We shall meet them again—the departed. But not as in days that have fled. When the joy that their presence imparted Like the light on our pathway was shed.

We shall meet them again, we shall meet them But not 'mid these scenes of decay. And not where the visions that greet them Unfold with a transient array.

We shall meet them again o'er the river, Where the billows of death never roll, Where pleasures undying, forever Encircle the path of the soul.

We shall meet them again! O the gladness, The peace that the meeting shall bring; Where the death-angel comes not with sadness To hush the glad anthems they sing !

We shall meet them again, we shall meet them, But not mid these scenes of decay; But where the blest visions that greet them Unfold with celestial array.

SAVING DRUNKARDS.

I sat in a prayer meeting, 'a few evenings since, beside an earnest, hard-working Christian, who had once been an inebriate. He had reeled through the streets-an object of pity to his friends and of burning shame to his own heart-broken wife. After years of drunkenness he reformed; but he did it "by the grace of God." At the time of his happy recovery be distinctly said; I I ave tried and tried to overcome this awful appetite by my own resolution, and I failed every time; now I am going to take hold on God." He did so and triumphed, The "evil spirit" which had so long tormented him was cast out by that same mighty power which of eld drove out the demons from human form.

Yet this man had not been so long a time a tippler that his will had rotted away. His body was not hopelessly and utterly distased with the drink mania. He adopted a careful dietused "valerian" and other medicinal tonics, so weathered through. While he used spiritual for a physical malady. Drunkenness is both a sin and a disease. Both moral and physical remedies must therefore be applied. After many years of study of this whole sub-

ject. I have reached the following conclusions: 1. Large numbers of men (and some women too) become inebriates from the unwise use of alcoholic medicines. Too often they are their own doctors, and prescribe for themslves large doses of port wine and Bourbon whiskey. Some physicians have unwittingly made drunkards by prescribing alcoholic stimulants to persons of dangerous temperaments. Two hundred and fifty leading British physicians have lately issued a protest against the free and frequent use of alcoholic medicines.

2. Thousands become hard drinkers from misery-bodily, mental or domestic. Misery fills the dramshops. To relieve a man from his troubles in time may be his salvation.

3. When a man attempts reform he needs and should have personal sympathy. 4. Christian churches should be, in the best

sense, " inebriate asylums." 5. Four-fifths of the inebriates in the land are never saved. This is a frightful fact. It is the most tremendous argument for entire abstrance

WHO IS OLD

A wise man will never rust out. As long as he can move or breathe he will be doing something for himself, for his neighbor, or for posterity. Almost to the last hour of his life Washington was at work; so were Young, Howard and Newton. The vigor of their lives never decayed. No rust marred their spirits. It is a foolish idea to suppose that we must lie down and die because we are old. Who is old? Not the man of energy, nor the day laborer in science, art or benevolence; but he only who suffers his energies to waste away and the springs of life to become motionless; on whose hands the hours drag heavily, and to whom all things wear the garb of gloom. Is he old? should not be asked; but is he active? can he breathe freely and move with agility? There are scores of gray-headed men we should prefer, in any important enterprise, to young men who fear and tremble at approaching shadows, and turn pale at a lion in their path, at a

WHAT A TRIFLE MAY HIDE.

The little boy who held the sixpence near his eye and said. "O mother! it is bigger than the room!" and when he drew it still nearer he exclaimed, "O mother! it is bigger than all out-doors!" And in just that way the worldling hides God, and Christ, and judgment, and eternity from view, behind some paltry pleasure, some rrifling joy, or some small possession which shall perish with the using, and pass away, with all earth's lusts and glory, in the approaching day of God Al-

WHAT CAME OF A CHURCH QUARREL

An illustration of the amount of principle involved in many church squabbles is furnished by an incident which was recently related in our hearing. A controversy arose in a certain church about using an organ in the Sabbath-school. Eleven of the members stoutly opposed the organ. They were outvoted, however, and the organ introduced Thereupon our eleven withdrew and joined another church that has three organs .- Methodist Protestant

FOR THE CHILDREN.

