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Religious Miscellany

SATURDAY NIGHT.

Lines written upon perusing the very touching meditation on sin, in the Wesleyan of April 6th, 1874.

Saturday night—'ere of the week's end, The minister sits alone but careful still.

Caught in ecstasy from the sacred page— He hears a gentle sound from heaven's lips.

Ab! man of God, thy musings are changed, Thou sittest in thy study—studies still.

World God had listen to my prayer for thee I'd ask, with due submission, for thy aid.

My blessed Master saved me from repining, So tenderly He used me for His own.

Bill as he sickened seemed the doves too dawning, Forsook their food, and loathed their pretty play.

(From the Windsor Mail.) DISCUSSION UPON UNIVERSALISM IN TEMPERANCE HALL.

As advertised in our last issue, a discussion took place on Tuesday evening last, at Temperance Hall, between the Rev. A. S. Desbrisay, Minister of the Wesleyan Church here, and the Rev. Costello Weston, Pastor of the Universalist Church in Halifax.

Notwithstanding the fact that it was snowing quite heavily during the earlier part of the evening and that the walking was extremely bad in consequence of the mixture of snow with mud, the audience filled the Hall, and in it were comprised representatives of all the Denominations as well as several Ministers.

Our space will only allow us to give a summary of the remarks made. Mr. Weston said—That by the selection of his opponent he was obliged to lead in the argument by maintaining the Negative. The question is "Do the Christian Scriptures teach that those who die unreconciled to God are hopelessly and forever lost?"

Allowing that many not connected with Churches were yet up to the orthodox standard of Salvation, not more than 1-2 then by the most moderate calculation are reconciled to God.

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Weston again reiterated the necessity that existed in the question under discussion of presenting absolute proof to satisfy the minds of men that a God of Love would condemn men to everlasting punishment.

Mr. Weston gave his version of the parable of the rich man and Lazarus, and also his opinion as to the meaning of the word Hell in the Scriptures, stating that it meant the valley of Hinnom, the accursed valley to the South East of Jerusalem where the bodies of malefactors were thrown, and afterwards burnt to prevent a pestilence also all the refuse of the city.

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We are glad to notice that at the distribution of prizes at Eastborne on Friday, in connection with the Cambridge Local Examinations, two Wesleyan minister's sons came off with flying colours. Mr. Findlay carried off the special prize given by the Duke of Devonshire; and, standing first in the kingdom in Latin and Greek, he received an offer of a bursary and scholarship from St. John's, Cambridge.

Mr. Findlay and the other youth (Mr. Dilley) who had honourably distinguished himself, of Easton, Cambridge, at the Cambridge Local Examinations, but as neither of the youths is an orphan, and as a bursary, the offer could not be accepted. It is worth while to consider whether our Schools Fund might be so judiciously handled as to assist a few of the marvellous sons of our ministers to proceed to the Universities. It is gratifying to hear of honours won by Wesleyan minister's sons, but it is not pleasant to know that they were not for their University honours, instead of being designated at an early age to the counter of the bank. We do not mean for one moment to assert that, in a mercantile office or a business house, a youth will find his education thrown away, or his knowledge valueless. It is far otherwise. We are a nation of shopkeepers, and without adopting the dictum of a worthy minister in the north, we may as well bear the fact in mind. Should the Schools Fund take this matter into consideration, we trust that the reception of scholarships will not be made dependent in all cases on procedure to the Universities. There are many scientific institutions, such as the Jermyn-street Museum, and the Applied Science department at King's College in London and provincial towns, as Manchester and Southampton, where a scholarship could be as profitably utilised as at Cambridge or Oxford.

Handel was one of the most humorous of mortals, and, at the same time, one of the most irritable. Having occasion to bring out one of his oratorios in a provincial town of England, he began to look about for local material to complete the orchestra and chorus as the place might afford. One and another was recommended, as usual, as being a splendid singer, a great player, and so on. After a while such as were collected were gathered together in a room, and, after preliminary remarks, Handel made his appearance, puffing with both arms full of manuscript: "Gentlemen," quoth he, "you all read manuscript?" "Yes, yes," responded from all parts of the room.

