## The Little Boy that Died.

(Said to have been found among Dr. Chalmer's payers.) I'm all alone in my chamber now, And the midnight hour is near; And the fagots crack; and the clock's dull

tick. Are the only sounds I hear. And o'er my soul in its solitude Sweet feelings of sadness glide, For my heart and my eyes are full when I think

Of the little boy that died.

I went one night to my father's house, Went home to the dear ones all And softly I opened the garden gate And softly the door of the hall, My mo her came out to meet her son She kissed me and then she sighed, And her head bent down on my neck and she wept

For the little boy that died.

I shall miss him when the flowers come In the garden where he played; I shall miss him more by the fireside When the flowers are all decayed. I shall see his toys and his empty chair And the horse he used to ride, And they shall speak their own speech to Of the little boy that died.

We shall go home to our Father's house To our Father's house in the skies, Where the hope of our souls will have no blight

Our love no broken ties. We shall roam on the banks of the river of peace. And bathe in its blissful tide

And one of the joys of our heaven shall be The little boy that died. -Mid-Continent.

## Bro. Duncan's Bee-Quest.

MATTIE M. BOTELER.

tacle case, "Pingtree church never the hour that I understood"has been much on foreign missions. The Lambses an' the Mavitys always held out that they wasn't Scriptural. An' the Marshall sisters—them three old maids that live in the big Bro. Duncan to come around for brick just across the creek—they don't believe in them either. Now Brother Sayles, that preached here before you come, he believed in 'em strong, but he never said nothing about it. He knowed it wasn't worth while."

Mrs. Fulton looked up from her doctor, springing to his feet. sewing. "I thought they observed Foreign Mission Sunday here last year," she said inquiringly.

em at both of the other churches, people the left-overs; and it never an' we had to do it to pacify our could seem quite the same as sharyoung folks. They had the church | ing. But when Frank told me how all trigged out with flowers, an' the | you felt about the foreign worklittle tots had missionary speeches | that to give the Lord a part of what an' songs. They took up nigh onto was left when you were through twenty-five dollars, I guess. They with it, would be just the same as didn't send it to the heathens, sharing it with him now-why, I though."

money over to the Foreign Board!" but before she could finish, the the pastor himself interrupted this doctor had gone out, banging the

"O, that'd never have done. the Mavity boys had begged the courage, had begun to cry. most of the money. So they took it an' bought them velvet porcheery curtains.'

Mrs. Fulton broke off her thread something."

Tavorable to the work."

couldn'd hardly expect it."

"I'm sure I hadn't heard of it." Mr. Fulton said doubtfully. Mr. Pickett had risen to go, but at this he sat down again.

"You don't say!" he exclaimed. Well, he was so took up with the dollars! talk of one of them missionaries that he come straight home and made that bee quest, providing that be paid to the Foreign Board. And thing as a blank check about him." flectively, "that'll be considerable."

"When Mr. Fulton returned, tribution boxes had seldom known. after taking leave of his guest, he found his wife sitting at the window, a perplexed look upon her face.

"O Frank, I was so sure of Dr.

the other night!" "But, my dear, you know you tears. mever could understand worldly people," Mr. Fulton rejoined with a

sigh. Mrs. Fulton got up, and, going into the next room, returned aisle, one of the sisters detained seeking whom he may devour. (See an a moment with a couple of letters. him for a moment. "Here, these ought to be taken

hat. "And, dear," coaxingly, around!" "you'll stop on your way back and have a talk with Dr. Duncan?"

well have it out"-taking the letters and wisely kept his counsel.

-" But, Nell, I believe I'm getting to be a regular coward. I simply haven't the heart to combat the narcontrol Pingtree Church."

When Mr. Fulton returned his wife was putting supper on the

"Just as I expected," he said dejectedly, dropping into a chair. "Accordingly to your faith, my dear Frank," she began, raising her

eyebrows. " My faith in God hasn't failed, he interrupted, gloomily, "but my faith in the possibility of reaching a Pingtree intellect has. When tried to make Duncan see that giving God a little money, after he had no further use for it, was not honoring him with his substance, he grew very angry and, I think, came very near telling me to mind my own

business.'

"But we can keep Foreign Mission Day," Mrs. Fulton ventured. "You must preach that grand sermon you preached last year at dear old Fairford, and there will be our own self-denial offering at least. Then there are three of my Sundayschool girls that are saving their pennies for it." And with this Mrs. Fulton dropped the subject.

briskly up the walk and rang the back with Dr. Dancan, looking very | might be named. imposing in his bachelor finery of blue broadcloth, broad expanse of the proportion is still greater. Who linen and stiff, white chocker.

"I shall have to bring you right | elevate the thoughts and aspirations in here," Mr. Fulton was saying, of Americans than Ralph Waldo take the money then, and allow apologetically. Mrs. Fulton arose Emerson, son of the Rev. William and greeted her visitor cordially.

easy chair to the grate. "No," Mr. Pickett said, tapping the doctor said, drawing out his departed veteran George Bancroft, had a good mortgage he would like

his nose meditatively with his spec- gold watch. "But one o'clock was son of Rev. Aaron Bancroft? Has to sell him. He had, and now the

are generally through with our dinner by that hour. You see "turning to her husband, "I asked Beecher? Was not, after all, our he met another man against whom his dinner. I knew he was very fond of chicken pie, and this was such a fine one, that I felt sure that there would be enough left after we were through"-

"Madam, did you bring me here to insult me?" roared the irate

"Then you don't like it!" with an inflection of childish surprise. "Well, really, I never thought it "They did. You see they'd had was nice and respectful to just give thought you oughtn't to mind about "You mean, they didn't turn the | the chicken pie. I am sorry though" door behind him.

