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THE WORD AND THE SPIRIT.

We can scarcely do our readers a greater favour Union, held in Bradford, Yorkshire, in October last. readers, but especially do we urge its careful perusal sanctification of our race! upon our ministers. It touches several points of vital importance; and, we believe, refers to the real cause of such manifest absence of the Spirit from the tion until next week. After a brief introduction, Dr. Angus said :-

"Christian men and Christian churches are kept on earth for a double purpose, -that they may themselves become holy, and that they make others holy. There are important senses, in which both these ends, -of holiness and usefulness-are attained in the case of all Christians. If we have believed, we are as completely delivered from the guilt of sin as if we had never sinned at all-" Sanctified or made holy in Christ Jesus." In that sense all true Christians are alike holy, and the work is complete as well as begun. Moreover, amid all our imperfections, there are in all true Christians, the germs of the same holy life, the outlines of the same image. Men taunt us with our divisions, and say-If we are to become Christians, which of your sects are we to join, for you seem endlessly divided? But in truth, in all that is essential to religion we agree. Ask any Christian man what he thinks of the evil and desert of sin, of his dependence on Christ's work, of his need of the renewing and continued grace of the Holy Spirit, of the importance of holiness, and of the blessedness of heaven; be diversities in the language we employ, even in the intensity of feeling with which particular truths are teaching-are the beginnings of the same sanctificacation in us all. In the same way all Cfristians are living water refreshing the wastes around.

And yet while it becomes us to acknowledge God's man and another, and between one Christian church and another-both in holiness and usefulness as between the world and the Church. Here is one man a member of the Church for ten ortwenty years, and yet you may see in him the same fears, the same imof knowledge, the same narrowness of sympathy for everything beyond his own sphere, he displayed at the first. He is within the fold, on the right side of the gate; but it is easy to imagine that he must have laid down there and never have stirred from the first months of his conversion even till now. It is the old story: "By the time he ought to have been able to teach others, he needs himself to be taught what be gists tells us there is no life without assimilation and | thought." He met Jews who preferred what was | and her confidence strengthened. Death had no tergrowth; but amidst the mysteries of spiritual life, perceptible assimilation and growth are scarcely essential. Here is another man, on the other hand, not more certainly a Christian than he; and yet how marked is the contrast between them. He growslike the coro, and like the corn in regions where, as our he seems fairer, and stronger, and more fruitful. the rays of the glory he has just left; part from him, or a novel, and you are cheered and strengthened by his company. He is the man of God wherever he goes in family. Two or three such men in any Church, prayerful, and large-hearted, are a mightier power secular learning; and a dozen such men in any country are a blessing to all the churches within its borders. Between one Christian man and another, tion as between the world and the Church.

there ARE churches which are only a scandal and a weakness-cold, narrow-hearted, worldly, self-willed, and divided; there are many more that add little to | may introduce now and then, or at least something of our strength; while there are others whose love and | the pure Gospel, and hope that the ear once open to intelligence might make any Christian proud to own them, while they extort the admiration even of the work of making their sermons lively. They count world. Between one Christian church and another | nothing below the dignity of the paipit. They try there is, to all human appearance, as wide a distance to give a healthy tone to daily life, if not by raising labours; and their works do follow them." as between the world and the Church.

By such facts no Christian need be discouraged; the Gospel, "the last times" - a dispensation presided over by the Great Teacher, who was himsel. meek and lowly in heart, and whose life, our model, was a life of self-sacrificing love, -itching cars, and life, and that in seasoning our preaching for the originating the meeting and who occupied the chair, wrong-headedness, and the love of pleasure would world's palate, we may be robbing it of the pungency opened the exercises by giving out a beautiful and create divisions and eat out the love of God. Nor is there any evil in our modern churches which was life, the actual living life of those around us, but we consolatory; and yet the case is sufficiently serious | please sinners, that the Christian minister has a slew- | count of Fulton Street Daily Prayer Meeting. Then | of character was fully appropriated by her friends; to excite alarm. How may we correct these evils? churches, eminently holy, happy, and useful?

more of the presence and grace of the Holy Spirit; and, as a first step towards it, a deeper sense of our need of it and of its sufficiency to meet all the exi-

ture, but in his manifestations and gifts 7 and how are now preachers in the United States.

comprehend them all.

