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THINK OF THE POOR.

Cold blows the north-wind o'er the dreary waste. O ye that shiver by your blazing fires, Think of the inmates of you but, half sunk Beneath the drift : from it no smoke ascends ; The broken, straw-filled pane excludes the light But ill excindes the blast; the redbroast there For shelter seeks, but short, ah! very short His stay; no crumbs, strewn careless on the floor Attract his sidelong glance; - to warmer roofs He flies; a welcome, -soon a fearless guest, He cheers the winter day with summer songs.

BAPTISMAL REGENERATION. ERRONEOUS VIEWS OF IT. BY BISHOP WILSON OF CALCUTTA.

(From the columns of the Episcopal Recorder.) The way is now prepared for considering the grossly erroneous system of our new divines with regard to baptism. They seem to cast off all care in the use of the sacred terms, regeneration and new birth. An ambiguity pervades their instructions. They entirely pass over the scriptural bearings of the subject, and the views of our reformers; and adopt exaggerated statements exactly where the greatest caution is required. In their hands it is part of the great apostacy itself. They describe all the blessings of a birth from above as invariably, and in all lowers of Christ, to the cold and heartless suddenly; it abidges the length of his life cases, conveyed to infants in baptism; and by a fearful wresting of the inspired Word and semblages, when frequently not one condition mere animal power) ought to be the object of the language of our offices to their own purpose, they speak in a way which goes to the nature of things, can it be expected that in the bountful provisions of Providence for discourage all self-examination, as to the baptism, carelessly administered, and received the preservation of human life; the subbatical spiritual evidences of the new creation in as a mere matter of form and coremony, with appointment is not, as it has been sometimes confirmed of the condition of a right ad without one petition put up from the heart for taking of the nature of a political institution, ministration and right reception of the sacrathe Holy Spirit; without the least thought or but that it is to be numbered amongst the ment. Thus they cut up the whole work desire about spiritual blessings; with nothing nothing duties, if the preservation of life be of our sanctification by the roots; substitute attended to but a pageant, a carnal rejoicing, admitted to be a duty, and the premature desthe opus operatum of a popish ceremony for a customacy insertion, for civil purposes, of a traction of it a suicidal act. This is said the spiritual doctrine of holy haptism; harden name in a register, can bring with it a dissimply as a physician, and without reference the hearts of men against the proofs and vine influence for the highest ends of the sa- at all to the theological question; but if you evidences of a spiritual birth; deny by implication the fundamental doctrine of the total fall and corruption of man; lower the standard of holiness and the gracious operations of the blessed Spirit; lead men to mistake a dead state of heart before God for a living and spiritual state; a dead faith for a true and lively one; a dead trust in the merits of Christ for a penitent reliance on him; and dead works made up of human traditions and

inventions, for the vital religion of Christ.

But this is not all. These divines go further still. They maintain the monstrous of God ?? Such cases may be thought rare; figurent of the unconscious infant's being in but in a day of great decline, and of the alevery case justified and accounted righteous before the bar of God by haptism; they assert that there are only two monents when man can be declared innocent, in haptism and at the day of judgment; and that deadly sins after this sacrament cannot fully be pardoned, nor the penitent be entirely restored to God's

favour in this life. And all this and more they include in what they term baptismal regeneration - a defensible expression, indeed, in itself, like most others which they employ, if scripturally explained; but in their sense of it involving the most fatal errors.

by a confusion of words worthy only of Jesuitical casuists, they build their fabric of man-invented divinity, and buttress it up with lieving soul. obscure catenas of fathers, doctrines, traditions, pretences of Catholic tenets and Church principles, as they term them, in the sense of the mass of errors held to be such in the corrupt and demonolatrons fourth and fifth centuries, to confound the minds of the unlearned. Thus the whole mediation of Christ which our apostle is so careful to maintain in this epistle is swamped, the sacraments and not faith erected into the chief means of salvation, justification explained in the sense of the Council of Trent, the reformers decried, popery whitewashed and extolled, saintworship and its concomitant idolatry palliated, and our Church, the glory of the reformation, "unprotestantized," so far as they are con-

It may lead us to turn away with the greater horror from all this superstition, if we refer to one more series of scriptural passages which I have reserved for this place.

At the close almost of the canon of Scripture, the aged and venerable St. John, the beloved disciple and sole survivor of the apostolic college, writing nearly sixty years after the publication of the Gospel of St. Matthew, and twenty or thirty after the Epistles of the several apostles, St. Paul, St. Peter, and St. James, is led by the inspiring Spirit to lay down certain conspicuous and broad marks of the being "born of God." In doing this, the last of the inspired writers, as if he feared the rise of the fatal abuse of the doctrine of baptism, which so soon began to work in the papacy, makes no allusion whatever to the sacrament now so much exaggerated, but declares without limitation or reserve, "That whosoever docth rightoons-ness is horn of him"—That "whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin, for his seed temaineth in him and he cannot sin, because he is born of God? That "we know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren? That "every one that loveth is born of God, for God is love"-That a whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God" - That " Whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world;" and that

Even our Attiele xxvii, seems to use the words "regeneration and new birth" in their popular sense first, and then to connect them with baptism; i. e. to give them the extended meaning which they have in our offices.

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and that wicked one toucheth him not."

These passages settle the question. There We are not only permitted, but required to declare, that every one that doeth not rightcousness is not horn of God; that whosoever committeth sin, habitually and wilfully, is not born of God; that they who love not the brethren, have not passed from death unto life; that he that loveth not is not born of God; that whoseever doth not believe that Jesus is the Christ, is not born of God; that he that overcometh not the world, is not born of God; that he that (habitually) sinneth and keepeth not himself from the wicked one, is not born of God, nor begotten of God.

Let us watch, then, brethren, against the remaining tendencies of these incalculable a matter of fact, by trying it on beasts of evils. Let us be assured that all "the fulness burden. Take that fine animal, the horse, and of the Godhead bodily 32 is in Christ, and that work him to the full extent of his powers we are "complete in him." Let us pray to have the "circumcision not made with hands." day in seven, and you will soon perceive, by Let us judge of the blessings we have derived the superior vigour with which he performs from the covenant scaled in baptism, by our his functions on the other six days, that this being buried with Christ, and rising with rest is necessary to his well-being. Man him through faith in the operation of God possessing a superior nature, is borne along by who raised him from the dead. Let us re- the very vigour of his mind, so that the member that in a lukewarm, declining, and injury of continued diurnal exertion and dead state of the church, it is most perilous to excitement on his animal system is not so argue from the language of offices designed immediately apparent as it is in the brute for the sincere and carnest and spiritual fol- but, in the long run, he breaks down more services of thoroughly worldly baptismal as- and that vizour of his old age which (as the crament? Is God to be so trifled with? Can consider further the proper effects of real we wonder that infants thus consecrated to Christianity, namely, peace of mind, con-Christ in mere pretence, and never instructed fiding trust in God, and good will to man, you afterwards, never taught the elements of the will perceive in this source of renewed vigour Gospel, never accustomed to witness the to the mind, and through the mind to the hody, prayers of their parents or their godly example, an additional spring of life imparted from this never taking a step "according to the be- higher use of the Sabbath as a holy rest. ginning" made in biptism, should show, when the dawn of reason breaks, no one single sign of spiritual life in its most incipient and imperfect form ! And can any poison be more deadly then to treat such persons as "born but in a day of great decline, and of the al- dered as an arbitrary enactment, but as an most total absence of church discipline, many appointment necessity to man. This is the instances, appreach but too nearly to this position in which I would place it, as contrastartling description.

be "moved away from the hope of the Gos- to man, and that the great enemies of the pel." Let us honour sacraments and all means Sabbath, and consequently the enemies of of grace in a reverent, enlightened, and scrip-1 man, are, all laborious exercises of the body tural manner. But let Christ, as our apostle or mind, and dissipation, which force the cirteaches, be our wall and in all." Let us culation on that day in which it should repose "distinguish things that differ." Let us use while relevation from the ordinary cares of third chapter of Matthew and the parallel the language of Scripture in the various senses life, the enjoyment of this repose in the in which it is there employed, with all "wis-bosom of one's ramily, with the religious studem and spiritual understanding;" and let dies and duties which the day enjoins.—not cribed as sitting in the seat of Moses; and us never confound the sacraments and ordi-lone of which, if rightly exercised, tends to And yet on this sandy foundation, defended nances of Christ with the mighty grace of abridge life, constitute the beneficial and which they are the signs and seals and means appropriate service of the day. of conveyance only to the penitent and be-

Norm.-The judicious and learned Joseph Milner, in his excellent History of the Church, acutely observes, when upon the subject of tlyprian's conversion, that Cyptian " records a remarkable influence of divine grace which appeared to him to have accompanied his haptism. Nor is it unreasonable," Milner proceeds, "to suppose that this was commonly the case at that time. The inward and spiritual grace really attended the outward and visible sign. But it is to be lamented that the corruption and perversion of after ages, availing itself of the ambiguous language of the fathers upon this subject-which then was natural enough-supposed a necessary connexion to take place where there had been a frequent one. In Cyprian's time, to call baptism itself the new birth was not very dangerous; in our age it is poison itself. Men are apt to content themselves with the outward and visible sign; and it has long been the fashion to suppose all persons who have been baptised when they were infants, to be of course, when they are grown up, in a state of regeneration by the Holy Spirit. And thus men have learnt to furnish themselves with a convenient evasion of all that is written in Scripture concerning the godly notions of the third person of the sacred Trinity."

LORD'S DAY OBSERVANCE.

Evidence given by John Richard Farre, M. D. of London, before a Committee of the

House of Commons.

I have practised as a physician between thirty and forty years; and during the early part of my life, as the physician of a public medical institution, I had charge of the poor of one of the most populous districts of London. I have had occasion to observe the effect of the observance and non-observance of the seventh day of rest during this time. I have been in the habit, during a great many years, of considering the uses of the Sabbath, and of observing its abuses. The abuses are chiefly manifested in labour and dissipation. Its use, medically speaking, is that of a day of

*" So give now unto us that ask; let us that seek find; open the gate unto us that knock." and so all through the office, prayers, promises sponsions, thanksgivings, on the part of parent and sponsors, are supposed to be put up, sincerely of course; and these constitute the conditions of the promised blessings.

rest. As a day of rest, I view it as a day of

compensation for the inadequate restorative

he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, excitement. A physician, always has respect to the preservation of the restorative power; These passages settle the question. There because, if once this be lost, his healing is nothing more to be said to him that admits office is at an end. A physician is anxious to the plenary inspiration of Holy Scripture. preserve the balance of circulation, as necessary to the restorative power of the body. The ordinary exertions of man run down the circulation every day of his life; and the first general law of nature, by which God prevents man from destroying himself, is the alternating of day and night, that repose may succeed action. But, although the night apparently equalizes the circulation, yet it does not sufficiently restore its balance for the attainment of a long life. Hence, one day in seven, by the bounty of Providence, is thrown in as a day of compensation, to perfect, by its repose, the animal system.

