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Years Past and to Come.

Lament who will, in fruitless tears. The speed with which our moments fly, I sigh not over vanished years. But watch the years that hasten by.

Look how they come ! - a mingled crowd Of bright and dark, but rapid days; Beneath them, like a summer cloud, The wide world changes as I gaze.

Time, time, will seam and blanch my brow Well : I will sit with aged men; And my good glass will tell me how A grisly beard becomes me then.

And should no foul dishonour lie Upon my head when I am grey, Love, yet shall watch my fading eye. And smooth the path of my decay.

Then haste thee time-tis kindness all That speeds thy winged feet so fast; Thy pleasures stay not till they fall, And all thy pains are quickly past.

Thou fliest, and bear'st away our woes, And as thy shadowy train depart. The memory of sorrow grows A lighter burden on the heart. WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT.

TIME. But this I say, Brethren, the time is short.'-1 Co *Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now the day of salvation. —2 Cor. vi. 2.

Time's an hand breath ; 'tis a tale ; 'Tis a vessel under sail, 'Tis an eagle in its way, Darting down upon its prey; 'Tis an arrow in its flight. Mocking the pursuing sight; 'Tis a short-lived fading flower; 'Tis a momentary ray,

Smiling in a winter's day ; 'Tis a torrent's rapid stream; 'Tis a shadow; 'tis a dream; 'Tis the closing watch of night, Dying at the rising light; 'Tis a bubble; 'tis a sigh; Be prepar'd, O! man, to die.

Word, and, if possible, some devotional book. 2. Let it be the great work of the year to become better acquainted personally with Jesus Christ as the living and ever present Friend.

Brother and Saviour. do good upon some definite, unselfish work in your family or out of it, which may help others, as it will certainly must help yourself.

seeking his approval of your inner and outer life. guage was to him as strange. They stepped on The less you talk about yourself or your doings sofily behind the singer, and listened. before men, the better for yourself and for them. 5. Aim this year at being a peacemaker beand heal breaches among friends and relatives; my fore-fathers."

and to make men respect and esteem each other 6. Do not leave behind you in the old year guilt unpardoned, but believe in Jesus for the remission of sins; nor enter a new year with sin his Spirit to sanctify you. Begin the year withanother, if any man have a quarrel against any :

even as Christ forgave you, even so do ye." 7. Endeavour to keep an account of your income and expenditure, that you may be able to live justly and generously. Give what you can to assist poor relatives, and poor Christians. Try this one year to tax yourself ten per cent. on your free income for such purposes.

Learn to do these things, and many more will the Lord teach thee to know and do; and may the God of love and peace be with thee .- Parish Papers.

IMPORTANT INQUIRIES .- Are you reconciled to God? Can you approach him as a Friend? Do you love him as a Father? Do you obey him as a Master? Do you leve his word, his people and his day? In vain do you profess to love him, if you do nothing for him.

Are you like Jesus, going about doing good? Do you visit the sick, pity the poor, and seek the salvation of all around you.

Do you consider your present life as an opportunity given you to serve and please God? go work to-day in my vineyard." Your work is me beautiful and true, like an echo of half-forday work, and should run through every day. AM RESPONSILE. I am responsible for my time this," -talents-and opportunities to do good ?"

or soft? Is Christ precious? Are you willing to receive all he has, and to do all he hids? To make a complete Saviour of Him, imitating his example, as well as trusting in his blood? Are you prepared for death? You will soon be summoned; how much better to be summon ed from the field of labour than from the bed of

sloth! " Work while it is called TO-DAY, the night cometh when no man can work." Are you looking for the glorious appearing the Lord Jesus, who will come to be glorified in his saints, and to reward every man according to his works ?- Sunday School Times.

