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ORIGINAL.

THE SINISTRY AS A PROFESSION. youngmen, though positively called by the to wash a gully in the middle. Instead of tering the ministry by the opposition of fence rails laid on cross pieces of like mafriends I further believe that this opposit terial- Instead of intelligible finger boards tion is the consequence of those friends' at the forks and crosses, we have nothingbeing ignorant of the nature of the cleri- There are many miles of road almost imcal profession. The following thoughts are passable in summer, and quite so in winter, presented for the benefit of those friendly which, with a little work might be made may be changed and their influence re- with regard to public high-ways almost versed. Again, many friends of young obsolete. A few bushes cut dewn and ministers have such incorrect notions of mud holes filled up on Saturday before their profession that they are out of reach | court is sufficient for all bgal purposes. of the good influence that they might oth- I commenced this letter, however, with

erwise enjoy. For the benefit of these the purpose, not so much of complaining also, these hasty sentences are designed. at the indifference shown to the condition Let us looked at the ministry as a voca- of the roads, as something else which I tion both per se and in contrast with other will now mention. Every man who lives learned professions. Consider it in rela- near a railread, and can save a few yards tion to those motives which generally direct of fencing and feet of ground by the operaor control one in the election of a calling tion, petitions the court and has granted for life. One of the first requisites, in any him the right to change the road and run business is "something to do." This is of it immediately on the side of the railroad considerable weight with all who are worthy | This is wrong. The lives of the communof a place in any respectable sphere- ity are enlargered and the property suband I am not writing for those who are not jected to injury, and all, to save a few thus worthy. If the young votary use all | yards of feneing. It is a degree of selfishproper endeavors and after much waiting ness which out to be tolerated. It and wishing still find "nothing to do" he is criminal in magistrates to grant permisbecomes disheartened, he is offended in his sion for such changes to be made. At the proud heart, his good name is scandalized, present rate of progress in this direction. he is pitied by some, despised by others a very few years will suffice to have the for his littleness; he is a tenant of the public and railroads, running parallel lonely halls of obscurity-a "floundered" | wherever it is at all practicable. hero of unhonored ambition. Now a minister's life is free from this difficulty. free even from the risk of it. It is always This necessity is to be seen and felt abounding in present duties. It is forever from the following figures gathered from sounding with the grand and thrilling apthe recent annual report of the American state peal. "Come and help, for the harvest truly is plenteous but the laborers are few."

From every heart and home, on every hill, past year made 629,952 family visits, in in every valley, are heard the soft, plain- which they found 43,478 families destitive and enchanting supplications of the tute of all religious books; 28,740 famiimmortal-breaking upon the soul with lies without the Bible; 96,794 families the strange cloquence of life and death—of misery and glory. There is no time when he may not find a duty bearing on it, the invicing words: "Now is the accepted time." much success; 529,000 evangelical vol-

principle and picty. All this holds good | Seudder, from the beginning of his ministry. How is it with other professions? Take the lawyers for an illustration. Of course we all respect the law and I mean no unjust reflection by this contrast. But tell me. ye blind worshippers of this idol of parental ambition! how much idleness and failare are caused by crowding young men into your darling, idol cause. Go to our court-rooms, and count the clientlessmemheads, small heads and large heads, empty

bers of the bar. You will count a great many heads-smooth heads and rough heads and full heads—but most of all young and old dead-heads. They do now, and have long done much to secure business, but they don't succeed. They lookpleasing, then dignified, they look wise, then wonderful, they speak wisdom, then flattery, they do all they can to get "something to do"-and still they sit in the very arena with "tied hands" like "Bookful of block heads ignorantly read. Just the other day I met a young limb of the law-brawny and stalwart as a

Kentuckian, able to make "big splinters" fly from beavy timber, and he frankly said to me: "Sir, I confess to anybody that I am just looking for business." There he is, able to do as much as Cæsar without enough business to occupy "a little boy in arithmee'is work than abangueye' r life willing to grant that this is not always so in a very great degree, but it is somewhat preaching, the bottle is the common comso in nearly every ease, and yet every panion. If I had time to have appointyoung man thinks he'll be an exception ments to preach among them they would and his "stuck up" aristocratical connec- not come out to hear me, or any educated tions often think so too. I'd rather be a minister. But by a pious, prudent coldrayman than a drone. The like is true of porteur to make kind family visits among other professions. What a quantity of them, and wisely distribute the gospel medicine spoils for the want of patients to books and tracts published by the Ameritake it! What a lazy, frivolous, unsatis- can Tract Society, they can and will be fying newspaper life is led by professional reached successfully, as it is carried on in politicians very frequently! From election | the spirit of humble prayer and faith in to election if they are not candidates or are | Christ, who also 'went about doing good.' not elected, they have to acknowledge the I have distributed all the tracts you sent exhaustion of their professional privileges | me, and I am sure they will do much by seeking other employment. If they go good. I take great pleasure in visiting to office, over half are worse than dead-heads the poor, and leaving a good tract to conthere-no matter whether that office be tique talking to them of Jesus after I am State or National. In legislative halls gone. I hope you will send me many there is as much do-nothingness as can be more to scatter, for next to the ministry 1 found in the same numbers anywhere. I conclude then that the first motive is 'help' to the ministry. I will raise a libbetter met in the ministry than any other eral proportion in my churches to support

LITTLETON, N. C.

