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LONGING FOR HOME, PRALM CXXXVII.

Far from my heavenly home. Far from my Father's breast, Fainting I cry, blest Spirit, come, And speed me to my rest!

Upon the willows long My harp has silent hung: How should I sing a cheerful song, Till thou inspire my tongue?

My spirit homeward turns, And fain would thither flee , My heart, O Zion, droops and yearns, When I remember thee.

To thee, to thee, I press, A dark and toilsome road. When shall I pass the wilderness, And reach the saints' abode?

God of my life, be near! On theo my hopes I cast:
O, guide me through the desert here, And bring me home at last! REV. H. F. LYTE.

MINISTERIAL RESPONSIBILITY.

SERMON PREACHED BY THE RIGHT REV. C. P. MCLEVAINE, D. D., BISHOP OF OHIO, AT THE CONSECRATION OF THE REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D., TO BE BISHOP OF DELAWARE.

" Take heed unto thyself and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shall both save thyself and them that hear thee."-1 Timothy iv. 16.

But let us bring the injunction of the text within more definite bounds. Our first appli-

cation of it then is-"Take heed to thyself," that thou be a genuine disciple of Christ, truly converted unto God. What an awful thing for a man to say that he trusts he is "inwardly moved by the Holy Ghost" to this office and ministration, if he have no reason to trust that he has ever so far received the Holy Ghost as to have repented of his sins and become, except in sacramental profession, a child of God. But that such cases do occur, it were not charity, but blindness, to question. Alas! to preach to others, and even he instrumental in bringing some of them to Christ for ever, and then ourselves be cast away! Did even St. Paul feel the need of the greatest care lest such should be his case? How much more should we take heed that it be not ours. "Examine yourselves whether ye be in the faith!" There are circumstances which render a minister peculiarly liable to put a favourable estimate on his state. That busy employment and familiar contact with spiritual things which, if we are alive towards God, promotes our growth in grace, will, if we are living in a merely formal state, but confirm our formality. That which one may be doing only as a minister, he may easily be persuaded is done as a Christian; mere professional consistency may easily appear as if it were pious obedience; a certain degree of interest in the ministry and love for the church, for her dignified order and venerable forms of worship, which may arise from no higher source than our being personally identified therewith, or their being associated with a long retrospect of centuries and the Christian's privileges : that divine commandhistory of a noble army of martyrs; this, ments are not more enforced by divine pro-joined to a reverential familiarity with the Scriptures, a blameless life before men, a ready our pilgrimage displayed as connected with sympathy in the cause of humanity, a zeal the fulness of that Rock that follows us, and for what we think true doctrine, and to bring which makes streams in the desert: the duty others to its adoption, and then its being taken for granted by those around us that we are truly Christian men because Christian ministers -all this may easily persuade us that all is well within, while in the sight of God, there may be no spiritual life in us. Oh, let us fear lest, while distributing bread to the poor, we perish with want; lest while inviting sinners to put on the righteousness of Christ, by faith, we should not touch so much as the hem of his garment. To worship an unknown God, preach an unknown Saviour, and yet be answerable for the whole work of an ambassador of Christ, what a fearful state! Our Lord has warned us that in the great day there will be many who will be found in this condemnation-men who, when the door is shut and they shall be standing without, dreadfully dismayed, will plead their ministry :- " Have from "the pinnacle of the temple;" their unction, an anthess of heart, for the treatment plunge the deeper into everlasting fire. God of these themes, arising out of a near intigrant unto us, not only that we may always preach the whole Gospel, but in doing so, may speak what we do personally know, and

But the minister of Christ must take heed unto himself that he be not only a man of true piety, but of eminent piety i not only in grace, but growing in grace-a lively and flourishing Christian. I would, therefore, urge the unspeakable importance that men of God, standing in the holy place of his temple, and charged with all his messages to mankind, should aim at exalted attainments in grace. And in doing this, I would confine my temarks to the necessity of high attainments in picty, for the faithful, persevering, successful prosecution of the various duties of the

The tide of our faithfulness, in the main channel, and in all the miner branches and in-lets of duty, will ebb and flow precisely as the well of living water which is in us, from Christ, shall spring up, feebly, or vigorously, Llord had a message to be delivered to his unto everlasting life. Is the heart, of our piety beating strongly for God? Alevery ser-mon, every pastoral duty will feel its bounding

and when it is confused, my preaching is con-fused. We are the nurses of Christ's little this was a view of God in his infinite majesty ones. If we forbear taking food ourselves, greatly affected in our conceptions, and re-

presentations, and applications of them, by the state of religion in our hearts, but that a very large and most interesting portion of the subject matter of our preaching must be prereligious affections be in a tender, earnest,

speak of the shortness and uncertainty of human life, and describe the awfulness of an ready with alacrity of spirit to say, in view unforgiven sinner; to do all this, and much of any duty, "Here am I, send me." unforgiven sinner; to do all this, and much more of the same kind, with force, feeling, plainness, usefulness, is comparatively easy where there is real piety, though it be not it would be profitable to consider how an a piety of much life. But when we come to carnest state of pious affections will contrithe more secret ways and dealings of the bute to furnish endless variety to our dis-Lord with his people: when the object is to lead the Christian believer within the inner

veil, and show him that interior sanctuary of the grace of God into which the natural man cannot look; when the promises of God, in the trumpet, the Christian is to be made to hear the words of his covenant God, but in "the

still, small roice," of divine compassion and tenderness; when the duty is to encourage the timid, revive the desponding, strengthen the weak, persuade the unwilling, by such arguments as spring from the amazing love of Christ to sinners, and his being "able to do for us exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us," then to speak "the truth as it is in Jesus," requires a kind of intimacy therewith which nothing but close,

give. These are notes which only the higher strings of our harp, and those fresh tuned and high strung to the praise of God, can reach. These are the secrets of the Lord, of which words can only reveal the types and shadows; and of which we can only speak as the Lord would have us speak, in proportion as, like the angels, we are constantly "desiring to look" into them, and for this purpose are much "with God in the mount," and so become ufilled with the knowledge of his will in all

wisdom and spiritual understanding." Hence

it is that we have not a larger proportion of

such preaching: that the tenderness of God's

compassion and love to draw the hearts of

habitual, affectionate intercourse of heart can

sinners is not oftener used, instead of the awfulness of his wrath: that Christian duties are not oftener set out in the company of the innected with of implicit obedience and daily self denial,

associated with the equal duty of rejoicing

in hope of the glory of God, the shepherd often ascending with his flock to some mount of blessing, and contemplating with them the rest that remaineth for the people of God." A heart in spiritual dulness and languor has no skill for the handling of such themes, and is afraid of them. There may remain all our wonted powers of reasoning force of description, liveliness of imagination readiness in exposition; but all lacking the

only wing that can float in that higher element of spiritual truth. Many a popular and awakening preacher, never attains that height. But what a large part of the whole counsel of God must needs be kept back, or delivered most defectively; how much of the glory of God, which it is his people's privilege, " with

name cast out devils, and in thy name done many wonderful works? but to whom will provided of God for the devils. issue the irrevocable sentence—"Depart, all people, must be kept under the hand of the ye workers of iniquity." Their fall will be Priest within the veil, if there be not an

of these themes, arising out of a near intimacy of experience with them.
What is most required for such views, and their appropriate exhibition and cordial entestify what we have seen, and felt, and folforcement, is a deep experience of the power of divine things upon our own affections, hopes, and spiritual enjoyment; a deep sense of the preciousness of the several parts of

Gospel truth, as they all centre in Christ Eminently is it true of such views that they are spiritually discerned." According to St. Paul, we must be " rooted and grounded in love," that we "may be able to comprehend what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height, and to know the love of Christ which passeth knowledge." The deep places of contrition and of humility are most npedful aids in such contemplations. We see the stars in the day time, by going down into

apit. How full of instruction concerning the preparation of spirit for the bearing of the message of the Gospel, is that chapter wherein Isajah speaks of his seeing the Lord, with the scraphing standing before him. The

A Reformed Pastor.

pulse. Baxter said, "I publish to my flock people Israel. But, before the prophet could become "mighty through God," and many ternal performances, while the heart is not the distempers of my own soul. When I let my heart grow cold, my preaching is cold; and when it is confused, my preaching is confused. We make the distance of the local my heart grow cold, my preaching is cold; and when it is confused, my preaching is confused. We make the many such honour. The way to my or the many such honour. The way to my or the many such honour. The way to my or the many such honour is few words upon the many such honour. and holiness. He "saw the Lord, high and lifted up," his train filling the temple, and we shall famish them. If we let our love decline, we are not likely to raise theirs.?" his train filling the temple, and before him the winged and veiled scraphin, trequires but little reflection to perceive, not only that all the parts of divine truth must be the Lord of Hosts." The prophet could not wreatly affected in our concentions and rebear the view. Self abasement at once appeared. "IVo is me, (he cried) for I am a man of unclean lips." His next preparation for the message was hope and peace with God, through the sacrifice of atonement. One sented so formally and artificially, except our of the scraphim came down and took a live coal from the altar of sacrifice, and touched growing state, that for the most part it will be left out, and other matter more easily treated by a cold heart, will be substituted. To exhibit the commandments and penalties of the law, with the great outlines of the way of to humble ourselves before him, as miserable salvation, by the Gospel; to depict, in general sinners, and continually to find consolation in terms, the wisdom, excellence, and benefit of a religious life; to warn the impenitent by the terrors of the Lord: to vindicate Christian doctrine, exhort to diligence in all duty, plying them to our hearts, the more we shall the control of the Lord and he be prepared for the work of the Lord, and be

But this part of our subject is too wide. and I am enlarging too far. Were there time, earnest state of pious affections will contricourses, filling the mouth with arguments which otherwise would not be thought of causing us to see passages of Scripture in various aspects and applications, in a beauty and richness of interest which otherwise would all their fulness of love and consolation, and not appear; making old views to return with the privileges of the sons of God in all their fresh interest, by being seen through a grownot appear; making old views to return with glory, are to be displayed; when, not in the ing engagedness of heart, and from ever thunder, nor the earthquake, nor the blast of changing and higher positions in the way of

our_pilgrimage.

