OF DIVINE GRACE ON A YOUTHFUL HEART.\*

will suit the columns of your valuable paper, I beg bore the greatest share of her weight, was on one you will give it place. The sketch has lain for some occasion absent, when she wished to be replaced in all in the last stage of the small pox—in the confluent years among my loose papers,-too long perhaps; and bed. She became much fatigued and uneasy, and state; their bodies are one mass of putrifying sores; an apology may be due to the valued friend who anxious to be removed; in vain did two of the atten- their tongues are lolling out of their parched mouths furnished me with the details, for seeming neglect, in dants attempt to do so; it was at length proposed to as begging for water: they cannot speak; they utter allowing such a striking instance of the power of call her brother (a weakly boy a few years older than inarticulate sounds; but in a few hours they will be cannot be gathered up again.

but her disposition was, at that time, most unpromising, being proud, haughty, resentful, and very self-willed. All this my friend was well aware of when she solici- put it in her mouth. ted the charge of her youthful relative, but feeling that it was her part so to do, and relying upon grace and strength from on high, (as indeed she ever does to enable her to fulfil all her relative and social duties), she did not shrink from the task. Besides, she hoped, by judicious management, with God's blessing, to bring about a change in the character of her charge: and subsequent events prove that her anticipations were more than realized. The proud spirit of the child gradually yielded, but not to severity, for punishment of any description was never resorted to. The fall of man, the great depravity of our nature, and the infinite and immeasurable love of Christ in dying for a world of guilty sinners, -dwelling much upon His humiliation for our sakes; were the themes with which my friend constantly endeavoured to impress her. Her quick understanding was speedily arrested, and her mind when her sufferings became too extreme to witness, but and heart soon became deeply imbued with a sense of not for her to bear. She prayed for patience. I gave calabash which is half filled for each one. It holds her own sinfulness, and a strong feeling of love and gratitude to her Saviour. This foundation once laid, About mid-night she awoke (I alone was with her, the work became an easy one, and we all had the the family all slept) and said, 'You were right to happiness of witnessing the child's "growth in grace," and daily improvement in all those branches of study and tempers of mind which would render her a com-

