# Provincial Atestegan.

Scottish Sabbath.

THE STILL HOUR.

to God and he will draw nigh to you,

hour, every day. Why fleest thou from sol-

presence of our Maker, that we do not seek

An hour of solitude passed in sincere and

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A reflecting mind is not a flower that

grows wild, or comes up of its own accord.

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In a sermon on the words-" Draw nigh

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# Religious Miscellany.

#### From the New York Observer "Lead Thou Me On."

"The u hast holden me by my right hand. Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory.—Psalm IXXIII. 26, 24. Send kindly light amid the encircling gloom, And lead me on.

The night is dark, and I am far from home; Lead thou me on. Keep thou my feet; I do not wish to see The distant scene; one step enough for me,

I wasinot always thus; nor prayed that thou Should'st lead me on; Should'st lead me on; I loved to choose and see my path; but now, Lead thou me on; I loved day's dazzling light, and, spite of fears, Pride ruled my will - Remember not past

So long thy power hath blessed me; surely still Thou'lt lead me on Through dreary doubt, through pain and sor

The night is gone; And with the morn, those angel faces smile, Which I have loved long since, and lost the

> RESPONSE : He will lead thee on

Lead thee! God is himself thy Friend and Father: He will not fail

Darkness and storm upon thy path may gather Christ rules the gale : And watching worlds of light, in choral lay, Sing the near dawn of thy redemption day.

One step at once, revealed in his clear seeing Bid doubt be gone. It is enough: see mist and gloom are fleeing-

On, pilgrim, on ! His presence, with thee, sheds its circling ray 'Tis Christ; His dear companionship is day.

Yes; grace has marked the plan; marks all thy going; And " leads thee on,

And makes thee joyful in its gradual showing, Till life is done; And life's perplexities, and woes, and gloom, Retire as angels triumph round thy tomb.

## For Divine Strength.

Father, in thy mysterious presence kneeling, Fain would our souls feel all thy kindling

For we are weak, and need some deep reveal-

Thou wilt sustain us till its work is done.

In the heart's depths, a peace serene and holy Abides; and, when pain seems to have her

Or we despair, O may that peace rise slowly. Stronger than agony, and we be still.

Now, Father, now, in thy dear presence kneel-Our spirits yearn to feel thy kindling love : Now make us strong-we need thy deep re-

vealing Of trust, and strength, and calmness from above

the Young. BY A PILGRIM FATHER.

estuaries in the world. Its vast expanse is ied luxuriance of tropical vegetation. Some again. Disappointment had so often suctent of learning. of them are inhabited while many remain ceeded expectation as to make him cautious, without the pressure of human foot fall upon if not distrustful now—yet eagerly he gazed the virgin soil. A group known as the Andamans has recently acquired distinction from the fact that they have been second to the ment for such of the Sepoys forming the ago the scene of a terrible crime, followed by consequences of so remarkable and retributive a character as to deserve to be recorthe redundance of legal phraseology are delands referred to, for the purpose of obtaining cargoes of cocoa nuts, such being much in use in the east for the sake of the oil they ly, however, the crew of one of the boats expected treachery, were unable to resist the native proceeded to lay before the authorionslaught. Several of the men were at ties, the whole circumstances of the case, once killed, others fell mortally wounded, and on its being ascertained that the persons while three of their number betook them- implicated were then in the place—warrants selves to the water, hoping by some means for their apprehension were instantly issued to escape the savage fury of the cowardly and served upon them all before they had

dead, as the distance from the nearest point transgressors is hard!"

