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THEY RECEIVED THE WORD WITH ALL READINESS OF MIND, AND SEARCHED THE SCRIPTURES DAILY, WHETHER THOSE THINGS WERE SO.—*ACTS xvii. 11.*

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MISSIONARY HYMN.

By the Rev. T. R. Birks.
Fountain of life, eternal Lord,
Whose power the hosts of heaven obey ;
O hasten the promise of Thy Word,
And let the Heathen own Thy sway !

Now bid Thy angel send his flight
Amidst these gathering storms still,
To shew Thy Gospel's glorious light
Our regions lost in sin and woe.

Ten thousand lips, on every blast,
Send up their wail before Thy throne ;
Ten thousand souls are hurrying fast
Through sin's dark gulph to woes unknown.

Jesus ! arise with saving might,
Send forth the tidings of Thy love ;
Dispense the gloom of nature's night
With beams of mercy from above.

By Siloah's brook and Salem's hill,
Where once Thy sacred footsteps trod ;
See ! clouds and darkness linger still
Earth mourns the absence of her God.

Look down from heaven, incline Thine ear,
Thou Lord of Lords, and King of Kings !
Bright day-spring from on high, appear,
And dawn with healing on Thy wings.

The isles await thy coming, Lord,
A herald voice prepares Thy way,
O hate the promise of thy Word,
O bid the heathen own Thy sway.
From the Church Missionary Society's Jubilee Tract No. III.

MISSIONARY PRAYER.

By the Rev. John Tucker, (formerly Secretary of the Madras Mission)
FOR OUR NATIVE CONVERTS, AND THOSE RECEIVED UNDER INSTRUCTION.

ALMIGHTY God, the God of all grace, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we adore Thee for Thy great goodness to us, in the work in which we are engaged, and that Thou hast given us thus far to see the desire of our hearts, and hast, through Thy blessing on the efforts of Thy servants, caused Thy light to shine into the hearts of multitudes who were dwelling in Mahomedan and Heathen darkness and superstition. Blessed be Thy name, that Thy Word hath not returned unto Thee void ! Glory be to Thee alone, O our God !

And now, Lord, we pray Thee to multiply Thy grace, and mercy, and peace, through Jesus Christ, upon all the Native Converts whom Thou hast gathered to thyself through the labours of our Society throughout the world. Pour out Thy Spirit plentifully upon them, that, as Thou hast begotten them again unto a lively hope, so they may ever be followers of Thee as dear children. Deliver them from all remaining darkness and ignorance, from all deceit and guile, from the fear of man and eye-service, from all weariness, and slothfulness, and instability. O Thou, Lord Jesus, who art manifested for this cause, that thou mayest destroy the works of the devil, destroy and abolish, in the hearts of the Converts, all that remains of Satan's kingdom; give them enlightened understandings and tender consciences; grant that their faith, and hope and love, may grow exceedingly; make them to be ready to every good work, and to dwell together in unity and submission to those whom Thou hast set over them; and give them grace to exert themselves for the salvation of those around them; that so, by their holiness and faithfulness, by their zeal and faithful testimony, they may glorify Thy name before their countrymen, and bring in unto Thee the midst of them, such as shall be saved.

And we beseech Thee, O most merciful Father, to have compassion on all those who have come under instruction, though they be not yet altogether Christians. Convince them effectually, by Thy Word and Spirit, of their sinful and miserable state; pour upon them the Spirit of grace and supplication; draw them to Jesus, and enable them to believe in Him as their only Saviour, and shine into their hearts, to give them the light of the knowledge of thy glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Give them Thy strength, O Lord, from above, to break the bonds of caste and all other chains of the devil. Give them such steadfast and unfeigned faith and love, that with all meekness of wisdom they may boldly confess the faith of Christ crucified, and cheerfully forsake houses and brethren, and sisters, and father and mother, and wife and children, and lands, for Him who has loved them and given Himself for them. And do Thou, who art the God of all consolation, comfort them with the consolations of Thy Holy Spirit. Make them to rejoice and be glad in Thee, and to praise Thy Holy Name. Thus, O Almighty God, make Thy Church in the midst of the heathen to hold forth the light of Thy truth to their fellow-countrymen; and grant that we and they may ever have cause to say, The Lord be magnified who hath pleasure in the prosperity of His servants.

Hear us, O most merciful Father, in these our intercessions, for the glory of Thine own name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

NEW-ZEALAND MISSION OF THE CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY, Influence of the Gospel in a time of temptation.

On the 22nd of January 1846 information was received that the brig *Guide* had been wrecked in Wakapuanga Bay, and that a number of Natives were taking possession of the vessel, and all her cargo, for breaking a *topsail*. Under these circumstances, it was deemed expedient to march a body of militia to the spot, and Mr. Sin-

clair, the Police Magistrate, wished Mr. Rey [Missionary of the C. M. S.] to accompany them. Mr. Rey's account, it will be seen, shows a very different aspect of affairs from that which was at first said to exist :—

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On all hands it is allowed that the natives behaved remarkably well. Ten or twelve years ago, under similar circumstances, they would probably have seized every thing, regarding it as a gift from the sea-god. What will account for the change ? They have received the Gospel, and, by the grace of God, are bringing forth the fruits of that Gospel. If nothing were at stake beyond worldly prosperity and worldly wealth, it seems clear to me that the Settlers in these Islands have the deepest ground to be grateful for Missionary labours, because of the security for life and property which now prevails, as compared with the past.

