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HIS ESCAPE FROM LIBBEY PRISON. (Continued.)

nary speed. They were soon among the scattered all the while. houses in the northwestern part of the city, and a "When is the Union army coming this way?" mile farther brought them near the camp fires of inquired they. "Hope they'll be here soon." minutes later and they were on what seemed to each party pronouncing blessings upon the other,

mission. Putting his ear to the crevice of the At ten in the evening they called at a negro

the following colloquy ensued:

eat, can't you give us something?" "H'ant got nothing, massa." "Can't you cook us something?"

war times."

ing the Yankees, don't you?"

"Dun know nothin' bout um."

tories, don't you?"

"'Spect so."

"How do the Yankees that come this way treat the folks?"

"Allers treated us well nuff." By this time they ventured to reveal the facts, and told these poor people that they were Yankee soldiers escaping from Libbey prison. The white of CAPTURE OF ALBERT W. BACHELER, AND their eyes more than doubled in size, and coming forward they said, "And you be hungry, ain't you?" They assured them that they had not tasted food for thirty-six hours, when both went to were soon asleep. By the time Bacheler and Thompson had work. The woman took an old tray, poured in reached the street the shower was over and the some corn meal and water, putting in a little salt, clouds were breaking, so that they could see and stirred up some flat cakes, making them six their way without difficulty. Passing up Carey or eight inches in diameter, and opening the hot street into Market street, they stopped and ashes, put them in and covered them up. While put on their shoes, wrapped themselves in their she was doing this, the man brought forth some canvas shawls, and traveled with more than ordi- bacon and fried it; both of them being very social

the rebel army. These fires were followed, at a During this time the weary travellers sat and proper distance, extending in a circle towards the warmed and rested themselves, and Thompson west, and finding no prospect of escape through | thawed and dried his clothes, that had been wet them, they turned their steps in a more southerly and frozen for nearly two days. They knew they direction. It was cloudy, and, at times, quite were with friends, though in an enemy's country, dark, but they travelled on and, to their great and felt quite at home. Their supper was soon confusion, soon found themselves among buildings, cooked, and never did they partake of a meal with not knowing where they were. It was now they | such relish as they ate these hoe-cakes and bacon. first perceived the evidences of dawning light, but After enjoying the hospitality of these friends for their only alternative was to proceed. A few an hour and a half, they left with grateful hearts,

Their hearts beat with palpitating quickness, but it negroes were more to our soldiers than they had

of water. He was completely saturated, and him friendly they soon told him the facts, and of the brethren, see that ye love one another with Bacheler reached down his canvas and drew him what they wanted. He too declared himself for a pure heart fervently." "Being born again, not out in a sorry plight, all drenched in water and the Yankees, made them hoe-cakes, and said he of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the shivering with cold. Espying a log some rods could hide them. While they were eating he Word of God, which liveth and abideth forever, distant, where soldiers had evidently crossed, they went to his master's house, gct a bunch of keys, |-1st Pet. i., 22, 23. "That was the true Light, proceeded with all possible dispatch to a piece of and, breakfast being ended, he told them to follow which lighteth every man that cometh into the THE ARCHBISHOP OF YORK ON WORKS OF him. He led the way to a corn-barn, and on the world,"-John i., 9. "Of his own will begat he The woods in which they secreted themselves, upper loft covered them with stalks, went down us, with the word of truth, that we should be a some five miles from the city, covered about two and locked the door. In spite of all his kindness, kind of first-fruits of his creatures,"-James acres of swampy land, thickly covered with under- suspicions would arise that he might not be true | i., 18. brush. Here they lay all day on the frozen ground to them, knowing that they were entirely at his 4. The Bible should be made the text-book in fluence exerted by the books and periodicals at the wind blowing bleak from the northwest, and mercy. But what better could they do than trust all families and schools, because God has left us the present day, and how the teachings supplied the skies filled with frowning clouds. They soon him, and abide the consequences? In low whis- recorded examples of the saving power of His at school were supplemented by the teachings began to suffer from cold, especially Thompson, pers they talked on the subject, and all the while Word, in saving the rising age, even from infancy. which each one gained for himself from the litera-