on the main land was, they supposed, an effectual barrier to his escape in that direction and they scarcely thought he would attempt to slude their vigilance by returning to the shore. But the tragic deed had been committed in the sight of Him whose "eyes are as a flame of fire, running to and fro upon the earth, beholding the evil and the good, and who has boundless resources for the fulfilment of His warning to sinners, " Be sure your sin will find you out." By strangeland unlooked for means the Providence of God provided for the preservation of the solitary survivor of the fare and fortunes of his fellows, and for the detection and punishment of the guilty parties. With James iv 8, Tholuck says, "Seek the still anxious and thrilling interest the man watched the result of the course adopted by itude? his two companions; he saw them strug- hour? Why passeth thy life away like the gling with the chafing billows for a while, and then, as if impelled by the instinct of many of you there cometh not, through the hope, turn their faces once more to ands the whole course of the week, a single hour for inhospitable shore; he saw them gradually self-meditation? You go through life like grow weaker and weaker as they neared the dreaming men. Ever among mankind and and, until, just as they reached it, they seem- never yourselves. So it was not with our ed incapable of further effort for their safety forefathers; they had every one a set period from sheer exhaustion, and then he saw them which was consecrated to God. You have felled to the earth by the ruthless crew still torn down the cloister; but why have you unsated with blood. Judging that he should not erected it with your hearts." In another fare no better were he to put himself in the discourse he remarks: "The first instance power of the party now in undisputed posses of a want of truth towards ourselves and sion of the island, and of both boats, he towards God, is seen in this, that we purboldly swam out until his motions could not posely torbear to examine ourselves in the be seen from the shore. He then turned on his back in the water, and lay in that the still hour." position for several hours when, under cover of the darkness of the night, he succeeded in reaching a point at a distance from the spot where the scenes described had occurred, and once ashore, he had little difficulty | quests over a single passion or " subtle bosom in finding shelter and concealment among the masses of trees in the jungle. Waiting effectually awaken the faculty, and form the and watching the progress of events he con- habit of reflection, than a year's study in trived without being himself discovered to the school without them. know all that was going on around. During several months the men continued their operations and at length when the boats The difficulty is indeed greater than many were both filled up-for they had appro- who mistake quick recollection for thought, priated the boat belonging to the murdered are disposed to admit; but how much lesrew-they prepared to depart, and in a few than it would be, had we not been born and days more, much to the joy and relief of bred in a Christian and Protestant land, the patient prisoner of hope, they set sail very few of us are sufficiently aware. Truly for the Burmese coast to find a market for may we, and thankfully ought we, to exclaim their cargoes. As soon as they were far with the Psalmist, "The entrance of thy and long enough away he came out from his word giveth light-giveth understanding retreat and began to make a survey of the even to the simple."-Coleridge. shores and creeks of the sea-girt isle in the hope that he might find something to facilitate his escape In the prosecution of his The Late Dr. Alexander's Love search he at length came upon the shattered and disabled remains of a boat, trail and rude at best, having been scooped out from

in His fist and without whose notice

" Not even a Sparrow can fall."

the trunk of a tree, and now abandoned as utterly useless. Stimulated by necessity the utterly useless that the utterly useles

he gained some friendly port. Having fin- (the Persian, Greek, and Latin,) in the or-Lord, we have wandered forth through doubt stepped into the tiny shell and without either ted with Hebrew before he entered the semand sorrow,
And thou hast made each step an onward that or compass to guide him in his course inary as a student. From Hebrew he promaxim worthy of the nation which conquers all things, was a the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student. From Hebrew he promaxim worthy of the nation which conquers all things, was a the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student. From Hebrew he promaxim worthy of the nation which conquers all things, was a the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student. So inary as a student. So inary as a student in the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student. So inary as a student in the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student. So inary as a student in the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student. So inary as a student in the process by which the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student. So inary as a student in the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student. So inary as a student in the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student. So inary as a student in the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student. So inary as a student in the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student in the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student in the process by which the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student in the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student in the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student in the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student in the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student in the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student in the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student in the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student in the process by which the philosopher was inary as a student in the stood boldly out to sea. For eighteen disceeded to Syriac, Chaldee, and the cognate ed the world. It is the testimony of almost be soared to his towering elevation; it seems Homes are more often darkened by the conmal days and as many still more dismal nights that lone, heroic man was borne up above the was produced at the bidding time are more of small faults than by the lone was a lone to the world. It is the testimony of the worl the unfathomed depths in his shiftless looking cobble, enduring and surviving the fifful
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Reader, art thou a young man struggling tiger that prowls upon his path; but he finds against difficulties for improvement and use
The latest the mind, it is sendom capable to the vanity of the mind, it is sendom capable to the vanity of the v For stores of knowledge, belles lettres, historical and antiquarian, he is said by compe-That insignificant speck upon the wide waste tent judges, who knew him well, to have no of waters was the object of Providential superior. He possessed most extraordinary care, and He whom still the winds and intellectual gifts, a wonderful tenacity of waves obey had given charge concerning it, memory for words and things, a comprehensiveness of mind, and was equally distinguished for power, and vigour and fertility of imagination. He preached discourses Eastern Scenes and Stories for At the end of the time mentioned the man magnificent for imagery and diction, evince saw, or thought he saw a sail rising in the ing in them, as he did also in his ordinary horizon. He strained his weary weeping conversation, his mastery over his own

