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He presed away feer early flowers,

Had lost their first adsullied blooms

Had faded in its rich perfume: V 1884

Ere autumn's frost had come to dim !

The lowly violet's modest ray,

There came a warning tone to him,

And first of all he passed away.

He passed away !-we saw the light

A free bird loosened for the skies!

And saw his gentile breathing cease,

As, silently, without a groan, He passed away! and all was peace.

To blosio beneath a vernal sky,

And all their fragrancy retain,

He passed away ! shall flowers remain,

When he, the loveliest one, must die?

Shall the glad song-bird's joyous lay

Still echo gails from the hill, When his sweet song has passed away,

Peace, troubled spirit !- why complain.

Though sundered are the holiest ties?

When angels called him to the skies?

Would weeping love's enfolding arms

When heaven unfolded all its charms

And wooed him to its haunts of bliss

With him depart the song and glee,

We will not wish him back to earth

For now we know that he is free :

But may the holy faith that made

Be ours, to gild death's gloomy shade

HARRIET NEWELL.

enacted there by Hertel de Rouville and De Heaven.

" How sweetly on the wood-girt town

Each small bright lake, whose waters still

The mellow light of sunset shone!

Reflected from the waveless breast

Glorious as if a glimpse was given

Within the western gates of Heaven,

Her father was Mr. Moses Atwood, a merchant

extensively and honourably known for his enter-

prise, integrity, and benevolence; and her mo-

ther, like him in energy, simplicity, and piety, is

still living in serene old age blessed in her chil-

dren who remain, as in those who have gone be-

fore ber, and sure of a reunion with them all in

"another and a better world.

Harriet Atwood was distinguished for unsual

precocity. When but eleven years of age she

kept a diary, in which the incidents of every day

were recorded, with frequent reflections, and at

this period she passed much time in the study of

the Scriptures and in secret prayer. Religion

had not yet, however, assumed a permanent do-minion over her feellings, and it was not till after she entered the B addord Academy, in 1806, that

she entirely renounced the world, and began to

teach by her conversation as well as by her ex-

ample the great truths which inspired the hero-

The beauty of the cloudless west,

Left, by the spirit of the star

Of sunset's holy hour, ajar!"

Mirror the forest and the hill,

And cheer us through life's closing scene.

His dying moments so serene

Dereham, July 18th, 1848.

And his, the dearest voice, is still ?

O could we wish him to remain.

Detain him in a world like this,

We heard his last low farewell tone,

Fade slowly from his dying eyes,

As peacefully he took his flight,

Ere the fair rose from summers bowers

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for this period are full of affection, bleeding upon

stated in the notice of Mrs. Judson, as soon as

their object became known to the government, they were ordered to leave the country. They

however obtained leave to go to the Isle of France.

the governor of which was a Christian in feeling

as well as by his nation, and a ship being found

which could receive two passengers, Mr. and Mrs. Newell, after a visit of six weeks at Seram-

pore, left their dear friends there to return to

Calcutta, whence on the 4th of August they

sailed alone for their new and distant destination

At the end of four weeks, it was ascertained that

the vessel had sprung a leak, and they made for

the Coromandel coast for repairs. They arrived at Coringa on the 8th of September. Anxieties,

fatigues of the voyage and the climate, had near-

ly prostrated Mr. Newell, and his wife was alarm-

ingly ill. Yet a sense of duty and a confidence

of God's approval sustained her. They re-em-

barked on the 19th; three weeks afterward she

gave birth to a daughter, who died at the end of

five days. On the 16th of October her husband

"Though I am taken away before we

There are few characters in history upon which | perceived in her symptoms of a fatal disease, and

we linger with a more pleasing satisfaction than on the 31st they landed at Port St. Louis, in the

upon that of Harriet Newell, the first martyr in Isle of France. An affecting account of her last

the foreign missionary fields of the American days is given by Mr. Newell, in a letter to her

records of her short career will long be a guide it gives me comfort to think of the case of David,

a life of saintly devotion to win the benediction | build a house for God." Reposing her weary.

that welcomed her in heaven. She was born on shattered mind on Him, with peace, she lingered

sionaries from England.

LONDON, (CANADA WEST,) SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 1848.

