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[FOR THE PROVINCIAL WESLEYAN.] Good Night to the Old Year.

Good night to the old year, A lingering, fond, good night To hopes that it made dear To mem'ries sad, and bright

How much was garner'd in The days, and weeks, thus fled. How much we failed to win How many mourn we dead

The old year had a store Of grief, and joy, to keep When we had hoped to smile Our eyes were taught to weep

And joys if numbers too, Not fleeting all, but pure, Old friends have formed with new, Friendship that shall endure.

Earth-ties are newly given "While some are sadly broken-Old links of love are riven By words in whispers spoken.

Oh ! we have lived more years In thought, than this one sped, Trembled with strange sad fears, But all alike have fled.

So, dear old year, good night; Peace to thy memory Bless in thine upward flight All who are dear to me !

Translations of the Scriptures.

was executed about the year 1290, by some Selden, they spoke; if not, he read on. unknown individual. About the year 1380, The translation was commenced in 1607, John Wickliffe, the morning star of the Re- and completed in about three years. At the God's love in the heart, shining and sparkformation, translated the entire Bible into end of that time, three copies of it were sent English from the Latin. The great labour to London. Here a committee of six re- hangs down like a bulrush, his harp is on and expense of transcribing books before the viewed the work, which was afterwards the willow, unstrung in every string, his invention of printing, probably prevented a reviewed by Dr. Smith, who wrote the pre- heart is cold and frosty, he is far in the very extensive circulation of the scriptures face, and by Dr. Bilson. It was first printed ng the people. Yet the translation of in 1611 at London, by Robert Barker. Wickliffe is known to have produced a vast From this account it is clear that no ordieffect on the minds of the people. Know- nary care was taken to furnish to English ledge was beginning to be sought for with readers a correct translation of the Sacred avidity. The eyes of the people were be-Scriptures. No translation of the Bible was with, a beautiful sermon is delivered, a fine of Divine Providence. When the Protestginning to open to the abominations of the ever made under more happy auspices; prayer made, excellent singing from the ever made in twould now be impossible to furnish choir charms the ear. Another bloodchurch of Rome; and the national mind was and it would now be impossible to furnish preparing for the great change which follow- another translation in our language under ed in the days of Luther. So deep was the impression made by Wickliffe's translation, contemplate the number, the learning, or the public are dismissed, and most of them go and so dangerous was it thought to be to the interest of the Romish religion, that a bill deliberation with which it was executed; the interest of the Romish religion and to the solution of Lords for the solution of Lords for the deliberation with which it was executed; the was brought into the House of Lords for the care taken that it should secure the approbapurpose of suppressing it. The bill was tion of the most learned men, in a country rejected through the interest of the Duke of that embosomed a vast amount of literature ; Lancaster; and this gave encouragement to the harmony with which they conducted the friends of Wickliffe to publish a more their work ; or the comparative perfection correct translation of the Bible. At a con- of the translation, we see equal cause of South of France Dec, 13th. 1852, gives the

ORIA.

the following is the substance :--"God is a Spirit, and they that worship The Bishops' Bible, then ased, to be followed, and to be altered as little as the ori- Alas! how few of this description are found ginal would permit. in religious assemblies. We behold often The names of the sacred writers to be repeople crowding to the house of worship, tained as they were commonly used. gay thoughtless and giddy, full of laughter, When a word had different significations, talk and vanity. These come not to worthat to be kept which had been most com- ship God, but some creature, they know not monly used by the fathers, and most eminent what; to plan some visit, party of pleasure, &c., often leads them to the house of God. No alteration to be made in the chapters Another company you see busily converand verses. No marginal notes to be affixed, sing about the news, &c. ; a third, and not

tions to guide them in their work, of which

writers.

except to explain the Greek and Hebrew the least, about their crops, their farms, and words that could not be briefly and fitly ex- the like. Here and there you see a lone plained in the text. Reference to parallel traveller pensively walking along the road ; places to be set down in the margin. he heeds not the throng ; his thoughts, his Each man of a company to take the same heart is talking with God, and asking his

chapters, and translate them according to the blessing on the minister, the church and the best of his abilities ; and when this was done, sinner. Next you see some two or three lockall were to meet together, and compare their ed arm in arm busily engaged in talk ; they translations, and agree which should be re- are speaking of the low state of Zion, the garded as correct. wordly mindedness of professors, the carelessness of sinners. When shall we see Each book, when thus translated and ap-

