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" O star-eyed science! hast thou wandered there To waft us home the message of despair?"

In the Days of thy Youth.

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The Doomed Man.

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There is a time, we know not when, A point, we know not where, That marks the destiny of men, To glory or despair.

There is a line, by us unseen. That crosses every path ; The hidden boundary between God's patience and his wrath

To pass that limit is to die, To die as if by stealth ; It does not quench the beaming eye, Or pale the glow of health.

The conscience may be still at ease, The spirits light and gay ; That which is pleasing still may please, And care be thrust away.

But on that forehead God has set Indelibly a mark ; Unseen by man, for man as yet Is blind and in the dark.

And yet the doomed man's path below Like Eden may have bloomed He did not, does not, will not know Or feel that he is doomed

He knows, he feels that all is well, And every fear is calmed : He lives, he dies, he wakes in hell, Not only doomed, but damned.

O! where is this mysterious bourne. By which our path is crossed ; Beyond which God himself has sworn, That he who goes is lost ?

How far may we go on in sin ? How long will God forbear? Where does hope end, and where begin The confines of despair?

An answer from the skies is sent " Ye that from God depart ! While it is called to.day, repent, And harden not your heart."

> -----[FOR THE PROVINCIAL WESLEYAN.]

Recollections of a Supernumerary Minister.

allotted to man on earth, we cannot but feel bility of her foundation, and the glorious fulfilled in her experience-the transition nize that we are his workmanship; and thou "man of sorrows" is thy soul burdened alternately pleasing, and painful among the from the clay tabernacle, she latter class, are those, produced by the con-

sidegation, that though we have evidence of

ing contrast, in the death of a graceless,

hopeless sinner, and that of a child of God !

"the wicked is driven away in his wicked-

ness, but the righteous hath hope in his

In ruminating on the trials and privations,

and also on the privileges of those who are

death.'

ceive from the carnal unregenerate mind, of these glorified spirits be on the restoration spheres, "and all the dread magnificence of and even from professing christians, whose of a backslider to the favour of God. Too heaven?" Was the soul framed merely exceedingly contracted spirit, would confine frequently, alas! is it the case, that though that it might for a few years rejoice in the christianity wholely to themselves, is it no: God is able to keep the believer from falling, beauty of the stars, as in that of the flowers Beautiful memories of the summer time, inexpressibly refreshing and delightful, as and from reproaching the cause of truth and beneath our feet? And ought we to be well as matter of much gratitude to the godliness, in an unguarded moment the grateful for those transitory simpses of the Thoughts of a far off sunny southern chime, Great Head of the Church, for a Wesley- suggestion of the enemy is listened to, and heavens, as for the fading splendour of earth? Where the first pure young flowers are b an minister to witness in the dying experi- in the next, by the admission of sin into the But the heavens are not an idle show, hung ence of his people, the scriptural character soul, the believer forfeits the divine favour, but for the gaze of that idle dreamer-ma of the doctrine he inculcates? At this very laying the foundation for much keen, cutting They are the work of the eternal God, and Thoughts of the absent past thou brought with their distant homes into some of our Sabbath ly from scripture respecting the covenants, moment, the fact of our differing in opinion reflection, and bitter self reproach — in a he has given us power therein to read and with another body of professing christians, word, for all that the backslider *feels* to be understand his glory. It is not our eyes only as to the mode of administering the rite of implied in the assertion, "My soul shall that are dazzled by the face of heave baptism, is sufficient, in the estimation of have no pleasure in him." that Body, to cut us off from connexion with Such was the experience of Mrs. HAMILTON face is overspread by its celestial smiles,the visible church; but this is of little con-sequence to us, while through our humble age in Lancashire, England, and was admit-in the heavens. Well are we entitled to instrumentality, we witness in the experi- ted a member of the Wesleyan Church .- give names unto the stars, tor we know the But brighter visions link themselves with thee, land called South Africa; it is a hot and wild secures to man the day and means of grace, ence of our people, the thing of which wa- By some means, she became acquainted with moment of their rising and their setting, and ter is but emblematical, viz: the gracious a soldier of the 43rd Regiment, who was one can be wit hthem through every part of their influences of the Holy Spirit awakening, of a recruiting party passing through the shining journey through the boun converting, and saving sinners-willingly country; in an evil moment she received his While generations of men have lived, died, let us be misrepresented and opposed, if attentions, became his wife, and forsook the and are buried, the astronomer thinks of the misrepresentation and opposition are neces-sary—under such circumstances we can well husband to Ireland, to the West Indies, and lifts up his eye, un-sery—under such circumstances we can well husband to Ireland, to the West Indies, and lifts up his eye, unafford to make sacrifices, contending as we from thence to the City of St. John, N. B., doubting, at the very moment when it again do for these doctrines, by the promulgation, she became the subject of pulmonary disease comes glorious on its predicted return.

