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"Abide in me and I in You." THE SOUL'S ANSWER.

BY HARRIET BEECHER STOWE. That mystic word of Thine, O sovereign Lord! Is all too pure, too high, too deep for me; Weary of striving, and with longing faint, I breathe it back again in prayer to Thee.

Abide in me, I pray, and I in Thee; From this good hour, O leave me never more The lite-long bleeding of the soul be o'er.

Abide in me_o'ershadow by Thy love,

Quench ere it rise each selfish low desire,

As some rare perfume in a vase of clay. Pervades it with a fragrance not its own-So, when Thou dwellest in a mortal soul, All heaven's own sweetness seems around it

The soul alone, like a neglected harp, Grows out of tune, and needs that Hand Di-

Dwell Thou within it, tune and touch the chords, Till every note and string shall answer Thine. Abide in me; there have been moments pure,

When I have seen Thy face, and felt Thy Then evil lost its grasp, and passion, hush'd, Own'd the Divine enchantment of the hour

These were but seasons beautiful and rare; Abide in me, and they shall ever be : I pray Thee now fulfil my earnest prayer; Come and abide in me, and I in Thee.

The Christian Church in the Fifth Century.

BY CHARLES KINGSLEY, JR. For somewhat more than four hundred years, the Roman Empire and the Christian Church, born into the world almost at the same moment, had been developing themselves side by side as two great rival powers, in deadly struggle for the possession of the sical force, and a ruthless lust of aggressive uniform system of external law and order. This was generally a real boon to conquered nations, because it substituted a fixed and arbitrary miseries of savage warfare: but it pire the wealthier citizens of every province, by allowing them their share in the plunder of the labouring masses below them. These crisy, produced an Athanase and a Jerone, being the irrevocable order of Providence.

The Saddest of all Ruins.

had been fighting for now four hundred.

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ture of ideas, creeds, and races, even the Rome. mere physical facilities for intercourse befourth and fifth centuries a breadth of obser- not yet come. vation, a depth of thought, a large-hearted human race. The weapons of the Empire and large-minded patience and tolerance, had been not merely an overwhelming phy- such as, we may say boldly, the church has their own. And thus an age, which, to the great weight and solemnity, an argument unseen unobserved channels of the blessed Tells the condition how our peace was made, arrayed, meanwhile, on the side of the em- shallow insight of a sneerer like Gibbon, that ought deeply to affect the minds of Spirit. -N. Y. Evangelist.

human thought, had their use and their fruit. of an earthly master-yet here a freeman in her aggressive power would be amazingly They brought before the minds of church- Christ Jesus, and a brother beloved for the reduced: her ministry would die out, and which they offered as its substitute; to ex- around him as inheritors of the same pro- Everything without told of a change within. satisfaction, even for the most subtle meta- gotten, its cares thrown aside, and their souls glory. All attraction and moral beauty How he who bore in heaven the sacred name. physical cravings of a diseased age; -that strengthened for that coming future in which seemed to centre in Christ. A peace such Had not, on earth, whereon to lay his head; was the work of the time; and men were they know not what shall await them. And as language cannot express flowed in upon How his first followers and servants sped, sent to do it, and aided in their labor by the when they part, they realize that before they your soul. A joy such as angels feel per- The precepts sage they wrote to many a land; very causes which had produced the intellectual revolution. The general intermix- crown of martyrdom.—Kip's Catacombs of bursting emotions to tell what Christ had Saw in the sun a mighty angel stand;

tween different parts of the Empire, helped to give the great Christian fathers of the Martial says:—You ask for hot water, but the cold has

Early Piety.

