

WAS THERE EVER A YOUNG QUAKER?

The following is the humorous correspondence between the late Rev. Sydney Smith and the Countess of Morley, as to the impossibility of there ever being young Quakers. In continuation of previous epistles, Sydney says to her ladyship:—  
 "Pray, understand me rightly; I do not give the Bluecoat theory as an established fact, but as a highly probable conjecture; look at the circumstances. At a very early age young Quakers disappear; at a very early age the coat-boys are seen; at the age of 17 or 18 young Quakers are again seen; at the same age the Coat-boys disappear. Who has ever heard of a Coat-man? The thing is utterly unknown in natural history. Upon what other evidence does the mirage of the 'grob' into the aurelia rest? After a certain number of days the grub is no more seen, and the aurelia flutters over his relics. That such a prominent fact should have escaped our naturalists is truly astonishing. I had long suspected it, but was afraid to come out with a speculation so bold; and now mention it as protected and sanctioned by you. Dissection would throw great light upon the question, and if our friend——would receive two boys into his house about the time of their changing their coats, great service would be rendered to the cause. Our friend, Lord Grey, not remarkable for his attention to natural history, was a good deal struck with the novelty and ingenuity of the hypothesis. I have ascertained that the young Bluecoat infants are fed with drab-colored pap, which looks very suspicious. More hereafter on this interesting subject. Where real science is to be promoted, I will make no apology to your ladyship for this intrusion." To this the countess, who seems to have been a wag of the first water, rejoins:—  
 "Had I received your letter two days since I should have said that your arguments and the pry were perfectly convincing, and that the most obstinate sceptic must have yielded to them; but I have come across a person in that interval who gives me information which puts us all at sea again. That the Bluecoat boy should be the larva of the Quaker in Great Britain is possible, and even probable; but we must take a wider view of the question; and here, I confess, I am bewildered by doubts and difficulties. The Bluecoat is an indigenous animal—not so the Quaker; and now be so good as to give your whole mind to the facts I have to communicate. I have seen and talked much with Sir R. Kerr Porter on this interesting subject. He has travelled over the whole habitable globe, and has penetrated with a scientific and scrutinizing eye into regions hitherto unexplored by civilized man; and yet he has never seen a Quaker baby. He has lived for years in Philadelphia (the national nest of Quakers); he has roamed up and down Broadways and lengthways, in every nook and corner of Pennsylvania, and yet he never saw a Quaker baby; and what is new and most striking, never did he see a Quaker lady in a situation which gave hope that a Quaker baby might be seen hereafter. This is a stunning fact, and involving the question in such impenetrable mystery as will, I fear, defy even your sagacity, acuteness, and industry to elucidate. But let us not be checked and cast down; truth is the end and object of our research. Let us not bate one jot of heart and hope, but still bear up and steer our course right onward."

A NOBLE DEED OF A NOBLE MAN.—Among the immigrants to this country are very many fine men of noble natures, who should be the pride of any country, and Ireland has furnished her proportion; men whose generosity and benevolence are confined to no race and no religion exclusively. Among such, the Catholic Priest of this city, is not unworthy of a place. At the risk of offending him—unwilling as he always is of parading himself or his actions before the world—we will state a circumstance as illustrative of his general character. We have a benevolent society in this city that confines its benefits to native Americans, and the poor of a small northern European nation. Annually it makes collections, and otherwise raises funds for charitable purposes—doing much good in this community. The Irish and other foreigners are not recipients of its favors; but, forgetful of that fact, of its charity collectors, a short time since, called upon Rev. Mr. Lennon, and solicited a contribution. Very readily he handed the person five dollars, and as she retired wished her God speed her on her errand of mercy. Returning, she told the directors of the gentleman's liberality. They were at once in a quandary. What could they do? Should they receive money where they denied benefits? They concluded to return the donation, and one of them enters upon that mission. She waits upon the donor, and says, substantially:—"Sir, we thank you for your kindness; but since you may have been ignorant that our charities are confined to our own people, we have concluded that you would not wish to contribute to such a society, and we therefore desire to return the money." "Oh, you mistake," was the Father's reply "I am well aware of the restrictions of your society, and gave knowingly. To help the aged poor is a worthy object. I am happy to assist; you will please retain the money with my best wishes for your prosperity." There was an answer worthy of an Apostle; and it is perfectly in keeping with his life of labor and love, devoted to the elevation of his people and the well-being of society at large. This record should be in all the churches, and his praises with all people.—*Newburyport (Mas.) Herald.*

SCOTCH CRIMINAL STATISTICS.—Crime seems to be rapidly on the increase in all parts of Great Britain, especially in Scotland. We read in the *Edinburgh Courier*:—"The tables for the year 1854 do not call for much remark. They show the small increase of 238 in the total number of criminals. We are sorry to say that the increase of juvenile offenders is considerably larger than it should have been. The number of criminals of or under sixteen years of age has risen from 500 in the year 1852 to 515 in the year 1853, and to 650 in the year 1854. If there is nothing in these figures to discourage the friends of ragged schools from persisting in their benevolent labors, there is enough at least to admonish them of the folly of continuing to boast that their efforts have already dried up the springs of youthful crime."

