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The Old Man's Prayer.

Suggested by a sermon from Luke xxiv, 29: "Abide with us; for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent." Tarry with me, O my Saviour ! For the day is passing by; See the shades of evening gather, And the night is drawing nigh-Tarry with me! tarry with me Pass me not unheeded by.

Many friends were gathered round me In the bright days of the past; But the grave has closed above them And I linger here the last; I am lonely—tarry with me Till this dreary night is passed

Dimmed to me is earthly beauty: Yet the spirit's eve would fair Rest upon thy lovely features-Shall I seek, dear Lord, in vain Tarry with me, O my Saviour ! Let me see thy smile again !

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Dull my ear to earth born music-Speak thou, Lord, in words of cheer Feeble, tottering are my footsteps, Sinks my heart with sudden fear; Cast thine arms, dear Lord, around me! Let me feel thy presence near!

Faithful memories trace before me Every deed and thought of sin; Open thou the blood-filled fountain Cleanse my guilty soul within! Tarry, thou forgiving Saviour! Wash me wholly from my sin

Deeper, deeper grow the shadows, Paler now the glowing west; Swift the night of death advances, Shall it be a night of rest? Tarry with me, O my Saviour ! Lay my head upon thy breast!

Feeble, trembling, fainting, dying, Lord, I cast myself on thee Tarry with me through the darkness When I sleep, still watch by me Till the morning -- then awake me, Dearest Lord, to dwell with thee _Andover Advocate

Ancient Examples of the Sympathy of Christians with their Persecuted Brethren.

-Having been appointed by the Confercated at Berlin the cause of religious liberty; the following epistle.

The Madiai have been released from pri- made on their behalf. son, through the goodness of God, and the But it was reserved for the Christians of of the evangelical faith are still pursued in Tuscany; and in other countries, also, religious liberty is seriously compromised. We command of the Vice Admiral, Jean de He-Is the charity of real Christians so soon soners, to obtain from them information on and the abolition of slavery have rendered

is taking place at the present time.

During the latter part of the 17th century, the Emperor Leopold, who had been brought up in expectation of a high office in the church, having come to the throne by the death of his brother, evinced a strong par-

church and towards the king, and a certain Hungary and Italy.

To the Provisional Committee formed at at Naples, visited them daily, and did all he blindly throw themselves, and by which they Hamburg for the vindication and promo- could to comfort them; and Dr. Zafflus, of are destroyed. Civil and religious liberty, My Lord, Gentlemen, and dear Brethren,

My Lord, Gentlemen, and dear Brethren, tion to the Kirchentag, and also of your own ted Professor Heidegger of Zurich, the illusbody, I have, in the former character, advobe of any service to you, living as I do so to the prisoners, in order to strengthen their strongest presented to us is that arising out much more in my own study than in public. faith. The Elector of Saxony spoke warmly of the condition of our brethren, who are Willing, however, to give you a proof of my in their favour to the Emperor; and it apinterest in the holy cause in which you are pears even that Charles II., king of England, engaged, I have been desirous to send you recommended them to the universities and Church "break asunder the bars of iron"

amongst yourselves. But other confessors God of the deliverance of the evangelical therefore ask ourselves, if what was effected reu, entered the port of Naples, and immefor the Madiai ought not to be done for them? diately sent his chaplain Vireth to the pri-Should they not inquire dili- some points which he specified, "in order," gently into the circumstances of all those of as he said, "that, by the help of God and wealth, or the power of her fleets. The their brethren who in different places are suf- the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, he might fering on account of their faith, and ought obtain their deliverance." The prisoners they not to seek by every means in their having furnished the most satisfactory repower to procure for these prisoners the plies to his enquiries, the Admiral repaired pening of their prison doors? (Isaiah lxi. to the Viceroy, who returned a favourable It is impossible not to reply in the affirma- tened, full of joy, to communicate the tidings tive to these questions. "If one member suffer, all suffer with it;" and we much de- "your chains will be struck off." Before, ceive ourselves if we think that the course however, that day arrived, the fear of a war pursued on behalf of the Madiai was ex- with France compelled the Dutch fleet to traordinary, or an act of piety peculiar to the quit the Bay of Naples, and the Christians present day. This activity of brethren for were left to sigh in their bondage. Already their suffering brethren has been seen in all had the fleet neared the coast of Sicily ages, and the church of our times would be when the chief Admiral, the celebrated Ruyguilty if she did not deeply sympathise with ter, received orders from the States-General, those who are prisoners for the sake of the particularly commending to him the cause to the threshold of another Winter. The diminish the efficacy of means, the period of divine patience, the time of your probation.