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES.

Dear children, you can tell the name I trust Of the man whom the Scripture says, He was full of, " faith and the Holy Ghost, In the early Christian days.

Can you tell me also of another. Who away from his master ran; But returning was used more like a brother, Because a converted man.

Then tell of two who by word and deed; Did Paul's warmest thanks arouse; -Two women, who helped him when in need,

And who had " a church in their house." Then tell me the name of a man, -a Smith, Who did much evil to Paul;

No more at present, I expect forthwith, You will seek till you find out all. G. O. H.

Answers next week.

THE heart has its reasons which fthe reason does not comprehend .- Pascal.

Obituary.

MR. JAMES M. DOANE. The subject of this sketch was born at Bar-

now the son has followed father and sister, we trust to that calm and quiet land where sick- work of grace was begun in her heart. And ness never enters and where there shall be "no why should we not believe that such was the more sea.

devolved upon him, we think may be attributed much of that steadiness and thoughtfulness by which his character was so strongly marked. He learned soon and well those habits of indusessential to success in life, and which it often takes long years of experience and discipline to acquire. Those who knew him in boyhood testify to his exemplary character and conduct. ther and sister, obedient to parental commands, obliging to his playmates, prompt and punctual in the discharge of duty, strictly consciention:, and singulary self-denying where the interests hibit with increasing distinctness and maturity, throughout the subsequent periods of his life, resenting a natural character of such blameessness and beauty as is seldom witnessed.

But our Saviour Christ saith, "Ye must be oorn again," and with all his excellence and uprishtness this worthy youth felt that he was sinner, and must be converted if he would see the kingdom of God. When about nineteen years of age, during a revival of religion which But " the Master had need of her," or else saw took place under the ministry of the Rev. J. V. means he did not neglect physical appliances Jost, he with a number of his companions, decided for Christ, and began earnestly to seek religion. From that time he continued to be a humble and consistent professor of godliness.

Owing to constitutional timidity and self-distrust, he did not at all times realize that set:led and solid peace which is the undoubted privilege of the true believer. Nevertheless he constantly expressed himself as trusting only in the great atonement, and his lite gave ample proof that his was not a void and barren faith. Though perhaps he trod the Valley of Humil liation more frequently than he stood amid the where there is neither pain nor death. sunshine of the Delectable Mountains, yet his feet were ever in the straight and narrow path, and his face was steadfastly set towards the Celestial City.

His excellences were not such as would dazzle and impress the casual beholder, but they were of a type calculated to win the affection and esteem of all who were privileged with his intimate acquaintance. Some features of his lite and character are deserving of special notice. As already intimated his humility was pre-eminent. Though possessed of a sound, discriminating mind and respectable educational acquirements, yet he never vaunted these gifts, or made them the occasion of an assumption of superiority over others. He was willing to take the lowest place, and to do the humblest work, and in his piritual means and relations he literally esteemed himself as " less than the least of all saints."

His charitableness of disposition was also remarkable. During a lengthened and intimate acquaintance the writer does not remember ever hearing him speak a harsh or unkind word of any one, but on the contrary he was always ready to make every allowance consistent with truth and justice for the defects and errors of his tellow-men.

A spirit of forbearance and patience was another of his characteristics. His vocation as a school teacher, exercised for many years, furnished many opportunities for the manifestation of these virtues. In dealing with youth, however wayward, kindness and long suffering were his guiding principles. Towards the close of his life he was heard to say, " I do not regret not having used more severity with chil-Iren-kindness is the right way." Let it not be supposed however that this gentleness of spirit was purely natural or that it was gained without effort. It sprang from the operation of grace in his soul, and was brought to matu-

ity by strict and thorough self-discipline. There are other features of character upon which we might dwell if space permitted, but why need we specify? Many indeed were the flowers of moral worth and beauty blooming in this garden of the Lord's planting, but those we have gathered will suffice to prove its fertility and loveliness. If it were needful to say more it might be summed up in the words of inspiration, "He was a faithful man, and one

