

LETTERS FROM BERMUDA.

LETTER XXXIX.

HAMILTON, April, 18—

DEAR — Last week we made an excursion to Port Royal Church, a very old church, about half a mile from the Light house. This church has records which date back to 1639, when the Islands were called Summers' Isles. This Church of the Hills, as it is called, is situated in a retired and lonely spot overlooking the vast, wide ocean. Here we found one of nature's grandest scenes. The boiling surf dashing against the coral reefs below remind one of the cares and troubles of this world. The far off line melting into the hazy gold tinged sky marks the limit of the distant horizon, and as we gaze around us at the limitless expanse of ocean, our thoughts revert to eternity.

"When Day, with farwell beams delays
Among the opening clouds of even,
And we can almost think we gaze
Through golden vistas into heaven—
Those hues that make the Sun's decline
So soft, so radiant, LORD 'are thine."

Addison, writing on eternity, says:

"Eternity, thou pleasing, dreadful thought,
Through what variety of untried beings,
Through what new scenes and changes must
we pass!
The wide, the unbounded prospect lies be-
fore me,
But shadows, clouds and darkness rest upon
it."

"Eternity resting on an hour"—
Miserere Domini.

In 1826 this church of Port Royal was repaired. It was solemnly consecrated in April the same year, being dedicated to St. Anne by the Bishop (Anglican) of Nova Scotia.

We paid a short visit also to St. David's Island, famous for its arrow-root. It overlooks Castle Harbour, and is the southern boundary of it.

There are many little bays and inlets, in which are a great variety of pretty shells and sea weeds. We gathered quite a stock of these. We saw many sea anemones of lovely hue, like living flowers in the clear shallow water, and brightly-colored fishes in schools moving slowly about, some red gold ones, others blue and silver. We had a sail on the azure waters of Castle Harbour, with just sufficient breeze to ripple the waters. The scenery is of a most picturesque character about this harbour. In the silent and meditative hours of evening, under the cerulean star-spangled dome of the firmament and surrounded by nature's loveliest scenes, we raised our hearts and uplifted our minds in admiration and gratitude to Him whose grandeur, goodness and power have placed us in the enjoyment of such beauty and gladness. How beautiful is night!

A dewy freshness fills the silent air;
No mist obscures, nor cloud, nor speck,
nor stain
Breaks the serene of Heaven.
In full-orbed glory yonder moon divine
Rolls through the dark blue depths.
How beautiful is night!

"In the beginning, O Lord, Thou foundedst the Earth, and the Heavens are the work of Thy hands. They shall perish, but Thou remainest, and they shall grow old as a garment."—*Ps. C. I.*

Our American friends spent the evening with us, and it passed pleasantly listening to their account of their travels; the Pantheon was the last subject of interest, and I shall repeat to you part of the description I heard from Mrs. —. The Pantheon, this magnificent building of Ancient Rome, was built and finished by Agrippa, 27 years before the birth of Christ, as a Temple for all the gods; hence its name, Pantheon. Honorius, the same Christian Emperor who abolished Gladiatorial exhibitions, closed the Pantheon as a place of Pagan worship 389 years after the coming of Christ, and in 608 Pope Boniface IV. obtained the consent of Emperor Phocas to take possession of

this grand monument of Ancient Rome and devote it to the worship of the True God. This Pope consecrated it under the title of *SANCTA MARIA AD MARTYRUM*. The interior diameter of this magnificent building is 111 feet. The elevation of the eye of the cupola measures the same from the pavement. The portico of the Pantheon is 110 ft. long and 11 feet deep, and is supported by 16 Corinthian columns of yellow marble, perfect in architectural beauty. Each column is 36 feet long and 5 feet in diameter. The bronze doors are the same doors that Agrippa hung 27 years before the Christian era. This vast rotunda of stone supports a dome nearly as high as the walls. There is a strange fact in the construction of the Pantheon which I will relate: The dome is open at the top. The pavement is therefore constructed to incline gently towards the centre from all sides so as to drain off the rain dropping through the open dome into the watercourses below. The whole interior walls are covered with precious marble of every variety and color. The frieze is entirely of porphyry. The niches in the walls which Agrippa made for heathen divinities the Church has placed statues of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph and St. Stephen, the first martyr, and other saints. Raphael D'Urbino, the great artist is buried in the Pantheon under the altar of the Blessed Virgin. A large, beautiful statue of Our Lady in marble stands upon the altar. This statue was sculptured by Lorenzo Lotti, the intimate friend of Raphael, for this purpose at Raphael's dying request. He who had painted with loving touch so many beautiful pictures of the Madonna wished his last resting place to be under her altar at her feet.

