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CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY SCHEME FOR CHINA. A Rev. J. J. Roberts, who is said to have been London .. head of the new Chinese dynasty, has circulated a letter amorgest the foreign residents in China, the object of which is to propound a plan for more efficient missionary operations in that country. He proposes a committee of co-operations in the country. The proposes a committee of co-operations in the country of the cou of all ma's foreign missionaries

either from Ge many, France, En cland, or the The three latter towns first appeared in the a diligent keeper of His Holy Word in its integration committee from the superintendence or control of any mission society at home. They are to be answerable to none but "God and the commit-1767 and 1832 there was a steady increase in

for the division of the diocese of Toronto, out of which two new sees will be formed, the seat of cline of 5000 in the past year.

It is plain therefore that Methodism is not which two new sees will be lot hed, or one of which will be at Kingston for the seven eastern districts, and the other at London or Woodstock for the seven western districts. The Dissent be relied on. Both have signally failed, woodstock for the seven western districts. The fund locally raised for this purpose already amounts to upwards of 8,000L, and it is expected that the two sees will require for their endowment a capital sum of 10,000L. in addition to what may be derived from local resources, or specially contributed by persons interested in the particular dioceses. It is also intended to extend the episcopacy in India by a subdivision of the present enormous diocese of Calcutta. This, howpresent enormous diocese of Calcutta. This, however, will be left in a great measure to the wisdom and liberality of the Indian Government. The erection of a new see at Perth, for Western Australia, is under consideration. The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign parts the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign parts that appropriated out of its Jubilee Fund 3,000l. has appropriated out of its Jubilee Fund 3,000l. to obtain the needful increase, and what shall be the position of the new Bishops and their towards a endowment of a see at Perth, and the towards a endowment of a see at Perth, and the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge has also made a liberal grant for the same purpose. The Bishop of New Zealand, who is at present in England, is taking steps for the subdivision of his diocese by the erection of a see at Lyttelton When all these arrangements prics in the colonies and dependencies of the British Crown British Crown. - Morning Chronicle.

AND THE PEOPLE. In discussing a question of so great importance as this, it is necessary in the first place considerations apply to the question of a Bishop considerations apply to the question of a Bishop considerations. tance as this, it is the Church of England is in a of Cornwall.—Cornwall Gazette. state of transition. Coerded and shackled from the period of the Revolution, and especially from the accession of George I., her dignities and parochial Incumbencies were regarded only Riding of Northampton on Thursday Oct. 5, Riding of Northampton on Thursday Oct. 6, and the Government of the day withstood every effort to extend her usefulness and even to fulfil her plain first duties, which might give her the following resolution was unanimously adopted:—"Additional Bishopries: That this union greateful. effort to extend her usefulness and even to fulfil her plain first duties, which might give her any the least independence of action, or lesson the money value of livings. The Government gagged her by silencing her Convocation, and the Legislature forbad and prevented both church extension and increase of the clergy. the Legislature forbad and prevented both church extension and increase of the clergy. Within the present century Dr. Middleton, our first Indian Bishop, was unable to obtain a second parish church for the parish of St. second parish church for the parish of St. Pancras, of which he was vicar, though the population had then increased to 50,000 souls. An Act of Parliament was required to enable cal Commissioners for the endowment of a him to do so, and the bill which he promoted bishopric in that town." for that purpose was thrown out in the House of Commons. Nor was power allowed to the Bishops to require the appointment of Curates Society.—This Society has published the fol- ed leave to make a few observations. adequate to the necessities of a parish, however the revenues might afford the proper number.

The House of Lords indeed passed a bill giving the revenues where the revenues were here to declare their adherence to the first place, to declare their adherence to the for the discovery of the criminals.

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not a case which in his opinion could be dealt has signally failed to reach their heathenism. with oriminally or penally; it was not a case Take, as a proof, the number of its members in

which have since distracted the societies:-1767 1822 1832 2,250 ... 8,149 ... 10,238

NEW COLONIAL BISHOPRIOS.—As soon as the Bishopric of the Mauritius is duly formed, and the Rev. Mr. Ryan, the Bishop designate, consecrated thereto, arrangements will be set on foot for the division of the diocese of Toronto, out of which two new sees will be formed, the seat of

ever, will be left in agreat measure to the wisdom chial Clergy, how to provide the needful auxilrelation to the spiritual Pecrage—as to Synodal action, how it shall be made effectual and safe, as well in legislating for the spiritualities of the Church, as in providing the means of that combined and united action, which shall check if not prevent divisions, and do that work or-derly and well which is now imperfectly at-

These, it is evident, are vast and weighty considerations, which all are inseparately linked MEDICAL HONOURS FOR A BISHOP .- The Rev. together, and the whole must be well considered Dr. M'Dougall, Bishop designate of Borneo, has been elected a Fellow of the Royal College of any one which involves a new and untried prinbeen elected a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons. Before taking holy orders the reverend gentleman was a surgeon, having passed his examination at the college on June 3, 1839.