fort to her friends. But, alas! towards the end of the spring of 18her health began to decline: the disease was soon pronounced to be affection of the heart, -her lungs | the hour of your departure is at hand.' She thanked quickly sympathized, and, to the ravages of a quick God, smiled faintly, but sweetly,-told me to describe consumption, dropsy lent its fearful aid; the latter to her what I conceived would be the joys of heaven. disease first appeared in her face, her legs became I proposed praying with her for the last time. swollen, and very soon she was unable to leave her room. But under this fearful complication of disor- know I wish to pray for, and don't forget Mr. ders, she was all patience and submission, employing (the Clergyman); but first shew me my leg, there is much of her time in reading and sewing. Her case now no pain in it.' I uncovered it, and involuntarily was soon pronounced by the physicians to be hopeless, shuddered. She observed this, and said, 'It is indeed and the estimable Rector of the parish undertook to make her aware of it. When he did so, she shed a You must bury me very soon.' I asked if that disfew tears, and seemed a little agitated, but before his tressed her. 'It matters little,' said she, 'what be- in search of more. departure became quite composed. Her benefactress comes of this miserable body, only lay it near the spot was not present during the interview, and when little where you will be buried; and now, for the last time, few affectionate and appropriate remarks added; upon know all I wish to pray for.' I thought these were mense leaguers for holding water are stowed away which little A. - took hold of my friend's hand, her last words, but her lips moved as I prayed, and underneath; some little fellows manage to crawl be- representing sacred personages and symbols of the and, drawing her close up to her, said, "Then you when I closed with the Lord's Prayer, to my astonish- tween the planks—they find the bunghole of the crucifixion, suspended by globules of glass at different will teach me how to prepare for death, -I had no ment, she repeated it with wonderful strength of voice, casks. Necessity is, indeed, the mother of invention: her feelings were on being informed of her critical opened her dying eyes, and looked upon me with much their waist, and is their only covering, fasten it to a impossible to behold, and we were almost inclined to expressly that it is possible to lay up treasures in heaven, when their waist, and is their only covering, fasten it to a impossible to behold, and we were almost inclined to laid such plans of happiness; but then I recollected it or the movement of a feature, yielded up her spirit it up, suck out all the moisture, and so again, until a scene of the dark ages of priestcraft; but no! there lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven;" and as expression and Christ, who died for me, so I became soon reconciled, an awful, but, at the same time, indescribably affecting and won't you now, every day, talk to me of the joys scene, and such as cannot be conceived by any but the planks, and are not discovered until the confined of heaven?" After further conversation, my friend left | those who have witnessed the departure of a soul to | air below becomes rank poison, and then a search is her happy, composed, and even cheerful. Soon after- Him who redeemed it. Oh! that the thoughtless made, and a putrid body found and cast overboard. wards her sufferings became very great, but her patience and irreligious, and those who think there is time and strength of mind seemed to raise her above them. enough to prepare for eternity, could have, with me, "The love of Christ" actually overpowered bodily witnessed the power of Divine grace upon the heart of suffering. In extreme agony she would exclaim, "It this holy child, and her consequently peaceful and happy is not so much as Christ bore for me, and he was sinless!" For some weeks before her death, difficulty let my last end be like hers." of respiration prevented her lying down; and, reclining almost constantly in one position, caused the bones to tion, marks the spot where she lies:pierce their tender covering, her body swelled to an immense size, and the legs literally burst open in many places; but, during the whole time, not a murmur, not even a groan escaped her lips. Extreme pain precluded sleep, yet often, when day began to dawn, she would say to the kind friend who watched her with a mother's solicitude and care, "I am sorry the night is over, it is so delightful to meditate and pray during its stillness." And yet, many of these very nights, with her back supported by a reclining chair, she rested upon her hands, her whole body being in such a miserable condition, that it even shrank from the touch of a down

On one occasion, the little sufferer called to one of her cousins (now too gone to her rest), requesting that all her things might be brought to her, in order that dirty the vessel's side; what a clamor of voices; we she might distribute them as keepsakes among her are on board. cousins and others who had been kind to her. When fatigued with the exertion, desired all to leave the room; she immediately remarked, "Now you understand my wishes, when I can do no good by having others with me, I think it such lost time to have our Oh! how I long to be with my Saviour!" She would often interrupt her benefactress whilst reading and say, "Now talk to me. Oh! it was talking to me of Christ that first so fixed my heart upon him." She desired that an alteration might be made in the prayer which was daily offered for her, saying it did not sufficiently express the graittude she felt to God, adding, "had I not been taken from my mother, I should have been a Roman Catholic, and then, perhaps, this glorious Gospel, which gives me so much peace, would have been for ever hid from my eyes. Pray for mother's conversion." She prayed fervently and friends, whom she thought careless about their spiritual state, remarking, "The sight of me may do them good;" and left messages for others. At all times the peace of God seemed to fill her heart, and from her lips fell sweet expressions of love for the whole

The Parish Minister frequently visited little A. "growth in grace" and advancement in Christian knowledge manifested by this youthful believer; at her own request he administered to her the blessed Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. She lived but a

" By a Correspondent of The Church.

If you think the following brief sketch of the last heavy and sleepless, as to require three persons to lift into the sea. While we are looking, she is dying!— illness and death of a sainted child, whom I well knew, her in and out of bed, a strong young woman, who she is dead!—"Oh death! where is thy sting?"