"Virtue on herself relying,
Every passion hushed to rest,
Loses every pain of dying
In the hope of being blest."

PLACIDIA.

If the Baby is Cutting Teeth

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Is not happiness like another calculating medium? When we have a very great deal of it some poor hearts are aching for what is taken away from them. When we have gone out and seized it on the highway; certain inscrutable laws are sure to be at work to bring us to the criminal bar sooner or later.

Nature is kinder than we know in her penalties. Through pain she teaches the child to avoid the fire that would ruin him. To counteract these wholesome lessons by continual interference is no true kindness but a self-indulgent cruelty.

"Should Spend his last Dollar."

Rev. Chas. T. Cocking, returned missionary from Japan: "I consider K.D.C. worth its weight in gold; any one suffering from Dyspepsia if he has a dollar left, should buy it, and try of what I say. They who give it a trial will continue to take it I am sure." Free sample of K. D. C. Co., Ltd., New Glasgow, N. S., and 127 State St., Boston, Mass.

Might I give counsel to any young hearer, I would say to him: Try to frequent the company of your betters. In books and life that is the most wholesome society; learn to admire rightly; the great pleasure of life is that. Note what the great men admired; they admired great things; narrow spirits live basely and worship meanly.—Thackeray.

An Act of kindness, a word of sympathy, may render the whole line of life different from what it would otherwise have been. There are crises in many a life when the course it shall take for weal or for woe depends upon a slight influence—almost a single word. How careful, then, should we be that our influences may at all times be in the right direction.

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Lancford Express.

Scotland is the name of a pretty little village in the country of Brant, twelve miles from Brantford. One of the oldest residents of the village is Mrs. Mary Bowman, widow of the late James Bowman, and to say that she is known to every person in the community and to many outside the county is but stating a simple fact. A reporter of the *Expositor*, who recently had occasion to visit the village, was informed that Mrs. Bowman is another of the numerous army of sufferers made well by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and interviewed her with a view to getting the particulars. Mrs. Bowman is now nearly 72 years of age, but from all appearances is enjoying the best of health and bids fair to be spared to see more years than the allotted three score and ten. Her story can best be given in her own words. She said:—"I had been afflicted with Liver and Kidney complaint for many years past, and a year ago this spring I was nearly used up and barely able to do anything. The symptoms of my trouble were lameness in the back and soreness through the body. I had a kind of neuralgia in my head nearly all the time, and had completely lost my appetite. For relief I have tried many remedies, but they were of no assistance, and I continued to be troubled with severe pains. One day a lady friend urged me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and I purchased a couple of boxes. While taking these my appetite returned and my lameness did not bother me so much. I then purchased seven more boxes and continued taking them, and by the time I had used up the pills I was enjoying better health than I had done for years, and I am now entirely free from aches and pains. I know that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are a grand medicine, and I have recommended them to many of my friends." Mrs. Bowman is so well known that no person will for a moment doubt the statements she makes as to the great benefit she has found from the use of Pink Pills.

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Nothing is more destructive of individual character than for a man to lose all faith in his own abilities for the prosecution of his work.—J. G. Fichte.

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O. and Q. Railway...	7.45 8.00	7.35 7.40
G. T. R. West.....	7.30 3.25	12.40pm 8.00
N. and N. W.....	7.30 4.30	10.10 8.10
T. G. and B.....	7.00 4.30	10.55 8.50
Midland	7.00 3.35	12.30pm 9.30
C. V. R.....	7.00 3.00	12.35pm 8.50
	a.m. p.m.	a.m. p.m.
	noon 8.35	2.00
G. W. R.....	6.30 4.00	10.45 8.30
	a.m. p.m.	a.m. p.m.
	6.30 12.00n	8.35 5.45
U. S. N. Y.....	4.00 12.35pm	10.50
	a.m. p.m.	a.m. p.m.
	6.30 1. noon	8.35 5.45
U.S. West'n States	4.00 9.30	8.30

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