THE PRESBYTERIAN WITNESS.

To an Italian Beggar-Boy. Thou ministure of woe eagre form pectre! Sun and storm-That head which ne'er did covering know. Thy ravenous eyes do glare Like a young wolf's, dread boy ! Fearful is childhood's stare, Bereft of childhood's joy : It makes me wild To see a child Who never gladden'd at a toy. Oh, hard must be the lot That makes a *child* a dread ! Where children's smiles are not. Thorns grow in flowerets' stead ; A child's glad face Is Heaven's own grace Round manhood's stern existence shed. Turn off that hungry eye, It gnaws at Pity's heart ! Here's bread-but come not high-Thy look makes agues start ! There-take the whole-To thy starved soul No crumb of joy will bread impart

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Thine is the famished cry Of a young heart unfed, The hollow spirit's sigh, For something more than " Give ! give !" :: . bread Ah, vain he pray To man, who prayer to God ne'er said!

Wert thou of woman born-Did human mother's breast Nourish thee, thing forlorn ? Hath any love carest Thine infant cheek ; Did'st ever speak, Or hear, the name of father blest? No, no, it cannot be ! Thou art the birth of Want-

Thy mother Famine gaunt! Thou hadst no home, Was all the roof earth thee could grant.

See! here a happy troop Of real children come, eir lips the fond names group Of Father, Mother, Home! They go not far-Love is the star That draws them back whene'er they roam. But wherefore, with mock grin.

Dost thou pursue these now; Hath childhood any kin Or kith with such as thou? One hand did form The bird and worm-No other kinship these allow. Hark ! there rings Nature's laugh Fresh from those well-fed throats, Old age leans on his staff To listen to its notes : That gush of joy Makes him a boy-

How glad remembrance o'er it gloats ! Does that spasmodic scream Jered from thy shrunken chest, A human effort seem To laugh among the rest ? It shocks the ear, O God ! to hear

Woe, through a child's false laugh, confest ! And have these children all

One Father, who each How partial blessings for Upon his little or

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govern by the sword, he was still anxious to Frith, Esq., R. A beave a germ from which, at a more favourable season, free institutions might spring. We firmly believe, that if his first parliament had not commenced its debates by disputing his tle, his government would have been as mild Index commenced its debates by displating institute, his government would have been as mild at home as it was energetic and able abroad.
If was a soldier, the had risen by war.
Had his ambiton been of an impure or selfish kind, it actual to dazed the restless
fretion which he raled by the splendour of his victories. Some of his enemies have sneeringly remarked, that in the success obtained under his abministration, he had no personal share ; as if a man who had raised himself from obscurity to empire, solely by his military talents, could have any unworthy reason from shrinking from military enterprise. This reproach is his highest glory. In the success of the English navy he could have no selfish interests. Its triumphs added nothing to his means of overwying his enemies; its great leader
March 24 fame, its increase added nothing to his means of overnwing his enemies; its great leader was not his friend. Yet he took a peculiar pleasure in encouraging that noble service, which, of all the instruments employed by an English goremment is the most impotent for mischief and the powerful for good. His administration powerful for good. His administration powerful for good. His administration powerful for good is a source of the periods of overstrained and convulsive exertion which overstrained and convulsive exertion which necessarily produce debility and langour. Its energy was natural, healthful, temperate. He placed England at the head of the Protestant interest, and in the first rank of Christian power vain attem which no Europe, can This nob If he did no onwealth in triumph to distant capitals; if e did not adorn Whitehall with the spoils of he Stadthouse and the Louvre; if he did

ness of a man neither ashamed of his origin was the impression made upon my mind, that nor vain of his elevation; of a man who had to this time, I find myself mentally exclaiming, found his proper place in society, and who felt sure that he was competent to fill it. Easy, to be in all holy conversation and godliness ! was the impression made upon my mind, that felt sure that he was competent to fill it. Easy, even to familiarty, where his own dignify was concerned, he was punctilious only for his country. His character he left to take care of itself; he left it to be defended by his vic-tories in war and his reforms in peace. But he was a jealous and implacable guardian of the public honour. He suffered a crazy quaker to insult him in the midst of Whitehall, and new felt what an anazing influence must be exerted upon young children by the manner of performing family prayer."