Divine grace in a youthful heart to lie hidden from herself) to assist, but this she refused, saying, "He quite still,—yes! they will be where the "wicked the Christian public, when, perhaps, its simple recital might hurt his back,—you know he is not strong. 1 cease from troubling, and the weary are at rest," might have been blessed to many lambs of Christ's am of no consequence, no matter if I died here, whereas they will die without a groan; watch them narrowly in the hold occasionally, and keeping the negroes as from the hope of the Gospel."—(Coloss. iv. 21, 22, 23) flock. However, it is not yet, I trust, too late. With assisting me might cripple and make him a burden as you may, you will not perceive the transition from your kind permission, I will at once present a brief upon his friends for life." The other is this: at the life to death! The black glassy eye is half open, and record of the incidents attending the early demise of commencement of her illness she objected to her meals almost transparent. It quivers!—it is fixed in death. the ship. They keep regular watch, which they are us to pray, that God for Christ's sake will forgive us all the this holy child (for she was but twelve years old when being carried up stairs by the servant who attended she died) to your readers, indulging the hope, that it her, observing, she (the servant) did not keep her the deck: one little month, and that man was a Hermay not prove "as water spilt on the ground, which hands clean; consequently everything was afterwards cules; but fearful of his strength, the villains have given her by one of the family. For this she afterwards kept him in close irons; this is the first time he has The little girl, who is the subject of this memoir, bitterly reproached herself, and, on the morning pre- breathed the air of heaven since he embarked. Look was the daughter of a deceased relative of my valued ceding her death, requested that a little thin bread at his lengthy frame—his sunken eyes—his lank jaws friend. In the spring of 18-, she became her and butter might be sent her for breakfast, and that -his attenuated limbs! the bones seem willing to kettles, frying-pans, baking-dishes, tin-pots, and adopted child. In appearance, she was extremely Eliza (the servant in question) should take it to her. burst through the frail covering of skin that surrounds pleasing, and possessed talents of a superior order; Her affectionate relative followed, and offered to feed them; you may count every rib. He was one of the

break the bread and butter with her own hands, and

touching manner, than has already been done by an sea coast. See, he moves,eye-witness of the solemn scene, and I shall, therefore, without apology, transcribe it word for word:-'Mortification had commenced in her leg; the rapidity with which it spread, and the extreme pain which preceded it, cannot be conceived; in thirty-six hours the whole leg exhibited a livid appearance, and every symptom seemed to bespeak speedy dissolution .-During the whole of her illness nothing had been concealed from her, and, at her own request, the doctor's opinion was constantly given in her hearing. She had also obtained a promise from me, that when death was near, she should be made aware of it. This I believed to be the case on the evening of the 24th September, her some composing drops, which produced sleep. give me the drops, my pain was then dreadful, but I have slept it quite off. I feel nothing but indescriba- hands are thrist in at once: with what envy they ble happiness and peace. I feel so happy!' Perceiving that her voice was much changed, and that she had become very weak, after a little conversation, I reminded her of my promise, and said, 'It is my belief that assented, saying, 'Don't forget to include all you frightful; but no matter, it will be soon all over .-- next saw her, said, with a placid smile, "Mr. pray with me.' Her voice became husky. She has told me that I cannot live long, do you think faintly added, 'My eyes won't stay open, but don't from the planks to the deck above: they must all The reply was given in the affitmative, and a think I am asleep, I shall hear you through. You squat down in one position: move they cannot. Im- to have been drawn from the holy well close by, filled Inquiry being made, what and said 'Amen,' in a distinct, solemn tone. She they tear off a portion of the rag that is tied round most consummate ignorance and superstition it was was God's will, and, if I left you, it was to go to into the hands of God, who gave it. It was indeed their insatiate thirst is somewhat abated. Some never death! 'Let me die the death of the righteous, and

A simple marble slab, with the following inscrip-

Sacred to the memory of Who died on the 27th September, 18-, Aged 12 years and 7 months.

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"This young and sincere servant of God has left an example of the twee and beauty of true religion. Her last sufferings were protracted id extreme, but, with the eye of faith, she realized that "there smalness a rest to the people of God," and humbly committing her remaineth a rest to the people of God," and humb soul to Him who redeemed it, her spirit fled rejoicing

A PICTURE OF THE SLAVE-TRADE. (From The United Service Magazine).

