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# LITERATURE.

# FOR THE TIME BEING.

For the time being!
How long is that? A space as brief
As takes the whiling Autumn lea To reach the sward, the April flat To change to dew, the wave to brest Now shoreward fleeing?

For the time being! How long is that? As long perchance, As while a merry thought dith glance Across the deep and well lived eyes? As long as terms of tears and sighs, The full heart freeing?

For the time being! How long is that? I wait to hear, A breathing space, a day, a year, Till this life's silent bounds be won, And other unknown life begun Past sound, past seeing?

For the time being!
It is forever as I think,
A ceaseless adding link by link, A series, as of waves at sea; For tell me when time shall not be, In fate's decreeing?

For the time being! (It is thy word.) Thou dost not knew. Such promise will not let thee go; Since time shall never cease to be, I ask but this -that thou'lt love me For the time being

## THE DYING THIEF

in the same condemnation? justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man hath done nothing amiss.

A great many persons, whenever they article of death, and they dwell upon that fact, and that alone. He has always been quoted as a case of salvation at the eleventh hour; and so, indeed, he is In his case it is proven that as long as a man can repent, he can obtain forgiveness. The cross of Christ avails even hands and feet, this crucified criminal faith. Blessed thief, because they put who was hanged with him, Dost not for a man hanging on a gibbet, and him sand leet, this crucined criminal thee down at the bottom, as one of the least of saints. I think that I must bid same condemnation? And we indeed Thursday; D. W. Goodall.

to be a common error. Lat they think to be a common error. Lad, the other day, that this story of the lying thief ought not to be taken as a pencourage ment to death-bed repentance. Brethen, if the author meant—and I does not death bed repentance. Brising the did mean—that this ought of the lying the did mean—that this ought of the prayed in that tashion; rather repentance to a dying bed, he pooke to a dying bed, he pooke to correctly No Christian man correctly. This dying thief read that which God himself does not deserve to die, but This Man that which God himself does not deserve to die, but This Man that does not deserve to die, but This Man hat does not deserve to dea hat dever prayed in that which God himself which does not deserve to dea hat dea more than that; for if he could not carry out the outward signs, he most manifestly exhibited the have called in the man of the man hat does not deserve to die, but This Man hat does not dese

as to the delay of repentance. I might say: I may be a thief because this thief disdainfully threw at Christ would be claim to be Christians, though they have orange Hall, Portland; Portland; Portland; Portland; Portland; A. Y. Paterson. M. W. Con.—Mrs. G. L. Sandford, New was saved, just as rationally as I might gospel to the poor dying man. When it never confessed Christ to a single person this thief was saved when he was about to die.

I do not think, dear friends, that the only specialty about the thief is the late-

notice very carefully the singularity and gospel of salvation. specialty of

THE MEANS BY WHICH THE THIEF

Was converted.

A VERY SINGULAR FAITH

Hopewell Hill, Albert Co.; Golden Rule, 51;

Tuesday; L, R. Moore,

Pennfield, Charlotte C.; Safeguard, 58; Saturashamed of their regimentals, they ought
to be drummed out of the regiment.

I greatly question whether the equal
and the paralled of the dying thief's

I believe that many Christian people
and the paralled of the dying thief's

Tuesday; L, R. Moore,

Pennfield, Charlotte C.; Safeguard, 58; Saturday; W. N. Bucknam.

Cambridge, Queen's Co.; Johnston, 62; Saturday; George S. Wilson.

I believe that many Christian people
get into a deal of trouble through not

Goodwin. W. C. Whittaker, St. John, Grand Treasurer. How do you think it was? Well, we that this man Rev. G. M. Campbell, St. Stephen, Grand do not know. We cannot tell. It Jesus Christ. seems to me that the man was an unconverted, impenitent thief when they nailed and the paralled of the dying thief's in his teeth. Assuredly nobody preach- Christ when he literally saw him dying ed a sermon to him, no evangelistic the death of a felon under circumstances address was delivered at the foot of his cross and no meeting was held for have never realized what it was to be and boldly lets them know. I am a day: J. Henderson.

