PROPLE .- How important, especially-not a literary, not a learned, not a lady-like (those are ther have I seen not unfrequently in the farm house, herself, bred in the farm house ; the helpand cares, yet the fit associate in training intel-lect and taste and religion in children, thriving like olive-plants round about their table. De lightful instances occar to my mind where the working father and mother have been surrounded to echo the cry "vive l'Empereur." The procommon education, but in the histories and clas- the attempt too haza, dows. He came to Paris that the number and importance of the measures sics of their native tongue; where not distant with little observation, took his seat in the Asmost liberal studies have been pursued, and the semility quietly, and made a sober, sensible most refined conversation enjoyed ; scenes which speech which clicited general applause. intercourse with other countries and many cities, and with the refined and intelligent of the highest classes, has not east into the shade.

"THE ALMOND BLOSSOME Dear mathina, said overthrow of Louis Philippe, it is a delicate mathave so few of those beautiful double almonds in there is not a tuft of violets, and they are so much child,' said the mother, gather me a bunch of each ; then I will tell you why I prefer the humble violet.' The little girl ran off, and soon returned with a fine bunch of the beautiful almond and a few violets. 'Smell them, my love,' said her mother, ' and see which is the sweetest.' The child smelled again and again, and could scarcely believe herself, and that the lovely almond had no scent, while the plain violet had a delightfal odor. . Well, my child, which is the sweetest ?' Oh, dear mother, it is this little violet !' Well, you know now, my child, why I prefer the plain violet to the beautiful almond. Beauty, without fragrance, in flowers, is as worthless, in you, 'What charming blue eyes! What beautiful curls ! What a fine complexion !' without knowing whether you have any good qualities, ings, which everybody is born with, remember, and England. also, when your affectionate mother may not be here to tell you, that beauty, without gentleness and good temper, is worthless.

MOTHERS .- It is true that the sacrifices you make for the world will be little known by itmen govern and earn the glory, and the thousand otten, not once counted : for the mothers themsolves do not count them ; and so, one century after another, do mothers, unnamed and unthanked, send forth the arrows, the suns, the storm birds, and the nightingales of time ! But seldom does a Cornelia find a Plutarch, who connects her name with the Gracchi. But as those two sons who bore their mother to the temple of Delphi, at the termination of life.

Socialist banquets have been held all over the country, and as the attempt to suppress the Reform banquets was the immediate ground of the

a lovely little girl to har mother, as they were ter for the government to interfere. A mere alwalking together in the garden, 'why do you lusion to them in the Assembly aroused a storm the garden? You have hardly a bed where of Red Republican fury, and it is evident that these reckless spirits are with much difficulty plainer ! what can be the reason ?'s ' My dear held in check. Some triffe may any day be the pretext for an insurrection. The attempt to secure the Presidency to General Cavaignac has probably placed the Government in opposition to the moderate parties : consequently his conservative power is diminished, and whenever that is apparent, the hour of revolt will have arrived. In Germany and Italy the horizon darkens .---Austria will persist in maintaining her sovercignty in Lombardy. Switzerland is virtually at war with Austria, and has sent an army to the frontier. Charles Albert and his adherents are gainmy opi ion, as beauty without gentleness and ing new confidence, and unless the troubles of good temper in little girls. When any of those Austria in other parts of the empire force her to people who speak without reflection may say to accept of some compromise, the war in Italy will be speedily renewed with greater vigor than before. It will be noticed, moreover, that the and without thinking of your defects and fail- King of Naples refuses the mediation of France

> in every quarter. The capital is constantly har- dapted to the wants and circumstances of our rassed by apprehensions of a popular outbreak.