RIDGEWAY LETTERS--- NO. 9. PUBLIC HIGH-WAYS.

others, and by far the larger number, who the safety, success and happiness of state, SELECTIONS.

The public high-ways in the United as England, France, &c., but even Sweden papers are discontinued at the expiration of the time paid for. Subscribers will be reminded of the time for renewal, and respectfully requested to renew subscription, by a cross many have roads superior to ours. In the United christians, patriots, and officers in church.

Advocate. In a lately pupilished number, open accounts are kept with them, upon condition | there seems to be complete indifference to the subject. It was a sin with the Pharisees, that they were careful about small affairs, but neglected the weightier matters Basiness Cards of 6 lines or less, per an. \$ 6 00 of the law. It is a sin with us at this day and in this country, that while we are interested in, and attentive to great matters, we are very neglectful of small ones. We move heaven and earth to build railroads. but pay no kind of attention to county. roads. The consequence is that many of: THE SINISTRY AS A PROFESSION. them are almost impassable. Instead of a DEAR BRO. HEFLIN:—I believe that ditch on both sides, the rain is permitted Spirit, are sometimes prevented from en- good substantial bridges, we have poles or advisers-with the hope that their views good. I consider the laws of the State

THE NECESSITY FOR COLPORTAGE.

He can always find "something to do." unes were scattered, mainly among the His soul is full of holy zeal and desire for more destitute. This work was done in working in his vocation. His pen often Welch, French and Indians. The Sociealmost quivers, "like a thing of life"—
seeming to the eye of his eager soul to

ty is publishing gospel truth in 129 lansparkle with thoughts fresh from Heaven guages and dialects. In addition to ex-—if he write he is working in his vocation. | pending 879,616 20 in supplying our At home or abroad, in social life or in the home wants, the Society gave \$12,000 to or in more active toils, he is all the while nations in distant heathen lands with through all the changes in the sphere of actual prosecution of his calling in a prac-

visiting for feasting and amusement.

A LETTER A minister writing awalian asynthes grouns county where there is scarcely ever any love this work, which is such a strong profession. I desire to present the relation | a colporteur in this county, as I believe it to other motives soon-if I can find lei- to be the only means that can reach the A. W. M. masses at their homes who will not come

THOUGHTS FOR CHRISTIAN PATRIOTS. From reliable statistics, there are from eight to ten millions of souls in in his day for the brilliancy of his imagina-Though the subject of this letter may this our christian land, who are not reachtion than the force of his logic, was preachseem, at first thought, puerile and unim- ed by the ordinary means of grace. Ev- ing on the "ministry of angels," and in portant, I am convinced it is one, in ery christian and every patriot should be the peroration he suddenly observed-"I which the comfort of every community is moved to prompt action in reaching this hear a whisper!" The change of tone to no little extent involved. The man who one-third of our entire population with started the deacon, who sat below, from a lives in a city, and whose traveling is con- light and truth, that both mind and heart | drowsy mood, and springing to his feet, he fined to railroads and steamboats, may be may be properly taught, for sin and igno- spake-"I guess it's the boys in the galan unappreciative reader; but there are rance are the sure and deadly enemies to lery!"

nation and soul. Let each one labor unfoundation for temporal and spiritual ac- cause, and after this allusion he adds: tion in whatever we do, and this must be taught them, not only at the church and week, and it must be taught, and felt, and practiced every day, and every week, and every month, and every year, while it is God's will that we be a nation; and thus acting, we will be a safe, happy, chris-State uttered a wise sentiment when he said, "that if we educate our children in the sciences alone, and not in the Bible they cannot be trusted," Daniel Webster said "that nothing could be more promotive of the union of our country than the circulation of religious evangelical publi-

HOW COLPORTAGE HELPS. To help do this important work in the family, we see the adaptation of colportage by which we are now carrying gospel truth to more than 20,000 families or ever 100,000 souls in this our State annually. As God has raised up this active system to help meet the increasing wants if this rapid age, it is proper that the friends of the American Tract Society should know it greatly needs funds to carry on its benevolent work. During the st quarter of the present year, ending June 1st, the grants to the poor and needy have been \$9,028, and the expenditure God is daily owning them as His instru-

of Baltimore, said in his recent address at our anniversary-"If we deserve to be American citizens, this Society will enno West; but is, in its entire character.