Collina Corner, Kings Co.; Collina, 129; Thursday: J. Henderson. G. W. C. T. address was delivered at the foot of his of the greatest personal shame. You will be very difficult for him to run it

> The robber wondered who this meek and Recollect, too, that at that moment mysterious Sufferer say, so solemnly Paughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but for your children, he must have been struck with wonder. When he came to think, in his death pangs, of the singular look of pity which Jesus cast on the singular look of pity which Jesus cast on the singular look of the self-forgetfulness that moment when the thief believed in Christ, all the distance, and holy women may have stood farther singular look of pity which Jesus cast on the singular look of the self-forgetfulness that moment when the thief believed in Christ, all the distance, and holy women may have stood farther that moment when the thief believed in Christ, all the distance, and holy women may have stood farther that moment when the thief believed in Christ, all the distance, and holy women may have stood farther that moment when the thief believed in Christ, all the distance, and holy women may have stood farther that moment when the thief believed in Christ, all the distance, and holy women may have stood farther that moment when the thief believed in Christ, all the distance, and holy women may have stood farther that moment when the thief believed in Christ, all the distance, and holy women may have stood farther that moment when the thief believed in Christ, all the distance, and holy women may have stood farther that moment when the thief believed in Christ, all the distance, and holy women may have stood farther that moment when the thief believed in Christ, all the distance, and holy women may have stood farther that moment when the thief believed in Christ, all the distance, and holy women may have stood farther that moment when the thief believed in Christ, all the distance, and holy women may have stood farther that moment when the thief believed in Christ, all the distance, and holy women may have stood farther that moment in deed justly; for we receive the due of the christ, all the distance, and holy women may have stood farther that moment in the distance, and holy w the women, and of the self-forgetfulness sold him, Peter had denied him, and the which a strange relenting; it was as if case had forsaken him; and it was then strange relenting; it was as if case had forsaken him; and it was then strange relenting; it was as if case had forsaken him; and it was then case that a parson who is And we indeed along, he marked that there was no

by the Roman soldiery—saw the executioners bring forth the hammers and the nails, and lay him down upon his back, and drive the nails into his hands and feet, this crucified criminal faith. Blessed thief, because they put the first exceeded large numbers of those who hold their heads high in the those who hold their heads high in the those who hold their heads high in the church.

Next, the dying thief made a full confession of his guilt. He said to bim the faith. Blessed thief, because they put who was hanged with him. Dost not the first exceeded large numbers of those who hold their heads high in the those who hold their heads high in the church.

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Next, the dying thief made a full confession of his guilt. He said to bim who was hanged with him. Dost not the first exceeded large numbers of the first exceeded large numbe story teaches us and it is always a pity was, he understool what was meant by namely, in to look exclusive upon one point, and such a prayer. But it did astound thus to miss eventhing else—perhaps him to hear Jesus pray for his murder-

would use it so injuriously; he must be the gospel out of the lips of Christs Lord Jesus Christ; and that is the very Place of Meeting, Divisions, Numbers hopelessly bad who would draw from enemies. They said: He saved others, essence of baptism. He confessed Christ, sin. I trust, however, that the narrative Ah! thought he, did he save others? Did he not acknowledge Him to his is not often so used, even by the worst Why should be not save me? What a fellow-thief? It was as open a confession of men; and I feel sure that it will not grand bit of gospel that was for the dying as he could make it. Did he not acbe so used by any one of you. It can-thief: He saved others! I think I knowledge Christ before all that were

has been my misery to read any of the and then they quote this poor thief as an wretched prints that are sent us out of excuse. Are they nailed to the cross? Gagetown; Queens, 21; Saturday; H. J. scorn, in which our Lord is held up to Are they dying in agony? Oh! no; DeVeber. Chatham; Northumberland, 37; Friday; G ridicule, I have thought, Why, perhaps and yet they talk as if they could claim only specialty about the thief is the lateness of his repentance. So far from being the only point of interest, it is not even the chief point. To some minds, at any rate, other points will be even at any rate, other points will be even the chief points will be even the chief points will be even at any rate, other points will be even the chief points and the exemption which these circumstances would give them. What a dishonest would give them. What a dishonest piece of business!