HOME EVANGELIZATION

the sacrificial alter, but consuming in the flame BY REV. DR. HUMPSBRY. on the 9th of Feruary, 1812, Harriet Atwood On the day that Louis Philippe abdicated the and Samuel Newell were married, and a few days throne of France in favour of his grandson, the afterward they left her home forever. On the 19th Duchess of Orleans, mother of the infant Prince, they sailed from Salem, in the ship Caravan, entered the Chamber of Deputies, leading him with their missionary associates, Mr. and Mrs. by the hand, that as the heir apparent, he might be proclaimed King of the French by the repre-Judson, for India. On the 12th of the following June, after a protracted but not unpleasant voyage, they came in sight of Orissa, and on the 16th sentatives of that great nation, in the room of the repudiated monarch. It was an awful mothey landed at Calcutta, where they were rement, big not only with the destinies of the reigning family, but of thirty-five millions of people.

All eyes were fixed upon Odillon Barrot, as he ceived with fraternal kindness by the Baptist mis-The opposition of the East India Company to rose slowly frem his seat, ascended the tribune, the education and conversion of the Hindoos, was and moved that the young Count of Paris, then but a proof of its estimation of the obstacles and there present, be proclaimed King in the which a true civilization would present to schemes of cupidity and oppression. What good our room of his grandfather. Every sound was hushed. Men held their breath. It was as if American apostles would have accomplished in Bengal had they been permitted to remain there, the heart of an empire had ceased to beat. The question was about to be put, when a single is known only to the Saviour to whom they wish voice from the gallery broke the silence-" It is to bring its wretched inhabitants. As has been

Never did a more thrilling and potent exclamation burst from mortal lips. It smote the ear of the Duchess as the death-knell of her house. escale with her son through one of the buel doors of the Chamber. It was too late. Has the motion as factor of the heir apparent been made a day, or even a few hours earlier, it might have prevailed. But the time was gone by. It was too late! the throne was irrecoverably lost. This is but a single example among a thousand of the fatal consequences of delay. Many t throne has in like manner been lost. But our purpose is not to dilate upon examples

ike these. Those ominous words in the French Chamber, It is too late! apply to losses continually incurred which are infinitely greater than those of any dethroned or expectant monarch The value of a thousand earthly kingdoms bears no proportion to the worth of an immortal soul. For the soul, there is a day of grace, and there is a day of final retribution. While mercy pleads and waits, the sinner may repent and be saved but by and by, perhaps the next hour, it will be too late. On this point the Bible abounds with examples and illustrations which were "written tle intelligencies that seem to have been almost have had it in our power to do anything for the for our learning, on whom the ends of the world exempted from the influences of the fall, and the heathen," she said one day to her husband. "yet are come." One of the most striking of these is in the twelfth chapter of Hebrews. "Looking diligently," warns the apostle, "lest any fail of the grace of God; lest there be any fornicator and a support to those whose aspirations are by who was accepted for having it in his heart to or profane person, as Esau, who, for one morsel of meat, sold his birthright. For ye know, that the tenth of October, 1793, in the village of in the intensest bodily suffering until the last day Haverhill, on the Merrimack, celebrated as well of November, 1812, when, at the age of nineteen afterward, when he would have inherited the for its romantic beauty as for the terrible deeds enacted there by Hertel de Rouville and De Heaven. with tears." It was too late. And as it was tier's description of the approach of evening at weight upon her husband, who, in the few months too late for Esau, so would it soon be for them. Challions, a hundred and forty years ago. Whit- His great misfortune fell with a crushing used to "climb the heights of the stupendous To the same purpose is that awful communicathe village seems as if designed to commomorate during which he remained in the Isle of France, room for only a part of it. "Because I have called and ye refused. Then shall they call upon of my counsel, they despised all my reproof. Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own ways, they shall be filled with their own devices." mitted in the presence of God to be reunited to They might have hearkenek, they might have been saved, but now it was too late. They had heard and slighted the last call of mercy, and nothing remained to them but "a certain fearful

know you not." No pleadings now could open

We often hear it said, that while life lasts it is

out of the world to meet their final doom ?

the door. It was too late.