are these to be secured by us in the highest degree? grace in proportion as we hold the truth and mean to honor it. I distinguish these two. We may hold in Africa, as it has been represented to be." truth with very little conscious dependence on the we are to preach it with Divine authority, and that a million sheets of such loaf to make a pile three men are to believe it as God's Word. Truth so held into a wire which would reach round the world. and taught is little likely to be influential. On the

ser truths, and yet commend themselves by their spirit and the earnestness of their convictions, both to their fellows and to God. Amid all their mistakes ALL LETTERS FOR US, either on business connected they cultivate the temper which in every age God has

We are to honour the Spirit, then, by remembering that the truth of the Gospel is His. The holy men ceeded from the Spirit poured out and resting upon Him. Afterwards, when His savings came to be recorded by the Evangelists, their memories were them, he taught by the direction and under the

version! for the Gospel is itself the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth. The be truth we are sanctified; and but for our perverseness that truth would be itself mighty enough We commend this address to the attention of all gar to do all its work in the progressive and complete

study His truth keep your hearts in contact with it. Get out of it more of the power that is already latent churches. Its length will prevent the insertion of there, and your desire will be fulfilled. Preach it, your teaching is true, as at Berea, therefore will many believe. The holy men of all ages, and the eminently useful men, were devout students and extherefore mighty through the Spirit.

ment made and defended with much earnestness, to the effect that the Spirit of God is only in the Bible and that all the influence He puts forth is the moral cat principle which we are prone to overlook. In nouncing it. Christian men have too often failed to remember that the Gospel brings greater responsi-Word of God that liveth, and that abideth for ever, and that this is the word which by the Gospel is bering more than twenty-five members. They have

scussions on the extent of inspiration; and it has involve are the questions of the age. Two centuries and weak. Some of their members have moved from ligion of a friend whom he now knew had a sincere, ago, inquirers found reason to doubt the accuracy of the place, others have died, and upon the whole they God had forgiven blm, and he hoped all others would. the common Greek text of the New Testament. They | think the church is as low as it has been at any time | I make this statement, said the speaker, to encourage spoke of thousands, and then of tens of thousands of various readings. Even Dr. Owen, a scholar and a believer in the self evidencing power of the Bible, became and his answers will commend themselves to the feel alarmed. Now, after two hundred years of patient attendance has not been large. Owing to the heavy his Spirit. inge and judgment of all Christiam men. There may labour, we know the limits of this inaccuracy, any storm yesterday (Sabbath) morning, my congregation de, leaves the doctrines of Scripture unchanged, and held, yet substantially we feel and think alike, and of doctrine. Practically the Jew agrees with the lings this week, and hope to see some good accomthese feelings and thoughts-the fruits of divine | Christian on the text of the Old Testament; the Ro- | plished. The interest has increased some, but there nanist with the Protestant on the text of the New. | are certain hindrances that I fear will make it ex. more or less useful. They are the lights of the world. | flour they grind, and need excite no concern. And If men believe, out of them there must flow rivers of so I venture to predict of the inspiration of the Bible. the brethren will pray for me, that I may be as wise Macpherson, Esq, was called to the Chair, sustained It is possible that after correcting the text, there are now not one to which, rightly read and interpreted grace in all Christians and in all Christian churches, this remark can be shown to apply. But take away I have often thought, that to all human appearance, whatever any reasonable man can suppose doubtful, there is as wide a distinction between one Christian and all the truths which our Lord taught, or which have collected \$16.89; but I am quite sure the friends Peter and John, and Paul taught, every one of whom laim again and again to speak by the Spirit, remain, whose Christianity we cannot question. He has been | and preach them - and study and preach them as Diur treatment of Scripture disowns, Inspired truth perfectly sanctified temper, the same contractedness in our creed, but as it is reverently cherished in the velcome the voice, the love, the presence of God. If we have Christ's words abiding in us, it is Himself, and it is the Holy Spirit who are the guests,

I know not that we have greater temptations to

verlook this plain truth than existed in former ages,

suspect we suffer little that apostles were spared. Paul found Greeks in the Church who required more the first principles of the oracles of God." Physiolo- whose cry was ever for wisdom, "profounder signs," things that proved a supercatural presence Lord tell us, there is but four months between the these times of the dulness and weariness of our religious seed time and the barvest. You never meet him, but services; good men are sometimes ridiculed and re-Speak with him, and you feel as if he had come from | not made to listen to him with the same interest the presence of his God, his face still shining with | which is quick and lively enough over a newspaper the world, in the Church, and in that circle which it deems visionary, and to duties which it finds irksome of us find it still more difficult to fill, in his own some, none for the ever true saying of the inspired for good, than any amount of worldly wealth, or of | spiritually discerned," Nor is it wonderful, if men there is, to all human appearance, as wide a distinct They have been told, and they partly feel it true And so with our churches. In all denominations | easy; that without this all must be in vain; that if listen, the heart may also be at length moved to atbringing the heavenly to the level of the earthly. All its tone. His levity they call real, and his worldlinesa of the salt of grace. We are bound by every tie of ardship all his own, that a necessity is laid upon him, that a woe is unto him, if he preach not the which bongers the Spirit, and it is that truth which | lemn hour, What we need to secure these blessings is, in brief, the Sprittever uses with men to renew and to save