Are you waiting site to be a sound of the snortings of the railway horse, as all things? The dissolution of the Union. we would be guilty of the most supreme folly if he courses between Halifax and Bangor, or because the tomb. It reminded of my progress toward the tomb. It reminded the most supreme folly if the courses between Halifax and Bangor, or because the most supreme folly if the courses between Halifax and Bangor, or because the most supreme folly if the most supreme folly if the courses between Halifax and Bangor, or because the most supreme folly if the most the new year is born. Another millstone in the calling." have now? Every year you nive seems snorrer than the last: you find more to think of, or to have already come. I may never reach another have already come. I may never reach another the new of the new already come. Then while speaking of the his while to pay for his introduction to the most unlettered among us."

have now? Every year you nive seems snorrer than the last: you find more to think of, or to do it.

To whom does he allude by 'us?'" asked do, and less power and opportunity to do it. The period. The pass is all windows not whether you may the period. The pass is all windows not whether you may the period. The pass is all windows not whether you may the period. The pass is all windows not whether you may the period. The pass is all windows not whether you may have and leges of civilized life, including taxation itself? In a political point of view every one will add that we can give these isolated Provinces nationally and have and ing with strange and diagusting levity; when an while, but not lost, hot one lots. To this long said the stranger, replying to the Druid's question itself? In a political point of view every one will add that we can give these isolated Provinces nationally and have and ing with strange and diagusting levity; when an while, but not lost, hot one lots. To this long said the stranger, replying to the Druid's question itself? In a political point of view every one will add that we can give these isolated Provinces nationally in the constant of the Centedrate Covernment and passes of civilized life, including taxation itself? In a political point of view every one will add the tranger, replying to the Druid's question itself? In a political point of view every one will add the tranger, replying to the Druid's question itself? In a political point of view every one will add the tranger, replying to the Druid's question itself? In a political point of view every one will add the tranger of the provinces nationally and the content of the provinces nationally and the content of the provinces of the provinces of the provinces of the content of the provinces of the provinces of the provinces of the content of the provinces of like period. The past is all written down, never the Druid when he understood. to be obliterated. Covered up, it may be, for a while, but not lost, not one faithful record every moment adds its item, and thus the account is continually and the items are multiplied, till the last entry shall be made, and rivers elece the record?

To this long in the Druid's questions had a death grasp the infamous institution of view every one will ad in that, other things being equal, union, unless of slavery, and hence they cannot have an disgusting levity; when an init that, other things being equal, union, unless of slavery, and hence they cannot have an disgusting levity; when an init that, other things being equal, union, unless of slavery, and hence they cannot the being equal, union, unless of slavery, and hence they cannot the the time.

Are you waiting till your heart is perfectly fit in the end, we see another year.

But the to see another year. Boast not yourself of ment, one of his hearers was grinning and laugh. In a political point of view every one will ad in that, other things being equal, union, unless of slavery, and hence they cannot the being with strange and disgusting levity; when an init that, other things being equal, union, unless of slavery, and hence they cannot to be a subth of Britanian, who with pipe in mouth was listening physical and geographical considerations hinder, with a foreign accent.

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Are you waiting till your heart is perfectly fit in the wind with a death grasp the infamous institution in the they cannot to have, the heart was physical and disgusting levity; when an init that, other things being equal, union, unless of slavery, and hence they cannot to have, the heart was physical and geographical considerations himself and in the wind with a feet of the wind with a feet of the wind with a feet of the

entire life, every act, and word and thought, with my Lord." what a record could each one exhibit. How few the sun," was the calm reply; but the ominous You have no good reason for waiting. would be willing to show their books to others! hectic flush deepened on his hollow cheek. and add to the record here and there! But no! Here you can have no temple and no priest." done is done, and cannot be undone. "What " not made with hands; and a Priest, though if this were so," did I say? It is so. Yes, in not seen by mortal eyes." reality it is so, though not in the exact form sup- " He speaks in parables," said the Druid. posed; the particular form is of no consequence. "I speak no parables," said the Christian Yet really, to all intents and purposes, every one but simply matters of fact, of which we are all writes his own history as he passes along thro' assured." life, and that in the most minute, exact and perfeet manner. No item is omitted; not even the Druid.

great day of final reckoning! How careful then ought I to live— With what religious fear, Who such a strict account must give For my behaviour here.