Courteous reader, accompany us, I pray you, on committed to the deep. board this slave vessel; come and see the handy works of these blood-thirsty dealers in human flesh. What wind: how the sun shines and the vessel flies! The a nauseous smell as we approach; how slippery and port is in sight, and we shall anchor ere sunset.

she had done so, my friend, thinking that she was cing up and down the deck, smoking a cigar; his that are dying for a while partake of the joy, and fanhands are in his pockets; he appears totally uncon- cy their sufferings all over; and, indeed, so they are, cerned about the number of murders he has committed, for no earthly aid can save their bodies, and, alas! and the horrors that surround him. He is captain of they are ignorant of their souls. And thus they die, the slaver, and a Portuguese; but he declares that casting a last envying look on their comrades, who conversation interrupted: now let us read and pray.

Oh! how I long to be with my Savieng!" She would be is only a passenger, and that the captain died at "eat, drink, and are merry,"—on the cool, clean, spasea. He is even now calculating how much he has cious decks of Her Majesty's receiving frigate Cres- with the grateful smell sent forth, in the hour of prime, from lost by this unfortunate speculation. "Let me see," cent. The healthiest are divided into messes, and are the ground and its productions. He is prepared to taste with says he, "I own twenty of the healthiest, for my given beef, soup, and farina, and as much water as delight the food afforded him by the bounty of God; and no blacks never die!" and he grins,-"that would have they can safely drink. given me twelve thousand crusadoes, and Don Ber- Some little urchins love to sit all day long by the for it. Similar to this is the alteration which takes place in the trip,—sixteen thousand clean gone!—confusion take who comes; that running stream being to them the and arises from the dead. If the light be sweet, and it be a the English picaroons!" and he mutters "curses not dearest sight earth can afford. The sick are laid on pleasant thing to behold the sun; sweet to the mind likewise loud but deep." "Well, well, I must be upon my beds, and have the best medical treatment; they are is the light of life, and a pleasant thing it is to the eyes of the guard now however. Santa Maria! I wonder if given nourishing food to reanimate their debilitated understanding to behold the Sun of Righteousness, who bestows they will rob me of these sixty half doubloons fastened frames: some poor skeletons would drink all day long round my waist; if they do, may they never receive (if allowed) so great is their thirst. By degrees they frequently for all her relations; sent for some young absolution, the miscreants." He grinds his teeth, lights recover and get merry, and dance their native dances,

a fresh cigar, and continues walking the deck. Behold that skeleton form! the unfortunate breathes! and kind treatment, forget all their past sufferings .her pulse still beats; her heart even yet utters faintly

When they have sufficiently recovered, another scene the world out of darkness into his marvellous light. But above elevates him above the brute creation. The holiness of God to the touch of humanity. A few days since, an infant hung at her breast; thrice happy innocent, it the slave vessel; they are about to proceed to the died in the condemnation of the wicked than in the slave vessel; they are about to proceed to the died in the condemnation of the wicked than in the slave vessel; they are about to proceed to the died in the condemnation of the wicked than in the slave vessel; they are about to proceed to the died in the condemnation of the wicked than in the died—it was starved—and, she, the poor emaciated British colony of Guiana; for if they remain in the heaven, and see Jesus enthroned on the right hand of the the salvation of the right hand of the which executes the heaven, and see Jesus enthroned on the right hand of the law which executes the heaven, and see Jesus enthroned on the right hand of the law which executes the heaven, and see Jesus enthroned on the right hand of the law which executes the heaven, and see Jesus enthroned on the right hand of the law which executes the heaven, and see Jesus enthroned on the right hand of the law which executes the heaven, and see Jesus enthroned on the right hand of the law which executes the heaven, and see Jesus enthroned on the right hand of the law which executes the heaven, and see Jesus enthroned on the right hand of the law which executes the heaven, and see Jesus enthroned on the right hand of the law which executes the heaven, and see Jesus enthroned on the right hand of the law which executes the heaven, and see Jesus enthroned on the right hand of the law which executes the heaven, and see Jesus enthroned on the right hand of the law which executes the heaven, and see Jesus enthroned on the right hand of the law which executes the heaven are the law which executes the heaven are the law which executes the heaven are the law which executes the law which mother, has been starved too! she has existed these Brazils they will again become slaves. -, and often expressed his astonishment at the last sixty days on a few handfuls of farina, and two How the poor creatures dread another voyage! gills of putrid water per day; she has lived in the How they cling to the sides of the frigate, as if to save after-hold upon some hard planks all this time; look themselves from a certain death! They recollect all at her excoriated flesh! When she embarked, there that they previously suffered—the suffocation! the were two hundred of her sex stowed with her in raging thirst! the burning heat of their bodies! comfortnight longer, and these few days were passed in bulk!—one hundred and thirty now remain. She rade after comrade dying beside them! But their

