TEMPL CANCE AND THE CHURCH

CORRESPONDENCE

LETTER FROM ENGLAND.

[No 2.] (For the Christian Visitor.) Messrs. Editors,-We again trouble you

ith a few lines for your valuable periodical .-On the evening of Sabbath, I again went to ear Mr. Brown. It was raining most fearfully, at notwithstanding the house was comfortably lled. The Preacher having announced the salm, the whole congregation rose, and joined singing it. Mr. Brown offered a short prayer nd then the whole assembly joined in chanting he 19th Psalm, commercing with, "The hear ens declare the glory of God," &c. It was cautiful : it would charm any one almost into stasies. He then read a portion of Scripture, nd again offered a lengthy but excellent prayer. These are the usual exercises on every occasion revious to the reading of the text.) Then Mr. rown read for his text, the 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7th erses of the 3d chapter of Titus. It was very octrinal. I must not give details of this serion, for it would require more room in your per then I could in justice ask; it was an adirable production. On Sabbath mornings he

bbath evenings he sermonizes. The one I eard was logically and forcibly presented, and ld powerfully upon the congregation. He is rvently loved by his church. On Monday even-, we attended the Irish Missionary Meeting, nich was held in Hope Hall, by the Irish Misonary Society of this City. The object of this ciety is the rescue of the multitudes of Priestdden Irish Roman Catholics from the soul-rushing delusions of the Church of Rome. e statements made by their Missionary, who as present on the occasion, was very encourag-

g. One quite amusing circumstance is worth

spounds, and is now going through the Gospels.

ected Romanism, and her house had been e Missionary's home for a time. She had n threatened with persecution so soon as the nary went away. So the matter was menoned to her by a friend, and on the missionary ing, she requested him to leave one of his ts with her ; he did so. She hung the hat on take by the door. The Priest saw the hat, ought the missionary was there, turned, and stened with great speed to his home, and has been known to trouble her since. At heart was in great fear of the missionary; he had on telling his people that the missionary was Devil, and to be careful of him for he wantto destroy them. This circumstance, simple it may appear, disturbed their confidence in boasted apo tolic power. They thought it must getting weak when he would run at sigth of Devil's hat. They are taking the scriptures to m in their own native language, and so far as y can, are getting the children together, and infusing the principles of truth into their nds. They, young and old, are becoming ve-anxious to read the Bible, notwithstanding the est. We hope that the light is beginning to ak in upon Ireland's darkness, and that soon will shake off the shackles of Poper y. May not hope that the day is at hand when Ire-

h has raised England to her present eled position among the nations of the earth. J. W. GOUCHER. uke Street, Dec. 15, 1858. S .- So soon as I get to London, (I expect o to-morrow) I shall fulfil my promise in

be by the spread and power of that truth

ing to my friends in Portland and elsewhere. pe the Lord will send them a faithful minisone who will care for the flock, and for souls.

(For the Christian Visitor.) DURHAM, RESTIGOUCHE, Jany 10th, 1859. ESSES EDITORS,—It is seldom you hear this Northern portion of the Province, monly styled the "Black North." A few will not, I trust, be uninteresting to your ers to learn that an effort is being made for preaching of the gospel in this locality.— re are but few of us at this place, and our as small; still we are looking forward and the day is not far distant when a faithfully plished ministry will be in these parts. Fa-Crandal once travelled up and down this stry, and traces of his mission are still visi-At Campbelton, I believe he had a church, ough about my immediate neighborhood and country between here and Campbelton the ole are mostly Presbyterian, yet they speak

ly of Father Crandal and others who have spoke about an effort being made to-s having the gospel proclaimed amongst us, summer we joined our means and raised a e for the worship of God, free to all evange , those who are connected with the buil f the house are mostly Baptists, and as soo will follow the Saviour's example. On that ocshouse is completed, which we hope will be
casion meetings will continue every evening this
week. Bro. B. Hughes has partially recovered
to assist us and intends to remain a few days.

We ought to be grateful in all our distress—

AND GENERAL IN TELLIGENCE

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth Peace, good will foward Men."