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In working homewards we were one day thoroughly drenched ; and the rain and storm continuing through a second day, we retraced a few miles, in order to obtain shelter. In the course of the night, when they supposed me to be asleep, Joseph Ngapaki, and the crew with him, gave to their friends a very correct statement of my explanations to them on the previous Lord's-day—what one had forgotten another remembered : adding together, therefore, their several stores, they thus assisted the Word in its free course.

Urgent Need of additional Missionaries.

We close our account of Mr. Rey's Station with some passages from a Letter addressed by him, in January of the present year, to Mr. Taylor, who is now the only Labourer connected with the Church along a coast extending from more than 100 miles north of Wangani down to Waikauae southward, beside having a most extensive district inland. In proceeding from Nelson to Wangani, to attend a Committee, Mr. Rey was obliged to land at a native village about 70 miles from Wangani, and to walk the remaining distance. He writes—

In each village that I entered, as soon as the people knew me to be a Missionary, they seemed to think their long expectations were about to be realized, and that they were to have a Father placed among them. Great indeed were the expressions of their disappointment when they heard that I was only journeying along, and that I could hold out no prospect of their obtaining further help ; all that was in my power being earnestly to press them to be constant in their entreaties to the Lord of the harvest that He would send forth labourers into His harvest. But the necessity for further assistance arises not only from the anxiety of the Natives, and from their numbers, but also from the distances intervening between the villages, and the labour of travelling. When people in England hear of one hundred, or one hundred and fifty miles, their ideas run upon railroads, and they imagine that a few hours would suffice to convey a traveller from one end of his course to the other. They know not the tedious, wearisome walking over heavy, and sometimes trackless sand hills and stony beaches ; they know not the cliffs and hills ; they know not the burdens which are often to be carried, in the shape of books, medicine, provisions, tent,

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JOY WHEN CHRIST IS PREACHED.

The true guide and regulator of Christian conduct, and the true measure of our relation to those without, is the master-duty of making the Gospel known, the propagation in the hearts of all men of that mighty reconciliation with God through Christ, by faith in the God-man, which is the idea of the Gospel. If it be accomplished by the ministrations of our own branch of the church catholic, we will thank God for it, and strive for a larger field, a more devoted service, and an ampler blessing. But angels in heaven rejoice over one sinner that repented ; and so must we : and they that turn many to righteousness, be they who they may, shall shine as the firmament for ever and ever. Christ is preached—that is enough for us ! No sense of shame, at our own lack of love or energy ; no substitution of the church's glory for Christ's, and the fond wish to enfold within our own communion all the true children of God, and the operations of the Spirit, will degrade the magnanimity of a Christian into a party bigotry, or set our own interest or our own pride in competition with what is unmeasurably holy.

And, as a reverence for universal morality and the rights of the human race, as such, while it checks an ignorant and fanatical attachment to our own country, only exalts the wants, understanding the motives, or discerning the structure of solid and fundamental truth, upon which dissentients may take their stand against what, judging merely from the existing practice of it, they regard as unscriptural formalism. They are therefore too impatient of contradiction, and too much startled at opposition, to argue the ritual and peculiarities of their own church, upon the grounds of reason and scripture, merely, because that will not support the inordinate superstructure which they have raised, and the pretensions which, at all risks, they maintain. They condemn all modern arguments, such as the necessity of all forms of some kind, for the preservation of that reverend order which, as a principle, is of divine authority ; and the reasonable adaptation of their own to the scriptural purposes which they were intended to answer, and in which their sole value consists ; a value not essential, but relative and variable. Yet this is the only ground on which the Church of England may be successfully defended, and on which alone Hooker rests her defense ; for, to prove an unchanging authority for primitive forms, is beyond the wit of man ; and that, being proved, the Church of England cannot profit from it, for in many points, she widely departs from them. And whether her exclusively divine and apostolic authority be admitted or not, there is ample enough to resist schism, and to establish the duty of conforming to her communion, where nothing is required, as matter of faith, but what Scripture clearly proves ; or of ritual observance, but what is reconcilable with it, and clearly within the province of human authority to enact !

And here is the great danger which besets any individual church which has an unity of its own ; this intense attachment to its individualities, a proportionate alienation from other parts of the body mystical, and a wilful and unreasonable under-valuation of their spiritual character and provisions. All the party instincts, which, by the perversion of

a great natural law, work so fatally upon degenerate commonwealths, are here infinitely exasperated by the confessed superiority of external to secular interests ! And, instead of being subordinated to that love of Christ which alone prescribes their proper use and limits, they quench and control it, and so corrupt the fountain and annihilate the principle of spiritual union. In fact, the faith of Christ, thus interpreted,—regarded not in its essentials, but in its mutabilities, and multiplied into every ritual detail, till all prominence or subordination of parts is lost in what claims one uniform authority, ceases to be a principle of union at all ; it becomes a power of energetic repulsion, and an infinite source of disorganization !

And whilst no stirring and longing in men's hearts, after such a change as shall re-combine, into one federal commonwealth, all the distracted members of Christendom, must be treated with other honour, and, if rested upon the love of Christ, can issue in no other than mighty benefits to the church and to the world ; yet it assumes a different aspect, when based, not upon the simplicity of Scripture, or an Apostolical Episcopacy, but on grounds traditional and sectarian, and exclusively ecclesiastical. And I must be permitted to remark that the very desire of union on the latter principle, springs, in many cases, more from hostility to an internal enemy and the formidable presence of dissent, than any grand or comprehensive love of a real unity. And, as magnificent professions of an universal philanthropy are refuted by personal selfishness to those immediately committed to our charge, so may the genuineness of the christian love be reasonably questioned, as well as the soundness of its principles, which works deliberate division among those, in the midst of whom God has placed us. Here, at home, is the true trial of our charity and christian largeness of soul, and not in distant schemes, imaginary reconstructions, and splendid impossibilities !