silence. For a time they were warmed by fear They awoke about noon, and to their great sur- prayers, was, doubtless, drawn from holy inspir- fellow creatures over the whole world, and which and agitation, as the reader may well suppose by prse they soon heard the door open, and steps as- ation. She had no human authors on the subject enlarged their knowledge of the world as it was Some rebel soldiers were out hunting and their as the person came to their place of concealment in rearing the tender thought, nor was it necessdogs chased a squirrel into these woods, which and began to remove the stalks. The last bundle ary. Had she the same facilities that we have at was, he thought he might venture to look at what ran up a hollow tree not more than five rods from was raised, and, to their unutterable delight, they the present day, the numerous publications on the was useless reading. Every working man would where these suffering men lay. The hunters looked up into the black face of their smiling subject of family government, Hannah would be likely to fall in, no doubt, with the newspaper coming up, they started a fire in order to smoke friend and benefactor. He had just come with never have substituted one of them for the law for one thing and for another, with those stimuhim out. After considerable effort without suc- their dinner, two warm hoe-cakes, just from the and the testimony—the fire, flint, and hammer of lating narratives which went now by the somecess, the dogsstarted another, and soon they knew ashes. Words could not express the emotions of God's Word. Mark the happy result of her de- what barbarous term of "sensational stories." by the barking that they were approaching. The joy that followed their exciting fears. His stay cision, and the fulfillment also of covenant vows These sensational stories were tales which aimed next moment, away off under the underbrush, was short, and they told him to let them out as soon to lend Samuel to the Lord forever, Who was at this effect simply, of exciting in the mind some they saw the jumping squirrel coming directly as the white folks were all abed. The poor slave Samuel? What his life? his death? What the deep feeling of over-wrought interest by means of towards them. On and on he came, the dogs had now gained their entire confidence, and they glory that followed? What light shone brighter, some terrible passion or crime. They went to perafter him, and the men after the dogs, till they lay in perfect composure, though anxiously wait- even to the perfect day? Young Timothy was suade people that in almost every one of the wellthought he was certainly making for the tree at ing for night to come. It came at last, and the another beautiful example of Bible teaching. He ordered houses of their neighbors there was a whose base they lay. Their hearts failed them, long hours slowly followed each other till more was made wise unto salvation, through the medium skeleton shut up in some cupboard; that their and the cold sweat started; but, thanks to a kind than three were past before they heard a sound of the Holy Scriptures, from his childhood. God comfortable and easy-looking neighbor had in his Providence, when a few feet from them, he turned about the building. The door at last opened, and has left these "apples of gold" on record, and breast a secret story which he was always going at a right angle, ran to the other side of the woods they started, met the man, were taken out, re- many others, for our instruction, saying, "Parents, about trying to conceal; that there was something and was shot. That was the last they heard of ceived a hoe-cake apiece, and were told the way teachers, go ye, and do likewise !" the hunters. In the afternoon the clouds passed to go, with the hope that God would bless them. 5. Another reason for the text-book in the im- and a false will that at some proper moment would away, the sun shone pleasantly and they suffered Such kindness was too much to receive without partation of light and life to children and youth, is tumble out of some broken bureau and bring About 9 o'clock at night they began to move; insisted upon his taking it, but he persistently re- specimen of composition. Although many hun- achieve. the moon shone brightly, and, taking the north fused. He said, "No, massa; but remember I dreds of thousands of books have been written in This was fine sort of food supplied in almost star for their guide, they started in a northwesterly am a slave, and help me if you can." They had different ages, by wise and learned men, even the every kind of publication, from the penny story to direction, through woods, fields and swamps, heard appeals in behalf of the poor slaves before, best of them will bear no comparison with the larger and more important works. In point of

door, the loud snoring satisfied him that the fami- cabin in the rear of a farm house, and found all which were two or three large logs half consumed the young negro going with them three miles to | will relish them best." and still burning. On the ground (for none of a road that ran parallel with the river. Hitherto the cabins they entered had floors) lay the entire they had not travelled in the road at all, but now family, wrapped in blankets with their feet towards they concluded to take it. Seven miles on this the fire. Around the room hung a few old road, through an unsettled country, so far as they clothes, and here and there was to be seen a very could see, brought them to a farm house, about few things for family use. As they entered the three in the morning, and, seeing a light in the man awoke and started up in surprise, but they cabin, they went in. The family were all up and told him they were strangers in the country, cold at work, the parents and three daughters, all and tired and only came in to warm and rest. women grown. They said, "Massa give us a Taking an old poker he stirred the fire; and his stent for a week, pickin over, cardin and spinnin wife awoke. In speaking of the war, and pre- cotton, un we've worked till now to finish it, so tending to be Confederate soldiers, something like not be flogged in the morning." They declined to furnish anything to eat, pleading their extreme "We have been out all day and had nothing to destitution, and their cabin and dress confirmed their plea. But when they learned that the strangers were Federal soldiers instead of Confederates, they baked them a cake, and reluctantly which they were quite comfortable.