F. REED.

The Early Dawn.

The first chapter of this last production of the rifted authoress of the Schonberg Cotta Family, is designed to illustrate the religious character of the British Isles, more than seventeen centuries ago-an age characterized by the writer as

An old Druidical Priest had just been celebrating, on the Cornish coast, and in the state of night, the mysteries of his worship. It was after the Roman invasion. His race was constructed the Bruid, " is that holy resumed the Bruid, " is that holy and all that had been provided for it to delight the will or rise where. How was it left? down. After the solemnities of the worship were completed, his company, now few and fearwere completed, his company, now few and fear-ful, scattered into the darkness, while he alone trated fervor, "that immortal life could not the sinner's doom in the great hereafter. Oh, from him learned the wondrous Theism and im-God, the Sun of the City above." mortality of Old Testament Revelation; also what to his view was the yet unfulfilled hope of the Jew in a tone of surprise.

This miner was evidently young, and had the lithe grace of the South about his form and movements. As he walked he sang, and the tones of his rich Southern tenor rose clear and full through the clear morning air. The cadence was different from any music the Druid had ever heard. There was a repose about the melody, quite foreign to the wild wails or war songs of 4. In all things try to live more toward God, his people. And as they drew near, the land

> " Strange words to hear in such a murmured the Jew at length. " They are Greek -the language of a people who dwelt of old.

They drew near and greeted the stranger com or the North, would have betokened high prophets sang, in whom all dominion centres. breeding, but in him might be merely the natural

Glory to God in the highest. And on earth peace, Good-will among men. We praise Thee, We bless Thee. We worship Thee For thy great glory, O Lord, heavenly King, O God the Father ruling all. O Lord the only-begotten Son, With the Holy Spirit.

O Lord God, Son of the Father. Who taketh away the sins of the world. Receive our prayer. Thou who sittest at the right hand of th Father, Have mercy on us,

For Thou only art holy-Thou only art the Lord, Saviour, and Messiah-To the glory of God the Father. Amen.

"Ask him if he has any other such sacred Do you improve it as such? Jesus says, "Son, songs," said the Druid; "the words sound to gotten music, heard long ago in some former Do you daily live under the impression, "I life from which perchance my soul came into "I will chant you our evening hymn," said

Are you growing in grace? Is the heart hard the miner; and he sang again-Joyful light of heavenly glary, The holy and the blessed Jesus Christ! We, coming at the setting of the sun, Seeing the evening light, Hymn the Father and the Son, And the Holy Spirit, God. Worthy art Thou at all times to be praised With holy voices, Son of God,

Thou who givest light, Therefore doth the world glorify Thee.

It is like a man's writing the memoirs of him- loved; and I was exiled hither to work in the of evil. You will never make it like a pure to endanger the gravity of the hearers, "I'll tell eration we should have to contend with serious marshes, enrich the soil, and convert the wasterness." self, making an exact and complete copy of his mines in the far West because I could not deny white sheet of paper, that you can take to Jesus, you what it is. Mike, you'll laugh the other side physical difficulties, but it might give the ability places into fruitful fields, without increasing his entire life arms and work an all the motives and influences by which he al
"Bitter change," said the Jew, "from those law written on my heart." Delay not, Better preaching to one hundred persons in one of these

"I said, days should speak and multitude of years lows himself to be moved in all the circumstances of his earthly being. What, if we were absolutely object of his earthly being. What, if we were absolutely object of his earthly being as you are.

On these cold northern shores."

Where I are change," said the Jew, " from those law written on my time-clad southern hills to toil in the darkness begin as you are.

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O, lingering real ways to the change," and the Jew, " from those law written on my time-clad southern hills to toil in the darkness begin as you are.