a Chrisostom and an Augustine; absorbed How many parents outlive their offspring! It is sad to see anything in ruins. When while, in the cities, their nominal freedom was of little use to masses kept from starvawas of little use to mas tion by the alms of the government, and drugged into brutish good humour by a vast Rome, as an heirloom for nations yet un- and it invests early piety with untold inter- mense masses of rubbish, deserted by man From fancy's influence, and intemperate zeal. system of public spectacles, in which the born; and laid in foreign lands, by unconscient. Those whom death will slay ere it is and tenanted by fishly reptiles, we sigh over realms of nature and of art were ransacked ous agents, the foundations of all European noon, must be Christians when young, or the wreck of human industry and splendor; to glut the wonder, lust, and ferocity of a thought and ethics. -Preface to Hypatia. never; old age will be too late, middle age yet we know that that same industry can Within this awful volume lies Against this vast organization the church or left undone forever. Is any evidence When we look upon the devouring element. To whom their Got has given grace years, armed only with its own mighty and In those early ages, the followers of our wanted? Then go to the Cemetery; there consuming whole blocks of buildings, invol- To read, to hope to pray, all-embracing message, and with the mani- Lord held at times a common feast where study the respective ages at which the buri- ving them in ruin, and reducing many to To lift the latch, to force the way festation of a spirit of purity and virtue, of all met together as disciples of the same ed dead were summoned from the scenes of poverty, we are filled with sadness; but we And better had they not been born, love and self-sacrifice, which had proved master, and intended to show the chain of time. The list of the young will be found know that other buildings can be reared in Who read to doubt, or read to scorn. itself mightier to melt and weld together the brotherhood which bound them in one body. to be frightfully long, teaching all of this their place, and by active industry the pro-

