

poor laborious, healthful man, hath a fresh appetite daily also." It is to the Bible, what the moon is to the sun, softly and beautifully reflecting on its every page, "the light of the knowledge of the glory of God shining to us in the face of Jesus Christ." Who that appreciates as he ought this volume, can doubt that the illustrious characters engaged in its compilation were directed and assisted in no small degree by God's Holy Spirit? It is the work of those who were taught of Him,—experienced Christians,—men whose religion was no nominal profession, no mere prejudice of education, no cheap compliance with fashion. Earth and hell were leagued together against them; under the trying circumstances of those perilous times they wanted the supporting principles of eternal truth. And they found them; they found them in the gospel of Jesus; in the same doctrines and documents which they have handed down to us; alike available in honour and dishonour, at the court or the stake, in life and in death, under the smiles of royalty or the sword of bigotry. Having proved their value themselves, they felt a deep interest, in recommending and transmitting them to others—we rejoice that they have reached our times; and pray God they may be preserved and prized by our children, and our children's children, till the dawn of that happy day when we shall need no article to define, no homily to explain, no liturgy to shape our worship; when all sects, and distinctions, and denominations, and parties, shall merge in one name, and be animated by one spirit! It was the hope of this that supported our "noble army of martyrs" amidst the fires of Smithfield: with the faggot blazing before his eyes which was to light his own funeral pile, the honest and intrepid Latimer exclaimed, "Be of good cheer, Master Ridley, and play the man; by God's grace, we shall this day light such a candle in England, as I trust shall never be put out." That candle has since endured many a blast, and at some seasons has been apparently almost extinct: but by God's mercy, the prediction of the dying saint has been thus far accomplished: it has never been put out, but gives a clear and steady flame at this our day. The Church of England has stood, unmoved against all the assaults of open foes or treacherous adherents; at times, "perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed;" her strength and security always found in an unseen but omnipotent arm, which has ever discomfited her enemies, and rolled back the most tumultuous tide of her assailants.

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YOUTH'S DEPARTMENT.

DEATH OF A PIOUS INDIAN GIRL.

Marie Louise Powell.—We announced, in our last, the death of this interesting Indian Girl. The following are some of the leading facts of her life: and those who have cherished a deep concern for the red people of our wilds will be glad to find that there is an encouragement in that department of Christian philanthropy which proposes to set them free from the doubts, fears, and superstitions of paganism. The father of Marie was a native of the United States, a fur trader, and, like too many of that genus, a man without religious principles or feelings, if report, an often slander, has not abused him.—Like others, in the same wild adventure of getting the skins of the otter, the beaver, and the bear, he found a wife in the Chippeway nation; and, as we are well assured, in this adopted a prevalent custom of the traders, of getting a wife at every station.—Pause here, good reader, and reflect upon what we are doing for the heathen, when our own people go out to the wilderness to poison and corrupt the ignorant savages.

Marie was the child of a marriage of this sort.—Her mother was a nominal Roman Catholic, and

had about her person the rosary, &c.; but, from what we have often heard, know no more of the transferring power of God's grace, than Nicodemus. At an early day Marie was baptized; and, in 1831, entered the Mission School at Green Bay, then a very valuable station of our Church, but now, as we are driving the Indians off the "west end of the log," to be abandoned as a school for the heathen. * * * Marie became a very interesting scholar, and all who knew her bore testimony to her worth. She had excellent talents and tempers, renounced the Romish faith, and was confirmed by Bishop McCroskey. Under the advice and care of that faithful missionary, the Rev. Henry Gregory, who, like Caddle, has shown most entire devotion to the cause of the Indians, she came, some time last year, to Homer, in this State, where in the family of Mr. Gregory, and in that quarter, she was anxious to acquire a full knowledge of those female employments and duties which would enable her to return to her own people and carry with her as well the instructions of civilized life, as of the Gospel of her Lord and Saviour. She contracted disease, and a hasty consumption has ended her days. She died in fulness of the Faith of the Gospel, with entire devotion.—The Holy Communion was administered to her a few days before her death, by the Rev. A. G. Baldwin, and all who witnessed her end verily saw and believed that she was indeed a Christian.—*Gos. Mess.*

ADVICE TO THE YOUNG.

"Wherewithall shall a young man cleanse his way?"—Psalm, 119.

1. I presume you desire to be happy here and hereafter. You know there are a thousand difficulties which attend the pursuit; some of them perhaps, you foresee; but there are multitudes which you could never think of. Never trust, therefore, to your own understanding in things of this world, where you can have the advice of a wise and faithful friend; nor dare venture the more important concerns of your soul, and your eternal interests in the world to come, upon the mere light of nature, and the dictates of your own reason; since the word of God, and the advice of heaven, lie in your hands. Vain and thoughtless indeed, are those children of pride, who choose to turn heathens in the midst of Great Britain; who live upon the mere religion of nature and their own stock, when they have been trained up among all the superior advantages of Christianity, and the blessings of Divine Revelation and Grace.

2. Whatsoever your circumstances may be in this world, still value your Bible as your best treasure: and whatsoever be your employment here, still look upon religion as your best business. Your Bible contains eternal life in it, and all the riches of the upper world: and religion is the only way to become a possessor of them.

3. To direct your carriage towards God converse particularly with the book of Psalms:—David was a man of sincere and eminent devotion. To behave right among men, acquaint yourselves with the whole book of Proverbs:—Solomon was a man of great experience and wisdom. And to perfect your directions in both these, read the Gospels and Epistles: you will find the best of rules and the best of examples there, and those more immediately suited to the christian life.

4. As a man, maintain strict temperance and sobriety, by a wise government of your appetites and passions.—As a neighbor, influence and engage all around you to be your friends, by a temper and carriage made up of prudence and goodness: and bestow your charity upon the poor and needy, according as your circumstances will admit. As a trader, keep that golden sentence of our Saviour's before you,—"Whatsoever you would that men should do unto you, do you also unto them."

5. While you make the precepts of scripture the constant rule of your duty you may with courage rest upon the promises of Scripture as the springs of your encouragement. All divine assistances and divine recompences are contained in them. The Spirit of light and grace is promised to assist them that ask it. Heaven and glory are promised to reward the faithful and the obedient.—*Selected.*

DISTRIBUTION OF THE PRAYER BOOK IN ENGLAND.

These venerable institutions of the Church of England, the Society for promoting Christian Knowledge, and the London Prayer Book and Holy Society, are still widely circulating the formularies of our common faith and worship. The issue of Prayer Books by the former during the past year, amounted to 191,723, and by the latter, to 156. This is but a part of what is actually done by the noble Church in this good work; the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Countries, and other institutions, contributing largely to the same purpose.

REMEMBER THE COMPILERS OF YOUR PRAYER BOOKS.

We never forget the debt of gratitude we owe those great and sainted men who in the invaluable Liturgy compiled have left so noble a monument of the piety and wisdom of that age, and so rich a supply for the spiritual wants of us their posterity. It has stood the test of time, and still preserves its purity unblemished, its lustre undimmed, and its flavour unimpaired by the varying gusts of public feeling, of religious taste and opinion, or by the searching blasts from adversaries of every opinion and every formidable name. Adapted to the wants and conditions of men; spiritual, intelligible, and scriptural;—it instructs and aids us, in an eminent degree, to pray with the spirit and with the understanding.