"We might as well begin to pack Sairy Marshall had took the best at once, Nell," Mr. Fulton groaned, part of a month to train them chil- looking reproachfully at his wife, dren, an' Mrs. Lamb's little girl an' who, having exhausted her stock of

Nevertheless, when Mr. Fulton announced his text on the following Sunday, it was evident that he was about to preach a missionary sermon. with a snap, and there was a look With Dr. Duncan sitting directly in her eyes that warned the pastor in front of him, it was not easy at that his wife was about to "say first; but by and by doubts and fears were lost sight of, and as he Therefore he broke in nervously, closed his eloquent plea he announc-Tr. Dincan at least seems to be ed that an opportunity would be given to all who wished to contri-"O yes, he's favorable enough, bute to the support of the great but he don't give nothing. Though work which their brothers and considerin' that bee-quest you sisters were doing in the foreign

At this, Bro. Dancan sprang to 20:2.) his feet. He had heretofore, he declared, made public the fact that he Israel contrary to the command of Best. would not contribute to this work. He therefore wanted to make equal-"I guess it must have been ten ly public that he had been convinc- ed God from mercenary motives. years ago, that he went down to ed that he was wrong. Would Bro. (See Job 1: 9.) Bradenville to the convention. Fulton please put him down for five He opposes the works of God.

At this there was a rustle of excitement, in the midst of which 4: 3-10.) "Sairy" Marshall, who was at the two per cent. of all of his estate organ, leaned over to inquire of to betray Christ. (See Luke 22: 3 brought after he was gone should Deacon Lamb "if he had such a I reckon," Mr. Pickett added, re- In short, there was such a shower of silver and paper as the old con-

> When the service was over Dr. Duncan came over to Mrs. Fulton unbelievers. (See II. Thes. 2: 9 and try Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil. 1 and held out his hand. "Won't you come home with us

Duncan, after the way he prayed for dinner?" she asked timidly, of light. (See II. Cor. 11:14.) dimpling and smiling through her

"To take dinner with you-yes, I believe I will."

As the pastor came down the "That was a grand sermon, Bro.

down to the mail this very minute,' Fulton," she was saying; "and to angel and cast into the bottomless she said, handing her husband his think that it brought Bro. Duncan pit. (See Rev. 20: 1-3.)

Some Ministers' Children. The old slander concerning min- he or she thereby serves the devil

row, niggardly spirit that seems to isters' children has been pretty ef- and practically acknowledges him fectually exploded, and it is scarcely safe, at this late day, to assert that "Know ye not, that to whom ye they "never come to anything. How much they have come to, in the world of literature, is hinted by J. Max Hark, in the Sunday school

Ben Johnson, the poet next to Shakespeare among the great Eliza- [as given above. Look up the Scripbethans, was a humble minister's ture passages thus pointed out, and son; so was Addison, the greatest of the prose writers and essayists of his time; and Oliver Goldsmith, the ever-fresh charm of whose "Vicar of Wakefield" lies in its being so largely the transcript of his own experiences as a member of a poor clergyman's family; and the gentle, melancholy Cowper, with his "Task" and Thomson, he of "The Seasons"; and the learned, unfortunate Coleridge, whose "Ancient Mariner' will ever stand unique, one of the great poems of the English language; and the brilliant Hazlitt in prose; poetry alike, preacher and exemplar of that culture which embraces "the best that has been thought and said in the world"; and finally Tennyson himself, leaving us a legacy The following day as they linger- of truth and beauty precious as any ed over their dinner, some one came e'er bequeathed by prophets of old, -are they not a goodly company bell. Mr. Fulton went to answer all these ministers, sons? And they the ring, and a minute later came are only a few of the many that

the living, is not our laureate, the needs. venerable genial, well-beloved "Autocrat," Oliver Wendell Holmes Certainly these ministers' sons are not "worse than others." Rather are there few others that have turn-

Nor is it the ministers' sons only never done so. that are prominent in literature. Their daughters, too, have won for are doing in all others. It was Jane | cause he does not see it best .-Austen, the daughter of the rector American Messenger. of Steventon, who gave us the first novel of the domestic and every-day ife of the common people, which since has taken the place of almost every other kind. And the namse of Emily and Charlotte Bronte surely must not be forgotten when speaking of clergymen's daughters; while love. in our country we need only mention Harriet Beecher Stowe, whose "Uncle Tom's Cabin" has not only been read by millions, but which expect it. was not the least of the agencies to Stuart Phelps, who has scarce any superior among the purest and best

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(See Zech. 3: 1, 2.) He tempted Christ. (See Matt.

He put it into the heart of Judas and John 13:2)

He is the father of lies, and murderer. (See John 8: 44.) He hinders the Gospel. (See Matt. 13: 19 and 11. Cor. 4: 4.)

Rev. 16: 14.)

He was cast out of heaven. (See Luke 10: 18.)

He is the adversary of man. (See I. Peter 5: 8) He goes about as a roaring lion,

I. Peter 5:8.) He is finally bound by a mighty them.

Truly, accordingly to this testi-But the pastor knew better; mony, the devil is a real person, and fully recommend it to all suffering however, he only smiled knowingly he has a very black character. Who from the same malady. "O, yes, I suppose I might as across at the two who had overheard, would wish to be the servant of such a master? And yet every

time a man, a womau, a boy, or a girl does a wicked or a mean thing as master. Paul says (Rom. 6: 16), yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey, whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?"

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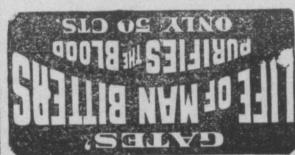
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