THE GLORY OF REDEMPTION.

and spend whole days in wandering through those

solitary wilds where no human ear could hear

the voice of his sorrow." He subsequently pas-

sed a year in Ceylon, whence he went to Bombay

and after seven years spent there in ardous de

the object of his dearest earthly affection.

votion to his mission, he was, in May, 1821, per-

Eternal Redemption by Jesus Christ! It will looking for of wrath and fiery indignation." be the wonder of wonders—the theme of themes
—the glory of glories. The everlasting song of the new creation, giving utterance to the glory of the Cross, and the harmonies of heathen, and out to meet him. And they that were ready the wailings that shall come from the depths of went in with him to the marriage, and the door infinite ruin, responsive to the infliction of an impression wide as the range of intelligent existence, deep as the depths of moral being, and he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I enduring as eternity.

"Redemption is the science and the song Of all eternity. Archangels, day
And night, into its glories look. The Saints, And Elders round the Throne, old in the years Of Heaven, examine it perpetually; And every hour, get clearer, ampler views, Of right and wrong; see virtue's beauty more See vice more utterly depraved and vile: And this with a more perfect hatred hate; That, daily love, with a more perfect love.

ism of her later years. Before she was fifteen she lost her father, and in the following summer -on the 6th of August, 1809-she became a The glory of Redemption! It is the chief demember of the church. In October, 1810, she light of the Infinite Mind; the joy of angels; was made acquainted with the Rev. Samuel Newell, a graduate of Harvard College and of the the bliss of mankind; the central sun and moral Divinity School at Andover, who had recently | bond of the universe. As the theatre of this redemption our world is

determined, with Judson, Mills, and others, to devote his life to missionary labours; and who, while he was on a visit to Charlestown, in the self, its relations are with the universe. Though following April, offered her proposals of marriage. in itself an obscure corner of creation, it is made Hitherto it had been her principal ambition to be useful. The correspondence which she maintained chief attraction. The attention of angels is drawn with her school companions and others, is per- to it. A moral force is gathering in it to uphold vaded by a fine religious enthusiasm, and her unaffected but conspicious piety had a powerful in- ven's laboratory, in which are to be worked out fluence upon the sympathies of her associates.
Though warmly attached to Mr. Newell, her affection for her family and friends was also fer- universe, on which holiness and sin, truth and vent; and besides the shadows that rested upon error, life and death, Christ and the Devil are to wage their one great and decisive warfare. the fields of missionary labour, as yet but slightly History may record her eventful eras, when explored, and altogether unexplored by any wo-

man of her own country, her constitution did not all the powers of earth were drawn up in hostile appear to be such as to fit her for the inevitable array, and all its interests suspended on a single toils and dangers of this kind of life. These cir- conflict. Such may be regarded to have been tion was very transient, and the resolution which the future inheritance of mankind; when the she formed was never regretted. "Yes"-in the victory of Constantine determined, whether Patrue spirit of Christian heroism, she wrote in her ganism or Christianity should hold the throne of The King of the Sandwich Islands, who prodiary-"yes, I will go! However weak and the Roman empire; when on the plain of Tours, unqualified I am, there is an all-sufficient Saviour it was decided whether the Crescent should preready to support me. In God alone is my hope. vail over the Cross in the West, as it had in the their instructions, died in less than two; and I will trust in his promises, and consider it one East; whether Imposture should drive the Truth what hope could they have of him. He had of the highest privileges that could be conferred from the earth; when, on the event of the Arma- fixed his time, but before it half expired he was upon me to be permitted to engage in his glor- da, it was to be decided whether Popery or Pro- in eternity. It was too late. And so it will be ious service among the wretched inhabitants of testantism should prevail, whether the earth with all impenitent hearers of the gospel who put should belong to Christ or to Antichrist; and off their preparation to "a more convenient sea-Mr. Newell, after his marriage engagement, when on the plains of Waterloo the armies of son," and not live to see it. They will bewail proceeded to Philadelphia to complete the medical studies which he had previously commenced and changed the current of human affairs. But The young Duke of Bordeaux lost only a tempowith a view to his greater usefulness among the Time is a more eventful era, in relation to Eter- rary crown. They will lose that "crown of heathen; and Miss Atwood devoted the time to nity. The spiritual powers of the universe are glory which fadeth not away." friendship at the Bradford Academy, and now all worlds are involved. Our highest concep- N. Y. Evangelist. they passed many days together in devising plans for improvement, and in preparation for the scenes that awaited them. Constant and various occu-

pation did not, could not withdraw Miss Atwood's height of glory, and a fulness of love and blessing

thoughts altogether from the painful separations in this work of Redemption, which eternal ages