Yours truly. W. J. W. CROWDER. Gen. Ag't. Am. Tr. Sec. Raleigh, August, 1860.

THE BROUGHT. Mr. Editor: For several weeks past more unqualified falsehood uttered by great congregation, in grateful recreation supply Missionaries of different denomi- the drought has been the subject of fre- man. I never had a more honest and sinquent conversations with many and reflect cere friend on earth than General Jackted upon, without doubt, by all. That son. But I hope, after all, that the newsactual prosecution of his calling in a practical sense. If he be ever uselessly idle it guages. "A single tract was the germ of manner of men, was not only acknowledged man, and that he is not uttering and publications for the manner of men, was not only acknowledged man, and that he is not uttering and publications for the manner of men, was not only acknowledged man, and that he is not uttering and publications for the manner of men, was not only acknowledged man, and that he is not uttering and publications for the manner of men, was not only acknowledged man, and that he is not uttering and publications for the manner of men, was not only acknowledged man, and that he is not uttering and publications for the manner of men, was not only acknowledged man, and that he is not uttering and publications for the manner of men, was not only acknowledged man, and that he is not uttering and publications for the manner of men, was not only acknowledged man, and that he is not uttering and publications for the manner of men, was not only acknowledged manner of men, was not only acknowledged manner of men, and the me is not for the want of priviley, but of a whole mission in India," says Rev. Dr. by ail, but looked for, longed for, and lishing deliberate falsehoods, that scores prayed for. Tongues, comparatively mute and hundreds of living witnesses can rein general, become fluent upon the subject fate. But here '1 will leave him to his From careful investigation by min- of the needed blessing-rain. When rain God and his own conscience for the presisters and others, it has been ascer- was made the subject of prayer, lips maused ent; for I feel certain that, whatever he tained that even in New England, where to responses were heard to respond—the may be now, he has been a useful man in they are so thickly settled and church advantages so numerous, that not more than ing. rain was the 'one thing needful.' known him for fifty-two years, and hope one-half of the people ever attend the Rain, the farmers wanted-merchants, de- and pray to God that he may be saved. churches, not above one-third with any pendent on the farmers, wanted rain-meregularity, and only one-fourth constantly. chanics standing in the same relation to If this be true of them, how great the farmers, wanted rain. The pleasure taking neglect and destitution must be in the public desired rain, for it would make newer and more sparsely settled States and traveling more pleasant. Farmers crops territories! A minister in a prominent were dying-their gardens burning uptown in our State, having charge of a merchants and mechanics began to look church numbering about 200 members, long faced pleasure seekers were almost inecently told me that one-third of the censed at having to fulfil a command made nembers habitually neglected public wor- to another, "Dust shalt thou eat." Time drip. A careful investigation of two however, rolled on, and many were the prominent country churches in the same predictions that were made and many the county, shows still greater neglect, neis signs pointed out that had, in more rainy ther of which have united religious inter- | weather, proved good. Before this drough est enough to get up and carry on a Sab- there was a spiritual one which still conbath school, the importance of which they | tinues, widening in extent, killing in its admit. They content themselves, gener- nature, affecting the good seed of the kingally, with going to church once or twice a dom and the harvest of the world. But month for publicly worshiping God an few have any thing to say of this drought hour or two each Sabbath, then much -one was a physical necessity, the other of those and the other Sabbaths are spent a moral one-the one touching and affectby them, their children and servants in ing an infinitesimal of time-the other the far off future and forever-the one pertaining to what is mortal,-the other touching in its claims and consequences prays for a rain of righteousness, or laments that pure religion is on the wane not burning up, but freezing out. How few make this a subject of serious conversation-yet who with even a grain of moral sense and a moment of reflection but fee's we

need "showers of blessing." What is the prediction in this direction? What the signs? Ministers of Jesus, men of God and ye Deborah's and Annas look around you, what a withering moral drought prevails! "It is time to seek the Lord till he come and rain, righteousness upon you.' This is the great need of the church now. But we seek the Lord by prayer. This is the means to collect the spiritual vapors. form them into clouds of mercy that shall break forth, in torrents of refreshing blessings upon the moral wastes around, and make spiritual nature revive. Prayer, prayer by preachers and people-powerful prayer. Heart felt prayer. Importunate prayer-prayer to God, in the name of Christ and in the Holy Ghost-then the Lord will come and rain righteousness upon

