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Religious Misrellany.

For the Provincial Wesleyan. "Now Dark" BY MARY E. HERBERT And it was now dark and Jesus was not com-

" Now dark ;" the black and yawning waves, Leaped high their bark to overwhelm; The tempest wildly round them roared, But Jesus stood not at the helm. " Now dark :" for weary, weary hours,

With patient skill they plied the oar,-But spent their strength, and vain their power, They could not reach the distant shore. " Now dark :" the faintest beam of dawn,

Is hailed not by the straining sight; Hope shrinks appalled, and gloomy fears Eclipse the blackness of the night! " Now dark ;" the Master still delays, All would be well if he were near,

Those raging seas without his care! " Now dark :" afar upon the shore, Hears he, or heeds their helpless cry, Doth he behold them tempest tossed.

How could he send them forth to brave

Already "at the point to die?" Slow and serene a form appears; What terror chills each fainting heart, While bitter cries express their fears

But lo, the tones of matchless love. What scraph's accents can compare, " 'Tis I, thy Master, Teacher, Friend, Be not afraid, be of good cheer,"

At thy command, on life's rough sea, We launch our bark, and tempest tossed, In our distress apply to thee.

Though not one ray of earthly hope, Shed light upon the hour of woe, Grant that our faith may never fail, But stronger in the tempest grow.

Then shall the darkest hour but yield, Best proof of our unwearied care,

open, she was as well furnished with general in-formation as girls of her age who had spent all "" I can say no more, father," were the words, Observer. tentive demeanor, and heard her say just the no less."

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years old. The trial seemed at first greater than her sensitive nature could bear. It was quite an Unfolding the napkin in which their memories

they set themselves bravely to making their one and heart on these forlorn girls. She saw them often alone, and gave them more assistance than prove?"

and soon learned where she stood. She found light of heaven. The gospel within a gospel, the Christ. story of the prodigal son, encouraged the timid her and for her, until Christ upon the tree be-

succeeded to darkness, fear, and despondency. The oldest daughter in a large family was thus brought near to Christ, and made ready to follow whithersoover he should lead. Earnest desires Tor the salvation of her father's household filled her soul. Happiness such as the world can never which has least of studied ornsment, which least lgive nor take away, gave her courage. Her of all gives way to rhapsody. There are thou

father's business took him away from home for learn "trades. In their absence she gathered strength to say to her mother :

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ty of good was done there is no part from going forth to God. Touched by the Holy man and maiden thus honored Christ before the watering" while God gives the increase. A temagents." Spirit, she listened to the truth, read her Bible families in which they had their births and their porary applause does not constitute success. The at home, and tried to pray for herself in her literation. Sometimes she ventured to hope that knelt with Ellen around the mercy-seat are men attitute success. Vividness and graphic power of she had been born again, but still she was perplexed, uncertain, and not happy in view of her all move in the best circles of society. Five of ventures to God. She was without any relations to God. She was without any free toom with believers, enjoying neither communication with believers, enjoying neither religion nor the world, and was in doubt whether religion for the world, and was in doubt whether religion for the world, and was in doubt whether religion for the world, and was in doubt whether religion for the world, and was in doubt whether religion makes. Those young and tender slips who admiration or emotion of thousands dees not considers. The present sanction of the same and graphic power of the confidence with search of their own. They will be a damiration or emotion of thousands dees not consider. The present sanction of the same stitute success. Vividness and graphic power of the confidence with will be found some interesting statements in religion for the world, and was in doubt whether religion for the world, and was in doubt whether religion for the world, and was in doubt whether religion for the world, and was in doubt whether religion for the world, and was in doubt whether religion for the world, and was in doubt whether religion for the world, and was in doubt whether religion for the world of the same covenant into which their else sites and they will be a doubt whether soon comes alight expectorisation, pield a richer haves. And this duty will be a damiration or emotion of thousands dees not considers. The present sanction of the confidence with mode of draw a pieture should applied to the confidence with will be found some interesting and considerable exertion, with a splant of the confidence with will be found some interesting and considerable exertion, with a splant of the confidence with which he c at home, and tried to pray for herself in her lit- homes. Those young and tender slips who admiration or emotion of thousands does not con-

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their years in the school-room. No one who met than the apostle, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus her in company, and saw her quiet, modest, at Christ and thou shalt be saved;' and I can say

right thing when she spoke at all, would have Her father believed, and he has been spared tion table, or could not write a short letter with- commandments and ordinances of the Lord before us.

The Heavenly Baptism.