"We play in the church," added an old man behind a violoncello. "Very well, play 'em," said Handel distributing the parts. "This done and a few explanations delivered, Handel retired to a distant part of the room to enjoy the effect. The stumbling, tumbling, and blundering that ensued are said to have been indescribable. Handel's sensitive ear and impetuous spirit could not long brook the insult, and, slapping his hands to his ears, he ran to the old gentleman of the violoncello, and, shaking him furiously at the terrified man and the instrument, said: "You play in the church—very well—you may play in de church—for we read, de Lord is long suffering, of great kindness, forgiving iniquity, transgression, and sin; you say play in de church but you say not play for me," and, snatching together his manuscripts, he rushed out of the room, leaving his astonished performers to draw their own conclusions.

LONGFELLOW and 'EVANGELINE.'—The "Maritime Monthly" for April contains an article on "Recollections of some American Authors," from which the following notice of a conversation with Longfellow is taken: "He spoke of his own noble poem of Evangeline, which describes so accurately, and so glowingly depicting, Nova Scotia scenery. He said, and here are his precise words: 'I have never been in Nova Scotia in my life, and never saw the village of Grand Pre. How I came to write the poem happened in this way. A friend one day told me the story, and related the incidents which my verses are founded. He describes the land so minutely that I at once became deeply interested and somewhat impressed. Taking a pencil and some paper from my desk, I bade him stand with his face towards the west and tell me what he saw. He did so, and I took down the words as they fell from his lips. It was some time after this that I wrote the story of Evangeline, and often have thought of the pleasure a visit to the old scene would give me. How strange it might be now to read the old poem, and to find that the incidents which were the basis of my story were the same as those which I have now written. This is the origin of the poem.'"

PRESIDENT NOTT, in his wise old age, once took a newly-married pair aside, and said: "I want to give you this advice, my children—don't try to be happy. Happiness is a shy nymph, and if you chase her you will never catch her. But just go quietly on and do your duty, and she will come to you."

Died at Upper Kent, on March 5th, Mr. John Armour, Jr., in the 41st year of his age. Brother Armour was for many years an esteemed and worthy member of our church, and a liberal supporter of the cause of Methodism in this Circuit. He was led to seek a saving interest in Christ, under the earnest and faithful labours of the Rev. D. B. Spence while in this place. During his illness he had many tears with reference to his acceptance in Christ. It seemed as though the "powers of darkness," assailed him with all their force until within a few days of his departure, when he was enabled triumphantly to exclaim, "I know that my Redeemer liveth," and he passed away rejoicing in a Saviour's love. A beloved wife and little family are bereft of their dearest earthly friend. Death has made a gap which is not easily filled. On Sabbath a large number of persons assembled at his funeral, to pay their last tribute of respect to the memory of the dead. E. L. Tobique Mission, April 7th, 1874.

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MONDAY, APRIL 30, 1874.

UNION.—WHAT REMAINS TO BE DONE?

Every requisite step has been taken to ascertain the will of God and the judgment of our people in relation to a most important change in our ecclesiastical relations.

With ourselves, as among our western Brethren, there have been a few decisions of Church Courts against the change. That these have been prompted solely by regard to the best interests of Methodism, we can readily infer from the character of the dissentient Quarterly Meetings.

It will be apparent to any one having these considerations at heart that a very serious responsibility has been incurred by our recent action as a Church. We must expect, in the disruption of territorial relations which to this day has existed among us, to find involved many trials which have scarcely been anticipated.

We are informed that the discussion is to be resumed in Halifax before very long, and we are sure all interested will bring the essential earnestness and sincerity to bear upon the occasion.

