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The Rain-Drop.

It fell upon my burning cheek-A single drop of rain: I upward glanced its source to seek, But upward glanced in vain. The sky was clear, the sun was bright, No cloud was drifting nigh; 'Twas but one breath of vapour light, Condensed as it flew by.

Yet 'twas the self-same Power that made And poised this earthly ball, Which in its flight that vapour stay'd, And caused its gentle fall. Nor was it downward sent for naught-It broke a dark day-dream, Dispell'd a train of painful thought, And woke a noble theme.

I mused on one too fond' loved, Too fondly praised and sung; Who bath both cold and faithless proved, And had my heart-strings wrung. The rain-drop raised my downcast eye To you bright vault of blue : And check'd at once the bursting sigh. And chased the vision too.

I tugg'd from all the charms of earth, From cisterns rent and dry, To Him who gave the planets birth Yet hears the raven's cry. I dwelt op all his wondrous grace To lost mankind-to me And yow'd no idol more to place Where He alone should be

O Lord, accept my contrite vow My carnal thoughts control; Impress thy signet on my brow, Thy likeness on my soul \$ Be thou the sov'reign of my heart, And make that heart thy throne Till I shall see thee as thou art, And know as I am known ! -Church of England Magazine.

The Cross of Christ.

The following extracts are taken from recently published sermon by the Rev. D. W. Clark, D. D., of Cincinnati, for which of God. Without this, the sacrifices of the we are indebted to the Christian Advocate old dispensation would have been without

ism, so the "cross" is the symbol of Chris- now a "living sacrifice" and a spiritual temtianity. When a proselyte from Gentilism ple. The work of redemption-adumbrated renounced the errors of paganism, and em- through long ages—is now complete; the braced the Jewish faith-pledging himself great sacrifice-the wonder of angels and to an observance of the rites and an obedi- the terror of devils-has been offered; the ence to the requirements of Judaism, he was fearful sentence of death has been annulled, said to receive the yoke of the Jewish law. and man may be restored to the favour of Thus, our Saviour, placing the simplicity of his God and live forever. The mighty stream dens of the Jewish yoke, says, "My yoke is tains of divine mercy and love, has swollen tempt ye God, to put a yoke upon the neck tian scheme. In the Christian scheme, as of the disciples, which neither our fathers in all others, there must be some central nor we are able to bear?" And so, on the principle, which gives life, motion, and har-Christianity; "the cross of Christ" is made away this first and great principle, or deto express the gospel of Christ. Hence the throne its power, and the subsidiary eleapostle speaks of "preaching of the cross;" ments, disjoined and powerless, utterly peand also glorying "in the cross of our Lord rish, or produce only disorder and ruin.