Worship God.

religion flourish as in years gone by. " Oh proved, to be sent to every other company that I was as in months past when the can-dle of the Lord shone upon me, when my for their approbation. Besides this, the translators were authochildren were about me, when we walked rized, in cases of great difficulty, to send to the house of God together with delight

letters to any learned men in the kingdom when will it be, when shall we see another to obtain their opinions. powerful revival of religion." Soon the In this manner the Bible was translated house is filled with people, most of them into English. In the first instance, each inwith smiling countenances, looking round dividual translated each book allotted to his first on one side, then on the other; then a company. Secondly, the readings to be whisper or two, then another look. Only adopted were agreed upon by that company now and then one of whose conduct and assembled together. The book thus finished countenance denote him or her a true worwas sent to each of the other companies to be examined. At these meetings one read

shipper, Most are taken up with outward things, few with communion with God!the English, and the rest held in their hands We see not the solemn presence of God some Bible, of Hebrew, Greek, Latin, French. The first English translation of the Bible Spanish, &c. If they found any fault, says the tear of grief or joy running freely from many an eye ; we hear no sigh of penitence, no groans of distrees; we see not the fire of ling in the eye of the Christian ; his head north country. No mighty wrestling in prayer for the outpouring of God's Spirit, no powerful grasp of the hand of faith upon Israel's God untill the blessing comes.

bought privilege is misimproved, another

Methodism in France. The Paris Correspondent of the N. Y.

Christian Advocate, in a letter dated Nismes, vocation, however, held at Oxford, in 1408, gratitude to the great Author of the Bible, following interesting account of the introit was decreed that no one should translate that we have so pure a translation of his duction of Methodism into France ;--

wholesale murders of them at Carcassone brook where Israel wrestled, or the den where and kept them all, alike in midnight and anticipateth the fruitfulness only warranted and Beziers is well known ; and the saying Daniel gazed on the hungry lions, and the mid-day, close to his purposes and energetic to the diligent and faithful servant. of the Romish legate, when the instruments hungry lions gazed on him, or the kill-sides in fulfilling them, - Himself unchanged, 'Tis true some promises are general, and of the Romish legate, when the institutions where the Man of Sorrows prayed all night, as if they, even they, had some refertings of we should still discern the prints of the lad-in Eden or when the morning stars sang the belong to the whole species. Of such may be reckoned the engagement of infinite conheart at the prospect of such an effusion of der's feet let down from Heaven-the land- Creation hymn,-"" the same yesterday, to- passiou, to send the woman's seed to bruise blood, "Shall we not spare the Catholics ?" ing place of mercies, because the starting-"Kill them all-God will take care of his point of prayer. And all this whatsoever By their great a "Kill them all-God will take care of his point of prayer. And all this whatsoever by their great antiquity then, these Scrip-own, Send the heretics to hell, and Catho-just to heaven an event the server and goodness of the providence of heaven shall give the

lics to heaven ?" is to heaven?" Now it is remarkable that the Reforma-nity of earthly rank. It needs but a simple between Moses and Malachi are contained to the family of man. the Waldensian pator-missionaries had tra-a blind beggar, or a loathsome lasar. It ced out, and Protestants are to be found only needs but a penitent publican or a dying written under one great institution, the Law, tongue, and that the gospel shall be preach-on that line in general. They are not to be thief. And it needs no sharp ordeal, no costfound everywhere on that line. The present inhabitants of Carcassone, Beziers, are the descendents, in a great measure, of those to the mercy seat; or rather, I should say, it needs the costliest of all: but the blood of fascination of antiquity. When other who butchered all their former inhabitants. atonement-the Saviour's merit-the name works have been destroyed by fires or These, then, are the exceptions to the rule; of Jesus-priceless as they are, cost the sin- barbarian devastations, these, by the favour

but it remains true that there is a zone of Protestantism, with one or two exceptions, sal, and instantly and constantly he may use special Providence seems to have guarded which follows the track of those devoted, them. This access to God in every place, and kept them. Histories, and philosophies, self-denying itinerants of the middle ages. If-denying itinerants of the middle ages. We are on the highway of this track, at sonal merit—is it not a privilege?—Rev. J. ed, and to what an extent has the memory

nearly an equal distance from Spain and Hamilton. Italy, and are intrusted as we believe, with that gospel which, if the means of extension are afforded us, will enlighten and save the

inhabitants of both countries. The preservation of Protestantism in this country is a wonderful page in the history of divine providence, and will ever appear such to those who are acquainted with the power employed for its destruction by the "grand monarque" of the French peothe