"What is written is written," because what is "We have a Temple!" was the joyful reply, Ryle.

merest thought, quiet or secret though it be, is . We have a Sacrifice," was the low and re-

has provided the Lamb. The Lamb of God and long to enjoy it," cried the friendly doctor, ma-"He speaks of the promise made to ther Abraham," exchanged the Jew. "Life for life," mirrowed the Druid, man for life of man

said the Christian, " but God." Not the sinner's ter him. "Doctor, doctor, Mr. Winslow has life was required the Son yielded up his own."

"You have then no sacrifices to offer now," British Isles, more than seventeen centuan age characterized by the writer as
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"Lights and Shadows of the Early Shadows of the E even ourselves, to do and suffer all the holy will brating, on the Cornish coast, and in the dead of God, we ourselves, body, soul and spirit, to

quered; their religion was proscribed; their life, which you say was willingly yielded up for in wrung from its embrace. How was it left? worship forbidden, and their priests hunted man, extinct for ever? Shall the holy perish

wandered by the light of the dying embers of the altar fires towards his solitary hiding place.

Traced fervor, "That immortal life could not the sinner's doom in the great hereafter. Oh, what a place has that one word not in the final and dieth no more. And now," he continued, inventory—" not having on the wedding gartell, "He sitteth enthroned at the right hand of not." " Have you then also a sacred city

Israel. At this point we take up the story from "It heth toward the sun-rising," replied the the inture, not in the past," said outs." " Ia.

tween professing Christians; to allay disputes, and dwell still, in the East, near the home of the long path of prophetic light and promise, earthly things are unenduring. If they are not had left money to purchase comforts for the dyparted and dissolved, displaying to his adoring gaze the Sacrifice to whom all sacrifices pointed. ner as he returned their salutations, which, in a mated, the King of whom Hebrew kings and eth away." To the Druid the dim desires of his heart bearing of his acute and versatile race. He were at once explained and fulfilled. Sin and out enmity to any man on earth, "forgiving one willingly complied when the Jew asked him to falsehood were discovered and brought to shame. repeat his song, which he translated thus to the " Life and immortality were brought to light." And on both gradually dawned, as the power and the wisdom of God, not a doctrine merely.

> nor a ritual, but the Christ, the son of the living Thus along the rocky shores of the Atlantic rose in threefold harmony the Christian hymns to Him who heareth always; the Sun whose presence is day to faith, the Glory for which Israel ly groaped and longed, the Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world.

There also, ere long, in that lowly hut, those strangers watched as brothers by the death-bed of the Smyrniote exile, no one with them in Christ. And there, on that bleak shore, they buried him, in a quiet nook, consecrated by solitude, and thenceforth by the immortal seed of

hope has never been entirely silenced on our British shores.

But When?

Reader. I dare say you mean one day to be a be? I say again, When?

sible, is this a time for beginning the mighty

New Year's Morning.

Item Work was an analysis of the said to the miner, "how your memory failing? You will give up the said to the miner, "how your memory failing? You will give up the said to the miner, "how your memory failing? You will give up the said to the miner, "how your memory failing? You will give up the said to the miner, "how your memory failing? You will give up the world when you cannot keep it? Is this your memory failing? To will be can, pouring out their blood like water to-day? To not let them inveigle us into a snarl with the plan? Beware, lest you insult God.

The clock has struck the hour of midnight, and the struck the hour of midnight.

than the last: you mad more to think of, or to do it.

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" I Mean to take Life Easy." Dr. -, in his morning round came upon a

stopped and congratulated him upon its fina! "Thank you, sir," said the farmer : " it is a

Nor was the doctor out of sight before the held a messenger from the farm house flying afly merged into certainty. No skill of doctor, or

arcely had he said to his soul, " Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; Destitute! and soul-destitution who can adequately describe? It is the not having, not hav-

we ponder too seriously upon such an issue.-Christian Almanac for 1865.

are no more to be seen on earth; they are in even of the lodging-houses because of his des- social and intellectual well-being of the Con-The blank wall of darkness, which to the Jew eternity! The changes we witness warn us that perate blasphemy, had been that morning to federated Provinces. had seemed so strangely and abruptly to close there is no permanent happiness here. All visit her sick husband as an angel of mercy, and removed from us, we are removed from them. ing man. As I look upon the past history of " For what is your life? It is even a vapor this man, and at his present position and pros-

Religious Intelligence.

