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character, that no one would suppose for a moment, that such high and exalted beings would be employed on such a low and degraded a mission

For some years I was, myself, in great doubt as to the character of the developments. Whether they were altogether impositions; or some new development of the laws of nature, through the agency of electricity; or whether there was not some and through these human mediums; though for what purpose, it would be impossible

A circumstance which transpired some time ago, led me to think more seriously,

and to examine the subject more thoroughly, than I had before done. I heard that a friend of mine, and two or three of the members of his family, were performing most extraordinary feats with tables, and in other ways. Having the most explicit confidence in this friend and christianbrother, (for I had known him thirty-five

gave me such an account of the operations on tables and other articles; on the rappings, and other modes of communicating, that I could no longer doubt the reality. In answer to my questions, he said, the

facts were indisputable, but, to account for them he could not. The why and the wherefore, was beyond his comprehension. I asked him to operate in my presence; but he utterly refused. He said that he had seen such unaccountable things, that his apprehensions had been awakened, that love not the truth. They receive fables, he feared all was not right in the business, rappings, table-turning, and lying spirits-

a piece of deception and roguery! And in-deed, it is past belief, that God would com-mission the spirits of the blessed, to hold in-18:9, 10, 11, 15. He said, "There shall the spirits of the blessed, to hold in-tercourse and reveal the secrets of his will to such degraded and worthless characters! It is also observable that, the nature of the re-velations are so devoid of sense and meaning, or an enchanter, or a witch, or a charmer, that they are of so trifling and insignificant a character, that no one would suppose for a wizard, or a necromancer." The end of all these operations and revelations was to

deceive and seduce the people from the truth, and the worship of the true God. And this is true of these evil spirits now, as in ancient times. The apostle Paul, 1 Tim. 4: 2, predicted

that " in the latter times none should depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing hidden and mysterious power at work in spirits, and doctrines of devils, speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their consciences seared with a hot iron." This is a true portrait of our modern sorcerers. They speak lies in hypocrisy, depart from the faith of Christ, give heed to these seducing

spirits, and preach up doctrines of devils, and they delude men to destruction. The character and operations of these spiritualists, and their fearful end, is most vividly drawn in the second Epistle to the Thes-

salonians, 2 chapter, and verse 7th to the 12th-"Then shall that wicked be revealed-even he whose coming is after the years ; and lived next-door neighbor to working of satan-with all power and signs him for many years.) I made up my mind and lying wonders. And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that to visit him, and obtain what information I could on this wonderful mystery. He perish; because they receive not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusions, that they may believe a lie; that they all might be damned who believe not the truth, but have pleasure in unrighteousness." These inspired declara-

tions are so true to life, as applied to our modern spiritualists, that we might well shun these soul-destroying delusions ! We have here a true description of the spiritualists and their admirers. They

#### RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

The Anniversary of the BRITISH AND FOR-EIGN BIBLE SOCIETY was held on the 2nd May; and was full of interest. This Society was formed in London in 1804, and soon became the parent of many others. The Hibernian Bible Society is now incorporated with it, although worked by a distinct agency, and has 47 auxiliaries, while in connection with it there are 3728 associations; if, the colonies and other dependencies, 933; foreign socie-ties, with branches, about 4000; making a the Sinner's Friend, even Jesus. total of 9132. The Bible, either in whole or part, is now translated into a hundred and

sixty languages and dialects; the number of versions is 190, of which 140 are translations never before printed, and thus the records of inspire. truth have been rendered accessible to ab ut 600,000,000 of the human family. The circulation of the Bible also shows a great increase. I uring the first four years of the Society, the number was 81,157 copies; last year alone, at home and abroad, 1,787,398; the total, from the commencement, 39,543 220. Assistance had been given to other societies in the distribution of upwards of 28,-000,000 more; so that the circulation by these combined societies amounts to upwards of 67,000,000.