duced a corresponding fusion of creed, an "Irene, da caldam aquam." (Peace, give hot days are nearly spent: the period of his ac- | Impenitent reader! let the moral position hand; and in her left hand riches and The Six Days of Creation. universal fermentation of human thought water); "Agape misce mi vinum," (Love. tivity almost gone; the decrepitude of age, you occupy alarm you into reflection; make honour. Her ways are ways of pleas mix and faith. All honest belief in the old local mix me wine.) superstitions of paganism had been long dy- The representations of these solemn feasts he can give to religion. Piety in youth, when you ought to grapple with realities.— tree of life to them that lay hold upon her: Jws. I know that some geologists Inventory ing out before the more palpable and matewas often repeated, in both sculptures and however, enters the field in the morning— Accountableness to god is a fact that cannot and happy is every one that retained her." cash womed to prove that a was not rial idolatry of Emperor-worship; and the paintings, showing how general in that age not in the evening of life, but in the morn- be sneered out of existence; death cannot (Prov. in. 13-18.) gods of the nations, unable to deliver those was the custom. It was founded certainly ing; and this makes a vast difference on the be eluded; God to whose awful bar you are The man who affirms that to quit this geological period, as it is called. I do not who had trusted in them, became, one by on an unworldly idea, and one which Chris- score of prospective usefulness. The later daily advancing, cannot be deceived, and world is to leave the certainty for an uncer- think this is plain, this deather with the World one, the vassals of the "Divus Casar," neg- tianity alone could have originated. Look Christian loses what the earlier one gains: will not be mocked.—N. Y. Ecangelist. tainty," must either have imbibed the poison of God. It seems to me that the two first lected by the philosophic rich, and only wor- then at such an assembly, as one by one, in the loses immensely in respect to time, and shipped by the lower classes, where the old silence and stealth, they gather at their place those services as well as acquisitions which Then shall the discord cease, the wound be heal'd, rites still pandered to their grosser appetites, of meeting. It is in the Eternal City, which are coincident with time. Suppose two or subserved the wealth and importance of is crimson with the blood of the earliest mar- Christians to die at the age of sixty, the one tyrs, and the name of Jesus of Nazareth is converted at the age of fifty-five, and the With whose worn leaves the careless intart plays eternal state of the ungodly there hangs no there may have interversed miles in-these In the meanwhile, the minds of men, cut a forbidden sound within its walls. But other at that of twelve: what a vast differ. Must be the Bible. Therein thy I'm eyes Each hilf-form'd purpose and dark thought adrift from their ancient moorings, wandered scattered through its crowded thousands— ence there will be in the productive value Will meet a cheerful light; and silent words wildly ower pathless seas of speculative even within sight of its Pantheon of gods— of their religious characters! Those who Of mercy breathed from heaven, will be exalted doubt, and especially in the more metaphy— are the true hearted, and joyfully they turn have distinguished themselves for Christian From the blest page in thy withered heart. doubt, and especially in the more metaphy- are the true hearted, and joyfully they turn have distinguished themselves for Christian From the blest page in thy withered heart. And keep my soul as Thine, calm and divine. sical and contemplative East, attempted to to their place of worship when the appointed service, who have made their spiritual solve for themselves the questions of man's relation to the unseen by those thousand schisms, heresies, and theosophies (it is a cending into the Catacombs, thread their with but few rare exceptions, embraced the schisms, heresies, and theosophies (it is a cending into the Catacombs, thread their with but few rare exceptions, embraced the Will make this world but as a thorny path disgrace to the word philosophy to call them way through its narrow passages. The bar- gospel in the early period of life. This is To regions of delight; man's natural life, by it,) on the records of which the student riers of race and country-of rank and caste undoubtedly the rule. Hence the future With all its wearied turmoils of ambition now gazes bewildered, unable alike to count -are broken down, and for the first time in hopes of the church are to a great extent. But as the training of a way ward child the world's history all are brethren. The deposited with the young. Let youthful To manly exercises; yea, death itself Yet even these, like every outburst of free swarthy Syrian is there—the slave indeed of conversions come to an end: and very soon. But as a painful birth to life unesding. men a thousand new questions which must faith's sake. Beside him is the intellectual all her appliances and means of grace sink. The priest like tather reads the sacred page. be solved, unless the church was to relinquish Athenian, but he has learned a nobler philinto rapid decay. Indeed, the great change forever her claims as the great teacher and losophy than that of Greece, and found that passed over you. It was a surprising, a Or Moses bade eternal warfare wage satisfier of the human soul. To study these the truest wisdom was to bow at the foot of wonderful change. You knew it, you could bubbles, as they formed and burst on every the cross. And there, too, is the Jewish not doubt the fact. Though no angel had Or how the royal bard did groaning lie wave of human life; to feel, too often by sad priest, shocked no longer by the presence of announced it-no voice whispered it-no. Beneath the stroke of Heaven's avenging ire experience, as Augustine knew, the charm "they of the uncircumcision," but overcom- vision revealed it—no miracle declared it, Or Job's pathetic plant and wailing cry; of their allurements; to eliminate the truths ing the narrow exclusiveness of his race, yet you knew that your sins were forgiven. Or rapt Isaiah's wild scrappio fire; at which they aimed from the falsehood prepared to welcome the Jewish converts For you felt in your soul the favor of God. Or other holy sees that tune the sacred lyre, hibit the Catholic Church as possessing, in mises. It is an hour with them of holy joy, All nature seemed lovely and joyful. The Perhaps the Christian volume is the theme, the great facts which she proclaimed, full when the trials of the outward world are for- heavens looked down upon you with new How guiltless blood for guilty man was shed;

done for your soul. How gently and sweetly did God come to By Heaven's command. We must not seek him nor expect him in Whence, but from heaven, could men unskilled the noise and bustle of the world; nor in the tumult and excitement of a crowd; nor In several ages born, in several parts, since beheld but rarely, and the world never; Besides the general reasons for a religidous displays of power and glory. But ra- Should all conspire to cheat us with a lie conquest, but, even more powerful still, an at least, if we are to judge those great men ous life, of equal significance in youth and their must we look for and seek God in the Unasked their plans, ungrateful their advice, not, and to believe, as we are bound, that reasons growing out of the wants of the soul, unconcious action of the truth on the inner had they lived now, and not then, they would and the nature of our relations to God - man; in the way of ordinary and establishhave towered as far above the heads of this there is a special argument for piety in the ed means; in the calm thoughts of the mind; So has this book entitled us to heaven, regular spoliation for the fortuitous and generation as they did above the heads of season of youth. It is one, moreover, of in upward desires of the heart; along the And rules to guide us to that mansion given;