Then, again, opportunities of usefulness, how do they multiply, how ingenious we become in discovering and making them, when once we are all alive to their value and improvement! Trials and discouragements, such as we have constantly to meet in carrying our messages to a world lying in wickedness; all those frosts and mists under which we are so tempted to complain and despond, to seek little and expect less, how is their evil changed to good, by the alchemy of a truly spiritual mind; how will a heart animated and buoyant with faith and love, mount over all waves of opposition or affliction, as a life boat in a storm! What lightness and alacrity will it have in all duty! "I will run the way of thy commandments (saith David) when thou hast columned my heart." Yes, verily, the secret of all diligence, energy, pleasure, success in duty, is a heart enlarged by the love of God. Then are the crooked ways made straight and the rough ways plain, "the lame man leaps as the hart," "the longue of the dumb sings." "For the love of Christ constraineth us." Oh! that golden chain of perfect freedom; that binding yoke of most sweet and willing bondage! See St. Paul, the bondsman of Christ, going out to his daily service of labours and perils, chanting his morning song, and saying, "Most gladly will I glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. Yea, I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake, for to the Rev. Messrs. Miles and Taylor, from tnen am I strong "Strong in the Lord and in the power of his might," was St. Paul. But his strength was the strength of faith. And his strong faith worked by constraining, overcoming love, and thus he was "fruitful in every good work and ever increasing in the knowledge of God, strengthened with all might according to God's glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness." What a poor thing, in the ministry of the gospel, is the man of great learning and eloquence and force of argument, whose preaching wants the vital warmth and spiritual carnestness of a single zeal for Christ and love for the souls of men. Weigh him in the balance of the sanctuary! Estimate him in view of the judgment day! Think of him as he will appear when he and all are receiving the fruits of embracing or rejecting the Gospel! Compare him, before God, with the man of far inferior gifts who to the Master's work unites the Master's spirit, and does, with all his heart, as though God did beseech men by him, pray them to be reconciled to God. With how many tongues does the latter preach. If any forget his words, none can forget his evident sincerity and solemn earnestness. The sermon from

of one realizing the weight of his message and the worth of souls, cannot pass away. Think, moreover, of the power of the daily example of one who thus lives under the impression of the word he preaches, feeding upon the bread, relying upon the hopes maintaining the daily walk with God which he entreats others to adopt. His sermons are only occasional. His example is always. His sermons are only in the church. His example is wherever he goes. His sermons all may not fully understand. His example is a universal language. The child, the man the gainsayer and the believer, alike under stand it and must read it, and take impressions from it, concerning the soul, and eternity, and Christ, and holiness.

the lips may not be retained. The sermon

preached by the whole spirit of the man, as

Think, moreover, of the unseen influence ndded to the public ministry of such a man of God, from his nearness to the throne of grace, and his greater faith and constancy in prayers for those that hear him. Ila has them, as St. Paul had the Philippians, in his brart; so that they all are parlakers of his grace, and he longs after them all in the bawels of Jesus Christ. Thus the weapons of his warfare

But I must conclude, not however without a few words upon the precious assurance of courch shall say to each of us, if found faithful, "Well done good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." Let us animate our hearts with thoughts of such bliss; especially when the burden is great and the specially when the special when the burden is great, and the trials of patience are many, and the temptation is strong to yield to the current of worldliness around us, and do our Master's work coldly, negligently, living unto ourselves, seeking our own ease; then let us think of our own souls, and look forward to what God hath prepared in his kingdom for faithful servants, till our hearts burn within us for "the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

But, "them that hear thee" shalt thou also save. Thou shalt be the instrument, under God, of saving them from eternal anguish, and making them partakers of everlasting joy. Oh! the flood of joy that will come over the soul of the faithful minister of Christ, when after having found his own election sure, he shall see the many blessed, glorified saints, in the same inheritance, whom his ministry, through grace, did bring there, and when next to the honour they render unto him who washed them in his blood, they shall come about him to call him blessed, and acknowledge the sweet fruits of his labours to their souls. Ah! we know not what we shall be. Little can we conceive of such bliss. We know something now of the joy of beholding a sinner turned unto God through our ministry. But our love to the souls of men, our estimate of their value, our benevolence, is so feeble. How little we know what is done, when a soul is saved. But then, when we shall have gone to Christ, "we shall be like him;" like him in the tenderness of his compassion and the fulness of his love; like him in the joy with which he will behold the multitudes without number of his redeemed and glorified Church. Then shall we know the blessedness of having been instrumental in saving them that heard us. We shall meet them ever and ever, for eternity, in their glory, and every new sight of them will be to us fresh fulness of joy. Such the motive of faithfulness in our work! Such the argument for taking heed to ourselves and our doctrine! The Lord help us! The Lord bless his word at our lips! The Lord look down from heaven upon his servant, now to be made a shepherd of his shepherds, and his flocks, under him the chief "Shepherd and Bishop of souls," and grant him grace for all his work, so that in spite of all the opposition of the devil, the flesh and the world, he may both save his own soul and the souls of them that hear him, through the in-working Spirit and the interceding righteousness of our Lord Jesus Christ!

To whom, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

MISSIONARY INSTRUCTIONS.

the Prot. Episcopal Church in the U.S. to Mesopotamia, December 16, 1843.

. . . We must impress upon you our deep conviction—a conviction in which we are confirmed by the experience of the misstrument of this reformation must be the preaching of the Gospel.

The circulation of the Scriptures, and of their ancient Liturgy, the education of the young, the preparation of sound religious works, are all most important means, which may be profitably used in the work of religious reformation, and may hereafter claim your attention; but they are subordinate to the grand ordinance appointed by God-the

preaching of the Gospel. The sooner you can press on the work of preaching the Gospel, the sooner will you be enabled to bring into operation these other modes for the religious improvement of the

It was by the preaching of Cranmer, and Latimer, and Ridley, and Hooper, and Jewell, and others, that the minds of our British forefathers were enlightened; by which they were led to wise and temperate reform; which paved the way for the translation and circulation of the Scriptures, the revisions of the Liturgy, and the publication of sound and learned treatises on religion.

And, as we have already observed, the importance of thus giving yourselves to preaching, is pressed upon us very earnestly by our first missionary to that region.

He speaks of the "want of preaching, as among the great wants of the Syrian Church. This ordinance, so eminently blessed of God, for the salvation of those that believe, if not lost among the Syrians, prevails to an exceedingly limited extent, and is wholly without life or productiveness."

"I have commonly heard," says Mr. Southgate, in one of his letters, "of such subjects as fasting, and frequent communion; and the bestowing of alms, and the moral virtues being insisted upon—all excellent in their place, and important, but not enough when presented alone, and even dangerous when presented exclusively. It is such preaching as this which makes the Syrians run too much about in the beaten circle of ex-

. The Rev. H. Southgale, now Missionary Biskop for Turkey.

fed, and the whole man grows not up towards a persect stature in Christ. Man's ruin, and the Saviour's love, purity of heart, and growth the text—" In so doing thou shalt both save thyself and them that hear thee." Thou shalt God, devotion to His service, and an entire save thyself! What a motive to diligence, faithfulness, earnestness, constancy till death! the miseries of hell, the deep deprayity and them the deep deprayity and the deep department of the deep deprayity and the deep department of t

some, being your grand object : and the chief instrument, under God, of attaining it, being the preaching of these truths, prepare your-selves, while prudently considering all the peculiarities of your position, to be perpetur l preachers. In season and out of season-to the learned and the unlearned-to the rich and the poor-in the church, or in your own house, or in the homes of the people—to the crowd, or to the individual—everywhere, but with wisdom, be ready to spread the knowledge of salvation. Press torward, as did St. Paul, wherever opportunity may offer, ever ready to testify both to small and greatto clergy and people—the things which belong to the kingdom of God.

And, in preaching, we need not say to you, that there is no book with which to begin, continue, and end your instructions, except the Bible.

In all the missions of the Church of Rome, so famed for the number, ability, learning; boldness, and perseverance of the labourers employed, there was "one grand principle wanting?2—that of drawing directly from the sacred oracles, and communicating, by means of them, DIRECTLY, the knowledge of Divine truth. They have failed because they were "Missionaries without the Bible."

If, confessedly, the Gospel is to be preached to every creature, as certainly it is the word which is to be preached. Draw, then, your instructions directly from the sacred volume, which should be ever in your hands and on your lips. This will be acknowledged as authority by those whom you address; and when you would press upon their hearts and consciences the duty of repentance towards God and faith towards our Lord Jesus Christ —when you would turn them from idols to serve the living God—when you would bring them to worship God, not only with outward rites, but with the homage of the heart-when you would urge upon them the solemn truth, that without holiness no man shall see the Lord, you will speak as men having authority, if like St. Paul, you "reason with them out of the Scriptures, opening and alleging" that those things are

RELIGION ALTOGETHER A WORK OF DIVINE GRACE.

