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From " The Christian Treasury." Who are These, and whence came They?

Not from Jerusalem alone To heaven the path ascends As near, as sure, as straight the way. That leads to the celestial day, From farthest realms extends; Frigid or torrid zone.

What matters how or whence we start One is the crown to all; One is the hard but glorious race, Whatever be our starting-place; Rings round the earth the cal That says, Arise, depart !

From the balm-breathing, sun-loved isles Of the bright Southern Sea, From the dead North's cloud-shad We gather to our gladsome goal-

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Our common home in Thee, City of sun and smiles ! The cold, rough billow hinders none Nor helps the calm, fair main; The brown rock of Norwegian gloom,

The verdure of Tahitian bloom,

Or peaks of Lebanon. As from the green lands of the vine So from the snow-wastes pale We find the ever-open road To the dear city of our God : From Russian steppe, or Burman vale, Or terraced Palestine.

The sands of Mizraim's plain,

Not from the swift Jordan's srcred stream Alone we mount above; Indus or Danube, Thames or Rhone, Rivers unsainted and unknown; From each the home of love

Beckons with heavenly beam. Not from gray Olivet alone We see the gates of light From Morven's heath or Jungfrau's snow We welcome the descending glow Of pearl and chrysolite. And the unsetting sun.

Not from Jerusalem alone The Church ascends to God: Strangers of every tongue and clime, Pilgrims of every land and time, Throng the well-trodden road That leads up to the throne.

Christ's Imperishable Words.

One day, a young Galilean carpenter, followed by a few lake-shore fishermen, entered the Temple at Jerusalem, as a company of our countrymen, from any rural district, on any day, enters this Capitol. Soon after, as they left the Temple, some of the young man's friends invited his attention to certain fine ornaments and massive stones, characteristic of the general and incomparable richness and strength of the buildings. But he replied to them: " See ye not all these things! Verily I say unto you, there shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall no be thrown down.'

What did they think of that? What would we think of a rustic visitor, who should leave this Capitol, saying to his companions -and in a manner implying imminency of

Strange as it may seem, that Galilean group had no little confidence in their leader ; ing, with infinite ease, to an infinitely-subtion of all. But, to me, that olden glory is only as the fading pageant of a summer sunset. Look away from the city, beyond and above it. Behold the mountains round about it! Behold the firmanent bending over it! that my words are mightier and more en- troubled .- Wonders of Redeeming Love. during than all. Not only shall Jerusalem pass away, but heaven and earth shall pass away; and yet, my feeblest word, the faint est sound of my voice, the gentlest breath from my lips, shall never pass away.

Did they believe him? Yes; and with people," who "heard him gladly," grew wiser than the wisest of their teachers. At his word, the hierarchs of genius and learning, of law and religion, blushed and trembled, darkening with rage or paling with affright. At his word, his humble disciples were qualified and commissioned to supersede "the wisdom of the world," and become themselves the apostles of nations and instructors of mankind. Athis word, every

multitudes of the living True, their faith was sorely tried; ch efly when their youthful leader expired on the cross. But, he soon rose from the dead, ascended into heaven, and thence "gave gifts onto men." Thus, their faith was renewed and confirmed, forever. Then they repeated and recorded his words; committing them, in trust, to all nations and ages. In fulfilment of the prediction specially referred to, before that generation passed away the Temple was destroyed and Jerusalem with it; and the people were scattered and their institutions overthrown. The carcass of Judaism lay stretched along the hill-side, and from the whole cope of heaven the eagles of Rome hurried to the festival. Since then, the words of that young man have become the law of the world; and miracles. corresponding with those of his transient ministry, have been multiplied on a larger scale and in more enduring relations. At his word, deaf nations have listened; and dumb nations, spoken; and blind nations, looked; and lame nations, leaped; and paralytic nations have been strengthened; and leprous nations, cleansed; and maimed nations, made whole; and withered nations, restored; and sick nations revived; and lunatic nations, calmed; and demoniac nations, dispossessed; and dead nations, brought forth, exultant, from their graves. Even these miracles are "as nothing—less than nothing, and vanity," in comparison with others which are yet to come : miracles in behalf of all nations, and of our whole race, and of the world itself. And still, with the same easy, natural, infinite sublimity as at first, he assures us all. " Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away."