of which man's happiness is secured and -fell consumption preyed on her vitals; God's glory promoted. under these circumstances, and with a heart course of a planet, or increase even the dis-Thirty-five years have run their rounds overburdened with the consideration of her tance of the fixed stars, the decree would be since I recollect first witnessing the termi-unfaithfulness to the grace of which, in early soon known on earth. Our ignorance is nation of a christian's earthly career. At life, she had been made the partaker, she great, because so is our knowledge; for it is this moment fresh in my memory are the desired to see a Wesleyan Minister-her from the mightiness and vastness of what dying circumstances of HANNAH MOORE, residence was in the Block House, near we do know, that we imagine the illimitable an interesting young woman, who associated where the Centenary Chapel now stands. I unkown creation. And to whom has God with a number of Yorkshire Wesleyans, soon had an interview with her, and an ex- made these revelations? To a worm, that emigrated to America in 1818. The land ceedingly interesting one it was-the rava- the next moment is to be in darkness? To of her adoption was Prince Edward Island ges of disease were at once apparent on a piece of earth, momentarily raised into -in Charlottetown she resided-her calling her delicate frame ; but still more apparent breathing? To a soul, perishable as the scent of Mount Olivet, journeying towards was that of a School Teacher-her natural was the necessity for immediately ascertain- telescope through which it looks into the great capital of Judea. The stillness children is another station of the missionaries. were thus severe in order to shew man his disposition was truly amiable, and as a pro- ing the real state of her mind, and bringing gates of heaven? fessor of religion she was endeared to all the her case to the mercy-seat of God-to that members of the Church; but God saw fit kind an compassionate Being who says to that her sun should set ere it was noon; His backsliding creatures, "Return unto the fever, with its pestiferous breath, fastened Lord thy God for thou hast fallen by thine

upon her, and she was called to prove the iniquity efficacious influence of the blood of atone- The Holy Spirit, which had been long inment in conflicting with the last enemy-such was the power of disease that she soon and deep contrition, and true penitence, became delirious-so much so, that no sa- were soon evinced by her. In a few days tisfactory information could be obtained from she rapidly sunk, but God inclined His ear her on the subject of the arrangement of to the lispings of the returning prodigal, and ance of immortality .- Prof. Wilson. her temporal affairs; but whenever interro- again was she encouraged to throw her singated as to the ground of her hope, and her sick, heavy laden soul at the foot of the preparation for death, she was perfectly cross. At my last visit to her, when the omposed, and in a most rational and scrip- weary wheels of life were about ceasing to In reviewing but a few weeks of the time divine grace, she sweetly dilated on the sta-in reviewing but a few weeks of the time divine grace, she sweetly dilated on the sta-in reviewing but a few weeks of the time divine grace, she sweetly dilated on the sta-in reviewing but a few weeks of the time divine grace, she sweetly dilated on the sta-in reviewing but a few weeks of the time divine grace, she sweetly dilated on the sta-backsliding—I will love them freely," was remember God as our Creator, is to recog-umph the guilty metropolis of Judea. Why

FOR THE PROVINCIAL WESLEYAN.] To a Rosebud in March.

Bringest thou on thy tiny crimson wing;

thee,

roam soul can comprehend the laws by which that They are afar, and time and grief and change,

ren of the heathen.

