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PREACHING CHRIST.

A SERMON

Preached in connection with the Foreign Missionary Anniversary in the Me hodist Church. THE REV. HENRY POPE, JUNE.

In our text we have indicated to us Ministry.

1. "Warning every man." This language imports danger. The Apostles in danger. So vividly was this peril seen by those holy men, that it wrought upon their sensibilities and constrained them

"To seek the wand ring souls of men With cries, entrea ice, dears to save— To snatch them from the gaping grave." Addressing the Elders at Ephesus, Saint "Remember that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one

night and day with tears!"

But knowing the terror of the Lord, we perhis soul.

case—the theological wiseacres of the right teenth century have rolled that there is neither the open nor the other. Christ and His apostles warned men against the devil, and against the torments of hell. We presume they at the torments of hell of the torments of the torments of hell of the torments of the torment

roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. Still must we echo the warnings of Christ in the ears of the Pharisees and evil doers of modern times, "Ye serpents! Ye generation of vipers! how can ye escape the damnation of ishment. It is at the peril of our own the result of our untaithfulness. To us. He et aks, as well as to Ezekiel, saying "O Son of Man. I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore thou shalt hear the word at my mouth, and warn them from me when I say unto the wicked, O wicked man, thou shalt surely die: if thou dost not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will

The law of moses had its frowning Sinai, capped with thunder clouds shooting terth their bolts of fire, symbolic of the terrible majesty of the Lawgiver, and auggestive of His power to punish the trifler and the rebel; but no threatenings of condemnation and wrath can compare with those written in the redemptive blood of Calvary. "He that despised Moses law died without mercy, under two or three witnesses. Ot how much sorer punishment suppose ye, shall be be thought worthy, who hath tredden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing-and bath done despite to the spirit of grace?" Not only are sinners exposed to the vengeance of eternal firebut their danger is heightened by their gross insensibility to the awful fact. Drugged with the narcotics of Infidelity or stupified by the gluttonous indulgence of sensual appetitesthey sleep a deadly sleep and need to be

out from the beltry of the Christian Pulpit. RD, D.D., onference, as a Re 2. " Teaching every man." The chief function of the ministerial office is to teach men the way of salvation. On this astem British America. subject mankind are deplorably ignorant. They must needs have "line upon line and OK ROOM, precept upon precept." The teaching of the Halifax, N. S Christian minister is not speculatiqe, but declaratory. His business is not to deal in the Y MORNING conjectural and abstruse, but with the change-PTION : less realities, the eternal truths-the immutable and clearly defined principles of divine MENTS. revelation. His utterances are authoritative LARGER CIRCULA

Riv'nly so far as they consist with the only Text Book in the science of salvation—the Holy ruble medium for all able for its columns Rible . " The author God Himself, The subject God and man, salvation, life \$70 six months: \$4 And death—eternal life, eternal death.

Dread words whose meaning has no end, ro bounds
Heaven's wist, Heaven's code of laws entire

To man this Book costains; defines the b unds
To vice and virtue, of and life and death."

"The truth as it is in Jesus," is the staple of the law which determines the nature and defines the limits of truth and falsehood—right may escape from the grasp of those vices, and spiritually dead may be quickened, the guilty the destroy the body errors which enteeble tifying ourselves with the cause of Christian man soul in which He dwells, constitutes the riches of the glory of this mystery, " which is

Christ in you the hope of glory." sage, and of his divine call to proclaim it, the disigned and suited to promote indidvidual and of the earth."

true minister will fearlessly appeal to every social health and happiness, wealth and honor. man's conscience. His, is the noble dogmatism The sublime verities it reveals, and the wide which will ever characterize the teacher, who fields for thought and research which it suggescommunicates truths in which he thoroughly tively opens will afford the means of intellecbelieves. Nor will such a ministry lack the tual growth, and moral improvement through Exmouth Street, St John, N. B., on the ven ng of Sabbath, February 9th, 1873, by power to stimulate the intellect, culivate the interminable hereafter of our being Under the interminable hereafter of our being Under the interminable hereafter of our preacher will leave us, and who will such a ministry lack the interminable hereafter of our being Under the interminable hereafter of our be

teaching every man in all wisdom: that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus."—Colustions i 28.