Hungary is the scene of a disastrous conflict, and watchful nights and sacrifices, by which a mother | The condition of Prussia is not more settled .--purchases a hero or a poet for the State, are for- Berlin has been the scene of renewed tumults ; tended concessions to the popular demands. Germany throughout its whole extent is in a state of ferment. It is said that the attempt in favour of a republic at Frankfort and Baden was were rewarded by death, so your guidance of only a premature movement, by which a concertyour children will only find its perfect recompense ed plan of simultaneous insurrection throughout Germany has been frustrated. One thing is evident, that Germany cannot remain in its pre-

dition. What will be the character

results of approaching revolutions it is impossible

to predict. But it is to be feared that it will be

signalised by bloodshed and violence.

to be submitted to Parliament, demand time for their mature preparation. The public will sustain the plea. Hasty Legislation on such questions as remain to be acted upon, will be worse than a continuance of the present abuses, because it will effectually impede all future attempts at

mprovement. The fact that the ministerial party is so strong n the Legislature, furnishes an additional reason for circumspection, and vastly increases the responsibility of ministerial action. Besides this general plea, it is urged that by meeting in November the Provincial Parliament would be prorogued before the important question of the Navigation Laws could be submitted to the Imperial Parliament. It is of importance also that our Parliament should know whether the congress of the United States will pass the Reciprocity Act, before our own fiscal policy is finally determined, and congress does not assembly till December. A meeting in November would moreover lead to a recess during the holidays at great expense to the country. It would also render it impossible to have the public accounts for the present year prepared in time to direct future fiscal arrangements.

The progress of Building Societies is an interesting and important feature of our social economy, and from their importance deserves to be carefully guarded. They present a means of religion in all our churches. making accumulations of capital in a most ser-

population. From the very excellence of the should be urged to reflection in their disposition may aid a more minute enquiry. government only puts off the evil day by pre- for shares, there should be a scrupulous calcula- indifference and formality, prevailing worldly in- reckoning.

FEMALE EDUCATION FOR AN AGRICULTURAL is so much suspicion and distrust, such an utter profited if he gain the whole world and lose his | With all this we say it in humility and sad- | have no sympathy with those who gather up the vocates of laxity will no longer have it in their destruction of confidence amongst men, that it is own soul." It is said that Mr. D'Israeli will ness, the character of prevailing views and action slanders of an ungodly world against the most power to throw the example of our English difficult to determine what is the amount of ac- take his place as the leader of the Protectionists. on the subject is doubtful and dangerous. A- godly and [devoted servants of the cross; who brethren in our teeth. We rejoice in the prosnot the words,)—but a considerate, a reflecting, a studious, a cultivated, a refined and sensible and sensible that danger. The elections which have been remother : a mother capable of winning and keep-ing the confidence of Kingdom of Satan, have for its remote as well as its immediate influence. ing the confidence of her children; of securing honour from both sons and daughters as they rise to manheod and womanhood. Such a mo-The return of Prince Louis Napoleon for five reports from exercising their wonted influence ministers still speak of such efforts with tender- world and the Nettletons of the new. But it is al purity and order of the churches. It will different departments naturally awakened much upon the markets. It is confidently stated that ness, or even with seeming approbation; and not to be denied that there is a class of men lead them to the word of God, and give the law meet of a father, not a stranger to out-door toils anxiety. His arrival was dreaded as the signal the Cholera has made its appearance at Hull. PROVINCIAL.-The leading topic of discussion icle the particulars of so called revivals with grat- characters shine in no peculiar beauty of holiness ; of his house. In laying this communication beis the postponement of the meeting of the Legis- itude, there is a lurking conviction, which must but who, possessed of a sort of tact or talent to fore our readers, we feel assured that we are, him Emperor, and the population was prepared lature till January. The delay is of course fiercely soon be spoken boldly out, that our revivals need reach the feelings of the more excitable, and who, making a first entry upon a new and important attacked by the opposition press. By the re- reformation. "A few more such victories and having got the knack and systemn of some of the page of our denominational existence. This is with sons and daughters, versed not only in all cautionary measures of the government rendered form party it is justified on the general grounds we are undone," was the language of a conqueror few leading evangelists, go abroad to mislead, bread which we cast upon the waters knowing. on the field of battle. A few more such revivals honest and dupe the weak, and make a lucrative that we shall find it after many days. and the church is ruined, is the sentence which trade of their meetings. It makes one's blood