Friend of humanity, turn to that nest of little ones,

Mark that living skeleton! lying with his face to her; but this she refused, and actually made the girl brave men of his tribe; he was doubtless taken fight- imitated all the actions and stratagems of the elephant ing hand to hand, defending his wife, his children, his hunter. One stout fellow appeared particularly exhome; even the rude hut in the wilds of Africa; but cited, and for a moment, perhaps, fancied himself again It would be impossible for me to describe the closing he was surrounded and taken prisoner, and driven in his native woods,—he handled a stick (his gun) scene of this dear child's life in a more forcible and with hundreds of others, like flocks of sheep, to the with the greatest dexterity, loading and firing quickly,

He leans upon his hand—his manly brow Consents to death, but conquers agony, And his drooped head sinks gradually low.

He is past all suffering: a few hours, and he will cease to exist.

Yonder are some suffering from ophthalmia-all more or less lind; one is totally so; and every now and then he adeavours to throw himself overboard, and when he s restrained, he mumbles something and points to his eyes, as much as to say, "Why should I live? I am of no use-can only exist in utter darkness-let me put an end to my miseries!"

They are serving out the water!—See, what a rush there is to theafter-hatchway; men, women, children, how eagerly they watch their turn to grasp the little just a pint: wth what agony some of the little urchins regard the process!-afraid, dreadfully afraid, they shall be forgotten. How they creep between the legs of the taller ones to get nearer the tub! A dozen regard the fortunate possessor! and how they watch every drop that passes down his poor parched throat, and snatch it from his grasp ere it is quite empty!-Main strength here wins the day; they have little respect for friends or comrades in misfortune; and no onder-each is endeavouring to save his own life!

Hark! what splash was that? They have just hove two unfortunates overboard: their bodies were yet warm, but they were encumbering the crowded decks; the flies were swarming around them, and even the air was becoming tainted: they are now food for the sharks; two of these ravenous creatures have been gorged with human flesh, but they are never satisfied: they will await the last victim, and then go

Nine hodies have been thrown overboard to-day. Just peep down into the men's slave-room; how close and poisonous the atmosphere! only three feet

I feel a hot puff of wind from the south-west-that lightning issues from it—it begins to sputter with rain when we saw at a distance a few trees, towards which must descend. With what reluctance they go!-the the forest of human heads with the faces turned up- glittering trumpery; the avenue to this was crowded much good here, and to increase their happiness hereafter. ward, peeping through barred-down gratings of the yelling, to get the envied berth! Brute force again miraculous well in honour of which the chapel was carries the day, and the weak squat down in despair

battened down in a gale of wind. Yes, they covered over the hatchways to prevent the seas that fell on board from filling the vessel. What screams of agony, what yells must have been uttered, when they were suffocating! The weather moderated, the hatches were opened, and forty corpses were passed up and