The fact is, that our Lord requires an open confession as well as a secret faith. If there he a true faith, there must be a day; A. Haines.

him to the cross, because one of the faith will be readily found outside the Evangelists says: The thieves a so, which Scriptures, or even in the Scriptures. were orucified with him, east the same Observe, that this man believed in address was delivered at the foot of his cross and no meeting was held for special prayer on his account. He does not even seem to have had an instruction, or am expostulation addressed to him; and yet this man bedoes dressed to him; and yet this man bedoes who has ever realized, in help doing, though they displease you—

dressed to him; and yet this man bedoes the crucified. None of you could do that; the mineratery and boldly lets them know, I am a characteristic day in England. There is not a man or woman here who has ever realized, in help doing, though they displease you—

Moncton; Moncton, 183; Monday; E. McCarthy. Salisbury. West. Co.; Crystal Stream, 191 Christ. It stands beyond us. This man saw it with his own eyes; and for him to call him Lord who was hanging on a gibbet, was no small triumph of faith.

when that is clearly understood, after a whole the singularity of the thing will be gone, and the man will be let alone; Moncton, 183; Monday; E. McCarthy. Salisbury, West. Co.; Crystal Stream, 191
Saturday; C. A. Beck. South Bay, St. John Co.; Lime Rock, 207
Milford, St. John Co.; Everett, 238; Wednesday.

John Waring What do you think must have convert- saw it with his own eyes; and for him to be gone, and the man will be let alone; ed this poor thief? It strikes me that call him Lord who was hanging on a it may have been—the sight of our great gibbet, was no small triumph of faith. Lord and Saviour. There was, to begin For him to ask Jesus to remember him, with, our Saviour's wonderful behavior when he came into his kingdom, though on the road to the cross. Perhaps the he saw that Jesus bleeding his life away, robber had mixed up with all sorts of and hounded to the death, was a splenacciety; but he had never seen a Man did act of reliance. For him to commit like this. Never had cross been carried his everlasting destiny into the hands of by a cross bearer of his look and fashion. On who was, to all appearance, unable majestic Personage could be. He heard noble achievement of faith. I say that the women weep, and he wondered in this dying thief leads the van in the himself whether anybody would ever matter of faith; for what he saw of the

## THE RESULT OF HIS FAITH

miss that which is ore important. So ers. That was a petition the like of Oh! I have heard people say, Well, often has this been to case that it has produced a sort of roulsion of feeling in certain minds, so the driven in a wrong divising to protest against to be a common error. That was a petition the like of dreamed of. From whose lips could it to be a common error. The thet this steam of the like of the had never heard, nor even deviced a sort of roulsion of feeling dreamed of. From whose lips could it one but from the lips of a Divine like prayer, proved him to be the Messias.

Oh! I have heard people say, 'Well, you see, the dying thief was converted; but then he was never baptized. He nothing amiss. Was not that beautifully said? He did not say, This Man does not deserve to die, but This Man to be a common error. The thet this steam of the like of which he had never heard, nor even but from the like of which he had never heard, nor even but then he was never baptized. He nother but then he was never baptized. He nother but then he was not that beautifully said? He did not say, This Man does not deserve to die, but This Man bath done of the common error. In the provided provided the common error and that which God himself but then he was never baptized. He nother but then he was never baptized. He did not say, This Man does not deserve to die, but This Man does not deserve to die, but This Man but then he was never baptized. He says, We indeed justly, but this Man hath done nothing amiss. Was not that beautifully said? He did not say, This Man does not deserve to die, but This Man does not deserv

W. S.—Rev. R. Alder Temple, Halifax, purpose; it might be used as an ensaved others; because, if he saved others, within hearing? It was as public a couragement to thieving just as much he can of a surety save me.

