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## Selected Articles

Notes of a Journey to Switzerland Conference of the South German Baptist Church's.

August 31, we crossed the Rhine at Strasburg, on our way to Muhlhausen, when there is a station of the Baptist church at Zurich. Some years ago my father baptized the first converts here; their number is now twentytwo. Many of these friends, at their conversion, made great sacrifices for the cause of truth, especially in their observance of the Sabbath, which is so generally disregarded in France; but the Lord has blessed them the more abundantly. Mr. Hafner, a baker, whose chief customers had been the owners of Sunday tea-gardens, after his conversion refusing to sell bread on the Lord's day, suddenly found himself almost without employment; the distress of his wife and the indignation of his friends, who accused him of making religion a cloak for idleness, were great; yet our brother was enabled patiently to wait upon the Lord, who in due time re-warded the faith of his servant. One after another his o'd customers returned. Their guests had complained of the inferiority of the bread lately provided, and hearing that Mr. Hafner would not sell his bread on Sun-French dominion. The priesthood here, as everywhere, the enemies of a preached in their efforts to crush the work of our brethren. The latter is afficted more by political restrictions, particularly stringent with regard to the press. Every tract that enters France is marked with the stamp of the "Ministre da l'Interieure" before it is passed into the hands of the receivers. Neither may tracts be freely distributed, the gratuitous circulation of all phamphlets being

battle is the Lord's." But while the believers here display much zeal in the dissemination of the truth, their own spiritual interests call for the stated labour of a missionary. The present financial state of our mission, however, rendering a decrease rather than an increase of missionaries necessary, my dear father scarcely knew how to meet the entreaties made that a labourer be sent to Alsace. He could not find it in his heart, however, to give a refusal, and in faith in the enlarged liberality of friends abroad, and in the increased exertions of the churches at home, promised that a missionary should be stationed here. The formation of a church at this place was likewise postponed until my father's return. The services held on the Lord's day were well attended by strangers. To the brethren it was, as they assured us, a day in which they had gathered

interdicted. The letter of this prohibition,

however, not including the loan of tracts, our

brethren adopt this method for their circula-

tion; and insignificant as these weapons may

appear in comparison with the Goliath of in-

fidelity against which they are directed, our

brethren are undismayed, knowing "the

food for many days to come. Two days later we proceeded to Basle, the pious old city, where in contrast to other continental towns, religion and respectability walk hand in hand. Here we visited the mission-house, built by the inhabitants in fulfilment of a vow made while the city was in a state of siege, that the deliverance should be thus commemorated. From this institution many missionaries have gone forth to heathen lands. The simplicity of the domestic arrangements impressed us favourably. Mr. Burckhard, the leader of a small Dissenting church, kindly placed their meeting-room at my father's disposal, and a well-attended ser-

At length we were en route for our last station, Zurich, and the glories of Alpine scenery began to unfold before us. There were hills "o'er which the vine hangs forth her purple grape, and gently creeps luxuri-ant," and here "the flowery lap of many an irrigated valley spread her store," while the Alps, like the union of dignity with beauty, thened admiration into reverence. We realised Goethe's experience in Switzerland,

"At every step I felt disposed to stand still and meditate." The pen of many a "ready writer" had indeed rendered these scenes familiar to us, yet every such representation was found to be inadequate to the lively reality. We felt that, as of the Divine Author, so of his works, there is no word more fitting than "Come and see."

Our own was amongst the last arrivals of visitors to the Conference at Zurich. On

reaching the house of brother Hofer, pastor of the church here, we were welco

## SAINT JOHN, NEW-BRUNSWICK, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1857.

Rev. John Harris, D, D., were interred in Abney-park Cemetery, in a spot close adjoining the grave of Dr. Pye Smith. In Abney Chapel, opposite to the cemetery, the body was placed, prior to the interment, before the pulpit, and a solemn service held, in the presence of a very large and respectable audience. The mark personal intercourse in the nature, he said, was at once generous and gentle. There was a charm and an intelligence in his general conversation seldom equalled, and perhaps never exceeded. A vein of cheerful feeling and remark pervaded all his social intercourse.—

From bitterness, jealousy, and uncharitablesence of a very large and respectable audience, ness, he was eminently free. Those who comprising a great number of ministers and many leading laymen of the Congregational him; and those who shared his friendship, and other bodies.

students of the college, or ministers who had at one time been under Dr. Harris's tuition. Among the chief mourners were the Council hearted benevolence. In the most palmy

they been called to mourn a public loss so and act out the lessons which they had bitter and irreparable as that with which heard from Dr. Harris's lips.

