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"THAT COD IN ALL THINGS MAY BE CLORIFIED THROUGH JESUS CHRIST." Peter.

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# THE INTELLIGENCER.

### PRAYER.

Spirit, to bring us into vital union and communication with Himself. This communication is maintained by faith's exercising itself in God's place in our attention and esteem. mind, as revealed in his Word, and pouring itself out to God in prayer and praise. Poor rebel sinners, renewed by the Holy Ghost, have thus contact with the throne of God.

many, in these days, deep-felt wants-wants for all the time of harvest." Josh. iv. 15 .- The Reourselves and others, and we are turning to God vival. to seek from Him the realization of our heart's desires. He who has enkindled these longings will most assuredly hearken to the expression of them. "For He that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because He maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God." Prayer thus is a certainty ; it must be fulfilled, for it is in harmony with the purposes of God.

time in private and secret prayer in these days of busy activity ; let me, then, stir up the minds and

The Religious

enlargement of heart in our congregations, as the result of the presence of God's Holy Spirit in the marvellous privilege of daily, hourly, continual power amongst us, the blessing will find its way in, whether through the ordinary or extraordinary It has pleased God to lay upon the hearts of channels : "For Jordan overfloweth all his banks

### REVIVAL MEETINGS IN DUBLIN.

The distinguished Evangelist, Rev. J. Denham Smith, recently held in Dublin, Ireland, a series of revival services for a whole month. Great success attended the effort. The British Standard in noticing the result, says :--

fied to their having found Christ. At another a hot spark which scorches the lips of him who that day they became friends. Roman Catholic, whose joy was so great that utters it, but it is a fire-brand which scatters con- I. Watch against a loose and vinegar tongue-There is not much danger of spending too much utterance completely failed. Also a detective, flagrations far and wide. So this is one of the "Be slow to speak;" "In the multitude of words whose silent tears told of the deep exercise of Iris barred and bolted gates through which none who there wanteth not sin." An old writer says that awakened soul.

The last meeting on Sunday evening was one | FALSE WITNESS." hearts of the Lord's beloved people, not forgetting of the largest ever held in the building. The vast Satan leapt it when he said to Adam and Eve, doors-two sets of teeth and two lips.

and petition in your mind, you are nowise tied light of the lamp. Thus should those who lift up The fact is, misrepresentations are wasps, which, Bible is, and what it effects-that is why it is only down to follow it, but may vary it endlessly, ac- Jest's put self (the earthen pitcher) so completely if you do not handle them, will chawl over you, necessary to be spread abroad, and to be kept concording as circumstances, under the adorable Spirit out of sight that, like that pole in the desert, and finding nothing to attract them, fly away ; but stantly before the eyes of man to assure its comof grace, may suggest. It may only be added when erected by Moses in the midst of a dying grasp them, and you will rue it. Or they may plete empire? here that I include in forethought all earnest multitude, which had simply upon its summit the be compared to mouthsful of smoke blown upon God has been pleased, by the power of h's Holy desires after a frame of spirit suitable for public symbol of Him-the symbol of salvation-salva- a diamond, which though they cloud its brilliancy prayer, before entering the pulpit. The whole tion which came to the dying multitude by look- for the present, yet are quickly rubbed off, and the subject, in short, must come to occupy a larger ing at it, "for, as Moses lifted up the serpent," gem restored to its original beauty.

etc.,-so it should be with us, to lift up before the A clergyman in America in early life had en-I feel assured that, if we are to experience much dying and perishing only Christ-Christ only- gaged in business which led him to buy quantities from beginning to end, Christ-Christ. When of coal. After he became a preacher two of his the dving looked, they looked not at the pole, but | congregation who were making a bargain respectat the symbol of salvation.

blessed and happy meetings.