that feared God above many. The excellent qualities of heart and mind he possessed fitted him for positions of usefulness in the church, several of which he held with much credit and acceptance. While yet in the flush of early manhood he was made superintendent of the Sabi ath school, an office which be continued to hold until failing health compelled him to relinquish it. At different periods he filled the positions of Society and Circuit Steward, and discharged their duties with his habitual conscientiousness and fidelity. In the abence of the Minister of the circuit, he frequently conducted public worship, and read a sermon in the church at Barrington Head, and his services in this department of Christian work supplied a lack which otherwise it would have

een difficult to meet. His last illness was protracted and painful. Symptoms of pulmonary disease made their appearance in the Spring of 1870, and from that time he gradually failed, until the clay tabernacle fell and he exchanged mortality for life. During the last few months of his life he was engaged in almost perpetual conflict with the enemy. He was tempted to doubt as to his present acceptance, and also to indulge in gloomy apprehensions in reference to the final struggle, but at length the Conqueror of Satan and Death gave his servant the victory. The last week was one of almost uninterrupted peace. Expressions of calm trust in the Captain of his salvation frequently escaped the lips of this faithful soldier, whose career of arduous and honorable service was drawing to a comparatively early close. The ocean of storms past, there was a quiet and peaceful gliding into

Surrounded by his sorrowing family, the wilowed mother, the faithfu lwife, and the tender ittle ones, he sweetly fell asleep in Jesus, and

HETTY FOSTER. The following brief memorial of childhood and death.

raging parents to expect the early conver tion of their children, and also in persuading the little ones themselves to give their bearts to

the Saviour. Hetty Foster was born at Port Medway and rington, in the year 1833, and died at that died at Caledonia, Queens County, on the 25th place on the 9th of December last. In very January last, aged thirteen years. From infanearly life he was made to taste one of the bitterest cups of sorrow which childhood can posed. About two years ago her father died, and this sad event seemed to make a deep and was but a child, leaving in painful and mysteri- serious impression upon her youthful mind. ous bereavement, a disconsolate widow, and a She became still more thoughtful in refere ce fatherless son and daughter. The widow still to religious subjects, expressed herselt with re lingers on this side the flood; many years ago, gard to them with a clearness and freedom quite the daughter, a rare and lovely woman, bade beyond her years, listened with unusual attenadieu to husband and tender babe, and was tion and interest to the preaching of the gospel laid to rest in the sunny isle of Bermuda; and and the instructions of pious friends, and in many ways gave satisfactory evidence that a

case? Who can tell how early the Good Shep-The Holy Book assures us, "It is good for herd may reveal himself to the lambs of the man that he bear the yoke in his youth," and flock, or what attainments in grace are possible of this truth our departed brother furnished an to the youngest child who has been taught the illustration. To his early bereavement and way to heaven? We fear the church generally the consequent care and responsibility which has yet much to learn as to the capabilities of childhood in experiencing and enjoying the religion of Jesus.

Gradually but surely, the good work commenced in the heart of this dear child, was try, prudence and perseverance, which are so brought to maturity. Previous to her illness she became more concerned than ever about spiritual things. She expressed grief and sorrow on account ct sin, and a strong desire to be saved from its guilt and power, and during He was uniformly kind and attentive to his motrust in the Saviour and was made happy in his love. Her spirit of true Christian resignation found expression in the remark that she would not wish to live unless she could do something of others were concerned. These features of for Jesus. When dying she whispered to a disposition and behaviour he continued to ex- friend who stood at her bedside, those simple, expressive words, with which many a veteran in Christ's service has bid adieu to earth, "] am going home," and shortly after sweetly 'tell asleep.'