SAINT JOHN, NEW-BRUNSWICK.

to have an energetic and faithful minister among Monday at 4 o'clock. Bro. W Harris moderaus; none other would suit, for I think he will have to contend with much from a source that works in secret. I often read in the Visitor, and other papers, about missions, and you who live in the brightness of noon-day preaching, ought to think about the destitute partiens of the country in which you live. I must say that it us; none other would suit, for I think he will country in which you live. I must say that it

and when-not in the Spirit of it.

", test a lass ession by Yours truly, or his mid to the mid to the mid

Dear Sirs,-In your issue of 22nd of Dec.

858, I observed a notice signed by Rev. Mr.

Bennitt stating that at a meeting held at Hope-

well Cape Meeting House, it was resolved by a

number of brethern from the following Bap-

tist Churches, namely :- 1st Upham, 3rd Salis-

bury, 1st Borchester, 2nd Hillsboro', Lower

Hillsboro' and Hop ewell Cape, that we be a so-

ciety called :- "The Particular Close Com

munion Dependant Baptists." Now I wish to

inform you and your readers that that state-

ment is not altogether correct; and how that

assembly could make such a mistake I cannot

see: for they must surely know that the second

Hillsboro' Church still holds its name and con-

nection with the Eastern N. B. Baptist Asso-

ciation as it ever has since its organization; and

that its present membership numbers from 25

to 30 brethern and sisters; and that last sum-

mer they were constrained to withdraw fello a-

ship from twelve of their former number who

went out from the Body to follow Mr. Bunting

in his new Denomination. They must have been

aware also that at the last meeting of the asso-

ciation, a committe was appointed to visit the

third Salisbury Church in reference to its future

connection with the budy; that that committee

attended to their duty and found a number of

the church who still adhered to the principle

and practices of the Denomination with which

they were connected; and that the committee

esolved to recognize them as the third Salis-

bury Baptist Church, the rest having gone out

of the Denomination to follow Mr. Bunting. so

that Church still holds its connection with the

ssociation only reduced in its numbers in con-

equence of those who have gone off with the

new organization. And as for "The Lower

Hillsboro' Baptist Church, and Hopewell Cape

Baptist Church, su h organizations were never

received into, or aoknowledged by the Baptist

denomination in this Province And as for thefirst

Dorchester Church we are not aware that the

committee have been to see it. No doubt but

that there were brethren from that Church who

voted for the resolution referred to; but whether

the whole Church will support those brethren in

their resolution or not, remains to be tested. The

first Upham Church no doubt will, for all those

who were opposed to this new system saw its in-

sepiption working among them some time ago,

and when they could bear with it no longer they

called upon the association for help, and by the

advice of the Brethren appointed to assist them

they withdrew from the first and formed the

second Upham Church, which still holds its con-

I would further state that the Hopew ell Bap-

tist Church still has members at Hopewell Cape.

and that there is now a blessed work of grace

being done there under the labours of Rev. W.

D. Fitch. Quite a number have been baptized

which enlarges the membership in that section

beyond what it ever was before. To God be all

By giving the above a place in your columns

(For the Christian Visitor.)

QUARTERLY MEETING.

York County Quarterly Meeting met with

Met again Saturday morning at 11 o'clock.

Bro. J. W. Saunders Sabbath morning at 11

o'clock. At three by Bro. Tupper and in the

evening by the paster Bro. Harris, and at the

choolhouse below the Keswick, the same hour

The above meetings have been of the most in-

work. Two were received into the church upon

you will enlighten the public and oblige.

ed from the text, "The hour is come."

nection with the Eastern Association.

(For the Christian Visitor.)

Messes, Eprons, od bluods ad tad:

special business. is seldom we hear the Gospel trumpet sounded, 3rd, Resolved, that the Rev. W Harris, James H. Tupper and Bro. B Jewett, be the delegates to the Carleton Quarterly Meeting.

BENJAMIN JEWETT, Clerk.

Keswick, Jan, 4th, 1859.

SHE WAS SIN'S VICTIM.