Learning, science, art and commerce shed their manifold blessings upon all nations dwelling we may as well close the doors. Our people we may as well close the doors. "Whom we preach, warning every man, and the luminous centre of the triple universe Learning, science, art and commerce shed their at our church—the second church at Eden—or upon the powers that be,"

reaching claims.

3. "With all wisdom. warned men because they believed them to be The divine plan of salvation revealed in the Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin." For one who will visit among the people, and make suade men," he writes to the Corinthians. They cruel desertion of false brethren—and various all, and therefore they warned every man, and terly. believed and taught that "the Lord Jesus shall other forms of opposition did Satan strive to taught every man, that they might "present be revealed from heaven, with his mighty binder them. Off-times had they occasion to every man perfect in Christ Jesus." Surely Official Board, it was moved that a committee sagels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on them recall the words of the Master, "Be ye wise the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ be appointed to secure a preacher for the that know not God, and that obey not the as serpents, harmless as doves!" Fearful who is able to save unto the uttermest, one Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: who shall lest their mission should fail of success through member of the race—is able to save all; and ther Tompkins, who says: be punished with everlasting destruction from any indiscretion or mismanagement on their if he be no respecter of persons, (as we are asthe presence of the Lord, and from the glory part, they were wont to cast themselves upon the sured, He is not), then He must be as willing of his power." They thus warned men of the sympathy of the Church, earnestly desiring as He is able to lift every man up to the enwrath to come and exhorted them to flee for that prayer might be made in their behalf joyment of this infinite good, refuge to Christ. Not with unfeeling spirit "that the word of the Lord might have free 2. The apostles coveted the honor and hap-

with anaffected tears did they declare the sought in vain. God gave unto them "the the day of judgment, as the trophies of His alarming truth to every man irrespective of spirit of power and love, and of a sound power to save, and as the fruit of their ministry. country, class, or creed. They knew that every mind." So far as was consistent with loyalty These holy men seemed to live and move man was in danger, and believed that every man who should take warning might deliver things to all men, that they might by all Church of Christ, as in the light of eternity, How men can read the discourses of Christ knowledge. "Giving no offence in any thing, that must give account. Asticipating the and the writings of the apostles—and, if they believe in the truth of the Bible—not believe that the ministry be not blamed." Contending period when Christ "shall come to be glorified earnestly for "the faith once delivered to the in His saints, and to be admired in all that bein the existence of a personal devil, and a matesaints." "So fought they, not as those who, lieve," they toiled with unremitting diligence engage preachers beforehand, so must we in rial hell, I cannot understand. But such is the (missing their antagonist), beat the air," every to win souls for Him that should swell the sell defence; if not, we shall have to take up their sins, and go away into everlasting pun-sible service. They were wide awake—and

> cumstance likely to afford them any aid. and liberal support of the religious public. in morals, philosophy and religion are sought of life unto life, or of death unto death!" to be removed. They, who are expected to The day hastens which shall declare the result like us." stand for the defence of the God-honored Gos of all! pel of our fathers, must needs be " able ministers," so fully equipped, as to be competent to meet the enemies of the faith wherever they partment of historic and classic lore, or in the the glorious banner of Bible truth.

We shall now pass on to observe. we may present every man perfect in Christ the throne of His glory with exceeding joy."