eves—weary with long continued vigils— tongue, always using the right words in the weeping from the sinking feebleness of worn out and exhausted nature. He fixed his out and exhausted nature. He fixed his eye steadily and gazed again. He was un willing to doubt and afraid to believe. He met with a man superior to Dr. Alexander studded with islands clothed in all the var-had been mistaken before—he might be in variety of combination of powers and ex-

ship that gradually bulked in ample and well I believe the first test of a truly great lected by Government as a Penal settle-defined proportions before his enraptured man is his humility. I do not mean by hulate Native Bengal Army as were proved to have revolted but had abstained from shed were now the token of his gladness and his understanding of the relations between what this group, situated on the eastern side of the this group, situated on the eastern side of the bay, and distant only about 70 or 80 miles from the Burmese coast was a short time bear down upon the strange looking object. The strange looking object they know it; and are not only right in their No time was lost in getting the solitary main opinions, but they usually know that voyager on board where his history no less they are right in them; only they do not than his condition attracted the sympathy think much of themselves on that account ded. The principal particulars stripped of and solicitude of all. Wasted and wan with Arnolfo knows that he can build a good dome the redundance of legal phraseology are de-rived from the charge of the Chief Judge of himself afloat, and gaunt and attenuated with one who had found fault with his work, "I the Supreme Court in Calcutta directed to hunger and thirst, he found himself among cannot be better done;" Sir Isaac Newton the Grand Jury before whom eleven persons, natives of Burmah, were tried on the capital accusation of murder, and are as follows:—Two coasting vessels were dispatched from the main land, to the group of isshortly after, and where by a singular Protection of the property of t vidence the two boats with the guilty con-spirators had put in some time before. They were still there, the men being engaged in do or be anything else than God made them. yield when crushed. Both boats made for disposing of their cargoes unconscious that And they see something Divine and Godthe same island, and for a time the work a swift witness against their dreadful crimes made in every other man they meet, and are went on peaceably and pleasantly. Sudden- had followed them into port, or that any one endlessly, foolishly, incredibly merciful. was left to tell the tale of their heinous The slightest manifestation of jealousy or attacked the others, who, taken by the undeeds. Immediately on going ashore the self-complacency is enough to mark a second

# "Sav Jesus."

As the late Professor Hope, of Princeton assassins. Two of these being but indifferent swimmers, and suffering from excitement and terror soon found themselves, overcome of the swimmers and terror soon found themselves, overcome of the swimmers are soon found themselves, overcome of the swimmers are soon found themselves overcome. and terror soon found themselves overcome by the peril of their position; they therefore came round to Calcutta only a few days be- out," he began to repeat the lines :-

"A guilty, weak, and helpless worm,

either landing unobserved or if noticed, being spared. Their movements were observ- was written, to be tried for the offence. How when his power of utterance seemed to fail ed, and no sooner did they reach the beach clearly the workings of Divine Providence His sorrow-stricken wife, who was by his than they met the same fate as their friends as brought out in this remarkable narrative pedside, finished the stanza, thus: at the hands of the merciless villians whose illustrate the teachings of the Word of God work of destruction and blood was known now to only one surviving human witness and he already they concluded was as good deed as the street of the way of " Re thou my strength and righted

" Say Jesus," said her dying husban and then breathed his last.