There is a crowd over at the corner. By the dim light of the street lamps, and the lesser light of two or three candles held aloft, the faces of the miserable beings gathered there look very haggard; they are clothed in rags; they are bloated in visage; they come and move around with tottering steps; they seem to talk to each other in a drunken, maudlin tone; but shrill above all the din may be heard the oath and the curse that roll naturally, alike from old and young, in that neighborhood.

There are police uniforms, and the light occasionally flashes from their shields as they bear something heavy between them down the rickety and filthy stairway. Now as they reach the level of the side-walk, the crowd seems to gather closer around them, and the light shines brighter upon each face, revealing a deeper shade of haggard awe. on sals

Soon we hear a lound-voiced boy cry out, "A dead woman !"

A dead woman! But is that all? Eighteen years ago, she was the child of parents who loved her. In her childhood, as she passed you in the street, you might have said. " What a pretty little girl?" You might have said it truly, for her features were still regular. We annot tell the vicissitudes through which the poor thing passed, between that long-gone day and the present so sad an end of life. She may have filen an unwilling victim to the seducer's art; she may have been trained to a life of prostitution—there are young girls trained to such ends-taught that it is a life of mirth and ease. and their sensibilities early deadened to its shame. To rescue little girls anl boys from so sad an end should be the mission of the Chris-

This morning, this that is now "a dead w nan" might have been seen staggering along the street, to-day at noon, she sat on the side-walk pearly opposite our house. leaning against the fence of the Park. They saw her try to raise her hand, that trembled like a leaf in the wind, up to her head, and then they saw both head and hand sink trembling down to her drawn-up knees.

Soon after, a kind policeman came up and aided her to her home -she called it her home in that corner. Once inside the door, she laid nerself down along the side of the passage-way

One o'clock came, and still she slept. Boy and girls ran in and out, and men and wome went cursing up and down, and still she slept .-Many a kick she got from passers by.

At length, some woman less brutish than the rest wondered as she gazed, that the drunken woman slept so long. She tried to wake her. without success. She turned her face up from the floor then dropped it, and ran frightened into the street-it is a dead woman.

Lights are soon brought, a policeman comes policeman's rap brings his partner, and with them gathers a crowd-fit representatives of pandemonium. They stand and gaze and shudder. The policeman soon places what is left of the long-since mother's pet in a rough hand art, and so she is conveyed to the Dead House The crowd stand a moment and gaze, then return to the accustomed channels, and the waves of just such death roll on again.

O ye, whom God has surrounded with barriers that protect you from such a fate, rejoice with trembling, and seek to throw a saving influence the Keswick Church on New Year's Eve. A few arour d some little child that plays unhurt beside met to worship God. Bro. J. H. Tupper preach- the river of death, lest it fall into the rapids and be hurled hopelessly over that fearful Niagara of Intemperance and Vice that left nothing but Preaching by Bro. Jewett, and social meeting "a dead woman," of what was once a beautiful at 3 o'clock. Preaching in the evening by Bro. flower, and a sweet child of innocence.—New J. G. Harvey, a good meeting. Preaching by York Tribune.

SELFRELIANCE.

The Christian is sometimes suddenly and resistlessly overtaken by temptation In the anby Bro. Harvey. On Monday at 11 o'clock, by guish of his awakening, he thinks himself the Bro. Harvey again, and social conference in the vilest wretch upon earth, is hopeless of pardon. It is little comfort, to hear another, to whom he confides his bit er grief, say, - 'I feel myself a eresting character. The people have a mind to greater sinner than you can possibly be.' He is ashamed to crave at Jesus' hard the grace which their request, and by a unanimous vote. One he needs. But Jesus alone can give it. "To received for Bapti m, which will take place next whom else can I go!" (should be cry as Peter sabbath, and it is expected that several more cried) "Thou has the words of Eternal Life!" will follow the Saviour's example. On that oc- Let me go to Him with every fresh shame and asion meetings will continue every evening this sin-to Him-onl, always to Him. And I

We request all who love the cause of Christ to when God makes us feel our sins, no matter how offer prayer for an out-pouring of God's spirit upon the Keswick Church

Minutes of the ministerial meeting held on we shall know our need of Him, in proportion

on the "Church in the Casacamba."