The revenue of the Society was larger than any former year, making a total of £167,-

Two special features marked this anniverary ; first, the marvellous and gracious openings during the last twelve months for the free entrance of the Scriptures into countries from which they had been excluded. Italy, where the Bible was regarded as "contraband," but where now, at Naples, Florence, and elsewhere, it is publicly sold and (eagerly purchased even by Romish priests themselves, Austria, which in 1852 expelled the agents of the Society, and deported all the copies of the Bible, a guard of soldiers conveying the wagon that held them over the frontier, as if it contained a dangerous and deadly enemy, now

permits the Bible to enter *freely*, at least for the Protestants of the empire; and finally, Russsia is now open to the Word of God. A subjects of tender interest to two Societies, which have recently held their anniversaries in London. The first of these meetings was former czar suppressed the printing of the held in April, in Freemason's Hall; the second Bible in the Russ tongue (that of the serfs and common people); the present czar removes the prohibition, and the Holy Synod of the Greek Church in Russia is now publishing the

is still in progress.

speaks peace to the sin-burdened, and thy of special notice that juvenile crime they endeavor to persuade themselves that brings purity to the foulest. It has been has decreased greatly in London, and this a more congenial and lucrative occupation the pioneer of the Ragged School move Schools. Thus, in 1847 there were 9781 ment. Every class, and almost every nation, finds a representative missionary for itself. One of these men is eminent for his knowledge of Oriential languages. connection with the Union number 331, and thus the Hindoo, the Mahommedan, the and their earnings during 12 months have Turk in London, with the poor and oppressed Lascar sailors, find in him a friend in been £4647. need and a friend indeed; pointing him to

their situations more than 12 months. The Thus is it, too, with the Celtic Irishman, writer was present at, and took part in, a rewith the Frenchman, the Grman, the cent meeting, where the Lord Mayor, with one of the sheriffs by his sine, handed prizes to Italian. There are missionaries for cabmen, for the police force, for workhouses. ous and prayerful labour in Golden Lane, one and for hospitals. The writer can testify of the most degraded localities in the City from personal knowledge, to the invaluable Proper. A gracious work of revital has ap-peared in many of the schools during the last two years, and all the operations of the Union benefits secured to the working-classes and their families by City missionaries. As a superinteedent of one of these men, he are carried on in faith and love, with burning knows how often he has succoured the zeal and earnest prayerfulness.

Zaptist,

needy, brought comfort to the bereaved. THE SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION and the REcheered with smiles the bed of death, form. LIGIOUS TRACT SOCIETY have both held their Anniversaries, and give most cheering tidings of good achieved. The TRACT SOCIETY is-sued 45.883,921 publications during the year, including foreign tracts, periodicals, books, &c ; and adding to these the probable circued Maternal Societies for the relief of poor women in the hour of nature's trial, and 'made a sunshine in a shady place," by the reading of the loving words of THE Book, followed by earnest exhortation and lation from foreign depots, the numbers would fervent prayer, in the kitchens and garrets reach 47,000,000; making a total since the institution of the Society of 912,000,000. of the very poor. In the terrible sufferings Tract literature is a marked feature of the of the unemployed last winter, the City age; and embracing as it does publications in missionaries were the trusted almoners of miny languages, and the operations and rea bountiful Christian public. They have sults of American enterprise, as well as those also taken an active part in aiding in the speof the Stirling Tract movement, of the weekly and monthly Tract Societies, and the vast ciretal services in theatres and halls, as well as culation of evangelical truth in this form by in the promotion of the Midnight meetings, ordinary publishers, in connection with the and have indicated a thorough and practicminor writings of Ryle, Bonaz, Winslow. &c., ed sympathy with that Revival work which there is surely abundant cause for thankfulness and joy.

Shaking out the Reef.

without drinking too much !"

or swamped in the seas.

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ruined.

On the wide ocean, between us and India, the wind blows for weeks in one

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in proportion to the increase of Ragged is to be found in the neighboring city. Such sentiments operate as a check upon convicted persons under 20 years of age; the steady advancement of agricultural purin 1860, with an immense increase to the saits, and I think no effort should be spared population, only 7580. The shoeblacks in to convince those who enteriain them, that their course of reasoning is quite erroneous. A nomadic people, accustomed to subsist on the spontaneous products of the No less than 1215 young persons of both series have obtained prizes for having kept tion, when nature failing to satisfy their wants, compels them to cultivate the soil, to insure more abandant and regular supplies. Commerce, and the useful arts, are a number of young people, the fruit of zeal- the developments of agricultural wealth, and could not exist without the natural and artificial appliances of agricultural skill.-But it is evident that all cannot follow commerce, nor all agriculture; for the two exist as extremes of a well balanced sys-

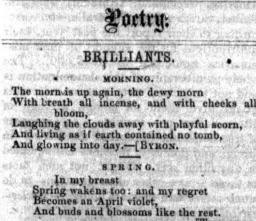
tem and the increase of the one or the other beyond natural bounds would result in mutual deterioration.