You may easily determine this question, as

Were I to pursue this part of the question I should be touching on the duties committed to the clergy; but this I will say, -that researches in physiology, by the analogy of the working of Providence in nature, will show that the divine commandment is not to be considistinguished from precept, and legislation; I Let us, then, stand by Christ. Let us not would point out the substicul rest as necessary

I have found it essential to my own well the Sabbath to what is actually necessary. If the state of the Roman church and the state have frequently observed the premature death of the ancient phaisees; applying to the warm climates, and in active service, this is Among the priests, he will remark, you can painfully apparent. I have advised the clergyman also, in lieu of his Sabbath, to rest one day in the week; it forms a continual prescription of mine. I have seen many destroyed by their duties on that day; and to preserve others, I have frequently suspended them, for a season, from the discharge of those duties. I would say, farther, that, quitting the grosser evils of more animal living from over-stimulation and undue exercise of body. the working of the mind in one continued train of thought is destruction of life in the most distinguished class of society, and that senators themselves stand in need of reform in that particular. I have observed many of them destroyed by neglecting this economy of life. to their bodies repose, and to their minds the | Christ, say to the sinner: Go, and sin no more. increased vigour imparted, more mental work infernal region of hell. These matters being human being is so constituted that he needs a judge ye, what state and what faith is the day of rest both from mental and bodily more perfect; that of our community, or that labour.

John C. Warren, M. D., of Boston, proessor in the Medical College of Harvard University, observes, "I concur entirely in the opinion expressed by Dr. Farre, whom I personally know as a physician of the highest respectability. The utility of observing the Sabbath as a day of rest, considered in a secular point of view, rests upon one of the most general of the laws of nature, the law of periodicity. So far as my observation has extended, those persons who are in the habit of avoiding worldly cares on the Sabbath, are those most remarkable for the perfect performance of their duties during the week. The influence of a change of thought, on the Sabbath, upon the minds of such persons resembles that of a change of food upon the body. It seems to give a fresh spring to the sons are able to do more work, and do it in a the present Dr. Isaac Milner, who is beneath

"Whosever is born of God sinneth not; but power of the body under continued labour and better manner, in six days, than if they man of his predecessors in prefound or elehe that is begotten of God keepsth himself, excitement. A physician always has respect worked the whole seven. The breathing of gant knowledge, in piety, virtue, and the the pure and sublime atmosphere of a religious we receive a new impu'se, and thus constitutes the best preparation for the labours of the following week."

> establishment. For a number of years, they worked the mills seven days in a week. The superintendent was then changed. He ordered all the works to be stopped at eleven o'clock on Saturday night, and to start none of them till one o'clock on Monday morning, thus allowing a full Sabbath every week. And milies to the house of God, and devote the and were more disposed to do them in the right Documents," published by Perkins, Boston.

THE CATHARI, DESCRIBED BY AN ADVERSARY AND PERSECUTOR.

I will read to you a curious description, given by the inquisitor Reinerius, of the manner in which the truth of the Gospel, in opposition to Popery, was privately speed by the Cathari, who thus were the means of converting many nobles, yea, princes of the house of Toulouse, and the King of Arragon himself. It is very marvellous to find such a record in the pages of a fierce persecutor, Neither was it because the dem preached; whose sole business and incessant study it was whose sole business and incessant study it was but because the dean preached Christ to prove them foreties and criminals of the the power of God and the wisdom of deepest dve; here is the passage translated God, because the dran set forth the freeness

fresh from his Latin volume.
The heretics conningly devise, how they may insimise themselves into the familiarity addressed the distening audience, totally forof the noble and the great: and this they do in manner following. They exhibit for sale, a counting all things hot less for the excelto the lords and the Ludies, rings and rebes lency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus the and other wares which are likely to be acceptable. When they have sold them, if asked whether they have any more goods for sale, one of these travelling pellars will answer: I have jewels for more precious tranthese, which I will readily give your if you will secure me against being betrayed to the pai sa-The security being pledged, the heretic then proceeds to say: I possess a brilliant gem from God himself; for, through it, man comes to the knowledge of God; and I have unother, which casts out so ruddy a heat, that it forthwith kindles the love of God in the heart of the owner. In like manner proceeds he to speak of all his other metaphorical gems. Then he recites a chapter from Scripture or some other part of our Lord's discourses When he finds his auditor to be pleased. he will proceed to remarke the twentycribed as sitting in the seat of Meses; and wherein a wor is denounced against those who shut up the king lon of heaven against men, neither entering themselves, nor suffering the persons who wish it to enter. After being, as a physician, to abridge my labour on this, the heretic draws a comparison between of medical men from continued exertion. In former all that is said by Christ to the Litter. scarcely find a single doctor, who is able to repeat by heart three chapters of the New Testament; but, among us, you can scarcely find either a man or a woman, who knows not how to recite the whole text in the vulgar tongue. Yet because we possess the true faith of Christ, and because we inculcate upon all our people holiness of life and soundness of doctrine; therefore do these modern scribes and pharisees gratuitously persecute us to the death, even as their Jewish predecessors persecuted Christ. Besides, they say and do not; but we practise all that we teach. Moreover, they enforce the traditions of man, rather than the commandments of God; but we persuade persons only to observe the doc-Therefore, to all men, of whatever class, who trine of Christ and the apostles. They immust necessarily be occupied six days in the pose upon their penitents heavy punishments, week. I would recommend to abstain on the which they will not alleviate with so much as seventh; and, in the course of life, by giving a single finger; but we, after the example of change of ideas, suited to the day, they Furthermore, we transmit souls, by death, to would assuredly gain by it. In fact, by the heaven: but they send almost all souls to the would be accomplished in their lives. A thus propounded, the heretic puts the question,

THE LATE DR. ISAAC MILNER.

of Rome? And, when you have honestly

judged, choose that which you deem the best.

Thus through their errors is a person sub-

believing and harbouring and lavouring and

defending, and for many months hiding a

vagabond of this description, he learns, in his

own house, the several particulars respecting their sect."—The Church Visible in Ail Ages,

by Charlotte Elizabeth.

verted from the Catholic faith; and thus,

The following account of the dean's public ministrations is from a correspondent of characters, shaving their heads and counting the " Gentleman's Magazine for Oct. 1811," and to its correctness many in Carlisle and elsewhere can now bear witness :-

"Among the eminent men who have pos-sessed the dignity of dean of Carlisle may mental operations, as the latter does to the bu reckoned Dr. Francis Atterbury, Dr. Percy. physical. I have a firm belief that such per- the late venerable hishop of Diomore, and

most amiable demeanour in private life. As Sabbath refreshes and invigorates the spirit, the present dean of Carlisle is known in the It forms an epoch in our existence from which | southern part of this kingdom as an eminent natural philosopher, and the continuator of his brother's history of the Christian Church only, it may not be out of place to give your readers some idea of his great powers as a The experiment was tried in a large flouring | pulpit orator. He makes a point of preaching every Sunday at some of the Churches in this city, during his residence, which continues from the latter end of June to the latter end of September. But his principal attend-Above an hour ance is at the cathedral. before the service begins, the numerous cengregation have taken their seats; and by the the same men, during the year, actually ground time he ascends the pulpit, there is scarcely thousands of bushels more than had ever been standing room. His congregation, we may ground, in a single year, in that establishment over, consists of several thousands: such a The men, having been permitted to numerous and steady attendance bespeaks cleanse themselves, put on their best apparel, the best disposition in the people of Carlisle; rest from worldly business, go with their fa- and we may hope he has been the means of *turning many from the power of Satan unto Sabbath to its appropriate duties, were more God.' The style of his eloquence is suited healthy, moral, punctual, and diligent. They to the different classes which he addresses. lost less time in drinking, dissipation, and I) is at once elegant, nervous, clear, and simquarrels. They were more clear-headed and ple; and the subjects of his discourses are whole-hearted, knew helter how to do things, generally of a nature to interest both the understandings and the feelings of his auway. Selected from " Permanent Subbath dience. It is not in my power to do justice to his transcendant merits; but I have some pleasure in paying this well-merited tribute to the abilities of one of the first divines of the age."

What brought the people thus to sit as learners at the feet of the dean, what filled the cathedral an hour before the service began. was neither the gigentic power of the deen's mind nor his high name and reputation as one of the first mathematicians of the day. Hundreds flocked there who had no notion of the high honour of a senior wranglership, or the dignity of a vice chancellorship. and the foliness of the gospel of salvation; and doubtless the preacher, as be got all his dignities and all his science, Lord," and intent only on directing perishing sinuers to the cross of the Redeemer. And it is for the humblest minister in Christ's vineyard to hear in mind that though he may ack high attainments, and be utterly unknown in the annals of literary fame or scientific acquirements, he may not the less withat account be an instrument of turning many to righteousness. Gad often chooses now, as in the apostolic times, the "foolish things of the world to confound the wise, and the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty, and base things of the world, and things which are de-pi-ed, and things which are not, to bring to nonght things that are; that no flesh sho ld glory in his presence." And that the man heasting of high rank in preferment or in fame bear in miad that no dignities nor honoris will supply the lack of the preaching of a free and delude himself that any external worship will supply the devetion of the heart. If may have its iducate for a season; but it will be found at the last, what all experience has found, that nothing wift permanently fill our aisles and call forth spiritual proises and soften stoay hearts and enlighten dark mine's and save lost souls, but an unflinching declaration of the truth as it is in Jesus. And it is not the much to a firm of Isaac Milner that, if by the instrumentality of his preaching one poor sinner had been led to the from the wrath to cone, he would have received more solid satisfaction than if the acclamations of an admitting university had been cong in his ears, and his name had been carried forth and blazoned abroad as that of the most astounding proligy of immensity of latellect and most ine chaustible treesure of knowledge.-Church of England Magazine.

THE CHINESE QUEEN OF HEAVEN.

