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# Religious Miscellany.

A Church in the Air. Once wand'ring through the land of dreams In search of something new, A church-'twas on a Sabbath morn-My curious notice drew: And thinking I should see the mode Of christian worship there, I entered just in time to hear The closing hymn and prayer.

The shurch was rich, without display: From gorgeous colors free : Through unstain'd glass the light of heaven Was shining cheerfully And rich and poor sat side by side I saw no cushion'd pews, Whose doors the meanest of the flock

An entrance might refuse And when the hymn was given out, I watched a lady clad in silk Bend forward from her place, To share her book with one whose robes So scanty were and mean. No maiden formed of earthly mould To greet her would be seen

And yet I saw not that the deed Lessen'd a single grace, But rather that a sweeter look Beam'd on the maiden's face. And while I pondered in my mind How such a thing could be. The whole assembly join'd to sing Some time-worn melody.

And yet the music of that choir Right pleasant was to hear, Though nothing in the strain I found To please the critic's ear : But childhood joined its ringing tones With those of falt'ring age, And rich and poor, and old and young In the blest work engage.

I listen'd, and my thoughts recurr'd To many a boasted choir In city church, who weekly meet To praise the Lord for hire : And well, thought I, the church of God This mockery might spare: I ceased—for every head was bow'd

And all in spirit seem'd to join, Not could I well forbear. For Christ, and not the minist Was most apparent there. Its words of charity and love Did the whole world embrace That modern christian grace.

And little did I care to know If Old the School or New, From whence the soul of such a man Ita rich instruction drew. His teacher none could well mistake One only can impart Lessons of wisdom that can guide

A sinful human heart. Too soon that fervent prayer was o'er, The benediction ask'd, And slowly down the spacious aisles The congregation pass'd-Slowly, as one might turn his back Upon the gates of heaven, After a taste of angel's food, Unto his soul was given.

And now kind greetings were exchanged With many a friendly word, And christians met as christians should. Who serve one common Lord, One heart, one mind, one earnest will Seemed to inspire the whole, As friend to friend with freedom told The welfare of his soul.

Strange though it seem, no single word These curious foiks did say Of politics, of rise in stocks, Or gossip of the day: Not only did they shut up shop, And lock the office door, They turned the key on worldly thoughts Till holy time was o'er.

The sermon, while a group discuss'd, listen'd in amaze, And marvell'd at the words they used When speaking in its praise. They did not call it "great" or "deep," "Ingenious," " witty," " smart," Or "thank their stars they had a man After the people's heart."

But whispered low, with moisten'd eve. "How precious was the word! How full of hope and promises Their strengthened souls had heard!"
And murmur'd blessings on his head, Who, laboring by their side In all simplicity of truth, Preached Christ the crucified.

I heard, and could not silence keep; "Thrice happy souls!" I cried, Am I in heaven? With sudden start My eyes I open'd wide-Look'd round a moment in amaze-Saw my mistake with pain, And never since have dared to take A nap in church again.

So we. Sin does not offend us, and we can by never came home.

no means comprehend how offensive it is to God. Such love, I can fancy, often led this father's clean and tidy." But she does not find it so, and he repaired; and, with a heart yearning for his

see sin in its true light, and bring us to be of- ject in the distance. He watches it. It moves ; but can you tell why God has deprived you a holy see sin in its true light, and bring us to be orfended by it, and to aspire after something better.
Then holiness becomes desirable; something to
be longed for, and attained, at all hazards and
costs. And when we have in some measure atcosts. And when we have in some measure at-

Not many years since, I watched by the dying bed of a precious sister. All who saw that last ty, for he bent under a load of guilt; sadly, for scene were ready to exclaim, "Let my last end be like to hers." Great was her faith, and won-be like to hers." Great was her faith, and won-be like to hers." Great was her faith, and won-be like to hers." Now the like to hers." be like to hers." Great was her faith, and wonderful her patience and child-like submission.
And marvelous indeed it was to see her part
from husband and children in whom her very life

and blighted innocence, his mother moundering in her grave, and his father with gray hairs he had almost, perhaps, brought down to his; tremblingly, for he was in doubt of his reception—
if this man were of God, he would know what had seemed bound up, without a tear, commit-ting them with a smile of ineffable love and trust tating step, the prodigal comes on. to her Saviour; and beautiful were her anticipations of her heaven with Him whom she adored.