Wesleyan Home Missions. From the Annual Report of Wesleyan Home Missions in Great Britain, we take the follow-

is about the regular average there.

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in, crying, "Does any von vont to buy a nice sound of the snortings of the railway horse, as all things? The dissolution of the Union. We would be guilty of the most supreme folly if little valsateds?" Immediately some of the little valsateds?" Immediately some of the little valsateds?" Immediately some of the little valsated as tens or thousands or tarmers will, hear the preserve the Union. What do they dread above long in, crying, "Does any von vont to buy a nice sound of the snortings of the railway horse, as all things? The dissolution of the Union. We would be guilty of the most supreme folly if

obtained over the people.

plucked from the burning?"

General Mircellann.

Union of the Provinces. CONTEMPORARY OPINIONS.

(From the Colonial Presbyterian.) It is admitted that the political and commer-From the Journal of the Rev. J. J. Sargent .- cial union of the Lower Provinces, by increasing persons were at our service at the chapel in the for a few moments in a wholesale boot and shoe of men whose special business is to study all should be visited with a penalty little short of

and say, "Here I am, Lord, ready to have thy of your mouth when the day comes." After to help to "annihilate time and space" and make expenses, as to imagine that these Provinces can houses, a man roughly said to the preacher, must gain by centralization; it must gain by mineral, manufacturing, agricultural, and com-O, lingering reader, are not your excuses "When we die, we die like dogs and are buried. British co-operation with colonial spirit and man-mercial resources can be opened up, and at the lutely obliged and had the entire ability to do it,

"Where I am going there will be no need of broken reeds? Be honest; confess the truth.

"Where I am going there will be no need of broken reeds? Be honest; confess the truth. always poring over the Bible, and crying because country which we should preserve from anarchy defence against an aggressive foe, without aug-Take the advice I give you. Resolve this day I would not believe it." The preacher asked within, or aggression without; we have a noble menting taxation. Such an idea is alike opposaye, to themselves even! In such a case how "How, then," said the Druid, "is your faith to wait no longer. Begin at once to seek God. him, "Is your mother alive?" "No," said the free-hold domain, in which no hereditary burded to history and common sense. But then, if gladly would we go back and erase, and modify, maintained in this life of exile and bondage? Repent of your sins. Break off your evil habits. man; "she's been dead some time." "O," dens need crush the efforts, blight the hopes, or when you increase a man's taxes, you enlarge and old to the result of the shifts to pay what in items. This blight to pay what in items. Believe on Christ, and be saved .- Rev. J. C rejoined the preacher, imitating the man's tone quench the aspirations of future freemen. This his ability to pay-what injury do you indict

man, livid with rage, "you say my mother died clearly not yet arrived, so we must insure, be and never did they pay their taxes with so much like a dog." "No." was the answer: " you say the cost what it may. We do not know that ease. The ability of England to pay her enormso. I say she died like a saint, and is with God any power will ever attack us; we are not abso- out taxes is the most illustrious exhibition of her in heaven. You see you do not believe what lutely certain that we could, even with British national progress. We will not therefore object tered nails left by the carpenters. The doctor you have been saying." The man was silenced aid, repel all attacks without fearful loss and to the \$2.75 or even to the \$3.75 per head, if and confounded, and a valuable influence was damage to our cities and country, but it surely you increase the ability to pay in an equal ratio. Restoration from desperate backsliding .- I down, millions of patriotic men, resolved to re- say, shall we or shall we not have augmented overlooked or unrecorded. This book, thus written by every one, is as imperishable as his own immore to be repeated. The Highest gave his immortality, and will appear and be read on the some the best of the solution of the church of Christ I am deeply thankful. Shortly and ships of war, with an old, rich and powerful vincial resources as to expand the ability of the easy and enjoy it." "And I hope you will live in an underground kitchen, an avowed and desking his parting bow and jogging on.—"Thank perate atheist. He stated that he had been should at least make the attempt, on account of will satisfy the people on this point. brought up like Timothy, had been trained in a old England we should do so. Those who tell

Wesleyan Sunday-school, and had been a Metho- us that she is ready to part with her colonial dist in a class led by one of the most respectable prestige may represent a certain portion of Engalarmed cry of "Doctor, doctor !" caught his ear.