There appears, upon the whole, some ground for supposing that the legend of the Fekien province, concerning the Queen of Heaven, may have had its origin in the Romish accounts of the Virgin Mary, since the title by which the Chinese designate their god less is Tien-how Neang, "Our Lady, the Queen of Heaven." On the other hand, the Chinesa at Canton, who are fond of finding parallels and resemblances of the kind, give the name of the Virgin (in conversing with Europeans) to their Budhist idol Kuan-vin; and in the same way apply the name of Knan-vin to the Romishidols of the Virgin. To every saint who has a church at Macao they contrive to give a name, founded on some supposed analogy in their own idols. St. Anthony they call . the fire god." There is nothing in the Catholic worship at that place, or in the character of the priests, that is calculated to give the Chinese a very exalted idea of this corruption of Christianity. In the former, they witness graven or molten images, processions, linkling of bells, candles and incense, exactly resembling their own religious rites; in the latter, a number of ignorant and idle monks, professing celibacy, but with indifferent moral heads very much after the fashion of the Bulbist priests. A few Catholic missionaries still make converts of the lowest and poorest Chinese, who occasionally appear at the churches and receive each of them a small donation of rice, for which reason they are sometimes called in Portuguese, wrice Christians." The Chinese, by Governor Davis.

GODLY SORROW FOR SIN.

If any, who think themselves under the influence of grace, feel no grief for the aboundings of sin and the obstinacy of sinners, they differ from the saints recorded in the Old and New Testaments, and it will be their wisdom to examine and take heed lest they be deceived .- When national sins bring down national judgments, the Lord has given us a hope that he will fix a mark of protection on them who sigh and mourn in secret before him, for the evils they are unable to prevent. To these he will be a sanctuary, he will either preserve them unbutt in the midst of surrounding calamities, or he will support them with consolations, superior to all their troubles, when the hearts of others are shaken like leaves in a storm. But none have reason to expect to he thus privileged, who have not a heart given them to lament their own sins, and the sins of those among whom they live .--Newton.

THE OPERATION OF GRACE.

Grace doth not pluck up by the roots and wholly destroy the natural passions of the mind, because they are distempered by sin ;that were an extreme remedy, to cure by killing, and heal by cutting off: but it corrects the distemper in them; it dries not up this main stream of love, but purifies it from the mud it is full of, in its wrong course, or calls it to its right channel, by which it may run into happiness, and empty itself into the ocean of goodness. The Halv Spirit turns the love of the soul towards God in Christ, for in that way only can he apprehend his love: so then Jesus Christ is the first object of this divine love; he is the medium of union through whom Gol conveys a sense of his love to the soul, and receives back its love to him .- Leighton.

The Bereau.

QUESEC, THURSDAY, JAN. 22, 1846.

We find our columns to be filled up so as to allow us no space for extended editorial remarks. Our labour has not been the less for that, while, as we intimated to a friend under the heading To Correspondents in our last number, it is no cause of regret to us that interesting matter from other sources has presented itself ready to our hands for selection.

We do ourselves the pleasure, however, of directing attention to the notice from the Gospel Aid Society in our advertising columns, and to express our hope that the cause to which the receipts are to be devoted -the support of a flourishing Sunday School in the first instance, and the furtherance generally of the Gospel in other channels,-will purchase, or donation.

MR NEWMAN'S MOST RECENT PUBLICATION. . (Notice of it in the Ep. Recorder.)

"AN ESSAY ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE, by J. H. Newman.— Boston, D. Appleton & Co. This work will of that recent change of position, which is sufficiently indicated, by the absence of the author's former titles. Though changed in position, he is, however, the same in character, and we long ago resolved never to waste 2 guide." The tendency, or rather the intention of the work, is, of course, to describe all who have the least tendency that way, and that it will carry conviction to every mind, for it is most desirable that all should go out from us, who are not heartily with us, and the quicker, the better for those that

A PEER AT LATTLEMORE, on the 8th of October, 1815. Furnished by the London TAB-LET, R. C. Newspaper.

"I was on the point of setting out for Belgium, when I received a letter from Mr. Dalgairns, inviting me to pass through Oxford on my way; for, he said, I might perhaps find something to do there. I accordingly set out from here on the 8th of October, and reached Oxford about ten o'clock the evening of the same day. I there found Mr. Dalgairns and Mr. St. John, who had made his of October, awaiting my arrival. They told me that I was to receive Mr. Newman into the Church. This news filled me with joy, and made me soon forget the rain that had been pelting upon me for the last five hours.

"From Oxford we drove in a chaise to Littlemore, where we arrived about eleven o'clock. I immediately sat down near a fire to dry my clothes, when Mr. Newman entered the room, and throwing himself at my feet, asked my blessing, and herged me to hear his confession, and receive him into the Church. He made his confession that same night, and on the following morning, the Rev. Messrs. Bowles and Staunton did the same; in the evening of the same day these three made their profession of faith in the usual form in their private oratory, one after another, with such fervour and piety that I was almost out of myself for joy. I afterwards gave them all canonical absolution, and administered to taem the sucrement of haptism sub conditione. On the following morning, I said mass in their oratory, and gave communion to Messrs. Newman, St. John, Bowles, Stanaton, and Dalzaims. After mass. Mr. Digains took me to the house of - Woodnason, Esq., a gentleman of Littlewore. I heard his confession, and that of his wife, W. I. islands, as long as the cause of emanciand two daughters, and received all four pation was yet in suspense. Mr. Knibb's

and another Rev. gentleman already received, slavery which proved irresistible in the year into the Church, by the Rev. R. Newsham. 1 1833. I had the pleasure of administering com-munion to AIr. Oakley and the other converts to the number of seven.

"I can vouch for the truth of this much as having been eye-witness; the rest I hope some other eye-witness will supply. Believe me, dear sir, your numble servant, Dominick, of the Mother of God, Passionist. "Aston Hall, Nov. 17, 1845."

CHURCHES IN PHILADELPHIA.—There are in Philadelphia, 17 Baptist churches, 11 Roman Catholic, 1 "Christian Chapel," 12 for coloured congregations, 1 Disciples of Christ, 2 Dutch Reformed, 20 Episcopal, 7 Friends, 3 German Reformed, 2 Jews' Synagogues, 5 Lutherans, 2 Mariners, 22 Methodist Episcopal, 4 Methodist Protestant, 1 Moravian, 2 New Jerusalem, 33 Presbyterian, 1 Unitarian, 4 Universalist, 1 Independent. Total,

CHURCHES IN ALBANY .- There are 30 Churches in this city, as follows :- Methodist, 6; Presbyterian, 5; Baptist, 4; Roman Catholic, 4; Dutch Reformed, 3; Episcopalian, 3; Congregational, 1; Unitarian, 1; Quaker, 1; and, Jewish, 1. The Preshyterian Churches cost \$130,650; the Methodist, \$118,300; Dutch Reformed, \$103,350 Baptist, \$94,000; and the Episcopal, \$14,000. The Universalist House cost \$24,000. The whole cost of the 30 houses of worship, \$631,974.-Wellman's Messenger.

[The above enumeration of "12 Churches for coloured congregations" is characteristic: it is as if no religious denomination liked to own them—the congregations are coloured, that's the stamp upon them.—Population of Philadelphia about 200,000; of Albany 30,000.]

THE NEW-BRUNSWICK AUXILIARY BIBLE Society held its anniversary meeting at St. John's, on Wednesday the 7th instant, His Honour, Judge Parker, President of the Society, in the chair, who opened the proceedings by an address in which he urged individuals to search and satisfy themselves on the following points which he proceeded to elucidate and to prove, namely:

1st.-That such a Society as this was

proper, expedient, and necessary.
26.—That the benefits which had resulted from its formation up to the present time fully realized the expectations of its founders, and evinced that the Divine Blessing had been vonchsafed to the Society.

3dly .- That such advantages, direct and incidental, still attended it, as justified and required us to support and extend it.
The Rev. W. D. Gray, A. M., Rector

of the parish, in endeavouring to show "the

propriety of adhering with unshaken attach-

ment to the Society, notwithstanding we may feel it our duty to unite with other Societies, formed for similar designs, said: "We have seen that this institution is not opposed to meet with the willing support of those who other societies, therefore other societies, have it in their power to aid it by labour, of a kindred nature, need not be opposed to it. It is by no means necessary, because others are formed in our community for the henefit of our Province or any other place, that our interest in this should decline On the contrary, I think, it ought to increase. For, why do we form such other societies? Because we feel our Christian responsibility to extend to others the religious blessings we probably have many readers, from the fact enjoy. Well, my friends, carry out this of that recent change of position, which is principle. Act upon it fully. Endeavour to extend the blessings you enjoy, not merely to your own vicinity, but to the world. I repeat it, carry out this principle, or rather suffer it to carry you as far as it will go, and it will another hour, in attempting to follow so " blind | conduct you, not one or two hundred miles, but round the circumference of the globe-not to the bounds of a Province, but " from sea to and vindicate the steps by which he has been sea, and from the river unto the ends of the and vinilicate the steps by which he has been sea, and from the river unto the ends of the led to his present position. We are glad it earth." In arging this point, I only express did not appear before he had taken the last what I feel myself and intend to act upon. It have lately become a member of another to understand what they read," having his practice as the authorised comment on his of extending the gospel more widely in our practice. preaching, and knowing exactly whither all Province; but this, instead of lessening my this is tending. We hope it will be read by attachment to the Bible Society, has only led attachment to the Bible Society, has only led me to appreciate more highly its distinctive claims .- Sir! I value this Society, because it opens a way for me to communicate with the most distant, and most abject of the human family. I value it because it tends to union and not to division. I value it because it recognises the great principle of Christian responsibility, a principle upon which Christians will have to act more fully and more unitedly, before the Gospel attains its final triumph. I value it, Sir, because the good have loved it and the Lord has blessed it; and. lastly. I value it, because, in perfect harmony with its spirit, I can join in other kindred Societies, and yet cling with undiminished affection to an institution, which I do regard, and shall ever regard, as an honour to our nation and a blessing to the world."— Extracted from the St. John's Courier.

> A Wonn for Peace.-Gov. Slade, of Vermont, in his late message to the legislature, recommends the objects and efforts of the Peace Society, and solicits the action of that body to approve the principle of resorting, in all cases of international difficulty, to arbitration, and of introducing into treaties between nations, stipulations to that effect.

"We regret to learn from an extract from a Jamaica letter in the Register of yesterday, the death of the Rev. William Knibb. Mr. Knibb has long been associated with the amelioration of the condition of the black population of the West Indies; and the purity and elevation of his motives connot but be admired by those who, at times, may have doubted his prudence."