And this spirit of party, the curse of the church of Christ, and the besetting sin of all communities, which thus turns into an evil the vital principle of association, is, in one way, aggravated by the indispensable conditions of an established church. For the very precise and prescript forms to which, on the ratification of the contract with the state, it is almost of necessity limited, impede the liberty of movement, and give an unnatural stiffness and unplayfulness to it. All parts of it are alike—all alike authoritative ! The very same sanction has

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it is losing all, or gaining all ; there is no modification possible, no retraction, no middle way ! This indeed succeeded with the Church of Rome so long as the possession of the civil power furnished her with the instruments of coercion, and put an effectual curb upon free discussion, or an appeal to the simple word interpreted by the universal and immutable laws of reason ! An inward consent, indeed, was wanting, but power, wielded by an iron hand, enforced uniformity.

So long as the power of persecution lasted, this policy endured, as it did with the like spirit, though in a mitigated form, under the Laudian rule, in the Church of England. But, then, and by a necessary law, came the recoil ! And in our own days, the free circulation of the Bible, and a diffused cultivation of the intellect, has rendered that impossible, as an intellectual result, which the absence of that state control has made physically impracticable.—*From Sermon by the Rev. J. Garbett, Professor of Poetry, Oxford, and Prebendary of Chichester, on Phil. 4, 16.*

CHARGE OF SEDITION, RAISED AGAINST THE REFORMERS.

From Bishop Jewel's *Apology*; 1562.

Forty years ago, and upward, it was an easy thing for them to devise against us these accursed speeches, and other too, sorrier than these ; when in the midst of the darkness of that age first began to spring, and to give shine, some one glimmering beam of truth, unknown at that time, and unheard of ; when also MARTIN LUTHER and ULRICH ZWINGLI, being most excellent men, even of God to give light to the whole world, first came unto the knowledge and preaching of the gospel ; when as yet the thing was not new, and the success thereof uncertain ; and when men's minds stood doubtful and amazed ; and their ears open to all slanderous tales ; and when there could be imagined against us no fact so detestable, but the people then would soon believe it for the novelty and strangeness of the matter. For so did SYMMACHUS, so did CIRIUS, so did JULIAN, so did PORPHYRY, the old foes of the gospel, attempt in times past to accuse all Christians of sedition and treason ; before that either prince or people were able to know who those Christians were, what they professed, what they believed, or what was their meaning.

But now since our enemies do see, and cannot deny, but we

the day before they begin. Frame your mind into a right state as you can, before you begin your prayers; then pray for the light to guide you, and strength to assist you. Consider in how many ways you may hope to do good in the day, and how these may be taken in the greatest advantage of. Consider what sins are most likely to tempt us, and how these may be best avoided. It is obvious that a person under these impressions, would not be likely to lie in bed, and, indeed, the rising at a fixed hour so as to allow of time for meditation and prayer, before the work of the day begins, is a species of self denial, which would be beneficial to all, and the absence of which has converted many a soul into an enemy, rather than a servant of God. Half an hour spent in devotional duties every morning, will ensure the whole of that which we are seeking for. It would be the means of salvation to most of us. How few are there of those who have at all advanced in a Christian life and who have not adopted this rule, who would not confess that if they had regularly devoted even this short portion of the day to God, they should have been much better Christians than they are. And who ever did this, who will not thank God for it, to all eternity?

It will be hardly necessary to give directions for the performance of the duties which belong to all Christians; it is enough to state what they are; for the manner in which we shall be able to put in execution the plans which we may lay down for ourselves, will so vary according to circumstances, that the rule which will be suited to one person, will hardly apply to another. You ask, What shall I do to day? First, strive to perform all the common duties of life, so as to let your light shine before men, that they may glorify our Father which is in heaven. Try to let every one who is familiar with your manner of life, say, how great the principles are which regulate this servant of God, and what a blessing such a person is to all connected with him. If we are not governed by holy tempers and principles, the world will quickly find it out; i.e., our world will quickly discover it—our servants—our own family. Try to be a kind father—a gentle obedient wife—a dutiful child—a loving brother or sister—a considerate master or mistress. Try to be better in each of these relative duties—do something, and let that something be a step towards a better life. Unless the general plan of your life be such as is creditable to the profession of Christianity, do not change your outward plan of life, but that which you have been accustomed to do. Do not let the world remark at once, how altered a man he is, but let your friends discover that you have mastered many of those faults which they had before deplored in you.—*The Right Rev. T. Viner Short, D.D., Lord Bishop of St. Asaph.*

CONFIRMATION.

The Lord Bishop of Oxford, in the course of his Primary Charge to the Clergy of his Diocese, delivered last month, and reported in *The Guardian*, made the following remarks on the uses of the solemnity of Confirmation and proper preparation for it:

He never knew a confirmation where the candidates had been faithfully and laboriously prepared, which did not leave on the parish a great blessing. He felt that the labours of the clergy were never better directed than when laid out in these seasons of usefulness. Every one who was of full age to be confirmed should be brought under training at these seasons, but it was another question whether at the period appointed for confirmation they should be presented to the Bishop. The clergy at those seasons should bring before the Church those great dogmatical truths of which unhappy their parishioners knew so little. Each soul should at such a season be fully trained in the doctrines and duties of our holy faith, that he might increase in strength for the service of his God. That in his opinion from the catechisms a somewhat riper age than perhaps some of his clergy might have chosen. It was to be regretted that the Church made no other special provision for bringing the children of his flock under the pastor's direct influence and spiritual treatment; and it, therefore, the clergy directed the attention of their children to those subjects which, when arrived at a due age, would qualify them for confirmation, they seized the best opportunity of bringing to their consciences all the power of Christ's Gospel; but without such training it would be entirely lost.

