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Hidden Beauty in a Word.

Trench, in his interesting work on the use of words, exhibits the hidden beauty of the

word tribulation. Its ordinary signification

is affliction anguish, serrow. Men pray against it, and shrink from it, as if it were

positive evil. But its meaning is calcu-

lated to calm the unrest of the tried heart.

name of the threshing instrument or roller,

whereby the husbandman was wont to seg-

arate the corn from the husks; and "tribu

latio' signified the act of separation. Tribulation, therefore, is nothing but the thrash-

ing of the inner man, whereby it is separa-

ted from the husks and chaff, which would

What, then, are afflictions but acts of ho-

with us somewhat after the manner of an

cil, and sat before his easel, admiring the

One morning he found his beautiful crea-

tions expanged from the canvas. He wept

bitterly. His master appeared and said-

picture was raining you."
"How so?" demanded his pupil.

bility have never executed

"I have done this for your benefit; the

" Because, in the admiration of your own

talent, you were losing your love of the art

itself. Take your pencil, and try again.".
The youth dried his tears, seized his pen-

cil, and produced a master-piece, which, but

for this severe trial he would, in all proba-

And thus, when we are vain and haughty

n our prosperity, when we worship the gift

and forget the Giver, when earthly affec-

tions, like husks of grain, inclose our hearts God, in pure love, applies the flail of trib-

Striking Coincidences

THE EVENTS OF A WEEK. Thursday, the 30th of April, observed as

On the same day the rebel Gen. Forrest

On the next day (May 1st.) the Yankee

From the Christian Observer.

unfit it for the garner of heaven.

It is derived from "tribulum," the Roman

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For the Recorder. The Power of God.

BY T. JUDSON KNAPP.

cause, concludes that it is the nature of who upholds all things by the word of his things to do so, and he gives it no further power? thought. Such a person feels no emotions of sublimity when beholding a mighty river, as it rolls onward to its ocean home.

Unmoved, he can hear the roar of the tempest, the thunder of the cataracts, or old . cean's dirge, as she throws her billows at his feet. He beholds the sun performing her daily course, and knows not what immense power is exerted in bringing about

In selecting examples to illustrate the Christ. power of God, such an endless variety present themselves, that it is difficult to select. Notwithstanding the multiplicity of objects which manifest the power of the Creator. different minds are so differently affected from the writer. But if we entertain suita- work of the Gospel ministry. ble conceptions of the character of God, we 4th. All ministers of the Gospel should, can not fail to discover manifestations of his according to the teachings of the New Tespower in every object with which we meet. nothing, is calculated to fill the mind with

without materials. Supply these and he can without consulting their minds. shape. Deny him materials, and his inge. views which, I think, are fairly deducible object into existence. But the objects we positions, and to show that some of us, in behold were not made out of pre-existing some things, are drifting from the ancient materials. He who said "let there be light landmarks of the New Testament. and light was," called into being the count. | 1. In the first place, I remark, with referless worlds that fill the universe. "He ence to the 1st and 2nd of the above propospake, and it was done. He commanded, sitions, that if these be true, no man or body and it stood fast." In contemplating this of men, except the church of Christ to which act, the mind is filled with amazement, but the member belongs, can receive, try or ex- tive. if we attempt to consider the power necessa- clude a church-member. I confess it sounds ry to continue in motion the worlds that are strangely to my ears, to read, in the army rolling with inconceivable rapidity through correspondence of a religious journal, of a the vast regions of space, imagination her. Conference of men whose membership is self shrinks back astounded.

