

Each rural walk, each woodland glen,
Speaks deeper "truth to wondering men,"
All innocent delights of earth
Now link'd to joys of heavenly birth.

The flowers, that gem each common way
With petals innocently gay,
Touch'd by thy skill, gleam forth anew
The lessons which the Saviour drew.

Old ocean's "many-twinkling smile"
Around our heaven-defended isle,
Not "sparkling less" has learnt to lave
Its margin with a holier wave.

The classic lore we love so well
Of loftier visions seems to tell,
And twines, before too proudly worn,
Its myrtles with the Crown of Thorn.

And in that land thy heart had been,
Faith's early home, earth's ruined Queen,
Tracing each spot where Jesus trod,
Each impress of the th' Incarnate God.

O thou, whose soft love-lighted flame
Has triumphed o'er fanatic blame,
Whose music finds some answering chord
In every heart that loves the Lord,
Harper of Christ more sweet and true
Than ever land, save Israel, knew,
On this thy Year's imperial day
I bless thee for thy strains and say
My God, I thank Thee, who hast given
A lyre so pure, so near to heaven.

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—Guardian.

The Divorce Court in London has pronounced a Mormon marriage null and void *ab initio*, on the ground that a polygamous marriage is no marriage at all.

The Eastern Church Association have issued two Tracts. One is the Rev. Wm. Stubb's letter to a Russian friend on *The Apostolical Succession in the Church of England*, and the other is an extract from Dr. Pusey's *Eirenicon on The Essential Unity of the Church*. Both these tracts are in course of publication in the Russian language.

The new church at Inverness, in Scotland, is to be made the cathedral of the Bishop of Moray and Ross. Even Presbyterians subscribe to the building fund.

The Bishop of Limerick, Dr. Griffin, died on 5th April, at Dublin, aged 80 years.

The new Bishop of Maritzburg, Natal, is to be the Ven. Hugh Hyndman Jones, Archdeacon of Demerara.

At Natal a "Church Union" has been formed, by which Churchmen may the better carry on the long contest with the contumacious and excommunicated Colenso.—*Church Journal*.

THE COLONIAL EPISCOPATE.—Three new Colonial Bishops are now awaiting consecration (the ceremony having been for some time delayed in consequence of the difficulties raised up by the recent decision of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council), and a fourth will in all probability be added to the number in the