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The admiral, deeply affected by prospects—the vices Communication of the threshold of another Winter. The diminish the efficacy of means, the period of divine patience, the time of your probation. Lord Jesus Christ, and it she did not put of the prisoners. At the same time a petiforth her efforts in their behalf.

I might cite in illustration a beautiful example found in the history of the church, in their case, wrote to the king of Naples in the time of Cyprian, (middle of the third their favour. Their cause was submitted to century.) Some Numidian Christians hav- the examination of the tribunal, and on the ing been made prisoners by the barbarians, 22nd of January 1676, the verdict was given of Numidia, accompanied with these words:— new difficulties seemed to oppose their libe- Additionally to dispensing earthly comforts at the door to carry thee out.—Jay. "We ought to consider the captivity of our brethren as our own. Charity should impel lains of the Dutch fleet, Westhiowe and Viness of life's course, their chief errand has us to deliver our brethren, who are the members of our own body. They are the temrepaired to the galleys, and received from Angels, they have been sent forth from the I now revert to my reasons for believing try, political, and commercial progress?—

I now revert to my reasons for believing try, political, and commercial progress? ples of God, and they must not remain in the custody of the authorities their brethren presence of the Most. High to minister to that a splendid destiny awaits the Bible. ples of God, and they must not remain in the custody of the authority of the scene of the sce prisoned brethren we should see Christ him- of their sufferings, united in praising God.

called aloud, in the presence of the Jesuits may be well to remark that the Dutch fleet who were looking on, "We protest before entered the port of Naples not as an enemy More lately we have looked upon the Sodoms.—Rev. W. Leask. God against you, who treat us more cruelly than the most violent persecutors treated the apostles; for those servants of God had, at better understood, and we must remember tread; each falling leaf has read to man his least, prisons provided them." The Jesu- the words of St. Paul, "The weapons of our future destiny-thus does he fade-thus does its replied, with laughter, "The harder you warfare are not carnal, but mighty through he fall, for yet a little while, and a strange work the sooner will you have one." A God." It is without parade—in all humitid and unaccustomed chill shall paralyze the woman, who had given a morsel of bread to ty, and seeking strength by faith and prayer heart and discharge the soul from its clayey one who was starving, was clothed in the that we should endeavour, with the most tenement to a world of spirits. dress used by prostitutes, and made to walk untiring activity, to achieve conquests in fa-

