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of Infants of believing Perents to baptism.

CHAPTER THIRD.

Having thus shewn how the whole collective body of the professing worshippers of God, in every age, from Adam down to the present, (as denoted by the word "Church" in the singular number.) is distinguished; we now come to consider the several questions, but they would not come." relative to the right of infants of believing parents, to baptism. And

I. Is the Christian Church the same in essence as the Jewish?

agreement concerning them, arises from the they are parallel.

be able to understand him. or in other words, the external rites. The plain the parable.

as the Jewish? upon being the natural descendants of Abralike that of the centurion, would obtain the tiles, who accepted it. blessings promised unto, and share in the hapwhilst they who believed not, yet regarded

its blessings and enjoyments. heard this he marvelled and said unto them kingdom are represented as being cast out, and noblest of historical documents. Ohrist of which Jesus himself says that he spoken to you, but seeing you put it from had found none so great in Israel, consequent- you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everly he must have been a Gentile. This cir- lasting life, lo! we turn to the Gentiles."cumstance then gave occasion to Jesus to The terms employed by our Saviour certainspeak of the future condition of the Church, ly do not favour the idea of any other change ness," that is experience all the misery which necessarily follows a deprivation of such blessings.

would be cast out and utterly deprived of all

From all that has been said, it is plain that the Church, cannot destroy its essence; con- antiquity among these early organizations. the Gentiles, or those coming from the cast sequently the Church or kingdom of heaven and the west, would only be admitted into as it now exists under the gospel dispensa- its having been in existence from the year lish Colonies in America, containing almost the same kingdom or Church to which the tion, is the same in essence as it was under 1717. The first pastor it would seem, was Jews belonged and only partake of what had the Jewish. See also Luke 14: 16, 24. been provided for and expected by the latter, and that too on the same terms, viz: faith in Christ, and consequently the essence of that kingdom or Church must remain the same, notwithstanding the casting out of the Jews, and the admission of the Centiles, for no change is represented as taking place but that of subjects, and surely this can never destroy hereditory Marshal of the Empire, Ulric Pap- bearing and import, by those in whose possession led with the churches in the colony of New York, joy. I can truly say that this was to me, ing, and at the same time refreshing, to hear its essence. Both Churches are therefore the same in ossence.

which is parallel to Matt. 8: 11, 12. The respect. rele in Hermeneutics, or the science of inter- Thus all things were ready. He was a ject, in some quarters where its claims have been placed at the disposal of the Classes, and very faithpretation, relative to parallel passages, (and bout to appear for Jesus Christ before the wrongfully overlooked.

one too that needs no proof) is, that " when- most august of all assemblies. Encourage- sides. He preached statedly to congregations 2000 well built houses. From this place he degree touching. "I have met in various plant." ever two parallel texts or passages occur in ments were not wanting. The bold Knight, at Skippack, Falconer Swamp, Saucon, travelled by land to "New York, or New an author, whether sacred or profane, the Ulric Hutten, was then in the castle of Eberns Egopt, Maccungi, Moselem, Oley, Bern. Consideration of Questions relative to the right plaining the darker." The passage in Matt. T 22: 2.-10, being more clear and explicit than bound hand and foot to Rome,) he resolved ties, Montgomery, Chester, Berks and Le- Long Island, and other places in the vicinity, fellow christians and their uwa children—the that in Matt. 8: 11. 12. must therefore be ta- at least to stretch out the hand of friendship banon, Bochm's church, in Monigomery ken as a guide and it not only strengthens, to Luther, and on the same day, 17th of April country beyond more than 250 miles, and sight and care, the latter without religious but also confirms the interpretation given of he wrote to him, adopting the words of the period. It carries the name of its first pas- even to Canada, is for the most part settled instruction, and liable through the want of

Before we enter into an investigation of change which is to take place therein, viz: arise against them and put them to flight. nized both in Philadelphia and in Germanthis subject, it will be necessary to make a the rejection of one class, and the admission Fight, therefore, valiantly the battle of Christ. town, a considerable time before this. It has Philadelphia, where the elders of the Reform- long tears of joy on a number of cheeks; while few preliminary observations on the above of another, assigning the same cause in both For my part I too will fight boldly. Would been supposed that the Reformed and Lutheran de Church received him "with much tender God was praised, for having put it into the question. It must be borne in mind that a instances, viz: faith in the latter, and the want to God I might be allowed to face their frowns. congregations had worshipped together pre-Church or society called out from the world of it in the former. Both speak of a feast, But the Lord will deliver his Vine, that the viously to 1739, and that in this year their ed himself, with the greatest zeal, to the their orphan state." Such feeling with regard and set apart to the "service of God" has the one in direct language, and the other by wild boars of the forest has laid waste . . . | union was dissolved.

on earth, from which those who are admitted gospel. The remnant who took the servants But the cause is thine, . . . and it is righte- ties." the fulfilment of the promises given to, and character of its subjects. The coming in of strong hold."

themselves as the children of the kingdom to, and only received or partook of what had send help ! Amen !"

here called the "kingdom of heaven," and than that of subjects in Matt. 8: 11. 12., and pointed out a change that should take place of guests in Matt. 22: 2., and both these of all the promises, happiness and blessings, to it; and as the essence of the marriage kingdom or Church, would be cast out, on the compliance of those who were subsequent- cumstances under which for a number of years account of their unbelief, " into outer dark- ly invited, and as the term " kingdom of hea- they continued to stand." ven" denotes in both passages the Church from, and the admission of the Gentiles into

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in the afternoon in the presence of his Impe- more than they appear to mean at first sight. It is a

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vania, is entitled to the honor of the highest last century. the Rev. Henry Guetschy; whose labors

* There is reason to believe, that a proper interest | signary in the case might still bring to light-if not documen-

essence as well as form, and the definitions implication (for as Dr. Clarke observes, the Christpreserve you" Bucer did what About the year 1730, as we gather from seas. His first effort was to restore order to of Pennsylvania, one hundred years ago. here given of the words "essence" and proper meaning of the original, in our ver- Hutten was prevented doing, he made the Schlatter's Journal, written sixteen years later. The Church in Philadelphia, and to unite it As many as half a dozen stations or char-"form" must be well fixed in the mind as sion rendered "sit down," is "sitting down journey from Ebernburg to Worms, and nev- the Rev. Mr. Weis in company with an elder with Germantown in the support of a pastor. ges were formed almost at once in Pennsylvaboth will frequently occur in the course of to meat," intimating the recumbent posture er left his friend during his stay there. the argument. The necessity of being in used by the Easterns at their meals.) Hence But Luther looked not to men for his other parts of Europe, for the purpose of such, it seems, that this was considered by support pastors as soon as they could be forstrength. "He who, attacked by the enemy, making collections in aid of the feeble con- many a hopeless undertaking. On the first nished. In the course of the following year circumstance, that if the same meaning which That the term "kingdom of heaven" in holds up the buckler of Faith," said he one gregataions of Pennsylvania. Great interest Sabbath after his arrival, Mr. Schlatter assis- (1747.) half a dozen more was organized. the author assigns to his words, be not as- Matt. 22: 2., has the same meaning as in day, "is like Perseus presenting the head of was taken in their mission. The Church of the meaning as in day, "is like Perseus presenting the head of was taken in their mission. The Church of the meaning as in day, is like Perseus presenting the head of was taken in their mission. signed to them by his readers, they will not Matt. 8: 11. 12. may already be concluded the Gorgon. Whoever looks upon it is Holland, whose sympathies had been flowfrom the fact that the former is parallel to the struck dead. It is thus we should hold up the ing actively towards her own children in the members of the Church. On the Sabbath that they did not wait to be visited by the By the words "essence of a Church" I latter, but it is clearly established by the cir- son of God against the snares of the devil." new world for a hundred years, seems to following, he called upon the congregation to agent, but sent letters and deputations to him mean every thing that is essential to its exis- cumstances mentioned in the parable, which On the morning of the Ger- be up and doing, in the work of the gospel. from different parts of the country, imploring the tener and without which is essential to its exis- cumstances mentioned in the parable, which of April, he was have had a mother's yearnings, for the Gertence and without which it could not exist; are wholly inapplicable to the term in the for a few minutes in deep exercise of mind. man pilgrims also in the same land, from the "I preached," he says, in the old half-fallen spiritual help. Such deputations travelled in and by the term "form" I mean the external sense denoting the kingdom of glory. In or- God's face seemed to be veiled, and—his faith beginning. A close spiritual relationship Church in Philadelphia, on Isaiah 48: 17. appearance, without those essential qualities, der to shew this more clearly we shall ex- forsook him :—his enemies seemed to multi- bound her benevolent heart to the children 18. After closing the service, I gave to the bound her benevolent heart to the children 18. ply before him, and his imagination was o- of Switzerland and the Palatinate, as though whole church an exposition of my instructions to secure their object. During the fall of that question therefore is this, "Is the Christian By the certain king, we are to understand vercome by the aspect of his dangers. His they had been formed in New Jer-Church with regard to every thing that is es- God; by his son, the Lord Jesus. The mar- soul was like a ship driven by a violent tem- churches of the Heidelbergh Catechism in derable joy and new life in the minds of the gations which had been formed in New Jersentially necessary to its existence, the same riage of his son, is the incarnation of Christ, pest, rocked from side to side,—one moment Pennsylvania to be "bone of her bone and people. They thanked God with tears of sey, where neither a baptism had been peror his espousing human nature, and taking it plunged in the abyss, and the next carried up flesh of her flesh," as truly as the more ma-That both Churches are the same in es- into union with himself. The marriage to heaven. In that hour of bitter trial—when ture churches of the same faith in New Jer- Holland ministers and church judicatories, for three years. sence is evident, 1. From the words of feast is the gospel economy during which he drank of the cup of Christ-an hour which sey and New York. Mr. Weis was receiv- to take an interest in these distant regions, Christ. In Math. 8: 11, 12, Jesus says "that men are invited to partake of the blessings to him was as the garden of Gethsemane, he ed by the Synods of North and South Holmany shall come from the east and from the purchased by, and consequent upon the in- threw himself with his face upon the earth, land, as well as by smaller judica tories, with west, and shall sit down with Abraham, Isaac carnation and death of our Saviour. These and uttered those broken cries, which we can the greatest cordiality and regard." The found occasion joyfully to thank God for given, elders from the different churches were and Incoh in the binedom of bearen but the greatest cordiality and regard." The and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, but the who were bidden to the wedding were the not understand, without entering, in thought, present along with the ministers; so that the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into Jews in general, who had the sacrifice for sin into the anguish of those deeps from whence less sheep of the new established fold of the outer darkness." The phrase "kingdom of pointed out by various rites, ceremonies and they rose to God," in remote America, called in the people the good dispositions which he people the good disposition which he people the good disposition which he people the heaven, is synonymous with "kingdom of sacrifices under the law, and who, by all the everlasting! how dreadful is the world! be- forth a general demonstration of Christian had effected; and that he would advance the regularly organized Synod of the German Re-God," which, as we have already shewn, prophets, had been constantly invited to be- hold how its mouth opens to swallow me up charity. "With how much heartfelt affections and seal it by his spirit, to the glory of formed Church in America. It seems, how-(chapter I) has several significations, and we lieve in and receive the promised Messiah.— and how small is my faith in Thee! . . . Oh! tion and cheerfulness these agents were remust therefore determine the meaning of the The call was the invitation of the gospel, the the weakness of the gospel, the the weakness of the gospel, the power of ceived"—says the introduction to Schlatter's tisn of many souls." In the afternoon of the Dutch Cherch or critically constituted to phrase in this place. The nature of the case servants by whom it was made were John Satan! If I am to depend upon any strength Journal, published by a committee of the tarm in the large almost re-account. forbids the interpretation of the term in the the Baptist, and the seventy disciples sent by of this world—all is over. . . . The knell is Classis of Amsterdam, A. D. 1751—"how lappy effect, in the church at Germantown. The knell is Classis of Amsterdam, A. D. 1751—"how lappy effect, in the church at Germantown." The knell is Classis of Amsterdam, A. D. 1751—"how lappy effect, in the church at Germantown." The knell is Classis of Amsterdam, A. 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Jesus, for these preached that the kingdom of struck Sentence is gone forth O many tokens of voluntary beneficence were The result was a united determination on the for the expression in v. 12, that " the children heaven which the prophets foretold, was at God! O God! O then my God! help me bestowed upon them, both by Church judi- part of the churches, to have regular pastoral of the kingdom shall be cast out" can never hand, Matt. 3: 2. Luke 10: 9. The other against all the wisdom of this world. Do this catories and by private members of our services. Mr. Schlatter was himself engaged be affirmed of these who are admitted into servants were the apostles who were sent I beseech thee; thou shouldst do this . . . churches, is yet fresh in the recollection of it, for it is said to be an eternal inheritance, forth with a more pressing invitation, and a by thine own mighty power. . . . The work many among us. The impulse of zeal and Heb. 9: 11., an inheritance uncorruptible, more particular description of the blessing to is not mine, but Thine. I have no business love, in our christian Synods and lower ju- ployed in missionary tours through the counundefiled and that fadeth not away, reserved be enjoyed under the gospel. The making here. . . . I have nothing to contend for with dicatories, and among private members also, in heaven for them, I Pet. 1. 4. It must then light of the invitation, denotes the indiffer- these great men of the world! I would glad- seemed to be wrought up even to emulation he was not laboring for bread, he did not remean the kingdom of grace, or church of God ence of the Jews in general to the call of the ly pass my days in happiness and peace. in the good work of relieving these necessi- quire nor receive any salary for the first year.