that were approaching. Her letters and journal will hardly disclose. Bib. Report

It is a fact which deserves to be well considered by every Christian who cherishes an interest in the triumphs of true religion, that the relation of this country to the great enterprise of evangelizing the world, possesses in our own age a higher degree of importance than has ever invested it at any preceding period. Until within a few years the United States have been regarded as holding a position on the outermost frontier of the civilized portion of the earth. When the Asiatic possessing the oldest seats of civilization, has thought of us at all, he has seen the continent of Africa, or the continent of Europe, with the Indian Ocean, and the boisterous Atlantic, separating us from him. In his view, America has been literally the very "ends of the earth," and the last place whence to expect superior light and knowledge. But the providence of God is bringing to pass the saying that is written, "the last shall be first;" for America is soon to be regarded as lying mid way between the old continents,—in the very bosom and centre of the civilized nations. Ere long, railroads and telegraphic lines will connect the Atlantic and Pacific; Boston and New York will converse ith Oregon; the European will be passing ough this country on his way to Europe: our a shores will attract settlers from China

> Such a wonderful issue of things, we are aware has been doubted, until of of late, even by the most intelligent minds. When the Oregon question was agitating the country, a popular writer of this city said in a public lecture at the Lyceum, that the Rocky Mountains are barriers set by the Almighty against our being one people with those whom they should effectually separate from us. But since then, the adventurous spirit of our young countrymen has shown that through these barriers God had prepared a highway along which the whizzing car may rush with its unwonted speed. "Mountains interposed" no more "make enemies of nations," nor break their unity.-What is distance to us, when When heaven echoed an answer to the Saviour's we can send words abroad on eletric streams which pass (as Mr. Wheatstone says,) at the rate of 288,000 miles, equal to cleven and a half times round the globe in one second? What is distance to us, when men in the Atlantic cities can talk with their neingbours on the shores of the Pacific by means of the lightning's tongue, and the quick transmission of intelligence can form bonds of sympathy sp blend hundreds of milions into one great nationality?

and Japan, and in our marts of commerce, Pagan

and Christian people will meet and mingle to-

If, then, it be true that, instead of our merely ing population of heathenism, God is so ordering events as to bring that population within the sphere of our influence as a people, and placing America in the heart of the world, who can overto prepare our country for her exalted mission Whose soul would not sink within him at the early but shall not find me. They would none anticipation of a failure? What if they should find us a selfish, immoral, lawless people, prepared to offer them only a mutilated, a corrupt and spiritless Christianity? What if they should find our social degraded, our practices of trade unrighteous, our religion merely nominal, our What do ye more than others ?" By a decree which no human power can control, this nation is destined, in a very literal sense, to be "established on the tops of the mountains," and the people are to flow to it; and if we be not fitted o give them the light of life and salvation, in from the ways of error into truth, from the

service of dumb idols to the service of the living Most clearly, therefore, does it become the sense it is true. If he would truly repent and duty of the friends of missions to care well for mortal honr, he would be saved. But will he? wise economy. For here, with a comparatively How small, have we reason to fear, is the number small outlay of expense, we secure the grandest of all moral results. For what result can be the wicked man dies; it certainly does where more momentous, more sublime, than the Christhe unpardonable sin is committed, and who can tianizing of the world? But it is by the spread tell how long before? Be it a few years, or but of Christianity in our own land, that we can oba few days, it is then too late. And if the Saviour were to speak by an audible voice from heaven ed in the evangelization of the race. - With refer ence to this chief end, therefore, it would be wise how many of them he would say, These all for American Christians to bestow their strongest might have been saved, but it is too late. When efforts on this continent. To do so, would be acting on the principle always adopted by a called they refused, and now there is no more company of calculating manufacturers, who do place for repentance." The rich voluptuary who not begrudge a large outlay of money at the sence, would have given all his banquets, and point where it can be expended in creating the greatest amount of motive operations; and we know who it is said "the children of this world purple, and fine linen, for "a drop of water to cool his tongue," but it was too late. The horare wiser in their generation than the children of rors of a guilty conscience drove Judas back to he temple with his thirty pieces of silver, crying,