Now, therefore, rises the all-important question: Do we believe him? We live more than eighteen hundred years after his advent. We live in a new world; unknown than four hundred years ago. A new soil is under our feet and a new sky over our the Union, and of the United States in whole, and thus, with lifted hand, repeat our solemn national affirmation-our official and perpetual proclamation to all mankind—that heaven and earth shall pass away, but the words of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ shall not pass away !- T. H. Stockton, in the Hall the House of Representatives, March 18,

Strength in Weakness.

When I am weak, then am I strong."-2 Cor. xii. 10. Such is the experience of every child of tract :the event-not one stone of it shall be left God-weak in himself, but strong in the Lord, unstable as water, and unable to excel, yet able to do all things through Jesus Christ who strengthens him. And let the and, therefore, when they had come with earnest soul rejoice that it is not our strength him, out from the city, down the hill, over that Jehovah requires, for our strength is his Kedron, and up Olivet, till they reached a rival. It is our weakness, and that is his suitable position for a wide resurvey of the glorifier: His strength is made perfect therescene, no sconer was he seated than they drew near to him with the question: "Tell us when shall these things be?" What then? What then? Did he withdraw what world. Is that believer compassed about he had said, or make light of it, or intimate with sorrow? Is the heart sinking within any possibility of mistake? Not at all. him, under some pressing or some dreaded Rather, he gave them a prolonged and specific answer; in the course of which, ascend-burden and its frequent friendlessness? Is limer assumption, he did not hesitate to it the crushing burden of sin? Is it coming declare, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, death, and after death the judgment? What but my words shall not pass away!" It is ever it may be, the believer's strength is as though he had said—There reposes the found in clinging to the right arm of the Holy City; girt about with all the defences Redeemer's righteousness. He should cast of art and nature; and glittering all over his burdea on the Lord, who can bear the with the concentrate wealth, and power, and weakest up under the pressure of six troupride of a great nation, during a long succession of royal and priestly ages. There why Paul glorified in infirmities; thus that expands, pre-eminently and most impressive- we feel we are made more than conquerors, ly, the peerless magnificence of the venerated and thus that we learn to admire the lovingand impregnable Temple. To you, it seems kindness of the Lord in upholding the weak, marvellous that I should predict the destruc- investing them with his own omnipotence as like a spark in the ocean. And O do not and they are nothing more." a shield, or defending them from extinction forget the mysterious might of the Saviour's weakness, who conquered death, and triumphed over the grave, while they seemed Nay, let your thought exceed your vision. to rush on to destroy him. It was by sub-Nay, let your thought exceed your vision. To rusu on to destroy nime. It was by sub-Think of the fullness of heaven and earth; mission that he vanquished, and in his Sabbath in Paris is true of all Catholic com-to prosecute their home mission labours Think of the fullness of heaven and earth; mission that ne vanquisned, and in his according to prosecute their home mission labours af continents, islands, and seas; of sun, moon strength the worm Jacob will do the same. and stars; of the givine origin, grandeur, I my strength is to sit still. Do still and communities of continental Euler Rev. Mr. Dill, one of the members of the well of these things, and then remember of strength to the weak, and of peace to the rope.

The Sabbath. The Sabbath is the loveliest, brightest day of the week, to a spiritual mind. These good reason. They witnessed, to a great thing but turmoil in the creature. Should extent, the power of his words. Attracted not this day be welcome to the soul, that sets by those words, cities were emptied and deserts filled. At his word, the "common other days to attend to the business of its servant, the body? And these are a certain pledge to it of that expected freedom when t shall enter on an eternal Sabbath and rest in Him forever who is the only rest of the soul.-Leighton.

Praver.