Reining in his horse and looking around, he beman, on one occasion, rushed past me in the they represent the views of the British Governstreet, shouting, in derision, "Behold the Lamb ment. English statesmen are too wise not to just fallen from the roof, and we are afraid he is dead." He hurried back, but to find fears quick- when on a Sabbath afternoon, as I was preach- in its youth, might as its millions increase to tens great deal of undeserved trouble, and that it ing in the open air, I saw him among the con- and twenties, and upwards, be able to rally to power of medicine could restore him. He was gregation, listening most attentively. I was the defence of the old flag, should the despots of more. On the one hand, we have a horde of anxious to speak to him; and at the close of the Europe ever combine to trample it in the dust. Northern crimps and men-stealers, constantly service I got him by the hand, and asked him Here the navies, the armies of England might prowing on our frontiers, in our towns and how he was getting on? "Sir," said he, "I find men and material resources, but if no spirit Ports, debauching and even forcibly carrying have given up all my atheistical notions." He of self-sacrifice can now be evolved, we would be away labourers, sailors and soldiers, and con detailed his reasonings in a satisfactory manner, of little value to England, and do little credit to mitting other similar and even worse acts of Spitalfields chapel. Whilst listening to the word We have not touched upon the political aspreached, the good Spirit of God brought the pects of Federal Legislation. We can only, at thankful for a quiet asylum, are busy hatching remembrance of better times and of his sins present, note that it would be manifestly unfair

with crushing power upon his broken heart, and to assume that the design of the majority would the peace and into the territories of the States he became truly and deeply convinced of sin. be to crush the interests of the minority. Party He had fallen so low that he was getting his government and natural combinations would be bread by singing ballads in the street; after a check upon such a policy, if attempted. We prieties, the Government have incurred and are which he would address the listeners, railing at should rather infer that the central government constantly incurring a considerable expense and On the way he encountered a Hebrew, like himself hunted and hated by the conquerors, and

self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted and hated by the conquerors, and self hunted hunted and hated by the conqu sors as hypocrites. Now his occupation was bers of the Federation as much as possible, so Everything here, and eternal beggary! Can gone. He could not labour because of bodily that they might yield a flourishing revenue. It infirmity. With neither money nor friends, might also be expected that " as small countries chivalric Southern knight complains that he what could be do? He determined to go into make small men," the wider political sphere treated unjustly, and that under the influence of the streets and sing hymns. He tried, but the would increase the inducements to accept a him; while your braggart Vankee charge and him; while your braggart Vankee charge and him; hymns completely broke him down. To use his higher style of education, and produce a more him; while your braggart Yankee chart and hymns completely broke him down. To use his higher style of education, and produce a more wrathful vials, when having effectually whipped added the Druid, but is there never to be a good time for mankind?"

time for mankind?"

"It is written that the King the Christ will appear occurred. Many have passed it and on the saving power of the Gospel is intelligent, will be saving power of the Gospel is intelligent, will be saving power of the Gospel is intelligent, will be saving power of the saving powe "It is written, that the King, the Christ, will scenes occurred. Many have passed it and entrial for six months, during which time be never (under proper safeguards) may bring to light come again in glory, to judge the wicked and joyed its refreshing waters, and sat by its side, received a farthing of money from me, but acted men of great and unknown capacity; their aspir. wishes, is becoming a serious evil, and unknown capacity; their aspir. wishes, is becoming a serious evil, and unknown capacity; their aspir. to raise the just," was the reply; "and that who have passed away. Yea, many generations as a servant in a lodging-house and was there a ations will be towards the Federal Parliament then, truth and righteousness shall reign on have passed away since the waters of this brook light in a dark place, I got him employment, by (with its big salaries and wide field) and this earth, for he is holy, and just, and true, and in began to flow. Yonder ancient house—where which he satisfact of the satisfa Him all the nations of the earth shall be blessed. are those who built it, and had it arranged with is most grateful and useful. At our recent energies. These are some of the more favorable much dread; and as there is a prospect of Federation. We are inclined to think Hebrew and the Druid sought that lowly miner's