many faithful hearts are afraid to speak aloud .-- | run cold to think of their course and its conse-RECOGNITION .- By request of a congregation And is it not the fact-we appeal to the honest quences, and of all places at the judgment seat convictions of brethren on both sides of the fron- of Christ before which wo must all appear, theirs of Baptized believers associated to maintain the tier, of those who lave the Lord, not of those who is the most terrible to anticipate. It is unneces- worship and ordinances of God ; delegates from merely love a party, a sect, or a system-is it sary to parade before the public the shame of the churches in Rainham, Camboro', and Port

not the fact that those churches whose member- some of these blots upon the Christian name. - Colborne, convened at Moulton, on Saturday ship has been most rapidly, and most frequently This paper will come into the hands of a few the 24th inst. After a particular enquiry into swelled by the fruits of special efforts which are who some two years ago, with us, saw a multi- the objects of their organization, their faith technically called revivals, are scarcely maintain- tude of good men and women carried away by and practice, the delegates unanimously agreed ing a seeming unity ? and of some of them is it the efforts of a profligate fop, who would come to recongnize the above congregation as a sister not true that the best thing for the cause of Christ straight from a party whom he had delighted church. On the Lord's day following the rein their several localities, would be the dissolution with his singing and frivolity, into the pulpit, de- cognition was publicly made in the following orof even that seeming unity ? It has come to this, liver some oft repeated declamation to an ex- der : the right hand of fellowship was given by that those who are most in earnest about the cited congregation, gather a band of weeping the Rev. W. Freeman, of Port Colborne. The salvation of souls and who most love the purity | enquirers around the altar, and after ministering | charge by the Rev. J Van Loon, sen. The conthe holiness and the primitive simplicity of the to their fears, hasten back to the party he had cluding prayer was offered, Rev. J. Van Loon ir. churches, hear with manifest uneasiness of the left to minister to its galety; receiving it is leading. The season was edifying and highly ogress of those who profess to make revivals said, at the rate of \$100 a week, and counting interesting. Immediately after the recognition their object. We are constrained to speak out up his converts by scores. This man was all and public preaching, Mrs. Freeman, the wife because perversions and abuses threaten to throw but worshiped in this course for years, and after of the chairman, made a profession of faith by discredit upon all carnest and extraordinary ef consummating his villany by a cruel seduction baptism, and was added to the church. forts to promote the cause of Christ.

It is time for those who love the Lord to grap- clerk on a Mississippi steamboat. ple with those abuses, and we call in a painful We have no design to have it inferred from May the Lord add to their number daily of earnestness upon all such to look into the sub- this instance or any other instance, that, because such as shall be saved.

ject faithfully and, fearlessly; not from the one evangelist is a convicted knave, all are discovery of abuses and corruptions to sit down so. But we desire to undeceive the multitude in inaction, but from a view of the false, to ad- on one point. There is a disposition to believe dress ourselves heartily to seek a true revival of that apparent success is the seal of the Divine approval of the course. If a man can count The subject cannot be discussed in all its bear- up his multitude of converts, it is supposed to

Austria is distracted by commotions and revolt viceable shape, and by a method admirably a- ings within the compass of an article, but we may settle it beyond all controversy that the man is a point out a few errors, and lift up a warning voice man of God, and that the system is owned by against the influence of one or two delusions which the Spirit. Some honest men who are engaged plan they become liable to be over done, and it are sapping the life's blood of our practical Christin such efforts are carried away by this delusion. disaffection is mattered throughout the empire. is perfer a necessary that the industrious classes tianity. These as general indications of error No Evangelist in the field can count up a greatto avail themselves of their aid. In coming un- First then we find an error arising out of the the churches to which they have been added, the army is not confirmed in its loyalty, and the der pecuniary engagement by the subscription condition of the churches. A church falls into would have some difficulty in keeping up the have existed from the earliest times of the Refor-