### Mighty Men.

Fallen hath our lot in days of pleasant calm; How different from the atormy times of yore, When prayer was broken by the cannon's roar, And death whieks mingled with the choral psalm in sacred as in civil right we now. Are Freedom's children: not in doubt and fear, But with blest confidence, in noon day clear. And fittlest deems the heart, the knee we bow. Soon be it so with all! may Christian li, ht. Diffusing mental day from zone to sone. Rescue forn lands from Sup ratition's blight, Of carth an Eden make, and reign alone; That men shall loathe the wrong and choose the right remotes and moral blindness be unknown; We shall reap if we faint not "-ST. PAUL The truly mighty men of history were

> bition for usefulness or eminence. achieve? He travelled about five thousand tion, and surveying the way as it goes. miles a year, preached about three times a

preached three times a week. Calvin, tor- turns it thrives as vigorously as ever. tured by gout, stranguary, stone, catarrh, ed with all parts of the continent, every erratic efforts of a wayward genius. Demosother day lectured, and every other week thenes elaborated sentence after sentence

self listened with delight. Murray was a and to do.

Brown, the author of the Commentary, Concordance, and Bible Dictionary, was entry post at night, and has fixed his name words had no effect, he said, among the orbs. Samuel Lee was a carenter, but became a professor of Hebrew clarke was the son of a country schoolmaser, but rose to be one of the first Biblical he son of a poor dissenting minister; he be-loving Christian said to the revengeful warame one of the most splendid orators of the British pulpit, and one of the best writers of he English language. Cuvier, the greatest of modern naturalists, was the son of a pensigned soldier, and a charity scholar at college. Prideaux, the author of the " Connections," and bishop of Worcester, could not be kept at school by his poor parents, longer than to learn to read and write, and he

he kitchen of Exeter College. Nearly the whole list of worthies on the ecord of literary fame were thus diamonds ound in the mire-pearls brought up from the depth of obscurity—men who, but for as we for give them that trespass against us.'

obtained the rest of his education by walk-

ing to Oxford and obtaining employment in

wonderful what this noble quality has and meet your victim. God will meet you accomplished. The history of literature at the great day of judgment. is full of its miracles. In cases where or- The iron will of the dake was broken. dinary intellects would quail in despair, Let the lesson be well learned by the young. pose have seemed only to gather new me as I desire to forgive him who has of-There have been great men who were not strength, have wrought themselves into a fended me; lead me not into temptation, but able men-fictitiously great; their greatness kind of omnipotency which has swept away deliver me from evil!" arising more from their fortunate circum- the most appalling difficulties, and enabled stances than from themselves; but the truly them to trample into the dust the most forgreat have generally been the "labouring midable obstacles. It is even, in many understood the Lord's Prayer better than classes" of their respective departments, cases, preferable to genius. Genius is more he had ever done before, since he had learned genuine workmen. The young man who bid, erratic, burning too often in fitful gleams, to apply it to himself.

does not feel strongly within him the distor with too intense ardor, so as to consume position to work, may entertain no high am- itself. It is brilliant like a meteor, but has no fixed laws to keep it steady. Genius Dr. Samuel Clark said the old adage of frequently leads to disregard of means of too many irons in the fire conveys an improvement, and thereby disappoints its for twenty years, was a martyr to a severe vent her intercessions at the throne of inabominable old lie; have all in, shovel, own hopes. But an ordinary mind, strength- spinal disease. At the time of her death finite grace; yet entreaties and prayers tongs, and poker." It is not so much the ened with this lofty resolve, is regular in its he recorded her character in a letter, from seemed to be unavailing. But she failed multiplicity of employments, as the want of progress; it may be slow, but it is sure. It system in them, that disturbs and injures does not rush onward breathless and wild, own well-known aversion to exaggeration, both the work and workman. Wesley did like a frantic maniac, but moves with majes and every kind of pious fraud, is a guaran-band and wife were riding to Cambridge, everything by system, and how much did he tic calmness, stepping always on sure positee of the literal fidelity of the picture. It both were won by the e treme loveliness