may be cast out, and to which the Jews be- and entreated them spitefully and slew them, ous and everlasting! O Lord! keep me! O We hear no more of the German churches longed. The reason why it is called a king- were the chief priests and rulers, who perse- faithful and unchangeable God! I lean not in America, till the year 1741. The Church dom is because it resembles onc. It has its cuted and killed the servants of God. The upon man. It were vain! Whatever is of in Holland still carried them on her heart; laws, viz: all the precents of the gospel; its armies sent forth were the Roman troops, man is tottering, whatever proceeds from him an evidence of which appears in the fact, Mr. Dorstius was stationed in Backs county; my knees, (as did also the whole congregation of the gospel; its armies sent forth were the Roman troops, man is tottering, whatever proceeds from him an evidence of which appears in the fact, Mr. Dorstius was stationed in Backs county; my knees, (as did also the whole congregation of the gospel; its armies sent forth were the Roman troops, man is tottering, whatever proceeds from him an evidence of which appears in the fact, and the sent forth were the Roman troops. subjects, all those who believe in Christ, and commissioned to execute the purposes of God, must fail. My God! its King, the Lord Jesus, to whom "all pow- the murderers were the Jews, and the city not hear? My God! art thou no longer liv- to forward for their use 130 German Bibles, er in heaven and earth is given," Matt. 28. which was burned was Jerusalem. The ing? Nay, thou canst not die. Thou dost which were now waiting for distribution in pen. Mr. Boelem, now an old man, had his blessing. Af-18. The coming of many "from the east going into the highways and bidding all, was but hide thyself. Thou hast chosen me for the city of Philadelphia. Ne direct commuand from the west" denotes the admission the preaching of the gospel to the Gentiles, this work. I know it! Therefore, O nication, however, was maintained with the preaching of the gospel to the Gentiles, this work. I know it! Therefore, O nication, however, was maintained with the into that kingdom, of men of all descriptions, the gathering together as many as they God, accomplish thine own will! Forsake distant spiritual plantation. But in the year of all countries, and all professions, and their found both bad and good, denotes their inme not, for the sake of thy well beloved son, 1746, the Lord stirred up the heart of one of the sake of thy well beloved son, accomplish thine own with the year of adults and children, married three coume not, for the sake of thy well beloved son, accomplish thine own with the year of adults and children, married three coume not, for the sake of thy well beloved son, accomplish thine own with the year of adults and children, married three coume not, for the sake of thy well beloved son, accomplish thine own with the year of adults and children, married three coume not, for the sake of thy well beloved son, accomplish thine own with the year of adults and children, married three coume not, for the sake of thy well beloved son, accomplish thine own with the year of adults and children, married three coume not, for the sake of thy well beloved son, accomplish thine own with the year of adults and children, married three coume not, for the sake of thy well beloved son, accomplish the year of adults and children, married three coume not, for the sake of thy well beloved son, accomplish the year of "sitting down" denotes a participation in troduction into the kingdom and the moral Jesus Christ, my defence, my buckler, and my his faithful servants in Switzerland to feel a of the same happiness and blessings enjoyed the king to see his guests, denotes the day of he Abraham Isaac and Jacob. This was the Rev. Michael Schlatter, of St. Gall; there was a call, in every direction, for the silence, with deep reverence and much stirated was the Rev. Michael Schlatter, of St. Gall; there was a call, in every direction, for the silence, with deep reverence and much stirated was the Rev. Michael Schlatter, of St. Gall; there was a call, in every direction, for the silence, with deep reverence and much stirated was the Rev. Michael Schlatter, of St. Gall; there was a call, in every direction, for the silence, with deep reverence and much stirated was the Rev. Michael Schlatter, of St. Gall; by Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. This was judgment, and the custing out of him who linued, "Lord-where art thou? My a man who seems to have been imbued with something to which the Jews considered had not a wedding garment, denotes the final God, where art thou? . . . Come! I pray a genuine Missionary zeal, that might have churches seem to have been almost entirely lion. themselves entitled, as they prided themselves separation of the wicked from the righteous. thee, I am ready Behold me prepared done honor to the Church in any age. Through From this explanation it is clear that the to lay down my life for thy truth. Suf- various channels he learned, that the German ham, John 8.39., and imagined that by virtue term "kingdom of heaven" denotes the fering like a lamb. For the cause is holy. It Churches in this country were in an exceedof the covenant made with him, God was Church under the gospel dispensation, whose is thine own! I will not let thee go! ingly destitute condition. The representabound to bestow upon them every blessing, blessings are set forth under the notion of a no, nor yet for eternity! and though the world tion so affected him that he could not rest. able Boehm used to travel twice a year to the lessings are set forth under the notion of a no, nor yet for eternity! and though the world tion so affected him that he could not rest. Matt. 3. 9. Jesus, however, snews to the nuptial festival, to which the Jews were first should be thronged with devils-and this bo- Like Nehemiah in the palace at Shushan, contrary and gives them to understand that invited but refused to come, whereupon the dy which is the work of thine hands, should he found himself so drawn out towards the the Gentiles on account of their great faith, invitation was afterwards given to the Gen- be cast forth, trodden under foot, cut in pieces, desolations of his people at a distance, as no ... consumed to ashes, ... my soul is longer to have any heart for the comforts that Now as the marriage feast represents the thine. Yes, I have thine own word to as- surrounded him at home. He felt himself piness enjoyed by Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, gospel economy, it shews, and that too, very sure me of it. My soul belongs to thee, and called to go in person, as a missionary to the plainly, that the Gentiles were only admitted will abide with thee forever! Amen! O God new world. He relinquished accordingly his previously been prepared for and offered to This prayer which was overheard and pre- with a view of being sent out regularly from ically; for they had no one whatever to look zeal for the salvation of souls. He was an the Lewe but referred to Amsterdam, ically; for they had no one whatever to look zeal for the salvation of souls. He was an the Jews, but refused by them. As the din- served by one of Luther's friends, discloses that place. The Classis of Amsterdamt was after or care for their souls. This interpretation of the phrase "king- ner, when the Gentiles as other guests were to us Luther and the Reformation. History regarded as having proper jurisdiction over dom of heaven" as denoting the Church of admitted, was the same as it had been when here lifts the veil of the sanctuary, and dis- the German Reformed congregations in Ame-God on earth, is in exact accordance with the the Jews were called and refused to come, covers the secret source whence strength and rica, as well as over the Dutch. To this context. "A centurion" it is said came and the same as it was when the servants courage descended to the humble and despised body therefore Mr. Schlatter applied, for his unto Jesus beseeching him in behalf of his were first sent out to call them; it proves man, who was God's instrument to set at li- commission to visit the American churches. servaut who was sick of the palsy, grievous- that the gospel economy was the same after berty the thought and soul of man and open a ly tormented. Jesus answers that he will the admission of the Continuous that he work too. though no bible ly tormented. Jesus answers that he will the admission of the Gentiles as it was before, new age. Luther and the Reformation lie Classis, and in consequence he received come and heal him, but the centurion says I for the blessing promised to the Gentiles were open before us. We discern their inmost formal appointment to this service, which am not worthy that thou shouldst come under no other than those which had in the first springs. We see where their power lay. became in the end a general commission my roof, but speak the word only, and my place been offered to the Jews. This is clear This effusion of a soul offering itself up in the from the Synods of South and North Holland servant shall be healed. And when Jesus from Matt. 8: 12., where the children of the land ing took place on the 12th of October, 1749, fore Mr. Schlatter became their agent, which heard this he marvelled and said unto them line on the land of the himself fully acquainted with their condition, that followed, "Verily I say unto you I have is moreover plainly asserted by Paul and In my next I will furnish a most interesting and to take all necessary measures to imnot found so great faith, no not in Israel."- Barnabas in Acts 13: 46., where in speaking and thrilling sketch of Luther's appearance prove their organization, so far as circum-These words shew very plainly that the centurion was not a Jew for he evinced a faith in the conduct before the Diet. Never had any stances might require and allow. Particularturion was not a Jew for he evinced a faith in the conduct before the Diet. Never had any stances might require and allow. Particularturion was not a Jew for he evinced a faith in the conduct before the Diet. Never had any stances might require and allow. turion was not a Jew for he evinced a faith in that the word of God should first have been man appeared before so august an assembly. | Iy he was to ascertain what could be done on the part of different congregations for the support of the gospel among themselves, in case additional ministers should be sent over from Europe to occupy the ground. With this commission, Mr. Schlatter came to Phi-The history of the German Reformed he was soon after invited to take the pastoral ren, which has afforded much satisfaction to word of God. Six or eight of them I sold, he was soon after invited to take the pastoral ren, which has afforded much satisfaction to word of God. Six or eight of them I sold, he was soon after invited to take the pastoral ren, which has afforded much satisfaction to word of God. Six or eight of them I sold, therein, viz: that the Gentiles on account of the church in America commences a full hun- their faith in him (of which the centurion's later than the church in the city in connect the Reference of the Reference their faith in him (of which the centurion's sence either of the kingdom or the feast .- dred years later, than that of the Reformed tion with the church at Germantown. From so to speak was a specimen) would come Then as the essence of the kingdom is not Dutch. Its origin however is involved in this point, he made excursions from time to from the most distant places, " from the east destroyed by ejecting or casting out those deep obscurity. Great neglect unfortunately time through the country, visiting the difand from the west" and "sit down with who at first are therein or belong to it, nor by has prevailed on the part of congregations, ferent congregations, administering the sacra-Abraham, Isaac and Jacob," that is partake admitting others who formerly did not belong either in forming or preserving records; by ments and ordaining elders. He kept a rawhich it has become impossible to give any gular journal of his proceedings, which on promised to and enjoyed by them, while the feast is not destroyed by the refusal to attend, satisfactory account of the time when the ear- his return to Holland, A. D. 1751, was sub-Jews, the children then belonging to the made by those who were first called, nor by liest organizations took place, or of the cir- mitted to the Synods, and afterwards published both in the Dutch and German languages. This document furnishes a general It would seem, that the church at Goshen- view of the state of the German Reformed of God on earth, so the ejection of the Jews hoppen, in Montgomery County, Pennsyl- Church in this country, in the middle of the

Mr. Schlatter landed at Boston, " then the There is said to be documentary evidence of largest and most populous city of the Eng-

> † The tradition goes that the wite of the worthy by carrying mortar for the masons. She was a mis-

* "The Classis of Amsterdam," says the Christian's On the next morning, 17th of April, the lices are often not understood in their true historical dence, and a connection similar to that which subsisred their ministers from Germany, and been in the

and to provide for the welfare of their immor- ecclesiastical convention was held in Philato take the charge, and afterwards preached in that country. The organization was styled both places every Lord's day, when not em- afterwards, the Pennsylvania Catus. try; and "to convince them in reality that some congregations and settlements, in Mary-

There were at this time but four ministers, besides Mr. Schlatter himself, in the Amerineglected; only the ministers were accustom- During this year 1748 three new ministers administer the sacraments. Thus the vener- ministers and twelve elders were present.

time of his visit. "I preached" says he, sionary spirit. " with much divine assistance, and not with- It is animating too, to find that the church out a blessing, to a congregation of more than in the beginning was possessed of so much 600 persons, assembled in a wooden building. right feeling on the subject of religion gener-The congregation listened to the publication ally. The people on whom these missionof the word of God, with much devout at ary efforts were expended, were not a stupid tention. Their ardent desire to be regularly irreligious race, scarcely to be distinguished by however in the end included a wide field be- paster herself took part in building the meeting house, organized and edified, and the hope they had their nominal Christianity from the heathenof securing a stated preacher, might have It was not because they chose to have it so, been read in their countenances. They could that their spiritual desolations were so great. LUTHER'S CITATION BEFORE THE tary notices at least a considerable amount of tradi- Magazine, A. D. 1807, "has long signalized itself, by not conceal the exceeding joy and surprise They felt and mourned over their own wants, tionary information, with regard to the early times of paying great attention to foreign Churches. With they felt, in seeing three preachers together and were ready to bestir themselves joyfully the Church, which would be worth preserving. The those in the East Indies it has maintained, from the a sight which had never been witnessed there for the removal of them, as soon as any prosdifficulty, as it respects such things is, that such no- time of their first formation, a constant correspon- before. The old and the young shed tears of peet of deliverance was presented. It is touchpenheim, cited Luther to appear at 4 o'clock they are found. Single circumstances, isolated facts, Phrough the medium of the same Classis, the German and to my brethren, a day of much refresh- the melting enruestness of the reries for help, fragmentary aneedotes, may in many cases mean much Reformed Churches in Pennsylvania have also procu- ment. I thought of the blessed Netherlands, mingled with their responses of gratitude for That they are essentially the same, appears rial Majesty and of the State of the Empire. landable feeting, at all events, that leads us attach im. habit of submitting to a similar dependence and subalso from another passage in Matt. 22: 2.-10. Luther received the message with profound portance to things that are old, especially in a reli. ordination. A fund for defraying the expenses of the Church in Holland. gious connection. May it not be hoped that this hint German ministers, in their travels to Holland, and is perishing for back of teachers." Altogether What can be more beautiful than those travels will have the effect of drawing attention to this sub- their subsequent voyage to America, has long been the testimony of the missionary, at the close at Tulpehocken? What more affecting than l of the year, is remarkable and in no small de- that spontaneous prostration, in the "nev unin-