the Coal Harbor battle field (both of them having poison. came to a bomb-proof, went in, lay down, and himself indicates the fact, gives line upon line,

(To be Concluded.)

THE BIBLE IN SCHOOLS AND FAMILIES. BY THE AUTHOR OF "HOME TRUSTEES." "Holy Bible—Book of Truth,
The support of age, the guide of youth,
The index to a world above,
Where all is peace, and joy, and love."

Nine reasons why the Bible should be the textbook in schools and families: 1. Because it is God's book—the Book of books

-the Book above all books-the best of all "The Bible! in this book alone, We find God's holy will made known; And here his love to man is shown."

2. Because it is a fountain of purity; and all the streams issuing from this fountain must be judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the she abundantly rewarded.

was too late to hesitate or retreat. With daring hoped for, and having found friends, and been power. It convicts, converts, sanctifies, purifies— of family government; the best book to make our plastic heart the impress of a godly example. We look to make our plastic heart the impress of a godly example. intrepidity they doew their rough shawls still rested, warmed fed, and directed, they renewed makes meet for Heaven, for glory eternal. No children enlightened and good citizens of the re- will shelter this young life under thy mercy-scat. Lord. Yet Jouah lay jast asleep. closer about their faces, and walked boldly on. their journey, knowing the way and the distance human composition is comparable to the Bible in public; the best book, in fine, to preserve them We will bear with it as thou bearest with us. The old canvas worn over their shoulders, their to the Chickahominy, the first point they desired searching the heart, convicting "of sin, of righte- from all evil, and train them up in all good. Our We will be truthful, that it may never learn false- the same thing with your soul? There is a sleep blue pants and soldier's caps (Bacheler having to make. But it was cloudy, and soon began to ousness, and of judgment to come." "For the education needs a religious element; for it is not hood. We will nurse this soul in its infancy with of the soul, as well as a sleep of the body. There exchanged his "mat" for a cap) did not awaken snow. By three or four o'clock the ground was Word of God is quick and powerful, and sharper education alone that will save us; it will merely the 'sincere milk' of love, that in after years it are multitudes buried in this soul-sleep, and hangsuspicion, for they both met and passed others entirely covered, and coming to a farmhouse they than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the train a skillful race of gladiators for the arena of it may bear 'strong meat' for strong service of ing over the brink of hell. Reader, perhaps you in Yankee dress, and clad in more awkward gar- resolved to try their luck with the negroes again, dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the political strife. The only source of that element God and righteousness. O God, make our lives are one. having travelled fifteen miles, and knowing that joints and marrow, and it is a discerner of the of safety is the Word of God. And if you take in harmony with thee, that this young life may Pressing on with all the speed they dared, the city they could not lie in the woods that day without thoughts and intents of the heart,"—Heb. iv., 12. the Word of God from your common schools, you reflect thine image in reflecting ours?" was soon left behind them, and in the suburbs on great suffering. Going to the cabin door, all was All the sinners that have been awakened to are teaching infidelity and practical Atheism to To such pious fidelity God offers the only wages your head stored with earthly wisdom and useful the southwestern side they saw no camp fires, but | quiet, and they were all | spiritual life—regenerated, sanctified, glorified— the whole nation. You are filling the mind with | that can satisfy the claims of love. He pays the | knowledge. But very likely you have no heartsoon came to the fortifications, all unoccupied, sleeping around the fire, and the man, about forty- have been made thus pure, holy, and glorious elements, that without the safeguard of Divine heart's own coin. What felt sense of sin, no peace or friendship with God, and some of them the strongest they had ever five years of age, rose up, when he was assured through the instrumentality of the Word of God truth, are sure to become fiery, bitter, and poison- wages could repay Hannah's prayerful care like no experimental acquaintance with Christ, no seen. It was not yet very light, and, in passing that they were friends, and had only called to -its light and life-giving, soul-kindling power. ous." In its general influence over the minds of the sight of Samuel's after career as Israel's upfell into a deep ditch in front containing three feet The first passed for Confederates, and finding the truth, through the Spirit, unto unfeigned love cation, the Bible in our schools is invaluable.