Grace must be given to all who diligently seck for it. But, if we attend to the Scripture account of every man, woman, and child by nature, we shall find that this seeking also is the effect following upon grace received; not the cause producing it. By this I mean to say, that the very act of seeking grace proves that we have received grace already; and that the very ability to seek, is itself the free gift of God's sovereign grace. If "every thought of man's heart is evil, and that continually," surely it is not out of that heart that the first desire of any good thing can spring. If, by nature "there is none that seeketh after God," whence can the first attempt to seek him arise, but from free grace sionary already spoken of, that the great in- drawing us contrary to nature? Freely must grace be given to enable us to seek at first; and freely must it be continued, to enable us to go on seeking.

I know none shall seek the Lord in vain; none who come shall be cast out; none who believe shall come short of everlasting life; none who choose the better part shall have it taken from them; but then, none can seek the Lord unless he first seek them; none can come, except it be given them of the Father; none can believe, save as many as are ordained to eternal life; none can choose Christ, except he first choose them. If, again, we consider the magnitude of the change which must take place in every sinner's heart, before he can truly and earnestly seek God, we shall be convinced that no part of it is properly his own. He "must be born again;" must become a "new creature;" " old things must pass away, all things must become new;" he must "pass from death unto life;" "from darkness to light; from the power of Satan unto God; from "going about to establish his own righteousness, to submit himself to the righteousness of God;" and this, to a proud, carnal heart is the most difficult of all. And who is sufficient for these things? Who but He that first formed us in the womb, can cause us to be born again of the Spirit? Who but He that originally created us, is able to "create us anew in Christ Jesus ??? Who but the Giver of natural life can give us spiritual life, and quicken those that were "dead in trespasses and sins ?"

When the Lord of life stood by the grave of Lazarus, and said, "Lazurus, come forth;" who would say, that his act of lifting up himself was the cause of his being able to lift un himself? It is thus, when Jesus, by his word and Spirit, says to the heart of a sinier, "Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light?? Instantly that dead soul arises, and its first act is seeking, or prayer; but this same act of seeking is the effect of spiritual life, not the cause. We pray because we are alive, not that we muy live. We cannot quicken ourselves when dead in sin, any more than we

perform all those actions, which demonstrate the soul to be spiritually alive, as a dead body, when raised by Divine power, will surely perform all the functions of a living person. Grace, great grace, must be infused, to enable us to seek at all; and He who first gave grace to seek, will give more grace in answer to that seeking, thus fulfilling that precious Scripture which saith, "To him that hath, shall be given." We neither begin nor carry on the work of grace in our hearts. "Jesus is the Author and Finisher," "the Alpha and Omega," of our faith. From the first spark of grace that faintly glimmers upon us here, to the full blaze of glory which shall burst upon us in heaven—all, all, is his doing. It is He that made us alive, spiritually; not we ourselves. It is God who both begins the good work in us, and also will "perform it unto the day of Jesus Christ."—M. J. Graham.

The Berean.

QUEBEC, THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 1845.

Those subjects of Her Majesty in this Province who hailed the Union of the two Canadas as a means of binding the community together in one body, cannot but feel mortified at the partial repeals which our Legislature struction." And in truth, the exorbitant effects by acts of severance, rending the power assigned to the Superintendent is as united Province again into two, as it was before Lord Sydenham came to preside over the councils of this part of our Sovereign's more to be feared for the faith, than instrucdominions. The School Bill now before the House of Assembly is one of these measures. Whether, after all this, the Church can think committed to the Archbishop of the Province, Common Education in Canada West was legislated for separately by the last Provincial Parliament; a Bill for this part of the Province failed at that period, and is now Melanges Religieux with great interest. It under consideration. The question naturally contains a deal of sound, weighty truth; it presents itself, why cannot one and the same Bill do for the two divisions of Canada?

The answer will be readily given. The Canada the portion of the inhabitants which professes that faith, does not form so powerful a hody as to put forth demands for a meagiven them, the Church of Rome there will footing. But in Lower Canada, she requires Bill be made such as will unite those whose to be differently dealt with. Legislation has to be suited to her institutions first; that done, those who differ from her may make shift to have their ends answered as best may be done after her demands are complied with. Now, to test the fairness of this mode of proceeding, let us just for a moment suppose that the most numerous religious denomination in Upper Canada claimed a similar preponderance of her interests in the Provincial Legislature. Suppose a School Bill were brought in, framed so as just to fit into the parochial and missionary system of the Church of England, qualifying her Rectors and Churchwardens, upon payment of a sum of money by their Vestries, to be School Commissioners of "right," and conferring peculiar immunities upon an order of people found in no other communion but hers-what would be the general feeling and language on the part of Non-Episcopalians and of Roman Catholics too, on that subject? Yet, such essentially, putting "Church of Rome" instead of "Church of England," the course pursued in the framing of the Bill to which our last Editorial referred, and which our Correspondent dissected in his Memoranda: and in order to make such a course practicable-why, just repeal the Union for the purpose of Common School Education, but let it stand in other respects. Legislate for Lower Canada by itself. That is a way of getting over a difficulty, certainly.

In the mean time, the bill does not satisfy the Church of Rome neither. "We have seen with regret" say the Mélanges Religieux "that the Clergy, who hitherto have shown themselves so zealous and have done so much for elementary and collegiate instruction, are subject to an election, before they can exercise a right or function which Lord Stanley considered one of their special privileges. But what has still more astonished us is, that education properly so called, or dogmatic, moral, and religious instruction is not in any way guaranteed in this Bill. What do we say-guaranteed? There is no more mention made of it, as if there was no such thing as religion, or as if instruction could be given without its inseparable companion, religion. No care has been taken to secure her against larcal vexations or foreign encroachments. And yet, people will complain, because the Clergy separate themselves from their legislature, and oppose education. Whose fault will it be ? Can the Church renounce her rights, and strip herself of that in which she has her existence and her being? She would not be a Church then; a carcase she would be; a body with no life or, action except so far as it might be moved by an extraneous power.

How vain the attempt to conciliate the power which holds this language, unless its own terms be conceded to it! ... Dogmatic; moral, and religious instruction is inseparable, from public school education, and it ought necessarily to be under the control of the Church." Less than that cannot satisfy the writer of the article; and since in Lower Canada "the almost totality of the populabeen secured and yet that of other religious denominations not attacked,"

It gave us much pleasure, in our last number, to disavow all reference, in our remarks upon the excessive power committed to the Superintendent of Education, to the gentleman now filling this situation. We have not the honour of personal acquaintance with that officer, but if the Molanges judge correctly of him, new alarm must arise. After stating all that the Church of Rome demands, it is admitted that under the present Superintendent's management, there would be guarantee, and the Church would have nothing to fear: but, alas, the Superintendent is not "immortal" nor " unremoveable;" and moreover, he has masters over him, and could not always act according to the light which he has that "the Church is the infallible guardian of the faith." Now in proportion as this gentleman would be inclined to carry out the views thus set forth on behalf of the Church of Rome, he certainly could not be supposed to shift his persuasions and act with equal zeal to advance the interests of protestant Christians in the education of their children according to the views which they entertain of "dogmatic religious inmuch objected to by the Melanges as by us : "We ask whether such authority is not yet herself secure ?"

states fairly and openly what the Church of Rome, in order to be true to her unalterable character, must claim. But then it must preponderance of the Roman Catholic religion strike every enlightened legislator that such in Lower Canada requires it. In Upper claims cannot be accorded to her by the leading features of a bill designed to provide a general system of education, embracing, equally with the Roman Catholic, the Protestsure particularly framed to suit its purposes; ant who cannot admit for his children the dogprovided Protestants have no extra privilege matic and religious education which the Roman Clergy would impart. Then the remedy be content with being placed on an equal lies before us. Let the leading features of the principles allow of a more comprehensive plan, by basing instruction upon the simple, unmutilated word of God's revelation; and leave the way open for the Church of Rome to dissent, according to the provision in Section XXVI. By all means let her be secured, but let those who are not of her faith be also secured, against foreign encroachments (empiètements étrangers.) Session after session, Protestants from all parts of the Province have petitioned, not that any denomination should, by preponderance, have secured to it the faculty of giving dogmatic, moral and religious education according to its interpretation of the term, but that the sacred Scriptures in their integrity should be made a class-book in the schools supported under the operation of the Education Bill; if petitions of the same kind have not poured in upon the Legislature again this session, it is only from the confidence which was entertained, that the interests of Protestants would not be sacrificed, by the present administration, to the treacherous desire of conciliating those who will not be conciliated unless they rule. The proposed School Bill gives no satisfaction to this loval and intelligent part of Her Majesty's subjects, and it will require to undergo essential modification, if the confiding trust manifested by their abstinence from agitation (which might have somewhat embarrassed the present administration) is to meet with the acknowledgment it deserves.

ECCLESIASTICAL.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC. Sums received by the Treasurer at Quebec, on account of the CHURCH Sociery, for the

month of February, 1845 :--Miss Mountain, Subscription 1844 £5 0 Miss Scott, W. McTavish, Esq. do. Honble. J. Stewart, do. 1 5 Collection, Quinquagesima Sun-day, Cathedral, Quebec 30 Ditto St. Peter's Chapel, do. 2 8 Ditto Mariners' Chapel, do. 3 12 Ditto at Melbourne, per Rev. at Melbourne, p. . . . 1 11 3.
C. B. Fleming . . . 1 11 3.
Trinity Chapel, Quebec 3 7 3.
St. Matthew's do. 2 0 10 Ditto St. Matthew's Rivière du Loup, per Rev. E. G. W. Ross . 1 1 Ditto Three Rivers, per Rev. S. S. Wood Nicolet, per Rev. H. 3 7 0

J. TRICGE, Treast. Quebec, 1st March, 1845.

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DIOCESE OF TORONTO. TORONTO CHURCH SOCIETY.—The Collections hitherto made towards the Fund for the support of the Widows and Orphans of the Clergy in the Diocese, 113 in number, amount to £471 138. 7d.