It was not the more age of the catechisms that made them fit objects for the solemn rite of confirmation. They were at any age until if not properly prepared; some, however, might be properly prepared, and anxious to become candidates, before attaining the present age. Under such circumstances, he should always be happy to receive the application of his clergy to except those from his general rule; but, at the same time, he would earnestly advise that none should be sent to him for confirmation who were not ready to be partakers of the Holy Communion. Their great temptation was to admit all, but the laxity which permitted the admission of unfit candidates entailed serious evil upon the cause which they desired to serve. They could not be too ready to bring all to a right mind on matters of religion, but they must not shrink in the smallest degree from using that godly discipline which was the main security against those who would press lightly into godly doors. Still, in no matter was spiritual discernment more necessary, lest they broke the spirit of the humble-minded, while they sought only to stay the over-confident. They must be contented with endeavouring to warn the individual conscience to a sense of its own responsibility, and to charge upon it the ultimate decision of the question. So important did he (the Bishop) feel the question, that in the course of a few days he would put into the hands of his clergy a more detailed exposition of his views than would be consistent with the limits of a Visitation Charge.

The Starting Discourse.—The following letter has met our eyes in one of our American exchanges. We have not found it in our English papers, but in order to do the writer justice—having quoted Dr. Hook's charge against him, in our number for October 12—we insert it at once. How Dr. Hook will refute Mr. Jephson's counter-charge, or how he will otherwise try to "cave his party from the reproach of leading men to the Catholic Church" (meaning the Church of Rome) we are not able to conjecture; but we are very certain that, however he may try, succeed he never will:

"To the churchwardens of the Parish of Leds."

"Gentlemen—I have this day received a sermon, published by Dr. Hook, with a preface addressed to you, in which he says, 'You will judge, gentlemen, of the surprise which I experienced when I received information last week that Mr. and Mrs. Jephson had been received into the Church of Rome, not on their quitting Leeds in August, 1818, but in the year 1816, before coming to Leeds; that even then, while professing himself to be a decided Anglican, he was actually a member of the apostate Church of Rome.'

"This statement, from whatever source Dr. Hook received it, is simply untrue. Neither I nor my family became Catholics till the 9th of August last, when we had the happiness of being received into the Church at Birningham."

A paragraph did appear in the *Church and State Gazette*, in the year 1816, to the effect that I had acknowledged the supremacy of St. Peter's Successor; this I immediately contradicted, as I had not then gone further than to say, as Dr. Hook expresses it, 'unsettled'; and so completely was the Bishop of the Diocese satisfied, that I continued to hold my Curacy, and finally resigned it of my own free will, for the purpose of coming to Leeds or some other place where I expected to find the Anglican system carried out thoroughly. The editors of the *Catholic Directory* probably copied from the Protestant paper, the accuracy of whose information they had no reason to doubt; and placed me and my family in their list of converts without further inquiry. That *Peregrine Superiorum* in the title-page of an American means that the Catholic Bishops have examined the accuracy of every statement contained in it, is really absurd. But the fact is, Dr. Hook knew, at the time I became his Curate, that I had been unsettled; as he says himself; that is, that I had had doubts of the claims of the Protestant Church; as some persons, very much in Dr. Hook's confidence at present, have also had. I myself, after I came to Leeds, and before I was licensed to the Curacy, told him and Mr. Hook that a report that I and my family had become Catholics had been mentioned in my presence at a party in Leeds; to which he replied to the effect that I had not troubled myself about it; for that he himself had been held up to reproach in the newspapers as being a Catholic. Not satisfied with this, I told the clerk in orders of it (being supposed to be in Dr. Hook's confidence), and offered, at the same time, to leave Dr. Hook, whose principles I then believed in, and hastened to promote. 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Mr. O'Donoghue's trial was proceeding when the last advices came away.

We turn gladly from these melancholy topics to other matters, and insert the following selections of British and general European news.

The weather during the week has undergone a very favourable change. With someunsettled states of the atmosphere in different places, the whole, tolerably fine weather has prevailed, and in Scotland it has been so general that the harvest has been got in with greater success than has been experienced for many years. The general report of the harvest, so far as it has yet been thrashed, is far from satisfactory, and is generally confirmatory of what we have already stated, that the crop will be rather below the ordinary average of years. The heavy arrivals from abroad prevent prices from rising, and the averages hover about the point where the duty ceases. The factors, however, still look forward for a rise in the duty on the 18th or on the 23rd inst. But in this case the advance will be but trifling, and will be difficultly maintained against the continued arrivals from abroad. The crop of potatoes in Scotland appears to be abundant, and the surplus over the wants of the inhabitants will be considerable to aid their less fortunate neighbours. The markets throughout the kingdom present no very remarkable feature.