the power of God. Were it not for this I presume. Why does not the missionary, immense force which is continually exerted when he has satisfied himself of the fitness the world would crumble into atoms. The of the candidate, go and baptize him, as attraction of gravitation consists in the mys- Philip did the Eunuch, without the authoriterious exertions of power, applied accord- ty(?) of a Conference? What need is there ing to fixed, laws. This, together with the of such a Conference? If the backslider in projectile force, keeps the planets in their the army desires to be restored to church orbits, while revolving around their respect fellowship, let htm make his request known tive centres. What power is necessary to to the excluding church, satisfying them of sustain and keep in metion the planets that his penitence and reformation. What right compose the solar system! The circumfer has any other body to restore him? But I ence of our globe is nearly 25,000 miles, am reminded by the Recorder's half sheet, and yet this enormous mass is hurled at the that brevity is an excellent recommendation rate of 68,000 miles an hour. The velocity to its crowded columns. of some planets is even greater. But the 2. I ask, with reference to the 3d and 4th solar system is a mere point among the propositions, what is the proper method of worlds that fill the illimitable regions of induction into the Gospel ministry? Anspace. It has been discovered by astrono. swer :- When a believer and the church of mers that the solar system has changed its which he is a member, have become mutualplace, from which it is inferred that it moves ly satisfied, by fair trial, that if his bounden around some other centre far remote. Nor duty to enter the Gospel ministry, the church is there anything unreasonable in this suppo- should, without delay, appoint a presovtery sition. Let us then turn and trace these to set him apart, by the laying on of hands. stupendous movements. The earth revolves to the blessed work, clothing him with full on its axis as it is borne in its orbit around power to preach, baptize, &c. Christ comthe sun. The other planets have similar mitted this business to the church, and not motions, whilst the satellites revolve around to an Association. . their respective primaries. Thus twenty- A "licentiate" is something unknown to chained by the attraction of gravitation. means simply a permission to exercise his of the Recorder in the army.

attribute of Jehovah. Our one globe fur proceedure. nishes instances of the exertions of might But, if I mistake not, the church and the made by the elements of nature afford numerous exhibitions of power. Velcanoes shake the earth, tornadees desolate its face, flow not then, two orders in the minister of the Gospel, and shake the earth, tornadees desolate its face, flow not then, two orders in the minister of the Gospel, and shake the earth, tornadees desolate its face, flow not then, two orders in the minister of the Gospel, and though uncle Jack lived and shake the earth, tornadees desolate its face, flow not age, his ideas were clear and beautiful to but then, two orders in the minister of the Gospel, and though uncle Jack lived and efficient officers, has never failed to preach on Sabbath, except when the army the world of art, and the bolts of heaven preach of earnestness. Yet the world of are and the world of are all the mountain oak and the flinty rock. But these are only the messengers of think not. The New Testament ministers the Most High. He rides upon the storm— were all qualified to baptize disciples after they had made them.

The church can by a brother, and when the lightning flash.

The church can by a brother, and when the storm— are always neglecting to do the things that the same the mountain oak and the flinty of the died beloved and lamented by many who are example of unflagging Christian zeal, the is doing it wonderfully.

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Our Colporter's report most gracious refer the were all qualified to baptize disciples after the field. The colporter is making wonder to the ruinous habits of our generals, who are always neglecting to do the things that the same that the field the mountain oak and the finity of the was unselfish. He feught neither to died beloved and lamented by many who are example of unflagging Christian zeal, the was unselfish He fought neither to died beloved and lamented by many who are example of unflagging Christian zeal, the was unselfish He fought neither. The was unselfish He fought neither to died beloved and lamented by many who are example of unflagging Christian zeal, the was unselfish He fought neither to died beloved and lamented by many who are example of unflagging Christian zeal, the was unselfish He fought neither to died beloved and lamented by many who are report most gracious refers the first of the was unselfish He fought neither. The was unselfish He fought neither to died beloved and lamented by many who are report most gracious refers the first of the fought neither. The was unselfish He fought neither to died beloved and lamented by many who are report most gracious refers the first of the fought neither to died beloved and lamented by many who are report most gracious refers the fought ne