Jesus." From this we learn two facts. 1. The apostles desired the perfection they sleep a deadly sleep and need to be aroused by the peals of terror and alarm hung ity. For ages mankind have groated by rea heaven. O do not longer slight His wooing And thus it must ever have continued, had not travail of His soul, and shall be satisfied. poses to elevate its subjects, is "in Christ Jesus.' Under its transforming and soul-extulness of Christ." Through faith in Christ they are, by the Divine Spirit, to be raised into newness of life, and being thereby nourished and strengthened with all might in the inner moral degeneration of our race, but Christ is by their representatives, in the person of those and wrong—vice and virtue—good and evil. errors and superstitions which are incompat-That truth reveals the only way by which the lible with a perfect manhood—vices which love." More intimately and practically iden-

tancy,—and answer the demands of man's its auspices the world must advance to the uni- succeed him is more than I can tell. One

SECONDLY - The mode of the Christian legitimately ransacked for imagery to illus- until they realize that exalted fellowship with his own against all pulpit competition. Some trate and enforce its mighty interests and far God of which St. John writes, " If we walk in one that will draw the young people, and build the light, as he is in the light, we have fellow-ship, one with another, and the blood of Jesus the crowd, and fill up the vacant pews. Some

in its physical and moral magnitude they were Gospel proclaims an indwelling Christ, and an revival; for we are all—and that's the truth—in constrained to inquire, "Who is sufficient for indwelling Christ means the extirpation of all a cold, dead state. If such a man could be these things?" Old faiths, and ancient indwelling sin. Nor is this a display of pivine found he would suit us-at least for a year philosophies had to be assailed and overcome. ability in which only a few are called to partic- And we should give him, without grumbling, By the prejudices of unreasonable men-the ipate. The apostles believed it was open for eight hundred dollars a year-payable quar

and revolting barshness of expression—but course, and be glorified." Nor was divine aid piness of presenting their hearers to Christ in means save some. Did their zeal glow with and in view of the solemn scrutiny of eternal unabated ardor? It was always according to Judgment. They watched for souls, as those

ther of the entire school of freethinkers.

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The entire of the interior, or the mean of the paint is worn off a new toy, children cast better discourses and development of the paint is worn off a new toy, children cast whom they had instrumentally saved, they exit aside and cry for something else. Whoever impious cavillers, we shall feel bound to warn meanour were eminently characterized "by the horted them as their "joy and crown" to stand comes, I pledge myself to sustain him with my our fellows to the sober and vigilant, because meekness of wisdom." They saw men every- fast in the Lord, saying," For what is our sympathy and prayers." where, under the woful infatuation of error and hope, or joy or crown of rejoicing? Are not evil, rushing on to the dismal shades of eternal even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Jones, and Smith—John Smith, as there are death, and feeling themselves entrusted of God Christ? For ye are our glory and joy." As two others of the same name in the Official with the only means of their salvation, they spiritual husbandmen they went forth weeping. Board. The committee met at my house on studied, and sought and prayed for the best bearing precious seed—Sowing beside all watway of discharging their solemn obligation. ers, looking toward the harvest-time when they after the things were cleared away. hell?" and affirm with Him that, if they re- All their resources of genius, and experience should come again with rejoicing, bringing "Smith," said Brother Jones, "get a copy were placed under contribution in this responclosely observant of men and things—and selves presented to Ohrist in that day as monu- of service. Perhaps we can make a choice. souls that we fail to bear this testimony, seeing while as the means of their own salvation, and ments of His power to save, will be the glory that of a world perishing in sin, they were "determined to know nothing, save Jesus Christ and Him crucified "—in order that all men tinction attained by those who, having turned "Brother A. leaves this spring." might be brought to this mighty Saviour, they many to righteousness, shall shine as the stars would know everything and employ every cir- tor ever and ever"-the proudest coronets of earth and the noblest honors of statesmen, and Next to the spiritual qualifications of the heroes shall sink into the shades of an eternal Christian Minister for the present day, the oblivion! How solemnly startling the thought question of educational training for the sacred that we are speaking and hearing and acting three years at such a little place as that. Beoffice demands the enlightened consideration, every day for eternity, and the moral culture