from his morning bath. But they dared not stir, something told them all was right. It was thus The instruction imparted by Hannah, in training ture he had access to. He defined useful study and so ate their loaf of bread and apples in they composed their minds, and soon fell asleep. little Samuel, her first-born, the child of many as that which enlarged their sympathies for their cending the loft. Their fears grew more intense of family discipline, from which to receive light governed by God.

returns, and Thompson offered him money, and that it is a most beautiful, sublime, and perfect about the denouement which the author wished to never coming to a road only to cross it. After but this came from a heart panting for freedom, Bible, in respect either of religion, morality, or truth they entirely failed; they gave distorted travelling most of the night without seeing a per- and overflowing with kindness, making an im- purity and sublimity of composition. Perhaps no views of nature, and while they calarged upon its son, they came to an unoccupied shanty, built of pression as no other appeal ever did or could. | man was ever better qualified to pronounce his crimes and weakenesses forgot the rich chapter o logs and brush, and concluded to stop, having They travelled but one mile before reaching judgment in the matter than the late Sir William silent homely sympathies, the pious mothers trainadvanced, as they supposed, about a dozen miles. the Chickahominy, a very small stream at that Jones, who was one of the most learned men that ing their children, their secret nightly prayers for Here they spent their second day, with nothing time and place, with marshy banks on either ever lived. He says, "I have regularly and them, and the hints and helps to duty which they to eat, making all their communications in a low side. They found a narrow place, leaped the attentively read the Holy Scriptures, and am of strewed in the paths of these children. Such as stream, and felt more secure with this famous the opinion that this volume, independent of its these were not stimulating enough. Always they At 9 o'clock in the evening they started again river between them and the rebel armies. They Divine origin, contains more true sublimity, more would observe in this kind of fiction some great. in the same direction, still keeping the fields and travelled all night, and most of the next day, the exquisite beauty, purer morality, more important passion was supposed to take possession of a man; ment law of giving. It is dangerous not to inhand." All, all are saying, Awake, awake, paradise become, as we are accustomed to them, perpetrated he seemed to see the influence of thi still more and more beautiful: their bloom appears | kind of feeling. And it was also false because o lying on the ground around the fire as usual, save to be daily heightened, fresh odors are emitted, and its associating crime with a certain grand strength. Pulling the string the door opened, and, step- a young man about eighteen years old. He baked new sweets are extracted from them. He who It was some great and strong or beautiful person ping in, a novel scene met their gaze. At one them hoe-cakes, and, after resting a couple of hath once tasted their excellencies, will desire to who was generally the hero or heroine of thes

> "The Bible is the Christian's prize, The source of all his happiness; He feeds upon its sacred truths,

And drinks the streams of heavenly bliss." 6. Again, the Bible should be the text book or foundation of all intellectual and religious training, for wherever its blessed doctrines and precepts are embraced, treasured in the heart, and carried out practically in every-day life, there true grace prevails, true wisdom shines, and what things soever are true, honest, just, pure, lovely, and of good report. To verify the proof of this assertion, instance Scotland. Here

"The Bible! the Bible! the valleys shall ring, And hill-tops re-echo the notes that we sing; Our banners, inscribed with its precepts and rules, Shall long wave in triumpt, the joys of our schools,"

"No, massa, don't have nothing forehand these consented to receive pay for it. Before it was our schools and families from the fact that "the tions, without giving them the opportunity to pu light the man secreted them among the stalks in | Bible just now is assailed by a most remarkable | in practice what the emotion suggested, was itself: "You know the soldiers have a hard time fight- the barn, and at noon unexpectedly brought them | multiplicity and diversity of enemies Atheism, great evil, because it wore out the man in the fine a warm cake. They thanked him for his kind- denying God; Atheism doubting God; Deism, part, and he was, so to speak, jaded and palled ness, and told him they were suffering from cold dreaming of God; Pantheism, generalizing God; and unfit to do the thing which he was intende-"Why you know they gain some glorious vic- feet. He said he could help them, and soon came and Polytheism, analyzing God, are all, with by his Maker to do. The object of education was back with a hot stone wrapped in cloths, after nearly equal inveteracy, still, as ever, opposed to practical truth. They were being taught by ever