too late; they will not see either period; remove those masses of ruins, and erect in The mystery of mysteries; hearts of men than all the force and terror. It was called the Agape, or love-feast. The class to be early wise, rebuking their foolish party lost can be restored. When we see a hearts of men than all the force and terror, It was called the Agape, or love-least. The class to be early wise, redaining the force and terror, It was called the Agape, or love-least. The class to be early wise, redaining the force and terror, It was called the Agape, or love-least. The class to be early wise, redaining the force and terror, It was called the Agape, or love-least. The class to be early wise, redaining the force and terror, It was called the Agape, or love-least. The class to be early wise, redaining the force and terror, It was called the Agape, or love-least. The class to be early wise, redaining the force and terror, it was called the Agape, or love-least. 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The thus raining his health, his reputation, his But when compelled to leave this house of clay, which it had recognized, instinctively and at meet together, and the Lord is the maker parent surely cannot too soon set his heart usefulness, bringing disgrace not only upon: of them all." It generally preceded or fol- upon the conversion of his child, or prose- himself but upon his family and friends, And now the church had conquered. The lowed the administration of the Eucharist; cute it with too much zeal. If anything besides breaking their hearts, our bosons weak things of this world had confounded and it is supposed to have been this connec- should tax his anxieties, the salvation of his swell with sadness; but though degraded the strong. In spite of the devilish cruelties tion which led to the abuses St. Paul con-children should do so. How important that and disgraced, yet there is, after all, a lingerof persecutors; in spite of the contaminating demned when he wrote: "When ye come he should be a Christian, that he may say ing hope that he may be recovered. When and seated in the same carriage with our atmosphere of sin which surrounded her; in together, therefore, into one place, this is to them, Come and follow me, and I will do we look upon that wonderful workmanship, selves were three gentlemen. The one upon spite of having to form herself, not out of a not to eat the Lord's supper. For in eating, you good! Have compassion on your chil- the human body, lying hearsed in death; our left was a Romish Priest, and from his race of pure and separate creatures, but by a most literal "new birth" out of those very one taketh before other his own suppers and another is even if you have none upon yourselves. fallen masses who insulted and persecuted drunken. What, have ye not houses to eat Save them from the desolating effects of a eye, and the graceful, elastic form, and per- nosite was very communicative, remarkable her; in spite of having to endure within and to drink in? or despise ye the Church wicked example. Some of them may soon ceive a mortal paleness spread over them facetious, and appeared to have passed the here; in spite of having to endure within herself continual outbursts of the evil passof of God, and shame them that have not?"— be in their graves. Are you doing your all; when we see it fast dissolving in ruins; meridian of life. We soon perceived that he sions in which her members had once indulged without check; in spite of a thousand "These are spots in your agapa," transged without check; in spite of a thousand in the search spots in your agape, transcounterfeits which sprung up around her and within her, claiming to be part of her, and alluring men to themselves by that very gle passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the same of the passage describes its object and the passage describes its object an exclusiveness and party arrogance which per of its administration: "Our supper, youth is peculiarly favourable to the acquision of a religious character. Though humanity; but yet we know that the not at all surprised at this. "It is not a had conquered. The very emperors had arrayed themselves on her side. Julian's which among the Greeks signifies Love.— of the grave, it is by no means equally prolast attempt to restore paganism by imperial Whatever charge we are at, it is a gain, as bable. The obstacles generally increase our thoughts forward to the future, and be-bably, a key to the sad spiritual condition influence had only proved that the old faith it is an expense upon the account of piety. with the lapse of time, while the susceptibi- hold the elements dissolving with fervent of that traveller's mind. A reply was made, had lost all hold upon the hearts of the masses; and at his death the great tide-wave of new opinion rolled on unchecked, and the rulers of earth were fain to swim with the

stream; to accept, in words, at least, the church's laws as theirs; to acknowledge a King of kings to whom even they owed homage and obedience; and to call their own ner, as that we remember still that we are probability that no saving change will ever its God - a soul upon which his wrath abid- brief sentence, uttered in these fugitive as slaves their "poorer brethren," and often, too, their "spiritual superiors."