#### THOU SHALT NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS. Exon. xx. 16.

### BY REV. JAMES BOLTON, KILBURN.

Lying is a vile thing, and false witness is the the moment he was deeply wounded, and felt vilest kind of lying. Mrs. Opie, in her book on strongly inclined to administer severe rebuke, but lies, distinguishes them by different colours. She on reflection he replied, "Though he said it, he has chapters on white lies and black lies, and did not really think it, so let it pass." The slander very properly comes in under the latter, offender came to him not long afterwards, exand it is branded "the blackest of the black." pressed his surprise that he had not brought him It is not merely an arrow, but a poisoned one, to task, begged his forgiveness, and used the very At one of these services three policemen testi- wherever it pierces it rankles; it is not simply a words, "I said it, but I did not think it." From fear God may pass-" THOU SHALT NOT BEAR we have no excuse for the venting of untruthful

years, from the false witness of Potiphar's wife.

unto us, came in unto me to mock me : and it

that he left his garment with me, and fled out."

The Hebrew servant, whom they hast brought

ing a load of coal agreed to leave it to him to This brought to a conclusion a month of very decide how much the load contained. He acceded to their request, and gave his opinion. The one unto God. who wanted to purchase the load was pleased, the

other was dissatisfied, and when they were alone he vowed that the minister had cheated and lied to get favour with the purchaser. Of course this was duly conveyed to the pastor's ears, and for

remarks, for the mouth is guarded with double

Sate Migencet.

## DO YOU PRAY.

Bavid did. His circumstances were indeed unfavorable. A crown was upon his head. The care of a kingdom pressed. He might have said, "I have no time." But he prayed. He prayed much. Prayer formed one of his most influential habits. What proofs and illustrations abound in

courtier. He lived in the midst of idolaters. To precisely the same plan, though by distinct Committhem his religion was offensive. The king bade tees, and they are restricted to certain districts by a him not to pray unto the Lord. If he did it was sort of " Congress of Shoeblacks," which gravely at mortal peril. The great men of Babylon con- mapped out London, painting the frontiers with the tiously, but without concealment. His religious principle was stronger than his fear of men. "Three times a day he kneeled, and prayed, and are also the parish shoeblacks, not in allegiance to gave thanks before his God, as aforetime."

St. Paul did. It was the first pulse and ex- - the "freebooters," as they may be called-who Church. Holier, more intense, sublimer aspiraside of heaven.

THE SHOEBLACKS OF LONDON. -To spend £6,228 is much easier than to earn that sum by honest labour. Yet this is the amount gained in pennies during the past year in the streets by the 373 boys of the London Shoeblack Brigades. But a far deeper interest is excited when such commercial prosperity is seen to be only one phase of an effort to combine religious education with remunerative employment, and to give this double benefit to homeless children, that they may bereafter work and behave and live as honest citizens of a Christian land. The first Shoethose wonderful writings, the Psalms! How black Society was begun in March, 1851, in preparatouching, earnest, often sublime, were his cries tion for the Exhibition of that year. Seven other Societies have since sprung up, and the movement is Daniel did. He was indeed a statesman and still expanding. All these Societies are managed on

spired to make this very thing the means of his red, blue, yellow, brown, and other colours of the ruin. Still he prayed. He did it, not ostenta-various uniforms. Besides these there is a Society for Roman Catholics, differently managed, and there any Society, undisciplined, vagrant, and troublesome