But unfortunately, young men overlooking the opportunities for advancement in the occupation of their fathers, long to satisfy their ambition in engaging in commerce; yet many merchants who committed the same error in their youth, return during the latter part of life to the country, entering with new zest and awakened energies into the fascinating pursuit of farming. Then, too, a city life is eminently artificial; living day by day, shut in by lofty and uninteresting walls, passing through crowded thoroughfares, jostled by the passing multitude, it is no wonder, that these merchants, tired and disgusted with this wearisome life, should seek relief in the more quiet country. There, a new life seems opened before them ; every surrounding serves to awaken their finer mature. dull and blunted by disuse. They see be-

fore them new opportunities of usefulness. direction. Then the ship moves on day they take pleasure in watching the increase and night, safely, rapidly. and pleasantly. of their flocks, in beautifying their grounds A sea captain has been heard to say that with rare and curious exotics: improving

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place.'

-TENNYSON THE SEA BEYOND. O life ! O silient shore !

O hife ! O shient shore ! Where sit patient—O great sea beyond To which we turn with solema hope and fond, But sorrowful no more, A little while and then we, too, shall soar Like white-winged sea-birds in the infinite deep; Till then, Thou, Father, with our spirits keep. ----[MISS MULOCH.

THE MOTHER. My heart grew softer as I gazed upon That youthful mother, as she soothed to rest, With a low song, her loved and cherished one, The bud of promise on her gentle breast ; For 'tis a sight that angel ones above May stoop to gaze on, from their bowers of bliss. When innocence upon the breast of love, Is cradled in a sinful world like this.

> SUPPLICATION. Weary am I, Lord, and worn With my ceaseless pain; Sad the heart that nigh! and morn Sighs for help in vain, Wilt Thou yet My soul forget Waiting anxiously for Thee Waiting anxiously and in the cave of misery ? —[LYRA GERMANICA

Miscellanocus.

SPIRITUALISM

AN INVESTIGATION .- BY REV. D. NUTTER Have you had any visits of the spirits of the departed, in the British Provinces? This new revelation from the spirit world, has made a great noise in the United States; the made a great noise in the United States; the land of new and great inventions. One thing is rather remarkable, viz., that the present strange and unheard of revelations in these States, was not forescen and predicted by these supernatural agents, who make such wonderful communications to their favorite friends, in this real and tangable world. It is not to be denied that many things have been seen and heard, and communicated by

these supernatural acts.

that he and his family had agreed to have anything except God's truth-and so God not be induced to operate again under any These they receive rather than the lively oracles of God; and so He gives them up considerations.

From the information I here obtained, I came to the belief that there was some markable instance of this self-deception in ground for the conclusion that there was a the case of Ahab, the king of Israel. Unreality in these transactions. So far I der the influence of Jezebel, his wife, he became satisfied. But the next, and only was induced to persecute the prophets of question to be solved was, what was the the true God, and patronized the lying prophets of Baal. Instead of enquiring of nature of the agency at work in these phenomena? Was it some subtle power in nature, hitherto undeveloped, which instruct the people, he applied to these this wonderful age of the world had brought talse prophets. Upon one occasion, when to light? Or was it a new mode of commuabout to engage in war, one evil spirit said. I will go and be a lying spirit in the nication between this sinful world and the mouths of his prophets. And the Lord world beyond our sight ? As the spiritualists had substituted this new philosophy for the revelation of God; and organized it into a system of religion ; and worshiped, and preached by their speaking-mediums, I examined this question first.—

said, "Go and prosper." From these various accounts of spiritual revelations, we learn that wicked spirits influence the hearts and actions of wicked men, and these again influence and deceive others. This is accomplished by extraor-I remembered that Christ and three of his disciples had an interview with Moses and dinary feats, or fictitious miracles, by which the simple-minded are led to place implicit Elias, on the mount; and they talked confidence in these mediums, who, having together on the passion which Christ was to accomplish at Jerusalem. But I also secured their confidence, next ply them remembered that when Peter afterwards with false revelations, called doctrines of alluded to this transaction, he explicitly devils, and delude them to their destruction. declared, " But, we have a more sure word Again, we have a description of our of prophecy, into which ye do well to take modern spiritualists in the case of Simon,