In cutting the above from the Montreal Gazette, we will add the remark that the late Mr. Knibh was a missionary of the Baptist denomination, and in the prosecution of a grand object, the emancipation of the slave, and general amelioration of the condition of the coloured race, exposed himself to obloquy and danger which it would be difficult to make

There was considerable difference of opinion among the Baptist missionaries themselves upon the most proper mode of proceeding in admitting to Church-membership; Mr. tended from a distance of 20 and 30 miles. Knibb was among those who admitted large. The Clergymen present on this interesting entrusting to native helpers the responsible office of examining and recommending for pivileges, to an extent which was thought unsafe by many misionatics of the commending that the responsible of the commending for pivileges, to an extent which was thought unsafe by many misionatics of the commending for provided the commendation of the commen other religious persuasions. His influence over the people under his charge was immense—and it would be culpable to say that, of the Boston Committee with regard to close amidst the much chaff which was probably gathered under an outward profession of faith officer, and the duties which would devolve in Christ, there was not a goodly number of weary and heavy laden sinners who found they have in view a sphere of labour for him of rest in an apprehension of the Seviour's merits, no greater extent than what he can thoroughly through Mr. Knibb's ministrations, but for attend to by giving his whole time to it. whose souls "no man cared" at the earlier "Our citizens seem to have built u period before dissenting ministers went preaching the Gospel among them at the peril of good name, liberty, and life itself .-- Eurron.]

ECCLESIASTICAL.

Plocese of Queber.

The Lore Bishop left town on Monday last to preside at the meeting of the Central Board of the Church Society appointed to be held at Montreal on the 21st inst., as also to hold a Confirmation in that city.

His Lordship, whose return may be expected on Saturday, the 31st inst., will hold Confirmations at Sorel and Three Rivers on his homeward route.

PARISH OF QUEBEC.

The number of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, entered on the Registers of Chapelries of St. Peter and St. Paul's for the year ending the 31st Decr , 1845:

Bantisms. Marriages. Burials. St. Peter's 32 12 St. Paul's 30 34

The above, together with the numbers given in the Berean of January S, make make a total of

Baptisms, Marriages, Burials, 189 73 169
within the limits of the Parish Church and Chapelries of Quebec for the year just ended.

The following is a statement of Parochialia in the Roman Catholic Parish of Notre-Dame

de Quebec and St. Roch: Marriages Baptisms. 1031

These figures are from the Freeman's Jourual; we are at a loss to account for the disproportionate number of baptisms, as compared both with burials in the R. C. Parish, and with the proportion which the Protestant Parish exhibits with the R. C. in marriages and burials; these are about one-fifth and one-sixth, while in the item of haptisms the proportion would seem to be one-ninth only. Perhaps baptisms of bells or what-not may be included.1

Diocese of Toronto.

INCORPORATED CHURCH SOCIETY.

ollections made in the several Churches Chapels, and Missionary Stations throughout the Diocese, towards the Fund for the support of the Widows and Orphans of the

Clergy in this Diocese :-Previously announced, 118 collec-Richd. Flood. 1 12 6 shorne, per Rev. H. C. Cooper. 0 12 6 Additional Collection, St. Stepheu's, Vaughan, per Churchwarden, 0 10 0 Fort Erie, per Rev. John Anderson...... 1 10 0 School-house, 5th Con. Haldimand, .. £0 16 4 Do 1st Do., 0 6 9
—per Rev. A. N. Bethune, D.D. 1
Church at Peterboro', per Rev. R. School-house, St. George 1 6 3 -per Rev. M. Boomer. 4 0 0

128 Collections£383 5 54 (To Dec. 31.) Church.

At the Society's Monthly Meeting on the 3d of December, the Treasurer's statement of account showed a balance of £612 8s. 21d. RECEIPTS DURING THE MONTH.

phans......189

Do. Missions..... 4 8 Toronto Parochial Associain 33 1 Talbot District Branch....... 1 2 3

£302 0 Payments during the same period Expenses as per audit 1st Nov. .. £23 I 81 Depository, £100 Stg., remittance

Committees were appointed for the purpose of obtaining reports on a system of Fire Insurances of Churches and Parsonages in the Diocese, and whether the Proprietary or Mutual system will be the more practicable and economical; also whether it would be practicable to adopt some plan of Life Insurance for the Clergy, and whether by formation of a Society for the Diocese, or by joining some of the offices already established in

Also a Committee to report upon the hest neans of assisting the erecting of Parsonages, hy loans from the permanent funds of the Society .- Condensed from the Church.

sium, I passed through Littlemore again, and the happiness to find the Rev. F. Oakley determination throughout England against at Port Stanley, and was opened for Divine worth."

The weather Service on New-Year's Day. was extremely unfavourable, thawing and raining hard all day, and a large congregation could not have been expected, yet the Church was well filled; many members having at-

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supervision of the schools by a responsible upon such an individual. It is evident that

"Our citizens seem to have built up an extensive establishment of schools, to tax themselves annually for their support to the amount of more than two hundred thousand dollars, and then to leave them without anything like adequate or appropriate supervision. What other great interest of the city is so un-cared for? What other great expenditure so unwatched? It is, we repeat, impossible that the present School Committee should perform this work of supervision. But while it constitutes, as in fact it does, the Board of Education for the city, and is therefore supposed to do this work, it protects and perpetuates defects, by preventing that personal examination by parents, which might, in some degree at least, be given, if it were supposed to be needed ;- thus verifying the saying of Jeremy Bentham, in his argument in favour of individual responsibility, that a 'Board' is but too apt to become a Screen.

"How, then, would we remedy this? Not by a change in the School Committee itself; for the constitution of this Board, for some purposes, is admirable. Its members come fresh from the people, every year; and being chosen from all the wards, they represent all and systematic labour. This we do by adding to the officers of the city, one whose duty it hould be to watch over the schools; to know the exact condition of every one, in all particulars; to bring the lagging forward to suffer no defects to become prescriptive, no abuses to be indurated by time; to acquire and to impart such information as shall bring all our schools to that degree of excellence which our citizens not only have a right to demand, but without which they have no right, in justice to themselves and to their children, to be satisfied. This should be his business, his whole business; and he should be adequately paid. Although chosen annually, like our masters, his tenure of office like theirs, would be permanent, if he discharged the duties of his office acceptably; and if he did not, another should be chosen in his stead. We think also that he should be chosen by the City Council, and be amenable in part to that body and in part to the School Committee, under a system of duties which can be easily arranged, when it shall be time to go into these details."

Among objections to this plan which the Committee anticipate, but which, with the excaption of that on the ground of expense for salary, they meet by the assertion that every and management in the introduction of books to help somebody's pocket.22 As a proof that the existing system presents no better state of things, the following is taken from another part of the report:

"We would gladly have gone into the important subject of text books; and we gave to each master, among our printed questions, the following: Can you suggest any improvement in the text books studied in our schools? "Most of the masters declined answering this

question; those who did answer, touched it as one would handle the edge of a very sharp instrument; and the only full, free and valuable communication was given by an energetic and able master, after assurance that no public use would be made of it! Such a state of things ought not to be.

"It is discreditable to this committee, and injurious to the masters and to their schools, to have them placed in such relations, that they dare not express their honest opinion of any text book, used in any department of instruction, let who will own the copy-right."

The following observations upon qualifications of Teachers are so excellent that we can not withhold them.

"Much depends upon his moral character. If he is known to be a good man, governing himself by correct principles, and acting hahitually from a high sense of duty, he will have the respect and confidence of his pupils; his character will give weight to his instructions, and inspire the youth under his care with motives to study and to good behaviour, such as can be supplied from no other source But if a teacher is reckless of principle, and incapable of controlling his own temper; if he is not seen to be himself in subjection to the authority of conscience and of God, no other means which he can employ will make him a good disciplinarian. He cannot govern his school. He may, by hard words and harder blows, impose temporary restraints upon the popils; but their characters are unchanged, except from bad to worse.

"The efficiency of the teacher depends essentially upon the interest he feels in his scholars. There is a great difference in this respect among instructors, everywhere. Some appear to have no higher object in view than simply to go through with their required task. If they touch what is demanded by law, and are with their pupils during the hours assigned in the regulations, they are satisfied. They have apparently no further interest in those immortal minds whose training for this world, and for the future, is in a great measure committed to their agency. Such men are influenced by sellish and mercenary motives, and whatever Paux Stanley.—A neat Episcopal Church may be their other qualifications, are unfit of respectable dimensions has been completed for duties, of which they know not the To the Editor of the Berean.

I observe in the Montreal Pilot the following statement : "A subscription has recently been set on foot to obtain funds for erecting a college for the Jesuits in this city. The donations have heen very liberal, and among others, Oliver Berthelot, Esq., has subscribed £1600. There will be no demand for Government assistance, and we understand that the sum required for the erection of suitable buildings has been obtained, or will be very soon, on the voluntary principle." So then, Mr. Editor, it seems we have the

truth at last; and are now informed that large and liberal subscriptions are being raised to erect buildings for the accommodation of an order of men who have been found too dangerous to be allowed to remain in Roman Catholie France; but who are here recommended as the guardians of the poor Indian's education ! How modest the assertion that, " there will be no demand for Government assistance !! No, the shock would be too great at first; the transition too abrupt for the Government to be called upon to aid in the re-establishment of the religious body which but a few years . ago was expelled from the country. Here is, at least, "the wisdom of the serpent." But let a few years pass away : the Jesuits will have their college erected, men's minds will have become tamiliarized with their presence, and then we shall not only see them demanding a Protestant Government's assistance, but very likely re-claiming all their property which was confiscated at the time of their expulsion by a Roman Catholic Government! Are Protestants alive to the real character and designs of these Jesuits? Are they prepared to see them re-instated in their former privileges? Are the Government willing or desirous to have it so? These are questions which every zealous Protestant should carefully examine and if, as it seems to me, there is reason for alarm at these encroachments, let us bestir ourselves in time.

LAYMAN.

[We should be glad to know from some gentleman versed in the law, what the legal the wants and interests which should be consulted. The excellent of the law any more than an establishment of which should be consulted. The excellent of the law any more than an establishment of the law any more than an establishment of which should be consulted. The excellent of the law any more than an establishment of the British now possess, we would retain, adding those alienate our loyal devotion to the British which are wholly wanting; and these are crown, the other to corrupt our sense of right permanence, personal responsibility, continued, and wrong, and undermine the foundation of morals. We take this opportunity of subjoining some very sensible remarks upon the Saguenay scheme from the Montreal Witness.