tion of our ability to meet our engagements, for fluences lay hold upon the hearts of its members. One or two things we have noticed about the erable number of holy men and women who reif there is a general laxity in this matter, so that They are too much occupied with the enterprise labours of these men, and they belong to the jected infant baptism, and maintained the imengagements become burdensome or impractica- and enjoyments-the cares and gains of life to system. If they make converts it is not to mersion of believers in Christ as the only bapble, the accumulation of the fruits of industry consider the apostle and high priest of our pro- Christianity, for Christ has searcely a place in tism authorized in the New Testament. In the will be discouraged, and reeklessness cultivated. [fession. There is little of his image in them, low their declamations. There are strong, frequently year 1636 we find their opinions condemned in The danger is still greater of excessive competition for loans. Fifty pound shares may have The exercises of religion when they are not dull striking exhibitions of the law, and VIII.; and, at a later period of his reign, Cran some advantages, but the temptation to offer and lifeless are confined to its more public and ex- touching appeals to the feelings. But it may mer, Sampson, and other dignitaries of the newmore than the money's worth is thereby increas- citing manifestations. There are few secret pray- be said, Granting that this is the way in which. It established church were empowered to make

he is, we believe, dragging out a pitiful life as Several others are expected to unite in fellowship with them shortly.

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COMMUNICATIONS.

HISTORY OF OPEN COMMUNION IN ENGLAND. My dear Brother.

I regret that the state of my health and other circumstances should hav e so long delayed niv er array of converts than John Maffit ; though ' promised communication on the above subject. From authentic records, it appears that the mation, under the name of Anabaptists, a consid-

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efforts. General Cavaignac was not raised to his ment has been produced amongst the repealers venience of riding the horse home, make a ran- repeated of ; and a return to the purity and se- ed in previous teachings. present position by taking the load in the by an announcement that Duffy of the Nation dom bargain which you shall afterwards be a- vere simplicity of the gospel. There is a restless Bat our remarks have already exceeded our advocacy of principles which are held by the will plead guilty, and throw himself upon the shamed to think of, and burdened to fulfil. intelligence and principle of the nation. It is clemency of the government. Doheny has estrue that he has received the support of all in- caped and is now at Paris.

telligent and moderates men. But then it is the It alleged that the scheme to bribe the Roman support of their fears and their necessities. In the Catholic Clergy will be condemned at Rome violence and recklessness of all the conflicting par- upon the same grounds of policy which rejected ties, men of desperate fortunes were leagued against the proposal to establish colleges in Ireland .-social order, and the rights of property. General If not frustrated in this way, we caunot aban-Cavaignae in the hour of danger exhibited those | don the hope that it will be put down by the indigqualities of firmness, prudence and courage which | nant condemnation of the British nation. One promised protection. All who had anything to important lesson will remain from the attempt. lose, all who were not desperate rallied around We would that state pensioned ministers of every him, and sought beneath the influence of his name | sect and grade, had the spirit to read it. It unto maintain something like a conservative influ- folds the secret of all state support of religion. ence. This is the strength and the weakness of The advocates of establishments may please the existing government, under whose guidance themselves and delude their followers, by talking the existing government, under whose guidance a constitution is to be matured, and a permanent about the royal fathers and mothers of the church. prayer. It is not to meetings of days or weeks, answer in genuine conversions. The number of the reputation of the writer is a sufficient guarantic standing this the numbers of their churches was

well-considered policy in the maintenance of in the pay of the world, whether their pay comes which the supporters of givern nent are banded in the form of tithes, tiends, a regium donum, tent neighbours; nor to prolonged and united the wonted course, and a few months shew that together. But an urgent desire of safety prompts or a clergy reserve fund; they are but creatures of supplication for the outpouring of the Spirit, - evil has only acquired fresh strength. an apparent confidence and co operation, and of the state, bribed tools, a secret police who are We have no morbid dread of excitement, and Secondly, there is a corresponding error asities ; the course of legislation is directed by cir- ligious independence.