But all these did not, to my mind, so surely indicate her fitness for that heaven, as did her invariable and instant abrinking from all sin. An impatient word, a fretful expression, the least advances and sak forgiveness." His one thought appearance of selfishness, or repining at the good will of the Lord, seemed to jar on her spirit like a rude discord on a finely attuned ear. The very thought of sin was painful to her. The holy nature had replaced the unholy, and its very itastincts started back from evil. She was prepared to dwell among the sauctified; she was prepared to dwell among the sauctified; she was prepared to dwell among the sauctified; she was proposed at the sauce of the sauctified; she was prepared to dwell among the sauctified; she was prepared to dwell among the sauctified; she was prepared to dwell among the sauctified; she was proposed to the patients of the sauctified; she was prepared to dwell among the sauctified; she was proposed to the patients of the sauctified; she was prepared to dwell among the sauctified; she was proposed to the patients of the sauctified; she was prepared to dwell among the sauctified; she was proposed to the patients of the sauctified; she was proposed to the patients of the sauctified; she was proposed to the patients of the sauctified; she was proposed to the patients of the sauctified; she was proposed to the sauctified to the proposed to the sauct

View it, however, in what light you may, his conduct had been atrociously bad. He preferred the company of harlots to his father's society, and songs of rude revelry to the melody of his father's worship: a thorn in the old man's side, he had well-nigh broken his loving heart, and brought down his gray hairs with sorrow to the grave. There are more dreadful sights than that which filled Jacob with horror when appearing. It tooed head of a savage, on an expedition of war canoes, or a native with his grass mat thrown over his shoulders, and his terrible war spear in his hand. At that time the engravings all told of the people's need of the gospel, their wild and fierce customs, the cruelty of that dark place far away in the Southern sea. When missionaries first went among the Maori people (as the New Jones and Calanders call themselves) the Maori levels of the properties. which filled Jacob with horror when, spreading out the blood-stained garment, Joseph's brothers out the blood-stained garment, Joseph's brothers said, Is this thy son's coat or no? A dissipated son is a greater trial than a dead one; and more bitter tears shed over the wreck of such a one's character than those which bedew the coffin where his dead brother lies. Such were the tears this father shed, as with many a bitter

father's flesh, cost his eyes one tear, or a mother's and study, all the Bible from Genesis to Revela-

long, and strong, and deep it is. It is a sea—a deep sea, which mothers and fathers only can fathom. But the love displayed on yonder hill and bloody cross where God's own Son is perishing for us, nor man nor angel has a line to measure. The circumference of the earth, the altitude of the sun, the distance of the planets of the p measure. The circumference of the earth, the lattitude of the sun, the distance of the planets once more and in thirteen years from that time once more and in thirteen years from that time or heavenly kith or kin—these have been determined; but the height, he was able to write, "The whole word of God As friend with friend, and man with man, depth, breadth and length of the love of God is now in Maori." depth, breadth and length of the love of God is now in major.

Very few missionary fields have so richly rewhom all of us have sinned a thousand and a thousand times! Walk the shore when ocean Islands of New Zealand. "The Linen that can

able to carry on the war; but he knew that if chica of the term et ear of the trade, lavely succeeded, elavery might be saved. The am further informed that some doubts having whies to their guests, while they

I cannot change her; so I give her up.

Happily for us, the Lord can do what man cannot. He can change us. He can cause us to be of the see sin in its true light, and bring us to be of the see sin in its true light, and bring us to be of the see sin in its true light, and bring us to be of the see sin in its true light.

to her Saviour; and beautiful were her antici- Like one agitated by contending emotions, un-

thought and agonizing prayer he followed the wanderer, whose name he never mentioned but lips, read them over to their native teachers I know your heart an honest heart wanderer, whose name he never mentioned but in secret to his God.

Remove the prodigal, and setting Conscience on the bench, let us take his place! As sinners against our heavenly Father, who is not as bad as he? Be not offended, or mistake my meaning. We may never have proved thorns in a father's flash, cost his eves one tear, or a mother's tament. And so at last after many years of toil.

I know your heart an honest heart—I read your mind and will, A greyhound ever on the start, To run for honor still, And shrewd to scheme a likely plan, And strewd to scheme a likely plan, I tell you, Brother Jonathan, The same and I tell you, Brother Jonathan, I tament. And so at last after many years of toil. heart a groan—giving them occasion to wish and study, an use suppose from useness to Revelation, was given to the New Zealanders in their that, lifted from a cradle to a coffin, we had been ton, was given to the New Zealanders in their that, lifted from a cradle to a coffin, we had been ton, was given to the New Zealanders in their and their that, lifted from a cradle to a coffin, we had been ton, was given to the New Zealanders in their and "God Save the Queen" delights you still, and "British Grenadiers," And "British Grenadiers," and accomplished without great trials and great the good old strains your heart-strings thrill, disappointments. One night, Mr. Maunsell the against our heavenly Father.