Amsterdam, the capital of the province of and pious people; who excued my warmest clearer one must be taken as a guide in ex- burg. Prevented coming to Worms, (for Les and Tulpehocken-his circuit comprising a New Netherlands, containing about 2000 hou- sympathy, as with tears in their eyes they and the shores of North River to Albany, and former deprived for years of spiritual over-Matt. 8: 11. 12. for it likens "the kingdom of King of Israel :- The Lord hear thee in the tor", a man worthy to be remembered for his with well disposed native Low-Dutch inhabi- faithful teachers to be led away into all sorts heaven unto a certain king who made a mar- day of trouble: the name of the God of Jan simple self-denying labors. It may seem tants. During my stay in the city, I receiv- of error and sectorisms. They entreated riage for his son and sent forth his servants to cob defend thee; send thee help out of Zion: strange, that the church in Philadelphia ed very special attention and kindness from and implored, with floods of tears, by all that call them that were bidden to the wedding, grant thee according to thine own heart, & should not be heard of at least as early as any the three Dutch preachers, but particularly was holy, that I would through the help of fulfil all thy counsel. O beloved Luther, my belonging to the interior of the colony. From from the venerable father Du Bois, who is God assist them, as far as possible, and pro-That this passage is parallel to, but more venerated father! . . . fear not and stand firm. the oldest record of this church, it appears highly esteemed both by the English and the vide consolation for forsaken souls. I have amplified than that in Matt. 8: 11. 12. will The counsels of the wicked have laid wait for that its first edifice for public worship was Dutch, and who has already labored in the observed everywhere the highest regard for appear from a comparison of the two. Both you, they have opened their mouths against completed only in the year 1789. It is prob- ministry here, with much usefulness, for the impressive and consoling instructions givspeak of the "kingdom of heaven;" of a you-like roaring lions. But the Lord will able, however, that congregations were orga- more than 50 years, and reached the age of en me from the Synod of Holland Scarcely work for which he had been led to cross the to the gospel was there among the Germans

On the 9th of September, 1747, a second They were transmitted, however, to Holland, and are possibly still preserved, in whole or in part, among the ecclesiastical archives of In the year 1748, Mr. Schlatter visited

land and Virginia. "At Frederick," he says, "as I was collecting my mind for the introductory prayer, and saw the tears flowing over the cheeks of the people, hungering for can German Reformed Church, all of whom the bread of life, my heart was singularly tahad their fields of labor in Pennsylvania .- | ken and inflamed with love, so that I fell on ter; Mr. Weis, in the region of Goshenhop- love and earnest supplication, to commit to latterly in the city, as a supply, once a month. supper to 97 communicants, baptized a numto serve, even in the most defective manner, ple and installed new Elders and deacons. All more than usual solicitude in its behalf. This the congregations already formed; and yet which exercises were performed amid great formation of new congregations. Several ring up of heart and mind to general edifica-

ed to visit them at long intervals, travelling arrived from Holland. A second Synodical often a great many miles for the purpose, to meeting was held in September, at which six

Tulpehocken, (a distance of 80 miles,) where in these early operations among the German there was a church of some two or three hun- population of this country, so much that is dred members which had never had a pastor, answerable in spirit to the great evangelical In addition too to the destitution in Pennsyl- benevolent movements of the present timevania, German congregations were rising into though under a comparatively unpretending and in Maryland and Virginia on the other, in the full sense of the term; abundant in lapastoral charge, and travelled to Amsterdam, that seemed to cry for help still more pathet- bours, patient in trials, self-sacrificing in his organ also, by which the spirit of missions, as Mr. Schlatter found the ministers who it prevailed in the Church of Holland, caused were on the ground, all disposed to co-oper- itself to be felt with far reaching salutary ate with him, in carrying out the design of power, in the new world. His ministry was his mission. Having previously visited them a great missionary agency, stretching itself at their places of residence, and united with over the entire Seld of the American German he gave them a friendly invitation to hold a entered into the work too, though no bible convention along with himself, in the city of society was known. The Synods of Holland Philadelphia, for the purpose of mutual fra- as we have seen, had sent over a number of ternal counsel and encouragement. The meet- copies of the sacred volume, some time beand was the first occasion on which these on his arrival at Philadelphia he found still brethren had ever thus come together; tho' in the hands of the merchant to whose care some of them had been laboring for twenty they had been consigned. "I sent," he says The effect was happy. In the most affection- one of the Churches in Pennsylvania, for the ate terms, not without many tears, they came use of the pulpit; fifty were placed at the disunder engagements of love and peace. Cer- posal of the officers of the Churches, to be tain articles were drawn up and signed, as distributed according to their discretion for the bond of their union. "God be praised," the benefit of the poor; others I lent to this exclaims the pious missionary, "for this and that poor man, to awaken and confirm in ladelphia in the fall of that same year; where agreement and unanimity among these broth- them a disposition to read and examine the work with new zeal and pleasure, and to car- school children." We hear of no tracts or ry it forward by united efforts; while it has sabbath schools; but we may he sure they furnished a happy pattern also to all the would have been highly valued on all sides, churches in the country, for their editication." if anything of the sort had then been known. As early as possible the indefatigable man The German Reformed Church in this counentered on his work of visiting the churches, try is one of the last, that should show herin the name of the Classis of Amsterdam .- | self cold towards the cause of missions, the Every where he was received with the live- cause of bibles, and the cause of earnest reliliest demonstrations of interest and regard .- gious education. She was herself cradled in At Tulpehocken, it so happened that both the midst of these interests in her tenderchild-Mr. Weis and Mr. Boshm were present at the hood. She owes her very being to the mis-

ced a proper value upon an educated ministry, lished under the supervision of the Rev. Diedand were willing to pay according to their rich Willers, of Seneca county, in the State Still, I would think, though some may scoff the noability for its support. It was not a matter of of New York. They belong to the period Yet totalers are on my side, at leastindifference to them from what hand, or in lalling between the years 1775 and 1786 .- That more becoming is the calm devotion what form, they should enjoy the ministra- From this document it appears, that the protions of the gospel. They loved the doctrines | ceedings of the " Pennsylvania Coetus" were desired ministers who might be sound in sured as the case might be supposed to require. And well our country may be glad, of late, the faith, as well as apt in other respects to We find in connection with the Classis of Am- That many, casting off the barbarous manner, teach. They deprecated the thought, that sterdam a standing Committee ad res Penn- Her frauchisement and theirs now celebrate, their children might be drawn away for want sylvaniensis, whose business it was special- Planting, with hers to wave, the Temperance banner. of faithful pastoral care, imo dangerous er- ly to attend to all that concerned the German rors. They had hearts, to think, and weep, Reformed Church in this country. The comand pray, over the desolations with which mission styled the "Deputies of the two Sy- Rendering their tribute to his jurisdiction they were surrounded. All this has its deep | nods," with still higher authority as it would importance for the German Reformed Church seem, comes also, into view charged with the For deeper gratitude may be expressed

In the year 1751, Mr. Schlatter returned to the latter to the former. The American Than e'er was felt amidst the drunkard's anger, Holland. All the efforts which had been Church is treated to a certain extent, as a free The cannon's roar, and party's strife and clangor. made to procure a sufficient supply of minis- and independent organization. The authori- And we awhile have come from Learning's halls, ters thus far, had proved unequal to the object. It of the mother Church is exhibited in the To follow in our country's celebration: The calls for service multiplied altogether fas- form of parental judgment and advice. But For though for years shut up in cloistered walls, ter than men could be procured to occupy the it is advice which, in the circumstances of the In all the scenes to which her music calls; field. It was not easy to represent the wants case, partook largely of the nature of law; And we are pleased or sad as is our nation. of the country fully by letter; and it often like the instructions of a board of missions to That man, the poet says, who ne'er hath said: happened besides, that the communications to the churches gathered under its care, in some This is my native Land! in soul, is dead. Europe were lost on the way. At a special foreign land. It was indeed to the last, a And with a double zest do we now share meeting of the Synod, accordingly, called ex- missionary relation. We hear of remittan- In the deep interest that this hour affords; pressly to take the case into consideration, it cas of money, made from year to year for the For that Society, whose badge we wear. was resolved unanimously, that Mr. Schlatter benefit of the Church in America, as an ordi- And we come not like statesmen should cross the seas, and lay the wants of nary thing. These were called "gifts of The honors that the people's voice awards; the country in person before the Church of love." There was a "widow's fund," esta- But 'tis our duty, and we deem it sweet Holland. At that time, it appears that there blished for the benefit of the wives of deceas. To lay our trophies at our country's feet. were 48 congregations in the connexion, form- ed ministers, which shared largely in these ed into sixteen pastoral charges. Of these contributions. As opportunity offered, new charges only five were supplied with regular ministers also were sent over, to whom it was Or letting down our buckets, may have failed preaching; as two ministers, (Boehm and usual to allow a certain amount of money, to Hochreutner,) had been removed by death, cover the expenses of their journey. This And all our harvest field is yet to reap;

tory of the Church. We know, simply, that to be necessary, to guard against corruptions Be this at least our boast, we'll speak abroad the application made to the Synod of Holland, of doctrine, as well as other irregularities in No word to desecrate the House of God. was productive of good results. Ministers | the Church. were sent over from time to time; and in nity. After a short time, we find the Church | dependent. in America, herseif bringing forward and or-

In the mean time, the denomination was ing, however, to know, that they included also quite a considerable amount of French pro- prompted to undertake the inquiry. testanism. Many Huguenot families, which had previously been forced from their own country by persecution, having taken refuge first for a time in the countries just mentioned, were afterwards induced to cross the ocean and settle in this country. Some, perhaps, came directly from France. Whole settlements of them, in this way, were planted at different points, in Pennsylvania. Surrounded with a German community, they gradually lost their own language, and adopted that of their neighbors. Their names are still extensively preserved, with more or less change Have ye e'er seen that group of honest men, of spelling and pronunciation, among their To our broad Declaration, with firm pen descent a its. Those who are acquainted with And dauntless hearts, they did their names affix? the faith and piety of the ancient Huguenots, It is a faithful sketch; and shown us then, and know what value is to be placed on the "memory of the just" as a legacy transmit- Their lives and fortunes for their country's sake. ted even through long generations to their children, will not think it strange that the German Reformed Church in this country Theirs is the buckled shoe, the leg compressed, should consider it not only an honorable dis- With naked stocking, the close-fitting breeches, tinction, but a precious spiritual privilege also, And the capacious waist-enclosing vest, to embrace so much of the protestantism of France in her organization.†

The general dependence of the Church on Not that I would at all be thought to state the Synods of Holland, through her Classis That, now, in love of country we are lacking. of Amsterdam, continued till near the close of But in their days it was the trying fate the seventeenth century. Even after the Reform- Of patriots to withstand, with slender backing, ed Dutch Church in New Jersey and New York | In front, the armament of British hate; | While Indian wiles, behind, were them attacking. had assumed a perfectly independent posture But now our "lines are fallen in pleasant places,"

In the case of foreign ministers, it seems to have been considered contrary to order still for the Coefus to act without the authority specifically expressed of the Church in Holland, Thus we hear the "Depoties of the two Synods" saying, A. D. 1785, "We cannot as yet give our consent to the ordination of Mr. Cyriacus Spangenburg, but look for more particular information from the Rev. Coetus, whether From lake Moosehead to swanp Oquefenoko. said gentleman has, &cc." Again, in the same year, On other days, 'tis true that we are rash, after noticing the case of the Rev. Wynkhaus, they | Merging our general zeal in incrests sectional, add: "And with reference to the proponent, Freder- And that our sentiments do sometimes clash ick Wilhelm Van der Sloot, measures have been About those folks whose difference is complexional; taken to obtain information concering him at Berlin, And that our statesmen sometimes seek to slash and a favorable report has been received from that Our Union through-comes to my recollection, all; city. And so we intend whenever a favorable re- But when July's rejoicing Fourth returns, port shall be received one n ng the first mentioned, With patriot rapture every bosom burns. ministry of the congregations in which they already Tis glorious, then, to see, in towns arrayed, labor. But we must remind, that since the last mentioned is yet a proponent he should be ordained our gallant troops; their swords and bayonets gleam inc.

purchased originally from William Penn, by a com- Of tilts and tournaments and wars is dreaming. pany of French protestants. Their descendants are These are our country's boast; her best protection still here . Near Kutztown, in the same county they From outward foes and inward insurrection. formed another settlement, and erected a church, which has since been rebuilt but carries still the old Not these alone; but e'en the rabble rout name, De Lung's Church. The family names De- Feel the glad warmth and cause a deaf'ning rattle, turk, Bertolete, Levan, Lora, Sharodin, and others Dragging, with rude turmoil, their cannon out, that might be mentioned (some of them now widely Kept for this day's carousal or for battle; diffused,) are derived from this honorable stock. Which, having charged, they fire with boisterous country from the neighborhood of Basel, planted it- Proclaiming thus to all, mankind and cattle, self in the upper part of Dauphin county. in what is That they so far from being their countries tories, now called David's congregation belonging to the Are democrats, exulting in her glories. charge of the Rev. father Gerhart. These notices the writer owes to the Rev. Jacob Mayer, the Add, though now cramped by peace, if only war had a well known Centenary Agent of the Church, who Chance to let slip his dogs of savage face; himself glories in being by blood a genuine French If those dark Indians should break forth from Florida; protestant, his ancestors having borne originally the Or if the British should, in any case, name of La Maire. Berks county in general was Pounce on our shoses—they'd give them all so horaettled from the Palalinate and Switzerland. A large and very respectable emigration from the Palatinate Salute, or blasting, as should soon erase settled, at an early day, in Frederick and Middle. Them quite from off the earth! and then-they fire

ished church," at Frederica ! It is a great sylvania, as the German Synod styled itself, Others go forth to the sweet neighborhood mismke to suppose, that the "pilgrim fathers" still forwarding a regular report of its " Acta," of the German Church in this country, brought year after year, to the mother Church on the no religion with them from the old world .- eastern side of the Atlantic, and acknowledge So far at least as the members of the Reformed ing the right of the Classis of Amsterdam in ed Church are concerned, no supposition particular to bring all under its ecclesia stical recould be more false. They were a religious view and control. A proper examination of people, made up to a considerable extent of Church records in Netherlands, might bring the better order of German families. The to light, from the monuments of this corresconfiguration from Switzerland and the Palati- pondence, many points of information, that And corks are drawn, and blood-red wine is spilt, name was more respectable, at this time, than | would have a historical interest for the counany other hearing the German name; and it try as well as the Church.* As the case was from this mainly that the Reformed stands, however, we are shut up with regard to Church, in the beginning, was built up and ex- ti a few "Letters from Holland," which have tended. Anyong these emigrants, we find an only recently made their appearance in the enlightened attachment to the religion of their | English tongue, after having lain buried for lathers, and an honest concern to secure to more than fifty years in the archieves of the To keep the prowess of his arm in practicethemselves and their children in this country, German Reformed Church at Lancaster .the same spiritual privileges to which they By order of the Synod, they have been transhad been accustomed in Europe. They pla- lated from the original Low Dutch, and pubat this time. The piety of other days may same interest. The relation thus holding be- Even by the artless tongues of infant lispers, be taken as a pledge, that God is in the midst tween the Church in Holland and the Church And purer zealousness may warm the breast, of her still, and that her latter end shall be in America, does not seem indeed to have inIn some calm gathering place where peace may rest, volved a strict and absolute subordination of And Joy and Temperance may meet, like sisters,

and Mr. Schlatter himself was now out of the "viaticum," as it was named, and the gifts Yet have we girt ourselves and joined the race, of love, formed together what was considered And caught some honors in our early chase. Of Mr. Schlatter's movements subsequent quite a heavy expenditure. It was earnestly And trusting now that night's soft magic scene, to this, we have no information. He disap- required that no ministers from Europe should Which oft has covered foibles with its light, pears, with the conclusion of his journal, just be received, except under sanction at least and Will gild our actions and our failings screen, at this point, from the vision of history alto- recommendation of the proper ecclesiastica! We do not lear so much the critic's spice, Yet, should the case be, as it oft has been, gether. A long chasm follows also, in the his- authority in Holland. Such caution was held That all our errors be not hidden quite,