testant Europe to the United States of cere mourners slowly left the grave. America, and to various parts of the missionary field, where the name of Dr. Harris was The Emperor of Austria's Confamiliar, and where his various works had shed the light of instruction and gratification, their grief would be participated, and the ac-knowledgement would be universal that a great man had fallen amongst us. Mournful, however, as the occasion was, they might endeavour to improve it by directing attention

of our own departure, the connexion was thunderbolts of the Vatican might be very brought home to us by the death of many in our own circle, he proceeded to say that no lengthened illness, no incipient feebleness, potism; but combined with those, they might assemblage of friends, whose joy after long separation to see my father once more was great. After the first greetings were over, the brethren retired to make preliminary arrangements for the business of the business of the business of the following day. Our own hospitable entertainers during our stay at Zurich were a family, one of

would look back upon their fellowship with him The funeral procession comprised upwards as supplying some of the brightest hours in of eighty individuals, of whom sixty were their lives. He was kind and liberal to many and Professors of New College and other days of his popularity, he never lifted up his friends of the deceased. Soul to vanity. That an unusual measure of the all-wise Arbiter of human destiny. It harmony, and making them entirely his own. was true that death was an event of daily- Yet he was no mere compiler, no wholesale gospel, are unsupported by the Government hourly occurrence. The great enemy was plagiarist or retailer of the views of others. never idle, never inactive. With the beating His conceptions were often as original as of each pulse, with the flight of each moment they were beautiful. They were clothed in in every year, in every night, in every day, one human being passed out of time into eternity. The rate of mortality was so great firmament with living sapphire. While at that half a century would suffice to depopulate home in the walks of science and literature, the earth, were it not that an equal number he was pre-eminently a theologian. In the were early and hourly entering upon life. present age, there were few who made theo-"One generation passeth away and another logy a study; but there was reason to believe, cometh; " friend after friend departs." They that generations to come would testify favourwere frequently called to mourn the removal ably to the labours of Dr. Harris. Mr. Smith of beloved ones, endeared to them by ties of concluded a brief but beautiful address by an kindred, affection, and piety; but seldom had appeal to the students present to remember

> they were now afflicted. A real and wide- The procession, after a short prayer, again spread sorrow had already affected the mind formed; and, the coffin having been lowered of the Church of God; and, as tidings of their into the grave, the benediction was pronounbereavement spread to other lands-to Pro- ced by Mr. Godwin, and the multitude of sin-

## cordat with the Pope.

FROM AN ORATION BY LOUIS KOSSUTH. Formerly Governor of Hungary, now an Ex-

ile in England. After some appropriate preliminary remarks, the illustrious Magyar observed that to some truths which are at all times impor- he was about to offer some remarks on "The tant, and are now especially appropriate. Concordat between the Pope and Francis There was a natural reluctance in the human Joseph of Austria, with special reference to mind to contemplate death. Human nature Hungary in general, and the Protestantism of recoiled from its approach. The pain and Hungary in particular." He desired his auanguish by which it was always attended, dience to remember that concordats were and the dread uncertainty by which it was agreements between temporal sovereigns and often followed, continue to clothe it in revolt- the Pope relative to ecclesiastical matters.esing features, and to make it the king of ter- pecially the mutual relations between Church rors to the children of men. Death was not and State. It was a long time since England an original law of their being. There was had to submit to agreements with the Pope. no grave in the untainted Eden of man pri She had had to much to do with them in formeval. Man was not created mortal. We mer times. Three hundred years ago the were now, however, as fallen creatures, sub- Pope sent his collector to England to receive ject to the power of death. Go back, in the penny of St. Peter, telling the people of thought, to the men who peopled the antedilu- England most candidly that really he could vian world, and lived for nearly a thousand not promise them that St. Peter would open years, which appeared to them a kind of lit-tle eternity. The characteristic feature of retained what belonged to St. Peter on earth, the whole human race was at last inscribed and biding them to rest assured, that unless on the tomb of each-" And he died." Sur- St. Peter got his own, anathema and maledicvey the families and tribes of men who peo- tion would be the share of England, and would pled Egypt and built the Pyramids, who bring down on her the revenge of God and an reared the empires of Babylon and Assyria, eternal succession of national misfortunes.—
who marshalled the armies of Rome, and founded the schools of Greece; of each of malediction. He was not sure that it was not these it might be said, "He died," and like-wise of all the men of like passions with our-se'ves; they moved and mingled in the eager in good health, provided she committed not excitement of affairs like our own; and the the sin of wrapping herself too fondly in her things of their day were as momentous to own security; but like her sailors, who never them, as those of our day are to us. But neglected to take heed of the smallest speck they, even they, eventually passed away like on the distant horizon, lest a storm be couchthe leaves of the forest, and the place that ed in it, did not allow her sworn enemy desknew them once knew them no more. Those potism to combine spiritual and temporal arms then present, in like manner, would all fade into a coalition, the tempest of which might as a leaf, and return to the dust from whence they were taken. Having shown that lest the remoteness of time and place should deprive the reflection suggested by this extended aid of the spirit of despotism, the Concordat mortality of its point in relation to the certainty was well calculated to bring about. The

