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AN INDIAN BURIAL. (From the Gospel Messenger.)

Any one conversant with the manners and traits of character, the tempers and dispositions of the Indian, knows that he possesses acute and intense feelings .----The truth of this was fully and touchingly evinced on the occasion to which the following narrative relates : An aged chief was called to follow to the grave the

remains of a child to which he was most strongly attached. The burial took place at the Tuscarora Village, belonging to the tribe bearing that name-a remnant of one of the Six Nations; who in points of civilization, habits of industry, attention to education, and knowledge of religion, are not behind some of their more enlightened brethren. They have their school-houses and place of worship, and enjoy the preached Gospel; being a Missionary station, under the care of the Presbyterian Society for the Advancement of Christian Knowledge. The person interred was the wife of the Council Chief of the tribe above named-William Mountpleasant, and the daughter of the old chief just alluded to. She was of the Oneida Nation, or that part of it residing under the Government of her Majesty, Queen Victoria, in Canada West. A portion of the Oneidas, with the Mohawks and a part of the Tuscaroras, emigrated long since from Western New York, and settled upon Grand Biver. They there have two Episcopal Churches, where they worship the Great Spirit in the language of our excellent Liturgy, which has been translated into the Mohawk dialect. They are supplied with active and faithful Missionaries from the Church of England.

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A request came to the writer, from the afflicted father, to attend the burial of his daughter. The following day, being Sunday, I went with a number of my congregation, after the close of morning service. To us it was a novel scene, but one of deep interest, touching incidents, and heart-felt sympathy. As we drew near the village, we saw a group of the red men with women in Indian blankets, collected round one of their houses, and concluding that there must be the house of mourning, we alighted, and were met and welcomed with all the warmth and cordiality of a true Indian greeting and friendship. On entering, we found the house crowded with relatives and friends standing around the coffin of the departed one. There lay the dark-eved matron in Indian state, not indeed in sheet or shroud, but according to the peculiarities of their nation. She was the last family link, the seventh, that had died of that flattering disease-consumption. The proud relic, the stricken hope, the blasted joy, the crushed indulgence of a parent's pride. He alone of kindred blood stood there in silent and subdued grief, over the lifeless corse of the last of his once happy flock-as the sturdy aged hemlock of his forest, riven as by a bolt of heaven. A hymn selected by the bereaved father, the Christian Chief, was sung most sweetly in the Indian dialect. Those who have not heard the singing of Christian Indians, can hardly imagine the effect of this exercise. There was an air of plaintiveness, simplicity and harmony, which could not fail to reach all hearts. The sweet hymn ended, the procession moved to the house of worship. Four stout and athletic Indians bore the coffin on their shoulders, passing each an arm around the waist of his fellow, and the other over the coffin, they proceeded, and all moved on without regard to order. On entering their sanctuary, the well known words of the blessed Saviour as he approached the grave of his friend were uttered, "I am the resurection and the life," &c.

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Combined with jealousy conrequent excursions this devoted pastor made to St. cerning Poland, and the strict observance by Russia of urent; a spot which, by the shortest route (and it the continental system, it formed the secret cause of was practicable only in fine weather), lay thirty miles the Russian invasion; and one principal reason which distant from Dormilhouse, and in winter, sixty from directed the mighty conqueror to Moscow instead of Guillestre In order to accomplish one visit in turn St. Petersburg, was the secret project which he enterto each of these villages or hamlets, Neff had, we see, tained of turning his victorious arms, after the subetween two hundred and ten and two hundred and forty jugation of the Muscovites, to the southward, and iles to traverse. This wide extent of ground would, placing on his victorious brows the diadem of the we admit, have been no great matter for a minister, Eastern empire. It is not surprising that Constantiwho had not conceived himself bound to inspect every nople should thus in every age have formed the chief pot, under his superintendance, in person: it would object of human ambition. Placed midway between have been a severe task for a zealous servant, who Europe and Asia, it is at once the natural emporium nsidered it incumbent upon him to visit each point where the productions of the east and west find their nce in the course of the year; but, in the case of a obvious point of contact, and the midway station where astor like Neff, who could not rest in one place-I the internal water-communication of Europe, Asia, and use too trivial an expression-who could not labour in Africa find their common centre : while the waves of ne place without feeling that another called for him, the Mediterranean and the Ægean bring to its harbour and was therefore in perpetual motion-the district the whole productions of Egypt, Lybia, Italy, and Spain, the waters of the Danube, the Dneister, and Nor is this all. We have not taken into account the Wolga, waft to the same favoured spot the agriculthe distance, by the high road, between Guillestre and tural riches of Hungary, Germany, the Ukraine, and St. Laurent-this he could travel in a carriage: but Russia. The caravans of the desert, the rich loads of not so with regard to any other of the routes which the camel and the dromedary, meet within its walls; he had to pursue; and, it being preferable for a hale the ample sails and boundless riches of European oung man to travel along them on foot than on a commerce-even the distant pendants of America and nule's back, he always journeyed as a pedestrian, the New World-hasten to its quays to convey the whether it were in the heat of summer or the cold of vast productions of the Old to the New Hemisphere. winter. And what was the nature of the ground he An incomparable harbour, where a three-decker can traversed? His round could not be accomplished without danger touch the quay, and from the yardithout making his way through the three passes of arms of which a bold assailant may almost leap on the Orsière, Isoire, and Lantaret, in the direction of walls, affords, within a deep bay, several miles in Briancon; which were scarcely less wild than those of | length, ample room for all the fleets in the universe to ounts St. Gothard or St. Bernard, in Switzerland. lie in safety; a broad inland sea, inclosed within im-Next, he had to encounter the frightful gorge of the pregnable gates, gives its navy the extraordinary ad-Guil; and, at almost every step, a country full of vantage of a safe place for pacific exercise and prepadanger and difficulties. On one occasion, for instance, ration; narrow and winding straits on either side, of when full of life and strength, he was three hours in fifteen or twenty miles in length, crowned by heights erforming as many miles through a deep snow : yet forming natural castles, render this matchless metropohe was so intent upon his task, that, as he told me lis impregnable to all but land forces. It is the only himself, he never slept five nights in succession in the capitol in the world, perhaps, which can never decline as long as the human race endures, or the present There are, probably, some individuals who could wants of mankind continue; for the more that the west ndure such continuous and fatiguing journeys, if they increases in population and splendour, the greater will