day, beginning at five o'clock in the morning, a determined though ordinary mind is com-Coke crossed the Atlantic thirteen times, fig. for the nice workmanship of a watch; a common mind nerved with resolution is like God they are of great price.

Ining, an ornament for the ninger of cast, or dervatured by the industries, mignty, I suppose, the worldly-minded; but in the sight of common mind nerved with resolution is like God they are of great price.

"Do you love that God ?" sions, begged from door to door for them, the ruder but more useful ore of iron, fit and labored for them as if, like the Apostles, alike for a steam engine, an artillery piece what most sufferers deem a great alleviation intentness and abstraction of thought came be would "turn the world upside down." to hurl its blazing thunder, or a gleaming that is, the privilege of talking about upon him, and was plainly observed by his At nearly seventy years of age he started sword. Genius is a fragile flower which themselves, their symptoms, and sufferings, wife. Hope rose in silence in her breast to Christianize India! Baxter, with nu- blooms beautifully and fades easily; a prac- and hopes and fears. [We have known an Who could say that the golden words had merous and grievous diseases, wrote a surtical but determined mind can grow up in a equal sufferer who never would prolong the not yet been spoken, and charged with the prising number of books, practised physic, storm like the oak, spread its limbs to batand, as he took no fees, was oppressed with the winds, and though it may be ger than courtesy required. Equally worthy known. The day passed on, and that patients; spent two days a week in cate- shorn of its "leafy honours" by the wintry of notice is the fine Christian trait which chetical instruction, and, besides special ser- blast, yet its roots are deep in the earth, its made her so solicitous, amid her own griefs, anxious friends, whom they were visiting,

I have met somewhere with a noble pasva, as pastor and professor, wrote nine folio opinion of a master mind; "More is to be root volumes, with profound thought, correspond- expected from laborious mediocrity than from preached daily. He states, in one of his let- and Newton rose to the heavens by the steps ers, the work of one day while at Stras- of geometry, and said, at the close of his caburgh. It consists of a sermon, a lecture, reer, that it was only in the habit of patient the correction of twenty sheets of manu-thinking he was conscious of differing from script, four letters, besides offices of advice other men It is generally thought that

Forgive us, as we Forgive. In the Middle Ages, when the great lords sition. Still, this earnest but deluded seeker likewise a shepherd's boy. Terence was an and knights were always at war with each African slave, but raised himself to such an other, one of them resolved to revenge him- tice. elevation that the haughty consuls of Rome self upon a neighbor who had offended him. courted his society. Franklin, the printer, It chanced that on the very evening when Sun of righteousness and be not blinded, but became one the first men of his age. Sir he had made this resolution, he heard that blessed with increase of light. You have Humphrey Davy, the son of a woodcarver, his enemy was to pass near his castle, with looked at him and been saved from death. and the apprentice of an apothecary, became only a few men with him.—It was a good You must continue to look unto him for all he first chemist of his times. Columbus, opportunity to take his revenge, and he de- that you need to sustain, to promote, to perhe sailor, left a new world for his memorial. termined not to let it pass. He spoke of this feet the life implanted in your soul. Paul Roger Sherman, the statesman of the Ame- plan in the presence of his chaplain, who says, "Let us run with patience the race rican R volution, was a shoemaker. Her- tried in vain to persuade him to give it up. that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the schel, the great astronomer, was a British The good man said a great deal to the duke author and finisher of our faith." Happy is soldier in Nova Scotia, he commenced the about the sin of what he was going to do, it for you, if your spiritual muscles are al study of astronomy while watching on the but in vain. At length, seeing that all his ready become fixed with perfect steadiness

> He did it accordingly. The chaplain said a sentence, and the duke repeated it, till he came to the petition, "Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us." Then the duke was silent.