apostle was a boaster of relics—glorying in to all beside. It is the Atlas, upon whose that the opinions of men cannot nullify the few hours,—movements so slow that their Saviour suffered, bled and died; or even world's hope rests in eternal steadfastness. revealed purposes of God respecting our mighty periods are only counted by millions that he gloried in the mere historical fact Does God condescend to hold intercourse earth:that the Lord Jesus Christ suffered death with man?—what is the revelation which The evidence which geology affords of upon the cross. That cross upon which he he makes, but the apocalypse of Christ cru- the great antiquity of the earth, turns was suspended, possessed no intrinsic virtue cified? Is the Holy Spirit, in condescension thought to the evidence which astronomy above that upon which any condemned vic- to man's weakness and darkness, poured furnishes of its future continuance. From tim might have suffered under the sentence out?—its advent is at the bidding of the the many striking resemblances between the of the Roman Governor; certainly no more cross. Does Christianity come to us with bodies that compose the solar system, we than the charred stake that had been grasped its baptismal water, its sacrificial emblems, infer for them a common origin and a comby the burning sinews of the Christian and its Church in robes of white and utter- mon destiny. The earth, then, will probamartyr. The mere historical fact of Christ's ing songs of praise?—they are so many gar-bly live while the system lives, and no crucifixion, by sentence of Pontius Pilate, is lands strung to beautify the cross. Does the longer. What its particular destiny may and the great bell of eternity will then ducted in a superficial manner, and was a stern reality. Can any one adequately admitted by both Jew and Greek, by both pagan and infidel, as well as by the Christian. But the one class regard him merely feels that the Intercessor "hath somewhat pose now, is to consider some intimations tian. Due the one class regard him merely reess that the Intercessor nath somewhat pose now, is to consider some intimations as a malefactor, condemned and executed for also to offer," having, "not by the blood of furnished us by the system itself, that it is. alleged crimes against the Roman law; and, gosts and calves, but by his own blood, en- fashioned for a long duration. This is inditherefore, in his death, they discover no per tered in once into the holy place, and ob- cated by the immense length of some of the culiar moral or spiritual significance. But tained eternal redemption for us." Do the periods involved in the system. the other class behold in that victim, "the dark shadows of death and the grave disap-Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of pear, before the dawning splendours of an chronology, the planet Neptune has had but the world;" and in that suffering and death, assured resurrection?—let us not forget that an expiatory offering—an atonement for the an expiatory offering—an atonement for the an expiatory offering—an atonement for the afraid of that, my friend See that little sins of the whole world. Hence, to them, the power of death and the grave by the and the planet holds good, then the distant him as wanting experience, and being a mere experience, unless by an early and earnest there is a majesty, a glory in the transaction; cross of Christ. and "the cross" becomes the grand symbol of that system of truth, and that plan of salof that system of truth, and that plan of salvation which rests upon the atoning sacrifice origin is to be found in the mysterious fact creation. vation which rests upon the atoming sacrines of our Lord Jesus Christ. The doctrine of that, "once in the end of the world hath "once in the end of the world hath" once in the end of the world hath "once in the end of the worl the cross, then, is, that by his sufferings and death, our Lord Jesus Christ made a full, crifice of himself," and by this means has free, and perfect atonement for the sins of the brought in everlasting righteousness," East, at a rate which will require 111,000 whole world; that is to say, he so met the which is "unto all and upon them that be- years to complete the circuit. The Perihe- of water God has given me." demands of the divine law, so vindicated its lieve." Sublime, glorious manifestation! It lion of Mercury is moving in a similar manpurity, and so endured its penalty as the re- reaches up to the highest summit of heaven's ner, at a rate which will require 200,000 need it before the summer is over. It has a dangerous sunken rock. This fact, for purity, and so enquired its penalty as the reaches up to the nignest summit of neaven's neit, for presentative man of our race, that the divine justice: it fathoms the deepest depths of years to complete it. Other planets exhibit been a backward spring, and we shall have safety in the navigation of that sea, was of government is vindicated, and God can be government is vindicated, and God can be government. Now if all the planets a hot summer to pay for it; you will dry up course forthwith carefully marked down in plans which were formed for the conversion their hue and intensity from the deeds done course forthwith carefully marked down in plans which were formed for it; you will dry up government is vindicated, and God can be just and yet justify the repenting and believing sinner. It is in this view that the cross gather the charts. For this service he was rewarding the charts. ing sinner. It is in this view that the cross assumes a transcendent importance in the grand scheme of redemption and salvation. It is God's wondrous scheme of mercy, whose very brightness has eclipsed all the other very brightness has element to the simple and the wise—all gather very brightness has element to the simple and the wise—all gather very brightness has element to the simple and the wise—all gather very brightness has element to the Lord, who could make it up to them while I have it."