heed, as unto a light shining in a dark the sorcerer, in Samaria-Acts 8: 9, 11, "There was a certain man called Simon, which beforetime in the same city, used Now, as Peter would not substitute this extraordinary development for the Word of sorcery, and bewitched the people of Sa-God, these disciples of spiritualism, were maria, giving out that himself was some at least, wrong in doing so ! Besides, great one, to whom they all gave heed. they were preaching doctrines not found in from the least to the greatest, saying, this the Scriptures of truth ; and also denying man is the great power of God. And to him they had regard, because he had for a long time bewitched them with sorceries." and turning into ridicule some of the most important principles of religion; and that, Universalists and Infidels were edified, fed, and pleased with their doctrines; and that, It is worth while to consider that all these spiritual mediums, were in antagonism in contradiction to all this, God had dewith God, and God and his ministers were clared that they who added to or took away in deadly opposition to them; and that Christ and his apostles prevailed against from the things written in the Book, should these lying spirits and cast them out. They are called lying spirits, foul spirits, incur the curse of God ;-then this work certainly was not of God; and could not stand ! This was the conclusion to which unclean spirits, and spirits of devils, work-I came after investigation. "If any man ing miracles, claiming to be great, and assuming to be, or to possess the power of speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in him." God. All the errors and wickedness in If, then, the operations of Spiritualists the world is attributed to this same sataniare not from God, or good spirits, nor

cal influence working in the hearts of the -[MRS. WELBY.] effected by the laws of nature, or any phychildren of disobedience. By-Satan's insical power, the only conclusion is that, fluence Judas betrayed his Master. It they are produced by demoniacal agency. was satan who put it into the heart of Ana-This is the only conclusion to which we nias to lie to the Holy Ghost. It was sacan come. Let us then examine the Scriptan who provoked David to number the tures on this subject, and see if they will people. And he is called the prince of the help us to solve this otherwise inexplicable power of the air, working mightily in the enigma. The damsel, mentioned in Acts children of disobedience.

16:16, was said to be "possessed with a From these, and many other passages in spirit of divination ;" and this spirit of the Bible, we are constrained to believe, divination the apostle cast out in the name that what is called modern spiritualism, is no new system of error, but a new developof Jesus Christ. And who can doubt for a moment but that this spirit was a demon, a moment but that this spirit was a demon, ment of the sorcery, soothsaying, witch-or a devil, such as Christ rebuked when on craft, necromancy of ancient times. That earth ? Surely he would not rebuke a it is induced by satanic influence, in oppospirit whom God had sent to reveal future sition to the truth of God, to deceive the events through this spiritual-medium .-souls of men. God has warned us against these devices of the devil, lest we should Such, we also conclude were the magicians in Egypt, who appeared to compete with Moses. They imitated the miracles which come into the same condemnation.

he wrought, to a certain extent. And it DID JESUS ANSWER YES ?- " Mamma is was only at the conclusion, when his rod. talking to Jesus." said little Mary to herself. or the rod of Aaron, swallowed their rods as she heard her mother at prayer in the ad. that were confounded and defeated. This power which they possessed was no other than diabolical, by which they performed

Scriptures in separate books, and in rapid succession.

The Church of Rome is still the implacable foe of a free Bible. The Greek Church in to their own hearts' lusts. We have a re Russia takes off the fetters that "bound" it. God grant that it may give to her light, life, the pristine purity of apostolic truth, and re-gonerate her priests and posple. And now when Russian serfs are being set politically free, and that the Scriptures are being ready for them, in connection with schools to teach them to read them, let all who read these lines those whom the God of Israel had sent to hift up their hearts in the earnest aspiration, that ere long these newly-emancipated millions may rejuice in the glorious liberty of the sons of God, and so be " free indeed.

The second special feature of the Bible Society Anniversary, was the feeling expressed and elicited as to the outburst of Rationalistic infidelity in the National Church, indicated by the "Essays and Reviews." Lord Shaftesbury, in his opening address, exclaimed-"This is not the time or the place in which to enter at length into the principles and the consequences of Rationalism; but we ask, What concern, then, is it to the Bible Society? Simply this, it is a notice to quit. If that book ('Essays and Reviews') be true, we

have no business here. If the Bible be not the record of inspiration -- if it speak amply, fully-if it be not the Word of God himself, I say the Bible Society are standing here to circulate a great imposition. the more intolerable, because it professes to come from heaven when, according to these writers, it is, in fact, very little more, or nothing, than the labour and production of uninspired men. Further, if their principle of interpretation be true, the Bible is not the book for the poor man, not the book for general and universal circulation. If it be true that the Bible can only be comprehended by the learned, only after long and profound thought, by much meditation, by great masses of acquisition in classical and ancient knowledge-if that be true, you at once, by that admission, shut out the light, because you shut out the you establish an intellectual despotism more dangerous, more glaring, more unrighteous than the worst despotism ever established by the Church of Rome. I trust (added the president of the Bible Society) that ere long a vast body of men will be raised up, well versed in the Bible, although they may not be men of deep learning or skilful controversialists, who will be able to explain the Scriptures practically throughout the whole country, and be able to give satisfactorily a reason of the hope that is in them." These, and kindred utterances, were received with enthusiastic approbation by the vast assembly.

