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Nossuth has a varied eloquence;

cock began to crow; at 3 barricades

empire were overturned, and all the

away. [Laughter.] Louis Napoleon

from within, but from without like-

Kossuth has conceived rightly the

policy of Napoleon respecting Italy,

and the policy befitting England. He

said: 'That Napoleon should tremble at

a spark from Italy, upon the gunpow-

der of oppressed nations, he could un-

derstand. He might well tremble, for

reason was there that free Britain

tering thrones of Europe in despotism?

toria's throne rested upon the affections

of her people, [Protracted cheering,]

the Bombas, Hapsburgs, and Bona-

Poetrn.

Some Murmur when the Sky is Clear.

Some murmur when the sky is clear, And wholly bright to view, If one small speck of dark appear In their great heaven of blue. And some with thankful love are filled, If but one streak of light. One ray of God's good mercy, gild. The darkness of their night.

In palaces are bearts that ask, In discontent and pride, Why life is such a dreary task, And all good things denied And hearts in poorest buts admire How love has in their aid (Love that not ever seems to tire) Such rich provision made.

Miscellaucaus.

From the Home Circle. George.

traveling the Greenbrier Circuit, which deceptive greatness, perfection and glo- of a midsummer storm. Subsequently the printing press must be forgotten, at that time was attached to the Ken- ry, literally rolling out of the encamp- I learned, that before his death-for and the alphabet perish, and the peotucky Conference, in company with my ment. But it was not there; 'twas he is now no more on earth-he was in ples of Europe and America must be colleague, Harvey Sawyers, I attended only a fancy sketch of a most fearful a camp-meeting in the Monroe Circuit reality. Never did the world, when -John Brown, presiding elder, E. considered as the source of human hap-Simmons and Simon L. Booker, preach- piness, appear so utterly unavailing. ers in charge. The encampment was But just as all hope in that direction handsomely located in a romantic val- had taken its returnless flight, the venley, with lofty mountain heights, inter- erable minister of the cross brought to ly cured him of a very questionable finger of the Eternal to be the home of spersed with overhanging cliffs in al. view the latter clause of the text, 'He most every direction. There were that doeth the will of God abideth forbut few tents, and for the first two ever.' 'Who, said the preacher, ever redays the congregations were unusually sisted the will of God and prospered?' small, In a word, the prospects for the 'What,' he asked, 'was the fate of accomplishment of good were most dis- Pharaoh? of Belshazzar? of Korah,

couraging. while reclining on a couch in the preach- thousands who have followed in their ers' tent, Brother Booker, suddenly footsteps?' The dreadful consequences starting up, exclaimed, with much appa-rent astonishment, 'If you'll believe Jehovah were portrayed as in words of me yonder comes Bishop George ! ' It flaming fire. On this part of his subject can't be possible, said I. Tis the the Bishop came up to the full measure veritable old Bishop himself,' was his of his strength. The effects were seen reply. 'Well, well,' thought I to my- and felt in every part of the assembly. self, 'we shall have a good time of it And now, turning to the bright side now: Bishop George is with us-the of the picture, he considered the doing first Methodist bishop that ever appear- of the will of God, when properly hared in these mountains-good congrega- nessed for the work, by the anointing tions from henceforth-everybody will of the Holy Spirit, an easy and delightcome out to see, if not to hear a Bish- ful task. To be known and recognized op!' And so it was, The news went by an intelligent universe, as a doer of from that evening and night in every the will of God, how honorable! how direction, that a bishop-a sight which glorious! A conscious sense of present but few in that country had ever seen acceptance of the Most High, he main--was actually 'on the ground.' Early tained, was infinitely more valuable on Saturday inorning the people, from than all the boasted privileges and imtheir mountain homes, both far and munities of this world combined .near began to assemble; some on horse- 'What.' he asked, 'in point of vital back, with and without saddles; a few importance, are all the crowns, kingrailroads, if they had ever been dream- exceeding and eternal weight of glory try, it never reached my ears.