A REFORMATION.

should not be spared), a lamentable vagueness, practised in the system. A considerable de- reformation. rather a lamentable error, in the prevailing notions gree of fervour is soon awakened, whose results of a revival of religion. In inviting attention to are watched for in the avowed conviction of some this subject, it may be proper to say that our of the impenitent overlookers, and then all efforts OPEN COMMUNION .- We have great satisfac- separate section of the Christian Church. They objection is not to special, extraordinary or pro- are directed towards the multiplication of en- tion in laying before our readers on both sides tracted efforts for the awakening of a slumbering quirers; with all this there is mingled much honchurch, or the conversion of perishing men. It est and hearty endeavour after the truth, and feris not to days of humiliation and fasting and vent prayer, which doubtless is not without its don. The present computication coupled with mon with other Nonconformists. Yet, notwithor months, for the proclamation of the glad tid- converts is reckoned up with cordial rejoicing, There are no settled principles; there is no case presents the professed ministers of Christ ings, nor is it to special earnestness in everyday and then, as there has been no reformation of the intercourse with one another, or with our impeni- original evils, everything soon settles down into

this the leaders must make the most they can. sold to use the pulpit and the altar, the confi- we acknowledge no stiff and stately routine with- mongst ministers. Labouring amongst churches Clubs and parties of various shades of opinion dence of the people and the ceremonies of their in which the prayers, preaching and efforts of in such a condition and themselves falling beneath under this ostensible union are sacking their own churches as cheap means of subjecting the mul- the people of God must be pent up. Such ob- the contagion, there is a total failure of their objects. Now one and then another seeking to titude to the designs of government. The issue jections arise from the opposition of cold and world- efforts. It is not wonderful if they should feel, and strengthen itself by an alliance with the power of the Free Church movement in Scotland; the Iy formalists to the living and earnest Christianity deeply feel, the shameful condition of the churches which all dread, and by force of such alliances course of the government in the Hampden case, of the New Testament, with whom we disclaim and the utter want of all fruits of their labours. procuring concessions and carrying favorite mea- and similar instances of recent occurence spoke all sympathy. Nay, we live in the expectation They have witnessed or participated in a settled sures. Everything is uncertain; the policy of intelligibly enough on this subject to every heart of a Pentecostal revival, which in the outburst of course of proceedings which, in other instances, the government is dictuted by occasional neces- in which there was the smallest remains of re- its living energy shall shiver to atoms the icy have resulted in a multitude of conversions. With chains of our wintry formality. We could al the best of motives, they resolve upon the ad-

cunstances or conflicting passions; and the ENGLAND.—The Queen has returned in safety most venture to adopt the language of the godly option of the same course; public opinion does them, "Forewarned is fore-armed." looked for constitution will come forth an ill con- from her Scottish tour. The country is quiet. and devoted Bishop of the Episcopalian churches not merely justify but demand it. In some cases cocted bundle of compromises. The most in- The chartist trials are concluded, a few of the in Obio-"I owe too much of what I hope for they fear lest they should be standing in the way portant decisions respecting the constitution are leaders are sentenced to transportation for life, as a Christian, and what I have been blessed of souls if they hesitated, in other instances we on these fundamental points : The legislature and several minor offenders to varions penalties with as a minister of the gospel to revivals, not fear they are urged on by a sort of involuntary shall consist of one Chamber, and the President of fine and imprisonment. The death of Lord to think most highly of the eminent importance rivalry, and a determination to count their troof the Republic shall be elected by universal suf-Geo. Bentinck occasions much remark from the of promoting this spirit, and consequently of phies like their neighbours. The result is not frage. It is, however, proposed that the election prominent place he occupied in the House of guarding it against all abuses. Whatever I pos- doubtful; there may be, doubtful of President for the first time shall be by the Commons, and the startling suddenness of the sess of religion begun in a revival. The most genuine conversions, but a similar course might ject more completely before the public than it church is of a new creature, baptized into the Assembly. The true object of this exception is event. What a lesson to his competers in the precious, stedfast and vigorous fruits of my minto make sure the election of Cavaignue, and there struggle of ambition and the pursuant of worldly istry have been the fruits of revivals. I believe ever its principles or objects.