THE LUNDON CITY MISSION has in creased its staff of missionaries, the number being 389; 1815 visits have been paid to the sick and dying (many of whom would otherwise expire without any spiritual instruction, warning, or consolation whatever); 11,458 copies of the Scriptures, and 2,721,738 tracts were distributed; and 54,002 books lent; 41,777 indoor and 4489 out-door services were held. and 1539 have become communicants; 1230 drunkards have been reclaimed ; 361

copal clergymen are upon its committee, it is nainly supported by contributions from Nonconformist churches. It has 22 missionaries-' trade winds." part in Manchester, Hull, Liverpool, and Bir-

mingham; the greater on the Continent, in Palestine, and Northern Africa. God has blessed and is blessing this Society. Two ew and cheering features distinguish it; a Medical Mission established at Jaffa, and a mission, to Italy, where even learned Jews have hailed and welcomed Dr. Meyer, a converted rabbi, as an angel of God. The revenue of this excellent Society is nearly £6,000 "he other and larger Society is the LONDON OCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE OSPEL AMONG THE JEWS. Its field is Lon-

The Jews, at home and abroad, are the

on, where there is a Jewish Operative Intitution, also a chapel and school's. About 10 Jewish boys and girls, under Christian training, sat on the platform on the anniversary day ; and of these dear young people, as well as of the many converts it has on the Continent and elsewhere, it might well say, These are my jewels!" When this Society was formed, there were not 50 Christian Jews known in the United Kingdom; now, in the Church of England and Ireland, there are nearly 70 ordained ministers of the seed of Abraham; and there are hundreds of converts, 367 adults, and 462 children have been bartized.

In the Society's schools in Lordon more than 700 Jewish children have been edunot the mind of its Divine Author fairly, cated in the Christian religion ; in its schools at home and abroad, 1000 children are annually under instruction. A marked change has taken place in the feelings of Jews towards Christ and Christianity, and multitudes of them recognize Protestantism as true Christianity, and as neither persecuting nor idolatrous. This great Society is sustained by the evangelical clergy and laity of the Church of England. Its revenue last year was upwards of £35,000. It has 30 ordained missionaries, 26 unordained missionary agents, 65 colporteurs. Scripture readers, schoolmasters and mis tresses, &c .- the greater part of them believing Israelites-distributed among 32 stations. The charm and attraction of the meeting was the address of Mr. Sterne, a Jew by birth, but now a Christian missipossibility of private judgment. And thus onary of his Hebrew brethren. He it is who has become so remarkable for explorations in search of scattered Jewish tribes and families. Thus it was that he visited the Karaite Jews of the Crimea some years ago, and now he has just returned from Abyssinia, where his kinsmen according to the flesh, their rabbis at their headgreat multitude-sat down in the deep forest shade to hear from him and a companion in travel the words of life. What an effect had his appearance and his narrative on that vast audience in Exeter Hall ! "A fortnight ago" he exclaimed, "I was in Abyssinia :" and then he went on with his narrative, in which the BIBLE was promi nent : Jews and Romanists both eagerly snatching it from his hands, both (bitter enemies before) eagerly reading it, and each led to say, " We are both wrong ; we want something better.'

I have thus dwelt upon the case and cause of the poor Jew, because I deeply fear that the Gentile churches of Christ do not care for him nor pray for him as they ought. I long to enlist an increased band of the Lord's remembrancers from among the Christian readers of the Mes joining room. As Mrs. H. left the place of prayer, Mary ran to her mother, and ssked very innocently, "Did Jesus answer, Yes, mother ?"

he has sailed his ship six weeks without their lands, by draining here and watering altering a sail. These are called "the there; busying themselves in the advancement of the science of agriculture ; here "I will tell you a fact about drinking,"

they find true happiness. said a noble old sea captain. "And I tell Curious as it may seem, nevertheless, it you, boys, that when people say ' It doesn't is a fact, such men are doing more at the hurt anybody to drink too much,' they present day for the improvement of our don't know what they are talking about. mode of farming than the old farmers have There is no such thing as drinking spirits been doing for many years.