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YORKSHIRE CHURCH UNION.—A general as a 'Popish plot.'

amination, witness said that great towns for whose hundreds of thousands vantages arise to a Christian Church from the Thomas and Sarah Thomas, both under twelve meeting, viz.:—For the general purposes of the me on all the while the prohibiap.

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The facts themselves were not in dispute, refinement ever presented to their view, while or so little at variance as not to be worth menor so little at variance as not to be worth menor and the state of the section of the little and the li The only material difference was, ity, are ever at hand, to tempt their instinctive abused to the purposes of sacerdotal assumption head, and said, 'Wait until Sunday,' and told whether any conversation took place before defendant laid hold of the complainant. Except-lowest class of our great towns, and that lowest the Absolution to be omitted or qualified. 4. In the Catholic catechism. She went to the Absolution to be omitted or qualified. 4. ing in that, there was no difference, and from the position complainant was in and what was going on around, it was probable that the defendant did speak, but that the complainant did speak are specified to be spiritual regeneration of each recipient to be spiritual regeneration of each recipient to be were always at her. – They kicked her always at her. not hear him. Very unhappy differences had suffered such a state of things to arise and ployed in expressing hope for the departed. 7. the girls, Ferriter, said she would not sleep with not hear him. Very unhappy differences had long been existing respecting the mode of solemnizing divine service, and Mr. Liddell had regards the Church. An establishment adapted taken occasion to refer these several matters to the diocesan, who expressly provided for them by advising that the better course would be to population has been massed in particular spots. by advising that the better course would be to discontinue the practice which had given rise to Dissent, whether Congregational or Wesleyan, to bring the Book of Common Prayer into closer reference being made to him; and the incum- cannot reach the classes who cannot or will not conformity with the written Word of God and bent had done all in his power to put a stop to the mode of solemnization complained of. On the Sunday in question a very small portion of the congregation—described as six out of a cannot reach the classes who cannot or will not contribute to its support. Where the preacher is supported by pew rents, the old Romish proverb literally applies—"no penny no Pater to countenance Romanising doctrine or practice. It is believed this object will be greatly advanced thousand began to chant, and while on this take sittings, but it cannot reach the heathen by the combination of numbers, and the aban portion of the subject he (the worthy magistrate) should expressly refrain from offering any opinion as to the legality or illegality of the course adopted by the complainant in chanting "decent people." Besides, the system of Dissert in large towns is among the middle and trading classes; those who are generally understood by the term course adopted by the complainant in chanting "decent people." Besides, the system of Dissert in large towns is among the middle and trading classes; those who are generally understood by the term "decent people." Besides, the system of Dissert in large towns is among the middle and trading classes; those who are generally understood by the term "decent people." Besides, the system of Dissert in large towns is among the middle and trading classes; those who are generally understood by the term "decent people." or singing a portion of the services, or as to sent is unsuited to the work. Its congregations been altered for the worse more than once since whether such a course was not consistent with are voluntary associations of individuals and propriety and decorum. He, at the same time, families taken out of the crowd from here and with the spirit of that glorious epoch—are invited felt himself thoroughly incompetent to form a correct opinion on such a subject, and even if he did express one, he was quite sure it would be a correct opinion on such a subject, and even if he did express one, he was quite sure it would be a correct opinion on such a subject, and even if he did express one, he was quite sure it would be a correct opinion on such a subject, and even if there is a correct opinion on such a subject, and even if the correct opinion on such as the correct opinion of the correct opinion on such as the correct opinion opin have very little if any weight in a case where party heats had risen to so deplorable a height. It was clear, however, that Mr. Portal, the officiating minister, who was carrying out the of two antagonistic powers, a conservative carried out to despotism, and a democratic carried in it (though more than one illegal change are vice, had observed some discordances, the reout to license, with nothing to control and comto be found in its pages) without the consent of sponses at the fag end, as it were, clashing, from the time occupied in their delivery, with the next sentence of the minister, there being the discrepancy of a portion reading and a portion chanting, and the defendant observing this, endeavoured, whether harshly or not—and there was, perhaps, some slight difference in that respect—to put a stop to it. He (the magistrate) saw nothing in this case, notwithstanding what come to the conclusion that the complainant in come to the conclusion that the complainant in come of the minister, there being at open and destructive war, Methodism in its at open and estructive war, Methodism in its at open and testification of the crown. With a view, therefore, to obtaining the Crown. With a view, therefore, to obtaining the Crown. With a view the discrepancy of the saction of the saction of the saction of the saction of the crown. With a view therefore, to obtain a the Crown. With a view the c sponses at the fag end, as it were, clashing, bine them, and which for years past have been both Houses of Parliament, and the sanction of come to the conclusion that the complainant in chanting was actuated by any other than a re- the meeting-house took the excess, and as this within that Church many earnest Christians chanting was actuated by any other than a religious and conscientious motive. It was defendant's duty to endeavor to put a stop to, by
interfering, and prevent any disturbance during
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rat blessing upon these endeavors, and on the discussions and inquiries which they may be exthat called for punishment at this tribunal, and upon that ground, therefore, he dismissed the summons. the six principal towns of England at the pected to produce, it is hoped that Parliament may, at no very distant period, be induced to address the Crown for the appointment of a royal commission, in which laity may be com bined with clergy, so that what is for the good of all classes may be settled by the wisdom o