On the 18th of March, 1675, thirty-six of berty. Let us not cease to do good, "espe- gone the opportunities then offered for a prethese ministers of the Word were delivered cially to the household of faith," (Gal vi. paration for a coming eternity. Prudence, into the custody of a troop of four hundred 10.) All just and right minded persons will care and activity may have characterized our horse and as many foot soldiers, who were come at length to acknowledge as a most attention to this life's concerns, but who have returning to Italy. On their way through evident truth, that the province of the magis- given that superior attention to holy things Vienna they found five of their colleagues, trate terminates where that of conscience be- which their supreme importance demands who were prisoners like themselves. They gins; that truth being stronger than error, From the sumless cycles of an unchanging embraced one another with mutual exhorta- and capable of being received only through state has the note of alarm been sounded, tions to be faithful even to the end, and the sincere conviction, is efficiently served only "PREPARE TO MEET THY GOD!" who has superintendent-minister, Etienne Selgei, who when men are permitted to seek it with per- clothed himself for the battle? Alas! resowas one of them, exclaimed, with deep emo- fect freedom; that those nations that receive lutions, registered on high, yet unfulfilled, tion, "Oh God, what times are these, for their religion ready made from the hands of vows to Heaven, for holy living, yet unrewhich thou hast reserved us? Grant that, the priests and civil authorities, are, by that deemed, witness the failures of past days, strengthened by thee, we may overcome the very means, degraded, weakened and dimi- and mournfully declare the insufficiency of sufferings which yet await us!" Their jour- nished by superstition-rendered incapable mortal strength for a contest so unequal. ney was performed on foot, with fetters on of spiritual, generous, and elevated senti- Is there then no hope for time to come? their limbs, and amidst the ridicule and ill-ments. In fact that a nation becomes de- Must we again have to submit to these mortreatment of the soldiers. At Trieste, their vout, moral, great, strong, in proportion to tifying defeats? Lo! a voice from the exheads and beards were shaven, which so dis-figured them that they could only be recog-nised by their voices. Their garments also vilization has for many ages pretended to be were torn by their guards, and hung on them commissioned to spread everywhere religion of his strength for the approaching contest, in tatters. Four of their number died before morality, and knowledge. It is now in a so shalt thou be more than conqueror through they quitted the city, and soon after Gregoire state of decay, and evangelical Protestant "Him who hath loved us." But do it now Helv sank down on the road, and his lifeless civilization is succeeding it. It is from Eng. now the way to the "throne of grace," lies body was left to the birds of prey. At land, the United States of America, and the broadly open-in another hour the avenue length, on the 7th of May, thirty of these rest of the Protestant nations, that a great may be closed: and forever more, unsustainpersecuted people reached Naples, where light must shine forth upon those who are ed by hope, and amid the dolefulness of an they were sent to the galleys, together with now sitting in darkness and the shadow of awfully cheerless and endless night thy Turks, Moors, and negroes, who were prison- death. Whence comes this change of posi- lamentation be, "The HARVEST IS PAST. ers of war, and malefactors under sentence tion, which is, without doubt, the most im- THE SUMMER IS ENDED, AND" I AM "NOT portant fact of modern times? Solely from SAVED." The sufferings of these Christians soon this, that amongst Protestants the Word of Cape Bieton, Dec. 1, 1853. roused Protestant Europe. A rich mer- God has free course. The intolerance of thant, named George Weltz, who had settled Popish nations is a sword upon which they

and England, informing them of the fate of it seems, indeed, that they prefer to perish. these martys of Jesus Christ. The celebra- Intolerance is fatal to Protestantism-it is Roman Catholicism. many others, addressed to them letters of There are, then, many reasons why we love, which Zaffius hastened to communicate should demand religious liberty, but the from childhood have known the Scriptures, Jesus Christ. May the Divine Head of the bishops, in order that collections should be (Psalm cvii.;) and may the Roman Catholic

powers at length grant everywhere that liberty of conscience and worship, which in so intervention of public Protestant opinion, the Holland, who had themselves been persecutorgans of which have in part been found ed, to be the instruments in the hand of seek for the people whom they govern, an achievements. The opening of free trade England more illustrious than all her abolition of intolerance would be a victory no less memorable, and the effect of which all now aim, and may God grant that it answer to his demand. The chaplain hasteenth century, and that your Association, my Lord and Gentlemen, may be one means

in His hands, for hastening on this glorious triumph. All our strength is in Him. Accept, dear brethren, the expression my Christian love, MERLE D'AUBIGNE. -From the Montreal Witness.

FOR THE PROVINCIAL WESLEYAN. "The Harvest is Past."