"T have betrayed the innocent blood," but it was to ends in the work of evangelization, it deserves for that man if he had never been born," and he to be remembered that some nations far excel went away in black despair and hanged himself. others in those clements of character which fit Voltaire, and Thomas Paine, and other blass them to exect an intellectual and moral influence. If for instance, France were thoroughly evankingdoms in their last hours for the Christian's gelized, perhaps no nation of Europe would do our to find the true sense of it, and to live achope, but it was too late. They have treasured up wrath against the day of wrath, and the revela.* when we consider the elements of American our to find the true sense of it, at so much to diffuse religion in the world. And cording to it.—Christian Witness. of duty, in which she had nothing to do but to cided by a single blow, between Greece and seek and nothing to do but to cided by a single blow, between Greece and seek and of the righteous judgment of God. How merce, of art of science, of industry, of discovery should be many such, according to the most authentic merce, of art of science, of industry, of discovery the Greek with the versatility of the French and the patient endurance of the Anglo-saxon, we see reason to believe that no nation on the globe mised the missionaries that in five years he would contains a more exhaustless spring of motive power to mould the moral destiny of the race by he diffusion of Christianity. Truly, as American Christians, it becomes us to own that we have "a goodly heritage in the work before us-a work in which the welfare of onr country, of the human race, and of the kingdom of Christ, are intimately and permanently blended .- Christian

In a short time the prodigious number of her own. With her she had formed a close tenance of law and order, and the happiness of the work, a new steam the whole knows best, and will make his grace A NEGRO COLONEL.—The correspondent of a New-York paper, describing the incidents of the "four days" in Paris, gives the following curious item: "The largest and finest battalion of Garde Mobile I have seen during the day, was led by a young ful-blooded negro tall and erect, and full of military ardour." sidered another wonder of the world!

THE TRUE GROUND OF JOY. Dr. Chalmers spent many years in the Chris-

tian ministry an entire stranger to the power of spiritual religion, and a disbeliever in the leading doctrines of evangelical orthodoxy. But after his powerful intellect and his glowing heart became imbued with these great and glorious truths, he became a spiritual giant, compared with what he was before. In his "Sabbath Exercises," a private reserd of his thoughts and feelings respecting his spiritual state, kept from Sabbath to Sabbath, which no eye but his own was ever allowed to inspect while he was living and which, on account of the sacred privacy with which they were kept, were given to the public with much besitancy after his death, he says, Here let me record my experience, that of all the Bible truths taken together, there is none which tells more pleasurably or more powerfully upon me, than the work of Christ in the room of inners, as their substitute and their surety-and that not only in the way of peace; but sure I am, that when thus occupied I feel on the firmest vantage ground for the vigorous, and cheerful, and prosperous prosecution of the service of

Here then, he records, in the privacy of his loset, with no eye but that all seeing One which never slumbers, the secret of his great spiritual strength. This record was made a little more than ten years before he died, when his powers were in the maturity of their vigour, and when he was in the most favourable position for a calm retrospect of his life, and a sound judgment of his own experience. To him the testimony of the Prophet, that "the joy of the Lord is your strength," was remarkably verified through a long, intensely active, and useful life; but this joy, and the power of this joy, he gratefully records, is in "the work of Christ in the room of sinners, as their substitute and surety." This it was which made him joyful, which made him obedieut, which made him useful.

This grand, central doctrine of revelation has een, in all ages, the fulcrum of the spiritual lever which has moved the world. It is "the mystery of Godliness, God manifest in the flesh. prayer, that the Father might be glorified in his own agonizing death, he said to the people around, in all the humility of his manhood, yet with the assured certainty of his Divinity, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto

How wonderfully has this already been fulfilled! And how much more wonderfully is it yet to be fulfilled! Is there any rational, not to say sanctified intellect, who from this point of time, can look back to that saying of the man Jesus, and to the circumstances which attended sending forth a few missionaries to seek the teem- its utterance, and not exclaim, with the doubting Thomas, "My Lord, and my God."-Chr.

THE PROTESTANT MANIFESTO OF CHIL-

By the religion of Protestants I do not understand the doctrine of Luther, or Calvin, or Melancthon; nor the confession of Augsburg or Geneva; nor the catechism of Heidelberg, nor resigned his office on account of failing health, the articles of the Church of England; no, nor On his deathbed he penned a message which the harmony of Protestant confessions; but that wherein they all agree, and which they all subscribe with a greater harmony, as a perfect rule be constrained to taunt us with the question, of their faith and actions—that is, the Bible, I say, the Bible only, is the religion of Protestants. Whatever else they believe besides it, and the plain irrefragable, indubitable consequences of t, well may they hold it as a matter of opinion ; but as a matter of faith and religion, neither can they with coherence to their own grounds believe hope arise upon their benighted vision? Whence shall dawn that light by which they may be led without most high and most schismatical present the schismatical present in the confidence of the verily believe and hope) impartial search of "the foot but upon this rock only.