(Conclusion in our next.)

may have other needs besides, but this I believe to | consult on the affairs of the misson the day before his death. His missionary institution was commenced in 1848, and the first missionaries were sent to Africa

with inspired truth; and we have His presence and | desire of propagating their faith which existed in the earlier ages of Mohammedanism, has now evaporated. I cannot believe that Mahommedanism is apreading

> A grain of gold, -one two hundred and fortieth inches in thickness. A pound of gold may be drawn

HOME MISSION REPORT.

No. viii. To the Corresponding Secretary. DEAR BRO-My eighth month, as one of your mis- by ladies was now full, principally of young men, sionaries, is nearly closed; and you have a right to among whom were many strangers; and young men, expect, some time during this week, my February who revealed it spake as they were moved by the report. Duty is duty. Much or little as I may have marked that he was glad to see so many young men Intelligencer, can do so at the Bookstore of Messrs. Barnes & Holy Ghost. Even the sayings of our Lord pro- to write-favourable or unfavourable as my reports present; it app ared to be a young men's meeting; may be, it is my duty to report to our Executive Com- and so it was for the part they took in it. One spoke mittee each month. My present feelings lead me to of the love of Jesus in his soul. Another confessed quickened and corrected by His inspiration. Again wish that I could send you a more favorable account and another requested prayers for a friend then preand again, in all His Epistles, Paul affirms that the of my labor for the present month than I can do; sent. Another spoke of a mother, who ash rt time truths he taught and the words in which he taught but the plain facts and an honest report is all you since had sent here a request for the conversion of require, and all the Master requires, and all I can ber son and husband. That son now stood here in And it is these truths, as thus inspired, that are give. The first sixteen days of the month was spent the person of the speaker, to a knowledge the grace the instruments of conversion and holiness. Of con- at home, or in St. John and Carleton. When I went the prayers of this meeting for that father, who was home my arrangements were to have remained ten now thoughtful on the subject of region. Others days; but in consequence of the heavy thaw that were seriously inquiring the way of life, and the than to transfer to our columns, from the English life. And when those who received them were saved injured the travelling so much, I was not able to get meeting was sensibly affected by the prompt and ear-Baptist Magazine, the address delivered by the by them, it was because they received them not as away at the expiration of that time. I have no horse their fears and sorrows, anxieties and hopes; and the Rev. Dr. Angus, at the Annual Session of the Barrist man's words, but as God's. Of holiness! for it is by of my own, and depend for stages or private accom- prayers which were offered, chiefly by young and armodations to get from place to place. Several days | dent Christians, bore ample testimony that those who were spent in looking for some way of conveyance to led in them were under the influence of the same dithis place; but no passage, public nor private, could fluence, which had been so powerfully manifested for We need more of the Spirit!" It is the cry of us be found until Saturday the 17th inst. I hope, how- days past, was still present to cheer the hearts of all 'Oh, for more of His blessed influence!' Then ever, that my time was not lost to the cause of the people of God. Christ. I united with brethren Hartt and Gunter in We recognized in the leader of this day the same the revival interest they are enjoying, and spent my ting instance of conversion. Some five years ago he the whole of it at once; we shall therefore defer a por- and while men are searching to ascertain whether evenings alternately in Carleton and St. John. I la- was a salesman in a dry goods store in this city, boured to advance the good cause as far as I could. where there was also a large number of other sales-I have spent but two evenings at home with my own men, some of whom were unconverted; and he often pounders of the Bible-mighty in the Scripture, and family since the first day of last October. Saturday, day three of them, jecosely, proposed that they would the 17th inst., I came from St. John to Hampstead, attend the meeting with him, provided he would agree A few years ago we were startled by an announce- and spent the Sabbath with the 1st Hampstead to speak in that meeting. They knew, said the speak-Chorch. This was the first time I ever preached in | er, that I was unaccustomed to public speaking, and | what cost ? that place. We had a good day, and I really enjoyed naturally diffident; but, after a moment's hesitation, power of the truth He reveals. This view I deem myself with the friends. The church is rather weak three occupied a seat near where I stand now. At criptural. But it is still a partial statement of a at present, but I think with labour the cause might first their countenances indicated fun; but as the be much strengthened. It rained all day Monday, so meeting progressed, they became gradually more and that I did not get to this place until Tuesday. We more serious; and finally their faces assumed a so- above points, I doubt not be will oblige many, as bility than the law, because it is a clearer revelation got a few persons together, and began our meetings for these young men. Shortly afterwards I went inof mightier motives, and that men are begotten again, in connection with this, the Upper Gagetown church, to the army; one of the three also went. At the batnot by corruptible seed, but by incorruptible, by the that evening. This church is quite small, not num. the of Petersburgh be was mortally wounded; but be-

