

AUGUST 24.

Deaths.

Friday morning, after a protracted illness, bearing patient and faith in the Redeemer, died at 18 years, daughter of the late...

Shipping News.

PORT OF HALIFAX.

ARRIVED: August 16th—R. M. Steamer Canada, Halifax, 37 hours, to Cunard & Co.; brig Vixen, Lanark, 4 days, bound to London...

DEPARTED: August 16th—Packet brig Boston, Liverpool, 15 hours, to Cunard & Co.; brig Vixen, Lanark, 4 days, bound to London...

ARRIVED: August 17th—Schooner Active, Gales, from Yarmouth, N.S.; schooner Wood, from Fort Mearns, P.E.I.

ARRIVED: August 18th—Schooner Active, Gales, from Yarmouth, N.S.; schooner Wood, from Fort Mearns, P.E.I.

ARRIVED: August 19th—Schooner Active, Gales, from Yarmouth, N.S.; schooner Wood, from Fort Mearns, P.E.I.

ARRIVED: August 20th—Schooner Active, Gales, from Yarmouth, N.S.; schooner Wood, from Fort Mearns, P.E.I.

ARRIVED: August 21st—Schooner Active, Gales, from Yarmouth, N.S.; schooner Wood, from Fort Mearns, P.E.I.

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Poetry.

The Melody of Flowers.

There is a melody in flowers That soothes the mind to rest, Soft as the fall of dewy showers Upon the skylark's nest...

Christian Miscellany.

We need a better acquaintance with the thoughts and feelings of pure and lofty minds.—Dr. Sharp.

Methodism in New England.

Methodism came with the voice of reformation against some of the principal doctrines of the Puritan church, which it deemed derogatory to the gospel, and of dangerous practical consequence.

It is evident that the author of the work from which we quote is not himself exempt from similar objections to Arminianism.

works of Arminius can the doctrine of salvation by works be fairly deduced. It was a leading proposition of his system, that salvation is by faith; and that "true faith cannot proceed from the exercise of our natural faculties and powers, nor from the force and operation of free will."

Methodism attempted the correction of these misapprehensions, and the attempt has not been unsuccessful. Prejudice has yielded to better information. The Calvinists of New England have seen that men can believe themselves sincere, and acknowledge the full merit of the atonement, without receiving the "horrible decretum."

Further: the entrance of Methodism into New England was eminently providential, in another regard. The rigid theology of her old churches was rapidly producing that disastrous reaction which has attended it in every other land.

It is well known that all the Puritan churches of Boston became infected with Socinianism, until only one (the old South) still maintained a dubious acknowledgment of the Geneva faith.

Be earnest. It is the natural language of deep sincerity and strong conviction. It commends both the labourer and his cause to the confidence and sympathy of others.

Be earnest. The world is growing more and more so; at least its outward bustle and gilded activity make it appear so, and render all but earnest labour quite inefficient.

The dreamy life of the cloister is passing away. Men are becoming impatient of metaphysics and abstract philosophy. Without saying that we should cater to this prejudice against calm consecutive reflection, we do say that in order to effect much for human good a man must make himself seen and heard and felt—through the earnestness which he shall display.

Be earnest. All whom the world blesses as benefactors have been so. This was one secret of their great and glorious lives, of their mourned departures, and of their embalmed memory.

Self-conservation. Offer yourself to God for life or death, for ease or pain, for strength or weakness. Let him choose or refuse for you: only do you choose him for your present and eternal portion.

Anecdote of John Fletcher.

A young minister of the Wesleyan Church in England, received his first appointment to the circuit including the town of Madeley, at that time favoured with the ministerial labours of Rev. John Fletcher; he was directed on reaching Madeley to inquire for Mr. F.'s residence, where he would meet with a welcome reception.