The improved tone in commercial affairs which we last noticed has rather subsided. In the produce markets a good business is, however, being transacted by the home trade, but the value of many articles is not supported. On the part of holders there is an inclination to press sales, and the natural consequence is that the home trade will not buy except at reduced prices. Sugar has been taken to a fair extent by exporters. The sales of Cotton are limited; the market, however, keeps pretty steady, and without much variation in price. The Corn trade is quiet; and although buyers are by no means active in their operations, prices in most instances are well sustained. Goods used for manufacturing purposes have been dealt in pretty freely since our last notice, but prices are rather lower except for Indigo and Silk, which are rather higher. Mamey continues in abundant supply, and can be obtained at a low rate of interest, whilst only a limited demand exists. There is also every prospect of cash being obtainable at even lower terms, inasmuch as it is known that large parcels are on their way to this country.

We regret to state that the scourge which, during the last few months, has desolated the eastern parts of Europe, spreading its ravages from Cairo to St. Petersburg, and lingering within these few weeks at Hamburg, has at length, as anticipated, reached the shores of Great Britain.

It is now officially declared by the Registrar-General that the Asiatic Cholera has appeared in the metropolis, and well-authenticated cases of the malady are reported from Sunderland, Shields, Hull, and Edinburgh. The disease made its appearance almost contemporaneously in Sunderland, and in the low-lying districts below London Bridge. In both places the first cases were those of temperate sailors who came from Hamburg and were attacked by the malady on the voyage. As regards Edinburgh, the origin of the disease is left in doubt. The official report of the Registrar-General in London reported 13 cases up to Saturday last. In Edinburgh, up to the latest report, there had been 25 cases, 20 of which had proved fatal. Up to Wednesday in the present week the number of cases in London is catalogued to be about 20, but a daily official report is not yet issued. The authorities in all parts of the country seem to be taking the most zealous precautions to counteract, prevent, and remedy this dreadful malady, which we earnestly hope will make but a brief visit to our shores. The alarm is greatly diminished respecting its destructive effects amongst the great body of the people; and we trust, with the extensive arrangements made to check its progress, that the limits of its mortality will be confined to the seaport towns, and that the great manufacturing houses of industry will be spared this frightful addition to the many sufferings they have lately experienced.

It is gratifying to learn that an improvement has taken place in the revenue of the United Kingdom. The quarterly returns exhibit a net increase of £772,296, on the quarter, compared with the corresponding one of last year; this reduces the diminution of the revenue for the year to the sum of £305,103, and justifies the hope that the state of affairs in general is returning to a healthy and satisfactory state.

Lord Montrouier takes his seat in the House of Lords as Earl of Carlisle, by the death of his father, the late Earl, who died on the 7th ult., aged 76.

THE CANADIAN LAND AND RAILWAY ASSOCIATION.—On the 11th instant, one of a series of district public meetings, for the purpose of explaining the objects of the above association was held in London, Mr. Wilder presiding. The prospects having been read, Mr. Campbell addressed the meeting. The distress of the labouring classes and the universal desire for emigration and colonization had induced the promoters to set on foot a scheme embracing in a comprehensive degree both those objects, without in the least degree desiring to compete with any other companies. The plan was laid before the public to stand or fall on its own intrinsic merits. The principal object of the association was the formation of a line of railway from Halifax to Quebec—a distance of 600 miles, with a capital of £2,000,000, in shares of £5 each. The plan had already received the approbation of several distinguished noblemen and members of Parliament, and they only waited for the scheme to receive popular support, in order to become trustees. The speaker then read a petition praying parliamentary sanction and aid, which being adopted, the meeting separated.—European Times.

ASSOCIANCE OF AGRICULTURE AND GRAZING.—The Duke of Rutland, at a recent agricultural meeting, thus recounted the experiences of a recent yachting excursion:—“I never in my life was more astonished than in seeing a farm belonging to Mr. Littledale, at Birkenhead. It was most extraordinary; and I shall most undoubtedly request my bailiff, Mr. Cattle, to go down and look over it. The day I was there, I met the bailiff of the Duke of Bedford, who told me that he was going to tell his lord and master that they knew nothing of farming at Youghal. I was at an agricultural show in Argyl, at which the greatest importance seemed to be attached to premiums for the best stock, the most deserving labourers, &c., like those given here. At Inverness, I was at a very large wool-fair; and what struck me as being very extraordinary was that not a single lot or even sample was shown. Such is the good will there is between man and man, that they are content to purchase large quantities of wool without ever seeing what it is.” Then again he described my excursion to Orkney, and said that there I found the same anxiety to promote the improvement of agriculture in the utmost degree, and there a gentleman who was building a magnificent castle, and who had on his estate four model farms, with £1,000 per-

sons, for whose welfare he was anxiously looking. He had so often crossed his sheep with Leicester and Cheviot flocks, that they were now nearly pure. At Kirkwall, I bought for the use of my schooner a pure Leicester sheep that weighed 101 pounds; and that was not much inferior to Mr. Guy's.”

Hudson's Bay Produce.—The first arrival, in England, for the season, of the annual importation of skins and furs from the possessions of the Hudson's Bay Company in the northern regions of America, has taken place. The vessel, Prince Albert, has arrived in the docks from Hudson's Bay, having on board 47 bales, 13 casks, 14 headgears, 23 cases, and 17 pouches of skins, furs, &c., besides 6 packages of castor, 67 bags of feathers, and 23 barrels of whale oil.

FRANCE.—Turning to the affairs of this distracted country, we are met by the threatening prospect of a change in the person by whom the supreme authority is to be exercised. General Cavaignac has for some months successfully maintained comparative tranquillity in the Republic by keeping the Capital in a state of siege. The French have been ruled by an Autocrat, but he has not had the name of King. Cavaignac's reign seems to be near its end.