My lord duke you are silent," said the dare to do so? 'Forgive us our trespasses, and as a wandering bird cast out of the nest

' No," said he, " I will finish my prayer :

" Amen," said the chaplain Amen," repeated the duke, who now

#### Patient in Tribulation.

which the paragraph below is taken. His not " to labor and to wait." Genius is fit for extra circumstances only; power of divine grace, and as a rebuke to band, in a moment of admiration, remarked, published works amount to about mon place. It is practical, and can handle with their complaints under trials not fit to His wife asked, "S., who caused all this two hundred volumes. Asbury travelled common things. Genius is like the precious be mentioned in comparison with a life-long grandeur?" As if somewhat surprised at about six thousand miles a year, and preach- gold ore, which is adapted to shine, a pretty bed of pain. The passive virtues are un- the question, he replied, "Why, God Althing, an ornament for the finger or ear, or dervalued by the ignorant, the thoughtless, mighty, I suppose." His wife, then, in her

This invalid denied herself persistently mons and several regular evening services, branches strong, and when the summer re-

years, during which she adhered to her earlyand reconciliation in more than a dozen men are signalized more by talent than by ing of a doll's cap; but of herself, save only her. At length he said, with much emocases. "Luther was one of the most exten- industry; it is felt to be a vulgarizing of ge- as regarded her ripening in all goodness, tion rive writers of his age. He maintained an nius to attribute it to anything but direct in- wholly thoughtless; enjoying every thing filling numerous volumes, lectured regularly steady and persevering devotion of mind to ther in God's works or man's, with the Cambridge to-day?" before the university, preached nearly every one subject. There are higher and lower keenest relish; inheriting the earth to the Such was the late Dr. J. A. Alexander's day, bore the chief borden of the churches, walks in scholarship, but the highest is a very fullness of the promise, though never

manner, and the hundred nameless negli-

Looking at the Sun.

Mussulmans. It had been one of his reli

gious acts to gaze constantly at the sun.

Christian, you are bid to look to the

in that position. He that looketh back is

While we gaze steadfastly at the sun

gaze at Christ, the Sun of righteousness.

Blessedness in Sorrow.

not fit for the kingdom of God.

A traveller in the east relates that a pil-

man set himself to repair the miserable shingle, and, having finished the overhaul shingle, and, having finished the overhaul shingle, and, having finished the overhaul shingle, and the recreations of music and shingle, and the recreation of the object in its finished state, such as the shingle and the recreation of the object in its finished state, such as the shingle and the recreation of the object in its finished state, such as the shingle and the recreation of the object in its finished state, such as the shingle and the recreation of the object in its finished sta he was overjoyed to find that it made but little water. He now proceeded to provide the large of studying it, and when fourteen years of were also oppressed with poverty. Wesley tinuous, I had almost said creeping progress.

At twelve years of age, and, aving an arabic mestic life, and the recreations of music and principle of recepting of the which may may the beauty of Christ's Spidepths of my soul. I do not love that God. I have never loved him. I have to day felt it he force. ed studying it, and when fourteen years of since the little craft by laying in a store of cocca-nuts which he hoped would last in case he should not be picked up at sea, until then proceeded with other languages, and so mastered the language that he read the Koran through, in the original.—

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He then proceeded with other languages, a year; Calvin sold his books to pay his world. In the one case, indeed, we may world. In the one case, indeed, we may ridiculed your prayers, but will you pray for Little Faults.