"The heavenly baptism!" If the expression i in a similar condition. A common suffering a profound significance. The heavenly baptism wisely encouraged one another to hold on, saying It is that spirit wrought consecration and activity, one to the other, "We shall never be younger; that divine grace pervading his soul which gives to her words a penetrating force, a Pentecostal and understandings had been so long hidden, highest or in the humblest—in the imaginative or the prosaic, in connection with genius, or it not too old to learn. The teacher kept her eye figure as that of the mathematician who read the Paradise Lost, and asked, "What does it

The principal teacher in the school was a sin- have been men who seemed utterly lacking in cere Christian lady, who tried to lead her sch lars poetic temperament. They have been matter-of-in the path to heavenly virtue as well as earthly fact men. Their sermons were not even sprinkscience. She gained access to the heart of Ellen led with metaphor. They presented truth in its that her young friend was imprisoned in Doubt- We can recall many of this stamp, laborious, zealsimplest, perhaps we might say, its bluntest form. ing Castle, and had lost the key to its huge and ous, unassuming, unrecognized in the peerage combrous gate. The teacher held up the lamp of superior intellect; neither a Chrysostom, of divine truth, until the dark galleries were so Whitefield, nor a Payson, but whose lives have illuminated that Ellen found the key, unbolted been crowned with a rare usefulness, and who the prison gate, and walked forth into the clear have been blessed to lead many to the Cross of

We thank God for such men. We rejoice heart to approach the blessed God, and rest in that his "treasure has been committed" to such his unwavering love. The teacher prayed with "earthen vessels," that it might be seen that the power which wrought the result was of God came the accepted righteousness and justification and not of man. The channel through which the of her young friend, and love, peace, and hope truth was conveyed, was seen to be subordinate to the truth itself. The message was seen to be independent of poetic phrasology or expression. God was magnified and man was humbled. The most effective preaching is oftenest tha

sands who yet remember the pointed appeals of weeks and months together. Her two brothers, Nettleton: we doubt whether one among them next younger than berself, had gone away to all can recall a single postic beauty in all his discourses. William Nevins, of Baltimore, is said to have begun his ministry in the use of a flowery attle, rich in rhetoric and imagery. Thousands our house. The prophet calls upon God to pour admired the popular preacher. But his posthum this one portion of Ireland an ingrease of 44 out his fary on the families that call not on his ous sermons show how thoroughly he bared the congregations, 20 churches and 24 clergymen. name. I am afraid ours is such a one. I would sword of the Spirit of mere poetic trappings-

sense, but often indicates it. Keeping her ears only way in which a sinful man can be just with more danger of mistaking the magnetism of poetic sympathy for the heavenly baptism .- N. Y.

never be renounced and never forgiven. In the interested myself in trying to comfort the sick a few feet more now a few inches only, and it usual, has not injured them that they eve strengthen; one choice of the wrong enfection speaking of the Gospel to those who were present, engineer is beside himself. It is a fearful mo-fally, and he may go out freely in rain, elect, virtue and leaves the moral defences weakinged. The priest had made the shopkeeper promise to ment. But hask! a cry. An English sailor show, and wind. Ignorance of this fact has all-the temptation which prevails to-days defences But this offended them, and almost all the poor the divadful bull, shouts aloud, "We the ropes." are gone. It is dangerous to triffs with the people at once offered me their houses, and urg. That lawiese order was instantly obeyed. Water power of choice. To choose is a necessity—ed me to come and teach them, expressing a great was standed upon the cables. At once they were how, is in your own hands. Will you not choose interest in the truths of which I had spoken all strong and cant again, and soon the column, life? Is there anything levely in death? Is have given some time also to the instruction of which threatened to emake the crowd below, was there enything desirable in separation from God? young soldiers, who having little experience, are firmly fastioned in its place. Who was the here Is there mything foyal in watch? Will you in a perilous condition. Some of them hear me, of that hour, the Italian engineer or the English Neither warp not woof is cloth, but they are the act choose life? The opportunity will soon be kindly, and are not indifferent to the gailer for And to what does from over the constituting parts of cloth, and composes all there gone. It invites you with sweet voice and points Saviour, while others appear to have no faith in by obelieft in Sto Peter's square; to the costly is of it. So the habits are not character until they to golden blessings. It is for you, O reader, to God or religion. I have for some time visited a and complicated shbisting apparatus, or the have become fixed and permanent. All persistent decide. The decisions of the judgment day are family, the mother of which is converted, and at simples water that turned palpable failure into habits go to make up character, and character foreshadowed in the choice you are now making.

Beligions Intelligence.