I can measure parental love—how broad, and long, and strong, and deep it is. It is a sea—a awaked by the barking of a dog. In about an hour for we are proud of you.

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bearance of God toward a world of sinners, father saw him. How did that happen? I knew them of the wonderful story of "The Linen that front of a tender throat, and one or two evenings not preach a sermon fit for my congregation to 

much more hopeful," I often say, "it is to be ing his purpose but appearing not to notice him,

---- streets." "Well, you are good at guessing; tair.ed, then we begin to understand how offensive in its very nature sin must be to a holy soul.

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Fraternal Greeting. JOHN BULL TO BROTHER JONATHAN. brother, I'm a Britisher, A chip of " heart of oak," That wouldn't warp or swerve, or stir From what I thought or spoke. and you, a blunt and honest man, Straightforward, kind, and truetell you, Brother Jonathan.

marks on doors, or drawers, or whatever may be nearest. Insumerable like doings that cannot be used to lie awake, nearest. Insumerable like doings that cannot be used to lie awake, nearest. Insumerable like doings that cannot be used to lie awake, nearest. Insumerable like doings that cannot be used to the footsteps of belated travellers, and so it came to pass, in the wonderful provible wherein is the public speaker wiser, who uses to the doctor, and inquired in a low, burried only, as the sound passed her door, to weep over her disappointment; and long after hope had died in the breasts of others, on rocky cliff or long by side of the serious configuration.

So we. Sin does not offend us, and we can by six of the sound passed to the art of reading. Yes, and far more than that, wherein is the public speaker wiser, who uses to the doctor, and inquired in a low, burried to the doctor, and inquired in a low, burried to the doctor, and inquired in a low, burried to the doctor, and inquired in a low, burried to the doctor, and inquired in a low, burried to the doctor, and that at a disadvantage in bad air deferred—he had left his manuscript in his chamber. Nor that they must be obtained on a week, and that at a disadvantage in bad air deferred—he had left his manuscript in his chamber. Nor, said the doctor, with sharpness—and physical exhaustion? Not a whit. Elocution to many a wild cannibal the messenger of the blessed story of Jesus.—Fastly Guardian.

What would be said of him? But these qualifications are indispensable, for many have been able ministers without them. Nor that they must be obtained in a college: the said of him? But these qualifications are indispensable, for many have been able ministers without them. Nor that they must be obtained in a college: the said of him? But these qualifications are indispensable, to the doctor, and inquired in a low, to the doctor, and inquired in a low, to the doctor, and the to the doctor, and they to the doctor, and they to the doctor, and they to the doctor, and the

they will need little explanation.

Beware of the latter, keep the former. Breathe always, in speaking, from the dia-

Dorsal breathing, Waist breathing, Exercise the larynx by pronouncing B, and G, without vowels.

Expand the pharynx by drawing the tongu

backwards as far as possible. Raise the palate, as in gaping or yawning. "Coup de glotte." (Whispered cough.) Breathe through the mouth with depresse

the nose. Exhale rapidly through the mouth.

to read Casar, or to whatever length may be necessary for grammatical training. This alone will always vindicate for it a main place as an instrument of education, without adverting to the further fact, that Latin holds the key to the the world.

Tate of twelve miles a day. This was, however, my starting point. I went ahead after this. An independent spirit, and a steady, honest conduct, with what capacity God has given me—as he has given me—as he has given you—have carried me successfully through the second we make the following extract:

scholar nothing need now be said.

produces. They could not do it once a week, glad that an accident was to relieve him and his them? At the risk of seeming intrusion the writer congregation, from the mortifying infliction he They supply us with words. True, they give gives below a list of vocal gymnastics, mainly had dreaded. He was too fast; his young brother us no more than are found in the dictionary; from Prof. Monroe, of Cambridge, which he has had been stung to the heart by his manner, and but they give us the use of more; they enable used with great advantage. He closes by earn-recognizing the words of the last line of the us to distinguish the various shades of difference estly commending them to others. For those hymn, sprang to the desk, and before Dr. Strong in the meaning of synonyms with an accuracy

On an invitation from his friend, Mr. C. W. understood. Field, he came down one Sunday evening to at-bearing upon pulpit and pastoral labors; they tend the meeting for the newsboys. At his very first words to the lads, it was apparent he was

almost rigidity of usage, and such perfect symmetry, is the very model language for the grammarian, the fittest of all instruments for teaching the principles of universal grammar. If, then, a practical knowledge of grammar is, at least, a desirabe accomplishment for all young men, and if the study of Latin is the surest way of attaining it, no more need be said to prove that all should study that language so far as to be able to read Cæsar, or to whatever length may be to home or to whatever length may be to home or to home or to home or to ho