> THE SAGUENAY INDIANS AND MR. PAPINEAU'S SCHEME FOR INVITING THE JESUITS TO CIVILIZE THEM.

" It is evident that this suggestion coming rom a quarter so influential as a member of the Cow vil, and embodied in a grave and imports tate document, is not a mere hasty expression of private opinion, but the first announcement of a carefully considered scheme, which appears, from the language employed, to be already prepared. In order that such a scheme should be prepared, it is evident that the intended chief actors in it. must have been consulted, and we may, therefore, fairly infer that it is framed by, and with the advice and concurrence of the Josuits; if, indeed, it be not whelly their own plan, and the Commissioner of Crown Lands only selected with their usual adroitness as a suitable mouth-piece. Now, this plan not only involves the somewhat grave question of establishing a clergy in certain parts of the Province, and putting some portion of the inhabitants into their hands, together with the entire townships which are claimed on hehalt of those inhabitants; but, the clergy so to be established by law, or rather re-established, are the Jesuits! Yes, the Jesuits who, on account of their dangerous character, were once suppressed throughout Europe and Ameri'a, whose second suppression has just taken place in France, and whose intrigues are, at present, filling Switzerland with hatred and bloodshed, are now asking the boon of having the Indians below Quebec placed under them by the Provincial Government. This appears, at first sight, a small matter, but once legally established again, would there not be an immediate agitation for the recovery of their former estates? and when or where would that terminate?"

HOURS OF PUBLIC SERVICE.

To the Editor of the Berean. Revd. Sir,

Some time back I observed in one of the public prints of this city a communication recommending, and urging what I thought good reasons, for a change in the hour of morning Service in the Cathedral-i. e. from deven to half-past ten .- 1 heard that the matter had by influential persons been brought under the consideration of the Lord Bishop, (always disposed favourably to entertain measures likely to increase attendance on the public service of the sanctuary,) and that it was deemed probable the object in question might be attained. The change I imagine to many would in itself be a matter of no moment,certainly not objectionable, but it is very certain that the half hour which would be thereby gained in the middle of the day, would enable many to attend the afternoon service, who cannot now do so without great inconvenience; the hour proposed would, I believe, in particular be very desirable to Sunday-School Teachers, who might then with ease and comparative comfort attend to their important avacations, without being thereby deprived of the pleasure of also attending the afternoon service, now but too frequently the case. The half hour before cleven is not, that I am aware, used for any public purpose; it could thus be profitably employed, and the comfort and convenience of many thereby increased. Probably, you, Mr. Editor, (should you entertain the same opinion,) would assist in urging reasons for the change, to which I cannot at present see any possible general objection.

I would at the same time venture to suggest that, as a matter of general convenience, the hour of evening Service in Trinity Chapel might be beneficially changed to seven instead of a quarter to seven, -nesuredly a much more convenient hour for the majority of hearess who attend there.

l am. Sir, your obedient servant, 19th Jan. 1846. C. W.

(We must con'ess that we entertain 10

the public. It is easy for us, without a family to regulate, to make our convenience fall in with that of the congregation with whom we worship. Of course we take it for granted that the probability of the largest possible attendance upon the services of the sanctuary was taken into consideration, when the hours now usual for them at our parochial places of worship were fixed upon. Our Correspondent says, the auggestion with regard to the Cathedral morning service has been brought to the Bishop's notice; and he does justice to His Lordship's ready attention to measures which promise increased attendance: if, then, no alteration should be made, it must be concluded that considerations against it outweigh those which can be adduced in its favour; and though we entertain no opinion of our own, we certainly find several of that kind, and of much weight, to present themselves to us quite readily. So also with regard to the second suggestion. A family including young members, whom we will suppose to attend Sunday School, have three full hours from the dismissal of schools to that for going to evening-service. This is a long time, for most of them, to fill up with problable, sabbath-like occupation of mind for themselves and the young people; and as it is to be recommended that the latter attend the evening service, the longer it is deferred, the less likely it is that they will be fit for enjoying it wakefully .- Enrion.]

Quenec High School.-At a meeting of the Directors of the High School, held yesterday, Professor Wickes, M. A., of McGill College, Montreal, was elected Rector of that Institution, in the room of the Revd. E. J. Senkler, M. A., resigned.

To Correspondents :- Received C. B. and replied ;- Sabbath Documents we turn to account; on B's kind proposal of agency we purpose to write by post.

PAYMENTS RECEIVED:-From Messes, J. P. Battersby, No. 95 to 146; Chas. Wiggs, No.

Nocal and Political Entelligence.

LATER FROM EUROPE. - American papers announce the arrival at New York of the Packet Ship Oxford, bringing intelligence two days later than previous accounts. A decline had taken place in the flour-market. The fears of a scarcity of food were every day getting less. Government had ordered 42,000 sets of accoutrements for the English Militia to be prepared by the first of March

Later news had reached England from the East. A great fire had occurred in Bombay. It was caused by some fire-works at the great festival of the lanterns, and consumed two hundred houses. It was finally subdued by the energy and activity of the Europeans. About twelve or fifteen persons lost their lives upon this occasion, and many more would doubtless have perished had it not been for the great resolution and coolness displayed in removing some 3,000 lbs of gunpowder from the vicinity of the conflagration.

United States.-The unsettled state of our relations with the American Republic has been adverted to several times of late in the columns of the Berean, and the wish has been more than once expressed that nothing might occur to disturb the peace and harmony which have hitherto prevailed. The Oregon Question has been brought before the public so much during the last two or three weeks, however, that some notice of the present aspect of affairs in regard to that question seems to be required. Since the delivery of the President's Message at the opening of the Congress, the public mind has been much engrossed with this important subject, and the matter has been discussed in Congress and by the Journals of the United States and Canada in all its bearings. Many of the speeches delivered in the American Senate and House of Representatives have displayed a rancour and hostility to England for pating an abandonment of the enterprize; which it is difficult to account; and though the Philanthrophist and Christian must mourn over the melancholy exhibition of such unworthy feelings on the part of those who, to a certain extent, direct the councils of a great nation, one can hardly help smiling at the absurd recklessness and ignorance displayed in provoking a contest with the greatest European power while, as the following statement will show, their own means of attack and defence are on so limited a scale.

THE U. S. NAVY .- The number and class of vessels in the Naval Service on 1st day of Oct., 1845, is stated by the Secretary of the

Navy as follows:

In Com'sion. In Ordny. Bldng. Total.
Ships of the Line 4 2 5 11 Frigates..... 7 Sloops of War. 15 Brigs..... 5 Schooners..... 5 Steamers. 6 11 Store ships..... 4 razee 1 46

U. S. ARMY.-The whole force enrolled on the 26th Nov., 1815 was as follows: Officers, 733. - Non-commissioned officers, servants, musicians and artificers, 7883; in all, 8616

A bill has been brought into the Senate and ordered to be printed, appropriating \$5,165,000 for completing the ships of war on the stocks, repairs of those in commission, naval munitions, and for building ten war-steamers, three of the class of frigates, five of the class of sloops of war, and two of a smaller class. The consideration of the resolution to give nelice to Great Britain that the treaty for the joint occupation of the Oregon Territory shall be terminated at the end of twelve months, has been postponed until the 10th of February, probably for the purpose of ascertaing the der and ornament of the age.

effect caused in England by the receipt Experienced engineers who are well ac-

it mentioned as one engaging the attention of tion. A friend to the editor of the Chicago Journal, who is intimately connected with navigation in those regions, states that sixty lives have been lost, to his personal knowledge, since the opening of business last spring.

> From a letter received yesterday by a gentleman in Charlottetown, from our late much esteemed Lieutenant Governor Sia CHARLES FITZ Roy, we rejoice to bear that his Excellency has been appointed Governor General of New South Wales. His Excellency and Lady Mary Fitz Roy, and suite, arrived at Bermuda in the Steamer Dee, on their way to England, on the 19th November .- Prince Edw. Isl. "Islander," Dec. 20.

RAILROADS IN CANADA .- In a new and thinly settled country there is nothing that tends more to advance its general prosperity or to promote immigration than good roads; and every improvement in the means of communication is a direct and certain advantage to the inhabitants, who always find one of the greatest drawbacks in commencing a settlement to be the difficulty in reaching a market where they can sell their surplus produce and obtain the supplies which they require for their families. Canada has long suffered from this cause, and it is the more gratifying on that account to find, at last, that its inhabitants are awaking from their lethargy and seriously bestirring themselves to obtain some of the advantages which the science and ingenuity of the present age place within their reach. Although the Rail-road from St. John's to Laprairie, the first in Canada, we believe, has now been in successful operation for more than ten years, the idea of connecting other portions of the country by this means seems, to have been considered by Canadians too hazardous a scheme to under take; and the interest which is now felt in the several projects which have been brought before the public, owes its origin to a deputa-tion of gentlemen from Portland in the State of Maine, who visited Montreal during the last session of the Provincial Legislature and, by their exertions, succeeded in obtaining a charter for a railroad from Montreal to Portland passing through the Eastern Townships. As the limits to which this notice must be confined forbid a full account of the various Canadian rail-roads, a short sketch of what may be considered interesting in relation to those of Lower Canada is all that can now be given.

From the Report of the Committee of the St. Lawrence and Atlantic Rail-Road, just nublished, we learn the following particulars. Soon after the organization of the Committee, it was thought advisable that a suitable person should proceed to England, for the purpose of advancing the interests of the Company there, by inducing English capitalists to connect themselves with the undertaking. Mr. Galt, the agent of the British American Land Company, was accordingly induced to undertake this mission. Up to the present time 2,633 sheres have been taken in England and 2,357 in Canada, upon all of which an instalment of Listg, per share has been paid or is now being paid. The law establishing the company requires 6,000 shares to be subscribed for, previous to its final organization. The Committee recommend that every exertion should be made to obtain subscriptions for another thousand shares as they have reason to believe that it 6,000 shares were taken, 3,000 additional might be disposed of in the arrangements for executing the works; a common practice in the United States. The American portion of the road, from Portland to the Province line, will be placed under contract as soon as the works on the Canadian side are commenced; the railroad already existing from Boston to Concord, it is expected, will next year be extended to within a short distance of Stanstead, to which the St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad are allowed to construct a branch line, which would give their road the advantage of being, for upwards of 90 miles, the trunk line for Boston and Portland.