> as a scrpent and as harmless as a dove, and yet see verted to Christ. Financially, I have not done much this month. hers will pay for all the labour they receive.

Yours, &c., G. A. HARTLEY. Upper Gagetown, Q. C., Feb. 26.

was very small. In the afternoon we had a very

good attendance. I expect to continue evening meet-

IN MEMORIAM.

Last Sabbath we had the unusual duty to perform las, at 11 o'clock, on the occasion of the death of Mrs. Nevers, wife of George Nevers, Esq., of that place. Sister N.'s death was brought about by a cancer in her breast, from which she endured great suffering for several months previous to her decease. But she was comforted in all her distress and bodily pain by Christ, and as her end drew near her faith increased, nere fool's-talk at Corinth. The thing that is, is also evening, having for many years been a follower of the meetings. Saviour. Funeral sermon from Phil, i. 23, " For to HE TO LIVE IS CHRIST, AND TO DIE IS GAIN."

At 3 o'clock, we attended the funeral of Mrs. Muroaked because they fail to make preaching attractive. ray, of Kingsclear, widow of the late Nicholas Murray, Esq., of that place. Mrs. Murray was an aged ady, who for a great number of years had been a faithful and humble follower of Jesus. For several years a widow, and head of a household, she mainand was faithful in her attendance at the public means of grace. " She has left a safe example to follow." Word itself, "the natural man receiveth not the said a brother, well acquainted with her, as we were things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to | going to her grave. Her death was preceded by several weeks illness, during which time she prayerfully We visited her a short time previous to her death, and that for the power to give life to their sermons | and found her resting alone upon the Saviour, As | her and approached, her trust and confidence increased, and she longed for the happy moment when she in full assurance of a blessed and glorious immortality through the death and resurrection of Jesus Charse, Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their

PREDERICTON DAILY PRAYER MEETING.

sensible. Only we all need to remember that it is some twenty-five or thirty persons being then prepossible in making religion lively to take out of it its | sent, the brother, a layman, who was instrumental in duty to make our message real, forcible, applicable to appropriate hymn from a small collection called prayers and addresses, participated in by several

prayer for her unconverted husband; second, a mo-Dr. Livingstone, in speaking of the cast coast of | feels that tind will not hear her prayers, requests that | The Daily Union Prayer Meeting has been begun un- loss.

seats were well filled. The corner usually occupied in unusual numbers, occupied other seats. The lealer, too, was a young man, and an aged brother rehimself to be a great rinner, and begged for prayers; and useful. vine Inspirer of prayer; and that the same benign in-

brother who a few days before had related an interest me too inquisitive, if I ask him to answer a lew invited them to come to this place of prayer. One I agreed to their proposition, and we all came. The lemn aspect, when I requested the meeting to pray | well as the present writer. fore he died, he requested his companion to tell Captain C., if he ever saw him, that he died happy in the one of the best meeting-houses in the denomination, Lord; and that he received his first religious impres-More recently men's minds have been disturbed by and a few excellent brethren. They have not had along at that time to the Fulton Street Prayer Meetmuch ministerial labour for some time, and are low ling, when he went with others to make fun of the resince its organization. The weather has been re- your hearts to pray more and more carnestly, and in fessors of religion :markably soft, and the walking very bad, so that our laith, for the blessing of God and the outpouring of

GRAND DIVISION S. OF T.