The tow traveler, bethink thee, where and all in their orbits sometime afterwards, being die so soon, I had better work while the day on the same side of the sun, and all in their orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they on the same side of the sun, and all in their orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest the sun, and then they orbits which is nearest t very brightness has eclipsed all the other manifestations of his glory. Its first pencil manifestations of his glory manifestations are manifestations of his glory manifestations and his glory manifestations are manifestations and his glory manifestations are manifestations and his glory manifestations are manifestations and his glory manifesta of light pierced down through the darkness "altar form," established as a spiritual demeet again under the same circumstances its course. The pool smiled complacently at carry her clean over where the chart marks that overspread our first Eden, when innocoy, a practical fraud to allure to faith and
to hold their family festival preparatory to
its own superior foresight, and husbanded all
a rock, call me a liar, and no seaman to boot!"

The least expected: lost, and arching high above the clouds and tempests of the world's wickedness, till it also rested upon the immovable bulwarks of paradise regained. The cross, then becomes the vital element of the gospel. And, thus, the great apostle ever turns to it as the great apostle ever turns to it and allands, and among all people, he makes it the burden of his faith, the sun of his hope; and in all lands, and among all people, he makes it the burden of his ministry. The pomp is the burden of his ministry. The pomp is the burden of his ministry. The pomp is the paradise revealed the maximum of the properties of the world's wickedness, till it demption is the song of our pilgrimage, and it will begin to resume its direction, threatening dark strips of cloud began to stream over the sky, and a gale difection, threatening dark strips of cloud began to stream over the sky, and a gale difection, threatening dark strips of cloud began to stream over the sky, and a gale difection, threatening dark strips of cloud began to stream over the sky, and a gale difection, threatening dark strips of cloud began to stream over the sky, and a gale difection, threatening dark strips of cloud began to stream over the sky, and a gale difection, threatening dark strips of cloud began to stream over the sky, and a gale difection, threatening dark strips of cloud began to stream over the sky, and a gale difection, threatening dark strips of cloud began to stream over the sky, and a gale difection, threatening dark strips of cloud began to stream over the sky, and a gale difection, threatening dark strips of cloud began to stream over the sky, and a gale difection, threatening dark strips of cloud began to stream over the sky, and a gale difection, threatening dark strips of cloud began to stream over the sky, and a gale difection, threatening dark strips of cloud began to stream over the sky, and a gale difection, threatening dark strips of cloud began to stream over the sky, and a gale difection, threatening dark strips of cloud began to str

Christian Minister's glorying.

but of Christianity itself, are beginning to assert that the old doctrines of the gospeldoctrine, and a philosophy without truth; out hope and without God!" appear-of the sacred fabric.

the theme of the apostle's glorying, but why the conscience or the heart. After nearly and yet it is so much in keeping with those introduced to the wife of a minister from one headed, and in his shirt, looking out from Jerusalem, I halted on a rugged heighth to

tem, and is antecedent to all the forms of paganism. The doctrine of Christ crucified looms up amid all the types and shadows of the old dispensation; it is seen in the sacrifices of the Jew, shadowed forth in the types of the law, celebrated by the inspired poets, predicted by the prophets, and diligently looked for by all conversant with the oracles and Journal. They will well repay perusignificance and without virtue; its types without the great Antitype; its promises "As the "yoke" was the symbol of Juda- and hopes never to be realized. We have

other hand, "cross" is made the symbol of mony to all the subordinate elements. Take

The cross of Christ is here the impregnat-Let no one suppose, however, that the ing principle, that pervades and gives life speculation. We know on divine authority, revolutions so swift as to be completed in a

cence had departed from it. It has ever been the bow of hope, spanning the entire horizon of a fallen race—rising like a pillar of fire from the awful darkness of baradise.

They had a profligate son, who had been safety, here a departed from another revolution of the same length.

They had a profligate son, who had been safety, here a departed for many years the grief of their hearts, who should for hope, spanning the entire should be and the only relief for you from your present it fell upon the little stream. But the trees had impoverished their substance by drain-sin. Around this true and living sacrifice—should be and the only relief for you from your present it fell upon the little stream. But the trees had impoverished their substance by drain-sin. Around this true and living sacrifice—should be an another revolution of the same length.

