately apprise him of my fears. He is evidently growing was not so contented under trais incidents to than its Maker, and I resolved to give it a heip-ing hand. With the point of my scissors, I before !' and she began to praise code with the before !' and she began to praise code with the before !' and she began to praise code with the before !' and she began to praise code with the before !' and she began to praise code with the before !' and she began to praise code with the before !' and she began to praise code with the before !' and she began to praise code with the before !' and she began to praise code with the before !' and she began to praise code with the before !' and she began to praise code with the before me. I had sowed in tears. The Lord

much also which afforded encou-a Christian spirit under great provocation, cr affairs of Europe in 1815, preaching by Methragement. by persevering in labors under great difficult- odist missionaries was recommenced in Paris. In

At length I came to the last page, correspond- ies ; and if it is not felt and followed, we can the register of baptisms kept by the English ing to the year of my ministry in which I then say, 'It did me good.' war. I was prepared, from the inspection of We may speak of Jesus to an impenitent of one hundred and three baptisms of English the preceding pages, and from the voice of con-friend or stranger, and no impression appear to children at Charenton, a suburb of Paris between science within me, to find many failures and de-be made ; yet it is still true, ' It did me good.' the years 1819 and 1824. fections, and even more than formerly, but the If we write a religious letter, and receive no record amazed and confounded me. answer, or send a book, or hand a tract, or en-Never had I worked so feebly, never done so close a leaflet in a letter of business or friend. people, probably artisans, then resident at Cha-

little, never had such slight success. But it was ship, and hear nothing from them, yet we can renton, and that they came under the influence the other column which overwhelmed me with feel, ' It did me good.' confusion and shams. There I read a long re- If we visit the sflicted, the sick, the dying, of honored memory, was carrying on the work

gistry of labors and successes, far exceeding and hold up Christ as the only one who can that of the most prosperous and happy year of comfort, heal, and save ; even if He be rejected, Medway ; and Charles Cook, whose name is still my life, and, as sorrowfully I looked upon it, the our pointing the sinner to the Saviour will inconviction seized me that I had sacrificed all this crease our sense of His value to us, and deepen at the sitar of ambition and worldliness. Sud-our love to Him, we can say, 'It did me good.' neighborhood of Caen and also in the South of denly the Lord Jesus stood beside me. There Let no sinner who comes within our influence, was a look of pitiful rebuke on his countenance go down to death unwarned, uninvited, unin

which pierced my heart. He spoke. "Thou treated ; if he will perish, as he treads the pata

by successive ministers, sometimes in one part of

abound ; everywhere and in all things I am in- as one could be that it was simply an instinct. in the Bue Royale, one of the most central posistructed both to be full and to be hungry, both People who, when in health, were the most horri-

Looking once more at the "station sheet," I his death drew near, was atraid to die; and he room, schools, book-room, and two ministers felt grateful that, as yet, I had never made any had seen death and been familiar with disease. houses, was erected, and in October of the same effort to alter my appointments, and as I knelt By the various paths, the human race, in its va-year the chapel was opened for divine worship. me, for, by thy grace, I resolved not to choose immortality. In proportion as they attain it over to Paris and spent a Sabbath there who for myself. And if at any time thy servants in their life becomes larger and wider and they have never yet found out the Methodist chapel. conference assembled should make for me an live on, regardless of the little fact of death. The most charitable supposition is, that those appointment which does not meet thine appro- They feel sure that in whatever sphere they live, who have failed to attend our services have been val, overrule their error for thy glory and my there is something for them to do, and it makes unable to find out our chapel, although we reyal, overrole their error for thy glory and my good. Ever be thou my guide. Amen." Ch. little difference where they do it. Wher a per- gret to say that there are some, accounted good

little difference to him whether he stays here to their way to the chapel, have managed to find do some particular work, or goes somewhere else their way on the Sunday to Versailles. For the

to do another. He is like the sailor on board the information of Methodists generally let me tell I kept for nearly a year the flasked shaped ship, whose duty it is not to do his own will but how our chapel may be easily found. Suppose cocoon of an emperor moth. It is very pecu- the will of his master. A deep and abiding faith yourself near the Obelisk in the center of the Here, for example, is a clergyman who says, change took place. All opposition to my wishes liar in its construction, A narrow opening is in immortality makes fame and fortune alike in-Place de la Concorde, We fix on th's central Here, for example, is a clergyman who says, classed, and I was unanimously "put down" for left in the neck of the flask, through which different to us. When one lives nobly day by day, starting point, for every one who visits Paris 'I preach and preach, and yet my words seem being in bigh spirits I felt ready to attribute the perfect insect forces its way, so that a for- he feels that he may one day look back upon all must know this magnificent 'Place.' Take the but as idle tales. None are converted. Don't b. Deng in or depution in my favor to an in-you know why? Perhaps you are not follow- the marvellous reaction in my favor to an in-saken occoon is as entire as one still tenanted, his joys and emotions here, and say to his compan-Rue Royale leading to the Madeleine, the finest no rupture of the interlacing fibres having teken ions in another sphere, 'Do you remember yon- Corinthian building in Paris. A: the Made-

Life and Death.