were allowed to rest at each spot upon reaching it. be the traffic which must pass through its gates in con-But was this Neff's custom? Before he took a meal, veying to the inhabitants of its empires the rich proand long before he thought of lying down, he was seen ducts of the Eastern sun; and the more that Asia preaching, exhorting, reprehending, or administering revives or Russia advances in civilisation, the more LOOKING-GLASS & PICTURE-FRAME MANUFACTORY, acouragement: then he would give instruction in boundless must be the wealth which will be poured singing, with no instrument to assist him but his own into its bosom from the vast arteries which collect from oice; and thus did he, in some way or another, dif- their plains the boundless streams of eastern cultivafuse and multiply his exertions from village to village, tion. Nor are the beauty of Constantinople and the in consequence of the impossibility of establishing a natural excellence of its situation inferior to the comcentral school. And we may justly add to all these mercial advantages which, for a thousand years, proobysical fatigues the moral pains of a wearying course longed the existence of the Byzantine, and now singly labour, on a soil which long yielded no return .-- compensate the decay of the Turkish empire. The Then, look at the food which awaited his meal, when powers of the greatest historical and descriptive painhe sat down to it : he had, it is true, every thing which ters of England and France, have hardly sufficed to the people could set before him; but this, on most portray its varied charms; and if the pencils of Gibbon ons, consisted of coarse bread, six or twelve and Lamartine have, in it, found materials to crowd months old; and even when accompanied with meat, successive chapters of their immortal works, a subsewhich was rarely, it was ordinarily, old or tough. I quent writer can hardly be expected to do justice to it do not refer to the couch on which he slept, hard and in a single paragraph. Situated, like Rome and Mosunapparelled as it was; for any couch is acceptable cow, on seven hills, but enjoying, unlike them, the advantages of a maritime situation and the refreshing Reep your Money at home, & encourage How sweet had it been if he had had but one friend breezes of the ocean-exhibiting in its successive -one single friend, to share his labours with him! terraces, which rise from the margin of the water, an TORONTO AXE AND TOOL FACTORY,

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The Indians, unaccustomed to the language of the burial service of the Church, seemed absorbed and awe-stricken at the solemn and gracious words, and every eye in sidelong glances was turned upon him who pronounced them, as he moved along the aisle, continuing the solemn sentences of inspiration. The services being closed, another Indian hymn, announced by their Missionary, was sung, and the sermon prepared for the occasion was pronounced, and the interpreter gave my instruction in the Indian language .----This, though to me a novel mode of preaching, was neither uninteresting nor unpleasant. We thought, however that it was not needed among these Tuscaroras, as they generally understand the English language and speak it fluently.

The discourse being ended and the benediction pronounced-the father, with a dignity of manner and manliness of aspect peculiarly engaging, and a countenance full of expression, left his seat and with great meekness of deportment approached the coffin, raised the lid, and for some moments stood in muteness of sorrow as he gazed upon the marble features of his once happy and bright-eyed child. Not a groan or a tear bespoke the anguish of his heart, or gave vent to the keen sensibility of his wrought-up feelings, as he smoothed back the long black locks from the cold forhead of his lost child; still there was seen the workings of his inmost soul, that told of the feelings withinthe sorrow that was unuttered, the resignation, the humble acquiescence of the Christian in the dealings of a mysterious and afflictive Providence. His heart was full. He knelt down by the side of the lost one in silent prayer-an example of deep humility, worthy of the imitation of more enlightened men. In this position he remained for some ten minutes, while all was

blessing seemed to come, for tears-tears from the dry-ran down his sallow cheeks. There was some mourning father rose and as he wiped his face, returned to his seat in a dignified and calm composure, as if his work were done, evidently comforted and consoled desired, then moved in silence and took their last look of the corpse; when all things being arranged we proceeded to the place of burial, when the body of the daughter of the Oreida Chief, the young wife, and Indian mother, was committed to the ground-"earth "general resurrection of the last day, and the life to come through our Lord Jesus Christ."