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1859.

as we feel our sins. This is what the early New mended her Savior to their choice. God had England Divines called "The Law work" in already answered her prayer, and two others of the heart, a painful, nay, excruciating work, the family were rejoicing in hope. which it is too much the labor of many religious teschers to supercede and obviate. They say package of tracts, she saw an old man standing Right!-but sin is, and the heart must feel itwhat it is, even a life from the dead.

But our gride rises-and we are ashamed. The sooner we give it up the better. We must drop at Jesus's feet and say, - Here I am, poor and blind and naked, and in need of all things. I cannot do anything-I cannot deserve anymeaning of that spiritual paradox. "When I of the hand which upheld Peter, sinking in the keep it .- Life Thoughts. waters of Galilee.

Against self-reliance, or spiritual pride-)they are in effect, the same) we must be vigilant It comes over us so unexpectedly, so imperceptibly. Perhaps it were more accurate to say, it is always with us. - Satan never leaves us alone entirely,-this whole earthly life is militant. There is corruption in our hearts, and he knows the Deacon said :--it. To that he appeals, in ways, so various that When we first give our hearts to Christ, all seems beautiful and calm-the conflict is over .-Refore we know it we begin to feel complacently about it. Down goes our guard-down goes our soul. Strong temptations overcome us, up_ til arrested by the providence of God-(which never deserts us, though we rnn away from Him we stand aghast at our declension, and painfully and shamefully begin to toil tack again. Not that He is distant, or unwilling to receive us; but it is well, and in His purpose that we should feel so ashamed, as truly there is abundant reason.

But we should never despair. "My grace shall be sufficient for thee,"- is a broad assur- has rappened. When I began life, I thought if

A VOICE TO THE SINNER.

Sinner, let me speak to you. If God shows what may we expect them to be in hell, " where the worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched?" Say not, "It is impossible for God to show His anger in eternity-He has too much mercy!" " Remember his ways are not as ou. ways," and we cannot fathom them. Who thought that he would have visited that vessel-the Austria -in the midst of the ocean with such a doom? You would have pleaded at once, He is too merciful to suffer such an accident—but it has come! was struck with utter amazement at the idea that And for your soul's safety do not thus vainly rest upon God's compassion, while you are cursing him with your lives. The why and wherefore if him. He never forgot it. It furnished to him his acts are his own-duty is yours: and what you are to do to be saved is, not to sin in hope, it he was led to discover the truth and power of but simply " to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ the Christian religion .- Christian Secretary. and you shall be saved."

O. sinner! as from the deck of the steamship Austria, I looked upon the dying persons struggling with the waves, I thought of that future tatet in England. It says ;struggle of both mind and conscience, when, they were lost. There is scarcely a sinner that itants of any district to prohibit the common does not feel, though he may not say it. O that all on board the steamer had been christians two-thirds are given in the affirmative. It is and thus prepared to die! But I beg you not proposed to ascertain the opinions of householdstop here. Do not sigh for others and forget ers and lodgers by an organized canvass. This yourself. Learn a lesson now, that you are not plan has been carried out at the late Reform safe until you are safe in Christ:-Words of a meeting in favor of Maine Law legislation as the rescued passenger from the Anstria.

THE OLD MAN AND THE TRACT.

doing no good. She had become a teacher in will do something to strengthen the public feelthe school where she had been taught; the tract ing against intemperence. district had called her to its humble furrow, with the broad cast seed of truth; she had tried to at the al ar of God's sanctuary ; yet she feit herself most u worthy, and still longed to see that been laid, and 50,000 feet of stone. she was accomplishing something for her Mas-

In this frame of mind she visited her pastor, told him her f-elings, and asked to be directed one of the Papuan Islands, in central Oceanica, into some path of youthful labor.

had prayed for them, and tremblingly recom- adventures.