pression of his new life in Christ. " Behold he prefer the licence of the idler with small gains to the prayeth !" said the Spirit. The fact was the sur- strict rule and larger earnings of the legalized system. passing but conclusive proof of his spiritual change. The original Shoeblack Brigade has its head-quarters From being Saul the persecutor, it was thus shown near Temple-bar, in a large house paid for by the he had become Paul the saint. However, after boys themselves, with every other expense; for this that event, his life was one of prayer, as well as Society has been, for several years, entirely self-supheroic labor; of prayer for himself, for his country-men, for the Gentile world, for the blood-bought and started in life by the agency of this one Society, tions probably never ascended from a soul on this which employs at present 74 boys, who earned last year £1,824. These wear a red uniform, and are man-Our Lord Jesus Christ did. This is a most aged by ten lawyers in the Temple and Lincoln's-inn, impressive truth. It ought to be pondered by all who, without a patron or a chairman, have carried on who do not pray. The Saviour was perfect. He the work for twelve years in perfect harmony. They was divine. He had no sins to be forgiven. have regulated the savings and investments of all There were in him no evil passions to be subdued. the earnings of their proteges, amounting to more He was subject to no temptation that he could not than £17,000. The boys employed by this Society are selected from twenty ragged schools in the district, and each of them continues his attendance at ral miles from the good city of Philadelphia, he prayed. He prayed earnestly, and with his the particular school every day after his work, as well as on Sundays, affording a good example to his schoolmates and an object of abiding interest to the teacher of his class. Before eight o'clock in the Yes; David, Daniel, St. Paul, our Lord Jesus morning you will find all these happy little fellows, Christ, all prayed. The prophets and the saints neat and clean, in the Society's great room, where a were men of prayer. Even God, made man, hymn is sung, and a short prayer is offered. Fortiprayed for you." Do you pray?- Ch. Advocate fied with hot coffee and other good things, for the "inner boy," they march to their stations, and if it is a sunny day, they ply a busy trade. Nobody cares to have his boots cleaned while it rains, but fair weather encourages the suggestion, "Clean your boots, Sir ?" from a smart little lad, with one hand was quiet and the wicked persecutors were out of defatigable strength! Yet how awfu!! "Jacob to his cap, and the other pointing to your dirty the way, the venerable old man went into the was afraid, and said, how dreadful is this place !" shoes. The charge for this operation is one penny, cellar and brought this most precious treasure from And Peter was bewildered and awe-struck, while but there was a case which a man with a wooden leg claimed and was allowed his legal right to compound Alone with God ! Such is the attitude of the by paying a halfpenny. The Society's officers visit Christian in prayer. "Thou, when thou prayest, every station frequently, and supply blacking to the The venerable patriarch took his accustomed seat, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut industrious, or bestow reproof on the idle, until about took the precious book from his bosom, kissed it thy door, pray." "There are heart-sorrows six o'clock, when all the boys return with their carnings, and soon fill up a great bowl with copper money. among which are often found some foreign francs and cents. Part of what each boy brings in is paid to and glorious to be imparted. But when the himself, part is laid by for him in his bank, and part Christian has hid his face in the bosom of his is retained for the expenses of the Society. It is thus Father, he can resort to the language of sighs that each lad is taught to earn, to spend, and to save and groans, for "He knoweth our thoughts afar money with honesty, care, and providence. Many of off." "He that searcheth the heart knoweth them keep adding to their store until £20 is hoarded, After this the sacred volume was again deposited what is the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh but from time to time they draw on their " bank" to in its hiding-place, and there remained until an- intercession for the saints according to the will help a mother's poverty or a sister's sickness, or to sport the vanity of a " bran new waistcoat, with blue glass buttons." The sights and sounds that encomation and sympathy. For we converse with an pass these shoeblacks, stationed all day in the most Infinite Spirit whose name is Love, one who has prominent outposts of our streets, and keenly on the look out, and listening all the time, supply plenty of Wondrous privilege! Does this towly, mortal, gossip for their meeting again at night, which is alsinful, and suffering state admit of such intercourse | ways a merry meeting. Down they go to a lavatory, with God ? Yes! " Our communion is with the where, at a dozen basins, amidst great fun and frolic, Father." Thou mayest at any moment, even at they wash the "outer boy," in preparation for a this, in the name of Jesus, enter the palace of the hungry attack on the supper-table. They have pic-Universal Majesty, and, unquestioned by the tures and periodicals, draughts and dominoes placed that it is so. We have need to look well to it. the annual meeting of the Protestant Bible Society bright guards surround him, penetrate to the re- on the table for their amusement, as they talk and A gentleman writes that he once saw the title of France, he made the following remarks on taking cesses of his glorious and awful abode, and stand eat and play, and then they all hie off to evening in the very presence of the "King eternal, in- school. A visit to the depot of one of these Societies mortal, and invisible," and then, "make thy enables us to judge of the cheerful character of the requests known unto God," sure, yes, absolutely boy-life of the shoeblacks; but the annual treat, sure of a gracious hearing and a ready answer. uniforms, is quite an hilarious scene. The For he hath said, "Call upon me and I will Freemasons' Hall was filled last week with their answer thee." "Draw nigh to God, and he will tea-party. They mustered in their several colours. Each Society waved its banner as proudly as a city Christian, be often thus alone with God : for guild, and the crest of the "old reds" was a blackthis sweet and holy solitude, though it is much ing bottle borne on high. Two of the boy's bands aided by occasional external silence and secolu- drummed and fifed the regiments into line of battle sion, may be attained even in the midst of bustle, for a grand charge on the mounds of cake; and the and multitudes, and cares. Be often alone with have been imported from these Societies indicates that