THE TREASURER reports on the 4th of

can bring a dead body to life. But when tion is catholic, he does not see at all "why five Clergymen remaining without support, Jesus has quickened us, we shall as surely the faith of that population could not have through the refusal on the part of the Govcrument to pay their salaries.

> made for Spring importation from England. THE TALBOT DISTRICT BRASCH hold its first Anniversary at Simcoe, on the 30th of January. An encouraging account was given of the progress of church-building within the District, but at the same time the want of at it may with some show of reason be said least two additional Clergymen to minister that, as the eminent men to whom the several within it was strongly urged. The pressing revisions of the Liturgy were successively demands for church-purposes of a local na-ture kept the actual receipts of the Branch directions so precise as to ensure a rigid conlow; the collection for the Widows' Fund had, however, yielded £6 10s.; that for the relief of the five Clergymen £7 13s. 2d. The contributions for the general purposes of the Branch amounted to £4 8s. 9d., and £1 7s. 113d. were received by sale of Books and Tracts.

THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY'S LET-TER TO THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF HIS PROVINCE.

For a considerable time past my attention has been auxiously turned to the divisions in the Church, occasioned by difference of opinion with respect to the intention of certain rubrical directions in the Liturgy, and diversities of practice in the performance of Divine Service. These questions, relating to matters in themselves indifferent, but deriving importance from their connection with the maintenance of uniformity and order in the solemn ministrations of the Church, are rendered difficult by the ambiguity of the rubrics in some instances, and, in all, by the doubts which may arise as to the weight which should be allowed to general usage when it varies from the written law. It is partly on in the preface to the Book of Common Prayer predecessors been long suffered to sleep, have now for the resolution of doubts in regard to the the appearance of novelty. I am fully alive to We must do ourselves the pleasure of stat- for the resolution of doubts in regard to the ing that we have read this able article in the contested points, that I have not felt myself justified in expressing an authoritative opinion upon questions occasionally submitted to me on these subjects. I was, indeed, willing to hope that these controversies, like many of much greater importance which have for a season disquieted the Church, would be suffered to die away of themselves, when the arguments on each side had been thoroughly sifted, from the good sense of the parties engaged in them, and the general conviction of their unprofitableness. But having been disappointed in this expectation, and considering the tendency of continued agitation to weaken the sacred bonds of affection which ought to unite the clergy and laity as members of one body in Christ, I hold it a duty to come forward, in the hope of allaying animosities, and putting a stop to dissensions which are shown by experience to be not only unedifying but mischievous. With this view I would call your attention to a few considerations. which, with persons who are desirous of peace, will, I trust, have their due weight. It has long been observed that, in the per-formance of Divine Service in the generality of our parochial churches, there has been a

deviation, in certain particulars, from the

express directions of the rubric, and that, in some cases, a difference in respect to the sense of the rubric, has led to a diversity in practice. In regard to such points, in them-selves non-essential, the most conscientions clergymen have felt themselves justified in treading in the steps of their predecessors and hence the irregularity (for all departure from rule is irregular,) which seems, in some instances at least, to have existed from the beginning, became inveterate. There have, I apprehend, at all times been clergymen who have been distressed by this inconsistency; and of late years it has been regarded by many excellent men as irreconcileable with the obligations which they took upon themselves on their admission into Holy Orders. Under the influence of these scruples, they thought it right to adhere as closely as pos-sible to the letter of the rubric in their ministration; whilst others of their brethren, not less conscientious, have been determined by considerations, in their estimation of great weight, to follow the usage which they found established in their respective churches. Under these circumstances a diversity of practice has arisen, which is not only inconsistent with the principle of uniformity maintained by the Church, but is sometimes associated in the minds of the people with peculiarities of doctrine, and gives birth to suspicions and jealousies destructive of the confidence which should always subsist hetween the flock and their pastor. To prevent the increase of an evil which might terminate in actual schism was confessedly most desirable; and the most effectual mode of accomplishing the object, it has been thought, would be found in general conformity to the rubric. Universal concurrence in this easy and obvious regulation would have combined the several advantages of securing compliance with the law of the Church and the land, of putting a stop to unauthorized innovations. and of excluding party distinctions, in their character decidedly unchristian, from the public worship of God; and I cannot but regret that measures which, with a view to these good purposes, have been recommended by high authorities, should not have been received with unanimous acquiescence, as the means of restoring order and peace, without Church, or offence to the most scrupulous

conscience. At the same time, I am sensible that those who object have much to allege to their justification. If the written law is against them they plead an opposite usage, in parochia churches at least, reaching back, perhaps, to the time when the intention of the law-giver was best understood, superseding its literal sense, and determining its real meaning; they any effectual interference during so long a period, they object to the sudden revival of rules, which in their opinion are obsolete, and still more, to their rigid enforcement after so long a term of abeyance. In fairness to them we must allow, that this dislike of alproceeding as it does from attachment to the

garded with suspicion when so many attempts have been made to introduce innovations which are teally objectionable, and tend, as A remittance of £300, sterling, had been far as they go, to after the character of our Church. It must also be granted that the intention of the Church is not always clearly discoverable from the language of the rubric, nor determinable with absolute certainty from the records of early practice. In such cases formity in every particular, we may be contented to acquiesce in slight deviations from rules suggested by convenience, and sanctioned by long usage.

Now, whatever may be the force of the arguments on either side, a difference of opinion will probably always exist in regard to the contested points. But all parties will concur in regarding these points as of far less importance than the maintenance of that mutual confidence which, next to support from above, forms the main strength of the Church, producing the harmonious co-operation of its several members, and disposing the people to look up with reverence to their pastor as their spiritual instructor and guide. In whatever degree, or by whatever means, the tie of affection is loosened, a proportionate diminu-tion will follow of that moral influence on which the efficiency of the clergyman's teaching will always depend.

The case, then, if fairly considered with reference to the existing dissensions, and the results to be expected from their continuance, will show the necessity of mutual forbenrance to the peace and the honour, I may even say, to the safety, of the Church. The laity, it may be hoped, will see the propriety of respecting the consciences of such of the clergy as have held themselves bound to strict compliance with the express direction of the rubric, without regard to former disuse; and the clergy will perceive the expediency of not pressing too harshly, or abruptly, the observance of laws which, having by themselves and their the importance of uniformity in the celebration of Divine Service; but I think it would be purchased too dearly at the expense of lasting divisions—a consequence which, I trust, will be averted by a suspension of the existing disputes. My hope of such an adjustment is grounded on the wisdom, temper, and piety which are engaged on both sides of the question. A settlement which would have the sanction of law is at the present moment impossible; and, were it possible, could hardly be attempted with hope of success, till the subsisting excitement has been allayed by time and reflection. But till that time shall arrive, our regard to the spiritual interests of our brethren ought surely to put a stop o contentions, which, besides the offence against charity, engage much time and ability which might be infinitely better applied, and which can afford pleasure to those only who bear ill-will to our Church. The matters in controversy, con-sidered in themselves, are not of vital importance: the service in our Churches has in general been conducted in conformity to the apostle's direction, with order and decency; and whether performed with exact regard to the letter of the rubrie, or with the variations established by general usage, will still be decent and orderly. I therefore entreat you to consider, whether the peace of the Church should be hazarded by prolonging an unprotitable controversy, at a time more especially, when her energies are directed, with such hope of success, to the promotion of religion and morals, and when the clergy and laity are zealously engaged in united exertions for the erection endowment of churches and schools, and for other pious and beneficial objects, in almost every part

What I would most earnestly recommend, for the present, is the discontinuation of any proceedings, in either direction, on the controverted questions. In churches where alterations have been introduced with general acquiescence, let things remain as they are; in those which remain the less accurate usage, let no risk of division be incurred by any attempt at change, till some final arrangement can be made with the sanction of the proper authorities. In the case of churches where agitation prevails, and nothing has been definitely settled, it is not possible to lay down any general rule which may be applicable to all circumstances. But is it too much to hope that hose who are zealous for the honour of God and the good of his Church, will show, by the temporary surrender of their private opinions. that they are equally zealous in the cause of peace

On the particular questions which disquiet the public mind, I think it unadvisable to pronounce an opinion. Upon careful examination, I have found reason to think that some of these questions are more difficult of solution than is commonly imagined, and that the meaning which occurs a first sight is not always the most correct. And the general question, in respect to what should be conceded to usage in controlling or modifying the written law, seems to me to be open to much doubt. But, if I were ever so fully persuaded in my own mind, I should be unwilling, for reasons already assigned, to pronounce a judgment which not having legal authority, might be accepted by some and disregarded by others, and might thus increase the confusion which it was designed to remedy. For similar reasons I have not thought it expedient to call the Bishops of my province together at this time, though it will be my desire. as well as my duty, to seek their advice and assistance when a fit opportunity presents itself. I am, however, fully assured of their general concurrence in deprecating the continuance of discussions, which will undoubtedly multiply strife and contention, but which, in the present posture of things, can lead to no beneficial result.