They had a profligate son, who had been safety, here a departed from any years afterwards he was bound for Naples, having some public functionaries as slowly becoming it fell upon the little stream. But the trees had impoverished their substance by drain-sing the only relief for you from your present it fell upon the little stream. But the money he could prove the universal church—the redeemed another revolution of the same length.

They had a profligate son, who had been safety, here a description of the provent and the only relief for you from your present it fell upon the little stream. But the money he could be a little stream. But the money he could be a sent embarrassment, here a description of the provent and the only relief for you from your present it fell upon the little stream. But the money he could be a sent embarrassment, here a description of the provent and norizon of a latter race—rising like a prime sin. Around this true and living sacrince of tire from the awful darkness of paradise cluster the universal church—the redeemed rate of change, will become a perfect circle crowded to its brink, and threw out their afternoon, as the ship took a north-easterly in all lands, and among all people, he makes it was designed to purify. Exclude the docand splendour of the temple cannot win him trine of salvation by the cross of Christ from slowly shortening; its motion in revolution, to linger by its banks; the husbandman's from the cross; the madness of the wild beasts of Ephesus cannot frighten him from bis strong reference. The convertition at the cross is the madness of the wild beasts of the wild scheme; convert it into a table formed and scheme; convert it into a table formed and scheme; convertition of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of course increasing; and this rate of inequalities appropriate place in the Christian of the Christian o his strong refuge. The assembled wisdom garnished simply for dramatic effect; exand eloquence of Greece, and even the regal punge it from the character of our common punge it from the character splendour of the imperial city, sink into insignificance when the glary of the grant of the gr significance, when the glory of the cross appears.

hope; strike down this bulwark of taith up- of ner velocity will continue until the earths on which the soul of man relies; and you orbit becomes a perfect circle, and then she in its inglorious inactivity, it grew sickly on which the soul of man relies; and you orbit becomes a perfect circle, and then she in its inglorious inactivity, it grew sickly will slowly reverse her movements and overspread the moral heavens with the By the cross, then, we mean that which blackness of darkness forever. The light of gradually return to her former condition.

carefully after the old land-marks, to dig question of all ages, and of all reflective, after 30 or 40 years observation with the down and survey the foundation-stones thinking men. The most thoughtful of nicest instruments. Of course, many millihuge, unpolished, and unsightly as they may heathen philosophers revolved it with deep one of years must pass, ere this vast circuit concern. It has been blended with the my- can be fully described by the sun. This brings us directly to the cross of thology and poetry of every age, and of all We grant there is some little of conjec-Ins brings us directly to the cross of Christ; and we ask, not merely why it was Unrist; and we ask, not merely why it was people, but herefore making not reason has the afternoon I called upon her, and was the afternoon I called upon her, and was his white figure, bare. In returning back to the theme of the apostle's glorying, but why n should be the theme of the Christian six thousand years of speculation, thought, demonstrated facts, that it can hardly be of our Western States, whose parents had the dark hull of the frigate, the foam burst-survey more particularly, and enjoy that and invention, human philosophy is as far called improbable. 1. First, then, consider the place it occu- from the solution of the great question as Although these periods are inconceivably 1. First, then, consider the place it occupies in the development of the Christian ever. And in all the wide range of human long, still they are none the less periods. pies in the development of the Christian even and beautiful and the winds range of indianal control of the christian experience, nothing has been found adequate. They are as truly period, as if they were to see me. Her mother united with the he had listened to the arguments, and heard scheme. Here we are brought to view it as

" Survey the wondrous cure ;

A pardon bought with blood ! with blood divine ' not that they are attracted away from the existence. plate the one ineffable manifestation of God and stability of the whole system depend.

worm of earth, with faculties immortal, yet great chronometer runs down. Infinite and the Eternal!