St. Stephen; Howard, 1; Friday; S. Webber. Milltown St. Stephen; Wilberforce, 3; Monday; H. McAllister.

mouth, and it shall be none the less the gospel of salvation.

Description a biasphetious at the last, which is a true last, the declaration of it. If you are candles, and God has lit you, "Let your light so B. S. Bailey.

Newcastle, 45; Thursday; D. Mc-But now I want you to think with me shine before men, that may see your a little upon the specialty of this man's good works, and glorify your father faith; for I think it was which is in heaven." Soldiers of Christ West. Co.; Westmorland, 50; Thursday; J. Amos Trueman.

Hopewell Hill, Albert Co.; Golden Rule, 51;

> being honest in their convictions. For Dover, West. Co.; Dover, 70; Saturday; W or a soldier into a barrack room, and if he does not fly his flag from the first, it will be very difficult for him to run it.
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> Oarleton, St. John; Grante Rock, 77; Tuesday: Henry Finch.
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> Derby, North.Co.; Nelson, 99; Monday: J.Betts Douglastown, North. Co.; Caledonia, 126; Tuesday: please Christ too, he is in for a rough time, let him depend upon it. His life will be that of a toad under a harrow, or a fox in a dog-kennel, if he tries the way of compromise.
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> Weldford, Kent. Co; Victoria, 240; Inursday; A. J. Main.
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> Baillie, St. James, Char. Co.; Baillie, 248; Wednesday; J. W. Mann.
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> Weldford, Kent. Co; Harcourt, 249; Saturday; time, let him depend upon it. His life

The next thing he did was to rebuke his fellow-sinner. He spoke to him in answer

H. Wather.

Portland; Valley, 250; Tuesday; J. Fowler.

Butternut Ridge, King's Co.; Havelock, 251 to the ribaldry with which he had retited ac, West. Co.; Petited ac, 252; Tuesday; D. Jonah. himself whether anybody would ever weep for him. He thought that this must be some very singular Person that the people should stand about him with tears in their eyes. When be heard that Recollect, two that at that moment in the same condemnation? And we reconstruct the first that the same condemnation? And we reconstruct the unconverted convict had been blasphemously saying, but his converted convict had been blasphemously saying, but his converted converted convict had been blasphemously saying, but his converted conv Recollect, too, that at that moment in the same condemnation? And we indeed justly: for we receive the due Tuesday; A. F. Matheson.

which a strange relenting; it was as if an angel had exo-sed his path, and openated his eyes to a new world, and to a new that the dving thief called Him 'Lord,' form of manhood, the like off which he had never seen before. He and his splendid faith. Why some of you do not rebuke sin—I mean, of some a participator in the sin? If you do not rebuke sin—I mean, of some a participator in the sin? If you do not rebuke sin—I mean, of south him, I etter had deducted him, and the veas had forsaken him; and it was then you not know that a person who is silent when a wrong thing is said or done may become a participator in the sin? Thursday; W. Moulton.

If you do not rebuke sin—I mean, of day: Alex M. McKenzia. had never seen before. He and his content and his companion were coarse, rough fellows; not believe though you are surrounded course, on all fit occasions and in a day; Alex. M. McKenzie.

Oak Hill, Char Co.; Oak, 265; Friday; Dr. J. ed Being, of superior order to himself; with Christian friends—though you are proper spirit—your silence will give NE. SPURGEON HOLDS HIM UP IN A NEW yes, and of superior order to any other urged on by the testimony of those aider and abettor in it. A man saw a consent to the sin, and you will be an Tower Hill, Char. Co.; Wills, 266; Saturday; of the sons of men. Who could be be? who you regard with love; but this man, robbery, and who did not cry, Stop "But the other answering, rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art that he suffered and fainted as he went that he suffered and fainted as he went with the same condensation of with the thief; and the man who can 2d Falls, St. George Char. Co.; Stewart, 269; And it seems to me that another hear swearing, or see impurity, and along, he marked that there was no And it seems to me that another word of complaining, no note of execrapoint adds splendor tothat faith; namely, tion, in return for the revilings cast upon that he himself was in extreme terture.