Raleigh, July 24, 1860. THE DEACON'S GUESS. A certain divine who was more eminent

ceasing to build up and make strong our REV. W. MCMAHON VS. REV. P. CARTWRIGHT. two sure pillars as a nation-religion and Rev. W. McMahon, of the Memphis intelligence. Mothers who are properly taught these will teach them to their children, and the children who properly learn of early life and manhood, which recoland State in the succeeding generation.
"Righteousness exalteth a nation." The father, the mother, the child, make the nation; therefore, we must teach them whom McMahon thinks Cartwright and this "righteousness" as the only sure others attempted to crush for no good I have seen, in a late paper, that this

vular language in private families, in lowadvised by Thomas L. Douglass, I think, his search. Bishop McKendree, and many of the aristocratic congregation, flattered their himself: McMahon pulled his coat and told him to 818,000. Calls for gospel truth for per- Guinea nigger; and that General Jackson great change in his soul which has been of religion. s see how a plain, unvarnished tale in home miss senger." The salary of a colporteur is will put him down. I was Presiding El- of Christian benevolence at Bath. This and the importation ordered. 8150; Life Director 850; Life Member | der of the Nashville District at the time | excellent person was most influential in | In 1781, when from the existence of the night, I think, and I asked him to preach. There was a very large congregation; and, perior to all sectional feeling, because it seeing General Jackson in the house, I recognizes no North, no South, no East, said to Cartwright that he would have General Jackson for one of his hearers his friends—if he offer up those desires in prayer he is working in his vocation. His tongue is on fire with "words that burn" more destitute. This work was done in bracing with the same tender solicitude every portion of the land. It is the cause of Him in whose bands are the resources were in the pulpit. Now this is every —if he speak them to his companion he is Swedes, Norwegians, Danes, Hollanders, of the universe. Let us but have faith." word of truth that I find in this wondereral Jackson, that is going the rounds in spoke to General Jackson in his life .threatening to kick me, there never was a

> THE RICH AND THE POOR. The rich man's son inherits lands, And piles of brick, and stone, and gold, And he inherits soft white hands,

> Nor dares to wear a garment old: A heritage, it seems to me, One scarce would wish to hold in fee. The rich man's son inherits cares-The bank may break, the factory burn, A breath may burst his bubble shares; And soft white hands could hardly earn

And tender flesh that fears the cold,

A living that would serve his turn: A heritage, it seems to me, One scarce would wish to hold in fee. What doth the poor man's son inherit? Stout muscles and a sinewey heart, A hardy frame, a hardier spirit; King of two hands he does his part

A king might wish to hold in fee. What doth the poor man's son inherit? A patience learn'd of being poor, Courage, if sorrow comes to bear it. A fellow-feeling that is sure To make the outcast bless his door-

In every useful toil and art:

A heritage, it seems to me,

A king might wish to hold in fee. Oh, rich man's son! there is a toil That with all others level stands, Large charity doth never soil, But only whiten soft white hands; This is the best crop from thy lands-A heritage, it seems to me, Worth being rich to hold in fee.

Oh, poor man's son! scorn not thy state, There is worse weariness than thine In merely being rich and great; Toil only gives the soul to shine, And makes rest fragant and benign-A heritage, it seems to me, Worth being poor to hold in fee.

Both heirs to some six feet of sod. Are equal in the earth at last, Both, children of the same dear God, Prove title to your heirship vast, By records of a well filled past-A heritage, it seems to me, Well worth a life to hold in fee,

+-was at first to acquire it.

HAVELOCK'S RELIGIOUS IMPRESSIONS.

ened in the Charter-house cloister, in which he and his piously-disposed schoolmates with a Bible. This supply continued to be been weakened during eight years of mili- meeting of the first Congress in 1777, one surrounded him. He was not only strictly Although the legislative power- of our same Peter Cartwright has lately been at religion and ridiculed its consistent pro-fessors; but his religion, bereft of vitality the free exercise thereof; while, at the on the Sabbath, but at their homes, the homes of rich and poor, through the York, in one of his public lectures in that place, where he lays the scene at Nashwhich the warmth of holy affection was over the rights of conscience. The governville, and puts words into the mouth of hirely absent. At one time he appears ment has never been unmindful of the General Jackson and myself, that I am to have been led by the recklesness of interests of religion, but has from the be very certain neither of us ever thought or speculation to the verge of Unitarianism, ginning adhered to and carried out the spoke. The fact is, at the Conference to and began to admit doubts of the divinity language of Washington, that "religion and which he alludes, I feit it my duty to of the Saviour. But he was not satisfied morality are indispensable supports of pocharge him, before that body, with un- with himself; he felt a longing for some litical existence and prosperity." ministerial conduct, specified in using substantial foundation on which to rest his | The Congress of 1777 answered a memreligious views and hopes-some solid prin- orial on the subject of Bible distribution

> most pious and aged ministers in the Con- low-passenger, he was drawn to more car- world at that period did not exceed four ference. For this and my friendship to nest perusal of the Holy Scriptures, and millions. Thus it will be seen that its cir-Bascous, Cartwright has never forgiven led to an exclusive and quicken reliance culation in this and all other countries at me; hence he tells the people of New on the merits of the atonement. This hap- that time was exceedingly limited. York, that at Nashville he found a local py change, which brought his soul under