They are moldering in the grave. That anbut. There Jew and Gentile learned together cient tree—where are those who planted it and

They are moldering in the grave. That ansions. A week or two ago I visited a dying
that its advantages surpase its probable draw
orease of effort to procure fighting material, hut. There Jew and Gentile learned together cient tree-where are those who planted it, and man. His wife told me that the man referred backs, and that its acceptance will beet secure concerning Him who is the Hope of Israel and the many who have sat beneath its shade? They to in this account, and who had been turned out and promote the commercial prosperity, and

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Confederative views are expanding. Our have been spirited away to serve as ubstitutes for statesmen are getting more light on the subject, men who talk large about fighting to their las There was a gentle and easy courtesy in his manthe Priest in whom all priesthood is consum- that appeareth for a little time, and then vanishpects, I cannot but exclaim, "Is not this a brand and are sufficiently generous to improve every man, but who have a most noble ambition to be passing opportunity to enlighten others. Since each one of them the last man to go and fight our last issue the Hon. Messrs. Tilley and Gray, and a very targe proportion of these deluded who seem to be of one mind and of one heart on youths now fill unhonored and unknown graves this subject, have addressed the people at Hamp- And the reason of this gaordinary consumpton Ferry, and last Friday evening spoke for the upon of Canadians is, that they are as a gener third time in the Institute of Confederation, thing speedily advanced to the most homorable Mr. Gray, as usual, grapples with the constitu-tional aspects of the question, and Mr. Tilley ex-the front, and every body knows what that means. plains its financial bearings, and multiplies The American Government, with its wonderful figures to any extent to convince all that his po- sensitiveness against recruiting for England in sition is perfectly tenable. Between his calcula- their country, ought certainly not to object to the Sunday, January 3d, 1864.—After attending the the market for manufactured goods, would give tions and those of Measrs. Anglin and Lawrence, most stringent measures to prevent recruiting ovenant-service, I preached in a new lodging- an immense stimulus to trade, but the greater there is an insurpassable gulf. If Mr. Tilley be for their Accidanta in this country; and whether house. Nearly a hundred persons were present, union, will include and extend the advantages of right they must be wrong. Many excellent or not, we hold it is high time that our own who sung well, and manifested the most striking and sustained attention. A shower of "Good- shall also sell to Canada. The ramifications of and Mr. Tilley on Friday evening as a masteriy and Mr. Tilley on Friday e nights" and "Thank-you's" followed me from trade are truly wonderful, especially as regards success: but the Freeman denounces them as man to go and fight in the Northern armies is all parts of the room, as I left. Several of these the lighter wares. While, not long ago, standing perfect failures. Amid these conflicting opinions as nearly as possible equivalent to murder, and