all, and a proper basis laid for sound liturgical reform. Without such reform the members of this society are convinced that no ecclesiastica changes, however well intended, can possibly reach to the root of existing evils, whether of priesteraft or formalism, or can render the Church of England of her martyred reformers undoubtedly intended her to be—a faithful witness to the truth of God as he is in Christ Jesus, and 6,995 25,835 31,185

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4.—The candidates to be carefully instructed our belief that the late gigantic crime is but the natural result of such a system." As might the Bishop and Chaplain. have been expected, very early in the meeting 6 .- The tickets to be delivered to the Chaplain,

Popish plot, for—(Hisses).
"The Chairman inquired whether Mr. Maguire proposed moving an amendment?

move—'That the outrage was a Ribbon, and not a Popish plot.' (Hisses, shouts of 'Put him out,' and cries of 'Order, order.') Several gentlemen, near the above and the popish plot.' (Several gentlemen, near the above and the popish plot.' (Hisses, shouts of 'Put him second part of the 119th psalm may be chosen.

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scribed by a former speaker.
"Mr. Bloomfield rejoined that Mr. Maguire had no right, in moving an amendment, to take cognisance of anything except the words con-

tained in the original resolution.
"Mr. Maguire observed that it was a mistake to say that Ribbonism was a part of Popery. It formed no portion of the system of the Roman

"Mr. Bloomfield assured Mr. Maguire that he never for a moment supposed that the belief referred to in the resolution—that by destroying certain individuals service was done to Godwas one of the doctrines of the Roman Catholic Church. It was, however, a doctrine of Ribbonism. (Cheers.)

guire wished to move another amendment?

After the meeting large sums were subscribed

all liars will have their portion in the lake that burneth with fire and brimstone.

of receipts for subscriptions or donations to charitable institutions, the board will treat such

ave the room.

"Mr. Lewis—What a wonderful effect one thune, preached in the cathedral on Sunday text of Scripture has. One would think that a morning; the subject of his sermon was from bomb-shell fell through the roof.

ject to that boy being sworn. Mr. Horsley-Do you know that an oath is calling God to witness?—No, sir.
"Mr. O'Sulliyan—There is brimstone for you.

"Mr. Horsley-I shall take your statement without swearing you.
"Boy continued—He went to mass the day his sister went, because all the boys were killing him. [Rev. E. Cowen—There is conversion for

They often struck him. One boy hit m in the eye and cut him. He was greatly frightened. He thought they would kill him. They were always at him, because he would not go to mass with them. When he went to mass

The Lord Bishop of Quebec has issued the 12th Sept. ollowing Circular to the Clergy of the Diocese of St. Francis, having the intention of visiting that portion of his Diocese in the latter part of January and the former part of February:

QUEBEC, 8th Nov., 1854. REVEREND SIR,-I beg to inform you that it s my intention with the divine permission, to old a confirmation at --- on ---, and you will be pleased therefore to use your faithful rsons and others who are candidates for the

he qualification which will enable the candidates up a respectable number. A medium, however, is certainly to be observed between the discreditable laxity which reduces the rite to little more has all Mr. Kingsley's characteristics—freedom than a formal compliance with an ecclesiastical of mind, honesty of purpose, decision, -some-

custom, and the unwise and hurtful rigor which exacts as the condition of admission, certain thorough aversion to the hollow and i and with The ping Wang and his Chinese converts. He states that the grand design is to leave every member free, "feeling the full weight of his responsibility to God." In other words, Mr.

