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OUROWN If I had known in the morning How weary all the lay The words unkind Would trouble my mind, I said when I went away. I had been more careful darling. Nor given you heedless pain,

But we ver 'our own'

With look and tone

We may never take back again. For though in the quiet evening I may give you the kiss of peace, Yet it might be

That never for me-The pain at the neart should cease How many go forth in the morning That mover come back at night And heaves have been broken, By barsh words spoken, That sorrow can be er set right,

We have careful thought for the stran-And smiles for the sometime guest, But out for tour own?

The bitter tone, Though we love tom own the best, Ah! lips, with curse impatient! All ! brow with that look of scorn ! Twee o ernel fate Were the night too late To undo the work of the morn. - Sd.

Communicated.

For the Advocate. INFANT SALVATION-MY RE-VIEWER REVIEWED.

like it better (1) Because it is more the world is guilty because under "obvigorous and has a sharper point .-When men use intellectual lances that glitter, it shows they are carefully furbished; and when used with dexterity, was Christ guilty, because he was unit imficates practice.

fant to the adult, and discuss his condi- would reply, that our obligation to suf- after their birth, I reply that, while I who have preceded them to the of the infant's. But while | fer is not guilt.

And I object the more seriously be- far ? is the question. vrote and compare it with Bro. L's eration raise him ? diticism, he could not guess that Bro.

astification and regeneration. And the whence he has fallen? Does it forever prepare each individual for livinggoof texts were just as distinct. Bro. destroy the tendency to sin? Does it not simply for death. Preparation for good text that I used only in proof of Does the regenerate person always ex- the secondary. Holiness is the end, these not notice a single proof-text that these questions can be answered in the answer would be—That which necess that certain passages have been missin-I affirmative, let it not be said that be-sarily leads to right dying—as death in terpreted. would ask Bro. Lee if "in all soberness cause a child sins, therefore he has its character is the result of life. All It may be assumed, also, that the and honesty" he regards that a fair rep- never been regenerated. Such a con- seem to admit that the child who dies Bible teaches, either explicitly or imescentation of another's opinion and ar- clusion no more follows in the case of must be regenerated. Then I say, if it plicitly, all that it concerns us to know coment. A large per cent, of his ar- the infant than the adult. tot entertain and did not advance, the regeneration occur? I answer in the proceeds from one fountain. If the final state, God has declared His desire. horns, badger it, and then proclaim his language of a sage who was reminded 2. The penalty for the Adamic of wise and prudent that he should wait seviling him. He says, "But I am not was laid upon one other than Adam.

erate state," which I have never said. a sinner. Bro. L. and others cannot be 8. Church membership depends up- erated unconditionally; they are remov- 1851. In fact, I stated that "children are subjects of redeeming grace for two reasons: (1.) Because all are embraced in the coverage all are fallen. (2.)

S. Church members that are all the principle and not the imaginate definition by stood in his way.—It was big Joe, carbon the world, and consigned to heaven, without being consulted. They are nearow-left to enter the world, and consigned to heaven, without being consulted. They are nearow-left to enter the world, and consigned to heaven, without being consulted. They are nearow-left to enter the world, and consigned to heaven, without being consulted. They are nearow-left to enter the world, and consigned to heaven, without being consulted. They are nearow-left to enter the world, and consigned to heaven, without being consulted. They are nearow-left to enter the wor Because all are embraced in the covenant of grace." That native depravity was the basis of operation of the Spirit.

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relation of Christ to the world has accommonly be justified by pardon upon common ?" How is he elected ?- quence of Adam's transgression. Ralstually brought it into a regenerate condition of repentance and faith. The "Through sanctification of the Spirit ton speaks of them as being guilty in the state," &c. I was not arguing then in child has two advantages: (1.) By unto obedience." favor of regeneration at all, but justifi- atonement; original condemnation for cation. The following is my language: the first offence is removed, and the "But Christ legally stands related to Adamic race may be said to be in a the world in his federative character state of justification by provision. just as Adam stood; and so far as the (2). As infants have never violated fully studied the whole subject before ground that they are not sinners It both truth and honesty, and the relia- How many people helped to write it? relation of Adam's posterity to law is law, they may be said to be in a state I wrote a line upon it. I looked at all must be admitted that his use of the ble man must necessarily be truthful More than thirty. There were Matthew, trangression." Is there a word of re- Justification may have both a positive to by my reviewers, and others beside. charged with ambiguity. Brother Yates that exhibits the absence of this crown- were Moses, and Ezra, and David, and