Puritan writer, Trail-

camest hither in hope to have a sight of the glory Mr. Smith' first meeting was held on Lord's-day. What a diabolical slander ! Surely the "iron"

ness of thy conversation."

Not a few of us have realized this enlargement in Heb. ix. 24, 26, 28. friends we may easily continue too long, and that were able to say, to the wearying of our heavers; and as some admirable hints on public prayer have just been Mr. Smith held two services on the following to tear them to peices. And how truly every

DURATION OF PRAYERS.

prayer should be prolonged; and I am persuaded and it as a sinner we are to come to Himthat great and manifold evils come out of the exceeding of some such limit, frequently, or in ] ordinary circumstances.

We must not overlook the fact that this applies to ordinary circumstances, for if the spirit of prayer "God will by no means clear the guilty," showing various members of the household were charged not, we must not, restrain it.

example of

temporary of Andrew Melville : " No man in his the guilty can be saved. time spoke with such evidence and power of the On Tuesday, Jan. 27, the meeting commenced

my own, to a more hearty engagement in private | edifice was crowded in every part, whilst a large

short, frequently making a motion to have done. and name in one expression of loving farewell. Charge it in the name of God to stay, and not do A writer in the Revival gives an account of Mr. so great a work by halves; say to it, 'Foolish Smith's labours during a portion of these services, heart, if thou beg awhile and go away without and which we subjoin as being an excellent model thine alms, is not thy begging lost labour? Thou for labourers in similar efforts in all places :--

which thou must inherit, and wilt thou stop when January 18th, when, before the appointed hour, thou are almost at the top of the hill? Thou the Metropolitan hall was filled in every part. camest hither in hope to speak with God, wilt thou The address was on the wonderful truth of the iron of the fetters into his flesh. sevenfold identification of the believer with Christ, go before thou hast seen Him ? Thou camest to as found in various portions of the Word. We bathe thy soul in the streams of consolation, and are crucified together (Rom. vi. 6); we are quickto that end didst unclothe thyself of thy earthly ened together with Christ (Ephes. ii. 5); we are thoughts, and will thou only touch the bank and raised up together with Christ (Ephes. ii. 6); we return ? Thou camest to spy out the land of are seated together with Christ (Ephes. ii. 6); we Ziba prevented the animal from being saddled, are sufferers together, heirs together, and, finally, and meanwhile set off to David with a kindly promise, go not back without one cluster of grapes, we are to be glorified together (1 Cor. xii. 26, 27, to shew thy brethren further encouragement. and Romans viii, 17). These are seven links in Let them see that thou hast tasted of the wine, by the one blessed chain of our salvation. Mr. Jerusalem in the hope of ascending the throne of the gladness of thy heart ; and that thou hast been Smith showed how it is the condition of the his father. This it seems was a liber on his loyalty, liquors were provided in abundance, but these the idea! How tranquilizing! how comforting! believer before God, whether he knows it or not, but it answered Ziba's purpose, for David immedianointed with the oil, by the cheerfulness of thy and spoke with wonderful power on Rom vi. 6, ately made over to him "all that pertained to countenance ; and hast fed of the milk and honey, "Knowing this, that our old man hath been (for Mephibosheth." by the mildness of thy disposition and the sweet- it is in the past tense) crucified with Him;" in Turning to the New Testament, we find the connection with 2 Cor. v. 17, "Therefore, if any Scribes and Pharisees busy in circulating defama-

