

We have a sad impression of it, and all the charity we can muster cannot drive the impression away. O Lord Jesus! what fearful accounts will be to settle with Thy people when Thou comest again!

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THE HOLY SPIRIT—MISTAKES CONCERNING IT.

An intelligent writer in one of the Baptist journals visiting the office of the "Christian Banner," speaks thus scripturally and correctly—

There are two practical evils to which we are liable, in the views we take of the Holy Spirit's connection with the salvation of men. The one is to overlook, to forget, the necessity and divine efficacy of that Spirit, in the work of regeneration and sanctification, though in theory it is all granted; and the other is, that of attempting to analyze and define, with exactness, the method of this working, and to make the understood laws of mental science the rules of his operations.

Both of these evils are greatly detrimental to the development of piety, and the maturity of Christian character. The first is reprehensible; the second is absurd.

SISTER HOOD GONE.

Our brother A. McArther, of Nottawasaga, writes to us saying, that—

"On the 9th day of August last, departed this life our beloved sister Margaret Hood, wife of brother James Hood, Nottawasaga, a native of Scotland, in the 68th year of her age. She was of an amiable disposition and humble in her behaviour. With meekness and in the exercise of christian faith she ended her protracted sufferings, which had continued five months. Without a fear did she at length commit her spirit to her Gracious Creator and Redeemer."

Of all modifications of manner which are to be met with in society, perhaps the most general pleasing is simplicity, even as that water is the purest which has no taste—the air the freshest which has no odour.

↪ A letter to Messrs. Madden and Allison, of Hillier, ministers of the Wesleyan Conference, is preparing for the press and will appear next month. We anticipated having it for insertion in this issue of the Banner, but other duties interfered.

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