Gruter has preserved in his "Inscriptions" a tablet found in Spain inscribed Dioclesian and Gratian, in honour of their having exterminated the pernicious sect of the Christians! Monuments abound i France in honour of the great king, and of the destruction by him of the pernicious sect of the Huguenots! Many of these monuments were destroyed in the French revolution, and the fate of one of these me rits recording. An equestrian statue of Louis XIV., the destroyer of heretics, was overthrown in that revolution. The pedestal of the statue, which was of marble, was cut into slabs, and one of them covers the communion-table of the Protestants at Montpellier.

ants of the Cevennes were put down, and their leaders treated with, a fortress was erected at St. Hypolite to keep them in respect. Since I came to this part of France that fortress has been destroyed, and the materials sold by public auction. Part of them were purchased by the Protestants, and employed to build a church, which will contain fifteen hundred hearers!

Our work in this country, has been, and is, a truly spiritual work. I do not believe there are Methodist societies in the world that surpass them in the power and depth of their piety. We have had one revival among them of the kind which we call It was in 1790, and from the Island of "American" in Europe. I met the classes the serpent's head.

between Moses and Malachi are contained to the family of man.

FOR THE PROVINCIAL WESLEYAN.

Leaflets.

" Lead us not into temptation, but deliver, on from exit Earnest pleading words, are these the closing petitions of the Saviour's prayer. A of them been blotted out, since these writings, prayer which meets our every need, rememnow so fresh and redolent, even the youngest bering each claim, that weak humanity may of them, came into existence ? And what- have upon its Maker.

ever the character of the ages through which " Lend us not into temptation," ah ! they they have come down to us, how have they have a deeper meaning still. He who pla made a path of their own through them all ced us here, who loves, and seeks to win us as distinct from every other as the Milky to His own bright home, would never lead Way from the orbit of a planet ! Yes, they our steps astray. He who blesseth the pure have chapters of their own in the world's in heart would never guide us into path: great history,-effects of their own, peculiar, that lie in the deepest shadow. Not for various, vast, and universally acknowleged ; this trembles that earnest supplication upon therefore they deserve attention and are able mortal lips. But we plead that He who hath power upon earth, and in heaven will keep us-not from temptation, for the " Sou of God," was tempted, even as we, but He fell not in the tempter's snare. That we

may be kept from entering into temptation, humbly should we pray.

Life hath manya light, and shadow, many a dream of purity and joy, but around none looking back upon its years, when its sun is setting, cluster such hallowed memories as of those first days of trusting guileless love. Days we love to think upon, ere the feet had learned to wander from the peace ful fold of home, when the lips were early taught to breathe " Our Father."

the conversion of the people of Samaria, un-der the preaching of the gospel. So also at Corinth, at Ephesus, at Philippi, at Thessa-lonica, and even at Rome. Glorious indeed That first holy lesson, learned at a Moechoes reach the other side, where angel mulgated. It was to the world as "life from the dead." It shed a marvellous light over spirit to the presence of "Our Father who art in heaven.'

But, Alas! for these whose childish lips lisp not a Mother's name because "God hath taken her ! Alas for the little ones, if We behold the triumph of the gospel in the conversion of the main who was its most they win not some kindly heart to guide bitter and determined opposer. Saul, of Tar-

Oh fondly comes back ever, the memory of hours long past. When in the evening's to prison and death, and whose burning zeal shadowy time, pointing me to the far off Moses was their author,-the author of the city, was arrested by the persecuted Saviour be dwelling, a dear voice taught me to seek first five books attributed to him, -- they are not far from three thousand three hundred searchable riches of Christ to many heathen self, and with my little hands folded loving-

any text of the Holy Scripture into English word.

on of those Pas quoted agains:

ROOM.

ily, are respectfully open opened in the of the Old Metho-of WESLEYAN RE., MISCELLA.

ew Testament

Thou ask'st me why my heart is sad, Why pensive thus I roam, When all around are blithe and glad ? My spirit pines for home. 'Tis true the birds pour forth their songs, 'Tis true this earth is fair, But ah ! my aching bosom longs

At eve they fade away, But in my Father's mansion ble

Save in their place of birth ; They fade, they wither here below-

The sun, the stars, the skies ; In realms of endless light and love, My Father's mansion lies.