> My dear brethren! in prospect of that approaching review, allow me to ask, 'Have you salary than we can afford to give." tested for yourselves the saving ability of the may be entrenched, whether it be in the de- Christ whom we preach unto you?' Is Christ "I have an idea he wants to come badly, heights or depths of physical, mental or moral seeking to be made perfect in every good work want him." science; and in every place triumphantly plant to do His will? Stop not short of full salvation. Give all diligence in your Master's service, that when He shall come to judge the race, ye may that will not suit Eden." III. The Motive of the Christian Ministry. be found of Him in peace, without spot and This is stated in these words, viz., "that blameless, and be presented "faultless before

> Do I address any who are yet unsaved? Once more I warn you to flee unto Christ. As their hearers. The religion of Jesus Christ is the Saviour of sinners, He now invites you must have a good preacher.' the only true elevator of sin-degraded human- to come to Him for pardon, purity, rest and son of the bandage imposed upon them by the love! No longer despise His beseeching grace! ly tried and expelled a man for theft and slandespotic power of sin. Ever and anon they By His peerless divinity, and perfect humanity, der, instead of having him quietly withdraw have shouted the praises, and urged the claims His spotless lite and all-atoning death-by His Too impulsive and harsh for Eden. of some new-found Moses, who was to bring resurrection from the dead, and present inter- And so I read down the long list of appoint them out of Egypt. Now it has been one cession for you in heaven—and by His coming ments, and there was not a man in the Central creed, then another-now this form of govern- again to judge mankind-I appeal to you that Conference who was found worthy to take ment, then that—" Civilize!" has shouted one you embrace His offered alvation, and thus charge of the second church at Eden. Yes! party-" Educate" has cried another. Mean- prepare for an honorable presentation in that there was one, if he could be had—the Revd. while the world's condition under their treat- day, when He shall see in the millions of His Dr. Trumpet. ment has exhibited no material improvement. redeemed, regenerate, and glorified saints—the

ed! For them as well as for us, He bore the taken aim at him, and will bring him down at cross! To those of us who have accepted Him the first fire." the world and preach the Gospel to every crea

ber to whom it may be given to carry this mesman—grow up into Him in all things. Sin has sage to those who without it must perish, let occasioned all the physical, intellectual and us rejoice that it is the privilege of all to go pardoned—the vile cleansed. The sufficiency the mind, and superstitions which debase and Missions, in sympathy, prayer and consecration of Christ to satisfy the wants, and fill up the entire mental and moral capacity of every hutime mental and moral capacity of every huteaching of the Gospel, of all abuse of our take its character from the just and inspiring What? know ye not, that your body is the the arrival of that golden age of Christian tri(From the Evangelical Witness ) WANTED, A PREACHER.

BY A. R. C.

emotional nature. The Cross of Christ is versal enjoyment of the highest civilization. thing is certain, we must have a first-class man the man first, and then bring a united pressure when she carried Him as a babe in her arms at though at present the authorities have been

Gospel contains in itself all the treasures of this same spiritual completeness, St. Paul prays himself common and friendly-like. Some one wisdom and knowledge. The first teachers of on behalf of Hebrew Christians, "Now the to push the finances, and raise enough money this sublime mystery exhibited a great deal of God of peace, make you perfect in every good to defray current expenses and to put a coat practical wisdom in the fulfilment of their re- work to do his will, working in you that which of paint on the church. Some one to keep us sponsible work. Contemplating their mission is well pleasing in lis sight." In a word, this all united, if he can, and can get up a rousing

> Three months ago, at a meeting of th coming year. All agreed save venerable Bro-

> "Why not leave the matter with the bishop. who is, I believe, the appointing power ?" "You mean the presiding elder ?"