We clip the following notice of the meeting of the Grand Division of Sons of Temperance, held in Fre-

dericton last week, from the Reporter: The Grand Division has just closed a very successul and pleasant meeting in this City, and last evenceedingly difficult to labour here. This wet weather | ing held one of the best public Temperance Meetings is against my health. I am quite hourse. I hope ever attended in Fredericton. At 8 o'clock, S. D. by about twenty representatives from the Grand Dr. ision, who occupied the platform. The meeting the cause advanced in this place, and sinners con- was opened with prayer by the Rev. E. McLeod, after intelligent audience, Daniel C. Perkins, Esq., of St. John, who, in a clear, argumentative speech advocated the glorious cause of Temperance. The next speaker was the Rev. Mr. Lathern. In beautiful lanabstain from this great evil and scourge of society. D. Wetmore, E-q., in a powerful, telling speech Then came Samuel Watts, Esq., editor of the Carleton Sentinel, who, in a neat and able speech, advoca-

The meeting then closed with the Doxology. A Temperance Convention was held on Friday evening in the Hall; but from some misunderstanding of the appointment, the audience was not so numer ous as on the previous evening. The Chair was octhe consolations of religion. Calmly and confidently | cupied by C. P. Wetmore, Esq., G. W. A.; and the she rested on the finished work of our LORD JESUS | meeting was addressed by O. D. Wetmore, G. W. P. Rev. E. McLeod, Samuel Watts, Editor of the Carleton Sentinel, A. P. Blair, Attorney-at-Law, and R. sensational and striking, and whose cry was for rors for her, not because it would relieve her from | Salter, Esq., of Carleton. This meeting, as well as bodily pain, but because it would introduce her into the one of the previous evening, was deeply interestthe presence of the Saviour, and be to her the gate | ing ; and, we believe, the Temperance cause in Freto endless joy. She died triumphant, on Thursday dericton received a fresh impetus from these two

[For the Religious Intelligencer.]

DOUGLAS, Feb. 23, 1866, DEAR BROTHER .- The three following oblivary notices were inserted at different times in the Provin-

Mary Ann, wife of Mr. Charles J. Clark, and eldest daughter of William Dayton, of Douglas, in the 42d

Died, after a lingering illness of consumption, on the 29th of July, 1865, in the 80th year of her age, would be freed from the body of sin and death. The ton, of Douglas, near Fredericton. The deceased was it: I can give it up as well as not,' we reply : So time came on last Friday morning, and she departed the youngest daughter of Mr. Peter Foshay, of Hope much the less sacrifice you will have to make in Funeral sermon from Rev. xiv. 13, " And I heard a the Holy Spirit as to her adoption into the family of follower of Christ is the last one to be exempted from voice from heaven, saying unto me, write, Blessed God, until a few months before she died. The active of total abstinence." in June last, was exceedingly clear, beautiful, and simple. Bue trusted in Jesus, and was saved sthis salvation being accompanied with a sweet peace of this, the struggle between nature and grace was present Spanish insurrection, from the want of ac- in their Sunday-schools and in their families. nor need be be surprised. More than one apostle commendable, and it will be very likely to have its A Daily Union Prayer Meeting, as announced last received Jesus, who is all in all to the believer. A very important lesson. Under a liberal and enlight: THE NEWS and THE PRESS. the preacher who discusses its subjects, and adopts ton, on Monday. Precisely at the hour of 12 o'clock, gone to Paradisc, but because four little ones are left in this world of dangers without the care and sympathy of a mother. [Christian Visitor please copy.]

86th year of her age, Miriam Leah, the lamented wife of Samuel Dayton, Esq., of that peace. Mrs. Dayton was a woman of a mock and quiez spirit, faithful in "Bongs of Zion," Then another brother prayed, the discharge of domestic duties, and looking well to and the Mediterranean, on both of which she possesbut her loss to the home circle day only be known by hose who best knew her worth. Absorbed by the On Tuesday, the chairman was a venerable lay salvation. At the commencement of her sickness, brother, well known in the churches. The opening was tempted and tortured with the thought that the Pastor Harms, the founder of the Hermannsburg | reading of several written requests for prayer, which | ences of his Spirit. With many tears, and with cargencies, both of the world and of the Church. We Mission, died in Nov. last, aged 56. He was able to had been laid upon the table. First, a wife requested nest prayer, she pleaded for a renewed manifestation of the pardoning mercy of God, and was enabled to say with much emotion -- for ahe loved to dwell on third, a lady who believes that she needs religion, but hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from counted as a fourth or fifth rate power in Europe. tears, and my feet from falling," bne thought with First of all, to us the Spirit of God is identified Africa, remarks, "As far as my experience goes, the her case may be remembered, and that supplications | Priest, and loved to hear portions of Scripture read, may be made that she may be saved. Then followed which led to conversation and prayer on that subcarnest prayer in response to these requests. The ject. For a time previous to her death, she seemed audience kept on increasing on Tuesday until the to gain strength, and her friends hoped that she room was crowded ; the exercises were varied and in shared in their sanguine hopes, and rather anticipated would be permanently restored; but she never may preach the truth with real wisdom of words, and a common pla, - may be beaten out so as to cover feeling an unusual degree of the divine presence. It request was, that if a funeral sermon were preached, with great force of argument, but without noting that seventy-five square inches. It would take more than was a solemn hour, and the moistened eyes of some there might be no enlogy of the dead, but faithful present gave evidence that their hearts was touched. appeals to the living. On the night of the 10th of December, 1865, she fell asleep in Jesus, leaving a