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alightly acquainted with physiology and elocution had recovered from his astonishment, announced not to be acquired without an acquaintance with they will need little explanation.

his text for an extemporoneous discourse. "It is

the original sources of our language, and they

the will of God," thought the vexed and humbled qualify us to direct the words we use with greater pastor, and prepared himself to listen with Chris- effect, because with greater precision. They tian resignation. For a few minutes the young lead us to original thoughts. Mathematics have phragm directing the will to the anterior mus- preacher spoke with a slight hesitation, as if a greater tendency, perhaps, than any other while giving his introduction, he was revolving in study to fit the mind for vigorous, cancatenated, his mind an extended argument. Soon his voice and protracted thinking. In proof of this, we rang clear and loud, his sentences came compact might refer to the authority of great names, the and earnest, and his manner caught the glow-ing fervor of his thought. All was hushed but putable educators in all ages, and the common his impassioned tones; the great assembly was consent of civilized countries. Although there still as death; and leaning forward with blend- are substitutes for mathematical studies, and ed wonder and admiration, the pastor felt steal- although we have gifted minds who reason well ing over him from the hushed air the rebuke of without an acquaintance with them, yet it would his Master, for his harsh judgment and cold be difficult to point out men who have been treatment of his young brother. In after life he highly distinguished as reasoners who were not 11. Panting.

12. Expulsive breathing. Inhale slowly through spun young Mr. Beecher.

13. Panting.

14. Panting.

15. Repulsive breathing. Inhale slowly through spun young Mr. Beecher.

16. Robert Hall—were distinguished. used to relate the story, and confess that he had versed in them. The two greatest reasoners of

Gen. Mitchel and the Newsboys.

It happened once to the writer of this to hear because from the works of God, are always and impressive illustrations of moral truth, which because from the works of God, are always the late Gen. Mitchel address a company of news attractive, and, when properly employed, readily

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the further fact, that Latin holds the key to the study of most modern European languages. It is the direct parent of all the languages of Southern Europe. It almost halves the parentage of our own with the original Saxon, and even the German has received large accessions from its stores. These facts should prevent many who set a high value on the knowledge of modern languages from decrying Latin as they often do. All that has now been said refers only to the grammatical and linguistic value of Latin, as an instrument of the most elementary training. Of its higher literary and historical bearings, as these can only be known by the more advanced scholar nothing need now be said.

given you—have carried me successfully through the world.

"Don't be down-hearted at being poor or having again. You can cut your way through, if you live to please God.

"I know it's a hard time for some of you. You often save hungry, and wet with the rain or anow, and it seems dreary to have no one in the city to care for you. But trust in Christ, and he will be your friend! Keep a good heart, and will be your friend! Keep a good heart, and he will be your friend! Keep a good heart, and he determined to make your own way, honestly and truly, through the world. As I said, I feel for you, because I have gone through it all—I know what it is. God bless you!"

The boys were most deeply touched by this. know what it is. God bless you!"

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Shirt-sleeves moved furtively up to eyes not used which has in it not only with our 'lips,' but in Lyman Beecher Goaded to Eloquence.

The late Dr. Beecher was one of the few men always equal to an emergency, and the following is a good illustration of the way in which his sensitive nature could be stung into doing his best:

When, in the early years of his life, Dr. Beecher was living in Litchfield, Ct., he spent a Sableth in Hartford. He was accustomed to dress.

Shirt sleeves moved furtively up to eyes not used to sue shall be to such emotion, and other boys found it necessary to whisper some very good joke to one another, in order to prevent any feminine disappears to this player, which has in it not only with our 'lips,' but in our 'lives.' If it be urged that we have 'an kumble and contrite heart,' I answer so have we the strength of an horse;' but no one supposes that we were meant to say 'a norse.' The following are even more decisive: 'Holy and humble men of heart;' 'thy humble servants,' not thine. And the question is again settled in our times, by the satire of Dickens in David Copperfield: 'I am well aware that I am the umblest person going.' said Uriah Heep, modestly, 'let When, in the early years of his life, Dr. Beecher was living in Litchfield, Ct., he spent a Sabbath in Hartford. He was accustomed to dress
the newsboys will not soon be forgotten by them.

His words of kindness and encouragement to the newsboys will not soon be forgotten by them.

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