The men were usually clad in hunt- piety on earth, its triumphs in a dying ing shirts, buckskin breeches, and moc- hour, with its ever-during joys in the casins of the same material. Some of celestial world, were never presented to them brought their guns with them, for a listening audience in strains of purer they were nearly all hunters, at certain loftier eloquence. The great and prethis particular, would bear a favorable doubtless be seen in the day of eternity. comparison with the more refined and I arose from my seat with some degree

of the present day. bly, for that sparsely populated country, course, and attempted in a quiet way to was very considerable—the largest, it reach the preachers' tent. I had howwas thought, that had ever been seen ever proceeded but a few steps through in Monroe county. All were anxious the crowd, before my strangely constito hear the Bishop. At first he appear- tuted young colleague took his position ed somewhat disinclined to preach, by my side, and laying his hand on my fearing that the people were prompted shoulder, said in a most unwelcome by vain and foolish curiosity, which he tone of voice, 'Wasn't that a mighty was not at all disposed to gratify. But great sermon?' Without raising my yielding the point at length, he took head, or even turning my eyes, I anthe pulpit, to the great delight of all swered, 'Yes.' My heart was too deeply present. His text was 1 John ii. 17: affected for colloquial intercourse of And the world passeth away, and the any sort. But not perceiving my inof God abideth forever.'

human soul.

great mountain, as it had been thrown tent. bliss, he suddenly paused, and fixing under the pulpit before the commence-his eye directly upon a point immediate ment of the Bishop's sermon, and dur-so great and glorious in its natural adly in front of the pulpit, as though he form, he suddenly exclaimed, in a tone A Camp-Meeting Sermon by Bishop the whole assembly were instantly turn- advised. It is, however, presumable was rising again, and 'will not die, During the summer of 1822, while world—the whole world, with all its up and fold away the thunder and light- sciences, all must depart from the earth; Dathan, and Abram? of Herod, Anna-At a late hour on Friday evening, nias, and Sapphira? with the countless young Sawyers, it may not be improper Of the character of the papal gov-

carriages such as that 'hill-country' doms, thrones, and dominions of this afforded; the major part, however, came world, when contrasted with a con- tained a superannated relation in in the history of our age, a whimsical up in the more primitive and natural science purified by the blood of the April, 1827; and after a painful and anachronism of chance, his government way, on foot, unencumbered by the ar- covenant—with that hope which is an protracted illness, he died in great peace at the best a passing dictatorship, not tificial appendages of horseback and anchor to the soul, both sure and stead- at the house of P. Letting, in the city only could have no future, but there carriage travel. This, of course, was fast-with that faith which looks not at of Baltimore, on the 11th of September was even no imaginable reason why it prior to the existence of macadamized the things which are seen, but at the following. The Committee on Memoirs should exist; and things that had no roads in Western Virginia; and as for things which are not seen, even at that ed of by any one in that region of coun- and blessing which God hath prepared for them that love him? The bliss of

seasons of the year especially. The cious promises of the gospel went forth women were mostly attired in domestic directly from his lips to the hearts of woollen and cotton, or a mixture of both. the people; and no marvel, for they There were a few calico, but no silk were imbued with holy fire fresh from gowns to be seen in the assembly. The the altar above. He took his seat amid common dress consisted of a full, flow. the falling tears and ascending shouts ing skirt, drawn tightly around the of the vast assemblage. It was a seawaist, and descending to the feet, with son of special refreshing from the presa short upper jacket, or overcoat, close- ence of the Lord. The effects were ly fitted to the body, shoulders and manifest on every side. Sinners were arms, and fastened in front, or left to awakened, souls were happily converted,

swing loosely, according to taste and and believers were built up, comforted, circumstances. Upon the whole both strengthened, and established in their men and women presented a very gen- most holy faith. It was a time of the teel and respectable appearance; and outporing of the Holy Spirit, never to in point of good sense and prudence, in be forgotten. Its ultimate issues will

fashionable town and city congregations of difficulty, for really my physical, as well as my mental and moral suscepti-By eleven o'clock A. M. the assem- bilities, had been affected by the dis-