pray with him. And very likely you will gain that soul. Ab! but this is hard work. We know it is. but preaching is not worth much without it.— We asked an old clergyman once, why it was

evangelic labor ; but a change has been going naturally have rejected the whole. The com-We may argue from this fact that there must on gradually as the people have become more mon people are fanatical ; and though they may have been a considerable number of English awake to the ideas of civil liberty. They have have no special love for Rome, they are not found that the existing form of religion, to wit, quite willing to see her set aside. These are Romanism, is opposed to liberty, and is the obstacles that may be overcome by patient and of our ministry. In the meantime William Toase, friend of oppression. They, therefore, are much faithful labor. Let the intelligent see that disposed to reject it, and knowing nothing of Christianity, instead of favoring oppression, is be had begun among the French prisoners in the Christianity except this, they have become infi- the friend of liberty, and their opposition is disdel in regard to religion altogether. Romaniam armed and they are made friends. Still let no held in great respect, and who " being dead yet has lost its hold in the kingdom of Italy. This one expect the sudden conversion of ataly, for Rospeaketb," had begun to speak in French in the is shown in several facts ; as, all forms of religion manism has as strong a hold on the affections are equally tolerated by the government-much and the minds of the people here as elsewhere. France. Any one who may wish to become acof the Church property has been conflicated for I would suggest the commencement of this work quainted with the early planting of our French the use of the nation-the monasteries are so at once by selecting some suitable locality as Methodist mission will do well to read the ' Life far suppressed that no new ones can be establish- the head of our operations, and the opening of a ed-the priests are no longer held in veneration school for the education of youth. This might by the people, for they are often treated with be prosecuted very well while the missionary French work. Suffice it to say that Methodists contempt by them-when they enter the railway was learning the language so as to preach in trains they hardly receive the common civilities their own tongue. I think much good work of society-caricatures of Popery are often post- may be done in this way while the missionary ed up at the corners of the streets, and enacted is getting ready to preach, and in a way that n companies. These all show that if Popery is will not excite any special opposition In the not dead it is at least moribund-the ceremonies meantime he may form the acquaintance of gen-

of the Church are little regarded and greatly tlemen, and intrench himself in their good will, neglected. I was in Florence- the city where who will be of service when he gets ready for Savonarola and others suffered as martyrs for his active work. The language, for all practical their opposition to Popery-on last Christmas purposes, is so easily learned that the prospect the city and sometimes in another ; and English day, and attended the most important churches | of getting quickly at the active work of preachpreaching was continued regularly in the city to see how much interest the people took in the ceremonies of the occasion. This was the time What city should be selected as the head of the when it was to be expected there would be the mission is a matter of no small importance; and greatest rush of the people ; that if they did not having visited all the important cities in the attend on any other day they would be there on kingdom, and having examined the question this, to see the shows. To my utter surprise I carefully, I have settled it to my own satisfacfound the attendance very small. For instance, tion, but reserve any expression of opinion till in the great cathedral there were priests in their it may be called for by the proper authorities. most showy vestments, officiating at four differ- This question is very intimately related to the ent altars, and nobody paying any attention to one of co-operation with the Waldenses ; but I them. In one of the side chapels there were have looked at in every possible aspect, and in about fifty priests singing, chanting, burning in- that way have formed my judgment. Italy is cense, bowing and the like-one of the interest- open before us, and it ought to be occupied at ing ceremonies of the day-and not to exceed as early a day as possible. The longer it is defifty people besides in the whole of the vast ca- layed the more difficult it will be to get a prothedral. I visited six or seven different church- per footing. Others will have gone in, and we es during the day, and found only two of them shall be regarded as intruders. Our Wesleyan that formed an exception to this limited atten- brethren are in the field already. May success tion, and they were not full. Another thing at- attend them !

tracted my attention, which was, that among Geneva, Switzerland, Jan. 5. those who were there, there were but few who appeared to be of the more intelligent and re-

spectable class of society, especially among the "All the earth shall be filled with the glory of the men. Again, I observed that when the intelliing themselves with holy water and other cere monies. They were there as if to see a show. Italy is in a sad state as it regards religion; for what of Romanism is there, is only a refined pa-what of Romanism is there, is only a refined pa-tion of the Society's friends. Seventy years left along the Boulevar 1 Malesherbes ; take the fifth street to the left (Rue Roquepine) and you are in front of the Methodist chapel. Let none

SOUTH SEA MISSION .- The last Aunual Regent and respectable appearing men came in they, most of them, paid no attention to crossing themselves with holy water and other cere- South Seas. Read the following extract and

ganism. I took a great deal of pains to ascertain from personal observation, how much of real landed by the *Duff* on the Island of Tabiti — Christian element there was in it, and found that, with the people, Mary was the great object of adwith the people, Mary was the great object of ad-aration and worship, and not Christ; that all the madonnas present her as the glorious and adora-way, the Gospel triumphed, and the Society Is-lands became Christian. In 1823, Rerotoga was discovered, and the Hervey Islands, now madonnas present her as the giorious and adora-ble personage, and that the common people adore the images themselves, and do not use them as simple reminders, looking through them to the Divine Being above. There may be some who do

Or feel that he is doomed. He feels, he knows that all is well. And every fear is calmed ; He lives, he dies, he wakes in hell. Not only doomed, but damned. -J. ADDISON ALEXANDER

And yet the doomed man's course below.

Like Eden, may have bloomed ;

He did not, does not, will not know

My Appointment. BY A YOUNG MINISTER.

menced by the Rev. Mr. Tourgis, was continued

Immortality.

In a recent lecture, Col. Higginson said that (for the greater part of the time in the Rus d'

thy paths." " I have learned in whatscever

He never heard of a person who as the time of in the Rue Roquepine, including chapel, lecture

son believes in immortality sincerely, it makes Methodists in England, who, not able to find

Perfect-through Suffering.