PRICE OF A BROKEN HEART.—The late Robert C. Sands sued for damages in a case of breach of promise of marriage. He was offered two hundred pounds to heal his broken heart. "Two hundred!" he exclaimed. "Two hundred for ruined hopes, a blasted life! Two hundred for all this? No—never. Make it three hundred, and it's a bargain!"

SYDNEY SMITH AND SCOTCH METAPHYSICS.—Though truly loving them, his quick sense of the ludicrous made him derive great amusement from the little foibles and peculiarities of the Scotch; and often has he made them laugh by his descriptions of things which struck his English eye. It requires, he used to say, a surgical operation to get a joke well into the Scotch understanding. Their only idea of wit, or rather, than inferior variety of this electric talent which prevails occasionally in the North, and which, under the name of wit, is so infinitely distressing to people of good taste, is laughing immoderately at stated intervals. They are so imbued with metaphysics that they even make love metaphysically; I overheard a young lady of my acquaintance, at a dance in Edinburgh, exclaim in a sudden pause of the music:—"What you say, my lord, is very true of love in the abstract, but—here! the fiddler began fiddling furiously, and the rest was lost."

The *Ottawa Railway Times* gives but a sorry account of the progress of Temperance amongst the "Sons" at Brantford. Our cotemporary says:—"The Society of Reformed Drunkards, who call themselves the 'Sons of Temperance,' has been holding a sederunt at Brantford; the statistics are interesting; there are, it appears, 11,187 of the reformed ones, 5,828 of whom have abjured the wine-pots of the ungodly during the last six months. During the same period, 1,247 'Sons' have been suspended for looking at somebody drinking—2,902 have been expelled for going back to the wine-pots of the ungodly—1,018 have abscquated in disgust—2,095 have broken the pledge;—a total of 7,262 terrible renegades from the new Evangel of the apostles of the pump! A cotemporary truly observes, what can be the moral influence, in any way, of a set of men who are so devoted to the whisky bottle, that out of 11,000 'Sons,' according to their own showing, 7,000 of them must get drunk?"

"In Maine, whose legislature may be called the parent of the anti-liquor law, the enforcement of it has ended in murder, and such is generally the result of all laws aimed at the natural right of man to eat, drink, and clothe himself, as he pleases. As it is, this atrocious law has been warded off the people of Canada for one year, and we trust that what is taking place in Maine and other parts of the United States, will open the eyes of the Canadian people, and prevent its infliction upon them, with all its train of deplorable consequences."

We read in the *Christian Inquirer*, that *Orthodoxy* is at its last gasp in most parts of the Union—"There was probably peering forth from the mists of Orthodoxy a most decided feeling of disgust at the intolerance of Calvinism, and a desire to be freed from the bonds of bigotry which had reigned there so long. The weight which had so long rested upon the community was being gradually removed. So long had they been groping about in the bogs of Orthodoxy, that many had become so bewildered that, first, some had taken to Millerism, and anon to Spiritualism in order that they might have some creed other than that of straight-laced Orthodoxy. The intelligent portion of the people were seeking some liberal creed of Christianity, and have it they would."

TAKING A CLERGYMAN AT HIS WORD.—A certain preacher of Universalism had been preaching in a country school-house for several successive Sabbaths, to convince the people there was no hell. At length it was announced that at the next meeting a collection would be taken for his benefit.—The day arrived, and the collection was taken up in a hat. When the "deacon" had passed through the congregation, and had given all an opportunity to contribute, he returned to the desk and gravely emptied the contents of the hat upon the desk before the preacher. And such a "collection!" A few coppers, with old buttons, pieces of tin, broken jews'harps, horse-nails, and almost every other worthless thing that a man could carry to church in his pocket! The preacher was thunderstruck; but recovering his self-possession in a moment, and gazing upon the "collection" before him exclaimed, "Well, I am not so certain whether there is a hell or not, but I am certain there ought to be one for such fellows as you are;" and taking his hat left the house.—*Columbia South Carolinian.*

During the last war, a Quaker was on board an American ship engaged in close combat with an enemy. He preserved his peace principles calmly until he saw a stout Briton climbing up the vessel by a rope that hung overboard. Seizing a hatchet, the Quaker looked over the side of the ship, and remarked:—"Friend, if thee wants that piece of rope, thee may have it!" When suiting the action to the word, he cut off the rope, and down went the poor fellow to his long and watery grave.

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