ans), and sixty-five of the Helvetic confes- French also. This book will present a And when Summer came warm and in in a few days. The infant of eight, the peopled. . . England has endeavored to remediable impictists. When you meet a sion (Reformed) appeared. The Turkish touching page in the history of martyrs, as lengthened days, hurrying on to completion Sabbath School child, and the grey-headed conquer all those vast and populous regions. Frenchman professing shamelessly an abject packs forbade the ministers who lived under yet unknown; and will, I think, be well calling the opening promises of Spring Nature saint on the brink of the grave, would vie known under the general name of India.— materialism, and trampling under foot all the government of his sovereign to attend to culated to excite the interest of evangelical turned another page and bade us read. As with each other in citing from memory its She has spread civilization in the north of laws, human and Divine, conclude that that the summons. These servants of God were Christians in behalf of their oppressed breth- the rising sun, whose circuit now spans the beautiful truths; and the obedient press the American Continent, i. c. Upper Cana- man has passed his vonthful years under the now accused of being rebellious towards the ren in Roman Catholic countries, especially heavens, by his genial influences, generously would multiply copies with electric speed. da. She has made herself mistress, by the rod of the priests, and you will rarely desubserves the cares and business of life-so Oh! no, come what will, the Bible is safe. labor of her children, of all the positions of ceive yourselves. Poor France! she seeks number from among them, chiefly from the It behoves us, the Christians of the pre- remember the circumstances of this existence It has penetrated our literature, and filled an island—New Holland—which is vast as her means of defence even in those things "Reformed," who showed the greatest firm- sent day, to exercise as active a charity in __the flowing health_ our memories; and, though it be despised, a continent; and she has thrown out her which have produced her malady, and can ness, were condemned. They were imme- behalf of those who now suffer imprison- the returning strength these passing mo- scorned, and hated by multitudes, it is branches into the most important Archipe- only aggravate it. diately employed in the lowest occupations, ment, as that shown in the time of Cyptian ments—the remnant of time, are all pressed among us, and it cannot be removed, except lagoes with which the Great Ocean is beard compelled to labour in the erection of a and Ruyter. It is not, certainly, with fleets into the great business of life and that at prison. One of them, Maurice Harsamyi, that we must come to their aid, (though it once, for e'er another dawn, they may have act He will not perform, so long as He can dised themselves prodigiously in riches and

Thus have rolled away in quick succession vour of the noble principles of religious li- these instructive periods and with them have

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Young Men.

I see some in this assembly who are distinguished by the fear of God in their youth -some Isaacs, who prefer an evening walk to meditate, to the crowded avenues of dissipation - some Josephs, whose image is a fruitful bough by a well "-some Davids who love the harps of Sion, and have no ear for the "song of the drunkard," or the "mouth of fools"-some Timothys, "who which are able to make them wise unto salvation." And I hail you on your early escape from the paths of the destroyer, in your early separation from a world which attracts only to show its emptiness, and elevates only to depress; on your early union with the wise and good. Go forth in all "the beauties of holiness," honour God, and serve your generation according to His will. Religiously occupy the stations which you are to ennoble, and form the connections which you are to bless. Adorn the doctrine of God your Saviour in all things. Earnestly pursue the glorious course which you have begun; be not weary in well-doing; grow in grace as you advance in years; ment;" "approve the things that are excellent, and be sincere and without offence till

And what hinders any of you, my young friends, from joining yourself to the Lord. Weigh the reasonings which you have heard, suspend for a while the influence of your passions, and endeavour to feel the force of he motives which have been adduced. Deliberate, or rather decide, for there is no time, now is the day of salvation; the and plunges the people into all sorts of calawill leave you more remote from the God ity, and prosperity of nations, and that it every delay will increase your crimes, your themes the Romish writers extend magnifi-Time on its tireless pinions has borne us passions, your aversions; every delay will cent discourses. They give free flight to

prospects—the riper Summer in its full While you hesitate you die; while you ing in disorder and anarchy, whilst Romanilarity of beauty—the sober Autumn tra- promise yourselves years, perhaps you have cing upon hill and dale reflective hues, have not days; perhaps the shuttle has passed course. all been with us and gone. Their memory the loom that wove thy winding sheet; pernow rises before the mind like the faded and haps in yonder shop lies rolled up, and that excellent bishop of Carthage immediate- that the Ministers and others who had been indistinct portrait of a far off friend. Each ready to be served off, the piece of cloth namely, facts, -facts which may be easily and we are not yet come to the end. If there to Christianity! For six hundred millions of ly made a collection (sestertiæ centum millia suffering unprisonment were innocent, and in turn has brought us rich blessings, indication to the end. If there to Caristianity is ready to be served on, the piece of cloth and we are not yet come to the end. If there to Caristianity is ready to be served on, the piece of cloth and we are not yet come to the end. If there to Caristianity is ready to be served on, the piece of cloth and the caristianity is ready to be served on, the piece of cloth and the caristianity is ready to be served on, the piece of cloth and the caristianity is ready to be served on, the piece of cloth and the caristianity is ready to be served on, the piece of cloth and the caristianity is ready to be served on, the piece of cloth and the caristianity is ready to be served on, the piece of cloth and the caristianity is ready to be served on, the piece of cloth and the caristianity is ready to be served on, the piece of cloth and the caristianity is ready to be served on, the caristianity is ready to be served on the caristianity is ready to b nummorum), which he sent to the bishops ought to be set at liberty. For some time tive of a benevolent and sustaining hand.— of them that have buried thy companion are