extricable dilemma when arguing in fa- positively upright, both in spirit and vor of actual juscification in may "pro- life; or it may mean simply that the per exegesis" of Rom. 5: 18. That if law has no claim against him. If the the world enjoys the actual advantages law has no claim against him, he is in of the atonement, their relation to the sight of the law-giver in a state of Adam being parallel and correlate, they acceptance or justification. It is cermust actually suffer the penalty of tainly unreasonable to say that a person

for Adam's sin was not actually suffered by Christ as a solstitute. If so, how is it possible for all Adam's 10s- here of infant regeneration-which terity to suffer it themselves ? If they depends upon something else—the inhave to suffer it themselves, their substi- fant is born under this provision of tute amounts to nothing. "He was made atonement, and is in a state of justificasin for us * * that we might be made tion or acceptance with God. Now, I in reference to a large number of subthe righteousness of God in him." ask Bro. L. if this is not the proper ex-

So that I would relieve Bro. L. by saying that actual condemnation has been inflicted and actual justification column. If Bro. L. still contends that "God does for us through his Son." ligation to suffer implies guilt, then der obligation to suffer, and "was made

terity in polemics, I seriously object to ty of the Ademic law. If so, Christ, in does not speak of it in order of time, None can deny that the benefits of the day each family should worship as reg-

ers can judge that -but I do not pro- enunciate, he might have been saved the

muse there are very few of the readers | Bro. L. says, "A state of depravity of children would go astray,

Are we raised to the state from which I intended it as an honest review. I we fell ?-to Adamic perfection? Mr. aways accustom myself to systematic Wesley says not. He says that even teach children, and one in which they In accomplishing this passage, it bethinking, classification, and statement, Caristian perfection is not Adamic permanifest greatest interest if taught comes all to endeavor to base their belief the Saviour so soon as they know sin ? av classification, both of doctrinal Adamic perfection, he is all through You can train any child to love God. news and proof texts, was just as clear- life in a fallen state, though he is re- His affirmative answer to the question nt and distinct as I could possibly generated and even sanctified. Will may be somewhat mechanical at first, themselves satisfactory and conclusive. Church-members live like infidels at the of Bro. Lee's sense" should so en- will not go back on Mr. Wesley. If es when he says he loves Jesus, They They must be subjected by every think- home. The Bible is unread, praises trace of their beneficial civilization

Does regeneration in the adult immelove." I made a clear distinction between diately restore to the position from 6. The object of Christianity is to regarded as an integral part of divine hee consomals the two, and takes the prevent the possibility of sinning ? life is the primary object; for death miversal justification, and applies it to hibit the fruits of the spirit ? Is every not the means, both justification and regeneration, and act of his the act of a saint? Unless The question then is, What is neces- tradict himself. All seeming contra- make a sweet, healthful, absolute home.

by a friend that a fellow standing by, fence was executed or it was not. If it till the child is capable of understandindulging in opprobious epithets, was was not, God's word failed; if it was, it

3. The penalty for the Adamic of-Near the beginning of the first col- fence having passed from him to anoth-

must have been a sinner in order to be in a state of justification. Was not Adam in a state of justification before he sinned? Was not Christ who "He was wounded for our transgress- egesis of Rom. 5: 18, and that children

by provision of atonement are not born in this state of justification, what is the propor exegesis? At what period in life are all justified ? If in has been granted because of that fact .- Bro. L. is too well informed to be re-I hope this will help Bro. L. to explain minded that justification does not air the truth may make me free from all some of his perplexing antitheses that feet the character, but the relation of erroneous impressions. we find about the middle of the second the person to law. That it is what

ment of the work, it is done whether

seems to be intent upon finding out need not have supposed my adoption of tional viciousness by habit, ignorance, ship, that modern Calvinists have been suality, and sm. Without spiritual life what I did sor write and what I did the negative; for I plainly avowed the stupidity, provocation, bad teaching, led to give up the dogma of infant at home, it will be wholly lacking or the stupidity and the stupidity are studied to give up the dogma of infant at home, it will be wholly lacking or the stupidity are studied to give up the stupidity and the stupidity and the stupidity are studied to give up the stupidity and the stupidity are studied to give up the studied to give up the stupidity are studied to give up the studied to give up th affirmative. All are fallen. But how and worse examples of parents, it is damnation. But the question is, how exceedingly thin abroad. Children will trees, and along the side of the dusty often very different thing. The want

my articles so as to see for themselves tion is a risen state." I ask Bro, f., ed that children are an exception. No age of accountability "This is the engross affection. With pure sincere, tenwhat my arguments were. If a disin- how far is the child fallen, and what is one is so foolish as to say that they pous asinorum of Arminian theology; der religion at home, children will begin were sted reader were to take what I the proof? Also how high does regen- may be trained up without sinning at and yet all must pass over it satisfacfectually as an adult.