lust thereof; but he that doeth the will disposition to engage in conversation, he proceeded to tax my patience with a I had heard him before, and wishing second inquiry: 'Did you take notes ? to realize the full benefit of his discourse, said he. Having at times a very indis-I took my position immediately in front stinet and muttering delivery, I did not of the stand, and tried as best I could exactly understand the point of his to prepare for the hearing of a profita- question; although it was perfectly ble sermon. After a few preliminary clear that he had reference to something remarks, he came directly up to his which he supposed I might have done. subject—the mutability of all earthly I therefore responded promptly, 'Did I things, and their consequent insufficien. do what?' 'Did you take notes of the

cy to satisfy the vast demands of the sermon?' he replied. At this I felt somewhat humiliated. I had never The world-its wisdom, wealth, hon- taken notes of any man's sermon in my or, pleasures, sensual gratifications— life, and for my colleague to assume that I was capable of foregoing the us. Nay, more, they were almost lit- privilege of a prayerful attendance on erally piled up in our presence. There such a discourse as the one that had was learning, philosophy, literature, just been delivered, for the paltry con- for it is much as he can to live upon it. Journal.

and science; there was silver and gold, sideration of a few imperfect notes on houses and lands, sumptuous living, a scrap of paper, was rather more ease, elegance, and splendor; there was than I was prepared to endure with pa- Kossuth has sent another sensation honor, with all its advantages of power tience. Looking him full in the face, through England, by some eloquent and place, of position and influence; with an air of astonishment, and a little lectures, delivered with unusual eclat there, too, were pleasure and sensual pious indignation withal, perhaps, I at Manchester. High civic dignitaries gratification in all, their silken robes responded emphatically, 'No!' and presided at these addresses, and the and seductive charms; all that the added, 'I've been trying to get my audience consisted of thousands of enworld can give, all that the human soul reconconverted, a work that is as thusiastic listeners not only from the heart in its most wild and reckless mood | much needed by you, perhaps, as it is city itself, but from neighboring towns. can possibly desire, was there. And by myself.' He looked confused, but Extra cars were necessary to bring while we sat gazing intensely upon the said nothing; and I passed on to the and return them. The orator showed

up to the visions of our faith, by that I was told by a friend in the after of his subject, and was emphatic and mighty man of God, in all its utter part of the day, that my well-intention- unflinching in his comments on British worthliness, as to the supply of human ed young brother had actually crawled policy toward the oppressed peninsula. ing the whole time of its delivery had vantages, its beautiful features, and its actually saw the world in an embodied been diligently employed in using his historic associations, yet so degraded in pen, ink, and paper. How far he may its present condition, or der those Macof voice that startled every ear and have succeeded, or failed to succeed, in boths who had risen to power over thrilled every heart, 'It's going! It's taking an outline sketch of that tre- 'murdered nations,' and by 'wholesale going !! It's going !!!' The eyes of mendous discourse, I have never been massacres.' But the ghost of Banquo ed towards the great central aisle, as that his failure was about as complete whatever they may do.' though they really expected to see the as would have been an attempt to gather Civilization, Christianity, the arts and the habit, when conversing with his overwhelmed by another deluge, before brethren and friends, of relating, in a Italy could cease to remember her hispleasant way, the circumstances con- tory. And the people who had such nected with this little incident, not for- a history, numbered ninety-six millions, getting to remark, in conclusion, that all speaking one language, and inhabimy back-handed reproof had effectual- ting a country which was fitted by the habit—that it had led him to see the that same nation; yet the Italian nation importance of making his own sermons stood degraded, as Prince Metternich out and out-skeletons and all; in fine, said, a geographical denomination withthat he had never in a single instance out any national organizations. Italy attempted to take notes of any man's desired to be recognized as a nation, and sermons from that memorable day. would never lie at rest till the domina-