The National Assembly has decided by an overwhelming majority of 612 against 211, that the President shall be elected by direct and universal suffrage by ballot, and by an absolute majority. A variety of amendments were proposed with a view to modify the rule and to confer the power of nomination upon the Assembly, but they were all rejected by large majorities, and the people of France will now decide upon the person whom they desire to elevate to the new dignity. In its final form the vote stands, that the President is to be nominated by secret scrutiny, and by the absolute majority of the voters, by the direct suffrage of all the electors of the departments of France and Algeria. The vote was in this shape carried by 627 to 133. In the event of no absolute majority, the National Assembly will elect the President by ballot, and by a simple majority, from among the five candidates who may obtain the largest number of suffrages. This final decision of the Assembly crushes the power of General Cavaignac. In vain M. Martat and himself, with their “tail,” used all their influence to perpetuate their power, by leaving the election to the Assembly; the whole scheme sunk under them, and their continuance in power would be impossible in any other country except France. There has been accordingly, a sort of ministerial crisis in France during the week, and no man can divine how it will terminate.

The candidates for the Presidency will be General Cavaignac, Lamartine, Thiers, and Louis Napoleon Bonaparte. At least these are the names generally spoken of at present. The three first may bring a considerable party influence into the scale; but we are inclined to believe that, whatever the number of candidates may be, thereby lessening the chance of any one obtaining the absolute majority required, nevertheless, the name of Bonaparte will carry such uncontrollable influence amongst the ignorant peasantry and the soldiery, besides other masses of citizens, that we can deem his election as certain as anything can be in France. The hon. representative has spoken about ten times in the tribune, and, of course, has been ridiculed without mercy by the government organs, especially for his German accent, whilst some have the boldness to state that his speech was full of figura!

It is currently stated in the Paris papers of Wednesday, that M. M. Seznec, Rétif, and Vandebille, the colleagues of General Cavaignac, have tendered their resignations. It is said that M. Dufaure is to be the new Home Minister. M. Havin for Public Instruction; and General Bedane for Foreign Affairs, in lieu of M. Bastide, who will become Minister of Public Works. It is added that M. Martin and Gaudchaux will also retire, but their successors are not yet named. General Cavaignac seems to be aiming rather for the good of the Republic than consulting his own tranquillity by remaining in office until the President of the Republic shall be chosen. However, there appears now to be a general desire to get this important election over as soon as possible; and the 15th of November is even named by some parties as the day when the election will take place. The remaining points of the constitution may be settled in the private debating societies, whilst the question of who shall have the real power of the state in France is decided by the suffrages of the French people.

TRADE OF FRANCE.—A statement of the foreign trade of France during the eight months of this year, compared with the corresponding period of last, shows a great falling off in the number of vessels employed. The arrivals, compared with the like period in 1847, were less by 770,568 tons, and the departures by 161,514 tons—an extraordinary decay, even allowing for the extraordinary circumstances that occasioned it. In the stocks of produce in the French Government ware-houses there was at the end of August, notwithstanding the diminished arrivals, a very great increase—the strongest possible illustration we can have of the derangement of business and its effect upon consumption.

HO-PITAL-REBELLION.—There was an insurrection of a singular character on Friday morning in the hospital of the Hotel-Dieu, at Marseilles. Some female patients having shown great insubordination, they were put for a day upon bread and water diet. As soon as this was announced to them, they broke out into the most violent invectives against the surgeon who gave the order, and if he had not made his escape, the most cruel extremities would have been resorted to against him, for not only were threats of murder uttered, but they were about to be carried into execution. The women, after the escape of the surgeon, became quite furious. They formed an enormous barricade in their ward with their bedding and whatever they could lay hands on; behind which they stood with their arms akimbo, their eyes flashing fire, singing national songs and dowering speeches calling upon each other to take an oath to die rather than capitulate.

It became necessary to call in the armed force. Still the forces refused to yield, and began to break the windows, and at length showed a determination to set fire to the barricade. Fortunately, however, they were at last prevailed upon to give up their leaders, on condition of the rest being amnestied, and these leaders were at once marched off to prison between two ranks of soldiers.

From ITALY we have no interesting news. It seems that hostilities are not renewed and, indeed, whilst the French Government has so many domestic affairs to settle, it would be much to be desired that she should waste her strength about foreign affairs. An amnesty has been published at Milan by the Austrians. We are still in the dark about the progress of the mediation question; it is, however, beyond

all doubt that Austria would never yield an inch of Lombardy. Genoa and Tuscany appear to be again tranquil, and the threats of Charles Albert, of renewing hostilities, are wisely forgotten amidst calmer counsels.

The intelligence from NAPLES and Sicily is more tranquilising, but the belligerents having been stayed in their career of destruction by France and England, heap upon both the most vindictive reproaches. The English ships of war seem especially obnoxious. The Sicilians are organising a defence at every point, so that the Neapolitans march on Palermo.