"Well, yes, if he is the power behind the throne, greater than the throne, yes." " Do you think, Brother Tompkins," I said,

that the presiding elder knows or can know churches to look after, while we have only our own. He is a good man, but then we shall look out for our own interests:" "But the old plan used to work well, and

gave more satisfaction than the new one. "Perhaps so, but times change, and we

least knew as much concerning this subject as distinguishing n ark and crowning glory of true the last day should prove that in any instance willing to sing the long-metre doxology when Tom. Paine, Theodore Parker, Renan or any greatness, either of the intellect, or the heart, they had run in vain, or labored in vain. Re-

So the committee was appointed: Brown.

next to the honor and happiness of being our- what preachers are finishing three years' term So I got down the Minutes from the upper

"Too weak voiced for us; we want a son o

charge."

sides he is too noisy-gets happy and shoutsbestowed by others upon us, or bestowed by a little too much on the old fashion for the The age is rife with change. Old landmarks us upon others, will prove either "the savour second church at Eden. We are an intelligent people, and must have a preacher that will be

"Family too large, and he will need more

"Brother D." in you, your hope of glory? If so, are you and if so, that is the reason why we do not

"Brother E." "Preaches ' Holiness' and nothing else, and " Brother F."

must have a good pastor." " Brother G." "A good pastor, but no preacher, and we

" Brother H. "A good man, but very injudicious. Actual-

"Let us try to get him," said Brown.

thicker grows the tog. What do you pro-

There was an awkward pause for a few minutes, when Brother Brown gave an emphatic blow with his fist on the table, and cried: "Let us get a transferred man." We were dazzled a moment by the brillian

suggestion. · Easier said than done. Brother Brown

the Conference is tull and the bishops say-" "No matter what they say," cried impulsiv Brother Brown; "just hear what I-yes, I have got to say. The second church at Eden, corporeal powers! How high the dignity with world for Christ." Then shall we accelerate which it invests the buman body, when it asks, temple of the Holy Ghost, which is in you?" umph, when Christ "shall have dominion from transferred man, and it will take no other. Stephen, from a cruel death, like the thief attracted by the facility of reaching this beauan imported article or none, is their cry, and tilul land. Other Churches will be here seek-

second church is quite as important as any with- glory of that presence, the glory of that Royal Methodism the full force of position. Not in the bounds of the Central Conference, and Palace and its King, will be such that the only is this city the centre of everything in we want the same right to pick out our preach- meekest child of earth will be no more dis- Mexico, but it is very populous, and presents a Ten weeks—only ten weeks—to Conference, or from another Conference that is given to any turbed than John was when leaning on the field white to the harvest, whichever way the eye

are a peculiar people and if they do not get a we have been radiating from Eden two hun-memory of all we had been, and all we had At Toluca there is a congregation of 150 serv-Science, Philosophy and Literature. Poetry

The highest place of perfection, however, to and Art, heaven, earth and hell may be which it lifts men in this life—is not reached churches. We must have a man who will hold what is to be done? Not a man that will suit could express itself in penitential tears, that, which it lifts men in this life—is not reached churches. We must have a man who will hold the second church at Eden !

"The Old, Old Story," the simple strains of which have touched and gladened many a heart. We need not quote any verses of a poem which has been circulated by hundreds of thousands. The author has sent the following lines, which she says may be regarded as "a postscript to 'The Old Story,'" but it is complete in itself. I love to tell the story

> Of unseen things above; Ot Jesus and his glory, Of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story. Because I know it's true; It satisfies my longings As nothing else would do.

I love to tell the story: More wonderful it seems Than all the golden fancies Of all our golden dreams.

I love to tell the story : It did so much for me; And that is just the reason

I tell it now to thee. I love to tell the story : · Tis pleasant to repeat What seems each time I tell it,

More wonderfully sweet. I love to tell the story: For some have never heard

The message of salvation From God's own holy Word. I love to tell the story:

For those who know it best Seem hungering and thirsting

And when, in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song, 'Twill be the Old, Old Story, That I have leved so long!
—Sunday at Home.

"EXCEEDING JOY."

BY DR. NORMAN MACLEOD.