. "In this state of affairs, the Committee feel it to be their duty to express distinctly their opinion, that no grounds exist for anticiand they are desirous to impart confidence to the proprietors in England, by shewing, that while every caution will be exercised during the present doubtful relations between Great Britain and the United States, yet no other cause is likely to interfere in preventing the final completion of the undertaking."

The Quebec and Halifax Line, as it is by far the most important and extensive, so it is the one that promises to be the most advantageous for Quebec.

The interest felt in this great undertaking has been materially heightened by the public meeting which took place on Wednesday evening the 14th inst., at which Mr. G. R. Young of Halifax, member of the House of Assembly of Nova Scotia, addressed one of the most numerous and respectable meetings that ever were held in Quebec, in a very eloquent and able speech, setting forth the advantages of the proposed road and forth the advantages of the proposed road and demonstrating very clearly its feasibility. His Worship the Mayor presided and addressed the meeting, as also did the Hon. A. W. Cochran, the Hon. J. Neilson, T. C. Aylwin, Esq. M. P. P., P. J. Chauveau, Esq. M. P. P. G. O. Stuart, Esq. and several others as movers and seconders of the resolutions which were pressed. Mr. Young mentioned that were passed. Mr. Young mentioned that, having lately visited the U. States, on professional business, he had taken the opportunity to collect authentic data relative to railroads there, their cost, expense of working, and income; that from the information which he had obtained, both in England and at home, he was convinced that this road was not only practicable, but absolutely necessary, if Great Britain wished to retain her N. American colonies; and that before five years from this date this great band of colonial connection will be laid, and the Atlantic and the St. Lawrence connected by that mode of communication, alike the won-

of the President's Message there. Some account of this may be expected by the steamer of the 4th inst. and her arrival is therefore very anxiously looked for.

Loss on the Lakes.—The loss of life by

opinion at all on the subject, nor had we heard disaster upon the Lakes is beyond calcula | quire £2,750,000; the interest on which at 34 per cent amounts to £96 250, and the cost of working and repairs £165,000; total annual expense £261,250. Mr. Young proposes that the government should give £1,000,000 towards the railroad instead of £750,000 which was to have been expended on a great military road: this sum to bear no interest, in days, and his remaining two, are considered consideration of the free transit of the mails: hopelessly ill." troops, and military stores: that 4,000,000 of acres of public land should be granted for the use of the company for the purposes of emigration. These lands would be worth another million of pounds, and the remainder would be raised by the grants of the different Provincial Legislatures, and from subscriptions here and in London. The money thus raised, the income would be large from the carriage of freight of different kinds, and the transit of passengers and emigrants. The number of lines already finished or in process of construction from the frontier to different parts of the United States, would enable the Americans, in case of war, to pour in an irresistible force, and he believed "that Canada cannot he saved unless this project is completed, and that the views he had thus attempted to illustrate, are so potent and irresistible in themselves, that they must produce conviction upon the statesmen who rule the affairs of the British Empire,-which renders others and himself so sanguine and confident that this railway will be begun and completed without longer delay."

The Quebec and Melbourne Rail Road is the last whose claims have been brought forward but by no means the least deserving of notice. It is proposed to establish a communication by railway from Quebec to Melbourne, by the most practicable route which may be found, and that a Charter be procured from the Provincial Legislature for that purpose: trams or wooden rails to be used as hest adapted to present circumstances. The first meeting of persons interested in this undertaking was held on the 8th inst., and was numerously attended, Peter Patterson, Esq., being in the chair. A highly respectable committee was appointed to advance the objects proposed, by presenting a petition to the Administrator of the Government that he would be pleased to recommend the undertaking to the legislature, and by corresponding with the Municipal Councils of the Townships along the proposed line, the B. A. L and Company and individuals, to endeavour to secure their co operation and to obtain the necessary be benefitted by the enterprise.

The above statement will convey an im-

perfect idea of the feeling which at present exists here upon this important subject. It is to be hoped that all calculations and estimates, in matters of such magnitude, will be based upon sound data; and that our country may soon derive all the benefits which the consummation of these undertakings is likely to

Quence Library Association.—The annual report of this Institution gives a very satisfactory account of the proceedings of last year. An act of Incorporation was obtained in March last, which, it is hoped, will | lead to its perminent prosperity. The finances the receipts from all sources, during the year aged 23 years. amounting to ±350 Is. Od. which with a balance of £105 14s. 114. on hand from last year, make £455 15s. 6d. The expenses amounted to £364 12s. 11d. leaving a balance in the Treasurer's hands of £91 2s. 7d. 69 members have relinquished the association while 129 new ones have joined during the year, thus making an increase of 60 members; the total number now is 456. The readingroom is supplied with the following

Newspapers. British 16; Colonial 16; French 3; American 5.

MAGAZINES AND REVIEWS.
British 7; Colonial 2; French 3; American 3.

Total, 40 Newspapers; 15 Magazines and Reviews.

The library has been increased by the donation of 27 volumes from different gentlemen, and by the pur hase of 115 volumes of Pot Ashes per cwt. . . 21s. 0d. a 21s. 6d. volumes. 23,000 volumes have been taken out by the members during the year, and 550 are in circulation at the present time. A negotiation is in progress between the Directors of the Association and the Trustees of the GOLD LOCKET. The owner may uniting the two Institutions, but the arrangements are not yet concluded.

FIRE.—On Sunday evening, shortly after 6 o'clock, the alarm was given and a small one story wooden house in the St. Roch suburbs, not far from the R. C. Church, was found to be on fire. The night was very cold and, altho? the fire companies were promptly on the spot, and exerted themselves with their usual zeal, the house in which the flames originated, together with three similar ones adjoining, was consumed. A large two story out-house which has of late been occupied by several families, was saved by great exertions. The houses destroyed were each tenanted by many families who were thus deprived of their shelter upon one of the coldest nights of the season. The fire was caused by some oakum, which was drying over a stove-pipe, getting ignited.

MILITIA .- His Excellency the Adminstrator of the Government has been pleased to sanction the formation of a Corps to be composed of the number of Firemen enrolled on 19th of December last, in the City of Montreal, to be called The Volunteer Fire Buttalion of Montreal. James Ferrier, Esq., (Mayor of the City) has been appointed Lient. Colonel.

Casualty .- On Thursday last a lahourer named Ford, a untive of Ireland, in the employ of Mr. Blaiklock, contractor, who was engaged with others in blasting in the ditch outside of the Citadel, incautiously remained too near the blast and was struck by a piece of the rock in the back and taken up for dead.

A letter published in the Montreal Herald, dated Berthier, 10th Jan. states,

"The small-pox is raging here to an extent fatal, and attacking many who had formerly been vaccinated. One poor fellow this morning buried his fourth child within the last ten

There is much sickness here too, among children: many of whom are laid up with measles, whooping cough and other diseases common at their time of life. Small-pox, we understand, is also about, and parents ought carefully to attend to the vaccination of their children, if the operation has not already been performed. It should likewise be borne in mind that the vacine matter requires to be renewed every seven years, otherwise it is no certain protection, as it seems to have proved at Berthier.

MARITIME EXTRACTS.

Sr. John, N. B., Jan. 10-Wreks at Grand Manan .- Extract of a letter from Capt. Nathaniel Dogget, Commissioner of Wreeks, dated-Grand Manan, Jan. 7, 1846.

On my arrival here, I found the schooner Asia, Capt. Alexander, from St. John, bound to Cork, a wreck on the Island, at Whale Cove. She came on the 1st inst. The crew are badly frozen. The Capt, requested me to take charge of the vessel, a band of rullians having commenced plundering her. I took charge, and placed the sails, rigging, and materials in my store. This enraged them, and the night following, they plundered my store, and set fire to it, which consumed the vessel's materials, together with about four or five hundred pounds worth of property for me, which has left us destitute of provisions or clothing for my family. Vessel a total wreck - cargo saved.

On the 2nd instant, the brig Deveran, Captain Patterson, from Newcastle, bound for Saint John, came ashere on the north side of the Island, and is a total wreck.

HALIFAX, Jan. 10. -Mr. A. H. Cobb, master of the schr. Alexander, writes from Lunenburg, on the 2rd instant, to Mr. Keener, as toilows; -"I wish you to report the wreck of a ship supposed to be British built, of about 5 to tons, discovered on George's Bank, in about 18 fathoms water, south west of the smoals, by the schooner Alexander, of Lunenburg, from Nevis. On Sun 10 yards to iceward of the said ship, and rounded to under her steen; but could not make out her obtained from them and from others who will plank and been store in. There was no person on board. The sea was running so high we could not board her, saw one anchor hanging to her cat head and one in her starboard waist -her long boat laying across her deck, and several casks and boxes on her poop. I think she October, one thousand eight hundred and had struck on George's shouls ad drove over."

On Tuesday, the 20th instant, by the Rev. J. Cook, D. D., Mr. William Garrie, to Mary Ann, eidest daughter of Mr. John Houghton, On Monday, the 19th instant, by the Revd. J Clugston, Mr. J. II. Clint, to Mary Ann. daughter of the inte Mr. W. Whittaker.

DIED.

At Boston, on the 3rd instant, after her arrival from England in the Steamer Acadia, Barbara, of the Association are in a healthy condition: shird thoughter of Mr Robert Back of this city,

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Corrected by the Clerks of the Markets up to Tuesday, 20th Jany., 1816.

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FOUND, YESTERDAY EVENING,

Quebec, 21st Jan., 1846.

THE GRAMMAR SCHOOL IN CONNECTION WITH BISHOP'S COLLEGE,

REOPENS at the close of the Christmas Holidays, on MONDAY, the 26th instant. under the superintendence of H. Miles, A M. one of the Professors in the College, from whom,

on application, a printed prospectus may be had,

detailing the system pursued in this Seminary.

Lennoxville, January 16th, 1846. COSPEL AID SOCIETY. FIHE Annual Sale of the Gospel Aid Society will be held at the House or As-SEMBLY, in the Speaker's Room, on WED-

The Sale to commence at 12 o'clock. Donations may be sent to either of the fol-

NESDAY the 18th of FEBRUARY and following

owing Ladies :-Mrs. Schaw,
Mrs. Gates, MRS. PENNY, BROWN, S. Newton,
J. A. Sewell TEMPLE, - J. Ross, MISS WURTELE, Miss C. Bent, - FLETCHER, PENTLAND. E. BURTON, Secretary.

Quebec, Jan. 20, 1846. PHŒNIX FIRE ASSURANCE COM-

PANY OF LONDON.