I see plainly, and with my own eyes, that there are popes against popes, councils against councils, some fathers against others, the same fathers against themselves, a consent of fathers of one ore against a consent of fathers of another age. n a word, there is no sufficient certainty, but of Scripture only, for any considering man to build upon. This, therefore, and this only, I have reason to believe; this I will profess; according to this I will live; and for this, if there be accasion, I will not only willingly, but even gladly, lose my life, though I should be sorry that Christians should take it from me. Propose me anything human reason, I will subscribe it with hand and er than this: God hath said so; therefore it is true. In other things I will take no man's liberty of judgement from him, neither shall any man no man the less for differing in opinion from me. And what measure I mete to others I expect does not, and therefore, that man ought not, to require any more of any man than this; to believe the Scripture to be God's word, to endeav.

A year or two before the death of Rev. S. Kilpin, he was laid aside from his ministerial labours by a local disease, which disabled him from entering the pulpit This was to him a great trial, as with his devoted heart and energetic mind, it was his greatest delight to be actively employed for his Master's glory and the when somewhat relieved from suffering, but still "Well, she replied, "I don't know; I have never thought about it." "Why my dear child, did you never learn Murray's Grammar? What is a verb?" "Why, a verb is a word which signifies 12,000 copies of the Times per hour, will be to do, to suffer, or to be." "That is it, replied struck off by the aid of an additional machine, he; "that is the Christian. The doing I have heathen; and Miss Atwood devoted the time to hity. The spiritual powers of the universe are reading, correspondence, and the society of her more intimate friends. Of those beyond the imsixty centuries has the conflict raged already, and in the spiritual powers of the universe are struck off by the aid of an additional machine, he; "that is the Christian. The doing I have struck off by the aid of an additional machine, he; "that is the Christian. The doing I have struck off by the aid of an additional machine, he; "that is the Christian. The doing I have struck off by the aid of an additional machine, he; "that is the Christian. The doing I have struck off by the aid of an additional machine, he; "that is the Christian. The doing I have struck off by the aid of an additional machine, he; "that is the Christian. The doing I have struck off by the aid of an additional machine, he; "that is the Christian. The doing I have struck off by the aid of an additional machine, he; "that is the Christian. The doing I have struck off by the aid of an additional machine, he; "that is the Christian. The doing I have struck off by the aid of an additional machine, he; "that is the Christian. The doing I have struck off by the aid of an additional machine, he; "that is the Christian. The doing I have struck off by the aid of an additional machine, he; "that is the Christian. The doing I have struck off by the aid of an additional machine, he; "that is the Christian." more intimate friends. Of those beyond the immediate family circle, none were dearer than Anne Hasseltine, whose home was on the opposite bank of the Merrimack, about a mile from the other world, It is too late, too

the new arrangements are completed, it is stated that the number will be not less than 50,000 per that the number will be not less than 50,000 per commendation as the most costly sacrifice of forbed with above of heavent influence. day. The working of the Times is justly con- wealth, or active service. "They serve who wait."- Christian Witness.

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THE POWER OF CHRIST'S NAME There is a strong recommendatory power in the names which are given to Christ; and any person at all given to reflection must at times feel attracted by them, and constrained to accept his proffered love. Take those seasons, for example, when the mind is oppressed with a conviction of the exceeding sinfalness of sin, and painfully impressed with a view of its almost hopeless bondage to sin's corrupting and destructive power. With what surprising freshness and force will such assurances and epithets fall upon the heart, as those which present Christ as the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world; as the Fountain open for sin and uncleanness; as the Balm of Gilead, and the great Physician. Or in those hours when in deep perplexity and doubt, thick gloom overspreads the soul, and our greatest temporal or spiritual interests become tangled and inexplica-ble to our wisdom, the more mention of the name 'counsellor' is the revelation of our help, is like the stream of rays from a light-house thrown upon the storm-tossed sailor's vision. "I am the way, the truth, and the life," says the unerring voice. Our Lord is a Sun and Shield-the True Light-the Sun of Righteousness; and by these figures is revealed to the perplexed mind