Endowed with a most amiable disposition; an nusually vigorous and well-developed mind, engaging manners, and, as we believe, a measure of grace, Hetty gave promise of a life that she was too tender a plant to be exposed to the rude blasts of time, and so removed her to the fairer climes of the "Eden above." Jesus saith, "Suffer the little children to

come unto me and torbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

RECENT DEATHS ON THE ST. STEPHEN CIRCUIT Henry Mabel aged 75 years, after many months of extreme suffering, passed away in the triumphs of faith; changing a life of pain and affliction on earth for a home in that land Mary, wife of David Williams, after an ill-

ness of over two years, during which time she uncomplainingly endured all the weakness and pain connected with the despoiling of this earthly tabernacle, tell asleep in Jesus in the 25th year of her age. Her God whom she had sought and found previous to her sickness, was her strength and comfort in the hours of her weakness and sorrow, and when her heart and flesh failed He was the strength of her heart, and now her portion for ever.

Eva beloved daughter of our esteemed friends Harrison and Clarissa Thompson, died of consumption, March 5th, aged nineteen years. Eva was blessed with the example and teachup their children as divinely directed. By naure she was gifted with an amiablity of character and cheerfulness of spirit, that made her a favourite with all who knew her. She had many friends and acquaintances, who will long cherish her memory, but it is the church and ler own tamily, that have suffered most loss by her gain. They will miss her in the Sabbath school, in the labours of which she took so much delight, and won the hearts of all ber scholars.

The church will miss ber in the choir, where

"The fireside shows a vacant chair. Here sadness dwells and weeps alone,

And death displays his banner there." During the autumn it was apparent to all her friends that disease had fastened upon her, and that she was rapidly sinking into decline At this period parents and friends hoped and feared, while medical science did all that was in its power to arrest the disease, and restore

Soon, however, all hope of her recovery was abandoned and we began in sorrow to prepare our hearts for the trying hour of her departure. We anticipated a painful duty in having to inform her that she would in all probability never regain her health, but to our comfort and joy she received the intelligence with composure. Her reply was, "I have been asking God to prepare me, for whatever is his will concerning me." From that time it was both pleasing and profitable, to converse with her on the ground of her hope, and of her tuture prospect. She had always taken great pleaure in reading the Scriptures, bt it was especially during the period of illness that the Bible was her chief companion. Without murmuring she peacefully resigned herself to the will of God, and was never once heard to complain. Although called to part with the kind est of parents, and the happiest of homes, whe asked if she did not think it hard to be called away from earth so young? Her reply was, " is not heaven a better place than earth," and as to my sufferings is not God by his grace pre-paring me for the companionship of angels, and the employment of the court o the employment of the saved

Her last day on earth can never be forgotten by those who stood around her bed-beholding the triumphs of Divine grace,—the lamb-like patience of the sufferer,—the triumphant faith of the child of God, demonstrated the fulfilment of the promise, "that grace shall be pro-

portioned to our day." But to Eva death had lost its sting and while stepping into the cold waters how sweet were the words of comfort she addressed to the sor rowing family as she requested them not to weep for her, but to meet her in heaven. weep for her, but to meet her in heaven.

Several times during the day she asked those who stood around her bed to sing, "Jesus comforts me," "Come sing to me of heaven."

And when the voices of her brother and sister, joined that of the father in singing that sweet melody, "My heavenly home fair," she joined with them as they sang, "I am going home to die no more." Soon after she said sing to me, "Jesu lover of my soul." At the close of which she said: "Pa, I will soon

get my voice again.' et my voice again.

In a few moments she complained of drowsiness, and appeared inclined to sleep, but to those who stood by her side it was plain that it was the sleep of death, that was so quietly stealing over her senses. About her last utterlittle ones, he sweetly fell asleep in Jesus, and like Enoch, having walked with God, "he was not for God took him."

W. S. stealing over her senses. About her last utterances were, "I will soon be home," "there is a crown and a harp for me." Her mother kneeling at her bedside says, Eva do you see me; she replied, yes ma, but you are a great way off, and in a tew moments her happy spirit took its flight from this world of sickness, pain She is now absent from the body piety may perhaps serve a useful purpose in but present with the Lord.

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