Prayer is the application of want to Him scene of his presence became a circle of divine enchantment; where deaf men listened, and dumb men spoke, and blind men looked, and lame men leaped, and the paralytic stood still, and the leper was clean, and the maimed made whole, and the withered restored, and the withered restored restored restored and the withered restored re God sees us brot where light and the dead, just risen from their tombs, exchanged new greetings with the pressing to the ear of mercy."—Hannah More.

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A Beautiful Sentiment.

Clasp the hands meekly over the still shed; part the damp locks—there's no more pain to bear. Closed is the ear alike to

Oh, if in that stilled heart you have rutheye you have ruthlessly turned away; if your loving and kindly word and clasping hand have come all too late—then God for-give you! No frown gathers on the marble brow as you gaze; no scorn curls the chiseled lips; no flush of wounded feelings mounts to the blue-veined temples.

God forgive you! for your feet, too, must shrink appalled from death's cold river; your faltering tongue ask, " Can this be death?" your fading eyes linger lovingly on the sunpy earth, your clammy hands yield their last Schemes and Hopes of High feeble flutter.

Oh, rapacious grave! yet another victim for thy voiceless sleepers! No warm welof pleasure from the dear maternal bosom!

Oh, if these broken links were never gagling bark there were no port of peacebow of promise-

"Alas for love, if this be all, And nought beyond, oh earth."

Unhonored Heroes When I see a man holding faster his rightness in proportion as it is assailed; for-tifying his religious trust in proportion as Providence is obscure; hoping in the ultito the old, in which he lived, till within less mate triumphs of virtue more surely in proportion to its present afflictions; cherishing philanthropy amidst the discouraging experi heads. We show, on a vast area, free and ence of men's unkindness and unthankfulunembarrassed, the best results of a thou- ness; extending to others a sympathy which sand social revolutions. To us, the most of his own sufferings need, but cannot obtain; the old things of the old world have passed growing milder and gentler amidst what away; old governments, old mythologies, tends to exasperate and harden; and, thro' ld philosophies, old sciences, old arts, and inward principle, converting the very inciteold manners, customs, and usages. To us, ments to evil into the occasions of a virtue; nearly all things have become new. But, I see an explanation, and a noble explanahave the old words of that young Nazarene tion, of the present state. I see a good propassed away from us? Or, has any new duced, so transcendent in its nature as to Not in the slightest degree! His authority it grows up. I should think the formation

Religious Intelligence

Berlin on Sunday.

From a letter in Zion's Herald, written from Berlin under date August 6th, we ex-

index to the religious belief, if not to the rediscover no Sabbath. The stores were open, towards the close of Sunday. The Agricultural Exhibition was opened under the direction of government on Sunday, the public buildings and gardens were especially patrowith pleasure-seekers.

In the Catholic Churches the services whenever I attended were an excellent substitute for the theatre. Processions, bands of military music, military in arms, priests chanting, organs responding, choirs singing, were all at once in St. Roche on the celebration of "God's fete-day." A Catholic in Belgium, a man of intelligence who has spent some years in America, remarked to me, "Our churches are very good theatres, Church has a very small hold upon the intelligent, educated portion of these coun-

What I have said of the observance of the

testant country, but you must remember that willing to accept those conditions also. Protestant in Europe does not convey the

times of Wesley. Let me encourage the back in safety to their families and friends, hope in your heart that that day may yet be record our sense of gratitude to the minisbreast-they have no more work to do; close realized We have a Methodist Church, ters and members of the American churches the weary eyes—they've no more tears to rather class, of 30 members, who are class for their kindness to our brethren, their sinshed; part the damp locks—there's no more pain to bear. Closed is the ear alike to love's kind voice and calumny's stinging wariable number, according to the attendance fund. And that especially we record our of Americans visiting the city. Our missionary, who is sent by the M. E. Church town, George H. Stuart, of Philadelphia, lessly planted a thorn-if from that pleading Missionary Society, is a zealous man and land James Stuart, of New York, who, accomplishing much, considering the difficul- among many Christian friends evinced a ties of his work. It was my pleasure to be present at one of his achools, numbering about 180, and to address them in English, while Bro Schwartz interpreted in German The children were neatly clad, intelligent and interesting. Their singing was superior to singing in our New England schools; the order was excellent.