Then ask not why my heart is sad. Why pensive thus I roam, When all around are blithe and glad? My spirit pines for home.

Antiquity of the Scriptures.

BY J. W. THOMPSON, D. D.

We speak of their great antiquity; but is a vagueness in that word which pre- sus, who had wasted the church by a cruel vents its conveying a precise idea. It is in this aspect like the word *futurity*. How old persecution, dragging both men and women then are they,-the oldest of them ? If led him to extend the persecution to a foreign home of love, where my angel mother must

The Gospel no Failure. The first sermon preached after the insti-

of converting 3,000 souls ; and some of these stained with the crimson guilt of having par-ticipated in the crucifizion of Christ. Surely there was no failure here. Soon after-wards 5,000 more were added to the church in Jerusalem. And not long afterwards a

abundantly to repay it .- Rel. Mag.

was the success of the gospel when first prothose who had all their lives been walking in darkness, and dwelling in the region and shadow of death.

tution of the Christian church, was the means

arge number of the priests became obedient to the faith. The power of the gospel was manifest in

Home Sickness. FROM THE GERMAN For that which is not there.

> At morn the flowers pour forth their perfume, Flowers that can ne'er decay.

Those fairy blossoms will not grow,

They were not made for earth. Where is that mansion ? Far above

mluable work.

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by way of a book, or little book, or tract, and that no book of this kind should be read that death, for reading the Bible in English. The Bible translated by Wickliffe was never printed. Some years since, the New Testament was printed in England.

For the first printed English translation then Chancellor of England, asked how Tindal contrived to maintain himself abroad To which it was replied that the Bishop of London supported him, by purchasing the minds of millions, and guided the steps of version and relate his actual religious expe-Scriptures as fast as they could be printed. generation after generation in the way to rience. At the close of his discourse a

In 1535, the whole Bible, translated into heaven, has given to it somewhat of the woman rises in the meeting and says, "I In 1555, the whole block translated into heaven, has given to it somewhat of the been persecuted for my religion these to the king, by Miles Coverdale. This was a book of God. Successive ages may cortex the first English translation of the Bible rect some of its few unimportant errors; what true religion was." The feeling and early, a construction of the suggestions and exhortations of these articles too freallowed by royal authority. may throw light on some of its obseure pas- manifested led Mr. Angel to ask them if Various editions and translations of the sages; but to the consummation of all things, they would like to have a preacher. They

Various editions and translations of the sages; but to the consummation of an time set in the would have to have a presence of a comparison of the sages; but to the consummation of an time set in the second set of the proposal with eagerness, and are nevertheless in many instances soon, are nevertheless in many instances soon other is set in successive years, till, in guage is spoken, as the purest specimen of Mr. W. Mahy was sent into this station.— 1568, the edition appeared which was called its power to give utterance to the meaning of the Bishops' Bible," or "the great English ancient tongues, and of the simple and pure tember, 1791, by Dr. Coke. He travelled This was prepared by royal author- majesty of the language which we speak. and laboured indefatigbly, and there are still These remarks are made, because it is in the neighbourhood of Caen, after an this institution of our church, can, we think, ity. It was the work of much care and

after being carefully performed and com-true history of its translation, to throw out This is one example among many of the pared, it was printed, and directed to be insinuations of its unfaithfulness. From way in which we have been led in this used as an authorized English translation of various quarters, from men opposed to the country, and I intend in a few successive the Scriptures. This, after being reprinted clear doctrines of the Scriptures, are often letters, if God will, to speak of the differmany times, and after being in use for half heard demands for a new translation. We ent circuits we have established in this many times, and after being in use for half heard demands for a new translation. The ent circuits we have established in the entire infallibility, country. To-day I will say something of the present in use. The inspiration of the Bible. Yet of its general Paris Correspondent is stationed. This

portant of all English translations of the faithfulness to the original there can be no town is the principal seat of Protestantism few words addressed in reply, relates his Sacred Scriptures, it is proper to dwell doubt. It would be easy to multiply testi- in the South of France, and perhaps in the it was made. It is proper to dwell to be in the bighest authority to this fact. But the general testimony of the world; the Gard, of which Nismes is the principal

