

POETRY.

RETIREMENT.

BY THE REV. CHARLES WENLEY.

Hence, lying world, with all thy care,
With all thy shows of good and fair,
Of beautiful, or great!
Stand with thy slighted charms aloof,
Nor dare approach my peaceful roof,
Or trouble my retreat.

Far from thy mad fantastic ways,
I here have found a lodging place
Of poor way-faring men:
Calm as the hermit in his grot,
I here enjoy my happy lot,
And solid pleasures gain.

Along the hill, or dewy mead,
In sweet forgetfulness I tread,
Or wander through the grove,
As Adam in his native seat,
In all his works my God I meet,
The object of my love.

I see his beauty in the flower;
To shade my walks, and deck my bower
His love and wisdom join:
Him in the feather'd quill I hear,
And own, while all my soul is ear,
The music is divine.

In yon unbounded plain I see
A sketch of his immensity
Who spans these ample skies;
Whose presence makes the happy place,
And opens in the wilderness
An earthly paradise.

O would he now himself impart,
And plant the Eden in my heart,
The sense of sin forgiven!
How should I then throw off my load,
And walk delightfully with God,
And follow Christ to heaven!

LOCAL.

ACCIDENT.—On Thursday last, Lieutenant SPERMAN of the 81st Regt. accompanied by two men belonging to this place, JAMES WILLIAMSON, and DENNIS FIELDING, were returning in his pleasure boat from Dipper Harbour to St. John. They had gone into Musquash Harbour, and when standing out again a sudden flaw struck the boat and she went over and sunk. The two men jumped into a smaller boat which they had in tow, but the painter being short, she also was carried down with the larger boat, and the men were taken down with her. After they again came to the surface of the water, Williamson got hold of the end of the foremast, which was but a little above the surface, and Mr. Spearman got hold of the main topmast, by which they supported themselves until relieved by Mr. GRONCE IREING in a boat from the shore; but Fielding after some ineffectual struggles, sunk to the bottom. Fielding was about 23 years of age, he bore an excellent character, for sobriety, industry, and activity, he had been married about six weeks previous. His body was recovered yesterday afternoon, and brought to town last evening. The boat was raised on Saturday.—*Gazette.*

Mr. Haliburton's Historical and Statistical account of Nova-Scotia, now issuing from the Press in Halifax.—On the 28th ult. in the House of Assembly of Nova Scotia, it was unanimously resolved, that the thanks of the House be conveyed to THOMAS C. HALIBURTON, Esq. for his very laudable effort, to illustrate the History, Topography and resources of the Province, in the Historical and Statistical account of Nova Scotia, just issuing from the Press. This Resolution was communicated by the Speaker, to Mr. Haliburton, a Member, in his place, accompanied with some observations of a very pleasing and flattering nature, and were cordially received and respectfully acknowledged by Mr. Haliburton. The very favorable manner in which this work has been noticed by the House, is perhaps the strongest testimonial which could be given of its intrinsic merit; and will fully entitle it to the confidence of the Public.

We understand, that a number of persons in this Province have subscribed for the work, and we have every confidence that they, as well as the people of Nova Scotia, will be highly pleased, with the manner in which it is executed.

EASTER DAY.

Christ is risen from the dead: and become the first fruits of them that slept.

For since by man came death: by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die: even so in Christ shall all be made alive.—1 Cor. 15. 20

The Collect.

Almighty God, who through thine only begotten Son Jesus Christ, hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: we humbly beseech thee, that as by thy special grace preventing us, thou dost put into our minds good desires: so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.—*Amen.*

The Epistle Col. 3. 1.

If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth: For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory. Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry: For which things sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience. In the which ye also walked sometime, when ye lived in them.

ON THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST.

Lo dies! the Friend of sinners dies!
Lo! Salem's daughters weep around!
A solemn darkness veils the skies,
A sudden trembling shakes the ground:
Come, saints, and drop a tear or two
On the dear bosom of your God;
He shed a thousand drops for you,
A thousand drops of richer blood.

Here's love and grief beyond degree
The Lord of Glory dies for man!
But, Lo! what sudden joys I see!
Jesus, the dead, revives again.
The rising God forsakes the tomb;
The tomb in vain forbids his rise!
Cherubic legions guard him home,
And shout him "Welcome to the skies!"