(3.) One of the easiest things to sponsibility.

trely misapprehend them. Or, if he this is true of the adult and is not ab. are interested in nothing more than ing man to the scrutiny of reason and never sung, prayer never heard. Can pes apprehend them, it is still more surd, how and why is it necessarily tional nature is excited by nothing revelation, before they can be either ac-

ing the nature of his laws before he begins that spiritual tuition which is ne-

cessary to a virtuous life ?

I do not know that I shall be called upon to explain any more. If any others reply, I hope they will reply to are fewer and less than are connected with any other view. It is more consonant with common sense, with our discipline and with the Bible.

Goldsboro, Oct. 39th, 1878. For the Advocate. A LETTER OF INQUIRY.

To Rev. W. D. Lee-Dear Brother : I trust you will pardon the liberty I take in thus publicly addressing you. many things I am simply "almost persuaded;" of many other things I am exceedingly doubtful; of very many things I am as yet, utterly ignorant. In everything I "sincerely desire to be better informed," and to know the truth that

5. That all children-whenever they Salvation, is one of very great impor- one who desires to be ligation to suffer," and because de- need it-either before or after birth, tance. This is true, not only because praved, I would reply, (1) that if ob- being embraced in the atonement, are in concerns us to know the moral status subject to the regenerating agency of and spiritual condition of children un- vate's theory | do not charge him, however, with truth, and he does not fear to maintain timent: "In every carnest life there are nounced against the monster evil. The their education may proceed upon a perfect through suffering." But if Bro. ment of the work, it is done whether they be conscious of it or not. If it be proper basis; but also because innumeratouches the point of controversy and L. answers that guilt was imputed to said that this contradicts the Scripture ble parents are anxious to be assured does not less immediately from the in- him and he suffered in our stead, then I which says they must be "born again" that "it is well" with the little ones do not say that their regeneration is land. More than one-half of the whole I admire his vigor, animation, and dex- (2.) That deprayity is not the penal- effected before birth, yet the Scripture human race, we are told, die in infancy. his unfairness in the presentation of suffering the penalty, would have had but of source. The word another transthe scrutiny of one's analysis and how If Bro. L. had examined what I literate that as they have a natural atonement are in some way applied to the scruting of one's analysis and how If Bro. L. had examined what I literate that as they have a natural atonement are in some way applied to the scruting of one's analysis and how If Bro. L. had examined what I subtle the sophistry—because the read- wrote simply to see what views I did birth, so they must have a spiritual ans especially, who plant themselves the Bible and have God talk to the from above. If it be objected that upon the glorious gospel doctrine of a family; pray and praise in song, and on pose that my own ideas shall be substituted by the last half of his tions and go astray, I answer: champions of this truth; and it is no without worship is a domestic or champions of this truth; (1.) That, considering the constitu- doubt in consequence of their champion- phanage, and a school of unbelief, senreasonable to expect that the majority are the benefits of the atonement applied grow up Christless; physical objects d this discussion, that have preserved is a fallen state. A state of regenera- (2.) Adults ALI sin. It is not claim- to infants dying before they reach "the and carnal life will absorb attention and all; but that they may be trained to torily who would give assured comfort christian virtue just as easily and cf- to the bereaved, or properly enforce the awful fact of parental and doctoral re-

more than the story of "Jesus and his cepted or rejected. And reason imperarevelation, unless it is found to harsary to right living? I suppose the dictions in holy writ only serve to show

sense of being involved in the penal consequences of the fall; viz: the temporal form a good character, there is not one write the Bible? Fifteen hundred years. and spiritual death visited upon all more important than reliability. Most From Moses, who wrote Genesis, to what I have written and not to what mankind But he argues for the salva-emphatically is this true of a good busi-John, who wrote Revelation, it was that the Church is in a languishing state,they imagine I would write. I care- tion of all who die in infancy, upon the ness man. The word itself embraces long, long time. the difficulties that have been referred term guilt renders him liable to be and honest. We see so much around us Mark, Luke, Paul and Peter.-There generation in that? I would ask Bro. and negative significance, or a negative And while there are difficulties con-L. again if that is a fair representation. only. It may mean that the person is nected with my view of the subject, just cannot be guilty in the ordinary sense of our bilious moods, to deny its very ex- herds, some farmers, some fishermen, as there are in all other subjects con- the word; and that infants are without istence. But there are, nevertheless, re- some tent-makers, some kings, some any moral character, is generally ad- liable men, men to be depended upon, judges, some princes; some were learnmitted. Neither holiness nor sin can to be trusted, in whom you may repose ed; some were unlearned; and yet all be predicated of those who are ignorant confidence, whose word is as good as agree in what they write. of the nature and obligations of moral their bond, and whose promise is perfor- How could that be? Because God law. But without holiness no man mance. If any one of you know such a did all the thinking in the Bible. The can see the Lord. Infants are not un- man, make him your friend. You can thoughts in the Bible are all God's der condemnation; for they are not sin- only do so, however, by assimilating his thoughts.