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Society for the full weight of thorough averaging the exacts as the condition of admission, certain the condition of admission, certain the exact as the condition of admission, certain the condition of admission and the unwise and nutrial rigor which there is the condition of admission, certain the condition of admission and the condition Roberts's intention is to free the members of his committee from the superintendence or control of any mission society athome. They are to be among the the principles of the doctrine of Christ, early reverence; but we hold that no man of From the Guardian.

Party and religious excitement is still rife which are to prepare the way for going on unto genius, as we believe Mr. Kingsley to be, should condescend to imitate a style. Our style should condescend to imitate a style.

with the late atrocious attempt at wholesale murder, and much harm appears to have been directions for all occasions of the kind:

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4. **The age feeling of the county" on the occurrence, at questionable deportment—nor to any persons which the feeling of the country certainly found till after a bond fide and sufficient personal very free utterance. The first resolution set examination by the clergyman. This rule, howforth—"That this meeting desires to record its ever, will be understood with some relaxation in ofound gratitude to Almighty God, and to ac- the cases of those whom he has already been

e", on the 15th September, from a murderous plot to destroy them by a cruel death." And the second was as follows:—"That while we call for a dispensation from this rule, to be call for a dispensation from this rule, to be disclaim all vindictive feelings, and desire sin-

country, extending itself throughout the United Kingdom, whose object is to assail the lives and liberties of Protestants, and whose memally to themselves and to make the responses in ally to themselves and to make the responses in bers carry out the doctrine that to promote such the confirmation-service in the same manner, an object is to do God service; and we avow including the repetition of the Lord's prayer.

in cases where the candidates are numerous, not "Mr. Edward Maguire, J. P. (a Roman Catholic), objected to the terms of the resolution. but separately by each successive row, immediately by each successive row. He thought it was not fair to call the outrage a ately before kneeling for the actual imposition in a fresh outgrowth of European pobleness and

"The Chairman inquired whether Mr. Maire proposed moving an amendment?
"Mr. Maguire replied such was his intention; defer the Chairman directed that gentlemen to device the Chairman directed the Chairman directed that gentlemen to device the Chairman directed the Chairm

and we shall seriously err, and prepare for ourand we shall seriously err, and prepare for ourselves, much future trouble, if we disregard this
selves much future trouble, if we di "Mr. Bloomfield reminded Mr. Maguire that e resolution did not characterize the current and an exact record to be kept by the clergythe resolution did not characterize the outrage and an exact record to be persons confirmed, in man, of the names of the name o to the Bishop at the ensuing confirmation.

I am, Reverend Sir,

Your affectionate Brother,

The Rev. -

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL. CHURCH SOCIETY'S OFFICE, Nov. 1, 1854.

"The Chairman inquired whether Mr. Maiire wished to move another amendment?
"Mr. Maguire declined to do so, but requestleave to make a few observations.
"Mr. Maguire then proceeded."

"Mr. Maguire then proceeded." the Dean of Montreal, Archdeacon Lower, Rev. Canon Bancroft, Rev. W. Bond, N. S. Tyler, Esq., Dr. Holmes and the Secretary be appoint-

cription at Mascouche, £3 16s. 3d.; Do. at West Farnham 10s.

EDWARD J. ROGERS, Secretary.

The Lord Bishop of Montreal has given notice of his intention, under divine permission, to hold his Triennial Visitation for that Diocese in the Cathedral Church at Montreal, on Wednesday the 17th of January next. Divine service, with the Holy Communion, will commence at halt-past ten o'clock A. M.

COLONIAL CHURCH AND SCHOOL .- The Bishops Designate of Sydney and the Mauritius Church and School Society by accepting office

THE RECEIPT STAMP .- The following official amined, and, after some hesitating, admitted the truth of the latter statements. The boy was then examined, and replied:— "He thought it was a sin to tell a lie, because is entertained as to the liability to stamp duty arneth with fire and brimstone.
"The Rev. Mr. Owen (starting up and taking receipts as if they were expressly exempted from his hat)-I won't stand such trash as that, I'll | duty.-I am, &c., Thomas Keogh."