In order to guard against misapprehension, think it proper to state, that all I have here said is strictly confined to the rubrical questions which have occasioned the present agitation. All change in the performance of the service, affecting any departure from the principles of the the doctrine of the Church, by alteration, addition, or omission, I regard with unqualified disapprobation. I may further remark, that the danger to the Church would be great, if clergymen, not having due respect either to episcopal authority or established usage, should interpret the rubric for themselves, should introduce or curtail ceremonies at pleasure, or make Divine Service in any way the means of expressing their own theological opinions or party views. In respect to the ritual, the preface to the book of Common Prayer directs all persons having doubts appeal to the general consent of bishops, or diversity touching anything in the performance clergy and laity, implied in the absence of of the Church Service, to resort to the Bishop of or diversity touching anything in the performance the diocese for the resolution of such doubts, and the appeasing of diversities. Itad due attention been paid from the first, to this salutary rule, the Church might perhaps have been saved from much of the dissension which, at various times, lus divided her members, and prieved and per-plexed her rulers, and which, if not speedily terations in the manner of worship to which checked, may again cause a serious disturbance they have been accustomed from their infancy, of her peace. Considering the course I have sug gested, as offering the only immediate means of February, the receipt of £544 10s. 54d. ordinances of the Church, ought not to be averting such a calamity, and at the same time munion with those opposed to the Romish being the amount of 99 collections made on visited with unkind consure; and we can preparing the way for a final arrangement at a belief, and hold religious conversations with Septuagesima Sunday; for the relief of the hardly be surprised at any change being re
| Convenient season, I carnestly recommend its the Rector of the town, I had to endure a

adoption, in the hope that, through the blessing of God, it may lay the foundation of lasting peace "and to this end" (I borrow the words of learned and pious ritualist) -" to this end may the God of Pence give us all meek hearts, quiet spirits. and devout affections, and free us from all projudice, that we may have full churches, frequent prayers, and forvent charity; that uniting in our prayers here, we may all join in His praises here-after, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord."

W. CANTUAR. Lambeth Palace, Jan. 11, 1845.

THE LIVERPOOL BRANCH OF THE PASTORAL Am Society held its Annual Meeting on the 29th of January, the Lord Bishop of Chester in the Chair. Collections were taken up on behalf of the Society, on the Lord's day preceding, in nearly all the churches in the city, which produced upwards of £300.

PARISH OF WINWICK, LANCASHIRE. This charge includes a population of 20,000, and the income is calculated to be £4,220. Measures are in progress for dividing both the parish and the income into five or six livings, with church-buildings and parsonage-houses. The liberality of the Earl of Derby, as patron, is spoken of as an example to other patrons who may wish to follow his steps.

THE REV. CANON WODEHOUSE of Norwich Cathedral, has tendered to the Bishop of the Diocese his resignation of the benefice he holds and his canonry, because he entertains objections to the literal acceptation of certain parts of the ritual of the Church of England, and he thinks it needful to submit to any sacrifice, rather than risk even the suspicion of countenancing dishonest practices with respect to subscription. His objections are stated to be to the damnatory clauses of the Athanasian Creed, the form of absolution in the office for Visiting the Sick, and part of the form for ordaining Priests. The Bishop at once gave a decisive answer, that he would neither accept nor encourage his resignation. He does not consider the objections which Mr. Wodehouse entertained as inconsistent with a sincere and hearty attachment to the general doctrines of the Church, and to the form of prayer prescribed by it, expressing at the same time his opinion that it would be far more satisfactory if steps could be taken to set forth a clearer explanation of some words and phrases that are of doubtful interpretation or otherwise liable to misconstruc-

St. Sidwells, Exeren.-The popular feeling against the use of the surplice in the pulpit is so strong that on the publication of the Bishop of Exeter's letter, withdrawing his order for the use of it, the hope was entertained not only that it would not be introduced where it had not been worn in preaching before, but also that it would be laid aside where it had for some time been used in the pulpit. Great excitement arose, when it was found that in the church of the above parish, both the Rev. Francis Courtenay, Curate, in preaching morning and afternoon, and the Rev. Dr. Coleridge in delivering an evening lecture, wore the obnoxious vestment. Numbers of persons left the church and waited outside till the service was over, in order to hoot the preacher, and attend him in a tumultuous manner, amidst yellings, and uproar, through the street, to his residence.

A hairdresser who formed one of the crowd

was brought before the magistrates, the particulars were fully stated, but the man was dismissed with a caution which was expressly pronounced as applicable to riotously disposed persons generally, that a recurrence of similar disturbance would be visited with severe punishment upon the persons concerned. Mr. Justice Blackall then addressed the Mayor in a very affecting manner, expressing his concern for the peace and good order of the town, together with his hope that "those who had the power and could by a word put a stop to these proceedings would do so."
The hint was loudly responded to, a memorial was immediately handed round for signature, calling on the Mayor to write to the Bishop and entreat the exercise of his authority for the removal of that which had caused disturbance on two successive Sundays. The Mayor having complied with this requisition, His Lordship addressed a letter to the Rev. Mr. Courtenay, offering his advice "to give way, at the request of the civil authorities, and not to persist in wearing the surplice in the pulpit, unless conscientiously, and on full inquiry, he had satisfied himself that his engagements to the Church required him to wear the surplice when he preached." public meeting was subsequently held, at which Mr. Courtenay's decision to discontinue the use of the surplice in the pulpit was announced. This tardy concession seems to have come too late, a. string of severe resolutions being passed, deploring the absence of timely interpo-sition on the part of the Bishop, the Rector's choice of such a Curate, and the Curate's tardiness in making the concession which now could not restore him to the position which a pastor should hold among his parishioners.

CONVERSION OF A WHOLE BROTHERHOOD FROM ROMANISM .- The following letter has been addressed to the Editor of the London Record; it sufficiently explains itself.

Sir, Deeming it necessary that the public should have accurate information respecting the dissolution of the Youghal monastery, and the conversion of its inmates to the Protestant faith, I beg that you will have the goodness to afford me space in your next publication for the following brief statement :-

Previous to attaching myself, in 1838, to the presentation order in Cork, I had been connected with the Christian Brothers, and was intrusted at an early age with various important offices. From Cork I was sent to the Youghal monastery, of which I was appointed Superior. It is needless to add, that I was held in high esteem by Roman Catholics in general, until I began to waver in religious opinions, mix freely with Protestants, and became so dissatisfied with the errors of the Church of Rome that I renounced those errors and became a Protestant. From the time I first appeared to hold communion with those opposed to the Romish

system of the most venomous and harassing month for Ceylon, Madras, and Calcutta. persecution. Insinuations were made against With grateful acknowledgment of the immy character in a very guarded and jesuitical provement which has already taken place in manner; and some of the Romish priests of mail-conveyance between Canada and the the town denounced me from the altar with- mother-country, the hope may be excited that out mentioning my name, yet in so pointed a another winter will not pass without giving to manner as not to be misunderstood. This act this Province the benefit of uninterrunted drove me to attempt a justification by address- half-monthly communication. ing the congregation on the following Sunday; but when I commenced, I was hustled from the place; and after having in vain endeavoured to obtain an investigation, or even a specification of charges against me, I had, as my only resource, to call a public meeting, at which a large number of persons of respectability, and of all persuasions, resolved unanimously that "no charges were

Since then various efforts have been made to intimidate, bribe, or seduce me to retrace my steps, but the Lord has been graciously pleased to strengthen me against those attempts. I was seized and imprisoned for debts contracted on behalf of the Institution and on the faith of its income, which was withheld from me after they had proved how fruitless were their efforts to force me to an unworthy compromise. I was visited with oppression and ignominy, and every species of indignity. Were it not for the Protestant inhabitants, the magistrates, and the police authorities of the town, my life would, in all probability, have been sacrified to the fury of the priests and the populace.

These proceedings made a lasting impression on the other members of the community : witnessing the change wrought in my religious belief, and knowing the sacrifices made, and the persecution endured on that account, they were brought to a stand, and led to make further inquiries into the faith and practice of the Roman catholic Church. Providentially they were brought into contact with pious clergymen, and after a short time the entire community conformed to the Protestant This, Sir, is a brief and faithful account of the entire transaction.

I am, Sir, your faithful servant, J. B. MURPHY. (Late Superior of Youghal Monastery.)
12, Great Ryder-street, St. James's,
January 18, 1845.

The Treasurer of the Cove Infant School acknowledges with thanks the receipt of £2, 10s. from the gentlemen who subscribed to forward the late express to Boston.

PAYMENTS received on account of the Berean since last publication :- From Rev. F. A. O'Meara, from No. 35 to 86. Messrs. Paul Darling, from No. 49 to 100; John Burkitt, No. 1 to 52; G. Wilgress, No. 31 to 56. Rev. Thomas Gregg, No. 49 to 100.

CORRESPONDENTS :- Received Sermon from Kingston; - Mr. Cunningham, remittance; - Echo; - E with enclosure; we are much encouraged by his testimony to the usefulness of the Berean; -to E. W. S. we fully intend to write, but they are knotty questions; as for Hs., he would hardly bear uprooting again .—We shall he very glad to receive the extracts from the Martyrs, with the under-standing that we have the final decision, as the proposal implies, whether we can make use of them or not.

ENGLISH MAIL.-To be closed on Monday 24th March; Paid letters till 9, A. M. Unpaid till 10, A. M.

Political and Local Intelligence.

PARLIAMENTARY. — Messrs. Draper and Woods took their seats in the House of Assembly, on Tuesday the 25th ult. Mr. M. Cameron has been re-elected for the County of Lanark by a majority of 393 votes over his opponent Mr. Brooke. Both Houses waited on his Excellency the Governor General with addresses of congratulation on the distinguished honour conferred upon him by her Majesty in elevating him to the Peerage, to which His Excellency returned a gratifying reply. The Legislative Council have at last passed the Divorce bill which has taken up so much of their time; authorizing Captain Harris to marry again, but denying this right to Mrs. Harris.

A resolution apportioning the sum of £40,000, for the losses sustained during the late rebellion in Upper Canada, was carried by a vote of 43 to 30.

