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DIVINE LOVE.

Behold what love is shed abroad,
That we should be the Sons of God;
Behold what grace to us is given,
That we should have a hope in Heaven.
Oh Lord! Thy love to mortals shown,
The world knows not, but I have known.

HORTON SKETCHES.

The tree is known by its fruit. Nothing has more greatly contributed towards "weakening a belief in Revivals than the frequent and lamentable reactions that follow. A strong religious excitement is seen sweeping over a community like a vast wave, over-shelming all beneath its power. But immediately afterwards there seems a reflux of the same wave, and the tide of religion is thrown back farther than before.

Christianian

BY PURENESS, BY KNOWLEDGE—BY LOVE UNFEIGNED."—St. Paul.

SAINT JOHN, NEW-BRUNSWICK.

WATER IN JERUSALEM.

It has been stated very frequently that there were no facilities for administering the rite of baptism in Jerusalem, that Jordan was fifteen miles distant, that Kedron, was, during the greater portion of the year, but a dry channel, and that the city itself was imperfectly supplied with water; now if this be true, an argument is furnished for those who deny that Jerusalem was the apostolic place.

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Matchman

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AMONG THE DUTCHMEN.

Thinking of Dutch dishes and their introduction into America reminded me that I was in the town where the famous treaty was concluded, that transferred the destinies of the metropolis of the New World to the guidance of Englishmen. Had this never been effected, who knows what the result would have been? Perhaps the Dutchman would still have luxuriated on the banks of the Hudson, and New York still have cherished the beloved windmills, willows, and dykes of its fatherland.

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When we begin by regarding the missionary as a good man, in a pleasant or unpleasant locality, surrounded by peculiar temptations, seeking to enlighten man far more ignorant and degraded than the irreligious at home, then we are prepared to admire him, even though he does not reach perfection; to sympathize with him, even though he be not in prison or on the gibbet, to be grateful to God in his behalf; and where a very moderate degree of success attends his labors. With these views we are prepared to persevere with satisfaction the lives of modern missionaries.

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together in admirable confusion. Here an officer asks for our passports, the first time since we left Antwerp, and asks them in such a way as to show that he cared but little whether we had them or not. Until France did away with this odious passport system, Holland was almost the only country on the continent where its requirements were not strictly enforced.

Our luggage is hastily inspected and we find us who are bound for Amsterdam are put into an omnibus, driven off through the crowded streets of the city, now by gas-light, crossing still more strange and unique—the Railway Station, where we enter the cars and off!

That dreary drive—can I ever forget it! The cars were not allowed to go rapidly I believe, as it is considered dangerous to the solidity of the track. And then the darkness outside seemed such as might be felt, the blinds were put up in order to keep out the damp air so injurious in Holland; the carriage I occupied was filled with very extensive Dutchmen from whose mouths the national pipe depended, or the bad cigar projected, which now usurps the honors of its elder brother, while clouds of the national perfume kept curling upwards as so shortly to fill the car and almost hide "the lantern dimly burning" overhead.

But the conversation was exceedingly interesting, often very witty. The amount of spluttering, gurgling, jabbering, cackling, crowing, bellowing, sneezing and sneezing, was beyond description. I at once came to the conclusion that at length I had found what had long puzzled me, namely, what the dialect was spoken in the Isles of the Hionnyrhyme. Yes, it was Dutch.

Pleased with the disagreeable conversation and often joined in the laughter when some unusually brilliant joke was uttered. Only one little circumstance troubled me. I didn't, exactly, comprehend what was said.

At length exhausted with fatigue, half-astounded, and suppers I fell back into my corner—and into the arms of Morpheus.

I awoke. There was a light right before my eyes. Somebody was shaking me and shouting in Dutch, French, and English to get up. I started in amazement. The man told me that I had pretty narrowly escaped a night in the cars and a Sunday perhaps in their house. I looked at my watch. Twelve o'clock. I had been asleep some hours. The train had arrived at Amsterdam, the kind-hearted Dutchmen had gone away without arousing me. The light had been extinguished from the top of the car. The train of carriages had passed into the car house to be kept there till Monday morning, and some time afterwards the man whose duty it was to lock up the carriages in doing so happening fortunately to open the door of the one in which I was, perceived me a sleep in the corner. I shall never go to sleep in a railway carriage again.

Leaving my luggage at the station I went out, the moon was up and the night clear and pleasant. The city was outside the town, and entering the gate I passed into a long silent street. I walked a great way but could not find anything like an inn, and not a soul was to be seen but the watchmen whom I could not understand.

At last in the heart of the town I saw a light and found it shown from the windows of an Inn.

[To be Continued.]

For the Christian Watchman.

Mr. Editor: May we add an humble echo to the many voices which have welcomed the "Watchman" to the field? We welcome it as a needed auxiliary in a great cause. The one great cause for which it has been called into being, and to which, we trust, its best energies will be ever consecrated—the diffusion of the "light of life"—is one which affords ample scope for all its labors. And then there is much side work to be done, much ignorance to be dispelled, many prejudices to be combated, many objects needing its advocacy, which have a more or less intimate relation to the progress of truth, and the bringing in of the full tide of blessings ever flowing in the train of an enlightened christianity.

Among these last, there are few more worthy and none, perhaps, more deserving than that which asks a higher and a broader mental training for the females of our country. The general acquaintance with the habits of life and the modes of thought, prevailing in some of our country districts, to render our reputation for veracity secure, when we assure you that it is by no means difficult to find farmers and others, in easy circumstances, who not only neglect to provide for their daughters the facilities of a liberal education, but who even deny that females need education, other than those first sections of the common school curriculum, and that practical knowledge of the mysteries of the kitchen, the pantry, and the dairy, to which so unwarranted necessity shut up their mothers.

There is another, a wider and more influential circle, in which an idea obtains no less theoretically false, and scarcely less pernicious in its results—the idea that a young woman's education is complete, and her title to the ranks of "young ladies" secure, when she has learned to manipulate mysteriously amidst the responsive keys of the piano, and, maybe, to reproduce, with tedious penit and creaking rubber, the frigid