SOCIAL PRAYER,

man be in Christ, he is a new creation." But we tory reports of our Lord's character and work. cannot further enlarge on the subject of this beau- They gave out that he "was a gluttonous man "But, ye beloved, building up yourselves on tiful address, as we wish to give an outline of the and a wine-bibber," that he blasphemed Jehovah, your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, succeeding meetings. That evening the attend- spake against "Moses and his temple," and set keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the ance at the hall was very large, and the address himself in opposition to the "powers that be." mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life" on the three appearings of Christ, as found in They actually hired villains to bear false witness

The Tuesday noon prayer-meetings were, as of The apostles also were constantly calumniated the love of God, whilst we have been on our knees old, scenes of great blessing, and our hearts were by those same virulent antagonists. It was under in prayer; the Lord help us to know more of lifted up in praise as the sweet sound of "Glory, their false witness that Stephen was stoned to such blessed experiences and by such means. But honour," arose here and there throughout the death, and St. Paul's back scarred with two hunin public prayer I would remind my Christian building over sonls who received the truth and dred stripes;-they dare not meet them in the

#### "Now I have found a Friend, Jesus is mine."

published in Edinburgh, forming part of an address Lord's-day, and preached in the morning on martyr whose slain-soul crics out from beneath by Rev. Charles J. Brown, 1 think I cannot do Ephes. 1. 22, 23, showing that the ended in all." Fearing and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the fulness of Him that filieth all in all." Fearing and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the some listeners might conclude that this precious ' earth ?" how truly every martyr can lift his white truth was only for the believer, Mr. Smith showed hands in appeal, and say, "They laid to my charge I may as well at once state my humble but deli- with great power and earnestness to the poor things that I knew not? berate judgment to be, that ten minutes is, ordi- sinner, that it was all for him-all for the sinner | What a red mark the Word of God sets on the narily speaking, the limit to which any one public on believing. It was for the sinner Jesus died, slanderer's forehead when it calls him a backbiter !

clear the guilty, He can save the guilty. That Robert Bruce, of Edinburgh, the famous con- is the gospel-through the blood of the Guiltless

Spirit. No man had so many seals of conversion ; as usual at twelve o'clock, and did not conclude

'Yea, hath God said ye shall not eat of every tree II. Pray against it. If the heart does not prayer in the following words of the good old Puri- concourse of people remained unprovided with of the garden?" He purposely misquoted the imagine them, the voice will not issue them. Ask accommodation. It was a scene solemn as it was | divine mandate ; God has said, "Of every tree of | God to " renew you in the spirit of your, mind," "How often does thy heart urge thee to cut it testant, all mingling with people of every grade of the knowledge of good and evil thou shalt not will have no disposition either to utter or to bear eat of it." Joseph suffered imprisonment two false witness.

