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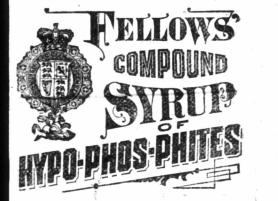
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SECOND COMING OF CHRIST. | write concerning it.

From advance sheets of a pamphlet now in press. The subject of the first Resurrection

will also be shown and explained, on Scripture authority and erroneous opinions thereon be exposed and refuted. This question of our Lord's Second Coming, is not new to me. About 36 years ago it was brought to my notice. and engaged my most serious attention and examination, under the following circumstances. In the year 1843, when residing in the village of Wolfville, a book came to my hand, published in the United States, by a man named William Miller, containing 19 of his Lectures on this Second Advent Subject. I read them attentively, and on comparing them with the Scriptures saw their erroneous character throughout. Hearing that he intended to come to Halifax, and lecture on the subject, I concluded to oppose him in public discussion. While engaged in preparing, from Scripture and other authority, what I may call a very extended Brief of Notes, &c., on the subject, two friends, one a Revd, residing in Annapolis, visited me, and in the course of conversation I told them how I was engaged; and they informed me

agitated and alarmed on the subject; opposition to the prevalent delusions. | sickness. 1 assented, and in February 1843 went Tracts concerning it. One person it er. was said was so convinced that the

circumstances related, I possess scriptural and other information on the subject, which thirly qualify me to

OUR ENGLISH LETTER.

THE CHRISTMAS OF 1878.

DEAR MR. EDITOR.—The Christmas holiday is just over, and will long be remembered for the intensity of the frost and its protracted severity. We tions and are led into the meshes so had read of the unprecedented cold ex. perienced in the Northern parts of England, and gradually it appeared to be advancing southward. At length London and its neighborhood began to experience the power and reign of the frost. Christmas came in with intense cold. The windows were well frosted over, the water pipes were frozen, the streets were covered with ice and snow, raises the question as to the strength and winter reigned supreme. It was a season of much distress. Employment has been scarce for some time past. The protracted frost closed many branches of industry, and there was a loua appeal from many who stool in need of clothes, food and fuel.

THE GIFTS OF CHARITY

THE SEVERE WEATHER I found that many persons were going A speedy thaw soon obliterated all

THE OLD YEAR.

1 то 327 and illustrates the tendency of the movement in the Church of England, and shows where the paved road to

Rome is to be found. THE GREAT UNIVERSITIES GOOLS

furnished a large contingent, and the lists prove the success of Romanism, in the midst of the cultured and trained youth of the day; for it is not the bois- 000

terous and rackety students, who give attention to those controversial ques. carefully spread around them. From Oxford 262 have gone, and Cambridge swells the list with 120 more. The aristocracy of England furnishes several, who possessed of much wealth and influence have been splendid catches for the wily and covetous perverters of England's Protestantism. It is a long, was hurt. s.d and mournful study, and again

and value of the Church of England which, while professedly National and Protestant is contributing so many, and so much to swell the numbers and augment the strength of a communion so antagonistic to England's purity and safety.

IT IS SATISFACTORY

were prepared on an unusually exten- to find that very few of the brave, insive scale, and some of the appalling telligent, hard working and Christian misery was met, but not all, and to men of England ever go over to Rom -. that very many persons in the western many it was a season of trial and sor- It is not proved that they ever do. parts of the Province were greatly row. Our poorer populatians are quite Rome is not advancing in that direcunprepared for severe weather, and alas tion, and if it were not for the Irish and they earnstly urged me to visit they have no provision made for a time and Catholic emigration into our large some of those places, and lecture in of slack employment, or a season of cities, the per centage of the Roman Catholics in England would be much less than it is, and it is proved to be less first to the village at Bear River, where did not last very long after Christmas. than it was 10 or 20 years ago. Rome has made progress in wealth, in buildwild on the subject, holding meetings traces of the fierce winter, and once ings, in its priesthood, and among the from house to house, and reading more we have mild and pleasant weath- cultured and upper classes, but not among the middle classes, at the real

strength of our people.

scarcely referred to the theft of the body most intelligent observers of the religious of the late A. T. Stewart. A statement movements of France, expressed the opinmade a few days ago, and which, perhaps ion that many Frenchmen are inclined to is true, is to the effect that the stolen Protestantism, "Recently" he states,

body was recovered, Nov. 14th, eight days after the theft, and that it is now in munes have been asking to be organized Greenwood Cemetery awaiting the time as Protestant parishes." The project of when the crypt at Garden City is ready a new religious and political French Profor it. It is also stated that the recovery testant journal, already noticed in this of the body cost between \$35,000 and \$40,-