The connection between the two Churches, some instances, provision was made, not only as now described, continued till about the to defray the expences in coming, but to sus. year 1792, when it was interrupted by the tain them in part also for some time at their wars growing out of the French Revolution. stations. Schoolmasters too, were provided, The German Reformed Church in America and German bibles and other religious books was now thrown entirely upon her own reforwarded, to meet the wants of the commu- sources, and constrained to become fully in-

ty. It was considered a matter of course, dence, as a sort of missionary colony, with the two faith—or he had some secret sin—or somethat the Churrh should exercise all ecclesias- Synods of Holland and the Classis of Amsterdam. tical powers for herself, as soon as her cir- The affairs of the Pennsylvania Coetus filled quite thing else of like kind. I will mention one a considerable space, from year to year, in their case that occured near us. ecclesiastical transactions. Reports and instructions still extending its borders. The emigration ner. Of all this, there must assuredly be documentary pist priest promised a cure, in case he would were exchanged, in the most full and regular manfrom Europe continued to fill up sections al- monuments still existing in the Netherlands, which become a convert. He was baptized, but did ready partially occupied, and to take posses. it would require no very diligent search to make not convalence. His wife was then the obstasion at the same time of new districts. The available for the purposes of history. We may hope, that some competent person, visiting that part of the cle, she must be bap'ized. It was done; but accessions thus made to the Church were dur- world, will yet institute this investigation, and carry the patient was no better. The children were ing this period mainly, as before, from the it through in a proper manner. Distinguished cler. then named as the obstacle. They were bap-Switzerland and the Palatinate. It is interest- gymen from the Reformed Dutch Church occasionally visit Holland. Perhaps some one of these, gifted with the spirit of antiquarian research, may yet be

Original Poetry.

For the Weekly Messenger. Messrs. Editors: - You will confer a favor on many of your readers, by inserting the following

PROLOGUE, occasion by Professor William M. Nevin.

Seen on their brows, what grandeur did commix

Eevn the plain garb in which those men are dressed Set in that ample coat o'er all that reaches. More genuine worth did one such suit incase

in this respect, we find the Coetus of Penn- And times and "circumstauces after cases."

Love for our country! When this day comes round, From every breast its genuine sound is springing: Woods, streams and vallies catch the joyful sound, And back the mountains are its echoes flinging. Nor city, town, nor village can be found, In whose gay streets its music is not ringing. Tis bandied all abroad by whig and loco,

by the Deputies of the two Synods," Letters from And their quick evolutions well displayed! † The township of Oley, in Berks county, was That, from her casement watching every maid And then so prouldly are their pennants streaming,

Against the wind, to show their dreadful ire.

Of their own village, to hear loudly read The Declaration, neath the shady wood, Where benches have been fixed and tables spread. There, too, a speech they bear in zealous mood, And with bold rhapsodies their souls are led, Till all so high their patriot polse is beating, Having no loes to slay, they fall to eating.

Then fierce they charge—the roasted ox is riven, And pyramids of sance on plate are built :— Then rush the furious blades in butter driven! And whiskey punch. As each good toast is given, All simultaneously their glasses till To heroes, statesmen, ladies, or their speaker; All for the love of country—not of liquor,

Ah me! Fallen to the ground, ere evening closes, Full many a patriot, after having blacked his Associates' eyes and levelled down some noses At length, worn out with deeds, in peace reposess But though his might and voice be gone, the fact is, His burning zeal no circumstance can smother, And, Brutus like, he greets the earth-his mother.

Of those who banish liquors from their feast;

And in her churches, children congregate Nurtured in Sabbath schools-Praise to their plan-

Of whom all nature bears the superscription.

And we come, not like statesmen, off to bear

True, we are young; as yet we have not scaled The highest cliffs of Learning's rugged steep; To draw up truth-hid in the well's dark deep

Miscellaneous.

PAPAL MIRACLES REVIVED .- The following account is from Rev. John Emerson, pastor of the church at Wailua, on the island of

Some have been induced to be baptized (by the papists) by a promise of the priest to heal daining men for the ministry. It does not * For a period of at least forty years, after Mr. chance to recover the fault is always attributheir diseases. But when the sick do not appear, that this measure created any difficul. Schlatter's return to Europe, the German Reformed ed to something else rather than the inability faith-or he had some secret sin-or some-

tized; and last of all some dependents of the family must be baptized, to secure the health of the patient. It was all done. And then what became of the poor sick man! Oh te died and left them all to see the folly of such pretensions to miraculous power.

AN ANECDOTE WORTH REMEMBERING .-Rev. Mr. Galusha, as the cor.gregation was going out, related an anecdote which served ing, and who now, in consequence, instead of Delivered at the Anniversary Celebration of the Diag. to show that we must give to this cause wheth- living this happy and desirable life, wastes his land.—This document, in the Low Dutch lancersburg, on the Fourth of July, and written for the New York State in good circumstances, one liberal and the other covetous. The latter, these lives will you lead? They are both behowever, in a fit of benevolence gave one year fore you. - Geo. R. Emerson. 25 cents to missions. At the close of the year his no ghbor paid him a visit, and told him he the other, "I only gave two shillings." "Well," fic, there were sometimes 18 or 20 speeches asked his friend, "how many horses have you "Two," said he, "worth seventyfive dollars apiece." "And how many cows?" continued his friend. "Three," he replied. "And how many sheep?", "Twenty," was the reply. And so his friend went on and reckoned up what he had lost during the year, and it amounted to \$400: and "now" says he, "I tell you, you have given too much to the missionarry cause." Ah, let us remember, continued Mr. G. that the silver and the gold are the Lord's and the cattle on a thousand hills ; and He will take his due. But it our God takes what is His as the "end of the law," we shall not have the blessing, but the smart of the lash.

INTERESTING NARRATIVE.

the London Missionary Society:

PACIFIC.—One afternoon they were holding pel I could never sleep comfortably." a church meeting, and a person was about to be received into communion who had been a membee formerly, but had disgraced his Christian profession. He had given satisfac- ed at a pawnbroker's window than in all the ly be regarded as having at least, some claim tory evidence of genuine repentance, and I libraries of the world. The maxims and dogto the support which the members and friends fulness and happy influence of such institushould be received, when a man stood up in the mind for a moment as the breeze ruffles a distant part of the chapel, and said, "I the surface of the deep, still stream, and pas- der. think, brethren and sisters, I also have a little ses away; but there is something in the melword to say, respecting our returning brother; ancholy grouping of a pawnbroker's window, on the 14th of May last. Religious exercises that the neglect of Family devotion is a fruitful while you have been asking questions, I have which, like a record of ruin sinks into the were held on Saturday and on the Sabbath, source of irreligion and ungodliness. It is What did Noah do? Did he shut the door stowed, or eyes now closed in death had once crament of the Lord's supper was administer- neglected by so many families. O that every and the window? No; he held out his hand looked upon as their own—are here as it were ed to a large number of communicants. and took it in, that it might there find rest .- profained ;-the associations of dear olden I think that ark resembles the Church. Our times are violated—the family hearth is here brother was in the Church formerly, but he outraged; the ties of love; kindred; rank; all went out; he has been seeking peace in the that the heart clings to are broken here: it is The following members were present: objects of the world, but he has not found it, a sad picture, for, in spite of its glittering and now he has come back to the Church - show, its associations are sombre. There What shall be our conduct to our returning hangs the watch, the old chased repeater, brother? Shall we shut the door against him? that hung above the head of a dying parent P. Herrbrook, G. Schlosser, A. Keller, A. L. No; like Noah, let us put out our hand, take when bestowing his trembling blessing on the W. Begeman, S. B. Leiter, D. Kæmmerer, D. hold of our returning brother, and put him poor outcast who parted with it for bread; Kroh, and A. Stump. in the Church again that he may there find the widow's wedding-ring is there, the last peace. I therefore propose that our brother and dearest of all her possessions; the trinmay be received."-Pritchard.

TRIALS OF FAITH.—The Rev. F. C. G. only relic of the heart's fondest memories; Moon, J. Ohl, J. Bucher, J. Febrens, D. Miller, to grope his way into the two, without the aid that held a father's hair; or gloomier still, ident; Rev. D. Kammerer, Recording Secreta. lecting materials for a dictionary, when it and misery. It is a strange, sad sight: to tary; and Mr. D. Stump, Treasurer. pleased God, whose judgements are unsearch- those who feel aright, there are more touching

THE CAMBRIDGE LEATHER DRESSER.

For many years, and many times in a year,

I have passed by the shop of a diligent, industrious mechanic, whom I have often seen busy at his trade, with his arms bare, hard at But he still remains wisely devoted to his its neighborhood will interest you. It will to an exclusion from their body. Among trade. During the day, you may see him at his work, or chatting with his neighbors. give you a general idea of the population of the different classes of people inhabiting this other reasons assigned for this action in the and the order of the Reformed Church. They reported in form, under separate heads, to the And, while they see fresh comforts round them gather, his quiet fireside, and enjoys the company of persons within the boundary of Sydney is connected himself with the Synod of a sister New England can boast of. William H. ed sentences of transportation, 207 hold tickin this connection, takes occasion to express him about Ferdinand and Isabella. Washing- ment employed, and 1.060 (537 males, and its decided disapprobation of the conduct of aton Irving comes from New York, and tells 523 females) are convicts in private assign- ny Synod, which receives into its connection, the adventurous voyage of Columbus, or the The districts, of Sydney, outside the bounlegend of Sleepy Hollow, or the tale of the dary, including New Towns, Botany Bay, &c. with which they were formerly connected. with him, and points out on a map the colon- town and surburbs of Sydney 35,507, of The view here taken must be approved by all ies and settlements of America, their circum- whom 20.733 are males, and 14,741 are fe- who will look at the subject in its proper light. stances and fates, and gives him the early males. The religious denominations are thus Instances do occasionally occur in which one history of liberty. Jared Sparks comes down divided; Church of England, 19,903; Pres- denomination receives into its connection, from Cambridge, and reads to him the letters of Washington, and makes his heart glow with heroic deeds of that godlike man, for his countries of Washington, and makes his heart glow with heroic deeds of that godlike man, for his countries of Wesleyans, 637; other Protestant Dissenters, 973; total Protestants, 24,978; Roman Catholics. 9,552; Jews, 175; their being regularly dismissed from their fortry. Or if he is in the mood for poetry, his Mahommedans and Pagans, 101. Occupa- mer connection. The utter disregard that is neighbor, W. Allston, the great painter' steps tions: Landed proprietors, merchants, and thus shown to the ecclesiastical acts or rights in, and tells him a story—and nobody tells a professional men, 707; shopkeepers and of sister denominations, cannot but prove story so well—or repeats to him lines of portes retail dealers, 798; mechanics and artificers, highly prejudicial to the healthful and necessary which he learned among the green hills of ists, 4,206; domestic servants, 3,135; others ry enforcement of ecclesiastical discipline; and son, come, the one to repeat grave, heart stiring poetry, the other to speak of his two years before the mast. Or, if this mechanic is in a and this is pretty near the proportion they speculative mood, Professor Hitchcock comes hold throughout the colony. The Episcopalfallen the soil of Massachusetts since the flood, or before-or Professor Espy tries to predict a storm. Nor is his aquaintance confined to his own country. In his grave hours, "Population of colony, 130,856 souls." he sends for Sir John Herschel from across Church of England, 73,727; of Scotland, 13,- application of the former was referred to the quently upon the wonders of the vast creation, 3,237; Dissenters, 1,157; Jews, 856; Pa- his case one of some interest, though not such it across the stormy ocean of the blue wave alone, that his friends come to visit him—but THE WEEKLYMESSENGER across the darker and wider ocean of time, come the wise and the good, the eloquent and the witty, and sit down at his table, and discourse with him as long as he wishes to listen. That eloquent blind old man of Scio, with beard descending to his girdle, still blind, but still eloquent, sits down with him; and as he sang almost three thousand years ago among the Grecian isles, sings the war of simself."