store in New York, we saw cases of goods dis- these political questions, it is not perhaps wise death. Appalling neglect of Worship. - February patched to some of the most distant cities of the for those whose vocation lies in another direc-16th.—Visited eighteen families in one of the Western States, (as they used to be sent to the tion to be too sanguine, or to express themselves best streets in the neighbourhood. Of these Southern States, and, an inquiry (an inquiry strongly on either side. But we frankly confess and help their sorely pressed friends, instead of eighteen families, only three made any preten- which was answered by a young gentleman from that there is something in the idea of national stopping in Canada to fume and gas as they do? tions to attending any place of worship. One of St. John,) we learned that the cost of transit by progress and elevation that has a peculiar charm it seems to us that the condition of voluntary the three had but just come to live there, and express would only add a very few cents per for us. We admire the go-ahead element in our extle which they have chosen does not reflect lizations; rituals and religious systems have the three had but just come to nive there, and express would only add a very lew center per lor us. We summer the go-anead element in our value the woman in the second was a Methodist. In pair, to the cost of a pair of boots, leaving a American neighbors. It builds academics and much honour upon their patriotism. One of the the other families some had been Sunday-school wide margin for profit. Foreign capitalists in colleges, multiplies railroads and steamboats, easiest things in the world is to biether out great scholars, some had been members of churches, selecting a locality would naturally prefer a and extends telegraphic wires; it converts the swelling words, and these people certainly do and one family had been Methodists at Maccles- maratime port to an inland city; they would wilderness into a fruitful field, digs up the min- their best to keep up an everlasting blast. Here field. This proportion of neglecters of worship choose Halifax and St. John in preference to the eral wealth of the country, and fills the land we have them just how complaining that the "semi-annual" maritime cities of Montreal, with towns and cities of fabulous dimensions. Canadian Government employ spies to dog their Scenes at lodging-house services.—On a recent Quebec, or Toronto. The increase of manufac- and of enormous wealth. It calls into existence occasion we were proceeding regularly with the tures implies the increase of wealth and popula- Sabbath-schools, and plants churches along every at their hotels and residences, and that even decidely religious man. You hope one day to be service, and I was showing that "godliness is tion, and also increased need for shipping, as vale and upon every hill-top, and sends forth their correspondence has been tampered with at a really serious Christian. You think it quite profitable unto all things," and had succeeded in well as railway carriage. If duties shall be im- missionaries east and west, north and south, to the Post Office. Now, this we do not believe. right to be a pious-person. But when is this to fixing the attention of those who were present, posed on ships' materials, as New Brunswick invite a perishing world to the gospel feast, and We can easily enough understand that the when we were suddenly and strangely interrupt with a small tariff against her, now excels Cana- to go out into the highways and hedges to com Federal Government have their agents constant. Are you waiting till you are sick? Surely you ed by the furious fighting of two dogs under the da in ship-building, with that odds in favor of pel men to come in that God's house may be ly on the alert, and that a very active system of will not tell me that is a convenient season. table. A strange dog had got into the room, the latter, she will surpass her, when they are full. As we contemplate the might operations espionage is practiced by them towards all sus-When your body is racked with pain, when your and the dog belonging to the house had deterwhen your body as with all kinds of anxious mined to turn the intruder out. The scene that duty. No other nation can build ships under we cannot help asking has not Federation conthoughts, when calm reflection is almost imposstrangely mingling together. The dogs yelled; eration. If manufactures increase, and ships sustenance of this principle? Before confedera- welcome, and if they would behave themselves work of acquaintance with God? Do not talk so. the women shrieked; and some of them got up-Are you waiting till you are old? Surely you on the table; and the men stormed and swore. that his interests will not suffer. The increase of moved slowly. They became united upon a noyance. This, however, we hardly expect they Are you waiting titt you are out? Surely you have not considered what you say. You will In this storm all I could do was to fold my arms population in the commercial centres will give national basis, and from that hour their onward "Wonderful words," said the Jew, after have not considered wast, you say. Low will do, so long as the inglorious war in which translating them. "They seem almost like a serve Christ when your members are worn out translating them. "They seem almost like a serve Christ when your members are worn out translating them."

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and manner, "she died like a dog, was buried, inheritance is worth the price of insurance, even So in regard to national taxation. Never, were and there is an end of her." "What!" said the if that should be high. The milleunjum has the American States so heavily taxed as now, will not be found easy to smite down, and keep The real question then at issue is not, as some

Without controversy, it ought to be confessed a cowardly fear the right of sanctuary is denied fences of this description with very much grea severity. Already thousands, if not tens

thousands of the flower of our nonulation, un every variety of lying and fradulent preten

Then about the Southern chivalry who can't keep themselves quiet here, why do they not go footsteps, to pry into their baggage and papers