

Friends. She accompanied her pious husband on the great voyage from England landed at St. Thomas's, when the yellow fever prevailed last summer. Her husband deeming it unsafe for her to remain with him at that place, immediately obtained a passage for her on board the "Berlin." Soon after she embarked, symptoms of the fatal epidemic began to appear, and when she knew that death was now her lot—death upon the deep sea—far, far away from home, sweet ways, but now sweeter and dearer than ever, she called for her babe of 3 months old, kissed it thrice, and then said, "Mine hour is come, and I die resigned." Thus died O, the omnipotence of grace, to give resignation under such trying circumstances—Her body was interred in the cemetery of St. George's, at Bermuda, to sleep in a strange land, until her Saviour calls his exiles home. Her sweet babe she left to her mother, a remembrance of her dear mother.

Fern Leaves.

THE STILL SMALL VOICE.

Poor, tired little Frank! He had gazed at that stereotyped street panorama till his eyes were drooping with weariness; omnibuses, carts, cabs, wheelbarrows, men, women, horses and children; the same old story, the same old story, the same old story. There is a little beggar-boy driving hoop—hoop—hoop—hoop—no, he is dressed too nicely for that. Once in a while he takes the air; but John the serving-man, or Mary the nurse, holds his hand very tightly, lest he should soil his embroidered frock. Now little Frank changes from one foot to the other, and then he looks up to his young mamma, who lies half buried in those cushioned chairs, reading the last novel, and lays his hand on her soft curls; but she shakes him off with an impatient "Don't Franky!" and he creeps back again to the window.

I would take this opportunity of noticing concerning his venerable and excellent father, who died about a year before, that he was a God-fearing man for many years—a supporter of Methodism, and always ready to assist in everything of good report. During the last few months of his life he expected the soul's call to shine, and he died heart left joy, and until his end, "Not a cloud did arise to darken the sky, or to hide for one moment the Saviour from his eyes."

JOHN C. PINKHAM of Barrington, died in his 27th year. He embraced religion at a series of meetings held by the Rev. J. H. Murray. He loved the habitation of God's house, and all the means of grace held by the Society to which he belonged, and at which, although living at a distance, he was always present, unless prevented by that nervous debility of which he was subject. He was a patient, and persevering, in whatever he put his hand to, established himself a character, which merited the affection and confidence of all who knew him. He was always ready to help in every good thing. He was a faithful and zealous Son of Temperance, and was honoured by a proposition that Society to his great delight, they bid him their final "farewell Brother." During intervals of his disease, which was short but very severe, he answered satisfactorily to the questions concerning his present religious state, and future prospects. He is gone we have reason to hope where there is no night, which words he has left the subject of a few remarks at his funeral.

Mrs. MARY COPPIN daughter of J. Doane of Barrington, who died 42d. Dec. aged 36. Although serious for some time, she did not fully into the liberty of God's children until Rev. J. Murray laboured there. She afterwards married Capt. James Coffin, and for six years traversed with him the mighty deep. Thrice upon the high seas, she by her courageous and powerful mediation, succeeded in saving her husband from the hands of mutineers on board. Before her angel-like and eloquent appeals, malice unseemly grappled, and to shew herself self same heart's murderers, that love could overcome evil with good, when they were sick, she ministered to their wants, and kneeling down by them prayed to God for their salvation. At home she conducted family worship until her husband's conversion about two years ago, and it was her father to erect the family altar, which he mentioned to me with tears of joy. Picture to yourself a person, with frame of mind calm and serene; countenance open, intelligent, and pleasing; demeanour dignified, mild, and affable; to arrange your attendant well disciplined; attachments, domestic, social and friendly; pity, moving heart and hands to relieve; ready and willing to support an evangelical ministry and every good institution; and always ready to give a reason of the hope within, with meekness and fear, and you see Mrs. Coffin. These graces and virtues naturally begat and endeared her to many friends, who lamented her early death. Lingering consumption baffled every effort to overcome. Desirous of life for usefulness, but resigned to die, she calmly and patiently waited her hour, and fell peacefully on the mountains. Her funeral was necessarily attended and improved from Rev. 17th—17.

ABIGAIL CROWL who died of consumption in her 23rd year, experienced her life about the 15th and beloved her life as a humble follower of the Lord, and her father, who was her father. She was wont occasionally to wait upon her afflicted grand mother, and to pray at her bedside. Her last sickness ripened her soul for the mansion of bliss, in the blessed hope of which, she departed this life after seeing a few days of the new year of 54.

"Oh, nonsense, Rose!" said the gray-headed, "don't turn Methodist, if you love me, Aunt Charity has religion enough for the whole nation. You can't ask her which way the wind is, but you have a description of a cannibal. Religion is well enough for priests, but it is their stock in trade, well enough for children and old people; well enough for ancient virgins, who like vestry meetings to pass away a long evening; but for you, Rose, the very youth of love and beauty, in the first flash of youth and health—'Faint!' Call 'Cannibal' to arrange your hair, and let's to the parlour. Time enough my pet to think of religion, when you see your first grey hair."