The Duration of the Earth,

AS INTIMATED BY ASTRONOMY. We give the following article as a learned

generation of his inhabitants is hardly yet mountain, shining like a thread of silver theorist. The officer, however, carefully reception of the Gospel he should prevent

form to its doctrines, if you imagine you can render any more clear to the eye of the soul oscillation requires more than 70,000 years of Bethlehem, recently visited by him to the ship speeded her way ever the

great reformers, not merely of the Church, into its inner sanctuary with unhallowed household, is sweeping through space at the the sun smiled upon the sea, and the sea rock, thinking to make them merry at the shepherds have great influence over their tread; lay not your hand-I beseech you, rate of 422,000 miles per day, or nearly sent up its incense to greet the sun, and the expense of the false lieutenant. lay not your hand upon the door-posts of its half its own diameter. It is supposed by clouds caught in their capacious bosoms the "In five minutes," said he, taking out his docks are docted and domestic, and not as like a "dish that has been hashed and re- temple; remove not the foundation rock up- some good astronomers that all the stars incense from the sea, and the winds, like watch, with a laugh, "we shall have crossed the black based breed of sheep in Scotland. hashed for eighteen centuries"— are fit only on which it stands—lest you blot out the last have a similar movement; all revolving waiting steeds, caught the chariots of the this terrible spot." on which it stands—lest you blot out the last have a similar movement; all revolving waiting steeds, caught the chariots of the this terrible spot."

on which it stands—lest you blot out the last have a similar movement; all revolving waiting steeds, caught the chariots of the this terrible spot."

ray of hope to man, sever the only tie that together in the plane of the milky way, clouds, and bore them away, away to the But the intelligence by no means awak, clearly word, spoken at any time, is sufficient to make them understand and obey to nauseate the clear and unfettered intellect; and that henceforth the philosophical spirit of the age demands a reconstruction of the Christian system—one that shall give it freed by no means away, and so for the philosophical spirit of the age demands a reconstruction of the Christian system—one that shall give it freed by no means away, away to the very mountain that gave the little fountain in this grand birth, and there they tipped the brimming of the spoke gaily. There was a pause, and a sunder the last link that unites earth to orbit described by our sun in this grand birth, and there they tipped the brimming of the spoke gaily. There was a pause, and a sunder the last link that unites earth to orbit described by our sun in this grand birth, and there they tipped the brimming of the spoke gaily. There was a pause, and a so God saw to it that the little fountain, slight grating touch of something that the merinnent in the companion to orbit described by our sun in this grand birth, and there they tipped the brimming orbit described by our sun in this grand birth, and there they tipped the brimming orbit described by our sun in this grand birth, and there they tipped the brimming orbit described by our sun in this grand birth, and there they tipped the brimming orbit described by our sun in this grand birth, and there they tipped the brimming orbit described by our sun in this grand birth, and there they tipped the brimming orbit described by our sun in this grand birth, and there they tipped the brimming orbit described by our sun in this grand birth, and there they tipped the brimming orbit described by our sun in this grand birth, and there they tipped the brimming orbit described by our sun in this grand birth, and there they tipped the brimming orbit described by our sun in this grand birth, and there they tipped the brimming orbit described by our sun in this grand birth, and there they tipped the brimming orbit described by our sun in this grand birth, and there they tipped the brimming orbit descr they are demanding that Christianity shall be matchway— are the sheep to be guided by him, that metamorphosed into spiritualism without metamorphosed into spiritualis is so short in comparison with the whole ye have freely received," ye also "freely ing of the hfill—and then the bursting of every tew bites they take they look up with doctrine, and a philosophy without truth; and the philosophy without truth; and while many in the Christian Church seem inclined so far to concede to these arrogant claims and this brazen impudence as rogant claims and this brazen impudence as to relax the rigidity of Christian doctrine. No problem has so deeply moved the heart to relax the rigidity of Christian doctrine. to relax the rigidity of Christian doctrine No problem has so deeply moved the heart measure its rate of deviation from a straight and discipline;—we say, in such an age and amid such tendencies, it becomes us to look be just with his God?" It has been the of this orbit may perhaps be determined