obscurity it is dependent upon its own re- fulness? Hold up, then, bravely, thy head, sources. It must remain unbonoured, or when the surge rolls over thee. Knowest that swam in the sand he treads. The rise by the might of its own energy. It acquires in such circumstances one quality, at in thee is the measure of thy capability; least, which lies at the foundation of all that whatsoever thou willest thou canst true greatness of mind, a noble sense of self. achieve, if not interdicted by the laws of thy being? Look, then, on obstacles with an Nearly all the great names, conspicuous unblinking eye. Most of the good and the gences that spoil the beauty of association, on the catalogue of renown, are proofs of the great of all ages have been thy fellows in have rarely done other than proceed till the success of mind contending with difficulties. suffering, and thou mayest be theirs in suc- action of disgust and gradual alienation has Metatasios, a friendless boy, singing verses cess. Despond not; good conusellers will turned all the currents of affection from in the streets, became one of the greatest au- tell thee to be humble; their counsel is wise; their course, leaving nothing but a barren thors in Italian literature. Gifford, the but remember humility is not a fiction; it is track, over which the mere skeleton of comcabin boy, was one of the most powerful the right estimate of yourself, not deprecia- panionship stalks alone. writers of his age. Epictetus, the moralist, tion. Humility is strength. She is brave. was born a slave, but became the boast of She has lifted many a time her meek eye the stoical set of philosophers, and the inti- serenely in the flames of the stake Be mate friend of the best emperors of Rome. humble, then, but be strong in thy heart .-Furguson was a shepherd's boy, but raised Thy soul is an exhaustless energy, the wide grim joined their caravan, who had long himself to the honour of the first astrono- world is open for thine action, and voices been engaged in journeying from one place mer of his age, at whose lectures royalty it- from earth and heaven summon thee to dare to another of those places held sacred by

" My lord, since I cannot persuade you enter, but became a professor of Hebrew to give up this plan of yours, will you at least consent to come with me to the chapel, other objects fade from our sight. So let us that we may pray together before you go? The duke consented, and the chaplain and and the sinful attractions of earth will fade cholars of modern times. Robert Hall was he knelt together in prayer. Then the mercy-

"Will you repeat after me, sentence by sentence, the prayer which our Lord Jesus Christ Himself taught to His disciples?" " I will do it," replied the duke.

#### Words Fitly Spoken.

A few years since, there lived in the city Boston a family, the head of which, made such more by industry than by genius. minds nerved with this high energy of purlived for many years in impenitence, and confessedly disregarding the claims of reli-

gion. His wife was an humble follower of Christ; and while she on the Lord's day worshipped him in his sanctuary, her hus band was wont to examine his accounts, or profane the day, in accordance with his inlinations, in some other way. His wife's sorrow of spirit in his behalf was such as a Christian helpmate only could feel for a companion living in utter disregard of the claims of the Saviour. Many were her so-Dr. Arnold, of Rugby, had a sister, who, lemn interviews with him, frequent and fer-

is worth studying as a testimony to the of the works of God in nature. The husthe multitude of Christians who fill the air "How beautiful is every thing around us!"

There was no reply. Suddenly a marked strange abstraction continued. In vain did is such quiet, continuous, heavenly virtues, other mortal ill had come upon him. He which above all things else demonstrate the briefly replied in the negative. These were and other infirmities, acted, while in Gene- sage on the subject; it is evidently the supernatural grace in which they have their far from the cause. These were usual questions; but his present troubles he had never " I never saw a more perfect instance of had in the past. His wife hastened their rethe spirit of power, love, and sound mind; turn as much as possible. His strange reintense love, almost to the annihilation of serve continued unbroken. Thus the day selfishness; a daily martyrdom for twenty passed away, never to be forgotten by him When their usual hour for rest had arrived, formed resolution of never talking about and he regarded it not, but still wore his sad herself; thoughtful about the very pins and appearance, his wife again urgently asked ribbons of my wife's dress, about the mak- him to unfold his feelings and his troubles to

immense correspondence, the published part spiration from Heaven; they overlook the lovely, graceful, beautiful, high-minded, whether tion on the road, as we were going over to "Wife, do you remember the converse

She replied; "Yes."