seif, and seek the release of find who has himself redeemed us from death." (Cypriani, Ep. 60.)

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The Resurrection Day! when at the clarge of "the great Archangel's trump," life shall show itself in long since decayed bodies and the green graves of earth and hidden long the proposition of the proposition of the proposition of political economy; and they are very glad to forewarn them at first against those theory in harmony with onerring inhorte wisdom to forewarn them at first against those theory in harmony with onerring inhorte wisdom to forewarn them at first against those theory in harmony with onerring inhorte wisdom to forewarn them at first against those theory in harmony with onerring inhorte wisdom to forewarn them at first against those theory in harmony with onerring inhorte wisdom to forewarn them at first against those theory in harmony with onerring inhorte wisdom to forewarn them at first against those theory in harmony with onerring inhorte wisdom to forewarn them at first against those theory in harmony with onerring inhorte wisdom to forewarn them at first against those theory in harmony with onerring inhorte wisdom to forewarn them at first against those theory and supplies to forewarn them at first against those theory in harmony with onerring inhorte wisdom to forewarn them at first against those theory and supplies to forewarn them at first against those theory and supplies to forewarn them at first against those theory and supplies to forewarn them at first against those theory and supplies to forewarn them at first against those theory and supplies to forewarn them at first against those theory and supplies to forewarn them at first against those theory and supplies to forewarn them at first against those theory and supplies to forewarn them at first against those theory and supplies to forewarn them at first against those theory and supplies to forewarn them at first against those theory and supplies to fore tiality in favour of the Jesuits, and a service attention to the minor ceremonies of Roman Catholic devotion. Persecution soon followed in Hungary. The authorities, led on by them with true Christian kindness, saying, when bodies and spirits one diseases of the sources and spirits one successful the sources of the sources and spirits one successful the sources of the sources o the many places of their controls, and drove away their pastors. Entering by force the dwellings of the faithful, they compelled them to partake of the "host," actually such means they made them Roman (Sabolics, "Sir," said a peasant of the under of your release." It we have only been the injurtuments in the author of your release." It we have only been the injurtuments of the faithful, they conclude the annihilation, of every public author of your release." It we have only been the injurtuments in the author of your release." It we have only been the injurtuments in the author of your release." It would not be the biotting out the priest, "I swear by the living "God, that if you put the host into my mouth, I will bit off your fingers."

The Christians of Hungary have classed in the support of the Christian of the the author of your release." It is well, I think, for Christians of the support of the cause of Romanists. The fallowing are specified, beforing himself by an injurtual library in the world. The Bible would require to induce the mand of God; give thanks to ell thin who is a special to mind what has been a living of the pastors become provided the author of your release." It is well, I think, for Christians of the living "God, that if you put the host into my mouth, I will bit off your fingers."

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[FOR THE PROVINCIAL WESLEYAN.] Winter.

Old Winter has come In white robes array'd,-Every spot in the land Feels the touch of his hand,-The Robin has gone of his rough breath afraid

Verdure of Autumn He's changed to sad brown; His gusty wind heaves The dry rustling leaves, down.

The Sun looks distress'd So shorn of his beams Fall oft in dark clouds His brightness he shrouds abashed at the strength of his old rival

But onward he'll shine Through cloud and through clear, 'Till his warm beams shall go Through mountains of snow, make the glad earth, a new Eden appea

Thus the good man pursues The path that God sends; Through light and through shade, By woe and joy made, onward to Eden his glorious way wends.