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less ether.

The Eternal's glorious tracery I see ; Thou whisperest to the trembling spirit faith,

Were the Eternal Being to slacken the March 17th. 1853.

[FOR THE PROVINCIAL WESLEYAN.]

New Testament Incidents. NO. VII.

JESUS WEEPS OVER JERUSALEM. A vast multitude thronged the gentle de- all my sins."

by the boisterous expression of joy that ani- and were asked what they wanted. They of grace when fully established. "The law No; there is no despair in the gracious breeze of the evening there is borne aloft to "Why?" asked the missionary. light of heaven. As we travel through those the throne of the Eternal, continued and ear- our hearts are sick." "What makes your This covenant, being designed to serve a orbs, we feel indeed that we have but little nest exclamations of praise to God. Amid hearts sick ?" " Our many sins." " And temporary purpose, continued only until the or no power, but we feel that we have migh- the universal delight which diffuses itself what will you do with such wicked hearts?" ty knowledge. We can create nothing, but throughout the happy group, one personage "We will take them to the feet of Jesus." we can dimly understand all. It belongs to is dejected-one heart is sad-one counte- From these accounts, we see the good the

God only to create, but it is given to man to nance wears the aspect of bitter grief. know-and that knowledge is itself an assur-Closely surrounded by beloved disciples, us take care that our greater privileges are

Gentle reader, this is the season when Messenger of Mercy to her unholy inhabi- Advocate.

ourselves the subjects of varied emotions, prospect which lay before her, until released from a state of conscious and deeply aggra- hence it is reasonable that our whole lives with deep distress, when all around thee, A little girl was bending sorrowfully over vated guilt, to the possession of all that joy. should be planned to glorify God. Solomon every heart beats joyously? The multitude a bed of flowers. Daily, through the sum-"Passed thro' death triumphant home." produced by the Spirit's testimony as to her says, "Remember now thy Creator, in the pay thee homage-they spread their garments mer, she watched the expanding buds, being given over, judicially, to a hard heart hea appiness of some, who, having departed SNELGROVE, about the same time, I am per--in an ecstacy she broke out in strains of before thee; walk in his commands. In whose melodious strains make music in the them from the increasing cold. But a No- Abraham disobeyed God when called to

Hope.

(FOR THE PROVINCIAL WESLEYAN.)

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are not cold and damp like ours, but as the upon us that the covenant or dispensation kind missionary thought a heavy rain would made with Abraham, was in effect the covetall in the night, he roused the sleeping or- nant or dispensation that we are under; bephans, and led the three little ones into the cause unquestionably the terms on which large porch of his house, where they might salvation is attainable, are precisely the rest in safety. His heart was now full of joy same, viz : " by grace through faith Where the first pure young flowers are blos- to find that there were some of his scholars Rom. iv from 1st to 16th verse and Eph. iii. who loved their teacher and their school.

Such then is the doctrine deducible clear-Suppose these little islanders could look from schools, what would they think of the many and which we sum up as follows :- I. There Who from the ancient breath-stone sadly late comers who walk carelessly into their have been three covenants made with man places an hour or more after the school has by the ever blessed, covenant keeping God, begun? Let us show by our conduct that we viz., the first with Noah, his sons and their Wave their dark pinions o'er their childhood's know how to take a hint even from the child-seed, of which the bow in the cloud is the token; in which God binds himself to save

Far away from the South Sea Islands is a the world from a second deluge, and which Oh! fairest flower on time's dark blighted part of the world, and the native people are seed time and harvest, summer and winter, mostly heathen. Many missionaries have day and night. The second, with Abraham Dreams of a world too high, too pure for change, gone to this country, and God has blessed and his seed, which, containing the promise Where the stern spoiler's voice is heard no their labours. One day a missionary saw a to be a God to him and to his seed after little black girl go behind a large thick bush. him, includes the promise of grace and glory, secretly as she could. The missionary said revealed in the Gospel. The third, entered to her. "What do you do so often behind into with Abraham (over and above the cove-And trusting hope in Him who fashioned thee. the bush ?" "I go to pray, sir," she replied. nant of grace) as the progenitor and repre-BESSIE BERANGER. "To whom do you pray?" "To Christ." sentative of the Jews, but not established "What do you ask Christ for ?" "I ask for formally with them until, it (the covenant) was given from Sinai, both in the voice from