to worship God by night. We discourse as occur. Men are not advancing their, pros- eth—a soul that thinks of God only to bar- sociations, sunk deeply into the heart, and in the presence of God, knowing that he produced a permanent blessing, by the genial But if the emperors had become Christ hears us. Then, after water to wash our take, then, to wait for manhood or age before of proffered mercy through Christ only to and fostering influence of Him who hath tian, the Empire had not. Here and there hands, and lights brought in, every one is one attends to the concerns of the soul, reject it—a soul that hears of God's future said, "In the morning sow thy seed, and in an abuse was lopped off; or an edict was moved to sing some hymn to God, either out when youth is a far more promising period retributions, but only to mock at and decide the evening withhold not thine hand: for an abuse was lopped off; or an edict was passed for the visitation of prisons and for the welfare of prisoners; or a Theodosius was recalled to justice and humanity for a was recalled to justice and humanity for a to the deep cannot be something the was recalled to justice and humanity for a to the deep cannot be something period retributions, but only to mock at and deride the evening within the dead with the deep cannot be the God and Father of our the eagle flat cuts the deep cannot be the most of the deep cannot be the most of the deep cannot be the composing of the most of the deep cannot be the control of the deep cannot all the control of the control of the deep cannot can be the control of the deep cannot can be the control of the control of the deep cannot can be the control of th the welfare of prisoners; or a Theodosius was recalled to justice and humanity for a while by the stern rebukes of an Ambrose. But the Empire was still the same; still a the days of persecution passing.

Frayer again concludes our cuttees now, it will never nave less; indeed, and of whom it is said, it is joined to its either this of that, or whether they both idols, let it alone—a soul whose memory is shall be alike good." (Eccles. xi. 6.) Great.

As, however, the Church grew and expenses of time. Christian only a memory of unrighteous transactions, results have come from equally small beginners. One solitary seed of the incorrupt-But the Empire was still the same; still a away, crowds half-christianized entered its their children are growing up without relievil, whose understanding is the receptacle libie word of God has, after the lapse of te

The Bible.

How Abram was the friend of God on high ;

And heard great Babylon's doom pronounced

along the pathway of miracles and stupen- Weave such agreeing truths? or how or why, unequalled genius for organization, and an by what they had, and not by what they had age, and addressed alike to all persons - holy quiet of the closet; in the silent and Starving their gain, and martyrdom their price.

> And is our pledge for the great Authors aid. His power in nature's ample book we find. But the less volume doth express his mind.

great tyranny, ensiaving the masses, crushing in actional life, fattening itself and its officials on a system of world-wide robbery; and cials on a system of world-wide robbery; and while it was paramount, there could be no hope for the human race. Nay, there were even those among the Christians who saw, like Dante afterwards, in the "fatal gift of like Dante afterwards, in the fa Constantine," and the truce between the the martyrs hear your drunken revels."— with them is passing away, not only unim-compose the universe, for its ruins cannot be ing life?" Has it come to this? Is this Church and the Empire, fresh and more deadly danger. Was not the Empire trying to extend over the church itself that upas shadow with which it had withered up every other form of human existence; to make her, too, its stipendiary shave-officiant, too, its stipendiary shave-officiant, too, its stipendiary shave-officiant, and sconnered when obedient, and sconnered is the state of gloomy doubt and fear the boon that the parameter of occurs which the state of gloomy doubt and fear the boon that the parameter of or cocondition it must state of gloomy doubt and fear the boon which inflictation repaired; forever in uiter dissolation it must state of gloomy doubt and fear the boon which inflictation. He had a parameter of the attention of the Church.

In a retired cr other form of human existence; to make her, too, its stipendiary slave-official, to be pampered when obedient, and scourged whenever she dare assert a free will of her whenever she dare assert a free will of her tyrants; to own, a law beyond that of her tyrants; to own, a law beyond that of her tyrants; to throw on her, by a refined hypocrisv, the own, a law beyond that of her tyrants; to trophies which remain of the land buy throw on her, by a refined hypocrisy, the care and support of the masses on whose lifeblood it was feeding? So thought many care and support of the masses on whose lifeblood it was feeding? So thought many lifeblood it was feeding? So thought many then, and, as I fancy, not unwisely.