As you express a desire to know "who conquered," I will take the liberty of saying that, in the opinion of your present correspondent, this time the "giant" had the best of it, not I think, from a lack of courage on the part of the "youth," or of skill in the use of the "align and pebbles," but rather that the "giant's" armor was invulnerable.

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THE HALIFAX SCHOOL QUESTION.—A very lively time we are having just now over this subject. The Government has been listening day after day to the friends and opponents of the present system.

Calmy looking out from our own standpoint, the question seems to assume this shape:—Shall the citizens have their rights (for we regard Halifax to a great extent, as speaking through the recently organized committee of educational vigilance?) or will we be compelled to accept the administration of a Board which has but one clergyman, and as an ecclesiastic who cannot sit there in any other than a governing capacity?

THE CHRONICLE of this city gave its readers, last Saturday morning, a column editorial upon Mr. Lathern's letter to the Citizen. The Chronicle can, occasionally be polite, but never when a clergyman is under consideration.

men are always ignorant, and never qualified to manage affairs outside of the Church, the Roman Catholic Archbishop should be immediately deposed from the educational government of this city.

THE TEMPERANCE CAUSE.—The people hereabouts are altogether too dignified to imitate the ladies of the Western States in public demonstrations against the traffic in liquors. Perhaps it is quite as well.

THE DISCUSSION.

We cheerfully give place to the following letter. Our correspondent, whom we very highly esteem, we believe to be perfectly sincere in his opinions upon all subjects.

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Sir, in looking over the columns of your paper of April 13th, I notice some remarks, supplemented by a letter, on the discussion at Windsor, between the Rev. Costello Weston, and the Rev. A. Stewart DesBrisay, and would be obliged for space for a word of explanation in reference thereto.

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INSTITUTION FOR THE DEAF AND DUMB HALIFAX.—The sixteenth Annual Report of this excellent institution is before us. Many in these Provinces, are familiar with Mr. Hutton and his pupils, from the annual opportunities of seeing and hearing them on their journeys of exhibition.

Before I came to school my brother William was educated in the Institution, and he taught my mother to spell on the fingers, and she taught me to spell God on the fingers, and she signed to me that he was in the sky, and that He made me and I supposed the world was flat, and fell down from the sky by God's commandment. I supposed men and animals, and plants grew from the earth as hay and grain. I thought the trees and other things grew themselves.

should be regarded as fixed capital, the interest of which only should be considered as a part of the income accruing from which claims for annuities might be paid.

From this it appears that the maximum annuity which our Fund proposes to pay to a supernumerary preacher, who may have served the cause of Christ for twenty years, is one hundred dollars; to one who may have travelled twenty years and paid as many annual subscriptions, two hundred dollars; to one who may have travelled thirty years and paid as many annual subscriptions, three hundred dollars; and in the same proportion for any other number of years of active ministry and corresponding payments.

THE FIRST GENERAL CONFERENCE: WHO ARE TO GO.

See Minutes, page 139-40.

It is death does not invade our ranks, there will be in the Conference of E. B. America, at the period of its approaching Session, one hundred and forty-three Ministers—entitled to a representation of eighteen Ministers and eighteen Laymen—36.

THE NOVA SCOTIA CONFERENCE will send eight Ministers, viz.: Halifax District 2, Truro District 2, Annapolis District 2, Liverpool District 2.

THE NEW BRUNSWICK AND P. E. ISLAND CONFERENCE will send the same number of Laymen, viz.: St. John District 2, P. E. Island District 2, Fredericton District 2, Sackville District 2.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONFERENCE is entitled to send 2 Ministers; and one Layman for each District—St. John's and Carboneau, 2.

Let me venture to suggest, also, that you ascertain whether the gentlemen whom you nominate will go to the Conference or not, if elected. There are pious and intelligent men whom you would feel disposed to vote into this office; but it is important that you elect gentlemen who will accept the honor, and who will be present and take part in the business of the First General Conference.