As I have mentioned the name of tion of strangers was overthrown.' to add a few additional remarks. He ernment, and of the British policy reswas born, brought up, converted to God, pecting it, he said: 'Lord Palmerston and called to the work of the ministry could be quoted to show that he conin Western Virginia. His natural en- sidered the integrity of the Austrian dowments were but ordinary, and his empire a matter of importance. The education, at the time he entered the British government, too, approved of traveling connection, was very limited. the French intervention for the resto-But he was pious, studious, and faithful ration of the pope, the object of which in all things. His sincerity, fidelity, intervention was to bring about an imand industry, were never questioned. proved form of government—as if popes Fully satisfied that no important object could be improved! [Laughter.] The ever was attained without application papal government was the worst of all and continued effort, ne appropriated governments, and could never be imall his unoccupied time in reading and proved, whatever reforms might be instudy. He never allowed himself to be troduced in those systems of rule which unemployed. He ultimately became an were based on conquest, on hereditary able divine, and acceptable and useful right, or on election.'

At the close of the third year he was sublime often, he can also be humortransferred to the Baltimore Confer- ous and sarcastic. He thus refers to ence, within the bounds of which his Napoleon's precarious power: 'Sprung aged parents resided. His connection up like a toad stool on a swamp of with that body was of but short duration, blood, he could fix no roots in the soil On account of declining health, he ob- of his country; an anomalous incident represent him as "a young man of deep reason to exist were doomed. Such piety, a useful preacher, and greatly was the eternal law ever revealed in beloved by all whe knew him."

Satan a Fisherman.

I was some time since walking upon up and make off while the moon was the wharf where a fishing-boat lay, and shining, and the roads were dry. The as I was passing and repassing, the French were a curious people. At 10 master was uttering tremendous oaths. o'clock they went to the opera; at 12 At length I turned to him, and stand- they took a gay supper; at I the Gallie ing beside his boat, said :

'Sir, I am unacquainted with your arose; at 4 the Ecole Politechnique was business. What kind of fish are these?' in the street; at 6 the throne and the 'They are codfish,' replied he. 'How long are you usually out, in vain dreams of dynasties were passed

order to obtain your load?" 'Two or three weeks,' he answered. had reason to dread revolution, not only 'At what price do you sell them?'

He informed me. 'Well, have you had hard work to obtain a living in this way?' 'Yes, hard work,' said he.

'With what do you bait these fish?' 'With clams.' 'Did you ever catch mackerel?'

'Yes. 'And I suppose you bait them with that spark was his doom. But what clams too?'

'O no,' said he,' 'they will not bite should lend her aid to sustain the tot-'Then you must have different kinds [Cheers.] The security of Queen Vicof bait for different sorts of fish?'

'Well, now, did you ever catch a fish and not upon such securities as upheld without bait?' 'Yes,' said he,' 'I was out last year, partes. He contended that British

and one day as I was fixin' my line the interests, commercial, or otherwise, had bare hook fell into the water, and the no dependence upon the dynasties of fool took hold of it, and I drew him in. the Continent, and if so, why should 'Now, sir,' said I, 'I have often the British government stand up bethought that Satan was very much like tween Continental despotism and their

a fisherman. He always baits his hook fate?" with that kind of bait which different These addresses of the famous Hunsorts of sinners like best, but when he garian are given at length in the Britwould catch a profane swearer, he does she papers. They show undiminished not take the trouble to put on any bait vigor of purpose and of eloquence, and at all, for the fool will always bite at also a thorough acquaintance with Euthe bare hook.' ropean politics and tendencies. The

He was silent. His countenance London Times, with its usual capricouswas solemn; and after a pause, as I ness, comments unfavorably on the auturned to go away, I heard him say to dacity of the orator, and thinks he abuone standing by him-

'I guess that's a minister.'—People's in responding to their calls for such public addresses. Meanwhile the peo-Organ.