- N. W. Adnocate.

land a trade We take a few extracts from statements mad t the meeting of the "West Connaught Church

Endowment Society." Missionary work has shown its fruit most pr minently in Western Connaught, a region extending 100 miles along the Atlantic Ocean, in cluding a great number of islands, and reaching from 20 to 30 miles inland from the coast. Here the fatal avatem of withholding religious struction and worship in their pative language from the people for so long a time led to their alienation from reformed truth, so that the Bishop of Tuam found only 13 church congregations in that vast and important district in the venr 1837, and there were then only seven the last 25 years, 13 congregations have become 57; 7 churches have run to 27; in place of 1

Officers of the Government say try and conduct our devotions, if you were willing, and thought it was best for us to try."

What could the mother say? A tear stood in the Spirit of the Spirit of the Spirit of the Spirit of the Government say at that unwilling to interpose even a leaf or a flower between they found a straight forward, honest tween its point and the guilty heart, and his successing the spirit of the Government say at that the whole of the Government say at the spirit of the Government say at that the spirit of the Government say at the spirit of the spirit of the Government say at the spirit of the spirit of the spirit of the Government say

ed more labor than any maid-servant in the village; and the beauty of it was that she did all their requests to him every evening. He was cheerfully and gracefully, just as if it was nothing their darling, and they could have denied worth mentioning. Her dress was always becoming, her manners cultivated, and her appears ance respectable.

Almost every Sabbath Ellen was able to attach on the word of truth, and once or twice a in the house."

et in the service of the truth. But let no one the first truth. B Almost every Sabbath Energy Mass and every where welcome. But to introduce tend on the word of truth, and once or twice a in the house."

with which he can thrill the mind of the hearer with sublime thoughts, or melt it by affect work which was going on under the suspices of two families were household altars in two families were household altars.

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Observer.

The Life Choice.

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The visits which I have made this month, I will rest alone on me; while, if they are right, brief allusion.

The visits which I have made this month, I will rest alone on me; while, if they are right, brief allusion. out mistakes in the orthography. commandments and ordinances of the Lord which shall be our portion. Not only may we king its way among those who, till now, have by the masters of assemblies. Ellen's father was a sensible, energetic man, sustain his minister, to assist in the prayer-meet-When he waked to a sense of the fact that she ing, and to give his hand to every work calcu-

love of our Divine Master; in meditating on his tears. She wets the ropes, and the work is done." more and more how these meetings strengthen man's?

give pance and prosperity to the country, and in gentle, foring ministries in those that are gold, level over those who assume appropriate cover, it with Ha beavenly blessings. In this work with and repaid with and degradation. The his work while he should eache all represented by and repaid with addingradation and wanty, it should well consider the reply of the reput of this work with and regradation and wanty, it should well consider the reply of the reput of the reply of the rep olporteur, in which appears the evidence both and the woman who aspires to political influence; the venerable Pickering to the correction of the of faithfulness and success in his labours. Therefor even ecleritife emissions, descends from her who was freeling that mind to frim in reference. are many fields in Italy where such labours usight apprictual pre-eminence. churches and 11 clergymen; but here, during be bestowed if the labourers could be founding. While a helper, however, she is not enfording.

Christian World.

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Wetting the Ropes.

future the motives to right can never be made and the willoud, to whom the words of Christ are will be set, to stand for ages. But suddenly it breath more freely than on pleasant days. allevistion when she found one of her own age in a similar condition. A common suffering a profound applicance. The heavenly baptism! If the expression is stronger than now. The arguments for the often the means of consolation and strength vtops. The strain upon the ropes has been great-course, I tell them, if the body is well protected them one moist the more moi than they are in the Bible. The voice of law to small assemblies of poor people, many of refuse to carry the mans any father may, even lungs. There is no possible weather which can never be more authoritative and majoritic whom gladly receive the word of truth, I had a to hakk it where it is. It sways with threatening excuse the consumptive for keeping in doors. On the other hand, the power of sin will proof of their regard in the shop where I was motion. The crowd is paralyzed with awe; the Give him sufficient clothing, protect his feet care-

tends our meetings, but the husband has not been, success f. So in many a more enterprise; in many disalysed is found to be formed wholly of habits; decided for the truth. Lately he has felt the ner a great movement for social reformation. Man and as nothing can be of more importance to a cessity of believing in Christ, and following him constructs his machinary. He is the planning, moral being than character, an infinite imporin the ways of truth. He has confessed to me skillful engineer. Man sets his machinery in tance attaches to our habits. With there we are the need which be felt in his heart of loying and motion. He is the strong worker. But some weaving the web of Rice And as the chan work following Him who died on the gross for his sel-, thing is wanting. After all that gentus and power of a minister is to aid others in forming characvation; and has assured me of his decision to have done, a failure is familiared? Then woman ter, and the most powerful influence which he connect himself with the Evangelical church. In comes with her gestle influence, with her simple can leaver is that of example, how important is it. our little meetings we are united in the faith and heart-power, with the might and beauty of her that are own habits should be unexestitionable.