A snow slide occurred on Champlein Evangelique Paris, during the recent Exstreet, Quebee, at the site of the terribly position. The discourses delivered under fatal slide which four winters ago swept the direction of the English Christian Evitwo houses and several people, including dere Society at the same time, will be a whole family out of existence. The published soon in volume form. avalanche rolled down the front of the

cliff of Cape Diamond, bringing up against a row of brick houses opposite the site of those demolished in 1875, and filling the houses to the roof. Fortunately no one of the Visitor :--

> A most tremendous snow storm has been raging all day. worke

HER MAJESTY'S SPEECH-MAKING .- It has frequently been stated that Her Majesty's speeches are carefully written for her by a judicious adviser. By accident that country-the United-has, in Synod it has come to my knowledge that such is agreed in declaration which materially not always the case. To day I have seen modifies-in some features opposes-the the manuscript of the speech which the distinguishing doctrines of the West-Queen delivered on Friday to the 4th King's Own. It is in her own hand writ ing. The Queen, it appears made three attemps at a start on the first page, but fi- consideration and to suggest modificanally settled down to her work, and wrote tions. What ever may be the result, the the couple of hundred words she spokeas printers say-'right off the reel.' The ture from the traditional theology of Caloriginal was the only copy of the address existing, and had not an illustrious Duke

interested himself in procuring it for the newspaper correspondents, it would probab-ly never have been published.—London Correspondent.

For several weeks the papers have Dr. Edmond de Pressense one of the " in the department of Ain, whose comcolumn, is for the present held in suspanse. tI is now estimated that 100,000 persons attended the conferences held in the Suile

The N. York Times in summing up the events of 1878, gives this paragraph street 18 feet deep with snow, burying the which we specially commend to the notice

> " Next in importance to the change in the administration of the Holy See are the evidences of the breaking up of the old system of theology which has so long prevailed in Scotland. One of the three great Presbyterian Churches of minster standards. This extraordinary document has been submitted to the Presbyteries and Church Sessions for Church is committed to a definite deparvinism.

This incident was once related by Napoleon, "Once upon a time before I was President of the Republic, Thiers and Mole invited me to dine with them at the house of the former. "We shall be by THE MICEOPHONE IN THE PULPIT .- ourse'ves," said Thiers : 'come a little The Halifax (England) Guardian gives the early; we will go upstairs to my room following account of an interesting ex- and meet Mole who will be there, and we periment with the microphone : "A micro-phone was placed in the pulpit of a chapel in this town, on a recent Sunday, and con-Thiers snuggery, which, as you know, was nected by a private telegraph line with the at the top of the bouse. He took the residence of a gentleman over a mile dis | right side of the fireplace, and Mole the tant. Every part of the service was dis- left; I sat between them, waiting for the tinct heard at the gentleman's residence grave communications that two persons of with the exception of a few words render- such consequence must have to make to ed indistinct by the preacher becoming me. Thiers began the conversation. He a little excited and shaking the micropho- drew a picture of modern society, in ne. So faithfully did the instrument which he strove to show that the civil do its work that the sexton was heard to element predominated and even essentialclose the doors after service. walk up the ly characterized it. Passing from the character of society to that which rulers sation with some one else. The idea is and leaders of men were bound to adopt about to be put to practical use, the gentle- to be in harmony therewith, he expressed himself as strongly of opinion that a ruler should repudiate all military habics,even all military appearances. 'You will,' he continued, ' be most certainly elevated to the Presidency of the republic. Now in order to put yourself in keeping with SCOTLAND .- Romanism is seeking to the actual state and tendency of society Mole and I think you should cut off your moustaches. If he or I were elected we would not think of wearing them.' '. The Emperor burst out laughing, and they never forgave him. There is a parallel to this in Maritime Methodist history. A Minister still living, and having promise of many years of usefulness, was waited upon, when about to be ordained, by a clerical deputation. They were instructed to give him his choice of cutting off his beard or submitting to be shut out from the solemn privilege of the laying on of hands. A compromise was reached in some way; but those of the Committee who survive, as well as most of their confreres, are now hirsute to a degree which would entitle them to Aaronie distiction any day. APT REPLIES-A long list might be made of men who have won advancement in life by smart answers given at the right moment. One of Napoleons veterans, who survived his master many years was wont to recount with great glee how tress and suffering in England as at this tion, revised and illustrated. The account he had once picked up the Emperor's time. In Manchester alone, upwards of given of its genesis shows it to have been cocked hat at a review, when the latter 62.000 persons are in receipt of relief. The an inspiration of which the writer was not noticing that he was a private, said little more than the receptive subject, and carelessly, "Thank you Captain" "In the almost unconscious agent, while to the what regiment, Sire?" instantly asked the ready-witted soldier. Napoleon, perthough it disclosed no secret, yet the ceiving his mistake, answered with a smile "In my guard, for I see you know how to be prompt." The newly made officer rerealities before men's imaginations, and to burn themselves as living verities into somewhat similar anecdote is related of Marshal Suvoroff, who when receiving a despatch from the hands of a Russian sergeant, that had greatly distinguished himself on the Danube, attempted to confuse the messenger by a series of whimsical questions, but found him fully equal to the occasion. "How many fish are there in the sea ?" asked Suvoroff. "All that editions were issued in Great Britain, and are not caught yet." was the answer. guages-in some of them many times over. your Excellency's corced marches." . What would you do if you saw your men ested, dramatized, and versified. It be- giving way in battle?" "I'd tell them that there was a wagon load of whisky just of literary and social criticism in nearly behind the enemy's linc." Baffled at all points, the Marshal ended with, "What is the difference between your colonel and vegetable torpedo. He began to extent, in those of this country, though it myself?" "My colonel can not make me was then the fashion in this country wholly a lieutenant, but your Excellency has only self to dance to. His screams of course to abstain from every thing relating to to say the word." "I say it now, then an-