> met him on the street the next day, and productive of unspeakable advantage to The committee finding it difficult to proheart; that that fellow. McMahon, had him happiness in eternity. The Gene- and types, recommended Congress-

preacher. Henry B. Bascom and myself, by his works, of Christianity in earnest." and no opinion could be formed how long with some other preachers, were holding a Lieutement, now Col. Gardner, on dis- the obstruction might continue, the subjection As the Rev. Dr. Richard Fuller

Baltimore, said in his recent address at Baltimore, said in his recent address at General Properties of the Baltimore and th and inquiries into a right channel. Have- The committee, after giving the subject

> text and context. the papers. I do not believe he ever Before the voyage ferminated, Havelock of the United States." And as for the General's cursing and the soldier the noble spirit of the Christ- early circulation of the Bible in this coun-

> > GOOD NEWS FROM GREECE. The Rev. Dr. King writes from Athens: The bishop that purchased of me last year 400 Testaments, for distribution in his diocese, has applied to Mr. Kalopothakes for 500 more. Two or three days ago, he | Who speeds my feet, who moves my hands, him, as he wished to call on me. I appointed the day and hour, but when the time came his heart failed him, and I was asked to have an interview with him at the | He swept away the guilt and gloom, house of Mr. Kalopothakes. At first, I felt inclined to say, that if he was afraid to call on me I would not call on him. I went, however, and had a long conversation with him on the subject of religion. He keeps the portal, suffers naught

During the conversation, and almost at the commencement of it, he said it was weil-known and acknowledged by all, that those of my denomination are the most upright and moral people in the world; that | The home of evil thoughts, desires, here (in Greece) they have a form of re- Enkindled by infernal fires, ligion that has little or no influence on the heart or the life of those who profess it. I told him that if he would put the Word of Gop into the hands of the priests under Still 'tis a meager inn at best, him, and enjoin on them to read and study | For heaven's King to make his rest, it attentively, and to go about and read it to the people, instructing them to walk according to the Word, he would be a good shepherd. This, he gave me to under- From this roor earthly cottage home, stand, he endeavored to do. On the whole, Until the Father bid me come, I was very glad I went to see him. The priest, or deacon, who was with him, nodded assent to all I said, and seemed very much interested in the conversation.

TALKING. The Agriculturist, alluding to certain chatter-boxes, says: I don't believe what some folks say, that little girls should be seen and not heard. I wouldn't have them dumb for anything; but I want them to kn w how to talk, and when to be silent. I wish I could invent something to put in people's mouths, like what I saw fastened on to a water-pipe the scrupulous. We give an illustration from other day. They call it a filter. The water was quite muddy, but when it passed through the filter, it came out as clear as crystal. O! if we could only strain out all the naughty passionate, careless, silly, nonsensical and unkind words from conversation, what a pleasure it would be to listen! I'm afraid some people would not have much to say, and I'm sure the filter

THE BIBLE. Out of the Bible have come all pure native said, moralities. From it have sprung all sweet regeneration and reformation to millions of men. It has comforted the humble, consoled the mourning, sustained the suffering, and given trust and triumph to the

would want cleansing.

As early as the beginning of the last is mother's early instructions, and deep-century, laws existed in some of the colonassembled for devotional exercises, had kept up by individual exertion until the tary life in England. The influence of the year after the Declaration of Independence. w associations into which he was thrown In the early formation of our government, had tended to deaden his spiritual feel- those who looked upon the experiment ings, and religion had lost much of its with jealous eyes anticipated a speedy dispower on his mind and his spirits. He solution, from the fact that it made no pronever yielded to the temptations which vision for the establishment of religion. moral in his conduct, but eminently pure country is prohibited from making laws n his principles. He was too highminded prescribing and enforcing the observance to give countenance to those who scoffed of any particular faith or form of worship,

flung and fool-born jesting, and other im- ciples to regulate his conduct and animate in this country, by appointing a committee prudences, by which he lowered the min- his soul; and it was during his voyage to to devise as to the printing an edition of sterial character. To this course I was India that he happily found the object of thirty thousand Bibles. The population of the country then was only about three mil-Through the instrumentality of a fel- lions, and all the Bibles in the entire