our hearts; and it is to me a pleasant thought, a Woman is not made to shine merely, or to shaven, unknown, slowehing, slipshod and shabby that many of those who unite with usean, by the flutter unit be educated, to smile and be served. may gain the applease of some is. ".one that help of Gud, do much good, among the people, Nonth the made to be man's rival in the more has well bit of pride, but he will thereby satisfies and In our meetings me often, pray the God of all conspicuous duties and in the purely intellectual his influence over outers whose approbation had grass for the people of America, that he would pursuits of the. Her beauty and her glory are more to be covered, and have less influence for

to the personal nearness which he always practissevant discounted while a helper, however, she is not embordin- ed any good water, there is no religion in a sevant discounter. She may seem so to carnal eyes. She may discount and such returns to maintain and the country discounter the return of the return of the country discounter the return of the retur lament that she is so, when she looks at herself, from the worker low standard of judgment; but the many stands of controlling power, and at the to those whose which is cleared by the Boly the more time the controlling power, and at the Boly and whose which are the more time the controlling power, and at the Bolog, and it was a grant to the same time the controlling power, and at the Bolog, and it was a grant to the same time the controlling power, and at the "mattires" which she co-operates with and serves

communication with believers, enjoying neither religion nor the world, and was in doubt whether to class herself with God's people or with the impenient.

Ellen was naturally apt at a book, and she learned to read slowly. Her mother, could so ill space were cheered in the dark valley by the words and prayers of their beloved son. In due time, this young couple joined hands spare her from household duties, that she had she with from the present statements were made by the "general agent" of the B. B. S. respecting the evening followed by a slight feyer, with beat of the principal was summer, and amongst them still now the activation of the B. B. S. respecting the evening followed by a slight feyer, with beat of the principal was summer, and amongst them still now in the substitution of the B. B. S. respecting the evening followed by a slight feyer, with the country of the Britian Bible Society, some interesting decreases an asserting place, were cheered in the dark valley by the words and prayers of their beavening followed by a slight feyer, with the country in th

Whatever opinions may be entertained with tions. reference to the use of flesh diet for mankind in | Some of us have habits which are constitu-When he waked to a sense of the fact that she ing, and to give his hand to every work calculated to edify the Church and convert the desting the sun of His hely Word desting the sun of His hely Word desting the manners without acquire culated to edify the Church and convert the desting the sun of His hely Word desting the manners which covers Italy. I have sun of the desting the sun of His hely word desting the manners which covers Italy. I have sun of the desting the sun of His hely word desting the manners which covers Italy. I have sun of His hely word desting the maker of decreases which might be easily avoid desting the maker of decreases which might be easily avoid desting the sun of His hely word.

Ministerial.

Clerical Habits.

Habite are the warn and woof of character. He should be in person a type of the inward holy Word, we have found comfort; and I see its not her part as important and no noble as purity, which it is his mission to promote. Arts

In his family he should be like the sun in the

We wometimes benoth the latirentable anecthe Correct was above his disciples when he washed tools off one who is not to refer the church of Ood,

torily performed by the majority of those who are truly called of God to the office and work of We extract the following from Dio Lewis new, the ministry. It is not so difficult to cultivate a susvity and affability which will make one alspottess maidens, you will only smut yourselves. which hurries the breathing, and not unfrequent of the work of a minister more important, and which hurries the breathing, and not unfrequent of the work of a minister more important, and.

There is another thing which girls and their mo-

have been made, for the most part, to those who speech towards you, because great is my glory had an honest desire to know more of the preing of you. My opinions may be rustic. They are at least honest; and may it not be that the cious truths of the Gespel, as a constitute a large at least honest; and may it not be that the Bible Society has now twenty-nine first fresh expressions of an unprejudiced obcolporteurs in Italy; all other agencies probably acrver are as likely to be natural and correct most interesting chapter in medical science. No are rendered doubly if not tanfold more output

shought hert to pass over the subject with this infallible guessed the place where they were eduness to that of the presidents of those institu-

general, I think there can be no serious argu- tional, and while they are regarded by others as