A Postmaster may enclose money icription of a third person, and frank the letter, if written by he sang almost three thousand years ago Troy, or the wonderings of the sage Ulysses. The poet of the human heart comes from the banks of the Avon, and the poet of Paradise

> bition had made him representative to Congress, or a governor of a State; and more respected and happy, that he disdains not to labor in an honorable calling. My young friends, this is no fancy sketch .the same advantages, but did not improve ber next.

made. He gave the following as a specimen: it may be obtained.

"Friends, I shall sleep comfortably to night; SECOND DISTRICT SYNOD OF OHIO. the flock and generally blessed them with in fact I sleep comfortably every night. And there are three reasons why I can sleep so comfortably now. First, I have my Bible, meeting of this Synod for publication in fulfil the weighty duties of the office they have and my other books." And holding up his pamphlet form. They have already left the little basket, he said, "Look here; here they press, & we give below a condensed statement, mittee learn with joy, that they have been dilread them when I like; therefore I can sleep comfortably. Secondly, because we have for proceedings, interspersed with a few occasiona long time been praying to God for a Mis- al remarks. By the way, we may take occa- The additions to the Church have been more sionary from Britain, and now we have him. sion to express our acknowledgements to these Here he is in the midst of us; our prayers brethren, for favoring our Establishment with been introduced into the most of the congregasleep comfortably. Thirdly, because we are the publication of their minutes, and we should tions, and the blessing of the Lord basevidentall friends and live in harmony, and this day be glad to find the different Synods and Clasmeet together in peace; therefore I can now ses generally who have work of this kind to Protracted meetings have also been held with sleep comfortably. It was quite different for- be performed, copying their example in this the greatest and happiest results. The ensuing facts are extracted from the merly. I was then one of the watchmen, respect. Our work, we believe, will not sufspeeches delivered at the recent meeting of who looked out for the approach of the enemy; but I never could sleep comfortably then. fer from comparison with that done elswhere, In fact I have slept in many places during and we are disposed to make our charges as CHURCH MEETING IN THE ISLANDS OF THE my life time, but until the coming of the Gos-

THE PAWNBROKER'S WINDOW.

Schroeter, late church missionary to India, silver that graced the holiday-feast, the guilt- and D. Neidig. devoted unwearied attention to the acquisition framed miniature that used to hang over the of the language of Thibet, and two other langua- quiet mantel-shelf; the flute of a favorite son, ges spoken in the mountains of Nepaul, called surrendered by a starving mother to procure Lapchop, and Limbooam. He was obliged food for her remaining offspring; the locket succeded so far in preparing a grammar, and col- there, waving like the flag of wretchedness ry; Rev. S. B Leiter, Corresponding Secreable, and whose ways are past finding out to memorials to be seen at a pawnbroker's winremove him at an early age from the church dow than in all the monuments in Westminster Abbey .- Mrs. C. B. Wilson.

From the Congregational Magazine. STATISTICS OF SYDNEY, NEW SOUTH WALES.

A census has not yet been taken of the co. the Synod. The names of the Rev. L. B work. His industry and steadiness have been lony: the whole of it has not yet been pub- Schmidt, D. Scherer, and F. G. Maschop also successful, and he has gained a competency. Inshed. The following account of Sydney and were stricken from their roll, which amounts his friends. And he has the most extraordi- 29,973, of whom 17,332 arrived free, and 7,- denomination without having received a regunary collection of friends that any man in 000 were born in the colony, 3,356 have serv- lar dismission from their body. The Synod

not included in the above, 25.483. You will should be frowned upon by all who study the perceive that the Roman Catholics constitute interests of Christ's kingdom, in the peace and nearly one-third of the population of Sydney, unity of the Church. ians are much more numerous than was sup- applied to be taken into connection with Synposed, and the Presbyterians less so.

P. S .- Since writing the above, the results of the late census have been published:

CHAMBERSBURG, AUGUST 3d, 1842. The Profits of this Paper are devoted to the cause of Home Missions.

TERMS: \ \ \\$2 50, if payment is delayed beyond 3 months. \ \\$2 00, if paid in advance, or within 3 months. FROM THE POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Temperance Convention .- We wish to difrom the small garden-house in Westminster; rect the special attention of the different Burns from his cottage on the Ayr, and Scott Temperance Societies in the county and vicinifrom his dwelling by the Tweed; and any ty, to the notice of the county Temperance his fireside, a man who ought to have been a Convention, to be held in this place on the here with school boys, for no one ever felt 23d inst., which has appeared in this paper so for them; a man whom so many of your for several weeks. Every arrangement should neighbors in Boston lately strove in vain to be seasonably made by the different Societies see—Charles Dickens: In the midst of such to have them properly represented in the Conhappy and respected life, not less respected, vention, and it is to be hoped that this matter and far more happy than if an uneasy am- will receive due attention.

LITERARY ADDRESS.

LIND, Professor of the German language in central point in Ohio. Brookfield, Stark Co., Many who hear me know as well as I do, Marshall College, Mercersburg, Pa., will de- Ohio, is proposed as a suitable place for the lo-Thomas Dowse, of Cambridgeport, and many liver a German Address before the German cation of the contemplated depository. It is have seen his choice and beautiful library. Literary Societies connected with that institu- probable, that this condition will be acceded But I suppose there is no one here who knows tion, at the annual commencement in Septem- to, by the Committee of Publication.

er we will or not. There were two men in evenings in low company, or taverns, or do- guage, was taken from the Archives of Synod zes them away by his own fire. Which of some years ago, and has not since been heard of. As it is a document of importance and will be of very essential service to the Church, had come to labor with him for giving too chard stated, that at the missionary meetings sion it may be, will return it immediately to WAY TO SLEEP COMFORTABLY .- Mr. Prit- it is hoped that the person in whose possesmuch to the missionary cause. "Why" says held by the natives in the Island of the Paci- its proper place, or give information so that

We have received the minutes of the late embodying the most important items in their igently employed in the service of the Lord. reasonable as possible. It ought to be remembered, moreover, that our Establishment some neighbourhoods Prayer meetings and Sab-

on the morning of the latter of which days the sa- therefore to be regretted that this duty is still

The session was opened with singing and prayer by the president of the previous year.

Ministers :- Rev. J. P. Mahnenschmidt, . W. Hamm, H. Sonnendecker, C. Zwisler, praise the Lord. Amen.

Absentees :- Rev. D. Rahauser, H. Hess,

. Bear, and A. Allardt.

The Rev. D. Kommerer from the First District Synod was received as a member of this

The brethren presented their parochial reports, which were characterized by considerable interest. The Rev. Mr. Sachse was excluded from

Applicants:-Messrs. D. Seger and P. Hauk od. The latter was not received, because he was not furnished with written testimonials, as fully to justify his immediate reception into Synod, advised that "he be recommended to prosecute his studies for the present year under the direction of a neighbouring minister, and occasionally to exercise himself in speaking; and then to present himself again at the next meeting of Synod, furnished with good testimonials." To this recommendation, it appears he assented, and he was accordingly placed under the care of the Rev. D. Kammerer for the time specified. Mr. Seger is a convert from the Roman Catholic Church, & his reasons for abandoning that Church were presented in writing, and are recorded in the minutes. They evidence a considerable acquaintance with the subject.

Communications: - Among the communications reported, we notice the one forwarded by ourselves to all the Classes and District Synods. In reference to it, the Synod recommends to the ministers in its connection, to circulate amongst their congregations as far as possible, both of the periodicals and the varirious publications of the Church, provided a We are requested to state, that Mr. S. H. Depository of Books be located in some

Finance:-From the Treasurer's report, it appears that the receipts during the year together with balance formerly reported, amount to \$144,65, and the expenditures to \$55,96 leaving in the Treasury, a balance of \$88.04 State of Religion :- The following is the report of the Committee.

The Committee on the State of Religion feel themselves constrained to be thankful for the goodness of God, as it has been manifested towards this religious body during the present

health and strength, so that they were able to received from the Lord Jesus Christ.

The doctrine of the Catechism has been from: ly attended them, as is manifest from the in-

Several revivals were reported by the brethren, by means of which at different places, there were 10-20-30-50 and even as many as 100 hopefully converted to the Lord.

Your Committee learn with sorrow, that in is the property of the Church, and is designed bath Schools meet with a strong opposition; There is more philosophy of life to be learn- to further its interests. It may therefore, just- it proceeds however, from individual memof the Church may have in their power to ren- tions in the Church of God. Your Committee, learn with special joy, that family worship is The Synod met in Fulton, Stark Co. Ohio, becoming more generally introduced into our on the 14th of May last. Religious exercises German Reformed Zion. We are persuaded head of a family might be able to say with Joshua, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." The Lord will bless all those who trust in him; for the Lord hath done great things for us and hath remembered us in our low estate. The Lord hath given to his Zion praise and joy for sorrow. We also will

A. STUMP, Chairman. Miscellaneous:- The Synod has taken occasion to remind ministers, elders and deacons Elders:-J. Greenemeier, J. Yoerg, J. of their duty to admit no one to the sacrament ket, the pledge of love of one now dead, the Walmer, J. Gere, L. Schup, I. Denius, J. of the Lord's supper, who leads an openly un

by Syned into pastoral charges, in the order place where his mother resided, and this in thewake of the above cradlers. [Eds.] in which they were reported by the ministers scene is related by Mr. Steele as follows: in their statistical reports, and no minister is permitted to take charge of one or more of the congregations comprising a pastoral district, without the consent of all the congrega-

tions embraced in the charge. Difficulties have often arisen in our Churches with respect to the question, "Who is en- n a few days. The matter was however soon extitled to vote in an election for minister, elders and deacons?" With respect to this the Sy- her. I then got out of the boat and went with him. nod declares, "that in those congregations only in which the members of the Reformed and live chair. We had not been sitting long when we Lutheran Churches have united in the support of one minister, the election can be held | heavy crash indicated the fall of the bundle of wood in common. But in those cases in which each congregation has its own minister, those only who are members of the congregation can vote in all elections for officers, except it be piteously, and exhibited all that surprise and constermutually agreed by both parties to vote in common." This action doubtless has reference to those cases in which one house is occupied son, whom she had so long conidered dead, was in common by a Lutheran and a Reformed still alive, and now he sat in full view before her. congregation. The position taken by the around nearly to the opposite side from which she Synod is the correct one. If there be any deficiency in it, it ought, in our opinion, have not precisely understand. Banna did not move from been carried so far, as in no case to admit of anything in common in the election referred to. his elbow rested on his knee. The tears did flow The evils that have resulted, or that are liable to result from holding in any case such e- at length stood facing her son :- he was indeed still lections in common, are so palpable that they cannot well fail to convince every one who consults the peace of the Church, of the impropriety of such procedure. The Synod has adopted the following pre-

amble and resolution:

Persuaded that it has been very prejudicial to the prosperity and increase of the Church, that in some congregations, there has been German only preached, and in others English only, therefore

Resolved, That in those congregations in which German only is preached, and the circumstances require it, English congregations be formed, and in those congregations in which | with ruthless hands. English only is preached and the circumstances require it, German congregations also be formed, yet in such a manner as that where an English congregation is formed, English only can be preached, and where a German congregation is formed, German only can be preached.

A Committee has been appointed to collect statistical notices with respect to the rise of the German Reformed Church and of the congrehio. This Committee consists of the Rev. J. merer, and H. Sonnendecker. It has also been made the duty of each minister to trans- dead. mit to the Committee as soon as possible, a short report of the rise of his congregations.

the German Reformed Church.

the General Synod, takes a decisive step to- per motives, blessed of God. wards the establishment of a Theological Seminary in Ohio.

language.

Sabbath in May 1843.

In the statistical report, we find the names of that wealth, to so praiseworthy an object? of 16 ministers. Eighty-four congregations are reported. Two minister having failed to report their congregations, this number averages 6 to each minister. This will give the reader some idea of the destitution of the Church, of the greatness of the field before us, and of sumes the clerical profession, and has taken charge our future prospects under successful culture. ions may be inferred, perhaps, from this extract of an Thirteen ministers have reported 496 additions | article in the July number of the Quarterly. by confirmation & 4784 communicant members. This averages a little more than 38 additions and 368 communicating members mediator between God and man; how his meditation them attention. to each minister, and evidences that the labors of the brethren have been very consider- and how he can communicate his life to the world, ably blessed.

THE MENDI AFRICANS.

It will be recollected by many of our readers, that these benighted Africans, who were from Christianity, if we do not greatly deceive ourthrown upon our soil for some time, were ordered by our Government to be sent back on as high a degree of evidence as that which we to their own country. Much sympathy was manifested for them in this country. They any subtlety, without any refining on terms, to the were instructed, fed and clothed, and several Missionaries (one an Oberlin student) went out with them, with a view of introducing the gospel in their country.

It appears however, that the hopes enter- in my harvest field. tained in reference to the moral improvement industrious man, cradled Ninety seven dozens Pennsylvania. The same remark applies to he himself necessarily rendered more contenof most of them, were far from being realized. of wheat in less than six hours. The mag- the neighborhoods of Canton, Wooster, Mans- ted and happy, by the simple circumstance of Even Cinque, the head man among them, nitude of this extraordinary feat is enhanced field, &c. fell into his former bad practices. It was by the fact, that the grain was all cut one Lancaster is a considerable town—some- are more restless—have more "tching" to seldon witnessed in this section of the country. Our found also, that they were not from the and the same way, and consequently much what ancient in its appearance; and (perhaps, change their situations and to move West-Mendi country (which is near Sierre Leone.)