Church Episcopalians.

It has been for years a favourite scheme come from a sister's loving lips! No throb of English High Churchmen to bring about a cult,) and will in time produce a translation ic Succession of Bishops. With this object it Japanese and English. If so, that alone will thered up—if beyond death's swelling flood there were no eternal shore—if for the strugnow precludes Scotch and British Colonial and Europeans. The Rev. Mr. Brown (he clergy from taking any cure in the Church has a most agreeable family) is the pastor. athwart that lowering cloud sprang no bright of England, without an act of Parliament The Government has recently withdrawn his for that purpose, the following clause:

ject, being a graduate of any British or treaty. The Consul is in correspondence Colonial University, and regularly ordained in the Colonias by a Colonial Bishop of the united Church of England and Ireland, or in Scotland, by a Bishop of the Episcopal Church, may, on producing his Letters of Corders and satisfactors, rectimentals he additionally the Converting the Japanese to Christianity, as the Converting the Japanese to Christianity, as the Converting the Japanese it. Orders and satisfactory testimonials, be ad. the Government will oppose it." mitted by any English Bishop, if he shall see fit, with the consent in writing of the Archbishop of the province, to the same status and rights, as a clergyman in the New York Observer, says:-Church of England and Ireland, as if he had been ordained in England by a Bishop a commuion Sabbath with Dr. Hamilton,

of said Church The English correspondent of the N. Y. and heroes of domestic and humble life, I replied that "he accepted with gratitude, on marked contrast with the conduct of the American missionaries, who aimed rather at creating schisms than aiding in any plan of

What the Bishops Cost.

The members of the English Episcopal bench divide among them £155,000 a year. fornia:-We are accustomed to consider the man. The average income of these twenty-eight ner in which the Sabbath is observed a fair "right reverend fathers in God" is about £5,535 a year, while the average salary of ligious character of a people. I have already referred to Sabbath observance in Together they consume what would suffice Ghent and in Wiesbaden. In Paris I could to give an income of £200 a year to seven hundred and seventy-five clergymen! Or, discover no Sabbath. The stores were open, if the public works and private enterprises were prosecuted as on other days, except year each, there would be available fund which would add £50 a year to the present income of 1980 of the poor clergy. The Irish bishops receive \$67,065; and, though the total is smaller than those already given, nized, the great fountsins at Versailles were the amount is much larger, having regard to played only on Sunday, theatres and all the smaller number of clergy, the light duplaces of amusement were thronged; all ties of the bishops, and especially the smallwere merry and quiet. The strict police regulations admit of not the least disturbance, The average income of each bishop is even however thronged the streets or public places somewhat larger than that of the English bishops-namely, 5558, while there is no doubt that the Episcopal business of Ireland might be managed by one half of the pres ent staff. It is an important fact that the present scale of Episcopal incomes has been fixed since what is termed ecclesisastica reform commenced—the incomes of many of the sees having been much higher formerly.

The Irish Delegation to the United States.