We subjoin the following report of the New York | mother, and leaving thirteen motherless children, of France and England seems to have no root in The 8th of February was a stormy day, yet the addition to this, in the same period, my wife has lost spontaneous outgrowth. Since 1848, however, libea sister and brother.

> For the Religious Intelligencer. THE N. B. UNIVERSITY.

Baptist," gone a little farther in his article on the University, it would have been still more instructive

Denomination, are beginning to appreciate Collegiate press under restraint. They have poisoned the education, and especially, to put themselves in a posi- popular mind against liberal ideas, and made freedom tion to participate in the benefit of a thorough class- almost an impossibility in Spain. They would have ical and mathematical training, such as, I am led to done the same in Italy and in France, had they been believe, is received at our University.

Should I, at some future period, wish to prepare a sary, for him to graduate.

Neither does he intimate what it would cost to engage one of the young men, who is a student or a graduate of the University, as a teacher.

very useful information, I hope he will not consider

Suppose a lad prepared for matriculation, what would be the whole cost, for three years, at the Uni- It has seemed to be taken for granted, that between

Should a District determine to engage a teacher, such as he names, how could he be obtained, and at

How long would it require a lad of ordinary capa-

city, having a common school education, to prepare If your correspondent will give information on the

I remain, &c., REMARK. - Our correspondent " A Free Baptist," will probably give "J. B." the information he asks

CHRISTIANS AND TEMPERANCE.

for next week. - En.

The following extract from the last Annual Report of the Massachusetts Temperance Alliance, by Rev. W. M. Thayer, deserves the serious attention of pro-

Furthermore, the Alliance is more thoroughly convinced than ever, that our chief dependence must be upon the moral and religious sentiment of the people to secure ultimate triumph. The example and teaching of the Church must be right upon the subject. When the world takes higher ground than the Church on this and kindred questions, the prospects of reformation are discouraging. The Church was designed by its Founder to be the great reformatory agent. It is to battle with sin, and save men. To endorse the custom of social or fashionable drinking is to connive with sin, and destroy men. All past experience and observation relative to drinking customs prove this,

" A great obstacle to the Temperance reform is

found in the social habits of a class of professed Christians. Social wine-drinking is regarded by them as essential to fashionable living. Their Christian proguage and persuasive tones he recommended all to fession is thus made to subserve a foolish and dangerous practice. Thousands of sons and daughters After him came the Grand Worthy Patriarch, Oscar | are made dronkards at home by the social glass; and still this custom is tolerated by some members of churches. For this reason, the Alliance attaches the proportion, it is said, is unequalled in any city or of preaching two funeral sermons. The first in Doug- ted the glorious cause of Temperance. Last, but not highest importance to the moral and Christian claims least, Robert Salter, Esq., in a few happy remarks. of the cause. Resting it upon the Word of God, and pointing to the example of the Divine Redeemer, they make their strong appeal. Will not the followers of ror, that "fifteen murderers are at the present mo-Him who went about doing good, imitate their Master by a li e that will not tempt their fellow-men to rating the causes of this state of society, and the ruin? Many men cannot sip their wine without forming habits of intemperance ; will Christians con- York paper says :tinue to offer them wine? A wine-bibber in the Church does more to sustain and perpetuate the cus- of dram-shops and low places of amusement where tom than all the drunkards outside; can our holy re- liquor is sold. Our lower classes are not more adligion tolerate his example?