Mendi country (which

to the Kossas country, to obtain permission worthy member of the Littlestown Total Ab- mon thing. Another proof, that they, as a from the chiefs to establish a mission there- stinence Society; which has been in exis- society, are not necessarily bound to that rigid but they demanded several hundred barrels tence here a year and upwards. The exem- simplicity of which they once made so much of rum, tobacco, and some other things, but plary deportment of Mr. Collins ever since account, and which some still so tenaciously For the present, they remain in Sierre Leone. member of society. Mr. Steele has returned to America, on ac- Should you deem the above deserving of len Weis and Williams; also brother De- Pottsville, Pa. have revolted—refusing to work until count of ill health. From the whole account a place in your useful paper, you would con- NIUS, of Somerset: They were getting ready they can get payment for their labour in money init would seem, that, with the exception of fer a favour by giving it an insertion. several of the females, little permanent good can be expected from the advantages which | Littlestown, Pathese Africans enjoyed in this country, al. July 21, 1842. the' some had entertained and expressed the 63-We opened and read the above in our office to the weather afterwards led me to change my Carbon. Later accounts to Tuesday, 12th inst. state

christian. This duty is but too often neglec- The following incident is a touching one. | without the aid of any beverage, save cold water. | the still more interesting solemnity, of setting the attention of those upon whom it devolves. Mendians with him on the journey to the Kos-

> The next morning we reached the town where Banna's mother was, between seven and eight o'clock. Banna went up to see if his mother was there. He soon returned and was taking some things from the boat. I understood him that his mother was not there, and supposed he meant to let us go on, while he would wait for her return. I told him we could not go without him, and wished him to get into the boat, saying we would be back plained. His mother had only gone to the bush for some wood, and some one had already gone for We were seated in the shade of some orange trees, Banna upon the bench, and myself upon a large naheard some one sigh deeply at the other side of a small house near us-and at the same moment a which the mother had brought upon her head. We were not long in suspense. The mother came slowly around the house with her hands raised as high as her face, and the open palms presented. The tears streamed down her furrowed face, -she moaned most nation which we might expect if she had really seen one returned from the land of spirits. Nor is this to be thought matter of surprise; for it was only a few moments before that she had heard her She did not approach directly to him, but walked had come, continually weeping and moaning, and occasionally uttering an exclamation which I could his seat, but sat like one petrified with the intensity of his feelings. His head was on his hand, while and occasionally he heaved a sigh, -but other signs of remaining animation he gave not. The mother alive, and now before her, and her maternal feelings acemed to rush upon her at once like a torrent. She plunged at full length upon the sand at his feet, and embraced one of them. She seemed in perfect agony, and rolled from side to side, still uttering her mournful cries, and to me unmeaning exclamations. The struggle was long, and I chose to turn aside. I had never before seen such an expression of nature's own feelings, unrestrained by art or refinement. After a considerable time the mother arose and embradee her son, and went through at some length with their customary ceremony of rubbing the palms of their right hands together, and repeating again and again the welcome 'seno,'

Never, says the New York Observer, after such a scene, may any one say that the African is not alive to the tenderest and strongest sensibilities of our nature. Such ties as bound this poor old woman to the son of her youth, such love as she had cherished in her heart for him whom she had thought to see no more for ever, such ties, such love does slavery assail

LIBERALITY.

Timothy Lee, Esq., of Blendon, Ohio, has been laboring for years to build up a literary institution near him. At his own expense he has erected suitable buildings for a male and female Academy, and a house for the principal. A new "Central College of Ohio," was proposed last fall, to be under the care of the Synod of Ohio, and Mr. Lee came forward and offered to give his academical building for the preparatory departments of the new College-also, 100 acres of land on which these buildings stand, and immediately adjacent-and to build other edifices just as fast as they should be needed for the wants of the College; and farther still, to make the College his gations within the Second District Synod of O- | principal heir! Unwonted generosity this; but indicative of an enlarged heart, and a far-reaching mind. When shall men of equal wisdom and large-W. Hamm, J. P. Mahnenschmidt, D. Kæm- ness of heart arise, to make a disposition of their property that will bless the world while they live, as well as after they shall have gone to the generations of the

We copy the above from the "Christian Observer." It affords another instance of en-Itisconfidently anticipated, that this arrange- larged, expansive benevolence. How much ment will bring to light many interesting and more satisfaction is it to a man, thus to do good important facts connected with the history of to the world in which he lives, not only while he lives in it, but for ages afterwards! The The Synod declares its readiness to engage memory of such a man is blessed by others, in the operations of the Centenary, as soon as and, if the deed performed is based upon pro-

Most sincerely do we wish, that some of the wealthy members of the Reformed Church in the German, and six hundred in the English | West are at this time, to found a Literary and Theological Institution, how opportune would

From the New York Observer. REV. O. A. BROWNSON.

This Unitarian Clergyman whose speculations have made him somewhat conspicuous, is about to retire ed a material change in his religious opinions, reof a Church in Boston. His present theological opin-"We see now the literal truth of what has been

asserted of Christ as the mediator between God and man: we see how he can be both literally and truly, can and does hold, in God's providential plan for the salvation of men, the place commonly assigned to it; and by so doing become literally, really, not by way of example, representation, or imputation, the life and salvation of the world. These great doctrines, which have been asserted and held on to by the Church as if life and death depended on them, which have been great and painful mysteries, and which in these days have driven so many from the Church and selves, we can clear up, make philosophically plain and certain, in the most simple and literal sense, and have for our existence. A glorious discovery, for which we thank God, and which restores us without great household of believers."

"HE CUTS A BROAD SWARTH."

but they belonged to different countries, fur- field. The only beverage used on the occa- I passed. It has in it several well-built chur- nity, it is unquestionably true, that their world- or mildew, having made their appearance. May the bearts of our industrious and enterprising farmers be Tobias (50 cts postage!) S. Weaver, Wm. Potter, sion was Cold Water. This speaks volumes ches. By the way, to see a Methodist church ly circumstances have been much improved, hearts of our industrious and enterprising farmers be One of the Missionaries (Mr. Steele) went in favor of the temperance cause. Mr. Col- with a steeple on it, is something new to a by their going to Ohio. And still there are their care and toil. lins is a Reformed Drunkard, and is now a Pennsylvanian; though in Ohio it is a com- inducements held out to this class of persons. were willing in lieu thereof, to take the cash. his reformation is worthy of all praise; and claim, among the distinctive features of the he is deservedly esteemed here as a useful denomination.

Yours respectfully,

D. SHRIVER.

highest expectations. The Oberlin student a worthy and respectable gentleman from this vici- mind; a circumstance which I much regret- that the disturbances among the miners had ceased. expresses a wish, that Sarah and Maria (two nity, who happened to be present at the time, and ted; especially, as it was the only opportuni- and the troops had gone to their homes, and all was he informed us that a young man of his acquaintance, ty presented to me on my tour, of uniting with then quiet. A satisfactory arrangement it was unof the most promising females) should be a near neighbor, had cradled during the past season, such a number of the brethren in the solemn their employers, and the former it was supposed would be their work in the course of a week.

ted and it is well occasionally to direct to it Mr. Steele had taken some of the returned Both these cases go to prove at least one thing-that apart a brother to the sacred office of the a great deal can be done without spirituous liquors. | ministry. How deeply solemn every such We doubt whether any one who is in the habit of occasion! For verily The several congregations were organized sas country. One of them came to the making a free use of the bottle, could have followed

For the Weekly Messenger.

THE FINGER OF GOD.

Go! listen to the whirlwinds roar, As over all 'tis fiercely sweeping ; Hurling each severed trunk before Its face, as o'er the mount its leaping : And see the beast before it fall, Or spring affrighted from its lair : And as the storm its limbs appal, Thou seest, oh man ! God's finger there.

Go! w atch the sun's last glimmering ray, As in the west he's slowly sinking; His brightness fading fast away As dews that from his face are shrinking: See the light clouds which there unfold Their loveliness in evening air ; And gazing on their forms of gold Thou'lt see God's glorious finger there.

Go! seek in summer wood a flower. So graceful from its foot-stalk bending : And there reflect that in an hour. 'Twill with the mother be blending. Minutely trace its symmetry, Each stamen and each petal fair, And thou art blind, or thou wilt see In each faint line, God's finger there.

Go! look upon a Penitent Who long has been from Heaven straying, And listen to his voice intent, As on his bended knees he's praying: That wretch who all his life has spent In wickedness, without a prayer; Yet now his heart is upward sent, For God's own finnger sure is there.

Go! lowly kneel before his shrine The gushings of your full heart pouring, And pray that bright your lamp may shine, 'Till loosed from earth you're upwards soaring ! Go! heavy laden and find rest, A soothing draught for all your care, And peaceful as you feel your breast Reflect God's finger's touch is there!

Pittsburg, July, 21st, 1842,

For the Weekly Messenger.

most of men's Devotion hath been thrust up They must have more ministers; and not into the Pulpit, and that they have placed their such as we cannot use in the East, but pious, public worship, not in their Hearts, and Knees, well qualified, active men. And as a gener- has been deputed by about fifty families late from but in their Ears and Elbows; posting up al thing, they ought to be able to preach in and down from one Sermon to another (and both languages. May the "Lord of the harpossibly too with as much Superstition) as vest," at all times, preside over the counsels the votaries of Rome to the several Reliques of the brethren, to whom the cultivation of tional purchase of several farms on that stream. of their Saints; thinking God is best served that important field of our Church, is more when they go farthest to a sermon (as the pil- immediately entrusted, and so crown their ef- and one well worthy of being imitated by others of heart-cheering hope, with a large number of others, that she grims of Rome to an holy Sepulchre;) and forts, that soon "the wilderness, and the soli. giving accompt when they come home, not of the sermon but of the Man; as if their haunting of the Church were not to learn, but censure; to take large Notes of his Look and Gesture, not as much observing what, as how he taught them; (perhaps offended with his memmory, because too short; perhaps with his Periods, because too long; perhaps they stumble at his Youth, and then they say he does but prate; perhaps at his Age, and then they listen as to a Doatard; If he is plain, chief joy. For Zion's sake will I not hold he preaches slovenly: And if he is solid, he preaches flatt; If he is not plain, he is too witty; and if not solid, he is too light: If he is illiterate he is not fit for so great a calling; And if he is learned, he is as little fit for so plain a people; Is the sermon very excellent? Seven hundred copies of the Proceedings Ohio would find it in their hearts to do a simi- then he preaches Himself. Or is it but ordi- through which you pass, you meet with one were ordered to be published at this office in lar deed. Struggling as our brethren in the nary? they can read as good at home:) I say or more Temperance Houses. Unfortunatewhoever shall but consider, that since the bu- Iv, however, very few of these are Stagesiness of Religion has commonly been at this houses, and, what is more to be regretted, victed. A motion in arrest of judgement was made Convention, for 18-12, will be held in Champass the brains of men have been busied, but their many of them are such, as it regards location by the defendant, and argued before Judges Conrad bersburg, on the The Synod will hold its next annual meet- such munificence be! Cannot some one be lives have not been bettered: And the frequening Carrolton, Carrol co. Ohio, on the third found among the many, whom God has bles- cy of Preaching, hath made more Preachers, sed with wealth, who will consecrate a portion not more Christians than heretofore. As he will find a prodigious difference both in the Preaching and Hearing the word of God be fact of its having a Temperance sign hung twixt what it was when Christianity was in out. its cradle, and what it is at this Instant whilst it is going into its Grave, so he will find the among the European Germans. In nearly guilty Cause of so great a difference to be part- every town may be found an establishment from the Boston Quarterly Review, and having avow- ly in them that do Preach the word, and part- kept by some German, with the object of flee- tence, and demanded the presence of majority ac- sented in the Convention by as many delely in them that do hear it Preach'd. So far cing his Landsleute, who may be found gath- cordingly. All the Judges were present. Messrs. they are from being filled with the Holy Ghost that all the former do not speak with other tongues, nor do the latter all hear with other Ears than they were wont. The former do not all speak, as the spirit gives them utter- German. These establishments do not, I per- tence, which he had declared to be in his judgement and indissolubly God and man, and therefore strictly a ance, nor the latter all hear as the spirit gives

Editorial Correspondence.

A TRIP TO OHIO.

No. III.

YORK, Pa., July 20, 1842. Dear Brethren: --- My remarks of last week closed with an account of Columbus. This homely adage has never been more the mode of farming generally, to be willing custom of drinking? truly exemplified, than on a recent occasion in my harvest field.

Ohio will unquestionably be a great State if not the majority of those who till this splen
Ohio will unquestionably be a great State ica in Philadelphia.—(N, Y. Paper.)

to leave in the morning to attend to the ordi- stead of the orders for goods, &c. which have heretonation of brother Strickland, which was to them have left off work, and they are inducing, and take place the next day, some 15 or 16 miles even forcing others to follow their example. The from Lancaster. It was my purpose to ac- military have been called out, and serious results were company them, but the unfavorable state of apprehended. Several companies had arrived. The the vote being, Ayes S-Noes 20. - Philad. Inq.

'Tis not a cause of small import, The pastor's case demands; But what might fill an angel's heart-It filled a Saviour's hands.