obey his call; new, angels of mercy dispen-A Religious and Literary Paper. sing blessings; now, messengers of wrath published weekly at Raleigh, N. C., at \$8 00 per executing vengeance. There was a time when the earth was filled with violence .-The Almighty uttered his voice, and anon the fountains of the great deep are broken up and the floodgates of heaven opened .-The voice of mirth was succeeded by the ordain him to the deaconship. Not elect, roar of the tempest, the groans of the dying, and the crash of the world. Are the chil-It is common for men to speak in general dren of God persecuted by impious foes?terms of the power of God, and represent it The sea affords them a passage, their ene-as passing all assignable hmits; but the ideas mies a grave. Need I speak of the lightof many on this point are far from being ning and the earthquake which consumed definite or distinct. But few experience and sunk the cities of the plain? Shall I emotions of sublimity on witnessing the ef- mention the pestilence which, in one night fects of divine power, and the reason is that laid in an eternal sleep the flower of the they early learn to view its greatest exhibi- Assyrian army? In contemplating such tions as something spontaneous and not re- acts who does not acknowledge the power of the Most High? And who will presume A person views an object as it rolls down to assign limits to the operations of Him, an inclined plane, and without inquiring the who spoke the universe into existence, and

#### For the Recorder The Church and the Ministry.

The following propositions are considered, by many Baptists, as axiomated truths:-1st. A church of christ is a society of beievers, baptized upon a profession of faith, and voluntarily associated together under what appears to him one of the simplest the law of Christ, and it is independent of Let so much of the tax as is requisite to pay

> 2d. Every member is held accountable to his own church, and to no other, for his con duct. The church, and it only, receives, tries and excludes its members.

not move another. Hence it is difficult to church ;-by the Holy Spirit, because He, say of them "I meant it for good." select any one class of objects calculated bestows upon him who is called to the pubequally to impress different persons, whose lic ministry, the requisite ministerial gifts, tastes, habits of thinking, and modes of as. and by the church, because it elects and sociation differ from each other, and perhaps through its presbytery, sets him apart to the

of God. It is impossible for man to work to place a minister over a body of men til Saturday, 10 o'clock, A. M.

mould them into almost any conceivable It is my purpose now to present some nuity is useless. He can not call the least from what is laid down in the foregoing pro-

scattered over the Confederacy, receiving The attraction of cohesion, which binds candidates to baptism and restoring penitent together the particles of matter, illustrates backsliders to-what? Church-fellowship.

Who does not feel his littleness as he con-needs no written approval, unless he is about

the world of art, and the bolts of heaven preach, rule, baptize &c.? Does the New to the utmost degree of earnest

Like well trained servants, the elements satisfied of his call to the ministry, by fair trial it can and should set him apart to the work of a regular Gospel minister. A church can do all this without giving him

A part of the above remarks will apply to the deaconship. The church should try a brother first, and then it should elect and try, and ordain.

to the 5th proposition. Christ did not commit the work of evangelizing the world to secular governments. Individually, every this much. I leave it with you and I nother of Jackson be more bonored. Not for the officer of the Government should have Cobb." enough to do with religion to be a recipient of its blessings and promoter of its interests; officially, they should have but little to do with it- Secular Governments should not become Missionary Societies to have the Gospel preached. This duty belongs to ecclesiastical organizations. How are chaplaincies filled? By appointment of Government. Are the wishes of those to whom the phaplain is sent always consulted? No! he is forced upon them. How are chaplains paid? By the Government, out of the public Treasury. Not by voluntary contribution, but by taxation, the salaries of chaplains are paid. Well would it be, if secular governments would learn, from the bloody history of the past, to let religion alone .-Church and State, united by the powers of darkness, should be eternally divorced .-(because one of the most common) events every other ecclesiastical organization, hav- army chaplains, remain in the hands of the ing our Head and Lawgiver, which is Jesus people, and let the religious societies in the before the war. They now have 40 people and and send forth missionaries to the army, in ers in the army and can sustain 50. accordance with the principles of civil and are 40000 soldiers beyond the Missi sppi religious liberty.