scheme. Here we are brought to view it as the full and final developement of God's plan for saving sinners. In its origin it and to extract the sting of a guilty consciplan for saving sinners. In its origin it antedates every other professedly remedial sysence, save the atoning blood of Jesus Christ. and that we cannot, in our best estate, have and previous to presenting her for baptism, he would not believe. And is not that capwhere thou goest I will go; and where thou any adequate conceptions of them, is no she endeavored to explain to her the nature tain's history a parable of what is commonly lodgest, I will lodge; thy people shall be more of an objection to their existence than of the ordinance. She told the child that it occurring among mankind? Persons will my people, and thy God my God. Where it is an objection to the length of Neptune's was consecrating her to God, and putting not hearken to those who are wiser than thou diest, I will die, and there will I be period that insects die after a few hours his seal upon her, and she must ever after themselves; but, with some fixed idea of I wonder not that angels desire to look existence, and without any adequate control to the mysteries of redemption. I wonder cention of an hundred and sixty-four years and serve him. This instruction had the into the mysteries of redemption! I wonder ception of an hundred and sixty-four years and serve him. This instruction had the ed, nothing can move, they rush on to their

skill in the created universe, to contemplate bodies through a certain part of their orbits when the water from the baptismal font fell ed for themselves, while they pronounce the the more surprising displays of his goodness or of their oscillations, science determines upon her head, she considered herself his. truth told them by others to be false and in the redemption of apostate and ruined with the greatest exactness the fact that, man! The dread attraction of the cross— after a certain point in departure is gained, indulged the hope that her heart had been tain course of conduct, which it is plain will tered these words, was the great-grandmystery of two worlds—"the science and the body will infallibly return to its former sprinkled from an evil conscience, yet ruis him; he is assured that a sunken rock mother of David, and as of the generation of the song of eternity!"—drawn by the magie condition and place. On its faithfully reof its power, the redeemed soul turns away turning and thus neutralizing the perturbafrom all the attractions of earth, to contemtions caused by its departure, the narmony constant restraint upon her, and whenever makes shipwreck.

celestial machinery; circle within circle, gelist. wheel within wheel, cycle within cycle;

ning Brook;

OR, SELFISHNESS AND BENEVOLENCE HILLISTKATED.

"Whither away, Master Streamlet?"

"I am going to the river to bear this cup was successful; and he returned with the "Ah, you are very foolish for that; you'll clearly ascertained information, that in a

who justifies by his blood and sanctifies by it to modern taste, and culture, and refine- same cause, that of the other becomes more had to move away; and at last the very to sail right over the spot, and so demonhis grace;" and our object will be to exhibit ment; make it philosophical, &c., if you and more circular, in consequence of which frogs cast their venom upon it, and deserted strate the whole thing as a bugbear, at the -The Cross of Christ, the one theme of the must; give scientific developement, logical motions, the period of one is lengthening, it; and Heaven, in mercy to man, smote it same time stamping his foot to give compha-

Illustrated.

now gone to their rest. This was the magnificent displays of Almighty power and From the movements of the heavenly was about to be given away to God, and some falsehood they have created or adopt-

Though it was years before this child delasive. A man is warned against a cer-

longing after truth, yet bewildered in the unending mazes of human speculation—hundred one or two years, or perhaps only a small mind, a living add a speaking reality, which there it is. Men may ridicule the idea, and boast of their superiority to vulgar prejudices.

The Sunken Rock.

hurrying on with tinkling feet to bear its Admirality to send him on a second expediever else it might prove to be. His voyage

> ence rendered him a valuable counseller .-By the light of a lantern they examined a sume upon his sins."