In the foreground, at the end of the table, which swept every lifeblood it was feeding? So thought many then, and, as I fancy, not unwisely.

In the foreground, at the end of the table, which swept every lifeblood it was feeding? So thought many are seated two matrons, who preside, person-life larly moving and pathetic voice, and an fabric of nature to become animated and vo-left wisdom, and as I fancy, not unwisely.

How much also on the score of usefulness, cal, would it be possible for her to unter a ligion, and the man that getteth underty thing before it like a torrent. He used to changed in his purpose, to take you from the changed in his purpose, to take you from the thing before it like a torrent. He used to changed in his purpose, to take you from the written above their heads in the Etruscan written above their heads in the Etruscan is gained by an early conversion? When voice too deep, or a cry to piercing to express standing. For the merchandize of it is bet-say, "it must be serious preaching which hed of down to have on the along of Christ, the magnitude and of course of the standard of the say, "it must be serious preaching which hed of down to have on the along the say."

supportainty. On the other hand, a thrice, ands or millions of years; but I do thank

the impetuous currents which bear him on mandment appears to me decisive, "Re-Lim, is like a dreary ocean of darkness, with- for in six days the Lord made he aren not out either soundings or shore! From the earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and oppressiveness of so sad a spectacle let us rested the seventh day." Now, by any unhope of glory." By the eye of faith, he sees on the atmosphere surrounding this care is the heavenly Jerusalem, rising as if just be- were all created in the course of inecal days. yond the hills of life; the goodly lands of and that God rested on the seventh day Canaan, where there is no more death, and The chapter we have now carried on no more curse; where the sun will never go describes the completion of this process; There will, doubtless, be an endless progres, lished, and all the host of them." God might sion in happiness. As the great cycle of bave called the earth, in all its be grey, and eternity rolls, the triumphant saint will be furnished with all its elements and apparatus, growing richer, soaring higher, and approaching nearer to the Fountain of ever could turn water into wine, who could turn happy delusion! Blessed enthusiasm, which had only to speak the word, and the earth in-pires such joys! No marvel that Addi. would have sprung into its orbit, becautified son says, in reference to the immortality of with all its terrestrial clothers. But he did

-[Cooper, experience has convinced me of it, and it the facts of the creation in the Mosaic page

way was scarcely less blessed. "Methinks," that are therein. - Scripture Readings, Cumheaven, and the other upon earth. Methinks I hear the melody of heaven, and by

Death will Come. faith I see the angels waiting to carry my soul to the bosom of Jesus, and I shall be forever with the Lord in glory."—Was

of infidelity, or, at least, have closed his Bi- & rses describe the original energies of all ble, and begun to doubt its authenticity, things out of nothing, and that between the God's own word dispelsall doubt as to fu- act regorded in the two first verses and the tine rewards and punishments. On the processes of the six days that followed, blessed hope arises out of the fact of the that each day of the seven days aft rwards visi 16, 17.) cleave to that literal interpretation; that is,

The man who is swithout hope and withs unless there be good to son to accept the cut God in the world" is hurried on, by the passage in a figurative sense. And, in the tide of time; he finds that he cannot resist next place, the alorsion in the fourth conward towards the gulf,-that galf which, to member the Sabbath day, to keep it holy; seek relief, by contemplating the man to prejudiced mind persue that considered, whom are made known the riches of the and he will come to the conclusion that it is glory of this mystery," "Carist in you the earth and the heaven-manner by the heav-