At 9 o'clock he came again, saving, "Come, and gigantic hostilities, innumerable inferior, with it; taught by every social influence brought | go before the bar of God without having used any you can start. Massa's abed, un here's three warm arrogant, and artful agencies of infidelity are con- to bear upon them, and by every opportunity of of their money to make a single soul better or cakes." They travelled fifteen or twenty miles stantly at work around us, insiduously sapping the good when they made use of it. that night, passing but few houses, and just before foundations of our highest and noblest hopes. it was light they came to the rebel earthworks of The Bible is itself the best antidote to this

been in that battle), and passed on into the Federal | 8. Again, the Bible should be the first, midst, works, following them for two miles, when they last, always, in educating the rising age, for God precept upon precept, here a little and there a little, from Genesis to Revelation. For want of space, we recite one passage only, by way of illustration: "And the words which I command shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thy house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down and when thou risest up. And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be for frontlets between thine eyes. And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy

house, and on thy gates,"—Deut. vi., 6, 7, 8, 9.
9. Finally, the Bible should be the text book,

"The Bible! the Bible! we hail it with joy; Its truths and its glories our tongues shall employ; We'll sing of its triumphs, we'll tell of its worth, Andesend its glad tidings all over the earth."

At a soirce in Huddersfield, on Oct. 31, the Arch bishop of York spoke of the daily educational in-

about a real will registered in Doctor's Commons

end of the little cabin was a hage fireplace in hours, they started again, though tired and sleepy, taste them again, and he who tastes them oftenest tales of horror. Could they suppose anything more dangerous to the young and to the weak and half-formed mind than the contemplation of thi kind of creation of the writer? It was entirely

Some of them had read that day the conclusion of one of those tragedies in the conviction of most miserable man for a most atrocious murder But there he thought there was indeed a moral, fo in the first place detection had followed guilt, an in the second place they had had laid before ther the weakness and the contemptible folly an misery of such a crime as that of which they ha read in history. It would be found invariably, h might say, that crime was the offspring of broken nature, not of a nature in its strength Our emotions were given us for a practical end and apart from any other bad result, he was sur 7. The Bible should be made the text-book in that the working constantly upon people's emo cost a trumph has occh achieved -what are the Personal

A MOTHER'S WAGES.

It was an uncouth bird's nest of rushes in which Jochebed moored her birdling "among the flags by the river's brink." Little did she know what precious freight she was entrusting to the basketcradle. And little did Pharaoh's daughter know, when she took the little foundling out of the floating basket, what manner of child he yet would be. As she gives back the handsome boy into thee this day, shall be in thine heart. And thou the very bosom that first gave him life, she says souls." What fountains of good could men of shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and to Jochebed, "Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will give thee thy wages."

"I will give thee thy wages," says the Egyptian princess to the Hebrew nurse. She got her wages in better coin than silver or gold. She got them in the joys a mother feels when she yields up a part of herself to sustain her darling child; she away. Few ages in the world's history have got them in the love of the babe she nursed; she got them in the glorious service which her child the first thing and the last thing, in the cultivation | wrought for Israel in after years. She was paid of the youthful mind and heart, for by it we are in the heavenly coin with which God pays good to be judged at the final day. "He that rejecteth mothers. For all her anxieties and all her efforts me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that to preserve the life of her "goodly child" was

pure. "Doth a fountain send forth at the same same shall judge him in the last day,"—John xii., place, sweet water and bitter?"—James iii. 11. 38. "The Bible is, beyond all controversy, the of a wedded pair he says to them, "Take this "The words of the Lord are pure words: as silver best book of education in the world. It is the child and nurse it for me, and I will give you asleep. of a pure idiomatic style in their native language; thy noblest work into our hands. We accept the All around him were at their wits' end with fear. 3. The Word of God is life; it is spirit; it is the best book to promote and secure the purposes precious trust. We will try to stamp on this soft, Death was close at hand. Jonah was not ready

"Seeing ye have purified yourselves in obeying our children, and over the whole business of edu- right judge? Moses standing on the mount was the Bible, and prayer. And yet you are a sinner, the "wages" of the poor Hebrew mother who a dying sinner, an immortal sinner, a sinner going tabernacle for Methodism to worship in.

sheaf is large and golden. God rewards a mother's Why not this very year? Why not this very ating interest through all eternity.