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Ah ! why indeed ? Be hushed Short-sighted soul ! and wait To learn why worms are crushad. While birds sing at heaven's gate; Why pools infect, Why lakes reflect, The pure sky, and bear Fortune's freight. -E. C. M. in Blackwood's Magazine.

Cromwell.

These expressions, it seems to us. convey the -Macaulay. conqueror of Europe to command his passions, or to pursue, as a first object, the happiness of risking his fame and his power in a frantic contest against the principles of human nature, and the laws of the physical world, against the rage of winter and the liberty of the sea. They did not exempt him from the influence of that most permicious of superstitions, a presumptuous fatalism. They did not preserve him from the inebriation of prosperity, or restrain him from indecent queralousness and violence in adversity. On the other hand the "'Ask, and ye shall receive, seek, and ye shall receive, seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened.' anadesan of cromwerhever inger miller on in-practicable undertakings, or confused his perception of the public good. Inferior to Bonaparte in invention, he was far superior to him in wisdom. The French Emperor is among conquerors what Voltaire is among writers, a miraculous child. His splendid geniwriters, a miraculous child. His splendid geni-ns was frequently clouded by fits of humour as absurdly perverse as those of the pet of the nursery, who quarrels with his food, and dashes his playthings to pieces. Cromwell was em-phatically a man. He possessed, in an eminent degree, that masculine and full-grown robust-ness of mind, that equally diffused intellectual health, which if our national partiality dees not mislead us, has peculiarly characterized the great men of England. Never was any ruler so conspicuous born for sovereignty.

the great mea of hormand. Never was any ruler so conspicuously born for sovereignty. The cup which be poxicated almost all others, sobered him. As spirit, restless from its bouyancy in a lower sphere, reposed in majestic placidity as soon as it had reached in the importance and power of parental ex-ample:—

inajestic placing is soon as it had reached the importance and power of parental ex-the level congenial to it. He had nothing in common with that large class of men who dis-tinguish themselves in lower posts, and whose incapacity becomes obvious as soon as the public voice summons them to take the public voice summons them to take the public voice summons them to take the lead. Repidly as his fortunes grew, his mind expanded more rapidly still. Insignificant as a private citizen, he was a great general; he was a still greater prince. The manner discussed with the unusual solemnity of his manner. I watched unusual solemnity of his manner. I watched unoserved his movements. With great prehe was a still greater prince. The manner unobserved his movements. With great pro-the was a still greater prince. The manner unobserved his movements. With great pro-cision and apparent devotion he went through the exercise of reading, singing, and then proom was blended with the ceremony of the cld court of Versilles. Cronwell, by the confession even of his enemies, exhibited in his demeanour the simple and natural noble- was this circumstance, so deep and solemn. Theolig River

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In the geneal spirit and character of his charge at Naseby, or on foot, as when he tool administration we think Cromwell far supe-rior to Napoleon. "In civil government," says adorn all our squares, and overlook our public Mr. Hallam, "there can be no adequate parallel offices from Charing-Cross; and sermons between one who had sucked only the dregs of would be duly preached on his lucky day, the

The Bible.

My little son is by my side; the book that he best loves is in his hand; he knows by ople. They did not prevent him from heart its simple and affecting stories. Every days he learns a lesson from it, and comes and stands by my side to recite it. To-day his lesson is, "This is his commandment, That we should beleve on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another." "Who commands this, my son?" "God," he answers reverently.

sunny curls from his brow. "God will work in me to will and to do of his own good pleasure," he says in a low tone. Greek, Dalziel's Collectanea Graeca Mar own good pleasure," he says in a low tone. - "Will God do all? have you nothing to

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