THE SUPERNUMERARY MINISTERS' AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS' FUND. NO. II. In our previous article we showed that as the results of the study of a Century by the Parent Conference, plans had been matured, and as the products of a Century's exertions by the Parent Congregation, a Society had been formed, and had been instituted which together gave to a Supernumerary Minister an annual income of something like the product of 22 stg. multiplied by the number of years he had travelled in the regular work before becoming a Supernumerary; and to the Widow of a deceased Preacher an income of about half as much as her husband, living as a Supernumerary, would have received.

THE PLAN which was adopted by our Conference provided for the formation of a fund to be made up of an annual subscription of ten dollars from each minister; an annual minimum contribution from each circuit to the amount of at least ten cents per member; and occasional donations and bequests from generous-hearted friends whose sympathies might be enlisted in its behalf.

world and sin will be increased in number, and the Churches in spiritual power. Those who remained attached to Methodism, though cast down, were not destroyed.

Several of the brethren named, sounded forth the word of Life in Charlottesville, and saw the arm of the Lord revealed. But to be sustained, by pressing duties, and the necessity to extend a work of grace as God is now granting to that city.

Our people generally are strongly attached to the doctrines and usages of Methodism, and gratefully acknowledge the soul-benefits God has bestowed through her ministers; of whom they speak with affection and gratitude.

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Our Trustees, who constitute the Building Committee, are a band of superior men, and merit high commendation for the liberal advances they have made for the cause of God.

Many thanks to Brother Rogers for his invaluable services, and to his people for sparing him from his Revival.

And to God, only Wise, be all the glory. R. SMITH, Lunenburg, April 13th, 1874.

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CAMARUEN ST. MISTON, ST. JOHN. The evening service of Sabbath 12th inst., was of more than ordinary interest. The sermon was preached by the pastor Rev. W. Maggs, from Hebrews 11, 24-26.

As the Spring opens let your hearts be opened too. A VOICE FROM THE QUARTER DECK. Halifax, 10 April, 1874. (This letter was accompanied by a characteristic introduction.)

OPPRESSION after eating, headache, nervous debility, are the effects of indigestion. One, or two at most, of Parsons' Purgative Pills will give immediate relief.

MAILED CONTRACTS. GOVERNMENT HOUSE OTTAWA. Thursday, 26th day of March, 1874.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Post Office General, and marked "Tenders for Mail Service," will be received at OTTAWA, until 10 o'clock, noon, on FRIDAY, 27th day of March, for the conveyance of Her Majesty's Mails, six times per week, each way, between HALIFAX AND SEELBURN, and on the Branch Routes Between Lunenburg and Mahone Bay, and between Lunenburg and Bridgewater.

MARKET PRICES. Reported by Watson Eaton, Proprietor of the Right Market, Halifax. MARKET ON SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 1874.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE OTTAWA. Thursday, 26th day of March, 1874. HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

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The Family. DOLL'S PRAYER. "God in heaven, please to hearken To your little Dolly's prayer! While the preacher says the preachin' Please to tell me where You are!"

On the mossy bank near by, Millie was not fishing, but she took as much interest in it as Tommy did, and her large blue eyes were watching the floating cork with great seriousness.

"There!" exclaimed Tommy, suddenly, as the cork began to bob up and down in the water, "I've got a bite; keep real still now!"

A HUSBAND'S CONFESSION. "Really, Mrs. Hope," exclaimed a maiden friend to the wife of a journeyman, "I can't make you out at all. Ever since I've come into the house you've smiled, and bustled about, as though some string of gold had been let you a lot of money. Is it so?"

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ONLY A BABY'S GRAVE. Only a baby's grave! Some foot or two at the most Of grassy sod, yet I think that God Knows what that little grave cost.

BEREAN NOTES. BY REV. G. H. WHITNEY, D. D. LESSON IV. THE TABERNACLE SET UP. Exod. 40: 17-30. The tabernacle was set up in the wilderness of Sinai, on the 18th day of the second month, in the second year after the Israelites had departed from Egypt.

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