Agency in Canada in 1804, continues to assure against fire.
Office, Gillespie's Wharf, open from 10,

A.M. to 4 P.M.
GILLESPIE, GREENSHIELDS & Co. Quebec, 7th July, 1845.

ETTERS for the above Mail will be received I at the Quebec Post Office, till MONDAY the hitherto unknown. Very frequently proving 26th inst- PAID Letters to THREE o'clock, fatal, and attacking many who had formerly and UNPAID to FOUR, P. M.

ENGLISH MAIL.

F. H. ANDREWS, ORCAN & PIAND-FORTE TUNER.

NATIONAL SCHOOL, Nov. 1845.

OFFICE OF LOSSES IN 1837-8, L. C. WARDROBE OF THE LEGISLATIVE Assembly,

Montreal, December 22, 1845.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the COMMISSIONERS appointed for Inquiry into the Lossus sustained by her Majesty's Subjects during the Troubles in Lower Canada of 1837-8, and also arising from and growing out of the same, sit DAILY in the WARDROBE of the Legislative Assembly, in this City, from Ten o'clock, A. M. until Three, p. M.

All claims to be made in writing, and addressed to J. G. Barthe, Esquire, Secretary to the Commission.

J. G. BARTHE.

Sec. Com. on Losses To be inserted twice a week in all the Public Papers of Lower Canada until further

> OFFICE OF CROWN LANDS, Montreal, 19th December, 1845.

NTOTICE -To be sold by Public Auction at I the Court House, Three Rivers, on TUES-DAY, the FOURTH day of AUGUST, one thousand eight hundred and forty -six, at the hour of ELEVEN, in the forenoon;

That Real Estate, known as the Saint Maurice Forges, situated on the River Saint Manrice, District of Three Rivers, Lower Canada, comprising the whole of the Iron Works, Mills, Furnaces, Dwelling Houses, Store house, Cut Houses, &c, and containing about tifty five acres, more or less. The purchaser to have the privilege of buying any additional quantity of the adjoining land, (not exceeding three hundred and nity acres,) which he may have at the rate of seven shillings

and sixpence per acre.

The purchaser will also have the right of taking Iron Ore, during a period of five years, on Lay, December 28th, the Aiexander passed about the ungranted Crown Lands of the Fiels Saint Edenne and Saint Maurice, known as the lands of the Forges, which right shall cease on any portion name, each letter being about an inch in length of the same from the moment the said portion is and very band. She was water-logged - her sold, granted, or otherwise disposed of by the Goinformation. A great interest is maintested in this road by many extensive proprietors of main-topmast gone by the cap. The forward and demnity towards the purchaser for such a cessaland in the Eastern Townships, and it is extensive part of her peop was stove in and three of purchasing Ore from Grantees of the Crown, or cough planks natifed across her stern, where the others, on whose property mines may have been

reserved to the Crown.
Fifteen days to be allowed the present Lessee to

remove his chattels and private property.

Possession to be given on the second day of torty-six.

One-fourth of the purchase money will be required down at the time of sale, the remainder to be paid in three equal annual inscalments, with interest. Letters Patent to issue when payment is completed.

Plans of the Property may be seen at this office D. B. PAPINEAU, C. C. L.

The Canada Gazette will please publish this advertisement, and the other newspapers in Lower Canada, in the language they are printed in once a fortnight till the day of sale. The Chronicle and Gazette Kingston, and Toronto Herald, will also insert the above.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned has been appointed Agent for the ATNA INSURANCE COM-PANY, of Hartford, Ct., and is now prepared to take risks against Fire.—This office has now an Agency in Montreal, which has been in operation for the last 20 years, has been always prompt and liberal in settlement of Such being its character, the underlosses. signed looks for a portion of the public consigned looks not a relationage.

DANIEL McGIE,

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Quebec, 7th July, 1845.

Mutual Life Assurance

SCOTTISH AMICABLE LIFE ASSUR-ANCE SOCIETY,

HEAD OFFICE, 141, BUCHANAN-STREET, GLASGOW. THE Constitution and Regulations of this

Society insure to its Members the full benefits which can be derived from such sums as they are willing to devote to the important duty of LIFE INSURANCE. of the Association and the Trustees of the Quebec Library, with a view of permanently have it by applying at the Office of this holders by the Mutual System on which the Society is established, and their allocation to the Members is made on fair, simple, and

popular principles.

It is provided by the Rules, that the whole Directors, Ordinary and Extraordinary, shall be Members of the Society, by holding Policies of Insurance for Life with it, of more than three years' standing. This rule secures to the Public that those Noblemen and Gentlemen who appear as Directors of the Society, have practically approved of its principles. For further particulars, with tables of Pre-

miums, apply to R. M. HARRISON.

Agent for Canad a. Quebec, August, 1845.

CHAMBLY CANAL TOLLS TO LET.

OTICE is hereby given, that TENDERS will be received until Monday, the TWENTY-NINTH day of DECEMBER next, from parties desirous of LEASING the TOLLS of the CHAMBLY CANAL, possession to be given on the 1st January next en-

Tenders to be sent to the Commissioner of Customs, Montreal, marked on the outside, "Tenders for the Tolls on the Chambly Canal." Security will be required in the sum of Five Hundred Pounds for the proper tending of the Locks of the Canal, providing a sufficient number of Lock Tenders theirfor, tending the lamps, and furnishing the oil necessary for the same, and for the protection property belonging to the Board ci Works placed under the charge of the Lock Masters or Lessee.

All information respecting the revenues of the Canal can be obtained, by application, at the Inspector General's Office.

Montreal, November 18, 1845.

Pouth's Corner.

THE GERMAN WATCHMAN'S SONG.

Hark, while I sing, our village clock, The hour of eight, good sirs, has struck : Eight souls alone from death were kept, When God the earth with deluge swept. Unless the Lord to guard us deign, Man wakes and watches all in vain, Lord, through thine all prevailing migh Do thou vouchsafe us a good night!

Hark, while I sing, our village clock The hour of nine, good sirs, has struck: Nine lepers cleansed returned not-Be not, thy blessings, man, forgot. Unless the Lord, &c.

Hark, while I sing, our village clock The hour of ten, good sirs, has struck : Ten precepts show God's holy will, Oh! may we prove obedient still. Unless the Lord, &c.

Hark, while I sing, our village clock The hour eleven, good sirs, has struck: Eleven apostles remained true; May we be like the faithful few. Unless the Lord, &c.

Hark, while I sing, our village clock The hour of twelve, good sirs, has struck Twelve is of time the boundary; Man, think upon eternity! Unless the Lord, &c.

Hark; while I sing, our village clock The hour of one, good sirs, has struck : One God alone reigns over all Nought can without his will befall. Unless the Lord, &c.

Hark, while I sing, our village clock

The hour of two, good sirs, has struck : Two ways for man to walk are given; Teach us the right, the path to heaven ! Unless the Lord, &c.

Hark, while I sing, our village clock The hour of three, good sirs, has struck : Three in one God, exalted most, The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Unless the Lord, &c.

Hark, while I sing, our village clock The hour of four, good sirs, has struck : Four seasons crown the farmer's care, O may we each our hearts prepare. Up, up! awake, nor slumber on; Morn approaches, night is gone, Thank Him who by His power and might Has watched and kept us through the night.

[One version of the German Watchman's Song was inserted on the first page of the 9th number of the Berean, 1st volume. The above is a different version.]

THE OTHER QUESTION SOLVED.

A story may be known to many who have read the question in the last BEREAN but one, that Archimedes was in a bath when he discovered the principle that "a water it displaces;" and that he was so filled with joy as to jump out of the bath and run into the street without putting on his clothes, shouting, באפאא בעפאאב (I have found it. I have found it!) How he may have come to find it out just at that time, is a question which reminds me of a trick which a little friend of mine used to be at as a baby, when they put him to bathe in a tub: he caught hold of the sides with his toes and hands, and swung himself up and down, which he could do in the water, when he could not have done the same thing out of it. Now if Archimedes should have been up to that trick too, he would not have been became of the weight which his body lost in the water; and he would have given himself no rest until he found out the existence of an upward pressure of the water which sustained his body—but into that I must not enter this time.

How to ascertain the specific weight of different substances, that would be quite likely to come to him through the rise of the water in the bath as he got into it. Suppose he observed, before he got in, that there were 6 inches from the rim of the bath to the top of the water; and that there were only 4 inches when he was in it :- he would conclude that the bulk of his body was equal to a mass of water 2 inches high, and as broad and as long as the bath in which 1634. He published many works, the he was immersed. Now suppose he filled a most remarkable of which are upon the vessel to the very brim with water, and put it laws of England, and they are still held into a dish perfectly dry; then took a mass of in high estimation as a guide to those pure gold which Hiero furnished, precisely the weight of the crown under examination, profession. and put that gently into the vessel; some of the water necessarily ran over: this quantity of water he would weigh; it was just equal in bulk to the mass of gold, but in weight it was only the 19th part of it. After this, he had only just to fill the vessel brim-full horn in Salvington, Sussex, in the year 1584 again, and gently put the crown into it; he found that a good deal more water ran over, this time, than at the former experiment: from which he understood that there was in the crown an admixture of some metal of not near so much specific weight as gold, consequently the goldsmith had committed a fraud. He had increased the bulk, in order to restore the weight which had been delivered to him, and by the bulk his dishonesty was discovered.

The way we should go to work now, in such a case of investigation, would be this. We should weigh the crown, and suppose we found the weight 57 ounces. Then we should tie it to one of the beams of a balance by means of horse-hair which weighs nothing to speak of, and does not become heavy by soaking: now let it sink into a cause, and opposed the Court-party very took the hint, addressed himself to learning vessel of water—there is no need of making decidedly. King Charles, finding that Par- with all diligence, and became a sage, any of it run over; put weights into the liament would not give way, came to the second only to Confucius himself. One opposite scale, and see how much it takes to determination of dissolving the House; anecdote of the mother of Mencius deserves set the balance even. If it takes 54 ounces,

and these multiplied by 19 (the specific weight of gold, dropping the fractions) are equal to 57 ounces. The crown appears to be composed of pure gold. But if the crown were found to weigh only 52 ounces in the water, that would be proof that some admixture has taken place. We cannot tell what metal it is that has been mixed with the gold, but the workman is convicted of deception.