By the cross, then, we mean that which embodies the great doctrines of the gospel, and presents them in all their clearness and force to the mind. We mean "Christ, as the world's confidence and model—Christ, list organization and form, if needs be; adapt the world's confidence and model—Christ, list organization and form, if needs be; adapt the malaris caught it, and the inhabitants caught it and the inhabitants

In this age of boasted progress in mental the good old faith that nourished St. Paul for its completion.

It emptied rolling billows, and down went the command spiritual developement, when the precommander into the cabin to join his illustrious tile and well watered; and there I saw cious intellects, arrogantly claiming to be the amidst a thousand conflicts; but enter not motion," i.e., the sun, with all his dependent it to the sea, and the sea welcomed it, and passengers, and to tell the story of the sunken

low up all that remained of the ill-fated vourite lambs, which don't mix with the vessel. With desperate energy everything tlock, but frisk and fondle at his heels. There possible was done to save the passengers, is a tender intimacy between the Ishmalite The boats were hauled out, and all on board and his flock. They know his voice, and A few days since a lady sent her daughter to inform me, that one of my baptised chilembarked, and were ultimatety preserved follow him, and he careth for the sheep.

except a few drunken sailors in the hold. He gathereth his lambs, and seeketh out his dren was at her house, from a distant part and the commander, who would not survive flock among the sheep, and gently leadeth

HE WOULD NOT BELIEVE. He had pos-

she was tempted to do any thing which she The rock is sunk and unseen. Some never to its hallowed recollections. in the person of Jesus Christ.

Sinner—weary and heavy-laden, bewildered and lost, fainting and just ready to person behold thy deliverer, God! Sinner, cause fifty or a hundred days, or was not her haptism was to her young and tender.

The rock is sunk and unseen. Some knew was wrong, her conscience would say to her, "You must not do this evil thing, for young and tender."

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Through all the days of her childhood, her haptism was to her young and tender. dens of the Jewish yoke, says, "My yoke is easy, and my burden is light." Thus, also, when the Judaizing teachers sought to make the Gentile converts to the Peculiarities of the Mosaic law, submit to the peculiarities of the Mosaic law, the apostle resluced the converts of Christ to the other parts of the Christian face of the whole earth, the apostle resluced the converts of the worm of earth, with faculties immortal, yet great chronometer runs down.

all debased and corrupted—grovelling in the Our ideas of the perfection of his work-

> of a period, or an orbit, or an oscillation only partially completed. In the language when I was conversing with her about them, vered his mistake—when the vessel actually day." And they might have helped it. of Prof. Mitchell we say—"The entire sys- the tears of a grateful recollection would struck on the sunken rock, and the wild Many a one dies long before he need. Your tem forms one grand complicated piece of come unbidden, to her eyes.—N. Y. Evanwaves came dashing over it—when he stood men of genius, like Burns and Byron, to there on the shattered timbers, looking out whom, when dissipated and profligate, thirtyin the dark night upon the watery grave seven is so fatal; and your obscure and opening at his feet. One can imagine, nameless "wandering stars," who waste though hardly with sufficient vividness and their youth in libertine indulgence—they It is related that, some years ago, while a power, what must have been his bitter self- cannot live long. They must die early,of years. Are we to believe that the Divine frigate was cruising in the Mediterranean, mortification, reproach, despair, and agony, They put on the steam till they blow up Architect constructed this admirably adjust- her commander was ordered to ascertain as he thought of the folly which had proed system to wear out and to fall to ruins whether there existed, within certain lines of duced this irreparable mischief. In the few fire goes out for want of fuel. The machineeven before one single revolution of its com- latitude and longtitude, a shoal or reef, which moments spent upon the wreck, in that wild ry is destroyed by reckless speed and rapid plex scheme of wheels had been performed? had been reported as being there. The raging sea, there must have been intense wear. Nothing can save them. Their At the end of a vast period, assounting to captain addressed himself to the task, with anguish. A far more awful moment will it physical system cannot stand the strain they many millions of years, the entire range of all the rough earnestness of a British seafluctuation will have been accomplished; man,—at the same time entertaining a strong nity to the consciousness of his own infatuthe entire system, planets, orbits, inclina- persuasion that nothing of the kind descri- ated unbelief-when the truth, long denied, stance of the most robust body, and make tions, eccentricities, perihelia and nodes will bed would be found in the position pointed opposed, ridiculed, and reviled, comes be- for itself a way of escape from the incessant have gained their original values and places, out. The undertaking was accordingly confore the eye, and overwhelms the heart as hell of its own thoughts .- T. Binney. speedily terminated by the captain declaring imagine what must be the feeling upon the that the report which had occasioned the discovery, when the mischief is beyond search was a perfect mistake, and originated repair, of a life spent in a rejection of the in delusion or falsehood. But an officer on divine testimony respecting ETERNAL RUIN! in delusion or talsehood. But an officer on divine testimony respecting ETERNAL RUIN!
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> board—a man accustomed himself to accu
> Let the reader ponder well this account
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> rate calculations and observation—was of of the sunking reader and observation—was of of the sunking reader. rate calculations and observation-was of of the sunken rock, and observe how the another mind, and felt convinced, with more grossest credulity is connected with the careful and prolonged examination, a differ- rejection of what is reported on sufficient But, says one, if we give so much we ent result might probably be obtained.— evidence; nor let him fail to recognize in