is much secret intrigue to secure this point." pleasures ! He was a gainer it is said of £80,000 that the spirit of revivals in the true sense was Thirdly, there is an error which is very closely Of the influences that withstand the efforts to sterling by the late Derby races. These sport- the simple spirit of the religion of apostolic times ; linked with the last ; the employment of a class organise the republic and establish public order ing gains were scarcely pocketed when the voice and will be more and more the characteristic of of men who deliberately make a business of for- enquiry, and if we can judge by present ap- we have a distinct record was formed Sept. 12, it is not easy to form a correct estimate. There comes forth from his sad grave, "what is a man these times as the day of the Lord draws near." warding the above described delusions. Now we pearances, the day is not far distant when the ad-

The sum seems small and a class of bidders ers, no secret wrestling and crying; Lible knowl- the careless are troubled, how are the troubled inquisition for the Anabaptists, to burn their come into the field who are unaccastomed to es- edge settles down to the lowest standard, the led on to peace? We have watched the pro- books, and to deliver the obstinate to the secular timate money by its market value. We urge in- bible is an unstudied, almost an unopened book, cess; conversion is represented as some mys- arm. In the reign of the pious Edward, April tending borrowers to reflection on this subject -- Gospel ordinances are elighted. As there is lit- terious influence upon the feelings; the enquirer 12th, 1549, upon complaint being brought to the IRELAND is quiet. Some additional arrests It is not only a personal injury to themselves, the striving after holiness in the heart there is is then urged to some act of submission and surhave been made; but the only subject which at- but a public injury that money should be ob- little manifestation of it in the life. Professors render; generally something is placed before shop Cianmer and other bishops and Lymen "to tracts interest, and that much less than was an- tained at usurious rates. The separate sums are searcely to be distinguished from worklings. the mind as the test of submission, and when examine and search after all Anabaptists, hereticipated, is the State Trials. The Counsel of may be triffing, but the aggregate may be Discipline in the church is neglected or perverted, the spirit has been goaded on to that test, when-Smith O'Brien, satisfied of the great likelihood sufficient to affect the common interest.- if there is anything but deadness it is the life of ever it is reached the disturbing influence is re- Prayer?" and some of hem were burst, as Joan THE commotion of Europe shows no signs of the of an adverse verdict upon the facts, are making It leads, moreover, to the discredit and ultimate . passion, if there is anything but coldness it is the removed and prace follows as a natural conse- of Kent and George Van Pare. History is alend: although there are no very marked events every possible effort on his behalf upon points of destruction of a useful system. But more than warmth of strife. What a condition for a church? quence. A heart that has been racked by terrecorded in the last papers, a glance at the news will serve to convince the most sanguine that the prospects of harmony and order, under new and jury panel, a copy of his indictment, and a list tion which, properly used, may be a blessing to influence of a strongly excited sympa- torian Fuller, "began the Anabaptists wondermore liberal forms of government, are yet remote of witnesses against bim. These objections being the country, will become its bane, for what can that there is one I thy which prevails in such a meeting but it will fully to increase in the land : and as we are sorry from those countries that are undergoing a revo- placed on record, though overruled by the Court, be more fatal to our secular interests than the result that is palpable and mortifying even to be observed that in the whole of it there is not that any countrymen should be seduced by that lution, and that the danger of a general conflict will furnish O'B ien, if he is convicted, with the encouragement of a gambling and speculating those who have no more than a selfish and party even the semblance of Gospel faith. It is a more opinion, so we are glad that the English as yet is imminent. France, as the centre of revolu- means of carrying the case up to the House of habit? If it be only a matter of fifty pounds interest in the cause-the church is losing in legal process, and an evanescent excitement, were free from the infection ; for on Easter-day tionary influence, first demands attention. And Lords by a writ of error. Three days were occu- that you are going to borrow, set about it in a numbers and external influence, and there are which a few mouths reduce to the dead level of was disclosed a congregation of Anabaptists here it may be proper to look first at the course pied in receiving evidence for the prosecution business-like and common-sense manner. Judge no accessions from the world-there cannot be. a mere stereotyped experience. Genuine conof the constituted authorities in their efforts at the particulars of which have not yet reached us. as you would if you were going into market to Now the prevailing course is not the humbling versions may often occur in the midst of these seven were taken and imprisoned, and four, bearorganization, and then at the state of the public On Wednesday, the 4th inst., Mr. Whiteside buy a farm or a horse. Offer what it is worth, and self-denying one of a thorough and entire scenes, but they are the maturing of previous conmind, and those influences that with stand these entered upon the defence. Considerable excite- and do not for the mere pride or present con- reformation, a repeatance which needeth not to be victions and the embracing of a Saviour present- their dangerous opinions." According to Dr.