down, and the curtains of night never fall. "Thus the heavens and the earth were finlasting life! Is this a delusive hope? O a little bread into enough for five thousand, the soul, -"If it is a dream, let me enjoy it, not do so; he was pleased to arrange, not since it makes me both the happier and the by an act, but by a process. And this seeins to be the method of God's dealing in all This ravishing prospect has animated things. Great good is achieved in nations. the martyr in the midst of his fires, and not by a sudden start - by a vast revolution made innumerable bods of pain "as soft as --but by a gradual and progressive refordowny pillows are " Was there any un- mation. The human heart seems to undercertainty in these cases? Ye who are tempt-, go change, and to be converted and made ed to yield to the cold, cheerless scepticism fit for heaven, not by a sudden stroke, but of this fickle age, think of this invincible plea by a progressive process. Summer comes for Christianity. One of its eminent with on gradually and slowly. In fact, God takes nesses, dying, eried out with all his remain- time for all his work; and, in general, we ing strength, "The best of all is, God is do not see, in the course of our own experi-"God is love," said another, ence, anything done well by fits and starts. "God is love! Shout! Shout aloud! I So, God was pleased to take six days to arwant n gust of praise to go to the ends of the earth!" - Was there any uncertainty here? fore-1 cannot explain; the fact is asserted, A remar able instance of Christian tri- and that fact is in perfect harmony with the

Payson. "When," said he, "I formerly To show that this process of creation in read Bunyan's description of the land of six consecutive days is the original of the Beulah, where the sun shines, and the birds custom, that prevails in the world, of dividsing, day and night, I used to doubt whether ing time into weeks, I would just ask any there was such a place; but now my own one to suppose Genesis extinguished, and infinitely transcends all my previous conceptional distribution and then to say how he accounts A few week's earlier he had written for the almost universal division of time into thus - Were I to adopt the figurative lan- periods of seven days, or a week. I can guage of Bunyan, I might date this letter understand the occurrence of the division of from the land of Beulah, of which I have time into years, from the quasi-motion of been for some weeks a happy inhabitant. the sun, and into months from the motion of The celestial city is full in my view. Its the moon; but how do you account for time glories beam upon me-its breezes fan me- being divided into periods of seven days? its odors are wafted to me-its sounds strike. Is there anything more natural in seven than upon my ears-its spirit is breathed into my in fourteen or twenty? And how do you neart. Nothing separates me from it but account for this fact, that when the French. the river of death, which now appears but in one of those paroxy as to which as a an insignificant rill, that may be crossed at a nation they seem liable, obliterated the divisingle step, whenever God shall give per- sion of time into seven days, as being a mission. The Sun of righteousness has been memorial of Christianty, and substituted, about A. D. 1790, decades, or periods of ten and brighter as He approached; and now days, the nation instinctively rushed back He fills the whole hemisphere, pouring forth into its ancient habit, and that the French a flood of glory, in which I seem to float have now weeks of seven days, just as we like an insect in the beams of the sun; exulting, yet almost trembling, while I gaze on It looks like a surviving influence projected his excessive brightness, and wondering, from Gene is into the natural habits of manth unutterable wonder, why God should kind, retaining, where there is no Christianeign thus to shine on a sinful worm." ity, the tradeional recollection of God's Was there any uncertainty here?

Ancient institution, that in six days God
The dying expression of young Mr. Jane- created heaven and earth, and all the things

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One other example shall be taken from the published Memoirs of a late Wesleyan Minister,* well known to the writer. A little before his appointed and the worker of the published shall be stated from the published shall be taken from the published Memoirs of a late Wesleyan Minister,* well known to the writer. A little before his appointed and the work of the surface of the color of t Little before his sanctified spirit passed into the presence of God, he should with an energy and the presence of God, he should with an energy and the presence of God, he should with an energy and the sanction of the sanction. the presence of God, he shouled with an energy and power of voice amazing to those who had witnessed his prostration,—

"Glory! Victory! HallehalahThis is the happiest day of my life. Not for ten thousand worlds would I have had any other death than this. Who would not live to Christ to dis life this? I Christ, to die like this? I never expected or his astrength, every maiden that prodes the such a death. I expected to die in peace; but this—this is beyond all I could have conceived. I had not thought it possible for a worm to experience or made black. worm to experience so much bliss."— in my rambles that will not die-no mate, no Was there any uncertainty here? woman, no child, no beast, no plant, no tree.

"Blessed be the God and Father of our The eagle that cuts the air carnot its above Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time." (1 Peter i. 3-5. J. B. — Wesleyan Methodist Magazine.

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