## THE BIBLE IN PERSECUTION.

The following touching incident was related came to pass, as I lifted up my voice and cried, by Chancellor Wrangel, the Swedish Lutheran minister, at a Synod of Lutheran clergymen, held 1760, at Wicaco. Wicaco was then seveof such a charge, believed as it was by every one, must have "entered into his soul" more than the now it is in the city. A little over one hundred disciples. years ago, some Bibles were sent to the persecu-We have another Old Testament instance in ted Bohemian brethren. A certain pious family the case of Mephibosheth, Saul's son. When of persecuted Protestants received one of them, David was flying before Absalom, Mephibosheth and in order to keep it from the wicked priests, being lame in his feet, ordered out his mule that they had to hide it in the cellar. The pious old he might mount and go to him, but his servant grandfather of the family sometimes invited his children, and grandchildren to his house, as if there was to be a great feast. They generally sat present, and in answer to David's inquiries about up to a late hour at night, and to keep up the aphis young master, declared that he remained at pearance of a feast, pipes, tobacco, beer and other

around the table, waiting with great anxiety and deep emotion for this most precious gift of God. treasure was handed round, beginning with the ldest, and each one in turn kissed it, and pressed t to his heart. One that could read then selected a portion of Scripture and read it over three or four times, until all had it by heart, so that all ould eat and drink of the bread and water of life. arena of argument, so they blew a trumpet-" These men which have turned the world upside

GUIZOT ON THE BIBLE.

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living faith .- Lutheran Observer.

The ex-prime minister of France has always cherished strong religious convictions and sympathies, and his thoughts on the influence of religion Many a man goes about with that red mark on the progress of civilization are worthy of careflaming on his brow, and his conscience tells him ful study by statesmen and philanthropists. At

Historically, the Old Testament and the Gospel is present with much power in the heart, we should how Jesus came and took the place of the guilty so much apiece for each slander. The accounts contain a fact - a spectacle without parallel. It is so completely that God could not clear Him, the were very neatly and correctly kept, credits the history-if I may be pardoned such an expres-There is much to be learnt too from the Son of his love. He received all the stripes due entered, &c., as in a merchant's office. He was tion-it is the history of God himself in his relato the guilty; and now, though God could not informed that this plan of fining for slander ori tions with souls and human societies. It is the draw nigh to thee." ginated with a good young girl, with a view to spectacle of the one, real, personal God, incessantprevent evil speaking and its consequences. ly present and acting in the world. No other Youthful as she was, she observed the wretched | national religious history presents anything resembeffects of it in families and neighbourhoods -- what ling it. Everywhere else, in the traditions and great fires were kindled by it, what sweet toun- monuments of States, you only meet gods evidentyea, many of his hearers thought, no man, since till nearly four. There were such numbers of tains were embittered by it so she hit upon this ly of human invention. You find the work of the apostles, spake with such power. . . . souls all waiting, and asking, as it were, with one expedient to knock it on the head. Perhaps others human imagination, the recitals of human adventures, attributed to persons pretending to be might take the hint, I have seen a capital rule in verse-Divine. The Old Testament and the Gospel bear an

resist. He was assailed by no eneny whom he could not conquer. He had lite in himselt. He had creative power. He had infinite merit. But

> Cold mountains and the midnight air Witnessed the fervor of his prayer.

and Journal.

### ALONE WITH GOD.

Alone with God ! How solemn, how sublim its hiding-place. The whole company sat in silence he exclaimed, "It is good for us to be here!"

with deep emotion and pressed it to his heart, and plagues which the Christian could not bear shedding tears of joy and gratitude. The whole to tell to his most intimate earthly friend." There party was deeply affected. Next the precious are fears which we dare not whisper into any mortal ear. There are hopes and joys too vast other feast came round. These pious Christian of God." The infinite Spirit prompts what the showed in their walk and conduct the power of a Infinite can alone understand. Here there is no fear of betraval, of contempt, of lack of apprecitold us to " pour out our hearts before him."

God-and thou shalt never faint in sorrow, nor their music is by no means only fit for playtime. sink under duty. " Happy shalt thou be, and it Such are the occasional festivities of the London Shoe shall be well with thee." Thou shalt begin black Brigade. One of the speakers at this meeting heaven upon earth. For communion with God -Lord Charles Russell-began by telling the boys, is heaven's commencement, and glory's dawn. entirely different character ; it is the presence and Thou shalt "dwell in the secret place of the Most the action of God, who made man and the world, High, and abide under the shadow of the Aland who governs them. And the great spectacle, mighty"-and all the promises which follow, shall be thine, even to sing "the salvation of God."