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world would come to an end in that year, that he concluded not to repair his fences, or engage in farm work in the spring. Also a blacksmith for the same reason, would not send for any needful to deliver two lectures, for its full discussion, each of more than two hours duration. I had the gratification of knowing that some good was accomplished at Bear River, for a pious man there informed me, that his mind had been disquieted on the subject; but on my second lecture he was entirely relieved from the erroneous he had not enjoyed for a long time previous. I lectured in several places, in travelling 10 or even 15 miles to hear almost certain. me on the subject. I well remember one meeting, in which, on account of certain arrangements, I was obliged to go through the whole subject in one lecture, and spoke and read for five hours evening, to half-past 12; the audience attentively remaining, so anxiously were they interested on the subject. In the autumn of the same year, I

was on a Temperance lecturing tour, in the County of Annapolis, at thepreeise time predicted for the coming of our Lord, and the end of the world. On the preceding night there was a furious storm of wind and rain. I was lodging that night at a friend's house in the village of Clements, opposite to Annapolis, and when crossing the river next morning, the ferryman informed me, that a pious young woman, who was under that delusion, came to his house about midnight, in the midst of the storm, and insisted on being taken across the river, as she was determined to get to her mother's grave, which was about 8 or 10 miles distant. He refused, because of the danger, but I was afterwards informed that she did get across the river, and travelled the obtained admission into the Romish distance on foot through the storm; dressed herself in the ascension apparel she had previously prepared, and sat in the priesthood of the church to down on her mother's grave, expecting to ascend with her to meet the coming Lord. She remained for some entirely free from this blight and dis. time in a depressed state of mind, but, grace, It is true that the name of one through divine mercy, was relieved from the delusion, and obtained a state he is said to have been of permanent scriptural piety.

the double purpose, of showing the himself, but it is not said to which of sad and pernicious consequences of the Methodist bodies he belonged, and opinions on this second Advent Sub- point. The contrast in numbers is ex- exposed the ambush; the Sorts arose fell the slavery question, or, to touch it only swered Suvoroff, "and a right good officer ject; and also, that from the personal traordinary

The review of the past year has been taken in hand by a great number of writers of all classes and opinions. It is not at all bright, and in very few iron for his forge. The Scripture and particulars at all satisfactory. It was other proofs relating to the subjects a year in which accidents on a large were so numerous, that I found it scale took place, very large numbers of lives were prematurely cut off. and large numbers of families plunged not only into mourning and bereavement. but also into sore straits and difficulties. The scarcity of employment, the general depression of trade and manufacture, and the failures of banks and large commercial firms have contributed to the prevailing distress. The closing opinion, and regained such a comfort- weeks of the year were unusually deing access to the throne of grace, as pressed. War was raging on the frontiers of India, and none could tell to what proportions it would attain. Exthe counties of Digby, Annapolis, and tra troops were being dispatched to Kings. The meetings generally were Africa, for affairs were drifting into use. It will be made large enough to crowded; some persons, I was told, trouble, and war in that direction is THE DEATH BOLL OF 1878

includes not a few who were famous in their day, and whose removal influenced wide circles of people. The late Pope, Victor Immanuel, two Queens ; our own continuously, from half-past 7 in the loved and prized Pincess Alice, Lord John Russell, and a large array of men famous for learning, genius, and power. The death of many of these have from time to time been referred to in your columns, as well as most of the leading events which make up the memorable history of 1878.