eraving after some substitute for the life that is prescribed limits and we must leave the subject jost, and a desire to reach by the quickest and to the unprejudiced and prayerful investigation cheapest way, a forfeited success. There is ac- of the brethren. Our chief object is that the leaving the public assemblies, and running into cordingly an established routine for the removal churches may be led to look beneath the surface, of superficial evils, and for producing an exter- to abandon all those flimsy expedients to ensure There seems to us, (we make the remark in nal effect. There are confessions to one another, a temporary success, and on their knees and with humility and after an honest enquiry in which a repetition of exciting convictions, and appeals the word of God before them, to seek in a day we have sought that our own heart and course which are well understood by those who are of danger and decleasion a thorough evangelical

> and elaborate research. It must be unneccessary to urge a careful perusal of the entire series. In this region the open and covert advances vance has been rapid and striking. of the advocates of laxity have for the present been baffled, and there is little doubt that the churches throughout Canada, with a few unimportant exceptions, are prepared to take a firm and resolute stand, or rather we should say, are prepared resolutely to maintain the stand they have already taken. But it is of importance that their position should be guarded by sound information and a scrupulous examination of the

whole ground. The churches in the United States also secure, and in their security unsuspecting, should have the subject fully and fairly before

which Bro. Overbury thus leads the way, will whither they had fled to escape persecution .be followed up by a full and impartial state- These were strict-communionists. They originment to which the enquiries of able brethren in ally separated from the Brownists, (i. c. Indesive and commanding influence upon public opin- tution is of infants baptized" &c. The first Bapion even beyond the limits of Baptist churches. tist church holding the doctrines of particular England will participate in the fruits of this redemption, election, and perseverance, of which

Lowe, in the year 1589, several of their churches existed in London, and other places. The Baptists were numerous in the reign of James I. and are censured by a writer in the year 1608 "for woods and meadows, and meeting in big stables, barns, and hay-lofts." During the reign of this bigotted monarch they published their Confession of Faith, and in the year 1615 put forth their celebrated work against persecution for conscience sake. During the reign of Charles I, the Baptists began to build meeting-houses in many parts of the country, and to act together as a multiplied exceedingly in the time of Oliver Cromwell, and were a large, flourishing body at of the lines, the first of a series of articles by the time of the Restoration. During the reign tee that the history will be the result of thorough greatly augmented. From that time to this, the Baptists in England have been steadily increasing, and during the last half century their ad-It is a remarkable fact that from the earliest

period when we have any record of the opinions and practices of the Baptists in this country, there have subsisted similar differences to those which now obtain amongst them. The first Baptist church in London of which we have any distinct record is said by Mr. Ivimey in his history of the Baptists, to have maintained free-will and universal redemption, and to have rejected the predestination of particular persons to eternal life, and the doctrine of original sin. The pastor of the church was Mr. Helwisse, the successor of Mr. Smith at Amsterdam, and who, on the death of We have reason to expect that the history in Mr. Smith returned with his friends from Holland

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