EXPERIMENTAL PHILOSOPHY.—A poor ple not only 'hear him gladly,' but Curate says: "He has often heard of the Three Experiments of Living, for he has tures, that it is said his financial cirbeen trying one Living all his life, and on cumstances have been raised above his word the Experiment does not answer, embarassment .- Christian Advocate &

Kossuth-Italy. Flower of Pulpit Eloquence

The New York Express quates from a Sunday discourse of the Rev. Dr. uncertain, riskful and annoving." himself well acquainted with the data

could pay him his salary."

were 'as black as hell and damnation.' and 9 children in poverty, filth, wicked plain as well as to read scripture to Ohio, any person who is not a Black ing. Only one of the children could re- and since universally followed. In Republican is excluded from the Sacra- member ever seeing a book before, and latter times, the books of Moses were ment of the Lord's Supper

from a Lawrence (Kansas) letter, in the never sent his children to the public school. Cincinnati Gazette:

Methodist class-leader-a pious old ing good effect. man-famous for interlarding his con- When I started, two of the children versation with texts of Scripture. As asked me to come again; and John, 14 he told me, in some degree of excite- years old, walked with me to my horse; ment, of his wrongs, he quoted Scrip- and as we shook hands, he looked at me ture as usual; but I observed with some with curses and imprecations.

I reminded him of his Church and I told this case to a rich man who became Sunday School in Pennsylvania, and deeply interested in the boy, and in a few expressed some surprise at his language. months he succeeded in getting him, and The old man seemed utterly prostrated has kept him at a fine school, so that he by the recollection. He sunk down in now has a good education; and from readthe prairie, and while his long gray ing the "Auxions Inquirer," which I You are a member of the Quarterly hair blew in the wind, the big tears gave him, he was led to Christ, and he Conference. Have you a class-leader rolled down his furrowed cheeks. After now has four copies of this book loaned to in your society? If so, does he hold a moment he said, 'would to God I had his associates as he meets them in a weekly class-meetings? and do you attend them died before I ever came out here, I prayer-meeting which he aids in conduct enjoyed religion once, but this life—
Oh, God—let's go get something to

ling, two of whom give evidence of conversion. His parents now attend church;
also the other children, most of whom have

man had remained leading his class in cent appearance. The father has given up Pennsylvania, than that he should have ardent spirits, by which he used to be ingone to Kansas, at the instigation of toxicated almost constantly. I have given as you usually do? Did you not try some wicked Republican, probably, to this family more than 85 worth of books, to make this an excuse for keeping the shriek for freedom, -and go down to but for the last year they have bought money in your pocket? the grave a hardened reprobate. several from me, besides others from book Rich. Dispatch.

Praying Part of a Congregation.

history; and when the French people were once allowed leisure to reflect on their own condition, the present occupant of the Tuileries had but to pack

every word I said,' was the reply.

safely that way? Alas, some of the cold- and love from God. est critics are members of the church. The | More than half the expense of this work preacher looks into their faces, and hardly done in N. C. has been borne by kind hopes they are praying for him. If he friends of other States, many of whom are could believe it, it would strengthen him. paying annually \$150, the salary of a Col-He has a right to expect their sympathy. porteur, some \$300, and others still more. fourths of which are praying people?

Master count on your help, when he sees that we have persons in N. C. professing you in the congregation?-N. O. Chris- such love and such views, by which many

Curious Texts.

It was customary for every minister, after preaching, to 'call' for members.

The first took for his text the words of bers, but received none, and sat down. carrying gospel light, free of sect

what trancedental prevcher, 'Take care, sir, great, how sure, how enduring the good you do not put the hay so high in the rack of giving ourselves and the means (fod has the lambs cannot reach it.

For the N. C. Christian Advocate.

The hand of God continues to open wide

Colportage in N. C. by Am. Tract Society.

Bellows, of that city, the following: | an effectual door of usefulness to this hum-'Already our trade with Canada is ble Christian agency, which He is greatly becoming as promising, sure, and prof. blessing as it moves onward from door to itable, as our trade with the South is door of rich and poer, supplying every one with plain gospel truth, " calculated to re-To which the Express rejoins- A ceive the approbation of all evangelical Pulpit Sabbath Discourse on Trade! but instructing our ignorant never before reach-Christians," which is being the means of no matter—save that on such a day the ed, bringing sinners to Christ, and quick-Rev. Doctor should have been right in his statistics. Our trade (the trade of may illustrate, the sequel of which has just the North) with Canada is not the tenth been given me by those connected with it chant in Dr. Dellows' congregation that a swamp. To reach it, I had to walk half a mile on poles. As I drew near the mis-A Republican preacher in Danville erable log but, they discovered me and Ohio, declared that any man who voted for Buchanan would surely go to hell; and another who would surely go to hell; ed increased uneasiness, which I quieted and another preacher in Mt. Vernon, as soon as possible by shaking hands and in the same State, said that the faces kind words, then took a seat on one of and hearts of his political opponents their stools. Here I found the parents In Brown Township, Knox county, ness, and ignorant to a degree most shock-