PERVERTS TO ROME.

A list has recently been published, which bears the imprint of correctness and authority ; and sets forth the names and conditions of those who have gone over to the Church of Rome. It conains about 1500 names, and they present a curious array, the study of which facts. Of the number, it appears that above 600 are women, and the next largest class from which these perverts have been drawn, is that of the ministry of the Established Church. Of these 327 have abandoned their position, and Church. Many of the younger and unmarried, doubtless have found a place formist churches of England are almost is found in this list, yet it is but one-

A METHODIST MINISTER

I have given these narratives, for who has thus so ignobly distinguished

GENERAL ITEMS.

Mr. Sankey is now in England, working with ministers in their individual church es.

Jerusalem is adding fifteen hundred to its Jewish population every year.

The failures officially reported in the United Kingdom last year were 15,059 in number, of which 2.643 were in the finan. cial, wholesale and manufacturing branches of trade.

The destruction of 100,000 sheep in Scotland by recent snow storms has increased the price a half-penny per pound. Mr. Sankey is in London, where he is

giving assistance to ministers in their church work. Mr. Henry Varley has been so successful in Australia that a tabernacle will be erected in Melbourne for his seat 5000 persons.

THE EARTH'S POPULATION .- According to Behm and Wagner's "Befolkering der Erde" (fifth publication just published), it is 1,420,154,300, distributed thus over the great land divisions :- Europe, 312,398,470; Asia, 831.000,000; Africa The buildings alone are to cost one-quar-205,219,500; Australia and Polynesia, ter of a million dollars. The land was a 4,418,300: and America, 80,116,000.

The Marquis and Princess are becoming marvellously popular at the capital, and the zest with which they enter into the Canadian amusements of snowshoeing. skating, etc., evinces a determination to make the most of their surroundings, and to identify themselves as far as possible with the people of the Dominion during their sejourn as representatives of our be-

loved Queen. Never before has there been such dis-

suffering has been increased by the severe winter. The fall of snow has been very heavy-as much as a yard deep in some has brought to light many suggestive places, and ice has formed on lakes, &c., over a foot thick Then there have been there was scarcely perceptible daylight. Such was our English Christmas. A few rough looking and hastily constructed sleighs were seen on the streets last week. Yet with all the misery and suffering the liquor shops appeared to be doing a big trade during the holidays.

The thistle once did the Scotch a good turn, and they have ever since adopted it which they have gone. The Noncon- as their national emblew. The Scotch thistle has no stem, and is a groundling. dead of night, and balted while their spice were endeavouring to ascertain their v places for an attack on the Scots encamp.

ment. But one of the Norse spies clapped his naked foot down on a vigorous

scream lustily and raised music for bim-

aisle, and up the pulpit steps, in converman already referred to having given instructions that his house should be connected with another in the neighborhood. so that an invalid may hear the services from one of the churches in town."

gain its pre-reformatory hold on Scotland. Within the last year the hierarchy has been re-established there in full force, and the power of the Propaganda trans. ferred to the newly appointed primate. Not content with this aggressive step the Church of Rome is founding monasteries and other adjuncts of religious labor. A large monastery and school is building in the very heart of the Scotch Highlands which will be occupied by Benedictines. donation, and the money thus far expended has been donated principally by Scotch noblemen. Who says that the insinuating ways of the Romish clergy are known only in this country.

THE trite saying, "the truth is strange than fiction," has a forcible and a multiform confirmation in both the matter and the history of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," which now, after its wonderful career, during nearly thirty years, appears in a new edigreat world it was a real revelation; for things before only coldly and imperfectly terrible fogs, and for four days last week apprehended were made to pass as spectral their hearts and consciences. The bibliography of the work is also marvelous. At its first coming it burst upon the world like a midnight sun, at once seen and re-

cognised by all. Ten thousand copies, it is said, were called for as soon as published, and the subsequent sales reached into the hundreds of thousands. Forty different Once the Norsemen came on the Scots at it was translated into twenty foriegn lan-It was in a variety of cases abridged travcame a choice subject of discussions, and Scotch thistle, and felt for a moment just all the periodicals of Great Britain and of for all the world as if he had trod upon Continental Europe, and also, to a limited