Some months since, says the New York Methodist, it will be remembered, a delegation of ministers in Ireland visited this country, to obtain pecuniary aid to enable them "Thy strength is to sit still." "Be still and little change, is true of the Protestant coundelegation, made a formal report of the re-Yesterday I spent in Berlin, the capital sults of the visit. He thought they had city of intelligent, Protestant Prussia. The never obtained so much money in so little churches were open in the morning and well time, and with so small an amount of labou filled, and yet in a parish of 30,000 people and expense. He would not like to say that not more than 1000, I am credibly inform- he was proud of their church, but he was ed, attended service. Passing from one thankful to God, who had so long honored church to another, I noticed on the theatre and blessed its ministrations, in training up placarded that Don Juan was to be played men to occupy (as many Irish Presbyterians in the evening. On the outskirts of the city did) places of influence and usefulness in a and within the city the beautiful gardens foreign land. The Moderator expressed his were filled with thousands of people, sitting at small tables, sipping beer, smoking, chatting and knitting. Bands were discoursing and knitting. Bands were discoursing excellent music for the entertainment of the distinct pledge, and guaranteed upon multitudes. Here sat together fathers, mo upon their part, that it would be exclusively there and children, and here many of them devoted to the operations of their Roman took their substantial suppers. The princi- Catholic Mission—that it should be employ pal streets and promenades were gay with ed bona fide in the work of missions to Rothe mingled classes of the community. Plays man Catholics. The second stipulation was and sports of various kinds were sufficient that it should not be employed or used for for the varied tastes of the people. The the purpose of saving the purses of other stores however, were generally closed and the work suspended. The Protestant Mister to stimulate and promote this grace sionary Sewing and Knitting Society meet for work on Sunday and deem it no sin. You will hardly believe this can be a Pro- money, the Assembly would be perfectly

The following motion was then unani

mation, such as England experienced in the American deputation, and in bringing them

Japan.

THE AMERICAN MISSIONARIES -Governor Dorr, Consul at Kanagawa, writes under date of June 15th:

"Our missionaries are most comfortably ocated at Kanagawa. Dr. D. Hepburn and his charming wife do much good by example, which serves more than force with the Japanese. The Doctor is a close student, and mastering the language, (which is very difficonsolidation of all those Episcopal churches of the New Testament in Japanese. I am which believe in the dogma of the Apostol- told that he is working on a dictionary of servants, including his teacher. This the "And be it enacted, that any British sub- Americans consider an infringement of the

"Kirwan," in a leter from London to the

It was our great privilege and joy to spen in his church on Regent Square, and he told us after the service that there were took another start, rolled over, and the split Churchman, thinks that no correction of the at the Lord's table, that morning, Jews and closed with all the force of its giant strength, kind would be complete, however, which Gentiles, Greeks and Italians, Hindoos and crushing my foot until the very bones were did not include a similar provision for the Kurds, English, Irish, Scotch, and Anglo-were flatened, and there I hung suspended, a kind neighbour? Not the doing of half clergy of the American Church, because or- Saxons from America, all taking of the same just able to touch the tips of my fingers in a dozen great favours in as many years, but dination by a Bishop of the American bread and wine, and looking to the same Sathet show, with nothing to rest upon for a the little every-day kindnesses, neither of the snow, with nothing to rest upon for a the little every-day kindnesses, neither of moment—the air at zero, and growing col-which seems of much consequence conpassed away from us? Or, has any new duced, so transcendent in its nature as to of either of the Churches named above. as if the day of Pentecost had returned—the der—the nearest house a mile away, no sidered in itself, but their continued reperence of the Churches named above. Also, the hope of being recognized by "Their day when there assembled in Jerusalem friends to feel alarmed at my absence, for pition, throws a sun-light over the whole Also, the hope of being recognized by "Their day when there assembled in Jerusalem Holinesses" the Patriarchs of the East, as a fragment of the True Apostolic Church, has dwellers in Mesopatamia, and in Judea and "My ax in its fall rested upon the snow- The child whose good offices are always residence." is still supreme, and every syllable of his of a few such minds worth all the apparatus of the Patriarchs of the East, as a Parthians and Medes, and Elamites, and the utterance as sure as ever. As it has been, of the present world. I should say that this fragment of the True Apostolic Church, has dwellers in Mesopatamia, and in Judea and and is, so it always shall be. With gratitude for our history, in vindication of our
honor, and in acknowledgment of the true
and conly source of our power; in due reand conline shows and continue shows and conti honor, and in acknowledgment of the true and only source of our power; in due remembrance of our fathers, with due respect for ourselves, and due regard for our children, I here arise, on this highest height of the nation, as a representative, however humble of our power state in the nation, as a representative, however humble of our power and work worthy of God, even designs of having schools in England, for interview he had the particulars of an interview he had the poportunity of holding, in Prinkissa, the nation, as a representative, however humble of our power is to accomplish no other end than the work in the particulars of an interview he had the poportunity of holding, in Prinkissa, that there would be notoned by the particulars of an interview he had the poportunity of holding, in Prinkissa, that there would be notoned by the particulars of an interview he had the poportunity of holding, in Prinkissa, that there would be notoned by the particulars of an interview he had the poportunity of holding, in Prinkissa, that there would be notoned by the particulars of an interview he had the poportunity of holding, in Prinkissa, that there would be notoned by the particulars of an interview he had the poportunity of holding, in Prinkissa, that there would be notoned by the particulars of an interview he had the poportunity of holding, in Prinkissa, that there would be notoned by the particulars of an interview he had the poportunity of holding, in Prinkissa, the training and manifestation of the United States that there is uspended as I was, training and manifestation of the United States that the silpost form the rush of the designs of having schools in England, for members of the Oriental Churches, in detail-body of the United States that the silpost form the substitute of the United States that there is uspended as I was, the training and manifestation of the Oriental Churches, in detail-body of the United States that the silpost form the rush of the oriental Churches, in detail-body of the United States th tory, how superior in dignity, as well as in number, are the unnoticed, unhonored saints In a letter to the editor of the Colonial see a light thrown over the present state his own part and that of his Church, the ofsee a light thrown over the present state for now made; that such a plan breathed the which more than reconciles me to all its evils.