The venerable Archdeacon of York, Dr. Be-"Mr. O'Sullivan (resuming his seat)—I ob- Temple, let all the earth keep silence before the 2nd Habakuk, "The Lord is in his Holy

In the afternoon the Rev. T. S. Kennedy, secretary to the Church Society of Toronto, preached on the Gunpowder Plot. The national anthem was played on the organ as the congregation departed.—Quebec Mercury.

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UNITED STATES.

THE OLDEST CHURCH. -The Boston Journal says: The oldest church now existing in the United States is one near Smithfield, Isle Wright county, V. It was built in the reign of Charles

Ascension, Brandywine hundred, Delaware, was onsecrated by the Right Rev. the Bishsp, on the

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Alexandria and her Schools. Four Lectures By Rev. CHARLES KINGSLEY. Cambridge:

These four lectures were delivered by Mr. Kingsley at the Philosophical Institution Edinburgh, and are published by him at the ite, under your spiritual charge, to prepare request of his audience. He pleads this request themselves in earnest for so solemn an occasion as an apology for the publication of a work which seems to him fragmentary and crude, and I trust that there is no necessity for my guard- which he fears is not exempt from inaccuracy g you against accepting the simple repetition and solicism. The lectures contain a sketch of the Catechism (although a competent knowdge of this formulary, and especially of its hand, yet by no means random and inaccurate; abstance and meaning, must be required) as the author is an able artist who can draw a the qualification which will enable the candidates pass: nor yet against any undue uneasiness the is no pedantic antiquarian, collecting purposeadmitting them for the mere sake of making less facts; but a philosopher of history, whose

ortfection. (Heb. vi. 1. 2.)

The following are to be regarded as standing be the truthful expression of our own idiosyncracy (we are sorry to use the horrid long word.

The author thus describes the object of his

"These lectures are meant neither as essays nor as orations, but simply as a collection of hints to those who may wish to work them out by themselves; and, I trust, as giving some glimpses of a central idea, in the light of which the spiritual history of Alexandria, and perhaps of other countries also, may be seen to have in

It is, in fact, a lesson from ancient history. which the author indites and means his hearers and readers to receive, as a help to understand and meet the crisis of our own age. Of the momentous nature of that crisis he has the deepest feeling—a feeling which evidently wakes and sleeps, and lives with him. "I cannot but subscribe to the opinion of the

many wise men who believe that Europe, and England as an integral part thereof, is on the ncluding the repetition of the Lord's prayer.

5.—Chairs to be provided within the rails for eve of a revolution, spiritual and political, as vast and awful as that which took place at the Reformation; and that, beneficial as that revolution will doubtless be to the destinies of man kind in general, it depends upon the wisdom and courage of each nation individually whether that in a fresh outgrowth of European nobleness and

The first two lectures refer to the Ptolemaio

The following is the portrait of the founder of

"A man than whom history knows few greater, Ptolemy, the son of Lagus. He was an adventurer, the son of an adventurer, his mother a cast-off concubine of Philip of Macedon. There were those who said that he was in reality a son f Philip himself. However, he rose at court, became a private friend of young Alexander, and at last his Somatophylax, some sort of colonel of the Life Guards. And from thence he rose The monthly meeting of the Central Board of the Church Society was held this day—the Lord found himself despot of Egypt. His face, as it Bishop in the chair. The secretary laid on the table a copy of the form ordered to be printed at the last meeting of the Central Board for distribution among the clergy, to enable them to furnish information to the S. P. G. The meeting and a contemptuousness, especially about the "The Chairman inquired whether Mr. Ma- agreed in the adoption of a seal for the society, mouth, which puts one in mind of Goethe's ex-

ally crippled it, by inserting a clause which provided that where there was a second Curate, the Incumbent should not be bound to pay a larger stipend for the two than the law appointed for one.

Esq., Dr. Holmes and the Secretary be appointed did in the secondary and by his influence it was didded. He saw that to keep Egypt he had better make it happy; and he did his best for its good government. But his most wonderful charges against the Rev. Mr. Owen and other officers of the Dingle workhouse, of tampering for one. the Incumbent should not be bound to pay a larger stipend for the two than the law appointed for one.