Father Weiss, is one of our oldest ministers in the field. He has labored in Ohio something like TWEENTY-FIVE years; and can tell his younger brethren some thrilling [herzerschitueernde' | tales of exposure, toil and hardships encountered in attending to a charge be deeply interested in the prosperity of our in town is, I understood, small, and their house of worship rather an inconvenient, outof the way place. However, the building of the country; where from what, I could learn his labors have been much blessed. This brother we know-for he went out from us; and it is gratifying to find that he is no less esteemed by the brethren there, than he was by those from whom he went out. He needs measure" his physical strength. May he long be spared for usefulness. From L., I directed my course again toward

the National Road, which I struck at ZANES-VILLE, on the Muskingum River. Zanesville W. Boyd for Cash. is a thriving business place, resembling Pittsburg somewhat in its dark and smoky appearance. The Papists are engaged here in erecting a very large and splendid Chapel. It is built of a kind of white hewn stone, or marble, procured some distance up the river, and will be a fine specimen of architecture when completed. The Episcopalians also are building a church of the same material, though of considerable smaller dimensions. Popery must have considerable sway in Z. From this place I came on direct to Wheeling, Va.; and thence by the Cumberland route to Hancock and Baltimore. I regret that I fell in with so few of the

ministerial brethren; in consequence of which I learned but little of the state of our Church The following is an extract taken still to retard her progress—the great mixture 7. "If we impartially consider, that the the harvest is great, but the laborers few. management of what is committed to his trust. tary place may be glad; and the desert re- stead of loitering about the sea-board cities, picking joice and blossom as the rose."-Yes, may her watchmen there and here, be awake; her Aarons and Hurs not cease to hold up their hands that are ready to fall down, and the fer- railroad from Albany to Bo ton, a distance of 200 vent language of all within her pale ever be: miles, for \$5. The distance from Baltimore to New "If I forget thee, O, Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning. If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; if I prefer not Jerusalem above my my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake will I not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth

> lamp that burneth." TEMPERANCE has made very considerable

> as brightness, and the salvation thereof, as a

The most drinking I saw in Ohio, was ered into these establishments by the dozens; and the low disgusting scenes, I witnessed in several of these "groggeries," made me, at a legal sense, as he could not act in the matter. the time, almost feel ashamed that I spoke the Judge Doran could not concientiously join in a senceived, all go by the same name. Over the door of one, you may see written, "GROCERY;" over another, "confectionary"-and then you may meet, perhaps, the real "Simon tion in arrest of judgement, thereby sustaining the formation within its bounds, and such other pure "-" Deutsches Gasthaus." In what, besides the name, they differ, I don't know; though I saw enough, to satisfy me that they all are alike in this, that they have enough to lie in prison until one of the Judges dies or relents, drink and more than enough of custom .-What can be the reason that they are so far behind the other portions of the community, The road from that place to LANCASTER lies in this matter? Is it for the want of religious through a rich and beautiful country. It is instruction? or is it because those to whom struck by lightning and consumed in Adams and not by a misnomer that the county, of which their spiritual interests are entrusted, do not Cumberland counties Lancaster is the seat of justice, is called FAIR- speak out on the subject of Temperance, as FIELD. It contains some of the finest farms | they should? Can it be that any are so wedthe eye ever beheld; nor need you look long | ded to "old measures and customs," that they at the well-tenced clover and wheat fields, and cannot advocate even the giving up of the

Mr. Thomas Collins, a very honest and did soil, are German farmers, originally from ces of a man are not necessarily bettered, nor his moving there. Generally, persons there, has given an impetua to the growth of the young corn Yours, &c.

Domestic Intelligence.

fore been forced upon them. About two thousand of sent to Oberlin Iustitute for several years! two hundred and forty three dozens in one day-also exercises of the sanctuary, to say nothing of return to their work in the course of a week.

Postmusters' Commissions .- We are glad to hav it in our power to announce that the Postmaster Gen- Resolution relative to Colleges, Academies and Comeral has rescinded the order re-adjusting and reducing the commissions of Deputy Postmasters. This order, originally made with great reluctance by him, tatives in General Assembly met. That such poring the present year .- Madisonian .

The Sabbath on the Canals .- A convention of Weswhich, for years, had scarcely any limits. He tern New-York assembled at Rochester yesterday, to still has congregations in which he preaches meet and deliberate on the subject of the Sabbath, aregularly every Lord's day; and appears to mong other plans to elevate the standard of the Sabbath's observance, to consider what may be done in staying its desecration on our post routes and rail Zion. The German Reformed congregation roads, lakes, rivers and canals. The call is signed by upwards of 100 of the most respectable citizens of Rochester, many of them interested in the business of transportation. We have no doubt that arrangements might be made which would allow the Sabbath a new church is contemplated. Brother Wil- to be a day of rest to the boatman, without injury to liard preaches here every other Sunday. The the forwarding or business interests. Such an arremainder of his time is given to churches in rangement would of course be accompanied with the preparation of suitable places of public worship at convenient points.

> Dabney, the Teller of the Bank of Virginia has been acquitted of embezzling \$4000.

change and Trade Register states that in conformity pended. to be careful, that in his zeal to build up the to the State Treasurer's Circular, the legitimate Rewaste places of Zion, he tax not "beyond lief issues of the Towarda Bank are now received by the Collector of the Columbia Rail Road, the County Treasurer, and all collectors of revenue in the

The legitimate issues are signed : Thos. Dyer, Cash, C. L. Ward, Pres. C. L. Ward, Pres. Thos. Dyer, Cash. E. W. Morgan, Pres. E. W. Morgan, Cash. W. Scott for Pres. E. W. Morgan, Cash. C. L. Ward, Pres. By order of the Board of Directors.

E. W. MORGAN, Clerk. By order of the Board of Directors.

The fraudulent issue, made and issued in Philadelphia, is signed, By order of the Board of Directors.

By order of the Board of Directors.

Common Carriers .- A Mr. Peck and wife, of Cincinnati, have obtained a verdict for \$5000 damages against a stage proprietor named Neal, for injuries received in the overturning of the defendant's stage coach while racing. Another case by the son of the plaintiff, against the same defendant, for a severe inin the West. Still, I heard and saw enough July resulting from the same upset, was tried, and a verdict of \$3000 rendered—the two making \$3000. Mr. GEORGE COOK, Jr., to Miss JULIANN BEAVER both to satisfy me, that, on the whole, her course The defendant is the proprietor of one of the most of Mt. Hope, of this county. is decidedly onward. True, there is much important stage lines in Ohio. There was also another line of stages on the same route which carried the from "A Sermon" preached by Thomas Pierce D. D. of population and the multiplicity of sects, the accident occurred, the stages were racing. It did President of St. Mary Magdalene's College in Oxford, England, in 1664, and although 178 years old, it contains a description of characters found in our day, in convert the community into a Babel, present careless, or unskilful, independent of the general last, Miss ISABELLA, daughter of Mr. Jacob Midolekauff, in every branch of the Church of Christ. He is careful- obstacles. However, the great obstacle is, a wrong of racing, or imprudent competition. The the 17th year of her age. ly copied to give readers a specimen of the typography of that period.

It is emphatically true of Judge McLean, that a Common Carrier, is bound to the utmost degree of care, skill, and prudence, in the Ohio, as far as our interest is concerned, that the utmost degree of care, skill and prudence, in the

> A Pioneer .- The Miners' Express, Dubuque, Iowa, Ireland, and now in St. Louis, to take a tour through the country for the purpose of selecting a place for their permanent location. He has made choice of the is an excellent move on the part of these emigrants, cultivation, did they but have the desire to till it, inup a precarious subsistence, and too frequently dwel-

Travelling and Fares .- Passengers now travel by York, about 190 miles is travelled in the same manner in 16 hours, including the detention at Philadel- midst of life we are in death phia, and the fare for a passenger is eight dollars. The distance from Baltimore to Norfolk is about 180 miles; between the two places passengers are conveyed in a steamboat from 15 to 16 hours, and the fare for each passenger is eight dollars; this, however, includes meals, which are generally at this season, confined to a breakfast and dinner passing up the bay, and to a supper in passing down—the times of starting from each place favouring such an arrangement.

From the Philadelyhia North American. COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS-JULY 23.

and appearance, that it is not likely that they & Doran; Judge Barton having declined to sit, as he had once been counsel in the case. Judge Conrad read can command much of the travelling custom. an opinion sustaining the verdict, while Judge Doran Even cold water men, when they are out, want | was of the opinion that the indictment was defecmore to recommend a house, than the simple tive, and no judgment could be entered upon it; of The several Temperance Societies, as well as course the motion in arrest failed for want of a ma-

It now became necessary to sentence Nicholson, the law, giving every convict a right on apptication, Hubbell and Dallas for Nicholson argued that no sentence could be passed. Judge Barton present in the body, certainly, was not to be considered present in

wealth argued that the Court must sentence. Nicholson was convicted. The Court had refused a moverdict. Such was the judgement of the Court; which sentence must follow. Judge Doran however declined to sentence.-Unless Judge Barton consents | cause. to act, the prisoner will escape sentence. If he is to he will gain but little. There seems no be no power of Temperance in the County, is particularly to discharge him with the Court.

Lightning .- On Tuesday week, several barns were

Dividend .- The Bank of Kentucky has declared a dividend of one dollar and fifty cents on all shares of its capitol stock that have been or may be presented for recognition on or before the 1st Monday of September next; payable on and after the 1st Monday in August,-to Eastern stock-holders, at the Bank of America in this city, and at the Bank of North Amer- | Chambersburg, July 14, 1842.

From the Mansfield (Ohio) Jeffersonian. Weather and Crops .- For the last two weeks wa have had an abundance of rain, and mild air, which farmers havescommenced their wheat harvest, which | Tho. Finley, Rev. B. C. Wolff, R. Carter and Son,

Riot at St. John, N. B .- .- A great riot occurred at St. John, on the 12th inst. between the Catholics and Protestants, in which some 1000 persons were engaged. It was finally quelled by the Mayor and By Rev J. Heller from Jacob Stout (Stoney Creek) authorities. No mention is made of any lives being 5; Jacob Greenawalt (Marion) 2; By Rev. C. P. lost on the occasion.

HARRISBURG, July 23, 1842. In the Senate, to-day, there was an animated discussion, on a bill from the House, to authorise the Canal Commissioners to shut the outlet lock at Co-Inmbia, unless the Tide Water Company receive their own notes for toll. It was amended so as to compel the Company to receive their own notes for one-fourth of the toll; but the whole bill was at last negatived,

Bigamist Delected .- At Greensburg, Indiana, John Cooper has been arrested on a charge of bigamy. He credit for \$20 48, subject to his order. married a young widow in that place, representing himself as a widower. He was discovered by the chance conversation of a traveller passing through I Roy to Rev. D. Ke amerer, Massilon, Ohio. Greensburg.

COLLEGES, ACADEMIES, &c. Resolved, by the Senate and House of Represen-

was precautionary. He had just grounds to appre- tions of the several acts of assembly as make apprehend a deficiency in the revenue of the Department priations to colleges, scademies and female seminato meet its current obligations. The economy which lies, and for the support of common schools in this he has been enabled to introduce into the service, and commonwealth, are hereby suspended until further the increased vigilance of the Deputy Postmasters in | legislative action shall be bad thereon; and in order the execution and enforcement of the laws regulating" that the common schools may not necessarily by distheir duties, have satisfied him that, with a continua- confinued, it shall be lawful for the serious directors tion of a like service by all the agents of the Depart- in the several school districts, to levy and assess upon ment, its obligations may be met by its income, dur- | the taxable inhabitants, for the support of the commen schools in each district, a sum not less than double, and not exceeding times times the amount of the present state appropriation, for the support of the schools in said districts; and to be levied and collected in the same manner as common school taxes are now levied by law; and in addition thereto, it shalf be lawful for the directors to assess a tax upon each scholar that shall attend any of the public schools, in full accordance with the provisions of the 13th. 14th and 15th sections of an act entitled 'an act to authorize the Governor to incorporate a company for the purpose of erecting a permanent bridge over the river Conemaugh, at or near Lockport, in Westmoreland county, and for laying out a State road from Blairsville, in Indiana county, to Mount Pleasant, in Westmoreland county, and for other purposes,' passed 29th March, 1842; Provided, that the operation of this act shall be confined to such school districts as shall at the election for school directors in the year 1843, by a majority of votes of the taxable inhabitants, agree to accept the school law. Resolved, That all laws relaive to the common school system which are inconsistent with the pro-Towardo Relief Notes .- The Philadelphia Ex- visions of this act, be and the same are hereby sus-

> The Weather. The Thermometer on Friday afternoon last, stood at 90°. On Saturday we had several delightful showers of rain, and this morning, (Monday) it is cool enough to wear a full winter

Justice Wiley, who some time ago was convicted of receiving stolen money of the Frederick co. Bank, has beeg arrested by the court below, and will be sentenced in September next. Justice hopes it will be done-and that he may not again prove W. Boyn, Clerk. himself too wily for the law

BALTIMORE MARKETS.

Howard St. Flour is selling at 86; City Mills, at J. G. Boyd, Clerk. 6, cash. Wagon price \$5,871. Wheat .- New crop of Md. red wheats range from T. DYER, Clerk. 60 to 120 cents per bushel, according to quality and condition. Pennsylvania old red wheat sold on Wed-

Hymenial.

MARRIED:

On Thursday the 28th ult., by the Rev. Samuel R. Fisher

Obituary.

In Shenandoah County, Va., on the 22d of May, Mr. GEO. HOTTLE, Esq., in the 68th year of her age. The death of Mr. Hottle will be universally telt and regret-

sensibly feel that one of her pillars is no more. "Blessed are At the residence of Mr. Henry Emswiler, her brother inlaw, in Shenandoah Co., Va., on the evening of the Sthinst. The deceased, while attending a protracted meeting, at the Mequoketa, in Dubuque county, and made a condi- of the Lamb of God, "in the days of her youth, while the evil their countrymen. There is plenty of land for their | had indeed found the pearl of inestimable worth. Hers was

Notices.