stances, but they felt their obligations to Dithe charts. For this service he was rewardits resources, letting not a drop steal away. Two years afterwards he was bound for Soon the midune man heat same down and safety here a d hereafter from them. Shortly after the circumstance a faithful follower and friend of your Re-

"O," said he, "do not give it me; I sup-letter would soon be to you a heavier burden than poor Simon the Cyrenian bore, if, with

However, on her entreating, he took it chart,—when the master pointing to a spot whereabouts they were, exclaimed: "Look whereabouts they were, exclaimed: "Look and began to read it; and soon the big drop and began to read it; and soon the big drop and began to read it; and soon the big drop and began to read it; and soon the big drop are it is seem to you, in your dreams and visions, like a great gate shutting you out from healing a sight it would be, to see you There was the recently discovered point of danger, marked down under the name of the "Twill Rocks." The commander was power to his soul, and he had become a new in your hand! It would be the last thing reminded of former circumstances, and, incensed beyond description at the remem- be his endeavour to study their happiness, of God."

The Plain of Bethlehem. Dr. Alton, a Scotch traveller of marked

corn in the field of her kinsman Boaz .-buried : the Lord do so to me, and more aldesired effect, and the little one felt that she was about to be given away to God, and

Rills from the Fountain.

FAST MEN .- The vicious die early .all debased and corrupted—grovelling in the dust—behold the link that binds thee to the manship are shocked by any other conclusion. Our minds refuse to admit the idea attendant circumstances, is yet so fresh to It must have been an awful moment while others are in the glow and glory of of a period, or an orbit, or an oscillation her mind, and so dear to her heart, that when the commander of the frigate disco- life. "Their sun goes down while it is yet

> You. You, young man. You, gay female. You, aged one. Where are you going?

You are going to death. Every beat of the pulse leaves one less. Every flitting moment brings the last moment nearer. In a few days that wonderful mechanism of he body will stop its functions. The spirit vill make haste out of it. Corruption will ome upon it. Are you prepared for death? You are going to the judgment. Every one of us must give an account of himsel mand, in quest of the reported rock, or what-You are going to eternity. Death is a There was a good man and his wife in change of being, not its cessation. The Hampshire; they were in humble circum- judgment discloses character and fixes destiny, it does not bound existence. Endless

vine grace, and gave a helping hand to the duration follows, whose glory or gloom take

tian, and thinks that he is not one, and would be glad to be released from his obliunwilling neck, he endured the reproach of Christ. On a dying bed, that letter would