| Attnough the Dust was in for now made; that such a plan breathed the true spirit of Christian charity, and was in the Churches of Great Britain and Ireland—that He is means of a loop which I made by tying my among them of a truth "

Conversion of the Chinese in baving a single blade about two and a half California.

The Chronicle thus alludes to the success

" Rev. J. Shuck writes to the Goshen As sociation, by whom he is sustained as Chimore easily evangelized than the people of their native land. If so, it should reconcile us to the presence of these heathers on our tized, and his son is an anxious inquirer.

General Miscellanp.

Where is the Briton's Home? Where is the Briton's home?

Where the free step can roam, Where the free sun can glow, Where a free ship can bear Hope and strength: everywhere Wave upon wave can roll-East and west-pole to pole-Where a free step can roam-There is the Briton's home.

Where is the Briton's home ? Where the brave heart can come. Where labour wins a soil, Where a stout heart can toil-Where gold or fame is won. Where never sets the sun. Where a brave heart can come,

Where is the Briton's bome? Where the mind's light can come Where our God's holy word Breaks on the savage herd-Where a new flock is won. To the bright Shepherd-One, Where the church bell can toll, Where soul can comfort soul, Where Holy Faith can come, There is the Briton's home

Where is the Briton's home ! Where man's great law can come, Where the great truth can speak, Where the slave's chain can break, Where the white's scourge can cease, Where the black dwells in peace, Where, from His angel-hall, God sees us brothers all-Where light and freedom come There is the Briton's home!

A Thrilling Story.

The following is an occurrence which are tually took place in Vermont, some forty The facts are almost literally years ago. related as follows:

"My brother Heman liked the business of carrying the mail better than I did; and horse was quite lame, and as evening drew so I went to work in a new clearing I had nigh, he deemed it best to stop for the night. commenced, about a mile and a half from In a short time he came to a farm-house, in home, and not quite so far from the house of front of which a yeoman, considerably admy brother-in-law; I used to stay as often at vanced in years was standing, when the folone place as the other. It was a bad ar- lowing conversation took place : rangement, as in case of accident neither family would be alarmed, or go to look out for me, if I should not come home. I felt the force of this in the course of the winter,

as you will see directly.
"There had fallen one of our old-fashioned Northern New York snows, crusted over hard enough to bear a man. I was getting on famously with my clearing, getting ready to build a house in the spring. I was ambitious, and worked early and late, going without my dinner some days when the bread and meat I had brought in my pocket was frozen so hard that I could not masticate it without taking up too much of my time. One day it was intensely cold, with the proshalf-finished and mounted the almost pros- palians out this way. trate body to cut a limb to let it down.