AUSTRIA.—The Emperor seems to have lost the confidence of his subjects; whether he will be able to recover it by the arms of the Croats, is doubtful, but it is in every way desirable that the anarchy which has for some time prevailed in the Austrian Capital and in Hungary should terminate—yet not so as to secure tranquillity by the counsels and administration of the Ban of Croatia and his hordes of semi-savages. We cut from the *Ent. Times*:

We were enabled in a postscript last week, to announce the assassination or rather butchery, of Count Lamberg, the Commander-in-Chief of Hungary. Whilst in the act of bringing about a pacification of the contending Hungarians and Croatians, he was cruelly slain by the mob, who recognised him as he was crossing the bridge from Ilva la (Open) to Pesth. The war seems now to have assumed a determinate character. The Emperor of Austria has thrown off the mask; and maddened at the murder of his brave Lieutenant, Count Lamberg, who had been sent to compose the differences between his own subjects, he has dissolved the Hungarian Diet; has appointed anew Jellachich, Commander in Chief of all the armed troops in Hungary and the Allied Kingdoms, with despotic powers; and has placed Hungary under martial law. It is now clear that Jellachich has been throughout secretly supported by the Emperor, and the contest between the Croatians and the Hungarians will be severe. The former had advanced near Pesth, and last week it was thought that the Croatians had conquered the Hungarians in a complete victory.

With the latter intelligences, the following seems to be at variance:

The Croats, under their Ban, Baron Jellachich, sustained a severe defeat on the 29th ult., in the neighbourhood of Stuhlwiesenburg. The following are the details of the action given by the *Austrian Log's Gazette* on the 29th September, at a quarter to 11 o'clock in the morning. Jellachich, at the head of his army, issued forth from the gates of Stuhlwiesenburg, his picked troops in the van. He attacked the right wing of the Hungarian army with his main body. Two companies of the national guards were the first attacked, and fell back in disorder; but rallying, advanced steadily with fixed bayonets, and drove the Croatians back with slaughter. Jellachich is understood to have caused a charge and placing himself at the head of them, advanced full speed on the Hungarian infantry. The Hungarian cavalry were drawn up in battle array in beautiful order. As the cavalry came rushing on, a masked battery of the Hungarian Landwehr, stationed on a hill-side, and supported by a body of infantry, sent a mitraille valley of bullets into the close column of the horsemen, who retired in disorder. The Hungarian horses charged in their turn, and a hand to hand conflict ensued, which lasted from eleven in the morning till five in the afternoon. General Meggy, who commanded the Hungarians, displayed the greatest skill and coolness. At six o'clock the artillery ceased playing, and the Croatian army withdrew slowly in an easterly direction. A council of war was immediately held in the Hungarian camp, fearing that the enemy should attack them at Chalvar, Bia, and Biske, and attack Obran another point; they resolved, consequently, to withdraw to Mackayavaras, to preserve the city against a *coup de main*. The field of battle was left in possession of the Hungarians, who have to deplore the loss of Valanta, one of their leaders, who was made a prisoner.

The Emperor has dissolved the Hungarian Diet, reprobating them for their illegal proceedings; he placed Hungary under martial law, appointing Jellachich Commander-in-Chief and Royal Commissioner, with almost unlimited power. But the following article gives an account of events which seem to set the Croat a much more difficult task than simply subduing the spirit of the Magyars:

The German mail has brought tidings of another insurrection and revolution in Vienna, which has terminated, like the first, in the defeat of the military and the flight of the Emperor. The signal for the present uprising (on the 7th of October) was given by the attempt of the Government or the War Minister to remove from the capital certain regiments which had shewn sympathy with the popular party. The people prevented the departure of these regiments, which finally joined them, and for the first time in the revolutionary events of Germany a body of soldiers were found on the side of insurrection. The Minister of War, Count Latour, has shared the fate of Count Lamberg and the two Zichys; and Vienna was in the possession of the insurgents on the 7th. The honours that have been conferred on the Ban have been revoked, and it is now to be seen whether he will act up to his asserted intentions—to replace the Emperor firmly on his throne. His army is nearer Vienna than Pesth. The killed in this insurrection are stated at 150; wounded from 500 to 600.

DENMARK AND THE DECIBERS.—We have so lately the theatre of war, the intelligence received during the week is gratifying. The Provisional Government of Schleswig-Holstein (Blesler, Reventlow, Schnadt, and Bremer) have taken up their official abode in Schleswig, “important state reasons” having compelled them reluctantly, to quit the fortress of Rendsburg. Nothing certain is known as yet respecting the future members of the new Government, but it is understood that all but final arrangements with regard to the modifications of the conditions of the truce are concluded between the Danish commissioners and the representatives of the central executive in Frankfort.

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Saxony continues unquiet; Carlist rumours and attempts against the Queen's Government are reported by nearly every arrival.

From Portugal, nothing of any interest is reported.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.—Papers have been received from this colony to the 8th August, which announce that Pretorius had completely cut off and surrounded Major Warden at Bloem Fontein, on the 17th July. Pretorius had offered him terms of capitulation, which, as he had only a force of 57 men, and was encumbered with about 200 women and children, against about 1,000 Boers, Major Warden deemed it prudent to accept. The terms were to respect life and property, and to supply Major Warden with wagons, &c., to transport himself and forces to the Cape Colony. The military movements of the Government were progressing with promptitude. The progress of his Excellency towards the seat of the disturbances is said to be marked by manifestations of the most satisfactory character. In reply to an address presented to him, he assured the colonists that he was determined to make an example of all whom he found in arms against her Majesty; and that he would certainly hang every man whom he found exciting the people to revolt from their allegiance.

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YOUTH'S CORNER.

JUBILEE OF THE CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

A. Conversation between a Missionary and his little boy.

"What does it mean, Papa, by the Jubilee?" inquired a little boy recently of his father.

"What Jubilee do you mean?" was the reply.

Son.—Why, Papa, I saw some tracts on your table about the Jubilee of the Church Missionary Society, which is to be kept at the beginning of next November, and I don't quite know what it means.

Father.—Well, I will explain it to you. Have you not read about the year of Jubilee in the Old Testament?