THE UNICORN.-Letters have been received in town from Captain W. Douglas, of the Steamship Unicorn, which announce that this favourite vessel is no longer to be employed in carrying the Canada and English Mails between Picton and Quebec, and that she will not in future ply on the waters of the St. Lawrence. This seems to confirm the intimations previously given of a change in the arrangements which have heretofore existed for carrying the English Mails to and from Halifax. While we cannot but regret the circumstance which will deprive us of so regular and welcome a visitant as the Unicorn has been during the last five summers, still we have no doubt but that by the proposed plan of forwarding the mails through the United States, Quebec as well as Canada generally, will be a gainer. The facilities which exist there in the shape of railroads, &c. and which are every day being increased, enable them to overcome the obstacles of bany from New York on the 24th ult. And "wind and weather? which so seriously retard Canadian winter travelling, and when the proposed railroad to the frontier is completed and in operation, the delays which now in winter almost render nugatory to Quebec, the advantage of a regular and speedy transit across the Atlantic, will, it is to be hoped, no longer take place.

The future destination of the Unicorn is not

TWICE-A-MONTH COMMUNICATION WITH India.-Arrangements are nearly completed for dispatching a mail from the wost Office in London for India on the 3rd and one on the 20th of every month; the first of these is expected to reach Alexandria and be sent across to Sucz in time for the steamer which leaves the latter port about leaves Sucz on the 10th of the succeeding against the passing of the bill.

CHINA.-Intelligence has been received from this country as late as the 20th Nov. by the arrival of two fast sailing American ships Nothing of any consequence has transpired subsequent to previous advices. Green teas are quoted as higher in price than at the same period last year. Several vessels had been attacked by the pirates who abound in the Chinese waters; one opium schooner had been captured by the Chinese. The French and Chinese were still negotiating.

Missing Liners.—Great anxiety has for some time been felt for the fate of two packet ships from Europe to New York, which sailed early in December last, and, though long since due, have not yet been heard of. As several violent westerly gales To whom are due as deposites have occurred since their sailing, from which other vessels suffered much damage, it is feared that they may have foundered with all on board. The New York papers publish the names of the passengers on board of the missing ships, the England and United States from Liverpool, the former having had on board, steerage passengers 68, officers and crew 22, total 90;—the latter, cabin passengers 2, steeringe 48, officers and crew 24-74; in all 164 souls. One of the cabin passengers in the United States was a Scotch Clergyman, the Rev. Weir Tulloch, who is said to have fled from

The number of souls on board another missing ship, the Normandie, is not given.

street, opposite the head of Palace street, owned by Mr. M. Julien and occupied in part as a shop and dwelling house by himself Mr. Julien, and spread so rapidly among the aggravated. combustible materials with which it was filled, that Mr. Julien saved none of his property, and the whole building was comprevented from extending to the adjoining fortunate in getting out the valuables and furniture of his shop which was below, sustained a very heavy loss also; having had money to the amount of nearly £600 and a box of jewellery valued at £450 in the upper part of the house, which were consumed Mr. Julien had an insurance on the building of £600, and £400 on his stock, in the Quebec Fire Office; Mr. Lamontagne was insured to the extent of about £500 on the goods in his shop, in the Canada Company. It is very melancholy to add that a young man named Peter Richardson, a culler in the employ of Messrs. Wood and Gray, lost his life in the attempt to save some of the property from the burning premises. It is supposed that he became suffocated by ance to their encroachments. the smoke, and soon after the floor fell in morning so much burnt that no trace of the features was left, but it was identified by totally consumed. An inquest was held on the body and a verdict of "accidental death" returned.

ACCIDENT .- A lad named Myles O'Brien, residing in Champlain street, received a serious injury on Saturday last, which, it is feared, may terminate fatally. He was sitting upon a tressel used by sawyers for holding up the log which they are cutting; and a person named John Jasper, having in anger pushed him down, the tressel fell upon him and fractured his skull. Jasper has been held to bail.

THE SEASON .- The mild weather which has lately prevailed at Quebec, seems to have extended in every direction. At Kingston the snow and ice have mostly disappeared from the country, leaving the roads in a very bad state. The ice between Kingston and Wolf Island is decaying very fast and the channel on the other side of the Island is open opposite Cape Vincent. On the Hudson river the navigation has been resumed, 'a steamboat having reached Alin the Connecticut river, the melting of the snow has caused a considerable rise of water, being 16 feet above low water mark at which shows a steady and considerable Hartford. Yesterday morning a furious increase of the Protestants in that kingcasterly snow storm set in and continued dom. In 1815 the Protestant Church through the day.

held at Frampton, at which 63 resident are more than 700 with an income of householders deputed for the purpose by the 1,219,000 francs. inhabitants of the townships of Frampton, Standon and Cranbourne attended, Wm. immense power to be vested in the Superin- Ditto tendent, and a petition to the Provincial Le- Ditto the 22nd of the month for Bombay; the tendent, and a petition to the Provincial Le-latter is to be in time for the steamer which gislature, was ordered to be drawn up

MUNICIPAL .- The City Conneil will hold their sessions in future in the former Wardrobe of the House of Assembly.

LEGAL.-The Court of Appeals is now in session, and besides the resident Judges, is attended by the following from a distance— The Ilon. Mr. Justice Gairdner from Sherbrooke; the Hon. Justices Day and Rolland from Montreal.

MONTREAL PROVIDENT AND SAVINGS INSTI-TUTION.—The annual meeting was held at Montreal on the 24th ulto. the Hon. C. S. DeBleury, M. P. P. in the Chair. The report of last year's business was read and a general statement of its operations exhibited. Thanks were voted to the Directors and Actuary for their able management, and to the Chairman for his conduct in the Chair. From the Statement we make the following ex-

Number of Accounts opened since its commencement in 1811 . . . 3528 Closed since that period 1498

Still open . . .

£102,264 16 8Cy.

There are 1717 depositors of sums less than £100. After paying the interest due to the depositors and all expenses, a balance remained of £2,166 6 5. It is well to mention that this Institution allows 4 per cent interest, is open every day but Sunday from 10 to 3 o'clock and two hours in addition on Saturday evening: thus affording every inducement to those disposed to save their earnings.

THE DUKE OF NORMANDY .- This title is assumed by a Frenchman, now living in England, who professes to be the son of Louis XVI and of Marie Antoinette, consequently the Scotland in consequence of having forged a legitimate heir to the throne of France. He superintends an establishment for the advance ment of practical science, and is personally engaged in experiments for the manufacture of novel instruments of warfare. On the 9th of January, he was polishing a piece of brass Fire AND Loss of Life.—On Tuesday at a lathe, when a loud explosion took place evening about nine o'clock, a fire broke out which, upon search and examination, ap in the three story stone building in St. John peared to have been the report of a blunderbuss or pistol fired through the window, the hall of which must have passed within an inch or two of the Duke's head. Two at part as a snop and dwelling house by himself tempts upon his life had been made before and family: the remainder being used in a Besides political motives which render his similar manner by Mr. Lamontagne, jeweller life insecure, he alleges that he has recently and watchmaker. The fire is supposed to forsaken the Roman catholic faith, and that have commenced in the drygoods shop of the hostility against him is thereby greatly

MR. PRITCHARD, formerly British Consul at the Society Islands, and whose name was brought rather prominently into public nopletely destroyed. Providentially there was tice a short time back, in consequence of no wind, and, by the gallant and untiring the indignities which he received from a efforts of the firemen, who exerted themselves French naval officer, has received the apin a praiseworthy manner, the flames were pointment of Consul at the Navigator's Islands, another group in the South Pacific premises. Mr. Lamontagne, though more Ocean, some thirty degrees west of the Society Islands.

Monsieur de Villemain, late Minister of Public Instruction in France, has fallen into a state of mental aberration through fear of designs against his life by the Jesuits. It does not appear that any information or attempt against him has created this fear; but he has, in his public capacity, thwarted them in their design to seize upon public instruction in France; and having of late devoted much time to the perusal of works relative to the doctrines, acts, and history of the Jesuits, he has arrived at the conclusion that he must be doomed to destruction, for, says he, they never forgive successful resist-

Pope's Letter.—Pope Gregory has adwith him. His body was found the next dressed a letter to the Irish Archbishops and Bishops, exhorting them to abstain from political agitation, and especially from opposiseveral articles of his dress which were not tion to the Act of the British Parliament recently passed with reference to Charitable Bequests in which the Pope himself can see nothing contrary or prejudicial to the interests of the Roman catholic Church.

GLASGOW PUBLIC NURSERY .- An institution has been opened in Glasgow for the reception of children from 1 to 4 years of age, whose parents are obliged to leave them during the day, in order to go to their daily work. A house is provided which contains a large kitchen on the ground-floor, with a hall in which the children are assembled for meals. On the floor above, there is a range of sleeping-apartments, furnished in a plain, but neat and comfortable manner; a large room is on the same floor, in which the children are tended by nurses, and some easy lessons are taught the older ones after the manner of an Infants' School. For at tendance and the wholesome food which they require, from seven in the morning till the same hour in the evening, two pence are charged. Orphans, or children equally destitute, are kept there night and day. The appearance of the children is described as exceedingly healthy and comfortable.

PROTESTANTISM IN FRANCE. - The "Moniteur" gives the following statement which shows a steady and considerable numbered 464 pastors, with an income of 306,000 francs; in 1843 the number of School. Bill. A meeting was lately pastors was 677, and this year the pastors

> QUEBEC GAOL CALENDAR, 1ST MARCH 1845. [18 of the above are females.]