careful as I should have been; at any rate bluest Presbyterian you ever save!" the first blows ceased the lodgment, so that could not extract it for a moment, but I felt mer's larder and barn afforded." no alarm, for I knew that I could cut away the tree in a minute, or perhaps draw my severe. At the first blow of the ax the tree

a hook by twisting the limbs together, and of it or not, these little kindnesses, that come draw the ax within my reach.

suspenders together. I then drew it toward me and cut it off with my pocket knife-one of that sort known as "Barlow knives."

lacerville, to preach to his heathen coun- rough surgical instrument, but hope and the rymen. Three Chinese converts had also love of life gave me strength to climb up by come missionaries to China, the wife and my fastened leg and cut away the boot and brother of one of whom has lately been bap- stocking, and then with that knife I unjointleg a footless, bleeding stump! The inten- unequal, at first sight, than that of a man sity of the cold saved me from bleeding to without connections or capital, against the death. I tore off part of my coat, and with man who has both; yet there is no contest my handkerchief and suspenders managed which so constantly terminates in favor of to bind my leg with a handful of snow, and him who appears to have the disadvantage." started to crawl home. I succeeded in -J. W. Alexander, D. D. getting within sight of the house, and then strength utterly failed me. " I tried my voice in vain, but I could

make no one hear. I exerted myself once more, and crawled toward the road that I knew Heman must come. It was a painful seven. It was at the same age at which task, for, besides my exhaustion from loss of Demosthenes distinguished himself at the blood, I was perishing with cold. Just then I heard my brother's stage horn, and the when just twenty-seven. Dryden first gave jingle of the bells coming down the hill. I strained my voice to the utmost pitch, but he did not, could not, hear; but there was another who did hear. Old Hunter, the when about twenty-seven. Burns issued his nother who did hear. Old Hunter, the noble old dog, had insisted on accompanying him this trip, and brother said. Let him Washington was but twenty-seven when he him this trip, and brother said, 'Let him go; who knows what good may come of it?" Good did come of it, for his ear was quicker Braddeck's defeat, and was appointed to the than Heman's, and he roused up at the first command-in-chief of all the Virginia forces. cry, and as the second reached his ear, he leaped out, and was in a minute at the spot where I lay upon the snow. He smelt all around and I held up my footless leg. Just then the sleigh had got up the hill. Hunter sprang back into the path, barked loudly, and as the horses came up, he jumped up and seized the rains, and would not let go till Heman called a halt. Hunter let go his hold on the horses, jumped back to the sleigh, caught hold of Heman's hand, pulling off the mitten, and away he ran back where I was, and commenced barking furiously; but I heard nothing. The effect upon me that something serious was the matter-and

"In a little while I was safe at home

All Depends on the Religion.

Some days since, a certain minister of a certain Episcopal church, in a certain vil-lage not far from Buffalo, started in his buggy to fulfill an appointment in a town some twenty miles off, when he discovered his

Minister-" Can you tell me, my friend, how far it is to a house of entertainment? Yeoman-" Well, if you mean a tavern, Mister, about twenty miles; but if you mean a house of entertainment, we have

one ourselves Minister-" Ah, very good, my horse is quite lame, as you see, and I am somewhat fatigued myself. Can you accommodate me

for the night, friend?' Yeoman-Waal, yes, we can accommodate you-but if you are a clergyman, I must tell you that the fare you get depends on your

Yeoman-" Why, you see, if a minister pect of a storm that might hinder my work is a good, straight Presbyterian, we give him the next day, and so I worked on as long as I could see, and after twilight I felled a tree, Methodist, he gets pretty good living; but which in its descent lodged against another. if he is an Episcopalian he can't expect I could not bear the idea of leaving the job much. We don't think much of Episco-