While Church extension was thus made impossible, the Church of England was nearly quadrupled. The manufacturing system created of the manufacturing system created of the Incumbent should not be bound to pay a containeth all things necessary to salvation; so that Egypt wanted a God—the belief of the ratives having decayed, and the only serious question that officers of the Dingle workhouse, of tampering decived to the commissioners, by that two Protestant papers. It had been stated by letter to the commissioners, by the Church of England was nearly quadrupled. The manufacturing system created of the ratives having decayed, and the only serious question that officers of the Dingle workhouse, of tampering decive did not the third and the only serious question that officers of the Dingle workhouse, of tampering decive did not the third and the only serious question that the feat was that, when he saw that Egypt wanted and the only serious question that officers of the Dingle workhouse, of tampering did not to the course of the Dingle workhouse, of the manufacturing that will at soever is not read therein, nor may be proved thereby, is not to be required for the point and the only serious question that did not the third and the only serious question that will the saw that two proved them was the purely selfish with the religion of Protestant papers. It had been stated by letter to the commissioners, by that it should be believed as an article of faith, and the only serious question that the flat was that, when he saw that Egypt wanted and the only serious question that the flat was that, when he saw that the purely selfish with the religion of Protestant papers. An abstract of the Treasurer's accounts was thus make the two them they. An abstract of the Dingle workhouse, of the manufacturing that the flat was that the flat was that the only serious question. The flat was that the flat was that the flat was that the

himself, succeeded in establishing a new religion.

Even Joe Smith, in all probability, persuaded himself at last to believe in the gold plates,—or, largely peopled; and its author was Philo. Here is the account :-

in his perplexities; for he went to bed. And dictated by God:there he had a dream—how the foreign god "The human writers became in their eyes the Serapis, of Pontus (somewhere near this present hapless Sinope), appeared to him, and expressed ence, not the disciples of a living and loving his wish to come to Alexandria, and there try person. The book itself was, in their belief, not his influence on the religious sentiment. So in any true sense inspired, but magically dicta-Serapis was sent for, and came—at least, the ted—by what power they could not define. His idol of him—and, accommodating personage! he actually fitted. After he had been there awhile had inspired no nation but their own. But, he was found to be quite an old acquaintance— thought they, if the words were dictated, each Egyptian gods beside-indeed, to be no other if each word had a mysterious value, why not tion. I can tell you no more. I never could find that anything more was known. You may see him among Greek and Roman statues as a heathen, in driving away those evil spirits, or young man with a sort of high basket-shaped evoking those good spirits, who, though seldom mentioned in their early records, had, after was found so pleasant and accommodating a their return from Babylon, begun to form an conscience-keeper, that he spread, with Isis, his important part of the unseen world? For, as (fifty years B.C.) found the pair not too respec-table, and pulled down their temples. But so The Jews learnt to become the jugglers and popular were they, in spite of their bad fame, magic-mongers of the whole Roman world." time forth Isis and Serapis, in spite, poor things, morals.

bleakest northern moor as cheerfully as on the since.

So the result was a failure. than nothing.

In physics they did little from a fault in the "Deductive rather than inductive; of unhas made Britain at once a land of practical whether Jewish, Pagan, or Christian. craftsmen, and of earnest scientific discoverers."

work with these doubts unresolved. Our own the point at which they diverged :idea remains, that Euclid was pure mathematics

Aristarchus, Eratosthenes, Hipparchus, Archimedes, are the other great names of the Alexandrian school. They made discoveries, but not many—and, as Mr. Kingsley believes, from their fault of method. A great man (Hipparchus, for instance, who was the author of the known beauty beaut accept it, "content there to stop their experithe laws of nature is to be obtained.

Next come the Alexandrian litérateurs: "A generation of innumerable court-poets, artificial epigramatists, artificial idyllists, artificial dramatists and epicists—above all, a generation of critics. * * * I must say, as far as we can see, these Alexandrian pedants were thorough pedants—very polished and learned gentlemen, no doubt, and, like Callimachus, the pets of princes; but, after all, men who thought hat they could make up for not writing great works themselves, by shewing, with careful analysis and commentation, how men used to write of old—or, rather, how they fancied men used to write then; for, consider, if they had really known how the thing was done, they must needs have been able to do it themselves ...

times as anything that we could select. Here judge.

"Berenice, the Queen, on Ptolemy's departure to the wars, vowed her beautiful tresses to her favorite goddess, as the price of her husband's of Proclus. safe return; and duly pays her vow. The hair is hung up in the temple: in a day or two afterwards it has vanished. Dire is the wrath of Ptolemy, the consternation of the priests, the dead world, and all its works."