into a garden of roses still in full bloom, it commanded on the other a view of "fair Zurich's waters;" while snow-covered mountains were not wanting to complete the panorama.

[To be continued.]

The demanded religious freedom and liberty of conscience, as a sacred human right, and he was thankful tor the lot that had fallen to his share. He considered the regions of faith—the boundaries of which began where the limits of human reason ceased—he considered those mystic regions reserved by the Eternal Legislature for the property of man's own conscience. Interference with the choice either dubious or difficult. The and liberty of conscience, as a sacred human struggle of Roman Catholic Hungary with the choice either dubious or difficult. The and liberty of conscience, as a sacred human right, and he was thankful tor the lot that had fallen to his share. He considered the regions of faith—the boundaries of which began where the limits of human reason ceased—he considered those mystic regions reserved by the Eternal Legislature for the property of man's own conscience. Interference with this was the worst of tyranny. "Do unto others as thou desirest others to do unto thee." whatever his creed, the same freedom to wor- was a wind that blew nobody good. Therefore ship God according to the dictates of his con- every attempt at encroachments on their science which he claimed for himself. His rights, on the part of the Pope, found the na-Roman Catholic fellow-countrymen in Hun- tion united as one man—united to oppose it. gary, he trusted, would rest assured, at all (Many proofs of this M. Kossuth quoted.) In events, that imitating their own noble exam- the gigantic struggle which it had been its desple, he should be, to his dying day, ready to battle for their religious freedom as for his own. But religion was one thing, priestcraft tion, and with the nation, against whosover and Papal ambition another. None knew this dared to encroach upon the nation's right, better than the Hungarian Catholic. The whether it were King, Emperor, or Pope. mong the chief mourners were the Council hearted benevolence. In the most palmy days of his popularity, he never lifted up his riends of the deceased.

Professor Godwin read an appropriate selec. Francis Joseph of Austria, on the 18th of August, 1856, had absolutely nothing to do gifts were bestowed on him, was a fact which ion of Psalms and chapters, and offered up a most persons would be ready to admit, and with religion. Its object was to make the ciday, declared they would prefer having the bread of an honest man a day old, to that of persons who had no conscience regarding the material employed. Since that time Mr. Hafner's bread had quite a run in Muhlhausen, but what is of more importance, the commen. Abounding in works of love and faith, the little flock here cause their lights to shine brightly, amid the gloom of Roman Catholic brightly, amid the gloom of Roman Catholic brightly, amid the gloom of Roman Catholic all that was mortal of one who was lovely and the received and solemnity. The painful task of committing to the grave are more and faith, and that was mortal of one who was lovely and the received and solemnity. The painful task of committing to the grave are more and faith, and the gloom of Roman Catholic all that was mortal of one who was lovely and the received and solemnity. The painful task of committing to the grave are more and faith, and the gloom of Roman Catholic all that was mortal of one who was lovely and the received and propriate and very solemn address, not with a profoundness and to an other two propriate and very solemn address, not with a profoundness and to an other two propriate and very subject with a profoundness and to an other two propriate and very subject with a profoundness and to an other two propriate and very subject with a profoundness and to an other two propriate and very subject with a profoundness and to an other two propriates of the unremitted above two at the unremitted at Buda a tool for the unremitting aspirations of Propriate and very subject with a profoundness and to an other two was unwearied. Whether at home or abroad, whether in the crowded thoroughfare of the all-pervading, for the occasion of their great metropolis, or in the retired lanes of the wheels to wards the crowded thoroughfare of the all-pervading, for the occasion of their great metropolis, or in the retired lanes of the wheels to wards and the Hungary and the Hungary had rendered to christian Europe; in fact, it was Hungary, that ha control nor inspection over the mutual rela- universal dominion. This she had been ied the gift, as well as the young lady's every description were made to depend upon that she was enabled to maintain her position the mere pleasure of the Pape, who thus be- as a nation, and repel every attack upon her. came their sovereign master, the bishops being Now, mark the effect of this. By the Rusinvested with arbitrary juurisdiction over the sians bayonets the word was quieted, the preisthood. The clergy were organised in- doors of their assemblies were closed, and struments of Papal ambition. They were German lazzaronis, imported trom abroad placed without the pale of civil society, own- dictated to she Magyar in his own house ing a realm of their own, their revenues all what he was to be and what he was to do withdrawn from the control and the inspection Now was the time, or never, to break the gloof the Government. They were placed above the laws of the country, exercising arbitary control over public and private instruction, the the same time a tool for the Roman Popes, whole education of the people, schools, sciences, the press, and even the book trade. All these means of power were held by the Pope, who moved them as the engineer moved the steam engine. In a word, the Concordat