The report of the committee appointed preacher, by the name of McMahon, who the omnipotent influence of divine truth by Congress forms one of the brightest was more of a time server and cringer and love, and diffused joy and peace epochs in the history of our country, and than a christian; that he presided over an through his mind, is thus described by sheds a clear and steady light over every subsequent eventful period. The public vices; and that, being called on to preach, ... It was while the writer was sailing recognition of God in that act was of inacross the wide Atlantic towards Bengal, finitely greater importance in giving stabe careful; that General Jackson was in that the spirit of God came to him with bility to the times, and securing the perthe house; that he answered in a loud its offer of peace and mandate of love, manency of our institutions, than all the voice, "Who cares for General Jackson?" which, though for some time resisted, at imposing and formidable array of legal enthat God would as soon damn him as any length prevailed. Then was wrought that actments ever made for the establishment

ishing souls are coming to us from every quarter. These truths are being read and told him he was a man after his own him in time; and he trusts has secured cure the necessary material, such as paper God is daily owning them as His instruments in the salvation of souls. I saw a lady a few days ago who was hopefully converted by the Spirit's blessing upon the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted by the Spirit's blessing upon the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted by the Spirit's blessing upon the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted by the Spirit's blessing upon the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted by the Spirit's blessing upon the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted by the Spirit's blessing upon the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted by the Spirit's blessing upon the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted by the Spirit's blessing upon the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted by the Spirit's blessing upon the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I trast converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I tract converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I tract converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I tract converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I tract converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I tract converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I tract converted to the tract converted to the tract "To the Afflicted." I tract converted to the tract converte soon to hear from friends, and receive gether in so small a compass as in the James Gardner, then a lieutenant in the lish Bibles from Holland, Scotland, or elsetheir donations to this work, all of which foregoing statement of this reekless man. 13th Foot, now a retired captain, engaged where, into the different ports of the States from decay by being covered with the edge of the truth as it is in Jesus? God

lock borrowed, in the first instance, the a careful investigation, recommended to life of Henry Martyn, and read it with Congress an edicion printed by Robert great interest. He then perused Scott's Aitken, of Philadelphia; whereupon it "Force of Truth," diligently comparing was the extracts from the Scriptures with the "Resolved, That the United States, in

Congress assembled, highly approve the Thus did Lieutenant Gardner become pious and laudable undertaking of Mr. his evangelical instructor, resolving his Aitken, as subservient to the interests of doubts as they arose, and leading him religion; and being satisfied of the care gradually to embrace Christian truth in all and accuracy of the execution of the work, its breadth with simplicity and affection, recommend this edition to the inhabitants

had added to the qualities of the man and How interesting is such a history of the tian; and thus was he accounted for that try! What moral sublimity in the fact, as career of usefulness and eminence which it stands imperishably recorded and filed has endeared him to his fellow-country- in the national archives! Who, in view of men. Vital religion became the anima- this fact, will call in question the assertion ting principle of all his actions, and a pathat this is a Bible vation? Who will ount feeling of his duty to God recti- charge the government with indifference fied and invigorated the sense of his duty to religion when the first Congress of the towards man. - Mem. of Sir H. Harclock. States assumed all the rights and performed all the duties of a Bible society long before such an institution had an exis-

tence?-Bible Society Record. MY GUEST. I have a wondrous guest. sent to inquire at what time I could see | Who strengthens, comforts, guides, commands Whose presence gives me rest.

He dwells within my soul; He garnished fair the empty room, And now pervades the whole.

For ave by day and night, Defile the temple he has bought, And tilled with joy and light. Once 'twas a cavern dim;

Without one thought of Him Regenerate by his grace.

And show his glorious face. Yet, Savior, ne'er depart

Whisp'ring within my heart. "I shake these cottage walls: Fear not; at my command they bow; My heavenly mansions open now,"

As this poor dwelling falls. The social life of heathen nations penetrated through and through by their religion, and the commonest duties in the family, in business and in travel, are identified with religious observances. It were well if christian nations were equally

A man of learning and talent, but an unbeliever, was traveling in Manilla on a scientific expedition. He was escorted by a native of rank, and, as they were about to start, the native, with the refined politeness which characterizes the Orientals. requested the white stranger to pray to

This was probably the only thing he could have been asked to do without being able to comply; and on his declining, the "Well some God must be prayed to, so

"Full many a shaft at random sent, Finds mark the archer never meant."

dying. The wise old man has fallen asleep was rebuked by a heathen, and the man together, and perhaps they would look so with it folded to his breast. The simple of science who had gone there in quest of unhandsome, that they would shame one cottager has used it for his dying pillow; natural curiosities, returned, having found another into good manners. But an even and even the innocent child has breathed the "pearl of great price." His next better plan was to send the whole tribe of It is as difficult to preserve fame, as a his last happy sigh with finger between its visit is to be as a missionary to preach growls, grumbles, croaks, spites, and bites, Christ.