Thanks be to Heaven for the fine refreshing fair

Lo! we are at anchor. What cries of joy the unfortunates utter as they leave the dirty, nauseous ves-Look at that cool, villainous looking seoundrel pa- sel that has brought them across the Atlantic! Those

nadino was to have given me four thousand for the side of the tank, and turn the water for every one soul of the humble penitent, when at the call of God he awakes, and sing their national songs, and so in time, by care works of the Lord, the mighty things he hath done for his soul, takes place; one half of them are again sent on board all his works he is led to contemplate and to adore the Author

A STRIKING INSTANCE OF THE POWER successful efforts to subdue every earthly feeling .- nature gave her a mother's love for her offspring: in the hands of the Philistines. 180 are now put into that is, it leaves the sinner in a state of acceptance Two instances of the kind present themselves to my she nourished and hugged it to her bosom, until the a space where 500 were crammed on leaving the coast so long as he be careful not to forfeit this situation by mind. When, through disease, she had become so little corpse was taken from her by force, and thrown of Africa. The water is pure and wholesome, and quent instances of misconduct. The same precisely is they are allowed a liberal quantity. They are all effect of Baptism, which is enjoined upon the same ter clothed; for the Guiana Immigration Society not only faith and repentance. The same in this respect precise liberally provide clothing, but defray all the expenses the nature of Circumcision. Its privileges were enjoyed of their transportation. The provisions consist of the same conditions: "Circumcision verily profiteth, if hung beef, salt fish, farina, rice, and lemon-juice; with keep the law; but if thou be a breaker of the law, thy dr tapioca, arrowroot, sugar, wine, &c., for the sick .- cision is made uncircumcision." The sauce in truth is Each one is provided with a mat, which they take the foundation upon which rest all the benefits of the great s greatest care of. The officer who is sent with them fice itself. "Yet now hath he reconciled (you) in the body is very particular in keeping the vessel pure and clean, his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblamable and regularly ventilated, sprinkling chloride of lime his sight, if ye continue in the faith, and be not moved much on deck as possible. Twenty of the finest and therefore it is, that, in perfect consonance to the whole Get strongest are selected to assist the seamen in working dispensation, our Church in her communion service hath tag

The passage is long and tedious, but they are merry and free from care, as the following extract from the withdrawn, and leave the sinner in the state of his prior ? prize officer's private log will show :-

"The negroes this evening established a band of culinary instruments. Such a din I never heard: spoons, &c. &c. all in concert! After the dancing a the subject, no consequence can be drawn to the encourage kind of pantomime was performed, in which the actors of vice; whilst it affords a solid and substantial comfort to and with great minutiæ of movement.

"The successful shot was attended with a yell of triumph, and a crash of pots, pans, &c. His movements were regulated by a song, in which all joined." Thus, evening after evening, they amused themselves. At length they anchor in the river Berbice; they are landed, and are located near a plantation.-Job, when the time of his trial was past. They confer gro They immediately demolish an acre of sugar-canes.

influence in this world, and furnish abundantly the mean The men and women are now divided, and made to form a line opposite each other; the men are told to select a wife from the opposite party, when, if the lady be nothing loth, they are married by a magistrate, and henceforth are husband and wife.

In a short time they begin to work at the different plantations, and gain a livelihood, labour here finding a ready market; they are perfectly at liberty to change masters when they please; they are under the protection of a magistrate, responsible only to the government; and they enjoy as much liberty in every respect as those of our own race. They become Christians, attend Church, and, in the fulness of time, they depart this world, -not as worshippers of stones and serpents, but with a hope of everlasting happiness. And thus ends the liberated African's "strange eventful history."