Another African child, who seemed to heaven, and in a more durable form, on the love prayer, was asked, "I hear you often tables of stone, called the tables of the covepray-what do you ask of God?" "I say, nant-which was an "arrangement" of God, Lord Jesus, here lies a poor sinful child at in which He promised to give temporal and thy feet; Lord, be merciful to me, and give spiritual blessings to those only who compli-me grace, and thy Holy Spirit: forgive me ed with the law, both ceremonial and moral; while it denounced a fearful curse, and death

Not far distant from the homes of these against those who broke the law. The terms that reigns around, ever and anon is broken Two young African girls came one day to it, need of a Saviour, and to value the covenant mates many hearts, while upon the gentle said, "We have come to speak of salvation." was our school-master to bring us to Christ." breeze of the evening there is borne aloft to "Why?" asked the missionary. "Because "I had not known sin but by the law." purpose was served, it was therefore tempo ral not everlasting.

11. Each of those covenants or Divine gospel has done for heathen children. Let arrangements were in a certain sense conditional. For instance, had Noah disobeyed whose heart's affections cling more closely to not neglected by us : may the Lord give us God, and refused to build the ark, through their Master, appears the lowly Jesus riding grace rightly to improve them ! "Unto unbelief of the threatening; or had his sons upon a colt." During his short but active whomsoever much is given, of him shall refused to enter with their wives, they would ministry, he has oft visited Jerusalem-a much be required." Luke xii, 48 .- Miss. have perished with the ungodly. So Nonh's posterity as in the case of the Canaanites. Sodomites, and other families of them : that misimproved the light which God gave them, and relapsed into fearful Idolatries ; lost the day and means of grace; some miserably perishing suddenly, others by

the height prime of the lunch o promises, disinherited ; and Esau hated, or rather, loved less than Jacob-for what will before they had done good or evil." foresaw their unbelief and disobedience, o the covenant, until they forfeited their right ham Isaac and Jacob to whom, as we learn branches," " are broken off," (dis-inherited) "because of unbelief ;" while those who by faith are grafted in, are not, to be high min ded but fear, lest God spare them not-see Rom. xi, from 12, verse onward, and Het III. Each of those covenants was made with the posterity of the parties, originally lish my covenant between me and thee and made with the children of Israel in Horeb. viz .- the covenant of the Law was, of necessity, with them and their children, and Oh, hope ! we hail thee morning star of in fact was fulfilled in their children,-see covenant with us in Horeb." "The Lord made not this covenant with our Fathers, that, is, (with Abraham &c.) (He did not establish it by giving them the Law.) "but Moreover your little ones which ye said should be a prey, and your children which What, therefore, the apostle calls the old in that day had no knowledge between good covenant, was not the Abrahamic covenant and evil, they shall go in thither, and unto strictly, but the Mosaic or Sinai covenant; them will I give it, and they shall possess or, rather, the covenant of the law which it." It is because God makes and keeps became the prominent covenant "until the covenant and mercy with children and chilseed should come;" " and it was ordained dren's children, that we have the following by angels in the hands of a Mediator," 'Gal. passage. Den. vii. 9. "Know therefore that the Lord thy God, He is God, the faithiii. 19., iv. 24. This was, therefore, the covenant which the Jews and Jewish proful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love Him and keep His commandments, to a thousand generations." See IV. Each of the covenants that promised grace and salvation, whether on legal or evangelical terms, had its appropriate sign, safety of the subject, on the heirs of the steps of Abraham, namely, all who forsool Hebrews embraced the covenant, and their children

ing died in the Lord. Awfully distressing found among the number of "the called and pose the Church triumphant, thought! to die in one's sins! never to go chosen and taithful." She indeed triumphed "Halellujah they ery to the King of where Jesus is ! and consequently to endure where Jesus is ! and consequently to endure all the misery that is implied, in what our had no burial ground in connexion with their adorable Redeemer calls the loss of the soul ! own Church; by a request made of the O, if we more frequently dwelt on the expression, "what shall a man give in exchange to inter their dead in what was then supfor his soul "--- if the value of the human

for his soul "----if the value of the human soul more frequently occupied our attention, of the Established Church. On the occashould we not make greater exertions to sion of the death of Mrs. Snelgrove, when On the other hand, among the many pleas-inter the body, according to the usage of the the regret with which all men most regard