It was undertaken by the authority of profound regard paid to it by men of the town, is certainly the department in which It was undertaken by the authority of King James I. of England. He came to by each of the synch of the fact that it has warmed the hearts the throne in 1603. Several objections of the pious, ministered to the comforts of having been made to the "Bishops' Bible," of the pious, ministered to the comforts of the pious, ministered to the dying, and guided the then in general use, he ordered a new trans-the ing general use, he ordered a new trans-the steps of millions to glory, for two hundred steps of millions to glory.

was commenced, seven of them had either of Christians of so many different denominadied or declined the task, so that it was actually accomplished by forty-seven. All of faithful to the original, and has a claim on to treat with them, is in this department the miner of the period embraced in his operations and among the places illustrated by their operation in the contract regard of coming generations. It is period enbraced in his private in the original languages. This company be impossible now to translate the Scriptures works and acquaintance in the contract of the period enbraced in his operation. The company is a still more interesting works. And what is a still more interesting works. And what is a still more interesting works. with the original languages. This company of eminent men was divided into six classes, there is a score on our preaching of death, the winged prayer can bring an inof eminent men was divided into six classes, into the English language under so havour plan. and to each class was allotted a distinct part in the time of James I. No single set of A still more interesting reminiscence, in

of the Bible to be translated. "Ten were in the time of James I. No single set of to meet at Westminster, and to translate men could so command the confidence of from Genesis to the end of the second Book the Christian world; no convention who the Waldenes and Albigeneses of the middle defermed. The Waldenes and Albigeneses of the middle defermed. The were the translate the translate the translate the Christian world; no convention who the Waldenes and Albigeneses of the middle defermed. The were the translate the translate the translate the translate the Christian world; no convention who the Waldenes and Albigeneses of the middle the waldenes and Albigeneses of the middle the waldenes and Albigeneses of the middle the translate translate the translate translate the translate the translate the translate translate translate the translate of Kings. Eight assembled at Cambridge, claim the Christian name could be formed, the Waldenes and Albigenses of the middle your shoes on some holy ground. of Kings. Eight assembled at Cambridge, and were to translate the remaining histori-cal books, the Psalms, Job, Canticles, and Ecclesiastes. At Oxford, seven were to trans-late the four greater prophets, the Lamenta-tions of Jeremiah, and the twelve minor tions of Jeremiah, and the twelve minor Prophets. The four Gospels, the Acts of the Apostles, and the Revelation, were as-signed to another company of eight at Oxsigned to another company of eight at Ox-ford; and the Epistles were allotted to a company of seven at Westminster. Lastly, another company at Cambridge were to translate the Apocrypha." To these companies the king gave instruc-

From this time the English language be- Guernsey, that the beneficent light of Metho- in one of our villages yesterday, and my that no book of this kind should be read that was composed in the time of John Wickliffe, have elapsed, and yet the simple and majes-have the simple and majes-have elapsed, and yet the simple and majes-have elapsed and yet the simple and yet the s or since his death. This decree led the way to a great persecution; and many persons is expressed in the English translation of the English translation of the Since his death. This decree led the way to a great persecution; and many persons is expressed in the English translation of the Since his decree led the way to a great persecution and some outside it. On one class leaders, the first who spoke, a consist-Bible as clearly as when it was given to the occasion he spent the Sabbath there, and, of ent professor of Christian perfection, a deepworld. It has become the standard of our course, sought out and found a Protestant ly-tried and faithful Christian said, in speak world. It has become the standard of our language; and nowhere can the purity and expressive dignity of this language be so fully found as in the Sacred Scriptures. Vertice and faithful Constant said, in speak-ing of the peace she enjoyed in and over all, that her mind was under them, like a lake of which the surface was ruffled by a