## THE SUPERSTITION OF POPERY.

As we left the church we observed a crowd collected round a cart, out of which a wretched, sick, lame man was being taken to be placed before the altar of the Virgin. Close by, as a sign that holy toys were made at the shop beneath, hung, dangling in the wind from followed the vessel across the Atlantic: they have a pole, a large rosary, at least five or six feet long, and as we proceeded along the mean narrow street we found that in every house the same merchandise was sold and being prepared. Men, women, and children were all busy turning, hammering, grinding, polishing, weaving, and dressing dolls; every window was crowded with medals, rings, crosses, rosaries, pictures, artificial flowers of coloured paper, images, and bottles of water, said with all sorts of strange little coloured glass figures, notice of a savage, or only fitted to attract such gazers. We continued our way, invited at every step to pur- approacheth, neither moth corrupteth." (Luke xii. 33.) chase some of these objects, whose immense profusion dense cloud on the horizon is rising fast—a flash of long winding street was stony, no shelter offered itself, rich in good works: ready to distribute, willing to communication by devout beggars exhibiting their wounds and acci-What shoving, squeezing, cuffing, and dents in a disgusting manner as they sat round the erected. We were soon driven away by the clamour -their breasts heave, and they gasp for a little air. of these people, and looked round for a walk or nook A short time before we captured her, they were all | where we might rest from the heat and dust, in vain! -Miss Costello's Pilgrimage to Auvergne.

## The Garner.

THE AWAKENED SINNER.

A sinner by repentance is brought out of a state of insensiof sleep, but he finds himself endued with the use of all his senses, powers, and faculties. He walketh abroad, and his eyes are blessed with a sight of the whole creation risen with him from the dead, and rejoicing in the glorious light shining upon it from above. He surveys that lovely variety which displays itself upon the face of the earth, and beholds the beauty and brightness of the firmament of heaven. But chiefly his attention is fixed on the great ruler of the day, who gives life and comeliness to all things. His ears are entertained with the music of the birds of the air, who fail not with the sprightliest part of his body is without the sensation proper and necessary by his word that divine knowledge, that heavenly wisdom, which is then what material light is to the bodily organs of vision. Hereby the penitent believer is enabled to behold the wonderful having created all things anew in Christ Jesus, and brought Majesty on high, enlightening and enlivening all things by the criminal, is just as boly as the law which declares, "thou shalt glory of his grace. - Bishop Horne.

THE BENEFITS RECEIVED IN THE LORD'S SUPPER. The Lord's Supper, when duly received, doth convey a full pardon, and totally acquit from guilt, or the obligation to punishment, so long as the conditions, upon which its benefits might have saved herself, and sacrificed her child; fears are in vain; happily for them they are no longer are declared to rest, subsist in the mind of the communicant; 31, Che

past, and that we may ever hereafter serve and please him newness of life: without which amendment this pardon will with the aggravation of having abused additional means grace, and therefore with an increase of condemnation. from this representation of the matter, which has nothing if of subtlety, and which ought not to be new to any writer of penitent. On the contrary, the doctrine is as wholesome, \$ is obvious; it renders habits of virtue necessary to all, whils supplies a mighty incitement to the sinner, "by purging conscience from dead works, to serve the living God," and removing the weight of his present guilt, enables him cheer to run the race set before him, and with confidence to aim the prize of his high calling .- Bishop Cleaver.

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Great riches may be a great blessing, as in the case of Abri ham, and those other saints whom we have mentioned: and