"When from flesh the spirit freed, Hastens homeward to return, Mortais cry, a woman's dead, Angels sing, a child is born."

"Adorned with Christ, And meet for God."

especially set apart to the work of calling mers to repentance, I was particularly reminded of a ciccumstance, which has often mind of the writer.

As in imagination my mind becomes ocbeen felt by me, as matter of much gratitude to God, and as affording much consolation cupied with various scenes which I have to my own mind, that during a ministerial witnessed in connexion with the Pastorate, life of upwards of thirty years, I have been visiting the sick and dying, &c., the case of favour'd in witnessing many instances of the a Mrs. BLACK, who resided in the city of St. triumphs of grace, in the very agonies of ex-piring nature. O, transcendantly delightful the grace of God was eminently displayed. sight ! to witness a saint on the very sub- Mrs. B.'s parents resided at Yarmouth, N.S. urbs of heaven, singing, as with the voice of and were Methodists-their name has esone, who had already actually passed to the caped my recollection. Her husband was a world of spirits, "O death where is thy Scotch Presbyterian, and a blacksmith by sting, O grave where is thy victory." As I trade. She was deeply afflicted-a distresspen these words, the experience of one, and ing case of cancer caused her intense sufferanother, and another, to whom in bygone ing, which was greatly augmented by a suryear-1 had the privilege of ministering, pass vividly before the eye of my mind, and l in-could not survive. When first called to asvoluntarily exclaim, " Let me die the death sist in pouring the balm of consolation into of the righteous, and let my last end be like her wounded soul, it was indeed gratifying to me to witness the indications she gave of

> O may I triumph so When all my warfare's past; And dying find my latest foe, Under my feet at last."

In the discharge of my official duties, I assurance, that though her own righteousin the discharge of my official duties, 1 have been called to visit the sick and dying of various denominations and creeds ; but unto her of God, wisdom and righteousness. sanctification and redemption." On the day own min 1 frequently refer, may it ever of her death, as I went to see her-passing be with increasing gratitude to God-that up to her room, I heard a shrill female voice, among the people of my own peculiar charge, I do not recollect of ever minister-ing to an accredited member of the Church, who on passing from time, did not leave a satisfactory testimony of grace having termi-nated in place. nated in glory. How diversified are the patient, and at seeing her anxiety for his circumstances in which christians live, and spiritual welfare-looking at me, he said, temporal condition, and their mental exerroom, and there was exhibited to our view a cises, but no diversity appears in reference most interesting sight, one at which angels to the source whence they draw their con-

solation. soul. Jesus Christ is the only Saviour of fallen

scriptural character of the faith of one and Jesus and His salvation-yes, Jesus was the doom is death, and that doom with a moment, For such trials true piety will prepare us. another denomination of professing chris-burden of her song-it seemed impossible to finds no thought that can satisfy it but that said to be Calvinistic in their views-ano- that already her views of heaven and of be lost but that of eternity? If this earth be broken, and life's wheel stand still at connected with such a church and holding eyes on all sublunary objects, sweetly falling the clay, was not this earth with all its days of our youth! such sentiments, can lay any just claim to asleep in Jesus.

he title of Christian; but amid all the ani-If it be true, as we are told it is, that there enough for the dreams of that creature madversions which those who do not under-is joy in the presence of the angels of God whose course was finally to be extinguished under which those who do not under-atand us think we justly merit—amid all the opposition which we must expect to re-ingly heightened must the joyous sensations is forced is really the

" Halelluinh they cry to the King of the sky To the great, everlasting I AM; To the Lamb that was slain, and that liveth again, Hallelujah to God and the Lamb?" D. March 14th, 1853.