Who shall present us blameless before th ence of his glory with exceeding joy." ulchre in which we live to realize, but in pers respectively. he most imperfect manner, the glory of a in after years to be a great poet, a great man of of the printer. cience, a great statesman; that his name was The following extracts from his letter to could the child believe it yet how little could its prospects for the future: he compreheud what he yet believed, and Mr. Editor: In the last letter I simply stat-

ong past, never more to return. "A good preacher, but no pastor, and we exceeding joy.

Bibles, our solitary or social prayers, uttered gress, and one of the College of Mines, a Christianity been divinely instituted. The lotty type of character to which it proposes to elevate its subjects, is "in Christ" in Christ last never yet been preachpanding power, "men are to come to a perfect as our Saviour, He is saying, "Go ye into all man—unto the measure of the stature of the world and preach the Gospel to every creation of the world and preach the Gospel to every creation of the world and preach the Gospel to every creation of the stature of the stature of the world and preach the Gospel to every creation of the stature of the stature of the world and preach the Gospel to every creation of the stature of t things in a place called Heaven, under new other part there is a good deal of rain every grasp the earth when hanging over a precipice. uses, have so far been steadily foiled, and I be everywhere in Scripture that in whatever cir- sides, time is pressing; those district meetings

scenes of unconceived majesty, made of re- and were soon round to look at the prize. deemed men and holy angels, and light in- I had expected to be present at the Balti wants to be treated as well as any other church effable as from the Shekinah of the Godhead, more Conference to urge a collection for Mextransferred man, and it will take no other. ceeding joy, though, he has passed, like off. Presently many Americans will be here.

And so, not to make a long story any longer, for us all; and if it were possible that the ion in every instance of attempted interference.

sunbeams of a Saviour's love, those very tears gathered about the church, threw stones, etc., would yet be tears of exceeding joy .- From and cried: "Death to the Protestants." This

COMMUNION WITH GOD.

ing that he is, and that he is accessible, (Heb. Pasco was not able to satisty. Thursday all xi. 6,) and seek to get the same just and realizing knowledge of him that Enoch got. He is revealed to you more amply perhaps, than he ant movement is healthy-whether permanent was to Enoch. Believe, believe that he is not or reactionery. The best way to answer this far off but nigh. Believe that he is not hostile is to note the fact: 1. That there are probbut propitious. Believe that he was all that ably 40 or 50 congregations of Bible-reading Jesus was, and believing this, walk with him. Admit bim into your house, that he may hallow Mexico. 2. That this has been the work of it. Admit him into your bourly occupations, the Mexicans themselves, and not of missionary that he may elevate and expedite them. Admit him into your happy moments, that he may enhance them; and into your hours of auguish, aided by the Foreign Christian Union. 3. that his presence may tranquilize and trans- That the growth of religious freedom in this form them. Let his recollected presence be Republic is a remarkable instance of steady the brightness of every landscape, the zest of every pleasure, the energy of every undertak- and fittul ing, the refuge from every danger, the solace movemen in every sorrow, the asylum of your hidden life, Independence, which lasted from 1810 to 1821, and the constant sabbath of your soul. Lean when Gen. Iturbide entered the city of Mexico with all reverence on his greatness, but with with of a numerous army, and was made Emequal reliance on his goodness—learn to make peror—but retired from this position in 1823 the eve that never slumbers, the companion of the country was often distracted by civil war. your nights and mornings; and the ear that The Roman Catholic or clerical party, then never wearies, the confident of your weakness.

(From St. Louis Christian Advocate) LETTERS FROM BISHOP KEENER.

be a walk with God .- Dr. Hamilton.

tains a latter from Bishop Keener, written at assisted by Senor Lerdo, until December, 185 the City of Mexico uncer use C' February at which time a reactionary war commenced.

sionary Secretary.