not one ever heard a sermon or payer be-Are not these political parsons res- fore. After giving the Primer and other ponsible for such results upon spiritual books, and instructing them an hour, with ponsible for such results upon spiritual some difficulty I got the father to consent interests committed to their care as are for some one to come and teach them twice. shadowed forth in the following extract a month. I then asked him why he had To which he replied, "Why, sir, do you 'I had a rainful interview with an reckon I have no better sense than to send all over the Christian world, was interold man, yesterday, that impressed me my children to that house built for a trap rupted in the dark ages, when the ethwith the effect of Kansas life. In to eatch them in to have them bound out lies of Aristotle were read in many Pennsylvania I had known him as a from me!" I explained, but to no seem- churches on Sunday instead of the Ao-

you." I told him to return home then and be dutiful and industrious, and God 'After he got through with his story, would provide for him. A few days after, Detter, rar verter, that that prous one unit they can be and Common saked

much of such it is doing, as was extensively narrated by our Colporteurs in a recent on the subject of class-meetings, the All hearers are not alike in their effect Convention at Goldshoro', N. C.; and as great difficulty is, to get men to lead on the preacher. Some are simply absor- may be seen from the following carefully bents, at best. They hear only-receive prepared statistics of the whole work done all-give back nothing. A famous pas- in our State up to the last quarter :- Visitor said to a desponding old lady who was ted 72,388 families; prayed with 38,880; doubting whether she lived to any purpose, destitute of all religious books except the 'You help me a great deal. Every time I Bible, 11,869; without the Bible, 4,986; preach, with you before me, you help me' supplied with the Bible, 3,767; families Payson and a friend were returning home | neglecting preaching, 5,958; prayer-meetfrom church. His friend wondered at the ings held, 3,465. Books sold at cost price earnestness manifested in the sermon, only, amounting to \$22,824, and gave away there appearing no special interest in the books to the needy amounting to \$5,480. congregation. 'Did you see that plain Expenses of doing this work, including man sitting in the gallery? He devoured salaries, \$14,500,79. Donations from N C. to meet the above expenses \$6,057,92. 'You have a chance to preach, a fine This vast amount of humble labor has been one, brother,' remarked a preacher in the performed in more than 50 of our counties, pulpit to him who was about to stand up, from the mountains to the scaboard, and three fourths of your hearers are praying even out on the ships among the sailors a glorious work has been done, which is now | things. Can God's messenger always calculate blessing those of distant lands with light

What! Is there no difference between This they are prompted to do from a Chrispreaching to a congregation made up of tian and patriotic love for our poor and unconverted, worldly people, and one three- wretched, and from a scriptural view of their means being the Lord's, and them-Christians, can the messenger of your selves his stewards. And I rejoice to know have been prompted to noble action in this cause; as is is illustrated by an intelligent 'She did not count the Christian lady, whose first donation to Colportage was only \$1, after better under-'Some years ago,' writes a Southern standing the work she increased it to \$20, correspondent, "when a sermon was -a Life-membership, and recently she considered short that continued less came to my house and stated that she had than two hours, and 'meeting' often saved \$106, which she wanted to put into held till the small hours in the morn- the Lord's treasury in a way that would do ing, three ministers of different de- the most good to the greatest number .nominations held a meeting together. With this view she gives it to this cause, Peter: 'I go a fishing.' He preached truth. And I feel sure that there are many about two hours; then called for mem- more who only have to look at this work of The second remarked, that as he fol- into every house, by men of faith and by lowed his brother, he would take the prayer, and hundreds will each decide to words following for his text: 'I also pay the salary of one of these men, whose go with thee.' He likewise preached a Reports may be received quarterly by the long discourse—called for members (as donors. Such acts would hold up a cruciit is 'called) and sat down. The third, fied Jesus, and create a thirst for educawho was in favor of short sermons, arose, and remarked that he would follow the example of his brother: and he choose for his text: 'And they toiled all night, and caught nothing!' He rather 'had' boddridge, &c. Love to God and to our Doddridge, &c. Love to God and to our country should move every one to think, 'FEED MY LANES.' - There was point in the quaint remark of a plain farmer to a some of Christian benevolence, remembering how loaned as here to His service. Donotions