The Soul's Immortality.

There is a universal desire of immortality

the Rector was applied to for permission to This desire does not arise, as some say, from ing emotions peculiar to the christian, there are those arising from the consideration, that adding, "Mrs. S. was a Christian, and I speaking of the desire as a delusion neces saints not only die in the Lord, but that we wish to have the privilege of interring the sarily accompanying the constitution of mind. may have occular demonstration of this fact. O, the contrast! the overwhelmingly strik-to conform to the custom observed by the us, such reasoners but darken the mystery Wesleyans in singing at the grave of the both of man and of Providence. But this pious dead, part of the 51st hymn was sung, desire of immortality is not of the kind they and the effect produced on the minds of say it is, and it does not in any degree parsome, especially the sentiment in the verse, take of the character of a blind and weak

sent life. "I would not live always!" is a feeling which all men understand-but who will, perhaps, never be obliterated from the can endure the momentary thought of annihilation? Thousands and tens of thousands

to do so-passing through nature to eternity -nay, when the last hour comes, death almost always finds his victim ready, if not resigned. To leave earth, and all the light, both of the sun and of the soul, is a sad thought to us all. Transient as are human smiles we cannot bear to see them no more -and there is a beauty that binds us to life that regret for departing loves and affections. and all the beautiful shows of this earthbetween that love and the dread of annihiand the protoundest sighs of all by whom it its existence. It cannot even believe the an earnest desire to obtain a yet more sensible interest in Christ and a sanctified use of her possibility of that which yet it may darkly dread. Its love--its passions-its joys-its sufferings-soon was she blessed with the agonies-are not itself. They may perish, seen, touched, enjoyed or suffered-still it who has spent an ardent, happy, and long seems to survive ; bury all it knew or could life in the service of Christ. know, in the grave—but itself cannot be trod-of corn in its season does he come down to den down into corruption. It sees nothing the grave, and is gathered unto the fathers. like itself in what perishes, except in dim How peaceful do they enter into the joys of analogies that vanish before its last profound their Lord, who have been faithful servants self-meditation; and though it parts with its all their day ! mortal weeds at last as with a garment, the life of the soul is felt at last to be something pare us for the evil days which may unexbody, but to flow on like a flood that we pectedly draw nigh. Sickness long and not even in contrast with the death of the believe continues still to flow after it has sad disappointment in earthly matters may

entered into the unseen solitude of some be our lot, or the infirmities of old age boundless desert. If intellect be indeed doomed utterly to these circumstances, what a hearty support most interesting sight, one at which angels smile-nothing less than a soul-a redeemed perish, why may we not ask, in that deep would a consciousness of early piety afford despair which, in that case, must inevitably us! With this support, how different our flow from the consciousness of those powers peace and joy from his state, who looks with which he had at once blessed and

man. His blood and righteousness alone, form the ground of their glorying-the In a most delightful strain, she spoke of cursed us-why that intellect whose final which he now sees that he took no pleasure! plains, forests, mountains, and seas, capacious

piety, of religion, of remembering our Cre- corruption, magnificence and pride. With long, cold winter pictured the coming spring, ator, or evil days will come, from which we the great city spread before the sorrowful radiant with flowers.

shall look back to the sinful days of our gaze of the Saviour—the sight filling His youth, and recollect sadly that we had no heart full to overflowing with sad grief; the departed child; she mourned a flower far they came to years to know good and evil, pleasure in them. Our youthful days not heavy sigli-the suppressed lip-the rolling dearer to her than all the flowers of the believed his promises; the seal and token the super state of the serve the flower in the serve the se memory sweet in their recollection. But troubled breast. Within the walls of the city her dark waters, when upon her soul, in of which, (circumcision) they bore on their the days of youth devoted to God will be a the voice of Jesus, falling with angelic sweet- angel tones, softly fell these words, "The persons. "O but" say some "the Lord bright beam of joy when the evil years of ness from His lips, and clothed with unction dead shall live again !" Hope rose heaven- passed them by, and elected Isaac and Jacob life's heaviest burthens are upon us. Young friend, you should remember sons of impending danger; but the voice of of her life. from on high, has often warned her guilty ward, and after brightened all the pathway and their posterity according to his soveriegn