I have now submitted an hone-t expres them. Brother Sumner in 3 weeks [ sed 3rd. A regular Gospel minister can be deep interest; and however much opposed agents in the Southern Confederacy. that what excites admiration in one might qualified only by the Holy Spirit and the to them may be the views of others, I can

> MARCUS. June, 1863.

#### For the Recorder. Ministers and Deacons' Meeting.

The Ministers and Deacons' Meeting of tament, be qualified to rule and administer the United Baptist Association, met with The fact that God created all things out of the ordinance of baptism, as well as to preach the Church at New Hope, Wilks county, wounds received in the confusion of the lat- since old Jack Kerr, or as he was most

Saturday Morning .- A Sermon was de-Oxford, chairman, and P. Eller, Secretary.

for ministers of the U. B. Association to from us on account of our temperance principles? Answered in the negative.

2nd, Should every Baptist church have a Sabbath School? Answered in the affirma-

3rd. What are the Scriptural qualificaions of a Gospel preacher?

All the above questions were fairly and ably discussed. Elder, Reed not being present, Elder Oxford was appointed to preach a Missionary sermon on Sabbath at 11 o'clock. Elder S. McNeil gave out and sung a hymn, after which the meeting ad-

Sunday .- Elder Oxford preached a Mis-After 30 minutes' intermission ne again marches long and difficult, without resource preached an able and interesting sermon to feeding them as best he could; he deliver the pupils of the Sabbath School. After battles as a thunder-cloud discharges body

## For the Recorder. Receipts for Army Colportage,

will thereby have been achieved.

ty times as much for what I eat and grear. 3d. Lastly, I come to speak with reference It would feed me two or three days gen I

Bro. Cobb is beginning to pay his & porteurs monthly in advance. If ever the labored faithfully they are doing it. Lethren I know you will hold them up.

N. B. COBB. Gen. Sup. Army Colportage for N. C. By P. D. GO: 3). Goldsboro', N. C.

### For the Recor General Association of Virgira.

This Association, during the last a lecia tional year, raised over \$60,000 for 1 my Colportage and bought 25000 Bibli and Testaments for the army. But they of ted to send the Gospel to soldiers' wives and children. This they intend to do.

The Domestic Board had 150 evans sists

# Stonewall Jackson

Under the heading, "The Death of son," a late number of the New Independent contains the following:

"A brave and honest foe has falley -Thomas Jefferson Jackson has die

templates the mighty work of Jehovah, as displayed in the creation of the heavens?

But we need not appeal to the discoveries of astrenomy for examples to illustrate this approval of his course without any official of astronomy for examples to illustrate this approval of his course without any official the greatest triumphs of the cross of Christ army who pursued him in his famous Shen is in his famous Shen is children and c andoah Valley, found him to be greatly be the commandments of God. How gracious is God to bless our armies leved by the common people, among whom, He retained his strength of mind to the estant Episcopal Church, who since his enwith victories, how much greater still the in former times, he had labored, in prayer list, and though his once powerful frame

Just let me quote a few words from a letter squander time and men and patience in get-this week received from a most faither one, ting ready for great battles which clude them Writing for his salary he requests the it be or defeat them. He incessantly struck on paid up to the end of the month and ays: the right and on the left, and kept alive the "All the difference it can make will ne is fire in the hearts of the ill-clad, poorly-fed that it would give me \$5 00, which is an and overworked men by the excitement of item of some importance when I lab a at a enterprise and the constant relish of victories much reduced salary and have to par owen small in detail, but whose sum was all im-

might be like I am now, without a di or a will triumph over a fallen son with insulting mouthful to eat. I ought not to has a said gratulations! Nowhere else will the name untarmished personal character, for his deyout piety, and for his military genius."