And it seems to me that another hear swearing, or see impurity, and never utter a word of protest may well that he himself was in extreme terture. word of complaining, no note of execration, in return for the revilings cast upon that he himself was in extreme terture. His eves looked love on those Remember, he was crucified. It was a constituted by the control of the control And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom."—Luke, him. His eyes looked love on those Remember, he was crucified. It was a Our other mens sins make up a great crucined man trusting in a crucined item in our personal guilt unless we in anywise rebuke them. This our Lord expects us to do. The dying thief did it, and did it with all his heart; and therein far exceeded large numbers of the saw the Saviour surrounded.

When he saw the Saviour surrounded we know not what great length of the present, and there in far exceeded large numbers of the present, and there is no our personal guilt unless we in anywise rebuke them. This our Lord expects us to do. The dying thief did it, and did it with all his heart; and therein far exceeded large numbers of the present, and there is no our personal guilt unless we in anywise rebuke them. This our Lord expects us to do. The dying thief did it, and did it with all his heart; and there is no our personal guilt unless we in anywise rebuke them. This our Lord expects us to do. The dying thief did it, and did it with all his heart; and there is no our personal guilt unless we in anywise rebuke them. This our Lord expects us to do. The dying thief did it, and did it with all his heart; and there is no our personal guilt unless we in anywise rebuke them. This our Lord expects us to do. The dying thief did it, and did it with all his heart; and there is no our personal guilt unless we in anywise rebuke them. This our Lord expects us to do. The dying thief did it, and did it with all his heart; and there is no our personal guilt unless we in anywise rebuke them. This our Lord expects us to do. The dying thief did it, and did it with all his heart; and there is no our personal guilt unless we in anywise rebuke them. This our Lord expects us to do. The dying the fidal it, and did it with all his heart; and there is no our personal guilt unless we in anywise rebuke them. This our Lord expects us to do. The dying the fidal it, and did it with all his heart; and the property of the person of the property that march along the Via Dolorosa was Christ. Oh! when our frame is racked anywise rebuke them. This our Lord hear of the conversion of the dying thief, the first part of the sermon which God with torture, when the tenderest nerves expects us to do. The dying thief did

least of saints, I think that I must bid same condemnation? And we indeed St. Mary's Kent Co.; Rosefield, 280; Saturday is mighty to save was mighty, even they know not what they do. He thee come up higher, and take one of the justly. Not many words, but what a during His wn death, to pluck others himself, probably, had met his execution uppermost seats among those who by world of meaning was in them—we Eigin, Albert Co.; Elgin, 281; Saturday; G. glittered like a holy tear in the eye of his faith was and be jeweled with hedrops of his penitence.

H. E. White.
Clifton, Gloucester Co.; Gloucester Division 284; Wednesday; N. R. Ritchie.
Lewisville, Moncton; Lewisville, 285; Tuesday;

Night of Meeting, and name of Deputies.

Market Building, St. John; Gurney, 5; Thursday; John P. Bell.

Market Building, St. John; Albion, 14; Wednesday; J. S. B. DeVebber.

instanne, if a man goes into a workshoo Carleton, St. John; Granite Rock, 77; Tuesday;

that he is going to please the world and Moneton; Intercolonial, 243; Friday; Wallace Armour Victoria Mills, West. Co.; Victoria, 245; Thurs-

H. Wather.

Graves' Settlement, West. Co.; Rockland, 267

But that is of everything which the But now, thirdly, as God shall help our crimes, said he, and we deserve to me, I wish to show you another specialty, die. In this man's case, his repentance white Cove, Grand Lake; Grand Lake; 283; H. E. White.

inexday; F. A. Steeres