In passing up an avenue one day, with her that Religion is not a painful gloomy thing. | alone. She at once resolved to hand him a tract. She did so. Glancing behind her, she saw that "sin revived and I died,"-or the "life and li- he had thrown it down in scorn. With a sad berty of the Gospel" will never be to the soul feeling she wished and then prayed that he might pick it up again and read it. Passing on through It only remains—where we are overpowered that pathless air are passing every hour scores by a sense of sin-to feel that His grace and of departing souls. And yet, I gaze upon the love are equal to all forgiveness and restoration certainty and perceive nothing ! I know, to, that Is there are in the depths of yonder obscure city it not wonderful, that pride should be left in the sharp outcries, eager implorations, piercing heart at such an hour of humiliation! We wish shrieks, life-struggles; -- but I hear not a lisp of to stand a little better with Christ-in a word to them! I know that the tremendous drama of life feel worthier. This is a hopeless matter-and is playing in every act, from beginning to exit, as matter that we must sooner or later give up. and I, the solitary spectator, sitting here, can see nothing, hear nothing ; yet assuredly I know that it is all passing there!

But there is an eye from which darkness hides nothing. There is an ear to which every whisthing-Lord! save, or I perish?-when we take per of the Universe goes. Over the great city this attitude, we shall begin to feel the strength- God watches. It is neither tangled nor confused ening power of Christ's grace. This is the to him. To His piercing gaze stone and brick are transparent as crystal. Yea: the silence of am weak, then am' I strong." We have no the soul is audible. The secret intents of the strength of our own-and we stumble and fall, heart are before him. The Lord shall watch until we know it, and knowing it, catch hold the city, and when all other keepers fail, he shall

THE DEACON AND HIS PROPERTY.

An aged man, Deacon S-F-, in the town of G-, was at work near the highway, and his little grand son F- was with him. A townsman, riding by, stopped to talk. Finally

"Mr. G. I want to sell you four acres of

Mr. G., - What do you want to sell land Dea. F .- 'Oh, I have got more land than I

Mr. G .- More land than you need? why you have only a small farm.'

Dca, F .- 'Yes, but still I have got more than

Mr. G .- "You haven't more property than you want, have you, Deacon ?'

Dea. F .- 'Yes, I have, strange as it may seem Mr. G .- Well, that is strange, truly. Are you in earnest ?"

Dea. F .- I am. And I will tell you how it ance; and no exception is made .- N. Y Chronicle my life was spared I should need about dollars. And I prayed that, if the Lord saw fit, he would give me, through my industry, that amount. Well, I have been prospered, I you his power in much judgements on earth, have had health, and brought up a large family and have had the amount of property I prayed tor. In fact I find I have a little more than the amount I prayed for, and this extra amount plagues me. I feel as if it did r.ot belong to me. And now I want to sell some land that I may do good with the avails of it. And I think you need the land, and I want to sell it to you.' Not only Mr. G. was surprised at this recital. but also the little grand son. This little boy a man had got property enough, and even more than he wanted. The idea was entirely new to a subject of long and deep reflection, and from

> TEMPERANCE IN ENGLAND .- According to the Nonconformist, the Maine Law question is ag-

The temperance question in England has e banished from God, they would hear devils, with tered upon a new phase. Some of its friends frenized joy, howling in wild chorus over their last week, instituted a metropolitan movement mistake, and they, alas ! too late learning that for a permissive Maine law, allowing the inhabsale of intoxication liquors where the votes of best security again-t drunkenness at elections, and by the fact that in three of the wards of Manchester 6,711 rate-payers voted for the Per-A recent convert-a young lady-longed to missive Bill, 648 against it and 1,572 were neudo something for Jesus, yet felt that she was trial. We have no doubt that this movement

The work on the State Inebriate Asylum confess her Savior at her own home, as well as has been suspended upon the building at Binghamton until spring. About 400,000 bricks have

-A company of enterprising Americans, of various trades and professions, propese to settle and go into the cultivation of sugar, cotton, cof-In the course of her conversation, several facts fee, and other tropical products, and to establish were incidently brought out, which showed at a free port for the supply and refitting of Ameouce how sure a tree life is to bear fruit, and rican whaling ships in the Pacific, and for general trade. The island is said to be very fertile the self-up will escent each year to not less that note, down des aims. His sen returned a conEDITORS AND PROPRIETORS