ners. They are not prepared for heaven, character.

A CONSISTENT ARMINIAN.

Delections.

RELIGION AT HOME.

Religion at home is more precious than at church, or in the world. Every the Saviour's love and never know re-

authority. The opinions of learned at the family altar. But he is not divines upon this question are not of honored. Thousands upon thousands of they not pray? The Lord's Prayer can at least be repeated in concert. Is It is waste of time and waste of life to monize with all the other great doctrines | ignore God. We can have no real home of the Bible; for no truth canever conflict without him. It requires a Heavenly -Baptist Union.

UNITED STATES.

At the house of the Rev. T. F. Glenn, must be regenerated. Then I say, it it plicitly, all that it concerns us to know is necessary for death it is necessary for death it is necessary for death it is necessary in reference to the plan of salvation. On the Kingston Circuit, we formed the chitectural effect, and partly not reveal of difficulties—had occasion, some time tacle is the opposing of opinions I do If the question is asked, "When does for life. Life, in its many streams, we to stream a gentleman of salvation. With regard to man's present duty and very pleasant acquaintance of Mr. Paul is a joy forever. — Wesleyan Advo- at a greater distance the locality of the ago, to cross-examine a gentleman of refutation of an argument I did not em- language of Bro. Lee—"Whenever it streams are right, the fountain must be He cannot look upon sin with the least United States. He was born and bred Stephens, the oldest living engineer in the cate. own invention. If Bro. Lee proposes to Bro. I 's article touching what I wrote till their children are capable of unmagine such a puerile competitor, invert to reply to, I shall state a few thoughts derstanding the nature of all their all men to be saved. Neither has God ever brought to this country. It ar- as Dr. John Brown, of Edinburg, or his argument, create his own dilemma, in the form of propositions so that they commands before they began the pro- any secret decrees. The great decree of rived November or December, 183!, and have so many to tell. "I never," said The Memory.—There is no better cess of training? What would be election and reprobation has been pub- was put up in the spring of 1832. Wm. he, can forget an incident during the way to strengthen the memory than by 1. Christ died for Adam and all per- thought of the man who should wait lished from the foundation of the world. L. Marcy was then Governor of New cholera of 1830. One morning a sailor the habit of speaking the ecaet truth. victory over his own figurent, I have no sons whom he represented. The pro- till the scion had grown to florescence Under the gospel dispensation, its only York, and harried up Mr. Stephens that came to say I must go three miles down In some minds there is a strong tenobjection provided he acknowledges pavision was made and the promise given and fruitage before beginning to train formula is, "He that believeth shall be the engine might make its first trip the river to a village where it had brokdency to exaggerate or diminish, to it? Can we suppose that God is less saved; he that believeth not shall be from Albany, N. V., to Schenectady, a en out with great fury. Off I set. We magnify or minify. Various motives Brother Thomas seems to have a lopt- of July. But he had it completed on passing the huge hulks, and hearing the Aside from its moral bearings, the ed the theory, of infant regeneration, in the first day of July. Marcy came up restlues convicts turning in their beds habit of exaggerating is injurious as aforder to escape the legitimate conse- the next day, and seeing she had been in their chains. The men rowed with feeting the memory. It is not enough 7. Baptism depends upon spiritual quence of affirming the unconditional finished, said, "I can't wait; you must all their might; they had too many that one is able to recall facts in a fitness. What is baptism? We say it salvation of infants which would be, in run her out." And he ran her at the dying or dead at home to have the heart general way. Too much minuteness, mm, Bro, L. quotes one of my state- er, he and his posterity were relieved is a sign and scal. A sign of what? his opinion, to acknowledge the validi- rate of eight and a half miles per hour, to speak to me. We got near the place. indeed, may not be desirable. But "Ah!" exclaimed the lawyer, gleefulments correctly, and it is the only in- from that penalty for the first of- Corruption? No! A sign of the in- ty of the claims of Calvinism. Brother from Albany to Schenectady, on the It was very dark, but I saw a crowd of whenever it is important that details by rubbing his hands in orthodox legal ward washing of the Holy Ghost. A Bagwell seems to have the same view. third. Mr. Stephens was only twenty men and women on the shore, all shout- should be given, exactness is absolutely fashion. Now, that is consoling. What

the same column as saying, "Since the don. An adult who has committed sin, number of the faithful and Elect of being condemned as criminals in conse gentleman. - The Holston Methodist. | Selected.

