

whose ample folds have inscribed upon them with the crimson blood of Calvary "It doth not yet appear what ye shall be"—emblem of that eye which will behold in quenchless gaze and with love-lit vision a beloved Immanuel throughout a long eternity.

Toronto, Feb. 13th, 1857.

An esteemed friend suggests the propriety of inserting in the *Gospel Tribune* a paragraph from the pen of the late Rev. Mr. Simmons, found in his *Laconic Manual*, page 499; it is as follows:—

SLAVERY AMERICAN.

American Slavery originated in man-stealing and murder. Without authority or provocation, its founders demolished every human right, and infringed every law, in capturing and enslaving the poor Africans. Should any one attempt to paint the *Form* of slavery, the non-descript images of Daniel would fail to exhibit all its lineaments. One foot would be on the statute-books of heaven and earth, and the other on the neck of humanity. In one hand would be a sword, and a scourge to enforce unrequited labor; and in the other, a code of perverted law, ethics, and religion, to impose upon the benighted understanding, conscience, and fears. With a heart of adamant, and the visage of a demon, the licentious, cruel monster would be environed in the paraphernalia of war. This system, thus originated, has been continued by force of arms. It has lost none of its diabolical characteristics, nor can they be essentially mitigated short of absolute revolution. The lapse of time only augments the guilt of the system. Nothing but its guilt can equal its impoverishing, corrupting, degrading, and ruinous tendencies and effects. They are all so abominable, so manifestly outrageous, and evil, as to create a necessity among slave-holders, in their moral, educational, and political councils, to act in firm union, in order to maintain slavery against God, against conscience, against the world. Here lies their power. Whosoever practises, defends, or apologizes for this system, relinquishes all claim to moral and Christian principle. Who asserts that it is authorized or winked at, in the Bible, assails its divinity. Who asserts that genuine slaveholders were admitted into full communion by the apostolic churches, degrades Christian fellowship to the fellowship of devils.

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REVIEW.—BARRETT'S GRAMMARS.

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IMPORTANT POSTAL ARRANGEMENT.

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