your Creator now, in the days of youth, warning was treated with ridicule and con- . Thus it is ever with human life. Hope He did, but why? because He perfectly ecause this is the way to commence the tempt; how can the Saviour, with the re- lends enchantment to every scene. One urney of human life aright. In all membrance of other days brought fresh to has said that we suffer more from future which they were guilty when they came to things it is important to begin right, mind, now raise that voice in ascriptions of and apprehended evils than from those years. Nevertheless they were the heirs o Then, in that life which is the journey of a praise to His Father-God? The powerful which are present; but is it not likewise day-an adventure in which we are permit- touch of the great Physician, has oft infused true that the greater part of our enjoyment by actual sin. So the natural seed of Abrated a trial but once-how important that strength and life to the limb palsied with dis- arises from what is in the future; from the commencement be right! How bad to ease, only to bring down shame and reproach what we hope for? In that state of exist from Rom. ix. 4. "belong the promises, the weave the woof of life so that we must un- upon the Saviour's head; how can the hand ence, where we shall be ere long, what is to glory, and the covenants," as the " natu. al ravel it all, even if that could be done, which has blessed the afflicted, be raised in be may appear no brighter than what is. take of the character of a blind and weak feeling of regret at merely leaving this pre-sent life. "I would not live always!" is a feeling which all men understand—but who godliness are formed both more easily and guilty inhabitants. Her former glory-her twinkle of the northern star beyond the holy name-her privileges-her towering wildest tempest, and eagerly watches for x. 25, and 6 following verses-also iv. chap. more fixedly in youth !

But another reason for remembering our strength-avail not; because Jerusalem has the falling of its tranquil beams between -awful a thing as it is to die-are willing Creator in the days of our youth, is, that provoked the wrath of the Eternal, and the rifted and retired clouds. To us Hope the whole of life should be religious. Life sinned against the grandest display of God's tells of brighter days to come. To the taken into covenant by Jehovah. is too precious to be given to sin. Life is mercy to fallen men, and the loftiest views houseless wanderer, it speaks of home and his sons God said, "I establish my too short to waste any of its golden sands of a Father's infinite love, she must be deon useless toys and vain amusements. The stroyed. Her noble edifices-her splendid the Christian of the glories of eternity. It you." To Abraham He said, "I will estabheart is to be cultivated, the mind educated, palaces-her stately pillars-her lofty tow- is a sympathizing friend, bringing consolathe world is to be benefitted, heaven, with ers-her massy walls fall before the power- tion to the broken hearted; a ray from the thy seed after thee, in their generations for an its life-crown is to be secured, and therefore ful blow of the invader, while the busy hum world of light streaming the "darkened everlasting covenant." So also the covenant we should begin the work of life in life's of thousands of Judah's sons, moving to and casement of the blind ; Æolian music to in the tears of tenderness that the dying early morning. Oh, how those lose, who fro, is hushed in death. Jesus beholds the those upon whose ears earthly sound ne'er man sees gushing for his sake. But between wait till their sun declineth ! The Master city in her deep pollution and blood-stained fell.

saith to the youth in the third hour, "Go guilt. He beholds the awful cloud of eterwork in my vineyard." Let the seed time nal vengeance rising above her pomp and every joy, glorious harbinger of eternal Den. v. 2, 3. "The Lord our God made a between that love and the dread of all the between that love and the dread of all the between the soft voice bear to part with all its loves—the soft voice bear to part with all its loves—the soft voice Because the evening of that day shall be blood " was virtually shed, suddenly and be improved. Remember now thy Creator, splendour, and ready to burst forth and life.