Golden Rules for Wives.

rious spirit of Hungary-now was the time,

or never, to make Hungary a slave, and at

leaving them such an acquisition of power as

would make them dangercus to a great por-

tion of Christendom.

claimed supremacy over the State for the cler-

gy, and by the clergy for the Pope. Such,

and nothing else, was the Concordat. Now,

all this was certainly not religion. To name.

the sacred name of religion in connection with

such a compound of craft was profanation and

blasphemy. In fact, it was a daring step to

revive the political supremacy of the Papacy

-more dangerous in its public results than

the most daring aggressions which Pope Pius

IX. had ever achieved. It would be neces-

sary to take a general survey and a retrospec-

Princes of the house of Austria never were

allowed to let Protestantism prosper in their

dominions. In Hungary the Protestants had

an empire eminently Roman Catholic. Even

Hungary in a great measure remained Roman

Cathalic. The Catholic religion held a domi-

ed with social and civil privileges. The hier-

areh of the Catholic clergy were immensely

rich. Yet it was a remarkable fact that though

the house of Austria, with the exception of

Joseph the Second, were all that the most san-

elements by means of which it had worked its

way towards public supremany, still all pow-

orful as it was with the Austrian Court, Pa-

pacy could never make of the Austrian do-

minions a former Spain—a second Spain—

nay, not even a France of old. There was

scarcely any Protestant country where the

Popes had had less of real power, whilst there

Austria. And if with the lamp of critical his-

tory in hand they enquired into the caus and

1. Endeavour to make your husbands habitation relluring and delightful to him Let it be to him a sanctuary to which his heart may always turn from the calamities of life. Make it a repese from his cares, a shelter from the world, a home not for his person only, but for his heart. He may meet with pleasures in other houses, let him find pleasure in his own. Should he be dejected. tive glance at the history of Hungary and her seothe him; should he be silent or thoughtrelations with the Vatican. The heriditary ful, do not heedlessly disturb him; should he be studious, favour him with all practicable facilties; or should he be peevish, make to fight for nearly two centuries in defence of allowance for human nature, by your sweettheir liberties. The empire of Austria was ness and good humor. Urge him continually to think, though he may not say it, " this woman is indeed a comfort to me; I cannot nant position by law. Its clergy were endow- but love her, and requite such gentleness and affection as they deserve."

2. Invariably adorn yourself with delica cy and modesty. These, to a man of refinement, are attractions the most highly captiguine expectations of Papal ambition could vating, while their opposites never fail to indesire, and though every Austrian domination spire disgust. Let the delicacy and the presented Papacy with a mightier array of the modesty of the bride be always in a degree supported by the wife.

3. / If it be possible, let your husband sup pose you think him a good husband, and it will be a strong stimulus to his being so. As long as he thinks he possesses the reputation he will take some pains to deserve it; but was many a Protestant country wherein the when he has once lost the name, he will be Ponjifical See had a greater political influence apt to abandon the reality.

than in the dominions of the bigoted house of 4. Cultivate and exhibit with the greatest care and constancy, cheerfulness and good origin of these remarkable phenomena, they

humor. They give beauty to the finest face, would come to the conclusion that this tir- and impart charms where charms are not. umph of personal, social, and civil independ- On the contrary, a gloomy, dissatisfied manence, incalculable in its beneficial influences per is chilling and repulsive to his feelings; on the past, and, perhaps, future destinies of the world, was chiefly, if not exclusively, due he will be very apt to seek elsewhere for to Hungary. In saying Hungary, he did not mean to say Protestant Hungary alone. He finds not in his own house.

meant all Hungary. Roman Catholic and 5. In the article of dress, study your hus-Protestant alike. Yes-truth standing with band's tastes. The opinion of others on the him higher than party, and justice higher than subject is of but very little consequence, if self-complacency—he proclaimed aloud that he approve.
in the meritorious work of clogging the wheels

6. Particularly shun what the world calls

whose daughters is about to be united to Mr. Merkt, the Baptist missionary here. Nothing that Christian affection could suggest was left undone to render the sweet cottage where we were lodged a home to us, and it was indeed good to be there. Opening on one side into a garden of roses still in full bloom, it approach to extravagance. The want of economy, has involved millions in misery. Be neat, tidy, orderly, methodical. Rise early, breakfast early, have a place for everything, and everything in its place.