Jesus would clothe it with purity," said a godly light. mother to one who inquired her secret of good | Sun, moon, and stars are all witnessing against may cleanse its young soul from evil; when I and you are ever transgressing them. The grass, feed it, I pray that its heart may be nourished the birds, the very worms of the earth, are all with truth, and may grow into likeness with the witnessing against you; they fill their place in youthful Jesus of Nazareth. Here was religious creation, and you do not. Sabbaths and orditraining from the cradle. It began with the dawn, nances are continually witnessing against you and its course was like the sun, growing more fall- they are ever proclaiming that there is a God and orbed in beauty until the "perfect day." That a judgment, and you are living as if there were mother received her golden wages in the early none. The tears and prayers of goddy relations conversion, usefulness, and honor of all her child- are witnessing against you; others are sorrowfully ren. "Go thou and do likewise."

THE GLORY OF GIVING.

woods. Towards midnight they discerned a farm- snow and cold weather not allowing them to stop history, and finer strains, both of poetry and it was leve, or jealousy, or what not, and it was leve, house not far distant, and having been out on long at a time. And fortunately for them, that eloquence, than could be collected within the same enough to state that the man was stricken by this to the increase of our income. Christians will suffice you to have slept. Awake to be wise several cavalry expeditions, Bacheler knew where part of the country was very sparsely settled, so compass from all other books that ever were compass fro to find the negro quarters, and something of their that they avoided men and settlements without posed in any age or nation." "The finest prosympathy for the Federal soldiers. Going round difficulty. Their only food for the day was the ductions of human art, after a few perusals, like there was no possibility of escape. If he was no the fact, without appealing to low, mercenary to the rear of the house they found a cabin, and two cakes with which they started the night gathered flowers, wither in our hands, and lose greatly mistaken this tone had strongly reacted motives. A certain man of wealth went to a retheir fragrancy; but these unfading plants of upon society itself, and in some of the great crime ligious meeting, where a collection for a charitable object was to be made. He firmly resolved not to give a penny; but, as he passed out through This appeal was made in the military hospital. the crowd around the door, his pocket was picked. As I was passing from couch to couch, dropping let the Lord put his hand in.

President Allyn, of M'Kendree College, Illinois, engaged, I passed by others directly to him. As who has had considerable experience in collecting soon as I reached his bed, looking up carnestly, monies for charitable objects, says:

with from a man, \$800,000 worth of whose Saviour." property melted in a single fire four months after. Then I knew that he was a child of God. Then I entreated another to make for himself and his I knew that he had drank of the water of life, and family a name that should grow like a palm tree realized it preciousness. We did speak of the by a river, for a thousand years; and, since his blessed Saviour. Tears ran down his cheeks, death, a profligate son has squandered a half- His eye lighted up. Joy beamed in his countemillion of that hard-earned wealth. I cannot nance. All other thoughts were absorbed in the forget a third, with whom I pleaded for a gift, one thought of Him who loved us, and gave himwhen riches were wafted to him by every wind of self for us. Present discomfort and pain were forheaven, from every quarter of the earth; but the gotten in view of the glory to be revealed. More ships, which bore those riches, have vanished into | than a Bethel seemed that prison-hospital. smoke, touched by the torch of Confederate 1. How blessed are we in having a Saviour to

them in ours. Some have rapidly increased in his language. riches; but their hoarding greed keeps pace with 2. How unfailing is the support which this

happier. Their children would be infinitely better off if they had given half their possessions to feed and clothe orphans, endow colleges, and help to extend the Church and carry the gospel to the perishing millions of our lost race.

The above incidents, and ten thousand more.

show, that "there is that withholdeth more than is meet, and it tendeth to poverty," Prov. 2:24to poverty in purse and in spirituality. Even if their greed for gold should be gratified, God gives them their request, but sends "leanness into their wealth open, without suffering the slightest inconvenience, for which coming ages would call them blessed! Orphans are crying for bread and clothing; millions are perishing eternally, for lack of knowledge. Christ comes to their door, in the person of his least disciple, and is turned

FAST ASLEEP.

offered such opportunities for glorious deeds-

deeds of everlasting bliss .- Messenger.