taultless character. No doubt it was in Christ, thought could be done, and what he believed out doors without cloak or hood; vaults and but we are too blind to see that but dimly. It ought to be done, in regard to the establish- and dark passages leading from churches to is difficult to believe on the word of God that ment and maintenance of a mission by the M. every true Christian, however weak, will one E. Church, South, in that city. We would first time; and the bones of little children, and day be as faultless as Jesus Christ. But when be pleased to publish one, or all, of these letbelieve this, it is still more difficult to know ters but for the fact that they were late in a violent death, were discovered in these what we believe. I can conceive a young child reaching us, and the matter for this number of sacred inclosures, some having been walled up believing on the word of a parent, that he was the paper all arranged and mostly in the hands while alive, and fed for a time throught aper-

last as long as the world's history. But the New Orleans Advocate will give a correct ould any parent assure his child of this, and idea of what the Bishop did; also his views of

what would be realized? So I believe we shall ed that I had bought a chapel—"Caplali de be like Christ, but, oh! how impossible it is to San Andres"-and that it was built for earthsee, except as one sees the sun through a quakes, I did not enlarge at the time though chink in a prison house, what it will be to the theme was inspiring. The fact is, the stand before the throne of God, as free from deed was not signed, and nothing is more unguilt as Jesus Christ, to shine in that great certain than the mood in which a Mexican apsunlight without a speck of flaw; to be search- proaches the point of actually closing a bargain, ad by the omniscient and holy eye of God, especially if he knows that he is selling it to a the whole heart to be exposed, with all its Protestant for a church. But on yesterday I ly in the cities of the United States. A few convictions, all its longings, all its hopes, and paid down the cash payment, signed the paper that He should say, "I find no fault with this and the "Capilla" became henceforth a strongman!"—and to have that perfection secured hold of the M. E. Church, South, in the heart for eternity, until sin is but a memory of a of Mexico. This is the first piece; proper- a ringing only at healthy intervals, say on ong past, never more to return.

This does seem to be a hope so vast as to Montezumas. It has quite a Gibraltar expresput us to shame. But it is as certain as that sion; buttressed, arched, and groined, it might God's purpose will be realized, as that Christ's be resorted to as a sanctuary in the day; of outof their good will. Infallibility life and death were not in vain, as that Christ's trouble. The chapel cost twice as much as I promises are sure, and that the Holy Ghost paid for both chapel and an adjoining lot. will glority the Son by bringing many sons into This lot has on four sides of it walls as high as glory! But connected with this hope is the the church; so that with very little expense for xceeding joy.

Here, again, our faith needs to be strengthchapel. The whole is 55x66 feet. Since the

Lies.

In his letter to the Texas Advocate, referring ened. Judging of that future by our present confiscation of church property the "Capilla" feelings, it is naturally associated with fear- has been put to profane uses; its beauty has adds: at least an awe mingled with fear. To leave been marred, yet within has retained all its arthe old familiar world, and all we have hitherto chitectural merit. It is now being repairedknown since we came into existence; to leave the walls freshly painted, a new floor put in, It could be the relations and friends with whom we have with altar, pulpit, etc. suited to that faith inst leave to the relations and friends with whom we have with altar, pulpit, etc. suited to that faith just been fixed, begins to be felt, it could mingled from childhood; to part with our which comes by hearing, and that hearing not be had except at a tabulous price. These trade and occupations, our business and amuse- which implies a preacher. It is admirably lo-

once ushered into the mysteries of the world is avoided here because for a considerable part of living spirits, where all meet, from Adam of the year, the temperature is a little cool, to the last dead child; to begin a state of when the sun is very grateful; and at an elegant to take conditions, new modes of thought, new memo- day for several months. After securing this conditions, new modes of thought, new memories, new anticipations—all this, and all the thoughts that help to make up our ideas of the future tend rather to confuse, perglex, or appal anybody need be, had been at work for a full city of New Orleans. If you go into the Cathe mind, so that we are disposed to oling to month before my arrival, and, though always the present, to clutch at it as a man would just about to secure property for Protestant But instead of this, we are taught as a fact gan to fear for myself the same result. Beumstances they may be placed, whatever and Centenary are not to be put off much lonvisible glory may meet the eye, whatever ger. The brethren all rejoice in our success,

