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The following Sermon, by the Rev. George Duncan, appeared some time ago in the "Sword and Trowel," of which Mr. Spurgeon is editor.

Being struck with its succinct and clear statements of truth, I ventured to ask permission to have it reprinted here in pamphlet form. Mr. Spurgeon, with his usual magnanimity, at once replied :—

NORWOOD, 21st Nov., 1883.

DEAR SIR,

I feel sure that Mr. Duncan will gladly agree to your reprinting his article. By all means do so, and may the Lord use the paper for the furtherance of His truth.

Yours very heartily,

C. H. SPURGEON.

I beg, therefore, to send it forth in the Master's name ; associating with it a few gathered leaves, which may, perhaps, speak as convincingly for the truth as even more laboured arguments.

J. M. CAMERON.

TORONTO, Aug., 1884.