A weight of 57 ounces might in all conscience be thought heavy enough to be put upon any man's head; yet we are told, by Vitrucius, that Hiero's crown weighed 20 pounds; oh, who would be a king, if he had to wear such a cap as that! By the same author we are informed that the crown made nearly 13 pound of water run over, or that it lost so much when weighed in water. Now it is clear that the loss ought to have been only 1-19th of a lb. and therefore here was an admixture of inferior metal with the gold. Suppose it was silver that was mixed with the gold, and that 11 lbs. of silver are equal to I of water and 19lbs, of gold are equal to the same. Here is a nut: those who like to have the cracking of their nuts before they eat them (which most young people do) may try whether they can make out, at these rates, how much silver there was in that crown, and how much gold. A friend has furnished the Editor with two solutions of the question, and he takes the specific weight of gold at 19.64, which is more exact, and of silver at 10.5. One of the solutions is worked algebraically, and the other by common arithmetic. I intend to insert the solution by the latter method, which will crack the nut for those readers who have not studied algebra. So much for this time.

HISTORICAL SKETCHES.

SIR EDWARD COKE.—This eminent lawver was descended from an ancient family in the county of Norfolk, and was born at Milcham in the year 1549. Like so many of those who have been mentioned before, he became a student of the Inner Temple, in order to qualify himself for the profession of the law to which he had resolved to devote his time; and, while a student there, he distinguished himself by his ingenuity and talent. Soon after, having married a lady of good tortune, he was enabled to enter public life where he had more opportunity to display his abilities, and he soon took a distinguished place in the House of Commons to which he was at this time elected as member for his na. body, weighed in water, loses as much of tive county. In the 35th year of the its weight as is equal to the weight of the reign of Queen Elizabeth, he was elected to the important and responsible post of Speaker of the House of Commons, an office which requires not only talent but patience, a prompt decision and a ready knowledge of Parliamentary practice in the person who fills it. In the year 1592 he was appointed, by the Queen, Solicitor General, and in the following year was advanced to be Attorney General. Ten years afterwards, upon the death of Queen Elizabeth, Mr. Coke received farther honours from King James who succeeded to the throne: by him he was made a knight, Chief Justice of the court of common pleas, and finally Lord Chief Justice of the court of King's Bench, satisfied, without going on to think what and a privy councillor. But he did not etain these honourable offices long. - 110 fell under the displeasure of the King, and was deprived of his seat upon the Bench and at the Council. Soon after this the House of Commons, having firmly opposed the pretensions and arbitrary measures of the king, was in consequence prorogued and then dissolved. Sir E. Coke, together with another leading member, was committed to the Tower, and his papers were seized. In spite of this, upon his release, he continued to be a bold opponent of the Court party, and still took a distinguished part in the debates of the House at that interesting period. He died in the year who are studying for that honourable

John Selbon.-John Seldon or Selden was a distinguished political character who lived at the same time with the subject of the preceding memoir, and like him, he embraced the profession of the law. He was and commenced his education at Chichester. which he afterwards completed in one of the colleges of the University of Oxford. When he left the University, he first became a student of Lincoln's Inn, but afterwards removed to the Inner Temple where he applied himself with much diligence to the study of his profession and to the improvement of his mind, and soon attracted much notice on account of his talents and acquiremember of parliament for Lancaster, but at which was then going on between the parliament and King Charles I, who thought that the former were attempting to encroach upon his rights. About two years afterwards, however, he embraced the popular which being done, Seldon, with others of notice. The boy, on seeing some animals we find that every thing is right; the crown the principal men of the opposition party, killed, asked her what was going to be done

£5,000 was subsequently made to him by killed to feed you;" but on recollecting her-Parliament, as a reparation for the losses he self, she repented of this, because it might sustained upon this occasion.

He died in the year 1654, and was interred in the Temple Church, where a monument is erected to his memory. He was a man of great soul, and no less distinguished for his private virtues than for his public character. As a writer and scholar he is justly celebrated for many literary productions of great value, some of which he published at a very early age. He was liberal in his views and a friend to religious[freedom, but still a sincere member of the Church of England, to which he was much attached. GS.

CHINA.

" Victoria, May 26, 1815. "Last Sunday Bishop Boone held a Confirmation in Mr. Stanton's Church, (at Hong Kong.) Sixteen persons were confirmed; among the rest, several soldiers. They appeared to feel most sensibly the important step they were taking. The services were merely the Confirmation and Communion offices. In the afternoon, at half past five o'clock, we had divine service and a sermon. This morning, (Trinity Sunday,) we had the full morning service, and the communion was repeated. Mr. G--- has gone out to-day with Mr. Gutzlaff on one of his Missionary tours, among the neighbouring Chinese. Mr. Gutzlaff goes out thus every Sunday, (I am told,) and spends the day in passing from village to village, collecting the poor people and preaching to them. His acquaintance with many dialects gives him a great advantage in this respect. Mr. G. thought he might derive some useful ideas from witnessing his manner of dealing with the people. Mr. Gutzlaff says they are very kind and from what we have seen of them. they appear to be a most inoffensive people, rather fearing us than being objects of terror to us.

"The Rev. Mr. Smith, a young English clergyman, who has been sent to this country by 'The Church Missionary Society,' in England, and who is at present staying with Mr. Stanton, invited us to take a sail under his protection. Mr. and Mrs. Stanton were engaged to visit some of his congregation. We sailed up a little way along the shore, and landed near a Chinese temple. Passing through a small village, and through very shady spot, commanding a pretty view of the harbour, we came to a temple. It was much larger than one I had visited before, and contained three or five idols, I could not tell which, for it was twilight, and we had but an imperfect view. It was dedicated to the Queen of Heaven.' The idols were as large as life-with most hideous counter nances, with great eyes. The centre one was veiled, apparently a female, and I suppose this was the Queen herself. In marks:—"The law of exercise is of unifront of her stood a long table set off with all manner of finery, tinsel flowers, law of nature, that all the capacities of and cups of tea. Every boat, even of the smallest size, has its shrine. In some being used. From the energies of a of them there are idols too, and in all of them a light continually burning, lectual or moral, repeated exercise with tinsel and many little cups of tea. of the function increases its intensity. They do not appear to think much of Inseparable from the very idea of exertheir idols, but they consider that to have them gives good luck. The people whom we met were very kind to us, offering us seats. We had not time to stop, but we did not refuse to take a little tea with them, which pleased them very much. They 'chin-chined' us with a hearty good will. Tea you must know is the common drink here. It is taken very weak, but they never think of drinking water alone. The tea-pot is always on the coals. Go when you will to a Chinaman's at any hour, he will give you hot tea, and he seems very glad to show any one this hospitality. We took tea on our return, with Mr. Brown, and reached home soon after in another boat. These are like omnibuses in Philadelphia, you may get one at any hour, to convey you any where you wish to go, at a very cheap rate. On these boats, you would be surprised to see the women rowing and managing the sails, or steering, while the children are running about sometimes with an infant on the back.

A CHINESE MOTHER.

Such was her care of the boy, that she The mother of Meng-tse, or Mencius] three times removed her dwelling on account of some fault in the neighbourhood. Satisfied at length on this point, she sent her son to school, while she, a poor widow, remained at home to spin and weave, for a subsistence. Not pleased with his progress, she learned, on inquiry, that he was wayward and idle, upon which she rent the web, which she was weaving, asunder, partly from vexation, and partly as a figurative ments. In the year 1623 he was elected a expression of what she wished him to remember; for when the affrighted boy asked first did not take much part in the struggle the reason of her conduct, she made him understand that, without diligence and effort, his attending school would be as useless to his progress in learning, as her beginning a web, and destroying it when half done, would be to the procuring food and clothing. He

has displaced 3 ounces' weight of water, was committed to prison. A grant of with them. She in jest said, "They are teach him to lie; so she bought some of the meat and gave it to him, that the fact might agree with what she had unered. The Chinese hold her up as the pattern of mothers .- The Chinese, by Governor

> DIVISION OF LABOUR, UNDERSTOOD BY A CHINESE.

It may be questioned whether the argument could be better put than in his fourth book, where the illustrations he makes use of demonstrate, at the same time, the advantages resulting from the division of labour. Let it be remembered that this was all written more than two thousand years ago. In reply to the objection that one portion of the community is obliged to produce food for the other, "Does the farmer (asked Mencius) weave the cloth, or make the cap which he wears?—No; he gives grain in exchange. Why does he not make them himself !-- It would injure his farming. - Does he make his own cooking vessels or iron implements for farming?-No; he gives grain in barter for them; the labour of the mechanic and that of the husbandman ought not to be united. Then empire and the business of the farmer the only employments proper to men of superior station, as well as to those in inferior conditions. Hence it has been observed, some labour with their minds, and some with their bodies. Those who labour with their minds rule and those who labour with their bodies are ruled." This is exactly Pope's

"And those who think still govern those who toil." The commentary appended to the foregoing in the Chinese work proceeds to add ;- "The mutual benefit, derived by these different classes from each other's exertions, resembles the advantage that results to the farmer and mechanic from the exchange of their respective produce. Hence it is proved that the exemption of ome from manual labour is beneficial to the whole community."-The Chonese, by Governor Davis.

CHINESE POLICEMEN. On the 7th of January, 1839, the native houses at Canton were ordered to be searched by policemen to discover opium. These men stood in such repute among the people, that they were not allowed to commence the search some vegetable lots, on a small hill, in a until the people had first searched them, to know that they had not brought opium with them on purpose to find it.

> MENTAL EXERCISE.—The great means (says Miss Mayo) by which the mental, moral, and physical powers are to be improved is by exercise. This has been well set forth in a modern work on education, with an extract from which, and an earnest prayer for the divine blessing on your labours, I shall close these reversal application. It is a fundamental man are enlarged and strengthened by muscle up to the highest faculty, intelcising the faculties, and of course from the practice of that exercise, is the requisition of exercising each faculty upon the objects which nature points out as related to it. Muscular strength is to be gained by familiarising the muscles with the resistance of external forces, and by the habit of conquering mechanical difficulties, varied to exercise all the muscles, which amount to several hundreds in the human frame. The senses are improved by long and particular training, applying each to its object-sight by habitual looking at distant or minute objects; hearing, by accurate practice in the perception of sounds; taste, in the discriminating use of the palate. In the same manner, the observing faculties are rendered acute and diversified by the constant practice of observation of details in existing objects, their qualities, and of passing events. The same law extends to the moral world. For the exercise of justice, the child must be made aware of his own and his neighbour's rights, and be habituated practically to respect them in all contingencies. For the exercise of benevolence, the habit of repressing the selfish feelings, and of actually doing good, kind, compassionate, and generous things, not by lits, but a steady unvarying principle of action, will be found indispensable."

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