"There is no need of going into an elaborate argument with this class to prove that total abstinence is this respect is clear and strong, it is enough to refer | are devised for the restriction of this fearful traffic. some that it is silent as the grave upon this topic : world to save men. Is Jesus Christ willing that one | no hesitation about applying them, cial Wesleyan The second one was accompanied of his followers should lend his influence, by precept with a request that the Christian Visitor would or example, directly or indirectly, to sust in a vice copy, but I think the editor never saw it. As some | that sends more souls to perdition than all other vi- | Temperance, Agriculture, Science, and Art. of their friends would like to see them all together, ces together? Surely not. We know that he would tained constantly an altar of prayer in her family. I have taken the liberty to ask you to insert them in not have his disciples jeopardize the immortal interests of a single man by his practice. Then what eight pages, published by John McDougall & Son, the wish of Christ, and peril the souls of men y per annum. It is not only the cheapest paper of The question should never be, with the Christian, and earnestly entered into a strict self-examination, which she bore with Christian resignation, leaving a his disciple? The question should be, flow much is much pleasure in recommending it to our friends in sconsolate husband and two daughters to mourn it possible for me to do for Christ? Surely it is pos- New Brunswick. sible for every Christian to abatain from the use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage. If he says, 'It is only a very little that I take; I have no appetite for giving it up, and hence so much the greater your obligation to do it. Of all persons in the world, the

A LESSON FROM OLD SPAIN.

ened government, Spain might be now, what she was once, one of the richest and most powerful kingdoms of Europe. Her mineral resources are inexhaustible and easily worked; and though traversed by moun-Died, at St. Mary's, opposite Fredericton, in the tain ridges which render its magnificent rivers almost useless for commercial purposes, she finds compen-

Daily Prayer Meeting from the last N. Y. Observer: and but one of them over twelve years of age. In Spain. It is there a revolutionary exotic, and not a ral democratic principles have made considerable progress among the population, especially in the cities and large towns; but the clergy still exercise a deplorable influence over the country people, and over MR. EDITOR-Had your correspondent, a "Free the Queen. Until this is broken up, there can be little hope for Spain.

Such has been the malign influence of the Catholic clergy, in one of the fairest kingdoms in Europe. I was pleased to learn that, the Free Baptists, as a They have shut out schools. They have kept the able to retain their power in those countries. The present condition of Italy, in comparison with that lad for that Institution, your correspondent's letter of Spain, shows how close is the relation between does not inform me, what it would cost to keep my freedom of individual thought and action and national lad there for three years, -which, he says, is neces- prosperity. The former country, under the influence of a large measure of civil and religious liberty, has become united and powerful-while Spain, a far richer country in natural resources, has sunk, under opposite influences, to the condition of a fourth rate Since a "Free Baptist" has volunteered some kingdom,-Examiner and Chronicle,

HOPE FOR FRANCE.

There is quite too much of despondency in respect to the prospects of evangelical Christianity in France. the domination of Rome on the one hand, and the infidelity and levity of the French people on the other. there was little chance for the success of the primitive and simple fath of the New Testament. This might indeed be, if the cause of truth were dependent for its success on the potency of human endeavor. Happily this is not the case. The Lord her God in the midst of his church is mighty, and the most stubborn and most worldly people are made withing in the day of his power. There is hope for France in the Divine promises, and even now God is offering striking encouragement to the faith of his people. "Sixty years ago," says the Reverend Mr. Grandpierre, "the Protestants could not venture to hold a religious service in Paris, and their chapels were demolished over the whole of France. Now the Government builds Protestant churches, and gathers together those whom it then scattered abroad by persecution. Sixty-five years ago there was not a single Protestant church in Paris; now there are eight Reformed churches, with fourteen pastors; ten holding the Augsburg Confession, with twenty-one pastors; eleven independent chapels, of various denominations, with fourteen pastors; eight English and American chapels, with nine pastors; in all, thirty-sevan Protestant places of worship, with fifty-eight pastors; and in all these, religious services are held without molestation. What a gain is this in the recognition of the rights of conscience! And here assuredly is 'eaven which, withhe blessing of God, is sufficient to change the character and destiny of an empire." It may be added, that these changes in France find corresponding ones. in many parts of Continental Europe. They indicate that God has not forsaken his people, and that the harvest of the world is ripe for their reaping.

CRIME IN NEW YORK.