An heir of wrath and misery ; Just as Thou art before the throne I stand in righteousness Thine own.'

"Just as I was I came to Thee,

He was very short in prayer when others were heart, "What can we do to be saved ?" "We

down are come hither," and hounded on the mob

against him.

The evening address was on Exod. xxxiv. 7. small ledger. On examining it he found that the

esent, but every sentence was like a strong bolt want Jesus; tell us where we can find Him." shot up to heaven. I have heard him say that he was truly a happy day. being alone, he spent much time in wrestling and two on the following Lord's-day, Feb. 1, all most prayer.

Mr. Brown draws attention to the danger which after-meeting was very interesting. Here and of the people.

### PRAYER IN THE PULPIT.

wearied when others were long in prayer; but, There were services on Thursday evening, and

blessed meetings; and Tuesday, Feb. 3. The

exists amongst ministers of falling into two evils, there groups of those rejoicing in a new-found starved, as the sailors were at the Quaker's meet- small people, shut up and ignored in a little corner careless and formal modes of leading the prayers Saviour, and joining in that beautiful note of ing. praise,

# "Hallelujah to the Lamb That was slain on Mount Calvary."

ter down, but rather to set him more free. Only attentive audience, all of whom were deeply im- coat clean.' week to week, during a long course of years it Kings v. 1-16.

Oh, I think if these gales are to be found, the soul must be free, the whole exercise spontaneous and the gospel; secondly, the blowing of the trumpet— and the influence of the meeting cannot soon here.

"Believe not each accusive tongue, As some weak people do, But even hope that story wrong, Which *ought not* to be true."

If we all did this, false witnesses would be that unique spectacle, is first unfolded among a

of the world. The religion of the Old Testament When any one was speaking ill of another in commenced in isolation and obscurity. Then all the presence of Peter the Great, he would shortly at once, at a given day, at a determined hour, interrupt him, and say, "Well now, but has he that religion passes from obscurity to an immense What I plead for, and would press very earnest- On the following Thursday Mr. Smith held a not a bright side? Come, tell me what you have ambition-from isolation to the conquest of the ly, is the marking out in the mind of some leading meeting at Newtown-house, in the county Meath. noticed as excellent in him. It is easy to splash world. It announces that conquest, and advances line of thought and petition--not to tie the minis- The rooms were filled with a most earnest and mud, but I would rather help a man to keep his to it through the most unexpected enterprises, and by contests sometimes the most skillful. And it

