

Poetry.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL.

[FROM THE GERMAN OF FEST KALENDER.]

A song, a gem, keep singing,
Of heaven-attendant strain!
Of Him who hails in bringing
To cleanse our deadly stain!

they joined in teaching each other to love and serve
the Lord, one of the first verses of Scripture that
brought comfort to her soul, was our Lord's speech,

THE GLAD TIDINGS OF SALVATION.

(By the Rev. B. D. Winslow, A.M.)

What a night that was for the world, in which
these words were first uttered! Behold, I bring you
good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

THE TRUE FRIEND.

(From a Sermon by the Rev. William Sewell, D.D.)

Let us ask ourselves, old as well as young, is there
one human being upon earth who answers our notion
of a friend? Have we one companion, who is all that

he this? Is he one of those affection you are sure
beyond the possibility of doubt? Is he placed beyond
the chances of the world, that nothing will separate

And ever as it comes round in the circle of the
seasons, holy hymns shall hail it, crowds shall
gather to the sanctuary, beautified with the "fir

INDEPENDENCE.

(From the Church Times.)

Independence, is one of the favourite words of the
day; every body is desirous of being thought, inde

And prevail. The burden will be taken from your
hearts. And the Lord will hearken, when you speak
often one to another of his name; and he will send

CHURCH PROPERTY IN VIRGINIA.

(From a Biographical Sketch of Bishop Madison in the Eccegron.)

The contests about the glebes and other Church
property was still (1792) waged in Virginia. These
glebes were certainly as much the property of the

Having obtained this opinion, the Bishop called to
gether the Convention, in December, 1797, and in
his address directing their attention to the Church

THE LORD'S SUPPER AN ACCEPTABLE TIME OF WORSHIP.

(From "Practical Sermons on the Holy Communion," by G. A. Poole, M.A., Vicar of Welford.)

The holy table is now spread, the Christian Altar
is now decked, and yours may be the prayers which
shall ascend with the smoke of the incense.

COMMUNICATIONS.

To the Editor of the Church.

Dear Sir,—I herewith enclose you an article out of
the Liverpool Mail, which has by accident fallen into
my hands, and I am persuaded that many of your

fish love of independence. The consequence has been
that the unselfish part of men's nature feels the want
of that sympathy, the supply of which we may perhaps

But the spirit of independence operates in all the
parties to any such attempt; all want to dictate the
laws of the society they are about to constitute, and

For yourselves let me suppose that you feel the
need of greater spiritual assistance in your Christian
life. That you have again and again, and that

THE REV. W. CARUS WILSON'S ATTACKS ON THE GOSPEL PROPAGATION SOCIETY, AND COBURG COLLEGE.

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We should not trouble ourselves or our readers about
any further notice of such scurrilous and factious journals as the Record,
which we do not think that the sanctimonious solemnity with which

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then our prayers will be the natural and most blessed
fruits of our love of the right, and of our desire to
obey it. Thus then may we pray at the Holy Commu

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appropriate and most acceptable, is that devotion, or
offering, of ourselves, our minds, our souls and bodies

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