• The friends of this translation have never to worship God. An elder read the Scrip-tempest, but which in its depths was unof the Scriptures, we are indebted to William Tindal. He printed this translation at Ant-Yet it is the concurrent testimony of all to worship God. All close the ancient worthies of the reformed Church. This these testimonies in several classes, in which werp, in Flanders; and the copies were who are competent to express an opinion, was all the service-these little congrega- not one person was found who did not posbrought thence into England. So great was the opposition to this by the Roman Catholic the opposition to this by the Roman Catholic clergy, that the Bishop of London endeavour-sense of the original as the English. Phrases Angel went again in the afternoon. None poorest and most afflicted of our dear sised to buy up whole editions as fast as they there may be, and it is confessed there arc, but women were present, and they invited ters say, "I am poor, I am old, I am nearly were printed, to burn them. This effort, which modern criticism has shown not to him, as the only man present, to read the blind and deaf, but I am happy; God loves me, and I love God," could I help exclaimhowever, produced little effect. Copies of express all the meaning of the original; but Scriptures. He declined this at first, but the New Testament were multiplied. It is as a whole, it indubitably stands unrivalled. on their entreating him again to do so he ing, inwardly, at least, said, that on one occasion Sir Thomas More, Nor is it probable that any translation can consented. He read the interview of Christ

Class Meetings.

"Tis worth living for this, To administer bliss, And salvation in Jesus' name.

great men. - warriors, statesmen, orators Much has already been said through your cholars,-till you come up to Alfred and to Egbert, what an endless pilgrimage do you seem to have made? Yet England is only about a thousand years old, its whole life less than a third of the time since Moses quently pass away from the mind as the wrote. The period when Rome was an paper does from the hand, or if not as soon, unbroken empire is now so remote that we have but a dim apprehension of it ; but the first emperor flourished only twenty or thirty years before Christ, and if we go back from subjects, you may tolerate line upon line ; there much, here little. that date through all the administrations of

No one who has any acquaintance with the (so called) Republic-of the Triumvilearning. Different learned men undertook easy for men who dislike the plain doctrines interval of forty-eight years, fruits of his doubt its peculiar adaptation to aid and rates, the Dictators, the Consuls-through all the wars and conquests till we come to encourage the weak, to enlighten and direct

the kings and finally reach the day when the seeker, and to build up and confirm the the foundations of the eternal city were laid. piety of all believers. Every one who enters the class room with we feel ourselves bewildered and lost in the desire to be profited, joins in the singing, in prayer ; listens to others while they give

a short, a simple narrative of the present religious state of their minds, and God's dealings with them the past week, hears a mon's temple had withstood the storms of two hundred and fifty winters, and Moses had been sleeping with his fathers full sever hundred years. Homer and Hesiod were own feelings, obtains counsel and encouragement from the leader, and sympathy six hundred years after Moses, and Thebes, and Troy, and Athens were but just springfrom the whole ; in brief, every one passes through the purifying and health-

years before his own time : that is to say

Access to God. he lived just midway-far back as that seems-between our time and the com-However early in the morning you seek works. And what is a still more interesting

had been handed down from age to age and stant Saviour near; and this wherever you become ancient when Moses took in hand are. It needs not that you ascend some spe-

not far from three thousand three hundred years old. Now we can form a proper ap-preciation of such a length of time only by comparing it with some shorter periods hav-ing definite bounds with which we are familiar. Well then, if we should find a writing bearing a date coeral with the lend-ing of the Pilorims at Plymouth and giving the world.

forests have disappeared before the settler's such we would say, Do you expect another it had known a ripple, echoing softly "Lead strength and courage—what towns and cities gospel to be revealed? Can you conceive of us not into temptation." have been built-what wars have been proany better means for the conviction and con-version of sinners than the truths which we secuted-what industrial arts have been arisen to people and cultivate this broad American domain ! But more than fourteen main! But more than fourteen courage not the hearts and the hopes of God s people, but preach the gospel to every crea-shall not earth's children heed them such periods have elapsed since Moses let

Again, when you read the history of the English people passing from reign to reign, noting the origin of their institutions, the The Christian's Privileges. great events of each epoch and dynasty, the