8. Few things please a man more than seeing his wife notable and clever in the management of her household. A knowledge of this was the worst of tyranny. "Do unto Hungary, at all times, had known how to disothers as thou desirest others to do unto thee." tinguish between religion and priestcraft, and cookery, as well as every other branch in housekeeping, is indispensible, and a wife To this law he bowed in humble obedience. He would not hold communion with any man who was not willing to grant to his neighbor, maxim with his nation that papal interference should always eudeavour to support with applaus; the character of the lady and the housewife.

9. Let home be your empire.-Your world. Let it be the stage on which, in the varied character of wife, of mother, and of mistress, you strive to shine. In its sober quiet scenes, let your heart cast its anchor, let your feelings and pursuits all be centered. Leave to your husband the task of distinguishing himself by his valor or his talents. Do you seek for fame at home, and let your applause be that of your servants, your children, your husband, your God.

Valuable Memento.

We are happy to learn that the Temperance Club of Indian Town has presented a beautifully bound, gold clasped Bible to Miss S. Phinney, late Teacher of the School in that place, as a token of their esteem and respect, and an appreciation of her exertions and labours especially in the Temperance cause. Below we give the note which accompan-

RESPECTED MADAM :- As men, we feel it our duty to do all that is in our power to advance the cause that is so near our hearts: and we feel that power limited indeed, without the aid of the fairer sex. The power of their influence is to make us more wise, more noble, more useful. Without female influence man is illy prepared to battle with the world, for her smiles and approbation he toils day after day with renewed vigor; if such is her influence, oh, that she would exert it in the cause of Temperance, Humanity and Progress,-three great watch-words. We feel sorry that you leave our community, as we have great respect for your virtuous conduct since we have had the honor and pleasure of your acquaintance, and shall ever regret your leaving our midst. There is nothing would give us more pleasure than to cross to Nova Scotia to form a Temperance Club in the vicinity of your father's residence.

knowing that it is into hands of virtue we give it. We hope that the promises held out in it to the faithful and true may ever rest on you and yours in all coming time; and that you may always be a stranger to want and suffering is the prayer of your

As a token of respect we present this Book,

WILLIAM IRVIN. Committee of Argamo MATTHIAS HAMM. Club No. 24 of T. W. EDWIN KIERSTEAD,

RESPECTED GENTLEMEN :- The Holy Bible. that you have so kindly presented to me, I shall ever retain as a sacred memento, and from its precious pages, so fraught with living interest, may I derive strength to aid the noble cause of Temperance, to relieve suffering Humanity, and make Progress in every contemplated good. You could not have chosen a more appropriate and beautiful Gift. One that I shall ever prize and value as long as life shall last. Your kindness in expressing regret at my

leaving this place, I fully appreciate, and while I feel myself unworthy such flattering enconiums as you express, yet allow me kind sirs, to express my earnest thanks to you for your wishes for my future welfare, as also for the disinterested kindness you have extended to me since the period of our acqaintance. I can never forget the spot around which so many pleasing associations linger, and should we never meet again in this world, may we meet in that city so beautifully described by St. Jehn. "The walls of gasper, the streets of pure gold, transparent as glass, gates, of pearl. There we will need no sun, neither light of the moon, for the Lamb is the light thereof." Under every vicissitude of life amid all its cares, may you be supported. May all the obstacles that obstruct the pathway of the good cause, in which you are now engaged e removed, and should you, as you kindly suggest, take the trouble to cross to Nova Scotia and form a Club, to reclaim and save those who are fallen there, may the good Father above reward you, and may His blessing to the Israelites be verified to every one of your club. "The Lord bless thee and keep thee: the Lord make his free shrine of Papal ambition greater were the deserts in ridicule, "curtain lectures." When you upon thee, and be gracious unto thee: the and higher the glory of Roman Catholic Hunshut you door at night, endeavour to shut Lord lift up his countenance upon thee and gary than that of the Protestant portion. He out at the same moment all discord and confelt proud in paying this tribute of public aftention, and look on your chamber as a re-

Committee from Argamo Club, 24, of T.