GENERAL SYNOD OF OHIO. According to a letter just received from a ministerial brother, we learn that the President has changed the place of meeting from Pittsburg, to Canton, Ohio. The time is the first Saturday in October.

FRANKLIN COUNTY TEMPERANCE CONVENTION.

In pursuance of a resolution adopted at Commonwealth vs. Nicholson .- A very curi- Waynesboro', August 24th, 1841, the annual

Fourth Tuesday and 23d day of Au-

jority in its favor, and judgement was entered for the Temperance Beneficial and Washington Associations, together with each township when his counsel availed themselves of a provision in and district (where no Society exists) in the legates as they may deem proper to appoint.

The Delegates are requested to come prepared to report the name of the Society they respectively represent, and the "PRINCIPLE" upon which it is established-the total num-Messers. Badger and Philips for the common- ber of members-the accession and expulsions during the past year-the progress of the reinformation as may be promotive of the good

The early attention of Societies, and friends invited, to secure a full attendance and representation, and the concentration of the desired statistical and other interesting information relative to the subject.

The friends of Temperance in Franklia and the adjoining Counties, are cordially invited to favor us with their presence. JOHN SMITH,

President of Convention, 1841.

Acknowledgements.

LETTERS RECEIVED.

S. Rinker, Rev. J. Heller, Rev. D. Kæmmerer (1 sub.) J. McCleary, Leydon Bard, Rev. C. P. Wack, Tobias (50 cts postage!) S. Weaver, Wm. Potter, Rev. G. Schlosser-Mr. S-p. took up the order again-the notice of Synod has been given in the Messenger, J. C. Markley.

MONIES RECEIVED.

By S. Rinker from Saint. Jack (Stoney Creek) 5, Wack from Jao. Waggoner (Newv.) 2, Saml. Sentman (Newb.) 2, and Adam Troub (Clearspring, bal. 25cts. By M. Bundel from Wm. Waltage. (Liverp.) 4. John Reifsnyder 5, John Reifsayder (McKees Half Falls) 2, From Capt. Jos. Laubach (Siegfr.) 6, By M. D. Eberhard from J Miss El nina R. Massey (Allent.) By Rev E Heiner from P. Entler (Balt.) 2, P. Reigart 2, and L. Hewell I, By E. Herdman from Lewis Drayer (W. Alex.) 2.

Bea. Krah, of Tiffla, Odio, is informed, that we received \$75, from H. and that we have given him

Miss S. Musser (Chamb.) 2. Rev. J. M. Gumbell.

BOOKS FORW, RAED. 1 Balle, Rov. S. Gatelius, Gettysburg, Pa. Parent's Department.

From the Mother's Magazine,

secure the most invorable result from this arlicitude for immortality.

al culture of the rising generation. Even pa- India dungeon. rental affection, that most potent impulsive principle, is sadly misdirected. Losing sight | of the spiritual nature of the charge it has in trust, it expends its noble energies in unremitting toils for the accumulation of perishable bambles abundantly calculated to work his ruin. Ushered into life with an invate propento the most imminent hazard its happiness happiness.

sees in her actions that it is morally wrong? | these things be so, does not the man who ob-In some unguarded moment she gives utter- jects to the study of art, virtually oppose the ance to expressions of impatience or resent- study of nature? ment. Her harsh tones and distorted features Of all the benefits arising from the cultivaulate the temper of their minds.

H. W. B.

Sunday School Department.

THE LONDON SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION. lowing incident, illustrating the blessed influences of contribute to render us happy! Sabbath School instruction, and pourtraying one of the hideous features of the Moloch of war.

sire to talk with this man, I submitted to the a trumpet! that no person had previously visited him, I sic and Poetry, and lead them on to their wished to be informed how he had obtained present maturity. to this losthsome place, I was as dark and as | and the hum of happy industry rises on every

amply revenged, if I could but escape from | Most High. be God," said he, "He has manifested his God .- South. Lit. Mess. for July. rangement, that most intimate and endearing love to my heart, and saved me from the fear relation of parent and child has been instituted. | Di death." (Loud applause.) The time came indissellubly connected with which is the ever | when he was lead forth to be shot. When operative principle of parental affection. For, | he arrived at the place of execution, his conof all the diversified species of human friend. | versation, and the whole of his proceedings. in the highly culpable indifference to the mor- | tingham, produced glorious fruit in a West

Miscellancous.

CULTIVATION OF TASTE.

If it were the highest end of life simply to amass gold, or to be a slave to constant labor, sity to prefer present to future good, the young the cultivation of the Taste might be considerimmortal finds his doting parents, his earthly ed a loss of time. And if it were desirable setts General Association, at the celebration guardians, to whom is intrusted the moulding that society should make no advance from the of the Lord's Supper, Rev. Mr. Brigham, a teract his natural bias, but, by a strange per- a promoter of luxury. But no one will say he should be pardoned for mentioning what version of affection, ready to foster every evil that his Maker has brought him into being, was to him an interesting reminiscence. He merely to breathe, eat, drink, grow sick, take | could recollect the time within a few years, | ing embraces, in brief, its characteristics as serves understandingly what is passing around physic and die. For what end has the eye when of a family circle consisting of a father, compared with the old Hymn Book:it, it becomes susceptible of impressions from | been fitted up with such exquisite mechanism, | mother and twelve children, only the mother | the influence of a bad example. Every new unless it be that it should delight in seeing; or was found at the communion table. Now development, tinged with the virus of the the ear, save that it may delight in hearing? the father, the mother, the children and some carnal heart, is stamped with a baleful infin- Coarser instruments than these might assist of the grand children were at the table of the ence. Although a benignant Providence in- us sufficiently to "buy and sell, and get gain." Lord, and of that number he was one! He trusts the new-created mind, the germ of im- But is it true that good taste is an expensive said he mentioned it in gratitude to God, and mortal existence, to the tutelage and guardian- attribute? May it not promote real utility- that mothers might be encouraged to perse- tion applied, are also left out. ship of the most ardent of all the human af- real happiness? We think that it may. It vere in faithfulness, although they might

cultivation, the melancholy misdirection of abode of comfort; while sloth is folding the ments .- N. Y. Observer. these affections would induce the belief that hands for a little more sleep, he will prevent they were impelled by a freak of insanity, or the steps of the morning, that he may train by some malignant demon, whose direful sub- the woodbine or the honey-suckle over his low tlety was incessantly exercised to work its porch, and surround his home with numberruin. What line of conduct can be conceived less little conveniences, and sources of pleasmore inconsistent than that which is directly | ure, of which his idle neighbor is ignorant. It calculated to mislead a young immortal in the | will also restrain the extravagances of affluforming period of its existence; thus putting ence, and lead to the fountains of permanent

tendency of parental influence to an alarming of Art. Nature, many suppose, may be studextent, is fully attested by daily observation. ied with some propriety, but Art they reject ing the pen or paper, possessing sediment, and lastly becom- voice from Heav'n proclaims"-"Awaked by I am aware that parents are not alone in the as entirely superficial. But what is the fact? formation of the characters of their children. In the highest sense, Art is the child of Na- in the estimation of the country, will satisfy the most in-All with whom they are conversant, of whatever rank or age, contribute their mite of inthe likeness of its parent. Tradition tells us

the likeness of its parent. Tradition tells us

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the likeness of its parent. Tradition tells us fluence. But while parents are the constitu- that the harp was first suggested by the vibra- of the different Babks, Insurances Offices, Courts and Offices 700. ted guardians, it is in their power greatly to tion of a dead turtle's sinews, which Apollo connected therewith, principal Serivener's, and Mercantile Houses, as well as the business community generally of counteract, if not wholly to control that influby the piping of the wind in hollow reeds aby the piping of the wind in hollow reeds athat it is only necessary to make a trial of the Ink to be-Among the more prominent features of pa- mong the marshes of the same river. Are the come satisfied of its superiority over all others. rental delinquency may be noticed deficiency pagodas of Burmah anything more than an in self-control. It is proverbial that nothing improvement on the rude tent of the Tartar? is more contagious than bad example. And Is not the proudest ship that rides the sea only if ever an immortal being should be clad in a perfection of the canoe of the savage? Are tion,-its shade I also am well pleased with." the garb of angelic purity, it is when his not Gothic churches only an advance on 'the image is liable to be enstamped with an indel- forests, God's first temples'-the drop-roof ible impress on the character of his observant an imitation of hanging boughs-the stained offspring. We need not resort to learned me- windows, an attempt to counterfeit a sunset taphysicians for a solution of the question, at | sky, sending its light through the interstices | what age the child begins to be influenced by of waving foliage? In Painting, it is always example, The hourly observation of the pa- the aim of the artist to copy nature; rent is sufficient to substantiate the important and, other things being the same, his success truth, that in infancy it observes and imitates. is in exact proportion to his skill in imitation. School, Philadelphia. How very early it responds to the mother's Why does he love to represent the unaffected Professor of Anatomy and Chemistry. Central High School smiles! Its first knowledge of its own position of children, rather that the stiff atti- Philadelphia. powers is acquired by efforts to imitate her tude and awkward grimace of men ? It is every motion. And is it reasonable to sup- unnecessary to answer. The same principles pose it will remain long unaffected by what it apply to music, poetry, and all the arts. If

are narrowly observed, and become as conta- tion of correct taste, we cannot attempt an egious as the charms of her music or the numeration. It fits us to estimate better the sweetness of her caresses. O, could parents world in which we live. That the universe have such a vision of the future as to see the was designed by its Creator to afford happi- properties, (as proved by direct experiments,) its permanency, effect on the destiny of their children, ness to man, cannot be denied. Its adaptaof their own habitual moroseness or oc- tion to his physical and intellectual organizacasional unevenness of temper, with what tion, strikes the observer at a first survey. dation, conscientious circumspection would they reg- God might have made the earth a monstrous plain, of one color, without flower or bird. Inmote the well-being of his rational creation. ted, to be sought after and generally used." At the late Anniversary of the London Sunday But how far otherwise is the fact! How pro-School Union, the Rev. Mr Young narrated the fol- digal is Nature in her gifts! How all things

"More servants wait on man Than he'll take notice of.

When I was in the West Indies, said he, 1 But he who does not cultivate a discernment tance to the altering effects of light are strong recommendations. heard of a poor soldier who had been con- of these things, walks blindfolded over the tions of its value. demued to die, and I wished to see him in earth. This beautiful adaptation, running his condemned cell. On applying to the jai- through all nature, brings such an one few

him an interesting young man, and to my sur- of the entire man. Who can doubt that Poet- ing a trace behind, and this can be done by any tyro in prise, his countenance indicated pleasure rath- ry has a tendency to polish the roughest naer than grief, when I presented myself before ture, and impart new and pure aspirations? his Indestructible link possesses the quality of defeating all him. I began to inquire relative to the state Will not he who has just conceptions of the of his mind, and, to my surprise, he told me true and the beautiful, shrink from whatever field to its superior claim, as an Indestructible Ink, and rethat he had obtained salvation through the is low and degrading, sooner than he who ly:-Professor Booth, of the Franklin Institute of Pennsyl-Lord Jesus Christ. He went on to detail in has no such conceptions? And who will afin a most interesting manner, how he had firm that Music has no influence in making lege, and Campball Morfit, Esq., Manufacturer and Analyti- end of three months, interest is charged.

his light, when he gave me the following nar- To comprehend fully the influence of true rative : "Oh! Sir," he said, "I was a scho- taste (and we here use it in its enlarged aclar in the Sabbath School at Nottingham. I ceptation,) we need only for a moment to was a very bad boy. I was expelled from the suppose the world destitute of it, How cold school twice, in consequence of my conduct. and desolate! The forest grows and decays I cherished evil principles in my heart, be- untouched from age to age. The gold glutters in cause I was an exceedingly dissipated young the sand, and the more useful metals lie burman. In a tit of Intoxication, I enlisted as a fied in the dust of the earth. The pearl resoldier, and, in a few days left my native mains on the floor of the ocean. The granite now be had at the Publication Office. town. Soon afterwards I was sent out to this and marble are bid in the bowels of the mouncountry, and I fear my conduct has broken tain, and man creeps about in the skins of an- breathes a decidedly devotional spirit. It is inthe heart of my widowed mother. After I imals. In this state of things, introduce tended as a guide to family devotion and prihad been in this country some time, I did not Taste, and lo ! the transformation. The forlike the army, and descried. I was appre- est hows to the woodman's axe, and is conhended and flogged. I deserted again. I verted into implements of utility, or floats on tains also a Family Record. was betrayed by a companion, apprehended the ocean. The metals become ornaments, and am now sentenced to die. When I came | and a medium of exchange among all nations,

ignorant of God as it was possible for any gale. Music strings her harp, and Poetry sinner to be. I meditated vengeance against chants her numbers. The marble breathesthe person who had informed on me, and a- it starts to life : the granite is converted into PARENTAL INFLUENCE AND DELINQUEN. gainst my Judges, as I thought I would be the abodes of man, and into temples of the

A prominent feature of the divine economy my place of imprisonment; but, when left at In conclusion, we say that the perversion in reference to mak is, that the influence of lone to my own reflection, I thought of the of taste to evil is no argument against its prothe perent shall materially affect the charac. Sabbath School at Nottingham, and all at per cultivation. Like all that was originally ter of the child. Whether the influence he once the instructions which I received there, good, and designed to promote happiness, it good at bad, the impress is equally deep and flashed upon my mind. I wept-I prayed- is liable to become an instrument of the archabiding. Thus each generation is to a great my heart was broken, and I found my way enemy; but if cultivated with a becoming spiextent put in trust with the character and des. to the Saviour, who had so often been named rit, it may be like the star which shone over tiny of the generation succeeding it. And to in the school to which I refer; and, blessed Bethlebem-it may lead wise men to worship

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