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DEATH OF A MAIL COULIER.-The Mercury of Saturday has an interesting account of the hard-ships endured by a man named Donald M'Laren, while in the discharge of his duties as a Mail Courier on the road from Metis to Ristigouche: and which have at last caused his death. It seems to have been his practice, during the last eighteen months, to walk a distance of 195 miles every week, in winter on snow shoes, carrying the mail bag on his back; and, being frequently exposed to severe storms and obliged to "break the road," his iron constitution was at last overcome. In January after having partially recovered from an attack of illness brought on by exposure, he encountered one of the severest storms of the winter and after vainly struggling against it, was found by a trapper lying in the snow quite exhausted. By his assistance the poor courier was able to reach a neighboring house, where he received every kindness which the family could give him, the violence of the storm preventing them from sending for a medical man; but after thirty six hours of suffering he expired.

Children should be inured as early as posible to acts of charity and mercy. Constantine, as soon as his Son could write, employed his hand in signing pardons; and delighted in conveying, through his mouth, all the favours he granted.

BIRTHS. On the 20th December last, at Newark, Engand, Mrs. David Savage, of Montreal, of a son. On Thursday, 27th Pebruary, Mrs. M. G. Mountain, of a son.

DIED,

Yesterday at his residence in Des Grison St. very suddenly, William Kemble, Esq., aged 64 years: for a long period, and till within a few years back, Editor of the Quebec Mercury.

In Montreal on the 25th instant, Lieut. Colonel James William Bouverie, commanding Her Ma-

jesty's 89th Regiment, aged 43 years, youngest on of Edward Bouverie, Esq., Delapre Abbey, Northampton, England.

At Chambly, on the 20th instant, at the residence of the Rev. J. Braithwaite, Iriffield Brook Bridges Stevens. aged 18 years and 11 months, youngest son of the late Rev. Brook Bridges Stevens, M. A., Chaplain to the Forces, and Even-ing Lecturer, Christ Church, Montreal.

QUEBEC MARKETS.

Corrected by the Clerks of the Markets up to Tuesday, 4th March, 1845.

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Lard, per lb 0	6	a	0	0
Potatoes, per bushel, 1	0	a	1	3
Maple Sugar, per lb 0	43	a	0	0
Pens per bushel 4	3	a	4	6
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11th Feby, 1845.

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Quebec 20th Sept., 1814.

Loutd's Corner.

CHARLES WOODFORD'S HOLYDAYS.

Surely never was there a happier boy than Charles Woodford! He has much to make him happy: kind and tender parents, sisters who dearly love him, and a comfortable and pleasant home. He has many friends among his schoolfellows, who are glad to be often with him; and twice in the year he has a great treat, which he thinks of from mid-summer till Christmas, and then from Christmas till mid-summer comes again. He always goes to spend the holydays with his grand-father, who lives in an old farmhouse in the country; and both in summer and winter Charles finds plenty of enjoyment there.

In summer, there is the sheep-shearing and the hay-making, besides the long rambles in the woods, or on the hill side, with Rover, the faithful spaniel, who is nearly as old as Charles, and has lived all his life at the farm, as did his mother before him. Many a ramble have Charles and Rover enjoyed together, making their way through the tangled brushwood, and loitering in the sunny copse or in the mossy dingle, where violets and primroses

In winter there is skating and sliding on the large pond, and making houses and men of snow. Then there are in-door pleasures more than I can mention; and one above the rest, of which Charles is never weary. He delights to sit with his grandfather in the long evenings beside the bright, blazing fire, and to hear the good man's stories of old times, and things that happened when he was a boy. Great changes have taken place since then. Farmer Woodford often says; for 'tis more than fifty years ago; but he has never seen reason to alter his opinion, that there is no book like the Bible, and no wisdom to compare with that which

leads to the fear of God. "Remember this, my boy," said he, one Christmas night, as he sat in his oldfashioned chair, while Charles was cating his supper of bread and preserved fruit "there is a great deal said in the world about learning and science, and you might think, when you hear some people talk, that nothing else was necessary to make a man happy, either in this life or the next. Now, I have not any thing to say against learning; on the contrary, I value the little I have myself been able to gain, and I honour it in others; but I am grieved when I see it put in the place of religion: and my heart aches when I read of men who are seeking it so earnestly, that they neglect to secure that which is infinitely more important, the salvation of the soul. What shall it profit a man in the day of judgment, though he should understand all mysteries and all knowledge, if he has never come to Christ for pardon of his sins, or ever sought to learn the way to heaven! Remember, then, in all your studies, to keep the end of life in view. Try to advance in learning, for God gives us understanding and abilities that we may use them to his glory; but do not forget that you have a soul to be saved, a soul that must live for ever and ever, long after this earth, and all that it contains, shall have been burned up with are much tempted to sin, and perhaps are fire, and when the planets shall have oftener tempted by the prospect of secrecy, ceased to run their course, and the sun than anything else. Now there is no seceased to run their course, and the sun

SIN FOUND OUT. Story by Mrs. Sherwood, and advice by the

first the kingdom of God and his righte-

ousness, then all other things will find

their proper place, and be sought in the

proper way. - Episcopal Recorder.

Rev. J. A. James. Emily Fairchild assisted her mother to put away some jars of damascenes, or damsons, as they are called, which had just been boiled in sugar, to keep till winter. They were very nice; and as Emily carried one of the jars to the cupboard, she saw that it was tied down so loosely that she could put in her finger and take the fruit. They looked so tempting, that she first took one, then another, and was going to take a third, when she heard the servant coming; at first she was a little uneasy to think what she had done, for she had been taught that it is a great sin to steal the least thing: 'but then, she said, 'it is mother's fruit, and she has a great deal of it.' One evening, when it was getting dark, she was passing by the cupboard where the damsons were kept, and the door happened to be open; she looked round to see if any body was near, and nobody being seen or heard, she went into the closet, took out two or three more, and ate them in haste, and after washing her hands and mouth, went down into the parlour. Her father and mother had no suspicion of what she had done, yet every time they looked at her steadily, she turned away her head lest they should see her blushes, and every time they spoke to her she was all agitation, and feared they were going to charge her with the crime. Yet so hardening is the nature of sin, that she went again the next day to the closet, and committed the same sin. on the Sunday evening, her father read a sermon about the all-seeing God, about his being every where present, and seeing with you, God and your own conscience, all we do. Poor Emily was in such and if you sin in their presence, "Be dreadful agitation that she was ready to sure your sin will find you out."

sermon was over, she should be accused before all the family. Glad was she, however, to find that the worship ended and nothing was, said about her. This made her a little more courageous: so the next evening she visited the closet again. She then remembered the sermon, and felt half inclined to go back, but,' says she, 'as I am come so far, I will take one more damson, but it shall certainly he the last I will ever eat without my mother's leave.' She took one or two more; just at that moment she heard the cat mew, which had followed her unperceived into the room. She was so frightened at the sound that she spilt some of the red juice upon her frock. She did not perceive the stain till she had reached the parlour, and then immediately ran back to her room, where she washed all the bosom and sleeves of her frock, and used so much water that all her inner clothes were wet to the skin; to hide which she put on her pinafore, and went down to tea. 'Where have you been, Emily?' said her mother; have almost done tea.' 'I have only been playing with the cat up stairs, mamma,' said she. But at this falsehood she felt very unhappy. It was a cold winter's evening, and

Emily kept as far as possible from the fire and candle, lest her mother should discover any more spots upon her frock. She soon felt dreadfully chilled, but did not complain lest the cause should be discovered. A long time she lay shivering before she could go to sleep, and when she fell asleep she was scared with dreadful dreams. She dreamt she had been doing something wrong, though her head was so confused she did not know what. She dreamt that one large and dreadful eye was looking upon her from above: which way soever she turned she saw this eye looking upon her with an awful frown. At length she uttered loud screams, which brought her father and mother to her bedside: 'there, there it is,' said she, 'looking upon me now; oh, how angrily it looks!' Her parents soon perceived that she was delirious, and in a violent fever. She grew worse and worse, till it was expected she would die. One day she lay in great weakness, her senses again returned, and looking at her mother, who sat weeping by her bedside, she burst into tears, and said, 'O, my dear mother, have something upon my mind which I want to tell you, and yet I am almost too weak. What will become of me? oh, what a wicked child have I been,-iny sins have now found me out. Yes, all my illness is the effect of my sins, and my sins have now found me out.' She then related, as far as her weakness would permit, the naturally hard and coarse: and the as far as her weakness would permit, the whole circumstance to her parents, who encouraged her to repent and believe in God's mercy, through Christ, for pardon. God's mercy, through Christ, for pardon. Bitterly did she bewail her sin, and sefinally recovered, it was a long, long time before her health was fully restored.

Advice founded upon this story: 1.—Think of this subject. It is a very solemn and important one, and it belongs to you-to each of you-as much as to any one else. It is your duty to think of it—it is your wisdom to think of it. You shall no more give light. O remember that you are living for eternity! and seek first the kingdom of God and his rightesure your sin will find you out."

2.—I advise you to find out your sins. instead of leaving them to find you out. Examine your conduct, to know what sins you have been guilty of—then confess them to God with true penitence. Do not deny your sins, or excuse them, but tell God all your wicked words and sinful actions; for the apostle John says, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." Pray to God to show you your sins, and to make you really sorry in your hearts; for it is God that giveth the grace of repentance as well as the blessing of forgiveness. Jesus Christ, you know, died for sinners, and his blood cleanseth from all sin. You are to believe this and hope for pardon-not for your own sake, for you do not deserve t, but for the sake of Christ alone .-What a blessed thing will it be to have all your sins forgiven; then they will be forgotten too, and will not find you out at the judgment-day.