S.—Yes, Papa, I have; but I don't recollect it very well.

F.—You know the meaning of the word Sabbath, don't you?

S.—O yes! it means rest; resting from work, does it not?

F.—Right. And do you know how many rests, or Sabbaths, there were among the Israelites, according to the law of Moses?

S.—There was the Sabbath once in seven days, when they rested from work; and I think there was a Sabbath-year, once in seven years, when for a whole year, if I remember right, they rested from cultivating the fields.

F.—Quite right; and, besides this, when they had kept the seventh, or sabbath year, seven times, they kept another year also, which was called the Jubilee year. Now can you tell me how often the Jubilee year came?

S.—Let me see: the seventh year seven times—that is, seven times seven is forty-nine—and then another year, that makes fifty. Was it once in fifty years, then, Papa?

F.—Yes. Every fiftieth year was the Jubilee year.

S.—But what was it for? What did they do that year? I should like to know.

F.—Well, you may read it, by and by, in the 25th chapter of Leviticus, from the 8th verse to the end. I may just tell you now, briefly, that in that year every Israelite who had become a slave was set free, and returned to his own family; and every man who had sold or lost his lands and possessions had them restored to him again. It was the year when every thing was set to rights again: the slave and the captive were set free, and the poor man again made happy.

S.—That must have been a joyful year to them, I should think. Were they not all very happy?

F.—Yes; and to show their joy, they blew the trumpet all through the land, and proclaimed liberty to the captives, and permission to every body to claim his own lands and possessions. But, though this was a joyful year, it did not begin on a joyful day.

S.—Indeed! Why, how was that, Papa?

F.—It began on the day of atonement, when the high priest, and all the people humbled themselves on account of their sins against God. It was immediately after this humiliation and abatement for sin that the trumpet of Jubilee began to sound; showing us that the deliverance of the soul, and real joy in the Lord, must come after repentance and forgiveness of sins.

S.—But, Papa, we are not Jews, and this was a long time ago. How can the Church Missionary Society keep such a Jubilee?

F.—I will tell you. You know, first of all, that the Jubilee among the Jews was a type of the Gospel, and of Christianity. Do you know what a type is?

S.—Why, Papa, I think it's like the picture, or the model, of a thing. When I draw a picture of a man running, or make a model of a church, the picture isn't the man, and he is not really running, and the model is not the church; but it shows what I had in my mind. Isn't a type something like that?

F.—It is a little different; but I see you understand it pretty well. Well, then, the Jubilee is a sort of picture or little model of the Gospel of Christ, in this way—All mankind have become sinners, and are under the power of Satan, just like captives and slaves. All their goodness and happiness is gone, and they have become poor and wretched before God, full of sin, with no power to save themselves, and no hope of happiness in the world to come. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. He took our sins upon Himself. He obeyed the law, which we had broken, and suffered death for us upon the cross. That was the real day of atonement, and from that time the Gospel has been preached; telling poor sinners that Jesus delivers them from Satan's power, from the slavery of sin, and restores to them the favour of God, and the hope of heaven, which they had lost. Now, the preaching of the Gospel is like the trumpet of Jubilee sounded on the day of atonement among the Jews: that was the picture, this is the reality. Now just read what Christ Himself said in the synagogue at Nazareth, in the 4th chapter of St. Luke's Gospel:

Son reads: "And there was delivered unto Him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written, The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He hath anointed me to preach the Gospel to the poor: He hath sent me to heal the broken-hearted, to proclaim deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind; to set at liberty them that are bruised; to preach the acceptable year of the Lord."

F.—There, don't you see that our Lord came to proclaim the real Jubilee, which He there calls "the acceptable year of the Lord?"

S.—O yes; now I see that it is always Jubilee with us; if we are true Christians, and Jesus delivers us from our sins.

F.—Yes, my boy, that's the point. You must be delivered from the power of Satan, and the miserable slavery of sin in your heart; or else the Gospel will be of no more use to you than the sound of the Jubilee trumpet was to the Jew who never claimed his freedom, or the possession of his land.

S.—I understand that, Papa, and I know that I must pray to God to save me in this way. But this does not explain the Missionary Jubilee next November.

F.—We are coming to that now. You see that among the Jews, the fiftieth year was a very great and joyful year, and it came only once in a man's life-time. And so it has been customary, often since, for people to keep the fiftieth year as a season of rejoicing and thankfulness to God. Thus, when King George the Third had reigned over England fifty years, there was a great Jubilee day kept throughout England, and the people had feasts and illuminations; and public services and thanksgivings to God were held in the Churches.

S.—Oh! that was very nice. How I wish that Queen Victoria may reign fifty years, and that I may be alive at her Jubilee, I am sure I would go to Church, and sing praises to God for it with all my heart.

F.—Amen, my dear boy. May God fulfil your wishes, both of them. But now the Church Missionary Society's Jubilee.

S.—O yes! I forgot that just then. How is it, then, Papa? Is it the Church Missionary Society only fifty years old?

F.—You have it. It began its fiftieth year last April the 12th. It ought to be seven times fifty years old; but alas! our fathers, when they cast off Popery more than 300 years ago, had so much to think of in their own land that they forgot the duty of the Church to Heathen lands; and, though the Gospel was proclaimed in England and in Europe, yet the other parts of the world heard not the joyful sound. But, fifty years ago, God put it in the hearts of His people to think of the poor captives of sin and ignorance in foreign lands, who are altogether in the bondage of Satan, worshipping false gods, and even devils, because they have lost all knowledge of the true God. At that time the Church Missionary Society was established.

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