" My flesh is meat indeed, and my blood drink indeed." As if he would say there is a truth, a reality, an excellency, a deliciousness,-a satisfying character in this food, that raises it above all created enjoyment; and to this the experience of every believer can testify; for he that believeth hath the witness in himself. The Israelites were much honoured and privileged ; and because their sustenance was produced by no human exertions or earthly instrumentality, but created in the clouds, and dropped immediately from the sky, God is said to have "given them of the corn of heaven. Man did eat angel's food." But, Christians, your entertainment is superior to that of angels. Creation is theirs, redemption is yours. Their

Lord is your elder brother. In his righteousness you are exalted. He came not only that distance. Yet when Romulus and his men you might have life, but that you might have it more abundantly. In the plan of their salwere constructing their rude huts, (if they ever constructed them,) Isaiah was proclaim vation, in the price of their purchase, in the renovation of their nature, in the changes of their experience, in the dispensations which have attended them in their passage through the world, in their conquest of death, in their triumph over the grave, - what reviews what materials of reflection, what sources of perfect command? and which will be peculiar to themselves for ever.-Jay's Sermons

The Divine Promises.

The Divine promises form a very extensive part of the sacred volume, and in these, more the sister of her childhood who in a most especial manner, are the riches of the goodness and grace of God displayed. propriate them in all their fulness to his per-

Neglecting this, the enthusiast may reckon in the paradise of God and that she herse cifically described.

special offices and peculiar seasons. The profane erreth, if he expecteth the good which is promised to the devont; or the unbeliever, if he reckonsth on mercies the unbeliever, if he reckoneth on mercies vouchsafed to faith; or the carnal, if he looketh for blessings which are promised to the earnest and spiritually-minded; or the obdurate, if he supposeth he shall enjoy the eelace of the penitent; or the negligent, if moved on, and the tireless watchers by the

writing bearing a date coeval with the limit. ing of the Pilgrims at Plymouth and giving an account of their voyage, we should regard it as a very old document. Since that time what deeds have here found a history—what

Who can tell the power of childhood's wonder, and muse established—what a magnificent Republic has been founded — what millions have conceive of a more powerful efficiency than Book" is opened, and the records of earth conceive of a more powerful efficiency than that of the HOLY SFIRIT? If not, then dis-unveiled in the light of eternity, shall we courage not the hearts and the hopes of God's fully comprehend, their strange deep influ-

out the Hebrews from their servitude in Egypt or wrote the account of their exodus. of the Holy Spirit. Shall not earth's children heed them now, and ever? When the world call us weaving its glittering snares about our pathway, let us looking heavenward, remember that He who hath loved us, will hear our prayer and "Lead us not into but will " Deliver us from temptation. evil," for " His is the kingdom, the power, and the gløry, forever !"

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(FOR THE PROVINCIAL WESLEYAS.)

Burial at Sea.

To thee the love of woman hath gone down, Dark flow thy tides o'er manhood's noble head, O'er yout's bright locks and benut's flowery crown, Yet ehal' thou hear a voice... Restore the dead, Earth shall reclaim her previous things from the Restore the Dead—thou Sea! ... FELICL HERLAS.

It was sunset on the broad Atlantic .--Bright golden clouds hung in folds around the couch of the departing sun, and the slowly-fading light lay like a coronal of glory up on the blue waters. The stately ship rode gallantly upon their bosom, every spartinged

"Bright and alone on the shadowy main, Like a heart-cherished home on some desolate plain-, W ho as the beautiful pageant sweeps by, Music around her, and sunshine on high, Pauses to think, amid glitter and glow. O: there be hearts that are breaking below: Or dreams that he watches shibat on the wave, The death-bed of hope, and the young spirits grave."

And yet so it was for within was death enjoyment, will the spirits of just men made lay striken and "while life was in its spring" disease came and hiding his ghastly finger amid her sunny tresses, impressed the crimson death-bloom on her cheek. She had left her own beautiful England and ancient halls of her fathers, to seek the shores of New Bruswick and greet on

preceded her. But while the deep set foamed between them she was called to leave It is the privilege of man to peruse this all the anticipated charms of her sweet Ameheavenly inventory of blessings, and to apnot made by hands eternal in the heavens.' And now as life was waning her hope that **Oral exigencies. Yet how essential is it that the promises** And now as life was waning her hope that bright hope "which is as an anchor to the be distinctly understood, and duly contem-plated in their express and limited applica-tion to certain conditions and characters spegiven to her embrace was already blooming

on gifts and communications which were specially bestowed and only designed for