There are at this moment nearly seventy marderers. lying in prison in the city of New York, awaiting trial or under sentence of death. This is a startling comment on the moral condition of that city. The country that calls itself Christian or civil zed. Even in Paris it is not reached. A recent letter from that gay and abandoned capital mentions in terms of terment lying in the prisons of the Seine." In enumedanger of human life from murderous hands, a New

Another fruitful source of crime, and especially of grimes of violence, is the almost incredible number dicted to drink than the same classes in Europe, but what they drink is infinitely worse. It is maddening oison; and there are not fewer than eight or nine thousand places in this city where this poison is sold. a doctrine of the Bible. Although the argument in We can look for no improvement until efficient means them to the mission of Christ. Close the Bible; as. Every bar-room in the city should be placed under police surveillance, and all the low dram-shops should be closed by law. The evils from which we there is still the fact that Jesus Christ came into this suffer require sharp remedies, and there should be

CANADIAN MESSENGER - Devoted to Education.

We have received the 1st and 2nd numbers of the Christian will take the responsibility to act against | Montreal, at the very low price of twenty-five cents which we have any knowledge, but it is filled with How little can I do for Christ and still be accounted excellent reading matter for any family, and we have

> A CATROLISM OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM, by J. M. Cramp, D.D., Halifax, Nova Scotia, Christian Messenger Office, 1866.

We have received a copy of this neat little work of 90 pages. The author says, "it has been prepared for the use of our members and congregations, especially the young." It is as exhaustive on the subject as the limits of the work would allow, and brings out in a mode easily comprehended, a large amount of information relative to the scriptural mode and subject. of baptism. We have no donot but Haptist Church-Although it is impossible now to understand the es, generally, will avail themselves of this work both

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(From the Murning Journal.) BRIGHT PHOSPECIA.

New Brunswick is about to enjoy a period of great sation for this in her situation between the Atlantic commercial prosperity, and political good fortune. not described or rebuked in the first age. So far it is must remember that the blessed God himself cannot Then reading of Scriptures; followed by some acwonderful fertility of the soil. " The splendor of the been for years. This advance, to the case of a good Spanish name during the reign of Fordinand and cargo of wood, would enhance its value to the ex-How become, as Christian men and as Christian men a not sufficiently attend to the great work of personal use these advantages could be turned by a wise ruler. advances in the price of provisions, and no advances in wages or freights. It is being found out that we The decadence of Spain dates from the beginning can sell many articles cheaper than our neighbours of the Seventeenth Century. Up to that period her from a keg of nails to a package of dry goods -- so wa exercises were brief and pertinent; then followed the Saviour had withdrawn from her the gracious influwars the long crusade of centuries against the Moors, farmer to buy more, and dispose him to do so. Our the wars to secure her American possessions, and the revenue will be swelled not only by the large imreligious wars arising from the Reformation. Unsues portation to which we have just referred, but the ther asks that her two unconverted sons might be re- the words "Return unto thy rest, O my soul; for cessful in her championship of the Romish cause, she duties which, after the 17th of March will fall upon And what is this Spirit, not in His essence or na- in 1852. Many of the young men educated by him membered in prayer, that God may save them; and the Lord hath dealt bountifully with thes; for from slowly declined in power and influence, until she was the articles which new come in free under the Reciprocity Treaty. An increase of tevenue in one disrection lays the foundation for a reduction in another ; From this degradation Spain was partially roused in considering how the burden of taxation should be by the reforms initiated by Ferdinand VI. and Charles | distributed we should be governed solely by a regard III., in the latter part of the eighteenth century, to the greatest good of the greatest number. The These reforms, introduced as they were by foreign in the end, be produc ive only of good results. Canada Ministers, and supported mainly by foreign influence, and ourselves will feel the need of increased means of were only partially successful; for though in perso- commercial intercourse, and thus intercolonial trade-Spirit of God or recognition of His presence, We part of an ounce, -a piece not so large as the head of rapid succession, and several expressed themselves as a speedy removal to her evertasting home. Her last nal qualities the population of Epain is one of the will be stimulated. The sagarity and enterprise of finest in Europe, the great bulk of the people are in the extension of Colonial trade which is of a hopeful tensely bigoted. All great reforms in Spain have kind; the proceedings of the Com missioners in British been carried through in the teeth of the popular will. Itulana throw light on this important subject. We One sister, we learn, found peace in this meeting, husband and seven small confiden to mourn their The abolition of the Inquisition, the establishment of shall soon have the Fig herica in our banes with all constitutional government, and the suppression of the ing fellow Colonists would help us to turn them to other hand, there are men who, holding the great the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for the purpose of the gas which has been introduced for th there, and he has already owned and answered prayer. entered our family circle, each time striking down a plished by foreign is fluence. The political liberalism | peration in their protection as well as that of England.

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