Reader, the book of Jonah tells us, that when the ship in which he was fleeing to Tarshish was almost lost in a tempest, Jonah was below, fast

I dare say you are wide awake about temporal cradled him in her basket of rushes. St. Augusto meet Christ, a sinner going to be judged! What, I would put it to your conscience as an reward that God could give to Monica. John honest man, what is all this but being asleep? Wesler's mother was repaid for all her patient How long is this to go on? When do you

discipline when her son built the world-wide mean to awake and live as if you had a soul? When will you cease to hear as one who hears When I have seen a happy father and mother not? When will you give up running after looking on the prizes their children brought home | shadows, and seek something substantial? When from school, or enjoying the home that filial love will you throw off this mockery of a religion which had provided for their old age, then have I seen cannot satisfy, cannot comfort, cannot sanctify, how God rewards parental patience and fidelity. cannot save, and will not bear a calm examination When I have seen pious parents beholding their When will you give up having a faith which does children as they stood up before the altar to pro- not influence your practice - having a book which fess Christ in the freshness of a youthful conse- you say is God's Word, but treat it as if it was cration, then I have said to myself, "God is pay- not-having the name of a Christian, but knowng these parents their wages." They once drop- ing nothing of Christ? Oh, reader, when, when bed the seed with faith and tears; now their shall it once be!

fidelity and a father's godly example with accumu- day! Why not at once awake, and call upon your God, and resolve that you will sleep no longer? Alas! I have seen other "wages" too, paid I set before you an open door. I set before you dearly for by parental impiety or neglect of duty. Jesus Christ, the Saviour, who died to make Eli's sin was repaid in Eli's sorrow. I have seen atonement for sinners-Jesus, who is able to saye a frivolous, prayerless mother paid in the wages of to the uttermost-Jesus, willing to receive. The a broken heart. And when to many a father's hand that was nailed to the cross is held out to door a drunken son has been brought home from you in mercy. The eye that wept over Jerusaa Sabbath-breaking debauch, it was only the wages | lem is looking on you with pity. The voice that of his own sin which a just God was paying him. has said to many wanderers, "Thy sins are for-The "wages of sin is death"-and of no sin more given," is saying to you, "Come to me." Go to surely than parental. It is death to peace of Jesus, first and foremost, if you would know what mind-death to domestic happiness-death to the step to take. Think not to wait for repentance, neglected or misguided souls of their offspring. and faith, and a new heart, but go to him just as "Take this child and nurse it for ME, and I will you are. Go to him in prayer, and cry, "Lord, rive thee thy wages," is the inscription which save me, or I perish. I am weary and sleeping; Jod's hand writes on every cradle. "When I I would fain to sleep no longer." Oh! awake dressed my child each morning I prayed that thou that sleepest, and Christ shall give thee

training. "When I wash it, I pray that his blood you; they continue according to God's ordinances, thinking you have a soul, though you seem to forget it. The very gravestones that you see every week are witnessing against you; they are

"SPEAK TO ME OF THE BLESSED SAVIOUR."

He remarked to a friend, that, while he tried to to each a word that I desired to be a word in keep the hand of God out of his pocket, the devil season, a sick man at some distance raised his thrust in his clutches, and took all he had in it, bony finger and beckoned to me. I nodded and that hereafter he would be wise enough to assent, and the hand fell again by his side. When I had finished the conversation in which I was he said-

"I have felt how bitter was the refusal I met | "I want you to speak to me of the blessed

speak about! "Thanks be to God for his un-Such men are found in all churches. We have speakable gift," says Paul. Well may we adopt

their possessions. They get out of patience with Saviour gives! Never, under any circumstances applications for money for God's cause. Should do his people turn to him in vain. The rock of the Lord permit them to retain their fortune till the world is not as our Rock. That, in the time the revelation of God. But, besides these ancient book they read, even though they did not agre hey die, it may help to ruin their children. They of our greatest need, can give no support. but be heapproved himself ourse than a starte for the would green a have and to be support a wrappen with which truth has gone down late the last port to be heappened with which truth has gone down late the last port to be heappened with the best port of the last port of the la