of immortality upon the darkness of the tomb. The force of its truths compelled the highly gifted but infidel Byron to testify, that

"Within this awful volume lies
The mystery of mysteries.
O! happiest they of human race
To whom our God has given grace
To hear, to read, to fear, to pray,
To lift the latch, and force the way;
But better had they ne'er been born,
Who read to doubt, or read to scorn."

NONCONFORMIST CATECHISM; or, Reasons for not belonging to the Church of England. Montreal. Rollo Campbell. 1843.

This is an excellent little manual which at the present crisis deserves an extensive circulation. The Land is being covered with High Church Tracts:—this is an admirable antidote. We regret the N. B. on p. 16. It is not needful to tell us that Baptist Nonconformists utterly reject Infant-Baptism, nor to enter into their reasons for the rejection. We know they reject it, and the large majority of Nonconformists believe them in error as it regards this matter; but to meddle in any way with this controversy in a work which all Nonconformists might otherwise circulate is suicidal. It greatly mars the book, and cannot fail to injure its usefulness. The N.B. is, we presume, by the Montreal editor. It were better expanged in a second edition.

POETRY.

WORK WHILE IT IS DAY.

BY JAMES MONTGOMERY.

Work while it is to-day!
This was our Savior's rule;
With docile minds let us obey,
As learners in his school.

We as he did should do,

Who practised what he taught;
By precept and example too,

Our Master spake and wrought.

To work the works of God;
Was his Divine employ;
And we must tread the path he trod,
Or enter not his joy.

Lord Christ! we humbly ask
Of thee the power and will;
With fear and meekness every task
Of duty to fulfil.

Our own salvation be
Our first and constant aim;
Then far and wide, on land and sea,
Glad tidings to proclaim.

At home by word and deed,
Adore redeeming grace;
And sow abroad the precious seed
Of truth in every place.

That thus the wilderness
May blossom like the rose:
And trees spring up of righteousness,
Where'er Life's river flows.

LATEST NEWS.

The last accounts from New Brunswick describe a scene of desolation along the banks of the River St. John, quite equal in the destruction effected and losses incurred, to that which our St. Lawrence has exhibited between this City and Quebec. The sudden thaw acting upon an unusual depth of snow, is the cause in both cases.

His Excellency Sir Charles Theophilus Metcalf, is busy receiving and answering addresses from all parts of the country. It is understood that the Governor General will reside in this city during the principal part of the summer.

The military head quarters are actually removing to Montreal, from Quebec—a fact somewhat symptomatic concerning the intended locality of the Seat of Government.

There is nothing of particular interest in the last dates from Europe. Trade in Scotland, and in some parts of England, had slightly revived.

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