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may be sent to me here by mail with vafe "God loveth the cheerful giver."

Yours truly, WM. J. W. CROWDER, Agent Am. Tract So'ty for N. C. Raleigh, Dec. 8th, 1856.

Origin of Texts.

The taking of a text seems to have originated with Ezra, who accompanied by several Levites, in a public congregation of men and women, ascended a pulpit, opened the book of the law, and after addressing a prayer to the Deity, to which the people said 'amen, 'read of our Southern trade, -and but for with permission to thus use it. Four years in the law of God distintly, and gave our trade with the South, grass would ago as I was thoroughly visiting a section, the sense and caused them to under grow in our streets, there is not a mer- I was told of an excluded family living in stand the reading.' Previous to that the patriarch delivered in public assemblies either prophecies or moral instructions for the edification of the people. It was not till after the return of the Jews from Babylonish captivity, during which period they had almost lost the language in which the Pentateuch was written, that it became necessary to exthem, -- a practice adopted by Ezra, thus read in the synagogue every Sabbath day. To this custom the Saviour conformed, and in a synagogue at Nazareth read passages from the Prophet Isainh; then closing the book, returning it to the priest, and preached from the text. The costom which now prevails ly Scriptures.

From the Nashville Christian Advocate. "Croaker"-1 reachers-Class Meetings

Mr. Epiror :- "Croaker" mor surprise that it was singularly mixed C., I want you to let me go and live with than intimates that his preacher last year held no class-meetings, and never read the general rules; and that his case was passed over at the Quarterly and Annual Conferences. It is to be hoped that his is an imaginary case--

at least an isolated one. But a few questions to "Croaker." punctually? If you have none, have you never refused to not as leader? If so, what right have you to complain of the preacher? Dld you not have some Did you pay him quarterage? If so, did you pay as much as you ought, or

Every preacher ought to discharge the duties mentioned; and I would Such is this work of Colporage, and burn this paper if I thought it would make one of them more negligent. But the classes, and the people to attend And this complaint against preachers is frequently made by those who would scarcely if ever attend.

> To prevent all mistakes, permit me to say, in conclusion, that I am a traveling preacher, but, to the best of my recollection. I have never heard a complaint from sny one shar I neglected this matter. Also, that I have no more knowledge of "Croaker's" identity than I have of Junius's. I have, therefore, no personal object in writing; but aim at ascertaining the real ground of complaint these "Croakers" have, and "eroaking" a little myself about some

Fur the Chifdren.

God Counts.

A brother and sister were playing in the dining room, when their mother set a basket of cakes on the tea-table, and went out.

'How nice they look!' said the boy, reaching to take one. His sister earnestly objected, and even drew back his hand, repeating that it was against

'She did not count them,' said he. 'But perhaps God did,' answered the

So he withdrew from the temptation, and sitting down seemed to meditate. 'You are right,' replied he, looking at her with a cheerful yet serious air, · God does count. For the Bible says that 'the hairs of our heads are all

Not too Young for God to See.

I'm not too young for God to see ; He knows my name and nature too ; And all day long he looks at me, And sees my actions through and through

He listens to the words I say, And knows the thoughts I have within: And whether I'm at work or play, He's aure to know it if I sin.

O, how could children tell a lie, Or cheat in play, or steal, or fight, If they remembered God was nigh. And had them always in his sight,

If some good minister is near, Its makes us careful what we do: Then how much more we ought to fear The God who sees us through and through!

Then when I want to do am'ss, However pleasant it may be, I'll always strive to think of this-I'm not too young for that to see,'