-the kindling smile-the starting tear- joyful and fruitful, whose morning, and blood" was virtually shed, suddenly and whose noon have been rightly occupied. without remedy cut down by the glittering Sentiments of Anti-Pedo-Baptists, with us even with us." See also Dec. i. 39, is beloved—but it cannot bear to part with Often the order of grace corresponds to the sword of eternal justice. The awful sight order of grain, and we have first the blade, affects the tender heart of the compassionate then the ear, after that the full corn in the Saviour. His cup of sorrow full to burstear. Few things are more beautiful than ing overflows, and tears roll quickly down agonies—are not itself. They may perish, but it is imperishable. Strip it of all it has seen, touched, enjoyed or suffered—still it VERITAS.

March 4th, 1853. Like a shock

Children of the Heathen.

One Sabbath evening a missionary was selytes were under, until Christ, " the seed," walking up and down in the porch before his came, "But before faith came we were

house, in one of the South Sea Islands. The kept under the law, shut up unto the faith also Ps. ciii. 17, 18. Because early piety will abundantly presun was setting behind the waves of the which should afterwards be revealed." Gal ocean, and the labours of the day were over. iii. 23. Hence it is called, with propriety, In that cool, quiet hour, the missionary was in speaking to them, "the old covenant; lifting up his heart to God, and asking a while the Abrahamic Covenant, which is token, or seal, to be conferred as soon as blessing on his people, his schools, and him- one of grace through faith-the everlasting possible, consistently with the health and self. All was peaceful and still, except a lit- covenant,' when fully established by the may pass over us; and under any or all the rustling in the leaves of a tree called a death of the Mediator, for the redemption covenant. Under the Abrahamic dispensamimosa-tree. He thought a breeze was of the transgressions that were under the tion it was circumcision, and this continued springing up, and he continued his walk .- first testament (covenant) that they which under the sinaitic covenant, hence all the Again he heard the rustling of the leaves, are called *wight receive the promise of the children* descended lineally from Abraham and then again. He now felt sure that it eternal inheritance; which had been for a the faithful, and all who followed in the back to irreligious years of his youth, in could not be the wind; so he pushed aside time shaded or supserseded by the Jewish the long leafy branches of the tree, and pass- covenant, is called with great propriety the heathenism, and sin, believed in God, and ed beneath. And what did he find there? new covenant, because new to the Finally-if, when the silver cord shall another denomination of professing chris-tians, is often called in question—one is behold her, without possessing the assurance, of life, and no idea, in which its flight can tians, is often called in question—one is behold her, without possessing the assurance, of life, and no idea, in which its flight can the lossened, the golden band and pitcher teach other's arms, but the third was awake. turn to Heb, ix, and read from the 15th what is plain to me, a rite foreshadowing, in shid to be Calvinistic in their views—ano-ther is known to be Arminian, and conse-quently in the onision of some workmonz-mently in the onision of some workmonz-ther is known to be Arminian, and conse-quently in the onision of some workmonz-ther is known to be Arminian and conse-quently in the onision of some workmonz-the citerently in the dust to dust, we shall need the dust to dust, we shall need the the torm interviews—ano-dust the torm interviews—ano-the citerently interviews of heaven and of the citerently interviews—ano-dust to dust, we shall need the citerently interviews—ano-glorified spirits were inexpressibly transport-ing—premonitions of glory already rested on the citerently interviews of heaven and of the citerently interviews of heaven and that torm interviews why should that cradle have been hung of sprinkling with both blood and water "all the new covenant, with illustra-"all the new covenant, with illustrather is known to be Arminian, and conse-quently, in the opinion of some, workmong-ers; and very serious doubts are entertain-ers; and very serious doubts are entertainers; and very serious doubts are entertain-ed and expressed, as to whether persons commending her soul to God, she closed her by their eternal light? If, indeed, a child of tice it by remembering our Greator in the "O yes; but if we sleep here, we are sure to those under the new covenant, with illustra-"all the people," as a consecrating, and in case of uncleanness, as a purifying ordinance, be quite ready when the first school-bell eternal life under it, drawn from the exam-denoting purification from guilt, and sin by

To be able to bear provocation is an ar-know about it?" "Mine do; but these lit-conclusively, sought and found salvation on whether the blood and spirit of Christ. V. Therefore the legitimate conclusion

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