one church is thus tavored and another is tormented beggar from his cruel sores and uning location, and advantages will probably

politely told that the 'Conference is full?' The clean dogs. That will be experienced. The never be so fair again for giving Southern bosom of the glorious Son of God, nor Mary turns. Protestant worship is protected at the "Well, well, Brother Brown, let us choose when pouring oil on His head nor His mother capital more efficiently than in other places, Nazareth. There will be joy, exceeding joy, prompt to maintain freedom of religious opinlike the dew of Hermon, might glisten in the ish perfectly. On last Sabbath night a mob MSS. not originally intended for publication. continued at intervals until Wednesday night, when the prayer meeting was held and well attended. The mob was arrested in mid-career

by the police, six of them imprisoned, and the Seek my friends, Enoch's introduction to the whole resulted in a first-rate meeting, great iving God. Go to him as Enoch went, believ- reace, and an inquiry for Bitles, which Mr.

One naturally inquires whether this Protestpeople at work already in various parts of societies from without, though far the last three years some few of these assemblies have been antained amid much political change purpose, dence The history of the reform Mexico is this: After the war of

wealthy and powerful, was a chief cause of your solicitude, your ecstacy, your woe. Learn these wars, which continued with little interto have not one life for God and another for ruption till the year 1865, when Gen. Comonthe world; but let your life be divinely devot- fort became President of Mexico, though vioed and divinely quickened. Let every footstep lently opposed by the clerical party, which made itself strong in the city of Puebla. To this city he laid formal siege; during which it is related that the triars joined the soldiery in defense of the place, which, however, surrend The Nashville Advocate of March 29th con- the reform laws were passed, Comonfort being 15th. and directed to Dr. McFerrin, the Mis- and lasted until 1860, when, Don Benito Juaraz having become President, the reform In the New Orleans Advocate of March 27th laws became effectively established, the pager. there is another from the same writer, written of the clerical party completely destroyed, and at the same place under date of February 27th; further political strife, so often stirred up preand in the Texas Advocate of March 26th viously by it, prevented by the confiscation of there is still another, written from the same all the Church property. The numeries and place under same date as the last; and these monasteries were opened; poor nuns who had I feel how impossible it is for us in this sep- two were addressed to the editors of those pa- for years looked upon no face but that of individuals of their own order were then released There all refer to what he did, what he from a living death. The friars were started convents were explored by the public for the

> tures afterward closed. The extent of these convents and religiou houses was far beyond anything usually ceived of. They covered a large part of the city, and they supply a great deal of material

> at present needed for building. It is therefore very certain that the work of reformation is both solid and permanent. Not a nun remains in this city, nor any friar, monk or priestly-dressed person. The clergy dress as other gentleman. They affect a cloak. but so do many others, so that the eve is relieved of those long-gown fellows who unsex themselves, and who appear quite too frequentsisters of charity remain, but one scarcely ever sees them. Church-bells are not permitted to din the life out of the public, but are allowed every Sabbath morning. These people, as a people, are done with this buge imposture called Roman Catholicism. It has purged itself and Hyacinthe do not have their representatives in Mexico. In my opinion they have

railroad to the sea, which has are the only and first pieces of property which ments, those forms with which our religious life has been associated, our Sundays and Bibles, our solitary or social prayers, uttered gress, and one of the College of Mines, a expression when it first came to hand. But the property is worth to-day three times as much I paid for it. The Spanish service will be becharge of it.

And further says: thedral of the Professor, at mass bours during the week, you will see but few moreworshippers than celebrants. On feast days the people go there habitually to listen to elaborate and exquisite masic, which these Mexicans appreciate and have great genius for composing and rendering. But the charm is broken, and the people are tree. They attend Protestant services, listen attentively to the reading of the Soriptures, sing "Happy Day," and "I'm a Pilgrim," lustily, in good Methodist style, and are accessible by the ten thous-and to the word of life. I have never seen a

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