without drinking too much. When I used to But why cannot our young farmers folsail to India, and got into the trade winds. low, as nearly as possible for them to do I used to put all the sail which she could with their means, the examples set them by these merchants? They cannot deny that possibly bear. But I noticed a curious fact. Every morning about 11 o'clock, I used to there is a wide field for improvement in go down into my cabin and take a good horn every department of agriculture.

of brandy. Before going down, I would Muck could be said of the moral influence of agricultural life. With all nature cast my eyes over the ship, see that every sail was full, and every rope was taut. constantly before us, we are taught the She was under all the sail she could safely immutability of the Creator, as exhibited carry. On coming out of the cabin, hav- in the natural laws ; we derive much pleaing taken my brandy, it always seemed as surs in the contemplation of His works, if the ship was sailing too slow and the while we learn the great lesson of life, the winds had fallen. Then I would cry. 'Up true way of preparing for the final harvest. there, lads, and shake out that reef.' For Of the lucrativeness of agriculture, no about thirty minutes my poor ship would proof is needed. The experience of our stagger under the new press of sail. By best farmers is being widely disseminated that time, when my brandy began to subthrough journals and pamphlets accessible sine, I found she was under too heavy a to all, so that all may profit by it. The pressure, the winds seemed to blow harder science of agriculture, or book farming, is and again I would shout, ' Up there, lads, now becoming the guide, and the true one. and clew up that reef.' So I found it day to all desirous of improving ; in short, every after day, and was utterly unable to account inducement is being offered by States, sefor the lull in the wind just about that cieties and individuals for the energetic hour. But one day I was unwell, and prosecution of farming. I sincerely hope omitted my brandy, and overheard my that our young farmers will become reconcook, black Cæsar, say, 'Captain drink no ciled to this most beautiful occupation, and brandy to-day-guess no shake out reef!" reject the deceptive impression that they Then I understood it all ! From that time can succeed better in the mercantile prodropped my brandy, and there was no fession.-Cor. N. E. Farmer. change in the sails of my ship. I drank

moderately, and yet it was too much, and it would not have been strange if I had FORCING VEGETABLES, &c .- In discuslost my ship in consequence. I tell you, ing the general principles of forcing vegetables, &c., and having them early for market, the Gardener's Monthly has some boys, there is no such thing as drinking

It's even so. We don't know but a little very sensible remarks. The editor says : about it. Many a ship-master has felt "It is an unquestionable fact, that a few cold or hot, tired or sleepy, vexed and days advance in a crop over its regular troubled, and has gone to the bottle, gainexpected season, is far more profitable to ed courage to be rash, "shaken out the the marketman than it is to have the same reef," till his ship was dashed on the rocks. article months ahead, and out of its regular season; not so much because the extra

Many a physician has been worn down early crop is necessarily raised at a greater by labours and anxieties, his nerves weak, outlay of cash and skill, as because no one and his mind wavering, and has gone to expects it so early, and, therefore, no one the bottle, and thus he "shakes out the feels the want, and without this want, there reef," is rash in dealing his powerful mediis no care or desire to gratify oneself with cines, and he loses his patients, loses selfa loxury not felt to be so. Luxuries bereliance, and the confidence of the comcome wants, in a great measure, by habit; munity, and he loses practice and characand while the custom is slowly forming, the enterprising raiser of the unseasonable crop is permitted to starve. This we have seen Many a merchant drinks little, feels more

confidence, makes bargains when thus exemplified. stimulated, "shakes out the reef," and is But when the expected season is about to arrive the first few days of the crop's

Many a mechanic takes s contract which appearance in market brings very large e examined after drinking a little, forgot and profitable prices-profitable, because the number of hard blows it would cost to the extra expense of a few days' earliness complete it, and thus he "shakes out the is comparatively small in proportion to the extra demand and extra price.'

Many a young man falls into jovial company, feels that it would not be manly And he further proceeds to comment on the plan for diffusing heat by placing the forcing houses on a gentle incline, and to to refuse to drink with them, and he drinks, "shakes out the reef," and acquires a taste that is his destruction. And many a bright boy, the hope of his adding :--

And many a oright boy, the hope of his father and the pride of his mother, early learns to drink a little, and thus he "shakes out the reef." disappointed the hopes of his friends, lives a poor creature, dies a

