

Poetry.

THE BURDEN OF EDOM.

All that about mountains, lies Edom's ancient land, An island in a silent sea, a sea of stone and sand; Where leaves and stalks the rugged earth in endless plain; Like the tempest-tossed dove of the frozen Arctic main;

THE BAPTISM.

There is not on earth a sadder sight than a man of fine intellect, which he has not consecrated to its giver. The more we admire his genius, the more pitiable seems his delusion. The honourable Mr. More was a statesman and a poet, but he coveted not the lowly name of a Christian.

event that has transpired since the commencement of time! For the resurrection of Jesus Christ is the key-stone of the ecclesiastical arch, the goal which has been placed on the promises of God. The sacrament of baptism is peculiarly appropriate on that day, for they who are buried with Christ in baptism should rise with him in newness of life.

A TOWN SWALLOWED BY AN EARTHQUAKE.—Our correspondent at Malta writes: The Neapolitan steamer Capri brought intelligence from Syracuse that the earthquake which was felt here on the 11th, had laid the city of Augusta waste. The first shock was felt at 1 p.m., and was so violent that all the first floors from their houses. The following one, a few minutes afterwards, destroyed the whole place except 27 houses; the whole town, and where it formerly stood there was no town at 5.30 fathoms. The last accounts received at Syracuse state that 55 dead bodies had been found, and 59 wounded recovered from the ruins. The earthquake was also felt at Mota, Syracuse, and Catania, with partial damage, and at Messina, without damage.—Daily News.

STATIONS OF THE BRITISH ARMY ON 1ST FEBRUARY, 1848. (From the United Service Journal.) [Where two places are mentioned, the last named is that at which the Depot of the Regiment is stationed.]

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