3.—Avoid sin as much as possible for the future. Pray to God to make you hate sin, and to keep you from it. Be afraid of sin, of all sin; be afraid of little sins, for they lead on to greater ones; be afraid of single sins, for they lend on to others. When you are tempted, by its being said, "only this once,"—resist the temptation, for when you have done it once you will be asked to do it again. A sinner's course is like that of a person running down hill, who, though he begins at a slow pace, goes on faster and faster every step, till he cannot stop. Avoid bad companions; they will lead you perhaps to disgrace and the gaol, and the gallows in this world, and to hell in the next. Remember when you are tempted to sin, God sees you, God is there. God sees all things, and forgets nothing. Remember there are two witnesses always

JOHN ADAMS AND THE SAUBATH.

The elder John Adams, while President of the United States, as he was returning from the country to his family in Boston was interrupted by a new England snowstorm, which effectually blocked up his way. He was then at Andover, twenty miles from Boston, where his family as he had learned, were waiting his arrival Sabbath morning the roads became for the first time passable. On the question of going to Boston that day, it was the opinion of the clergyman of the place, that the circumstances of his detention and the sickness of his family, would justify his travelling on the Sabbath. His reply was, that the justifiable occasion in this case would not prevent the bad influence of his example on those who might see him travelling on the Sabbath without knowing the cause. He therefore decided to wait till Monday.

HEUER IN HIS PARISH.

There was in the parish an old man who had been a notorious poacher in his youth, and through the combined influence of his irregular mode of life, drunken habits, and depraved associates had settled down into an irreligious old age. He was a widower-had survived his children, shunned all society, and was rarely seen abroad. The sole inmate of his lonely cottage was a little grandchild, in whom were bound up all the sympa-

thies of his rugged nature, and on whom he lavished the warmest caresses. It was considered an unaccountable departure from his usual line of conduct when he permitted little Philip to attend

"Why not?" was the old man's reply 'd'ye think I wish Phil to be as bad as

the Rector's school.

myself? I'm black enough God knows!" The old man was taken ill and confined to his room. It was winter. His complaint was a painful one; and there was every probability that his illness might be of long continuance. A neighbour suggested that his little grandson should read to him. He listened at first languidly and carelessly; by and by with some degree of interest, till at length his little grandchild became the means of fanning into a flame the faint spark of religious feeling which yet lingered in the old man's breast.

He expressed a wish that Mr. Heber should visit him; and the good work which it pleased Providence youthful innocence should begin, matured piety was to carry on and complete. It was no ordinary spectacle. The old man lay upon his bed, in a corner of the room, near the framed window. His features were feebled as he was, he seemed fully alive verely did she suffer for it; for altho' she had leisure to mark the searching of his eyes as he gazed, with the most intent anxiety, on his spiritual comforter, and weighed every word that fell from him. The simplicity in which Heber clothed every idea-the facility with which he descended to the old man's comprehension—the earnestness with which he strove not to be misunderstood -and the manner in which, in spite of himself, his voice occasionally faltered as he touched on some thrilling points of our faith, locked in his grandfather's—his bright a time succoured me and my poor childblue eye dimmed with tears as he looked | ren!" sadly and anxiously from one face to another; evidently aware that some misfortune awaited him, though unconscious to what extent.

The old man died-died in a state of mind so calm, so subdued, so penitent and resigned, — "that I feel myself cheered in my labours," said Heber. whenever I reflect upon it." himself officiated at the funeral. I shall never forget -I never wish to forget-if I were cast to-morrow on a desert island. it is one of the few things I should care to remember of the world I had left behind me-the air, the manner, the look, the expression of hope, which lit up his noble countenance as he pronounced this passage of our magnificent ritual: "O Father, raise us from the death of sin unto the life of rightcousness, that when we shall depart this life we may rest in thee, as our hope is, this our brother doth.'

DR. ROWLAND TAYLOR'S MARTYRDOM,

in the reign of Queen Mury, A. D. 1555. * * * The night after his degradation, by the gaoler's favour his wife with one of his sons, and the faithful John Hull, were permitted to sup with him. In exhorting the boy to a virtuous life, he bade him remember, that his father died in defence of holy marriage. He charged his wife, who, he said, had been a faithful yoke-fellow to him, and would now soon be discharged of that wedlock-bond, to marry again, as soon as God should provide her an honest and in spite of the guards, who threatened to religious man, who would be a merciful father to her poor children. For herself and them, this, he said, was the only course that would bring them out of troubles; and he bequeathed them to the Almighty's protection, saying, that he was going to those of his children whom God were easily found for this work, and had taken to himself, and whom he one of them threw a fugget at the hamed, . . . five in number.

night in the church porch of St. Botolph's, struck him on the lips, saying, to conduct him to an inn without Aldgate, him in charge. They went without lights; the men would have hurried him on, but stantly glorified in death. the Sheriff desired them to let him stay then took his daughter in his arms, and what the persecutors intended and exkneeling in the porch, with his wife and the orphan girl, said the Lord's Prayer. He then kissed her, and shaking her by the hand, said, "Farewell, dear wife! be of their spirit, from the flames amid of good comfort, for I am quiet in my conscience." And blessing the children, he charged them to stand strong and steadfast unto Christ, and keep them-selves from idolatry. Then said his wife, 'God be with thee, dear Rowland; I will with God's grace, meet thee at Hadley.' She followed them to the inn; but the Sheriff, who had wept apace during their sad interview, would, in mercy, allow no more meetings. He entreated her to go to his house, and use it as her own, promising she should lack nothing, and sent two officers to conduct her thither: but at her request, she was taken to her own mother's, who was charged to keep her A little before noon, the Sheriff of

Essex arrived; Taylor was then placed on horseback, and brought out of the inn. John Hull was waiting without the gates with Taylor's son; Taylor called the child. and John lifted him up, and set him on the horse before his father. "Good people," said he "this is mine own son begotten in lawful matrimony-and God be blessed for lawful matrimony." He then prayed for the boy, laid his hand on his head, and blessed him, and returned him again to John, whom he took by the hand, saying, " Farewell, John Hull, the faithfullest servant that ever man had!" And so they rode forth, the Sheriff of Essex, with four yeomen of the guard and Sheriff's men, leading him. When they came to Brentwood, a close hood was made for him, with holes for the eyes and mouth, that he might not be recognised on the way. They halted for the night at Chelmsford, where the Sheriff of Suffolk met them. When they entered Suffolk, a number of gentry, who had been appointed to aid the Sheriff, assured him that they had his pardon ready, and promised him promotion to a bishopric, if he would accept it. These offers were in vain, for he had not built his house upon the sand, in fear of falling off with every puff of wind, but upon the sure and immoveable rock, Christ, wherefore he abode constant and immoveable to the

A poor man was waiting for him at the bridge foot, with five small children; they fell upon their knees, holding up their hands, and the man cried, "O dear fastruck me forcibly; while Philip stood ther, and good shepherd, Dr. Taylor, God on the other side of the bed, his hand help and succour thee, as thou hast many

The streets through which he passed were lined with people, some of whom, when they saw him thus led to a cruel death, cried out, "There goeth our good shepherd, that so faithfully hath taught us, so fatherly hath cared for us, and so godly hath governed us! What shall become of this most wicked world? Heber Good Lord, strengthen him and comfort him!" The Sheriff and his men rebuked the people sternly for thus expressing their feelings; but Taylor evermore said to them, "I have preached to you God's word and truth, and am come this day to seal it with my blood."

As he passed the almshouses, he gave among their inmates what was left of the money with which charitable persons had supplied him during his long imprison-ment. He carried it in a glove, and, inquiring at the last of those houses, whether the blind man and woman who dwelt there, were living, threw the glove in at their window, and rode on to Aldham Common, where he was to suffer. When they told him, that was the place, he exclaimed, "God be thanked, I am even at home!" and, alighting from his horse, he tore with both his hands the hood from his head. The people burst into loud weeping, when they saw "his reverend and ancient face with a long white beard, and his grey hairs, and they cried out, "God save thee, good Dr. Taylor! Christ strengthen thee and help thee!". When he had undressed himself, he knelt and prayed, and a poor woman tread her down under their horses' feet, prayed beside him. A butcher, who was ordered to assist in setting up the faggots, refused, and persisted in the refusal, though the Sheriff threatened to send him to prison. Wretches, however, were easily found for this work, and martyr as he stood chained to the stake, time; as may be agreed upon

His wife suspected that he would be which cut his face so that the blood removed that night, and therefore, when ran down. "O friend," said Taylor. she left the prison, went, with one of her "I have harm chough! what needed daughters, and an orphan girl whom Dr. that?" Sir John Shelton hearing him Taylor had bred up, and watched all repeat the Psalm Misorere in English, beside Aldgate, by which she knew he knave, speak Latin; I will make thee!" must pass. It was early in February; at And when the fire had been kindled, and two in the morning, one of the Sherills, he stood patient and unmoved, with his a humane and compassionate man, came hands folded in prayer, a fellow, whose character made the action appear an imwhere the Sheriff of Essex was to take pulse of brutality, rather than compassion, cleft his skull with a halberd, and but when they approached the church, the body then fell forward. Thus renthe orphan heard them coming, and exclaiming, "O my dear father!" called into the hands of his merciful Pather, and upon her mother. "Rowland, Rowland," to his most dear and certain Saviour said his wife, "where art thou?" For Jesus Christ, whom he most entirely it was so days, that they could not see loved, faithfully and carnestly preached, each other. He answered her, and stopt: obediently followed in living, and con-

The effect of such executions was what awhile and speak to his wife. Taylor the sufferers trusted it would be, not pected. It seemed as if the martyrs bequeathed to their friends and followers, like Elijah the Prophet, a double portion which they ascended to their everlasting reward. - Abridged from Foxe and Southey.

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