Break off your tears, ye saints, and tell
How high your great deliverer reigns:
Sing,—how he spoiled the hosts of hell,
And led the monster death in chains.
Say,—"Live for ever, wondrous King!
"Born to redeem, and strong to save!"
Then ask the monster, "Where's thy sting?"
And, "Where's thy victory, boasting grave?"

AN EXAMPLE WORTHY OF IMITATION.

The subjoined details of the exertions of a friend to Missions having appeared in the WHITEHAVEN and CARLETON papers, we gladly extract them, as exhibiting an honorable and praiseworthy example of zeal and persevering energy in the sacred cause of Christian philanthropy and benevolence.

A Gentleman, resident in the neighbourhood, who is anxiously desirous of every opportunity to promote the advancement of the Wesleyan Foreign Missions, has, during the last six weeks, (besides attending to regular and extensive business of his own,) canvassed in aid of the Funds of that Society, one considerable market town, a borough, and twelve surrounding villages; has travelled on foot upwards of ninety miles; waited in person upon more than 1400 families; and visited a population of upwards of 6000 souls. The kind reception he has every where met with; the liberal support he has received; with the infatuation circulated through this medium of these Christian Missions, in various parts of the world, present to his mind a reward for his toil, infinitely surpassing in value any temporal good.—*Miss. Notice, Feb.*

TEST OF PERFECT VACCINATION.—All persons should insist on the family surgeon using the test discovered by Dr. Bryce, of Edinburgh. It consists in vaccinating on the other arm, from the first one vaccinated. If the first has been perfect, both pustles will ripen precisely at the same time; if this does not take place, the constitution has not been properly affected, and vaccination must be repeated. This simple and easy security ought never to be neglected.

Dr. Blomfield, the new Lord Bishop of London, was enthroned on the 16th January.

The Ladies forming THE COMMITTEE OF THE Bible Association, are respectfully requested to visit the Subscribers in their districts, previous to the first of May: when the Annual Meeting is expected to take place, and the Collections to be received.
St. John, 11th April. 1829.

MARRIED,

At Nussereabad, (in the East Indies,) on the 21st of June last, Captain James Glencairn Burns, son to the Post, Assistant Commissary-General, to Miss Breckett.

Married, on the 3d March, at the Ashbury Missionary Institution, near Fort Mitchell, Creek Nation, by the Rev. Mr. Hill, Mr. James Hill of the U. S. Army, to Miss Amanda Doyle, a Creek pupil of the Institution. This establishment is under the charge of Mr. and Mrs. Hill, who were desirous of showing the natives how this ceremony is performed in a refined state of society, and the highest encomiums are due them for their entire success. Great exertion and ingenuity were necessary to accomplish it. The company consisted of about twenty white persons and one hundred and fifty natives. The bride and her two maids were dressed with great taste and propriety, according to the fashion of the age. The groom and his two associates were in full military costume, and those persons present, accustomed to wedding scenes, pronounced this bridal party one of the handsomest they had ever witnessed. After the nuptial ceremony, the happy pair were congratulated with all good wishes; cake and wine were passed round, and in due time a bountiful supper was partaken of by the whole company, and the evening passed off in the most agreeable manner possible. All parties seemed delighted with the occasion. A number of strangers present will never forget the kind and hospitable reception given them by Mr. and Mrs. Hill.—*Georgia paper.*

DIED,

On Monday sennight, WILLIAM PITT, son of Mr. W. P. Scott; aged 4 years and 6 months.

On Friday morning, Mrs. ELIZABETH ANN, wife of Mr. Joel Prince, of the Parish of Hampton aged 25 years. Her loss will be severely regretted by a numerous circle of relatives and friends.

On Saturday morning, at Golden Grove, in the Parish of Portland, after a short illness, Mrs. HANNAH, wife of Mr. John Stackhouse; aged 29 years; leaving a husband and seven small children to lament their irreparable loss.

On Tuesday last, Mary, infant daughter of Capt John Brown, aged 3 year and 10 months.

At Halifax, on the 5th instant, ANN CATHERINE, wife of Mr. John Godard, aged 40 years; after a long and painful illness, which she bore with the utmost Christian fortitude and pious resignation.

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