"Say you so, man of the sinewy limb and flashing eye? See! up Calvary's rugged steep a slender form bends wearily beneath heavy cross. That slender side, those hands, those feet are pierced for you. Tortured, athirst, faint, agonised—the dark cloud hiding the Father's face—that mournful wail rings out on the still air, 'My God! My God! why hast thou forsaken me?'"

"The drops of life, our offering for all this priceless love O sinless Son of God! The pale and the clouded brain, and stammering tongue, and leaden foot of age, thy tropic; God forbid! And yet, alas! amid dance and song, and revel, that still, small voice" was hushed. The wretched hours, mispent and wasted, flew quickly past. No tear of repentance fell, no repentant knee was bent; no household altar flame sent up its grateful incense.

"Must I die, too?" Sweet child! but as the sun dies; but as the star fades out; but as the flowerer dies, for a resurrection morn! Close the scene, and bring eye beneath the prisoning lid, cross the busy hands over the pulsing heart. Life—life eternal! for thee, young immortal! Joy to thee, young mother! From that little grave, so tear-bedecked, the flower of repentance, springs at last. No tears shall choke it; no night or millstone bit! God's smile shall be its sunshine, and heaven thy crown.

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Let us for a moment suppose—certainly no very improbable contingency—Mr. Jenkins' orthodox ally, Mr. S. or some other ecclesiastical court; what the poor man is to do? He cannot, in such an event, fall back, like his distinguished predecessor, on the old Confession. If his congregation have handed to him as a condition of their co-partnership, a carte blanche, to be filled up for them as well himself with such articles of faith as he pleases to believe and teach, the collision we have supposed appears to us inevitable. And when it comes, how is the crisis to be met? He and his constituents can have no recourse but to issue a declaration of independence, and appeal to arms. And then will a cross-fire from the batteries of the Old and the New School of Calvinism open upon the recreant Minister, who if he ceases with his life, cannot leave the field unvanquished, without even the sad consolation of having it in his power to awaken sympathy by the appeal—"These are the wounds, with which I was wounded in the house of my friends!"

But we must close our remarks on this most painful topic; to which we felt ourselves constrained by a sense of duty, as well as the impulses of filial attachment to Methodism, to call public attention. And we shall do so, in the words of one, with whose pure and elevated thoughts we delight to hold communion—would that he had left us more of them!—the eminently holy and great Doctor Olin; the unmeasured amplitude of whose soul was but dimly shadowed by the gigantic proportions of his body. Speaking of the "vaunting" speech with which such transitions are sometimes made, he says, "among many other things worthy of the most serious consideration."

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Ladies' Department. Parting Words. [FOR THE PROVINCIAL WESLEYAN.] The night cometh—John 1: 4. So breathe a young pure spirit. As the falling light of time Merges in the solemn radiance From another clime. Deep are the gathering shadows, Veiling the earthly way, and the Vain is the spirit's yearning. For the house so far away. Her home was where the myrtle blooms Beneath the apple's skies Of sunny glories Italy. Where beauty never dies— Yet the breath of song and fragrance Could not charm the flush away. That turns upon the pallid cheek 'Ere yet it turns to clay. 'Night cometh,'—thus awhile she sighed, Till the fair home on high, With its unnumbered gladdens, Rose brightly to her eye— Then with a song of triumph, The spirit passed away. Her all of melody and song, Poured in that parting lay. BESSIE BRANFORD. February 6th, 1854.

Provincial Wesleyan. THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1854. Methodism in Montreal—The Defection of the Rev. John Jenkins. Whether the illustrious CHALMERS, when he pronounced METHODISM the grandest development of Christianity that modern times have witnessed, spoke only from the exuberance of his noble Catholic heart, or uttered in the same tone an intelligent and conscientious conviction of historical truth, founded upon a comprehensive and discriminating survey of the periods that have elapsed since the spirit of the Reformation from Popery began to subside; it might be deemed invidious in a Wesleyan to express an opinion. Without assuming, therefore, to determine whether the Doctor's love, in this instance, abounded in knowledge and in all judgment or not; we may be allowed to say that, as a religious system, Methodism is altogether unique. Be its merits or its defects what they may, there is nothing under heaven just like it. Evangelically, it is the most successful of all systems, and more erroneous than such a supposition. The New School leaves the core of the Calvinistic system

Barrington Circuit. The Jubilee of the British and Foreign Bible Society was commemorated at Barrington in the Town Hall on Tuesday evening, the 17th January. A very large and respectable number of persons was present, filling—literally crowding, that spacious room, with their stairs and railings. The friends of the Bible and of the great and grand Parent Society—in whose extensive orbit, that bright and evangelical luminary has been moving and shining for the last century, gathered from all the convenient places around to add to, and to partake of the anticipated festivity.

The Work in Normandy. DEAR BROTHER,—Our West Chapel is burnt down to the ground. I preached in it last evening, and in a few hours after it was reduced to ashes, save some pews and doors, together with the by-standers and the precious Bible. The night was extremely cold, and extra heat was necessary to warm the Chapel. We left all as we thought best, but the parts around the stove must have caught—how we cannot say. It was insured for £100, which covered the debt on the Chapel. The long standing and anxious debt is paid, but the Chapel is now a pile of ruins. I have no more. I hope, and have no doubt, that many friends will show themselves friendly, by sympathizing with us, and coming to our help when called upon. J. V. J.

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