# An English View of Stonewall Jackson. ly and faithful love? Our Heavenly Fath-

The news of the death of the earnest er loveth us, and because he loveth us, he christian and brilliant commander, Gen. takes away our precious things. He deals Jackson, has created a sensation in England. The following from one of the Eng-lish papers, will show what was thought of great merit, which was much admired by him across the ocean. all. His young heart now swelled with vanity. He laid aside his palette and pen-

Add to the splendid valor of a Murat the fervid faith of a Cromwell and the unbroken offspring of his own genius. ere but the leader who could find the weak place not cared for. They will send some a ing hurl his twenty-five thousand troops upon sion of views and matters in which I feel a about \$5000. He is one among the lest surely have repend into a renowned General. Henry Ward Beecher's Opinioi of Stonewall Jackson-a soldier every inch of him, for whatever cause he contended.

# From the R. C. Advocate.

## The Old Soldier.

N. C., commencing on Friday, 29th, May the of Chancellorsville at the hands of this commonly called, "Uncle Jack," sat in the mazement.

5th. The preaching of the Gospel and all last. Friday being a rainy day, but few own men! There is not left another; and corner by the big blazing winter-fire, and the last other religious objects should be supported were in attendance, consequently the meet. In the South to take his place, and I the told us soul-stirring tales of the old 'Revolu-"from nothing, nothing can proceed." But by voluntary contribution. And it is equal ing was not organized till Saturday. Pray. mond papers scarcely exaggerate when bey tuon.' Uncle Jack was one of General they knew not the Scriptures nor the power by true that no organization has the right er was made, and the the Confederacy could better be was made, and had fought lost fifty thousand men? Good in courted, many a hard battle by his side. Ah! well a day of Fasting and and Prayer throughknow of no man on either side that surges. Jack's dark sunken eyes, while he spoke Seward government for the suppression of livered by Elder I. Oxford. The meeting know ci no man on either side that surpling in with love and admiration of that great and what they call "the Rebellion." good man-"the first in war, the first in 1st question discussed. Is it consistent of his military taleats than Southern that, men." Uncle Jack was not only an old routed and pursued them take charge of churches which have rent off since we felt the blows which they only w soldier, who had fought bravely with lead dealt. It is certain that no other many as and steel to sustain his country's rights, he forces assailed the "Rebels" at Grand Gulf. mpressed the imagination of our solders was also an old and brave soldier in Christ. An unknown name at the beginning of the year of his age, and fought the devil and his war, save to his brother officers, and to is angels with unswerving rectitude and unfailment that no other many is and steel to sustain his country's rights, he torces assailed the "Rebels at Grand Guit, and after a day's hard fighting, were repulsed and driven from the field.

On the same day, Col. Edgar's battalion met the Federal cavalry, one thousands. classes in the military school at Lexinger), ing strength till the one hundred and fifth strong, at Lewisburg, Va., and defeated Virginia, his footsteeps were earliest in the year of his eventful and useful life was closthem. field from which now death has withdrawn ing above his hoary head. Then he gently On the 3d of May, Gen. Forrest, after five them. But in two years he has made is laid him down upon his bed and waited days hard marching and fighting, captured name familiar in every civilized land on the calmly and resignedly for his summons sixteen hundred of the enemy and took their globe as a general of rare skill, resource, home. Many weeping friends and relatives horses and arms. stood around the old man's bed, and atten. On the 2d and 3d of May the Army of "No other general of the South could to tively listened to catch his dying whispers; Northern Virginia acheived "a great vicvelop so much power out of the slender and although his voice was low and broken, tory" over the enemy, took a large number precarious means, by the fervid inspiration he delivered many faithful warnings and of prisoners and more than fifty cannon, of his own mind, as Jackson. He had go pions precepts to his friends. His conver- and drove their hosts over the Rappahansionary sermon as was previously appointed, solute control of his men, seeming almost sation was principally as follows: "My nock: to a large and weil behaved congregation. - to fascinate them. He drove them through children, watch and pray-live as you would On the 3d of May three of Lincoln's boats wish to die. Swear not at all, 'for the were set on fire in their attempt to run the Lbrd will not hold him guiltless who taketh Vicksburg batteries, and burned to the wahis name in vain.' It was against our good ter's edge. which Elder J. McNeil published an open and, if the fortunes were against him, the General's order to use profane language On the 6th of May Gen. Lee announced door for the reception of converts into the with even more remarkable skill than in at and many's the man of a wintry morning the retreat of Hooker from his fortified po-New Hope church, when a young Lady vancing, he held his men together in retret, who had a cup of icy water poured down sition on the south side of the Rappahannock. came forward ane related her faith in Christ, and with extraordinary address and courage like sleeve for breaking this one particular It appears that he fled for his life, during a and was received into the church for bap eluded pursuit, sometimes fighting, some order. But, oh! my children, what a slight storm in the night of the 4th inst., and crosstism. After which the congregation was times fleeing, till he brought off his force punishment in comparison with the future—ed the river and took shelter behind his batsafely. Then, almost before the dust we the eternal future, where you will be immer- teries on its Northern banks. Thus termilaid upon the war-path, his face was again sed in sulphurous flame by that arch fiend, nated the most decisive victory of the war. towards his enemies, he was ready, for to the devil, who has taught you to drink and We do not presume that "those eighteen newed conflict. His whole soul was in he swear, lie and steal, and perform with ef- upon whom the tower in Siloam fell and Receipts for Army Colportage,
TO JUNE 20, 1863.