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A SMALL WAR

The last California mail brings a report of the destruction of the town of Lomati, on the Island of Ways, by a party of sixty Americans attatched to the United States ship Vandalia. The town is inhabited by ferocious cannibals, some of whom had murdered, cooked and eaten the crew of a smal vessel. On their refusing to give up the murderers, and taking advantage of their strong position (a town situated on top of a high mountain, 1900 feet above the level of the sea,) to defy the party sent against them, the town was assaulted and carried by a flank movement, the natives fleeing to the rocks and fastnesses. It was then destroyed, one hundred and fifteen houses having been fired and consumed. On the return of the expedition, they were attacked in the most ferocious manner, in one of the ravines, by three hundred warriors, who were repulsed with a heavy loss, after a severe action of about one-half an hour-the natives loosing nearly fifty in killed and wounded, including two of their principal chiefs. The Americans had six wounded-one man very severely. -[Chronicle

GREAT READER OF THE BIBLE. At the anniversary of the Vermont Sabbath School Society a very wonderful example of Bible reading was mentioned. There is a man in that State, now ninety years old who in fifty years read the Bible through sixty-six times. After that, in nine years and three mounths, he read th whole Bible through eighty-six times, making the whole number of times which he has read the whole Scriptures one hundred and fifty-two. And he says he finds something new every time he reads the blessed book. This aged Christian united with the Sabbath School when he was sixty-eight years of age, and has attended ever since. 'We admire the good man's devotion to the Word of God, but we must strive to be doers of the word, as well as rendeas, if we would derive spiritual good from it.

SUDDEN DEATH AT WINDSOR.

On New Year's Day, Mr. George Smith, apparently in good health and spirits, accompanied by his single daughter, who was his house-keeper, dined and took tea with his son-in-law, Mr. Pellow. About eight o'clock in the evening he returned home, his daughter remaining all night. On her return the following morning about 9 o'clock, she had the heart-rending sight of seeing him lying dead at the bedside, having, it was supposed, died in a fit before retiring to rest .-Fortunately the candle, which was found in his hand the next morning, was probably extinguished when he fell. The deceased was about 70 years of age; a man of temperate habits, and much respected in the community .- Chronicle.

The Chinese miners in California make up in numbers, like ants what they lack in invention and strength. A company of them will build a dam, carrying dirt in sacks 200 yards. They remind one of a string of workers at an ant-hill, going at a brisk trot back andforth, and keeping a constant avalanche of earth pouring into the water. Their work, when done, is well done, and they perform jobs of this kind which few Americans would care to undertake. It illustrate the unequalled prodigies of physical achievement performed only by the very earliest and rudest stages of human industry,

Capt Renaud of the Mauriec, who saved the passengers of the Austria, has been decorated by the Emperor with the ribbon of the Legion of Honor, and his officers complimented with medals of honor.

-An expert pickpocket in this city, took from one man's pocket a wallet containing \$17. and a memorandum book with valuable papers. Finding the papers of no use he deposited them . in the pocket of his next victim, from whom he took a wallet containing \$146.

A severe shock of an earthquake was felt in California, Nov. 26th.

-San Francisco is now in telegraphic communication with Utah. She soon will be with Great Salt Lake City.

For the year 1858, the number of arrivals at Boston from foreign ports was 2,879, a decrease from the year 1857 of 106 vessels.

Baron Rothschild had given £2,000 to found a scholarship for the city of London school in commemoration of his admission as a Jew to Parliament.

-Great excitement has been occasioned in San Joaquin county, Cal., by the supposed discovery of a number of precious stones such as diamonds, rubies and opals.

The number of deaths in Philadelphia for the year 1858 was 10,902, showing a decrease o forty-eight from the mortality of the previous

-On a recent Sabbath afternooon, a young man tains. It appeared that immediately after her conversion she had felt a strong desire for the conversion of her brothers and sisters. She had prayed for them, and tremblingly records degree.