

is of God, and no work of the Holy Spirit can dwell in hell. The talents are taken away before the unfaithful servants are doomed. But Satan and his angels, with nobody knows how many thousand years experience in wickedness, are there, and, as long as they live, the sinner, who voluntarily and in spite of many reproofs, became their slave, will suffer from them, just as the self-willed youth, who enters any Montreal den of iniquity, will infallibly suffer at the hands of adepts in crime, compared to whom he is a baby. The devils themselves suffer from the products of their own hellish malice, as Perillus and Phalaris first experienced the tortures of the brazen bull made by the former for the latter.

The New York *Evening Post* has a remarkable leader on the question : whether a man, who had killed another in the rooms of a disreputable woman, who was converted in goal, and was afterwards liberated on a verdict of justifiable homicide, should be admitted to membership in a Brooklyn church. Sentimentally, it says, and also, according to Christ's teaching, the man ought to be received ; but, viewing the Church as a centre of moral influence, he ought not, because his presence would tend to lower a lofty ethical standard. The *Post* is disposed to leave him out, and to this all the Pharisees would say, Amen ! I have done a very little at reforming criminals, and have found it very hard and thankless work ; but rather than consent to see a repentant Jerusalem sinner kept out of the Church of Christ as now constituted, I would leave it, and start a special gaol mission of my own. The same *Post* of February 9th has a review of *Beast and Man in India*, by J. L. Kipling, C.I.E., the father of Rudyard Kipling, who has confessed that he owes everything to him. The book, which I have not seen, seems to be full of interest, but the reviewer remarks that its author has sojourned so long in *partibus infidelium* as to have forgotten the Scriptures of his childhood, which is a pity for Kipling senior. My kind friend, Mr. Croil, sends me another number of Provost Vahl's *Nordisk Missionstidsskrift*, the most important articles in which are, one on Missions in South and West Australia, and a brief review of Missionary Work in 1891 by Pastor Knudsen. This magazine is valuable for its very exhaustive bibliography of missions, in which it surpasses any other serial publication of a missionary character known to me. It is published at Copenhagen. The *Quarterly Register* of the Presbyterian or Reformed Alliance, amid much matter of importance to every lover of Zion, contains the substance of an address delivered in Edinburgh by the