There was nothing peculiar in the Indian mode of burial, save the traditionary custom of filling the grave tribe separate and apart by themselves.

M. provided through her for the red man.

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to do this, and we have seen them go to the graves years after they were closed, and place there small stones like those used in paving. In the earlier years of our ministry, on being called descendants, we observed that nearly, and in some instances

CONSTANTINOPLE. (From Alison's History of Europe.)

Amidst the general decay of the Turkish empire, hushed around him, as if he was like good old Jacob, the matchless situation and natural advantages of wrestling with God for his blessing. At last that Constantinople still attracted a vast concourse of inhabitants, and veiled under a robe of beauty the heart, that before were pent up as if the fountain was decline of the Queen of the East. This celebrated capital, the incomparable excellence of whose situation relief of the heart's anguish. All present partook of attracted the eagle eye of Alexander the Great, which the emotion, for all eyes were wet and dim. The made the Romans forget the sanctity of the capitol. and transferred the metropolis of the world to the shores of the Bosphorus; which rent in twain the dothrough the operation of the Holy Spirit. All who thousand years the empire of the East; which drew aside the crusaders from the storm of Jerusalem, and attracted the Osmanlis from their deserts to the shores of the Bosphorus; which threatened in one age every monarchy in Europe, and existed in another by their nutual jealousy at its acquisition-had long formed to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust," to await the the real object of discord between the courts of Paris and St. Petersburg. The desires of the cabinet of St. Petersburg had been for above a century fixed on its acquisition : towards that object all their efforts had, since the days of Peter the Great, incessantly been in part, with stones,* and burying each subject and directed, and it was only by the active interference of

England that the total overthrow of the Turkish em-We now took leave of our afflicted Indian friend pire had been averted, on the eve of the revolutionary and moved towards home, impressed with the sol- war, after the fall of Ocyakoff. So firmly bent was copy the above notice gratis. emnities which had engaged our attention, thankful the Empress Catherine on this splendid acquisition, to the Divine Head of the Church, for the fostering that she named her eldest grandson Alexander, and care, the Christian instruction, consolation and hope, his second brother Constantine; hoping that the former would rival the glories of the Macedonian con-

* We wish our correspondent had stated, if these stones were empire. During the anxieties and dangers of that thrown into the grave by the various individuals present. It used to be the practice of some of the Indians of New England Petersburg for the acquisition of Constantinople had Petersburg for the acquisition of Constantinople had for a time been suspended; but its projects, guided by aristocratic foresight, were never forgotten: even while as we often were, to attend the funerals of Africans, and their still reeking with the blood of Friedland. Alexander turned his anxious attention to the long-cherished quite, all the coloured persons present cast a handful of earth into the grave as we pronounced the words, Earth to Earth, &c. --Ed. Messenger.

curring to his friends in Geneva, and corresponding and richness of the scenery in the channel of the Bos- Hammers, Steel-tipped do., Cast Steel Chissels, [all sizes,] with them-a resource weak and inadequate, indeed, phorus, where the stream which unites the Euxine to Hoes. Coopers and Carpenter's Tools [of every description

twenty miles through bold headlands and lofty pro-The display of such strength and energy as Neff montories; one shore of which, resplendent with the be warranted not inferior to any in America. exhibited, awakens still greater admiration when com- smiling villas, umbrageous woods, and hanging gardens bined, as it was in his case, with exceeding tenderness of the East, falls so rapidly into the sea, that the acaof heart. Behold him weeping with his mountaineers, cia dips its branches in the wave, and the sails of the and drawing tears from their own eyes: see him, largest merchantmen almost touch the dark green article in the above line, repaired as usual, in the best manner braving mile upon mile, amidst the snows of winter, cypresses that crowd the shore : while, on the oppo- with despatch. appalled by no danger nor difficulty; and this simply, site coast, the features bear the character of savage o calm the apprehensions or satisfy the anxieties of a magnificence; where the villages bespeak the mildness family, who feared to defert he baptism of a child. of Oriental manners, and the havens the spontaneous He was, truly, of a hard and iron heart, when labour bounty of nature; and where a seventy-four can lie in r fatigue were to be encountered; but that same safety at the foot of the rocks, moored to the root of neart overflowed with compassion and Christian soft- the lofty evergreen oak, whose branches intermingle

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