A most remarkable and interesting dis-

covery has been made, within a few months zerland and France, of the remains of a people of an unknown race, and of some period previous to history. The first disroveries were made in 1854, near Concise, in the Canton de Vaud. Traces of an- Md cient habitations, of a somewhat similar kind, have been observed in Ireland. In excavations made on a railroad line,

on the margin of a lake, implements and selfool in the suburbs of Matamoras for a weapons of stone, and vessels of earthen- support. While distributing Bibles, I ware, were found, with fragments of called accidentally at his jacol, or house, planks, piles, bones of animals, birds and and offered to sell him a Bible. He said is hes, which attracted the attention of he had one already, and showed it to me. scientific men, and led to a careful inspec- 1 a ked if he read it. He answered, "It tion of the works as they proceeded. Ex- is food's book-why should I not read it?" plorations were afterwards made on the He then showed me a New Testament, borders of several other lakes in Switzer- which he had obtained in New Orleans, dred places attended with similar discovery and Bible Society in 1819, and its appeareries; and many of the collections of an- ance testified that it has been long and tiquaries and antiquarian societies, are well used. Between the leaves, marking supplied with hundreds of specimens of favorite texts and passages, were pieces of such curious remains, with well authentis corn husks or shucks. It is very common cated accounts of the localities, positions with the Mexicans to have corn shucks in and circumstances in which they were dis- their pockets or hats, of which to make covered. We shall content ourselves with their eigarritos; but this old man used a very brief notice of the most important them for a double purpose. My old friend results to which the learned have arrived - or so I came to regard him in a little from their careful observations and deduc- while-seemed to prize his old book as a tions made on the spot, at the time, and pourl of great price. I thought he looked under the most favorable advantages.— upon it with reverence and delight, and The subject has excited so much interest, his dim eyes sparkled as he spoke of its that many fictitious relics have been made, blessed truths and precious promises. I and palmed off as genuine; but compe- asked him if he prayed to the saints? He tent judges have been able to secute the said "No." If he worshipped the Virgin? genuine, and to detect and expose the im- " to; he worshipped God only-the Holy postures. We derive the following facts Tranity, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. from an article on the subject in the Paris I took up the testament, and turned to the Recue Archaelogique, conducted by "Les third chapter of the gospel according to Principaux Archiclogues Francais et Et- St John, and read the dialogue between

thus unexpectedly and accidentally dis- new birth or regeneration. He said he becovered, occupied small buildings of wood, lieved it was necessary to be born again. constructed upon platforms, built from the in order to enter the kingdom of God. He shores of lakes, and extending a consider- then told me of his own deep repentance able distance from the margin. The remains of the piles or posts which supported the platforms, and of the planks of faith in Christ. which the platforms and houses or huts I cannot tell you how it cheered my were constructed, are so far preserved, heart to find even one true christian in and in such positions, as to prove that this Mexico. May not the Bibles which I am custom existed. These have been kept now circulating bring more to the knowlabove it; and thus also have been pre- shine so brightly, as it declines, that othserved the handles and appendages of er may see the true path that leads up to many of the stone implements found everlasting lights! among or near them, as well as the bones of various animals, which served the people for food and certain objects of other kinds, as earthen vessels, ornaments, &c. Some of the animals have never been known in that part of Europe, from the carliest times of which we have any history; and the people must have be a inhabitants anterior to the Gauls and Celts because they were ignorant of metals,-From the discovery of a few articles of iron among the most recent remains, it has been conjectured that those people were conquered, and, perhaps, extermina-

ted by the Celts. It will be easily seen that these discoveries must throw new interest on some of the ancient relies of our country, as well as of many others, in different parts of the world. We find numerons remains of wrought stone in our soil, but the important part of the implements are entirely wanting, because made of perishable materials. Every arrow and spear-head once had its shaft, and every axe-head, hoe, hammer, &c., its handle, which, if entire, might have enabled us to form more definite ideas of its use. Besides, any people who would take the pains to shape stones into so many forms as we find, probably would employ shells, wood, and bones for many other purposes; so that we have to regret that only a very small share of the implements, utensils, tools, and ornaments of our American aborigines can have come down to our time, and that most of those we find are destitute of some important part. Their habitations, the remains of the animals on which they fed, except the shells of oysters and clams, have all been destroyed by time. But perhaps some are the resemblances between some of those stone relies and certain kinds found in the United States, that interesting light is thrown on several of the latter, by the agencies, motionless and chill, shall sleep descriptions and drawings in the publication before-mentioned. The World.