me now? A writer thus speaks of the fatal influence the throne of grace in his behalf. She opulence pamper the sensuality and flatter out of the reach of many, but by dint of a than with the other. The Eastern traveller Jesus, and now lives as a witness to the

that infest the air be breathes, or the fleas creasing vibration through the atmosphere, will you hear with joy when they return drunkard has been known to renounce his to your ears at the last day? They will darling vice; the slave to dress and extra- then return. For how many already spoken vagance her besetting sin; but the waspish must you pray for pardon? Shall such words be increased? How often may you, temper, the irritating tone, rude, dogmatic by one question or expression of Christian anxiety, fitly directed to the heart of a friend, in love and in faith, secure results unspeakable? It is fitness, rather than the number of our words, which makes them as apples of gold in pictures of silver."

Impenitent reader, you behold the countless beauties and boundless loveliness of the passing year, the works of our one Father. God, in all nature now. "Do you love that God?" O, may this prove to you "a word fitly spoken."-Boston Recorder.

# Spiritual Resurrection.

When Jesus Christ came into the world the doctrine of immortality became a con-His eyes had become nearly blind, and viction : and I ask my skeptic to account for the muscles of his neck rigid in that pothat. How was it before Jesus? It was merely a philosophical opinion, limited to for salvation continued the destructive pracmighty conviction placed upon the souls and hearts of many. sult? There is no effect without a cause. Was there not some grand transaction that gave it such vital power, so that the lowly, the poor, the humblest-not the philosophers only-had such a conviction of it? Walk through those Roman catacombs; mark the difference there, between the epitaphs of the philosophers and epicureans, on the one side, and of the Christians, on the other. Go there, and you will find that one of the Romans has this inscription :

" While I lived I lived well; my play is now ended; soon yours will be-farewell, and applaud me." Another says, "Baths, wine, and love

ruin the constitution, but they make life what it is-farewell." Then comes the tender stroke of a mo-

ther's grief-" O relentless Fortune, that delights in cruel death, why is Maximus so early snatched from me?" Turn and see the epitaphs of the early

There are times when some great sorrow Christians: " Coticus laid here to sleep. has torn the mind away from its familiar sports, and laid level those defences which "The sleeping-place of Elipis." "Valeria in prosperity seemed so stable-when the sleeps in peace." most rooted convictions of the reason seem

Is not that an echo of those wonderful rottenness, and the bloom of our heaven- words that were uttered at the tomb of Laward imagination goes up before the blast as zarus? "He is not dead, but sleepeth." dust-when our works, and joys and hopes, Or what He said of the ruler's daughter: My lord duke you are silent," said the chaplain. "Will you be so good as to continue to repeat the words after me, if you dare to do so? 'Forgive us our trespasses, and as a wandering bird cast out of the nest what I is an anot dead, but sleepeth." Is not that, I say, an echo of that wonderful the soul is left as a garden that hath no water, and as a wandering bird cast out of the nest what I is an anot dead, but sleepeth." Is not dead, but sleep -in that day of trouble, and of treading world? Whence did it come? the depth of obscurity—men who, but for their own energy, would have passed away, with the mass of mankind, "little and unknown."

The most essential requisite for the pursuit of knowledge, under such circumstances, is united knowledge, under such circumstances, is unyielding determination. This is of such great importance, as almost to make up for deficiency in any other respect. It is truly the most essential requisite for the pursuit of knowledge, under such circumstances, and total contempt for the tabret, and the joy of the harp has said so. He himself has given us this prayer; for the tabret, and the joy of the harp has said so. He himself has given us this prayer; for the tabret, and the joy of the harp has said so. He himself has given us this prayer given up saying this prayer; for to ask God to pardon you as you pardon others, is to ask Him to take vengeance on you for all your sina.—Go now, my lord, please.—British Quarterly.

—in that day of trouble, and of treading down and perplexity, the noise of viols, the mirth of the tabret, and the joy of the harp has said so. He himself has given us this prayer; for to ask God to pardon you as you pardon others, is to ask Him to take vengeance on you for all your sina.—Go now, my lord, please.—British Quarterly.