the very help it needs. There are times of deep depression and sadness, in perhaps every man's experience, when a sense of desertion by human sympathy, or if not that, at least a persuasion of the utter impotence of the good will and kindly feeling of others, takes possession of the heart. One feels alone in the wide world, and weary of it. Like Hagar in the wilderness, we are forsaken and outcasts But in the saddest moment of our depression, let it be whispered in our ear that "there is a Friend which sticketh closer than a brother," or that "we have a High Priest which can be touched with the feeling of our infirmities," and how, in a moment, does the whole flow and hue of our feelings change under the magic influence

of a sentence or a word. Of course we do not exclude, but by all means nclude, the influence of the Holy Spirit operating through Scriptural expressions and names of the Saviour, in this sublime and beautiful effect But we are speaking now of visible means, and their wonderful effects; so wonderful, that a single word, upon which the mind never, perhaps, paused before, or a name, whose meaning was scarcely ever thought of, becomes in a moment a light hung out from heaven, a sign-post on the way of life, a minister of grace and peace to the soul. Perhaps, were we to inquire minutely into causes and effects in Christian experience, we might find that a single word fitly spoken and heard, is often the means of a conversion, whose joyful consequences reach through e ernity. Especially, how often would it appear that the names of Christ are a tower of strengh and a fountain of consolation.

A GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE FROM THE DEATHBED

Governor Shunk, of Pennsylvania, recently should be pondered, and contrasted with the pub lie documents of magistrates in the full enjoyment of health and power. If statesmen would keep before them the thought that They must die while the results of their influence will live for ever, it would moderate their ambition, and give more of dignity and consistency to their public acts. We extract the last paragraph of the governor's letter of resignation.
"In taking leave of you under circumstances

it themselves, nor require the belief of it of others, so solemn, accept my gratitude for the confidence true way to eternal happiness," do profess plain- you have inherited from your ancestors may y that I cannot find any rest for the sole of my remain unimpaired until the latest posterity; that the same kind Providence which has already so signally blessed you, may conduct you to a still higher state of individual and social happiness; and when the world shall close upon me, that you may enjoy the consolations of the Christian's faith, and be gathered, without a wanderer lost, into the fold of the great Shepherd above.

LICENTIOUS POETRY

It is one of the foulest and most melancholy of facts, that writers of extraordinary genius, not to be surpassed in the play of imagination and the power of language, have desecrated their talents out of this book, and require whether I believe it or no; and seem it never so incomprehensible to a grace and beauty over the abominations of heart, as knowing no demonstration can be strong- proach on our literature, that it contains volumes which are almost unrivalled in the mere article of composition, rich in the splendour of diction, the brilliancy of metaphor, and the pathos of take mine from me. I will think no man the description, but which put all modesty to the worse man, nor the worse Christian; I will love blush, and but few fragments of which can we venture to place in the hands of our children. These deserve to be called the treatises on magic, from them again. I am fully assured that God when it is the wand of pleasure which evil spirits wave. It it beyond calculation what an amount of viciousness is fostered in a land, through the corculation of loose, but beautiful poetry. We speak not of publications which can be only sold in secret, and the venders of which have only to become known to be punished by law. We speak of those to whom no such open stigma is attached, but which are, nevertheless, as instrumental to forming base passions, and encauraging licentiousness, as the more indecent and scandalous. which drew upon themselves judicial condemnation. There is many a young persen who would shrink from gross writings with a sort of instinctive abhorrence, but who is not proof against the seductions of voluptuous poetry, and to whom good of immortal souls. One Sabbath morning, therefore the elegant author, who can clothe immorality in a fascinating dress, will serve as a unable to engage in his beloved work, he said to sort of high-priest of vice, though he might have a young relative at that time staying with him,
"My dear M——, why is a Christian like a verb?"

been disgusted by any of its less polished ministers.

Melvill.

MISSIONS AND MISSIONARIES. The Baptist Mission at Hamburgh, under the charge of Rev. Mr. Oncken, who has suffered so much from the despotism of State churches, and the bigotry of Protestants as well as Catholics, appears, by his late reports, to be now in a engine of 20-horse power, at an enormous az-pense, has been constructed. The number pub-lished daily, at present, is about 35,000; when your Minister tests your faith and love by patient dition of eighteen converts during the year. The increase in all the churches in the past year,