Our author turns, with evident relief, from these artificial court poets and grammarians, Callimachus Apollonius Rhodius, Lycophron, &c., to the one true child of nature amongst them all, Theoritus. There is a very beautiful passage on this sweet singer of Syracuse, which we are sorry our want of space forbids us to

Next come the metaphysicians. Those of the having entirely given up the search for truth, the most of them were become mere wordsplitters; and the only serious question that

world's history in which a man, without belief province. Alexandria produced a native philo-

a least, in himself as a prophet and revelator,—
and got up, in himself, family and partners, a
powerful, if an artificial, enthusiasm. But declining for several centuries. He thinks that The author believes the Jews of that period Ptolemy, according to Mr. Kingsley, both invented a God, and succeeded in making him that God was only the God of Israel, and not of popular, without himself believing in him at all. the other nations of the earth, arose after the return from Babylon. He thinks, also, that in "Ptolemy felt that the people women espe- proportion as this belief strengthened, exactly cially) must have something wherein to believe.

The 'Religious Sentiment' in man must be satisfied. But how to do it? How to find a litter would need the server would need the server where the server was this celler strengthened, exactly in proportion the Jews began to lose all living and practical belief in His guidance of them. He became a being of the past; one who had deity who would meet the aspirations of conquerors as well as conquered, of his most irreligious Macedonians, as well as of his most religious them now. They began to think that aspiration had ceased; they attached an exaggerated value Ptolemy solved it. He seems to have taken the to their old sacred books; they began to believe same method which Brindley the engineer used in their literal inspiration; they thought them

to be, in fact, the Greek Jove, and two or three of them must have some mysterious value. And than the bull Apis, after his death and deifica- each letter? Might not these words, even arnewly-found mother, or wife, over the whole they had lost faith in the one preserver of their East, and even to Rome. The consuls there race, they had filled up the void by a ponderous

hat seven years after, the Triumvirs had to build Their belief in their own exclusive possession he temples up again elsewhere; and from that of God's favor worked also ruinously on their

of much persecution, were the fashionable deities "By looking on themselves as exclusively and of the Roman world. Surely this Ptolemy was a man of genius!"

But Ptolemy saw also that the superiority of Greek power had been caused by the superiority of creek power had been caused by the sup of Greek mind; so he too must have mind to of that eternal right. How could that be? For strengthen his newly founded kingdom. He then the right things the Gentiles seemed to do mported scholars from Greece to educate his would be right and divine; and that supposition imported scholars from Greece to educate his favorite son, in hopes of giving him a mind fit for a ruler; and he encouraged learning, in hopes of raising for himself and his government, men with minds adapted to the duties of able instruments and employees. He invited savans from every place where they were to found; the save of established schools for them to teach in, and ethics which repidly sank into the most petty porticoes and gardens for them to meditate in; and frivolous casuistry as to the outward perhe paid them well for their labor, and collected for their use a larger literary apparatus than the most library apparatus than had ever yet been known in the great library of Alexandria. But the Muses will not be bought. "Alas! the Muses are shy and wild; and sence of moral sense, in their most cultivated though they will haunt like skylarks on the men, than the world has ever beheld before or

sunny hills of Greece, and rise thence singing Yet they still retained the true notion of a into the heaven of heavens, yet they are hard to personal deliverer, although the idea of him and tempt into a gilded cage, however amusingly had among them the old literature of their race -"a literature," says Mr. Kingsley, "destined "This was, it must be said, the outcome of all to explain all other literatures—because it has "This was, it must be said, the outcome of all the Ptolemæan appliances. In physics they did little. In art nothing. In metaphysics less germ or fragment of human truth which is in any of them." From this one eternal root-idea, f a personal deliverer (which is also, if we misgeneral tendency of the Greek mind, which was take not, the cardinal idea of Mr. Kingsley's ectures), proceeded, in the hands of Philo, the rivalled subtlety in obtaining results from prin- regeneration of the Alexandrian philosophy. The ciples, and results again from them ad infinitum; idea of a Logos, the express likeness of God, yet deficient in that sturdy moral patience, which is required for the examination of facts, and which belongs to the wnole Alexandrian philosophy,