honouring God and doing good to men. Yea, they may rightly used, be the means even of increasing the everlast happiness and glory of their possessor. The poor, howe large his heart, can actually do but little to promote the servi of the Lord, and the knowledge of his salvation. The man great wealth has it in his power, not only to cast a gift into the treasury of the temple, but himself to build temples to the Lor where they are wanted; to furnish provision for the Lord ministers; to equip armies of missionaries; to gladden hearts of the poor saints. It is true that our Lord said of the poor widow, that she had given more than the many rich me who offered their contributions at Jerusalem. But that we because they cast in of their abundance an insignificant gi bearing no proportion to their substance: she in her pent had cast in her whole living. But what is there to preve rich men from doing the same, and from obtaining a far high testimony and a more glorious reward in proportion to higher degree of self-denial that is necessary for the this great sacrifice? "If thou wilt be perfect," said our to the rich young man, "go and sell that thou hast, and gire the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven; and con and follow me." The Papists have abused this doctrine, by persuading men that they could purchase heaven, and bribe God's justice to be blind to their guilt: but that is no rease why Protestants should relinquish the scriptural truth. perfectly certain that the only way of salvation for sinners through grace, by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ; but it equally certain that God will give to every man according his deeds: that there shall be various degrees of glory, and the the degree obtained will be exactly in proportion to the which we make of the talent or talents committed to our cal Now wealth is one of the talents which God entrusts to the sons of men: great riches an accumulation of talents, while may, therefore, by God's blessing and the right use, material increase the happiness and glory of their possessor. The whole Bible is full of this doctrine. "He that hath pity upon the heights in the water. A more perfect picture of the poor lendeth unto the Lord," said Solomon: "and look, what he layeth out it shall be paid him again." Our Lord teaches state, she thus replied: "Ifelt disappointed, for I had laid such plans of happiness; but then I recollected it on the manufacture of a faction, drew a long breath, and without one struggle, rope-yarn, and lower it into the cask: lo! they draw rub our eyes and ask if we were awake or dreaming of he says, "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth; and such plans of happiness; but then I recollected it on the manufacture of the recollected it. was a whole town, every individual in which was em- tells us how this is to be done, when he says, "Sell that" come up again, perhaps cannot, and so die beneath ployed in the fabrication of trumpery unworthy of the have, and give alms: provide yourselves bags which wax po old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not; where no milar is the doctrine of St. Paul, when he tells Timothy to actually dazzled our eyes; the sun was burning, the charge the rich in this world "that they do good; that they cate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation -this portends a squall. Unhappy wretches! you we hastened. These trees afforded a scanty shade to against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eterns a small building fitted up as a chapel, where on an life." (1 Tim. vi. 17, 18.) Riches may, therefore, be as strongest shoving the weak before them. Look at altar stood another black Virgin covered with the usual abundant blessing for time and eternity, enabling men to Rev. A. M' Caul, D.D.

VIRTUOUS CONNEXIONS.

After Abraham had rescued his nephew Lot from the capti vity into which his residence in Sodom had caused him to fall the latter determined, it appears, in spite of the danger he had incurred, to take up his abode again within that wicked city and remained there, grieved indeed by the filthy conversation of the sinners among whom he sojourned, (2 Pet. ii. 7, 8), Je wanting strength of mind, and singleness of religious purpose quit them, because in so doing he must have quitted also country of the most pleasant and luxuriant description, "ered as the garden of the Lord." (Gen. xiii. 10). And this want bility into one of sensibility. No sooner is a person awaked out of pious resolution might perhaps have caused him to involved in the terrible destruction which was now impending over the cities of that lovely plain, had not God "remembered Abraham," and for his sake "sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when he overthrew the cities in which Lot dwelt (Gen. xix. 29). We see here what an advantage it was to him that he was connected with a truly godly and pious man: us, therefore, value such connexions highly, and strive to form them when we have the means. Times may occur, when even "a man" so qualified may be unto you "as a hiding-place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest," (Is. xxxii. 2): never, however, forgetting that higher brotherhood and guardianship, to which above all things you should have recourse, of Him who is the one Mediator between God and man, the man Christ Jesus, without whose gracious intercession and intervening merits, your own righteousness will avail you nothing in the hour of judgment; but the work of his righteousness shall be peace, and its effect quietness and assurance for ever, (Is. xxxii. 17) .- Hon. E. J. Howard, D.D., Dean of Lichfield.

THE HOLINESS OF GOD.

Had not the covenant of mercy been infinitely holy, man could never have been saved. We stand in need of holiness as well as mercy. The grace of God in the child of God, is influenced of God, is influenced or the child nitely more glorifying to God, than the sun which shines by day, or the moon and stars which govern the night. Holiness raises man more highly above his fellow-men, than reason reigns in hell, and ever will reign there: nor is the holiness of

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