Though Winter is cheerless, Man's gladness can make The landscape look bright In its pure robe of white, -

The white snow looks fair That in Winter still green Are more joyful seen, While those that are leafless are made too to

With ice crusted o'er That mist lately made. As descending it froze, The landscape oft shows plants, and bushes, all with gems over

Let Winter rage on With his storms and his sleet; The red blazing fire Shall new joys inspire, While tales of old times, with glee, we repeat.

For the soul's richer flow While the fields are all dead 'Tis for man now to spread Over Nature's thick gloom, his thought's brighter

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abound more in knowledge and all judg- Parallel between Roman Catholic ment XIV. That is the resolution of Popeand Protestant Nations.

INCREASING INTERVENTION OF THE POPISH CLERGY IN PUBLIC EDUCATION.

Christendom. The apologists of Romanism maintain with imperturbable assurance the two following theses: first, that Protestanism is contime for hesitation; "now is the accepted trary to the true interests of human society, language of the Redeemer is "to-day," and mities; secondly, that Roman Catholicism more barriers between you and heaven; expect from a social state. Upon these two

Popery, and that of those which maintain extend their influence over all the youth of fetters of Paganism is a terrible reproach the doctrines of the Reformation? What the colleges and schools. have been their respective developments? From whence comes so much success? Christ who off stand between the living and Can the Bible be Destroyed?

On which side is there more activity, industry, political, and commercial progress?—

Those parents who desire to be on good in high positions in the Church of Christ; What is, lastly, their comparative strength These are, the hold it has taken on man, in the grand questions which interest and

lomain. They have destroyed, on all sides, The year is nearly gone. The last bright tory; they are now seated on the two oceans; rum out.

na and Japan. ing this same period, what progress have in vain for her friendly notice. (Roman) Catholic nations made? The first | So Christian, though mists and darkness glorious,-France,-which, for fifty years, though fierce temptations may assail thee, has appeared to occupy the throne of civili- and trials be thy portion, yet, cast not away zation, has experienced strange disasters, thy confidence; God still watches over thee seen its sceptre broken and its power dis- in kindness and pity, and marks thy strugpersed. She has risen again with the noblest gling through attlictions's waves. Though she was about to take a rapid flight, fatality, before thee; and to Calvary's agonies was

been reversed."

man Catholic nations? "The spirit of Ro-standing." man Catholicism has shown," says he, "durability for progress (?) its harmony with liberty (??); true liberty, that supreme good, in the pursuit of which the whole human

race is engaged. Well! Catholic hierarchies, and Catholic (Roman) civilization are simply called, yet once again, to accomplish that which they have so many times done so well? Why, then, is it that you will so confidently affirm that they will be now stranded in this work? Why? Because the directors of the Papal church, far from adopting the principles of modern time, go back to

the most immoral and iniquitous maxims of barbarous ages;—because they seek their The Philosopher and the Child. support in superstition and fanaticism ;-betism in political affairs; because lastly, there dignity, and replied: is a radical opposition, an increasing difference, between the tendencies of the present generation and these of Popery," M. Michel Chevalier imagines that the Church of Rome can sympathise with liberty and pro-

gress; he charitably invites her to effect a pher could hardly have given a better. complete change within her own bosom. Ersaid the General of the Jesuits to Pope Cle-

No remarkable event has taken place, during the last month, among the Popish cler-(French Correspondence of the Evangelical gy of France. The war between the Ultramontanes and the Gallicans continues, without occasioning any new incidents worthy of remark. There are continually gross invectionished in his turn; "who told you so tives, ignoble personalities, attacks which discover a deep hatred between the contending parties. The only document which I shall bring forward to the attention of your will you say "to-morrow." Every delay is eminently favorable to the order, tranquillic Instruction, on the changes introduced in words. you have to seek; every delay will place alone can realise all the good which men national education. It results from these official informations that the number of educational establishments confided to Romish ecclesiastics increases rapidly. The small seminaries placed under the surveillance of the bishops number about 19,000 pupils .-The other clerical educational houses contain 17,000. Here, then, are 36,000 children and young people, of a higher class and Nearly eighteen hundred and three score means, who are entirely delivered over to To these splendid dissertations there is a the inspirations of the clergy, priests, or Je-Calvary hearkened to the dying grouns of very simple and conclusive thing to oppose, suits. It is a considerable augmentation, man's Redeemer; and how few converts won

terms with the powers, and obtain salaried ing high positions in the Church of Christ; places, (and they are numerous in France); do not fail to send their children to the small professors of Christianity, when shall this seminaries, or to other control of the small seminaries.