We cannot for a moment, attempt to sketch Mr. Kingsley introduces us to Euclid; but he to our readers Mr. Kingsley's view of the corings no flesh, and breathes no life into that old skeleton. We should like to have had a of Alexandria, each of which in a measure decold skeleton. We should like to have had a few ideas of him unconnected with pure mathematics; for at present he is a more complete abstraction than any other name in history. How did Euclid eat, sleep, talk? Had Euclid ther distillation. He traces the several points a wife and children? What sort of a looking of their resemblance, especially the idea which man was he? like other persons?—or were his eyes circles, his mouth an eclipse, and his nose on us, and in us, in relation and correspondence a triangle We pass on from Mr. Kingsley's with the God over all; and he thus describes

"While, then, these two schools had so many system known by the name of Ptolemy) propounded a theory; and the rest were ready to ments, and return to their favorite work of comments, and return to their favorite work of commenting, deducing, spinning notion out of notion, ad infinitum." They had not learnt that induction is the method by which a knowledge of the laws of nature is to be obtained.

They had not learnt that induction is the method by which a knowledge of the laws of nature is to be obtained. God which is in you, and is striving to bring you into harmony with Himself.' There is the experimentum crucis. There is the vast gulf between the Christian and the Heathen schools, which, when any man had overleaped, the whole problem of the universe was from that moment inverted. With Plotinus and his school, man is seeking for God; with Clemens and his, God is seeking for man. With the former God is passive, and man active; with the latter God is active, man is passive—passive, that is, in so far as his business is to listen when he is spoken to, to look at the light which is unveiled to him, submit himself to the inward laws which he feels reproving and checking him at every turn, as Socrates was reproved and checked by his inward Dæmon. Which of these two The curious anecdote of Berenice's hair is theorems gives the higher conception of the perhaps as characteristic of the men and the Divine Being, or of man, I leave it for you to

Neo-Platonism declined in constantly-increasing emptiness and superstition, and at last died a natural death from exhaustion in the hands

The Christian school of Alexandria declined also, and met with violent extinction very little later than the Pagan one. But the Pagan (Mr. scandal to religion; when Conon, the court astronomer, luckily searching the heavens, finds Kingsley holds) declined and perished through the falsehood of its principles; whereas the the missing tresses in an utterly unexpected Christian suffered the same fate by being untrue place—as a new constellation of stars, which to, and deserting its own true principles, which this day bears the title of Coma Berenices. It had been embodied in the philosophy of the first is so convenient to believe the fact, that every Alexandrian Christians. That philosophy was body believes it accordingly; and Callimachus writes an elegy thereon, in which the constellated, or indeed defined tresses, address in most lects, embracing the whole phenomena of humanity and not condition and highly for the control of the cont melodious and highly-finished Greek, bedizened with concetto on concetto, that fair and sacred them, and capable of being understood and aphead whereon they grew, to be shorn from which is so dire a sorrow, that apotheosis itself est to the lowest." Even the Disciplina Areani, which work of the standard of the standard and appreciated by every human being, from the highest to the lowest." Even the Disciplina Areani, which work of the standard and appreciated by every human being, from the highest the standard and appreciated by every human being, from the highest the standard appreciated by every human being, from the highest the standard appreciated by every human being, from the highest the standard appreciated by every human being, from the highest the standard appreciated by every human being, from the highest the standard appreciated by every human being, from the highest the standard appreciated by every human being, from the highest the standard appreciated by every human being, from the highest the standard appreciated by every human being, from the highest the standard appreciated by every human being, from the highest the standard appreciated by every human being, from the highest the standard appreciated by every human being, from the highest the standard appreciated by every human being, from the highest the standard appreciated by every human being, from the highest the standard appreciated by every human being, from the highest the standard appreciated by every human being, from the highest the standard appreciated by every human being appreciated by can hardly reconcile them to the parting. which most of us have been in the habit of Worthy, was not all this, of the descendants of looking upon as a direct introduction of the the men who fought at Marathon and Thermo- aristocratic exclusive spirit of Greek philosophy pylæ? The old Greek civilisation was rotting into Christianity, and a denial of the highest swiftly down; while a fire of God was preparing, showly and dimly, in that unnoticed Italian town of Rome, which was destined to burn up that merely of certain logical deductions from, and illustrations of, those higher truths. nain test of the truth embodied in this philosothy seems to him to have been the real moral mprovement, the real deliverance that it wrought on earth; whereas Neo-Platonism could point to no moral success whatever. It sank, however-partly from the over-subtlety of the Alexandrian min I, which allured it away from practice to speculation; partly from the habits of combativeness and exclusiveness engendered by long years of controversy, destroying candour and love; partly from the idea of the Divine Teacher becoming (through constant speculation upon it) too abstract and too little personal partly, and perhaps chiefly, from the prevalence