DEAR BRO. HUFHAM:—The following his being into his blow for the worst cause mortal! The Lord hath declared that all retributive providence is often seen among man ever fought for, as few of our general liars shall have their portion in the lake that men in the present hie; that "pride goeth Rev. Wm. Turner, \$5 00; Enon church, have ever learned to do for the best cause is burns with brimstone and fire; and the thief before destruction; that God often takes through pastor Elder M. Baldwin 11 00; which trumpet ever sounded. Henceford, and the murderer are under God's curse, for those who think themselves "wise in their New Hope church, through pastor Elder we know him no more after the flesh. Be they have broken with impunity two great own craftiness"—that "the counsel of the W. T. Walters 31.75; Wake Forest church, is no longer a foe. We think of him now commandments of the living God. All those froward is carried headlong," and that he through, Elder W. T. Brooks 57 00; also as a noble-minded gentleman, a rare and things, my dear children, I want you to re- who diggeth a pit for the righteous shall n'ne worlds are rolling around the sun as the New Testament, if by the term is meant through Elder W. T. Brooks 43 40 collect. eminent Christian. For years he has been member, for my life is fast ebbing away, fall therein himself." their common centre, to which they are a minister of the Word. If the "clicense" ed at a Union meeting for the distribution an active member of the Presbyterian Church and I shall not be here long to chide and of which he was ruling elder. He never hersuade you to keep the strait and narrow Here we might pause and adore the gifts, then, I say it is, at least, unnecessary; Bro. Brooks writes: "We are making in all the occupations of the camp, or temp; way. I am almost gone! Come, Lord matchless power of the Almighty, but the for every man not only has the permission an effort to get the churches composing the tations of campaigns, lost the fervor of her Jesus! come quickly, and let me rest my sun itself, with all its worlds, is carried around another centre, and that, perhaps, around another, and so on to infinity.

Who does not feel his littleness as he connects no written approval, unless he is about the sunder that the fermi store that the fermi

The Colporters trials are great in did - can be done because they are small, but

"Let no man suppose that the North

success of a Havelock, and we have a captaur whose waving swords and fearless voice the Southern whites would have followed "to the pitt." That he never lived to exchange a division for an army, a flying corps for the massed columns of the field of battle, may perhaps have been good for his fame ; in Hooker's line at Chancellorsville, and it so soon as found, as Jackson did, would Assuredly the most fittal shot of the war to the Confederates, whether fired by friend or foe, was that which struck down the life of

#### ulation. He submits us to temporary pain that he may save us from ruin. Oh this is true love indeed and blessed are they who permit their trials to accomplish this

## A Worthy Example.

The Richmond correspondent of the Ch.

by their response to the call of arms. Gen.