Fragment.

the limits which circumscribed their terrisands, just lingering in the glass, will soon San Francisco is the counterpoise of New upon the vielding shores of time; and soon York, and they seem to be appointed to at will have flown, forever flown, and mingled least equal destinies. They have proved in the deep profound abyss of vast eternity. their superiority over the Catholic (Roman) Chill winds bowl around us, and in the nations of the New World, and have sub- woods lie withered branches, faded relies of jected them to a vassalage which is no long-summer's glory. The fields lie before us, er contested. Considered together, England looking so bleak and cheerless in their and the United States, after the attempt thread-bare vestments, soon to be changed made by the former on China, seem to be for the fleecy robes of winter. To-night the on the point of subduing to their authority moon keeps her stated vigils o'er our earth, the two most renowned empires of the ex- not shining forth in peerless beauty as in treme East-two empires which numerically times gone by, but dark clouds hover around While the last on the trees are whirl'd quickly represent nearly the half of mankind-Chi-her pathway, and throw a shade over her pure face. Once she smiled upon the waters Russia also seems every day to take a beneath her, they reflected her face, and remore prominent position in Europe. Dur- joiced in her mild beams; but now look up

> of them all,-the most compact,-the most may haver to conceal thy Father's face, courage, and most indomitable energy; but his presence be withdrawn from thee, know every time that she was led to believe that that thy Saviour passed through the same like a scourge from God, has sent her a re- added the trial which forced him to exclaim volution, which has paralysed her efforts, "My God! my God! why hast thou forand caused her miserably to fall. Evident- saken me?" Hold firm thy trust in Him ly, since 1789, the balance between Catholic who "leaves thee but to try thee;" and as eivilization and non-Catholic civilization has the year will soon close, so may thy term of suffering end, and a bright morn dawn after These are important avowals from M. Mi-these dark days. As tair Luna will again chel Chevalier! He confesses, in the face walk forth in pristine splendour, so will a of the civilized world, that the countries new era dawn upon thy existence; and as which have shaken off the Papal yoke, go the dimpled waters rejoice in her mild rays, from prosperity to prosperity, whilst Roman- so will thy soul more brightly reflect the ist nations decline day by day. Now, how image of thy God, and come forth purified can so intelligent a thinker as M. Michel from the trial. "Trust in the Lord with all Chevalier believe in the re-elevation of Ro- thine heart: lean not to thine own under-

dope and be undesnayed:
God hears thy sighs, and counts thy tears;
God shall lift up thy head.
Through waves, and clouds, and stoolas. Leave to his sovereign sway, To choose and to command: So shalt then wendering, own his way, How wise, how strong his hand."

A philosopher once asked a little girl if cause they extol and practise, as much as she had a soul. She looked up into his face they can, intolerance in religion, and despo-

To be sure I have."

"What makes you think you have?" " Because I have," she promptly replied. It was but a child's reason, but the philoso-

"Well, then," said he, after a moment's ror and chimera! Sint ut sunt, aut non sint, consideration, "if you know you have a soul, can you tell me what your soul is?" "Why," said she, "I am six years old, " ry: it will remain as it is until it perishes; and don't you suppose that I know what my

> " Perhaps you do. If you will tell me, I shall find out whether you do or not." "Then you think I don't know?" she replied ; "but I do -it is my think."

" Your think !" said the philosopher. as-"Nobody. I should be assumed if I did not know that without being told."

The philosopher had puzzled his brain a great deal about the soul, but he could, not have given a better definition of it in so few

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years are recorded in the book of time since to the Christian Church. Ye Ministers of