While speaking of the arrangements of length disappear, and again, as of old, his house, a gentleman of our acquaintance 'when the fountains of the great deep were said that on the first floor there were the broken up,' dining-room, the sitting-room, and the A shorders ocean tumble round the globe. growlery. We never before had heard of Was it with reference to this principle, so such an institution, but it instantly occur- recently recognized, that we are expressly red to us that here was a bright and pro- told in the Apocalypse respecting the ren ductive idea. A growlery! Why, we all givated earth, in which the state of things of us have the thing, the potent entity; shall be fixed and eternal, that 'there shall and would it not be well to segregate it be no more sea?' or are we to regard the from the common uses of the domicil, and revelation as the mere hieroglyphic-the endow it, so to speak, as a peculiar institu- pictured shape—of some analogous moral tion of its own? Why should it be mixed truth? Reasoning from what we know up with everything, jarring on the domes- - and from what else remains to us-an tie symphony, and setting the tune to darth without a sea-would be an earth withsomething other than a minor key? Why out rain, without vegetation, without life not withdraw it to a special room, and clear +a dead and doleful planet of waste kitchen, dining-room, sitting-room, parlor, places, such as the telescope reveals to us nursery, library, bed-chamber, attic, cellar, in the moon. And yet the ocean does and closet, of its unwelcome presence, seem peculiarly a creature of time-of all We foresee the growlery, therefore, rapidly | the great agents of vicissitudes and change, growing in favor. It will be the confest the most influential and untiring; and to onal of the house-a thing the Protestants a state in which there shall be no vicissihave always ached to have, and sadly tades and no change-in which the earthneeded. Only it will be a sort of self-con- quakes shall not heave from beneath, nor essional, and self-examinatory and self- the mountains wear down, and the conexplosive private closet. It will be the fun | timents melt away-it seems inevitably om of the house, too; for give grumb- necessary that there should be 'no more ling one turn more of the handle, and it sea."-Hugh Miller. makes it drollery right off. To the growlery, then, with the whole race of grumblers, croakers, scolders, worriers, foreboders. Let them do penance there, and swallow their medicine, the necessary desagremens, and infelicities, and contretemps of life, without agitating the whole household with their wry faces and unomfortable remarks. To the growlers with crying children, and sour youths, and scowling maidens, and pettish tempers, and cross dispositions, and the whole broad of So it was in this case. The unbeliever the miniature family devils! Put them a-budging, and burn so strong and fragrant

THE BIBLE AND THE FIRST CONGRESS. THE UNKNOWN ABORDGINES OF CENTRAL a postile of good-will and Christian love in home sanetuary, that the whole dismal ouppany would take to their heels .- Chris-

A BIBLE-READER IN MEXICO.

An agent of the American Bible Sociegives the following very interesting respecting a reader of the Bible in

think I have found one true christian Mexico. He is a Mexican, eighty y'rs He is very poor, and teaches a little rangers," written by Frederic Troyon.

The people whose remains have been I then asked him what he thought of the

sediment of the lake, and by the water grant it! May the old school teacher's sun

THE VOICE OF THE OCEAN. Was it the sound of the distant surf that was in mine ears, or the low moan of the breeze, as it crept through the neighboring wood? O, that hourse voice of ocean, nover silent since time first began-where has it not been uttered? There is stillness amid the calm of the arid and rainless desert, where no spring rises, and no streamlet flows; and the long caravan plies its weary march amid the blinding glare of sand, and the red, unshaded rays of fierce sun. But once and again, and et again, has the roar of the ocean been there. It is his sands that the wind hears up; and it is the skeleton remains of his vassals-shells and fish, and the stony coral that the rocks underneath inclose-There is silence on the tall mountain feak, with its glittering mantle of snow, where the panting lungs labor to inhale the thin bleak air-where no insect murmurs and no bird flies, and where the eye wanders over multitudinous hill-tops that lie far oneath, and vast dark forests that sweep on to the distant horizon, and along long hollow valleys where the great rivers be-And yet once and again, and yet again, has the roar of the ocean been there. The effigies of his more ancient denizens we find sculptured, on the crags, where they jut from beneath the ice into the mists-wreath; and his later beaches, stage beyond stage, terrace the descending slop-Where has the greate destroyer not en-the devourer of continents-the blue foaming dragon, whose vocation is to eat up the land? His ice-floes have alike rowed the flat-steppes of Siberia, and rocky flanks of Scheballian; and his nummulties and fish lie imbedded in great of our country, resembling those in the stones of the pyramids, hewn in the times of the Pharoahs, and in rocky folds of Swiss lakes, which may in part supply facts wanting to the archæologist. Such ldng as ocean exists, there must be disinto gration, dilapidation, change; and should the time ever arrive when the elevatory

within their profound depths, to awaken

no more-and should the sea still continue

to impel its currents, and to roll its waves

every continent and island would at

SUNDAY MORNING BELLS. From the near city comes the clang of bells; Their hundred jarring diverse tones com-

In one faint misty harmony, as fine These multiform and many color d creeds Seem but the robe man w

Round the one living truth Thou givest him

What if these varied forms that worship prove, Being heart-worship, reach thy perfect ear But as a monotone, complete and clear. Of which the music is t'irough Chist's name,

Forever rising in sublime increase To "Glory in the Highest-on earth, peace?"