think what the case is : a pastor leading the devo- pressed by the precious and simple way the gospel If we ourselves are the objects of caluminiation is evidently attaining its purpose; evidently our tions of the same people twice every Sabbath, from was put before them. The chapter read was 2 there is no question as to our duty. Do as our earth is belonging to the Christian nations; they Lord did-" when he was reviled he reviled not are conquering it by mind and by strength, and may be. In the absence of serious forethought, it Sunday, Feb. 8, was the last day at the Metro- again, when they threatened he answered not, will possess it entirely. Who would not be struck is nearly impossible but that one of two results politan hall. In the morning the address was on but committed himself to him who judgeth with such a fact accomplished by the Bible? should follow-either he must slide gradually into "Accepted in the Beloved." Mr. Smith alluded righteously." "If one slanders thee," says an Who would not see in it a proof of their mission a form of his own, a repetition substantially of most touchingly in his discourse to the death of ancient philosopher. "first consider whether he and a source of their power? I pass from the the same things Sabbath after Sabbath (to which Dr. Fleury. At the conclusion of the service the hath truth on his side, and if so reform thyself, historical to the moral order. Since it has existed, would not a good liturgy be preferable ?), or else, "parting hymn," was sung. In the evening the that his censures may not affect thee." When and everywhere it exists, humanity is in presence in trying to avoid this, he must wander up and hall was so crowded that there was not even Plato was assured that the boys in the streets of great problems which preoceupy it passionately. down, as some ship at sea, without a compass or rudder, at the mercy of every wind that blows. filled. Mr. Smith gave, according to promise, an "then I must learn to sing better." Being re-uter are we going? What do our nature and destiny There is one blessed wind, at least, he shall be address to the young laymen-evangelists who were minded that he had many aspersers, "It is no signify? These are questions which naturally and little likely thus to catch-even the gales longed present, speaking beautifully on Judges vii. When matter," he said, "I will so live that none shall invincibly arise in the human mind. Our sacred for in those words of the Song of Solomon, "Awake, Gideon went out and overcame the Midianites, he believe them." Hearing another time that an books alone have for these questions precise, posi-O north wind ; and come, thon south ; blow upon possessed three things, namely, the lamp, the silver intimate friend had spoken detractingly of him, tive, and striking solutions ; they alone explain to my garden, that the spices thereof may flow out.' trumpet, and the earthen pitcher. Mr. Smith he said, "I am confident he would not do it if he man his present state, and reveal to him that of

unconstrained. And observe that, though you the necessity of sounding forth the word of life ; third- sting from a reproach. A guilty conscience needs ather, the satisfaction of the moral and imperious and the influence of that meeting cannot soon be heart with the love of a friend to the friendless. may have marked out a certain line of thought 1y, Gideon obliged to break the pitcher to reveal the 'no accusation, and a good conscience fears none, requirements of humanity. That is what the lost.

following :---

self, but my hope is all in Christ. He is my hope. ever, the success of this system of managing the street boys has increased, and the managers, who claim a I trust in him alone. He is my salvation, and my right to speak from experience, assure us of the fact strength." He sat down. The beautiful hymn, that the London shoullacks are a signal instance of

your work, whereas often I had only a kick for my pains, and that, too, from the very boot I had polished." It must be a very dull heart that could be present on an occasion like this without rejoicing that to A PRAYING MOTHER'S INFLUENCE .- From the so many children, who else would be running wild, weekly report in the New York Observer, of the or perhaps be driven along the broad path to crime Fulton Street Daily Prayer Meeting, we copy the piness, and that now it may be truiy said, "No boys with hands to work need starve in an English town." A stranger attempted once or twice to rise It is evident that a shoeblack's occupation is only a while the others were speaking. At last his voice live while he learns, and may acquire habits of induswas heard. "He could not leave the meeting," try and earn a character that fits him for regular he said, "without adding his testimony for the work-day life. Hundreds of these boys are thus religion of Christ." He must speak. Four years enabled to enter the army and navy, and to become ago he was an infidel, a rum drinker, and a tobacco domestic servants or errand-boys, or to emigrate to shewer ; a violator of the Sabbath, and a despiser wider fields of labour in the colonies. Many of them of all that was good. He wanted to speak to write to the Society from all parts of the world, reyoung men. It was a praying mother who brought saving them from ruin, the kinduess of the Committee him to Jesus. That night, four years ago, when the pleasant evenings with the magic-lautern, the his mother met him, was one he could never for country excursions, the schooling and discipline, the get. He never knew her worth or real charac- rewards-nay, the punishments of their shoeblack ter till then. That night he surrendered himself days-and more than all, the gentle influence of their and all to God. He added : " Now, I drink no Sunday-school. Failures there are, no doubt, both rum, I chew no tobacco. But I have no strength numerous and grave ; but in what effort of social roof my own; I do not depend on anything of my- form can we say there are not? Year by year, how-

'I was once a shoeblack myself; but there was this

difference between my shoeblacking at Westminster

School and yours-that you always get a penny for

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