Minister - (Smiling) - " Well, my friend, "The body of the tree forked, about forty I am sorry to know that your prejudices, feet up, into two equal parts, with large pro- are so deeply imbedded. I am an Episcopajecting limbs from both. It was one of these lian clergyman, and suppose I must con-I had to cut away to bring the tree to the tent myself with a picked up meal; but let ground. In my haste perhaps I was not so me assure you of one thing-my horse is the

The yeoman was not so obtuse that he the tree began to settle, and I was just going did not discover and appreciate the ministo jump off, when the fork split, and as it did ter's joke, which, by the way, procured for so one foot dropped into the space so that I both man and beast, the best that the far-

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very little by itself, and yet when viewed altogether, who can estimate their value? What is it that secures for one the name of from a loving heart, are the sunbeams that " Although the bush was out of my reach, lighten up a dark and woeful world.

Study to be Successful.

To be successful and happy costs something. Assure yourself, that if you yield to having a single blade about two and a half effeminate suggestions you sink. Nobly de-inches long and three eighths of an inch wide termine, at the hazard of some weariness with equal width all its length, set in a han- and some smart, to pass contentedly through dle of peculiar form, half its lengh iron and trials and labors, till by honesty and preseof a Baptist mission to the Chinese in Cali- half horne or bone; I succeeded admirably verance you become a merchant. Consider in fashioning my hook, and almost felt the how many a man now in Wall Street, came handle of the ax within my grasp, so certain to town with all his personal effects in one was I of success. From the tree that im- bundle. Away with home sickness and sociation, by whom he is sustained as Chinese missionary at Sacramento, California, that he has baptized more converts than all the Baptist missionaries at Shanghai com.

Was I of success. From the tree tust impounded. Away with nome sickness and ground descended rapidly querulous imbedility. Tear up those whinter that he has baptized more converts than all the Baptist missionaries at Shanghai com.

My ax lay upon the brow of the hill. The and write PERSEVERANCE. Quash every disbined during the same time. This fact shows that our Chinese imaggrants may be so as to draw it within my reach, loosened it ness. "It is ill transplanting a tree which from its icy rest, and away it went down the hill, crushing through the little frost-bitten ness of a contented mind evince itself in debushes, down upon the ice of the creek, to ference and submission to those who control nese onslaught which the discovery of gold a fall of a few rods below, and over that inhas brought down upon us with such power. Mr. Shuck speaks of the zeal of the Chinese brethren in fitting up their chapel at Sacramento, and says Chong-Pho, a preaching of my whole body.

an icy chill through every vein and artery boldly hope. Brace your nerves to meet elper, had gone off of his own accord to "I still had my knife. True it was a every engagement, and, however poor, you will succeed. Dismiss from your soul all belief in the divinity of modern pagans, called Luck, and stake nothing on sudden windfalls, "In human nature," says Played my ankle and fell to the ground-my left fair, " there is no struggle that appears more

The Age of Twenty-seven.

Cicero's first great speech in defence of John Quincy Adams was appointed by Washington, in 1794, minister resident to the United Netherlands, thus commencing his public life at the age of twenty-seven. Napoleon, we believe, was only twenty-seven when he led the army in Lgypt.

An Example for Duelists.

Alphonse Karr, among the wittiest of Parisian gossips, tells a capital tale of a man who would neither decline a duel nor fight. Messrs. A. and B., having quarrelled about some one of those mere nothings for which, when I knew that I was discovered by that in Paris as elsewhere gentlemen so often risk in Paris as elsewhere gentlemen so often risk faithful old dog, and that he never would their lives, B challenged A., but most dedesert me, had caused me to faint. My voutly trusted that A. would not fight. brother knew that Hunter was not at play- Nothing of the kind. A. was quite willing, and all the necessary arrangements were he jumped out of the sleigh and ran after made. "Well, B," said the second, "we have had some trouble to arrange about the distance, but at length it is settled for twenthe doctor sent for, and my wound properly ty paces, both to fire together, and the meetdressed. I eventually recovered, but was ing is for to morrow morning at 9 o'clock." however, a cripple for life."

"Ah!" "Yes, in the wodo of Vincennes."