THE RELIABLE MAN.

Of all the qualities that combine to

processes of thought, they need futher passionate man; if so by nature, he has path. declapment. In your first article, you intimated that faith is the only and uni- man, not a plotter or schemer. He does versal condition of salvation. Hence not promise rashly. What he says may all who are saved must be capable of be relied on. He is a trust-worthy man: faith Now, then, what becomes of the You feel safe with your property, or the The discussion in the columns of the infants who die in infancy? An administration of affairs in his hands. Advocate, on the question of Infant answer to this inquiry will greatly oblige He is a watchful, vigilant man. You feel secure in his protection. He is a be formed, of course then its component parts may be modeled to that formation.

DEAN STANLEY ON GOOD DEEDS.

The weary traveler in the south of Spain, who, after passing many an aird plain and many a bare hill, finds himself, at nightfall under the heights of say over our religious beliefs is one Grenada, will hear plashing and rip- thing, and to realize them to our intel road, the grateful murmur of running for us all in these days, as in most prewaters, of streamlets, whose sweet mu- vious days, is a living faith-a "faith sic mingles with his dreams as he sleeps. and meets his ear as the first pleasant to be Christians so soon as they learn of voice in the stillness of the early dawn. the shadow of death and fear no evil. blessing the word, that soul is awakened What is it? It is the sound of the ir- Christian World. rigating rivulets called into existence Why should the offspring of saints by the Moorish occupants of Grenada five centuries ago, which, amidst all the changes of race and religion, have never upon conviction rather than upon mere | Generally they will if Christ is honored | len, their creed has been suppressed by fire and sword, their nation has been driven from the shores of Spain, and their places crumble into ruins; but this still continues; and in this continuity that which was good and wise and generons in the gifted, but unhappy race, still lives on to cheer and refresh their enemies and their conquerors. Even so there no time to take counsel of God ? it is with the good deeds of those who have gone before us. Whatever there has been of grateful consideration, of kindly hospitality, of far-reaching genwith another truth, God can not con. Father as well as earthly parents to erosity, of gracious charity, of high minded justice, of saintly devotion-these still feed the stream of moral fertilization, which will run on when their place THE OLDEST ENGINEER IN THE knows them no more, when even their names have perished. The vision of a facades. The earliest were square, then noble character, the glimpse of a new kind of virture, does not perish. A

NONE BUT A PARENT.

distance of eighteen miles, on the fourth rowed in silence down the dark river, operate to encourage this tendency. tation is as follows: "There never has 4. Because of Christ's righteonsness seal of what? condemnation? gnit? But in arguing for the regeneration of years old, when he put up that engine. ing for the doctor. We were near the shore essential; not the least coloring of a fact is this instance which you remember so been a time when infants (children) as a substitute, the free-gift comes upon been a time when infants (children) as a substitute, the free-gift comes upon been a time when infants (children) as a substitute, the free-gift comes upon been a time when infants (children) as a substitute, the free-gift comes upon been a time when infants (children) as a substitute, the free-gift comes upon been a time when infants (children) as a substitute, the free-gift comes upon been a time when infants (children) as a substitute, the free-gift comes upon been a time when infants (children) as a substitute, the free-gift comes upon been a time when infants (children) as a substitute, the free-gift comes upon been a time when infants (children) as a substitute, the free-gift comes upon been a time when infants (children) as a substitute, the free-gift comes upon been a time when infants (children) as a substitute, the free-gift comes upon been a time when infants (children) as a substitute, the free-gift comes upon been a time when infants (children) as a substitute, the free-gift comes upon been a time when infants (children) as a substitute, the free-gift comes upon been a time when infants (children) as a substitute, the free-gift comes upon been a time time and the first time and time a were not subjects of redeeming grace." all Adam's posterity to justification baptism into the visible body of Christ the difficulty. All infants do not live Sand Mountain on the Nashville and bair grey, his head partly bald. He said your imagination to any reasonable ex-This statement did not suit Bro. L. (not regeneration.) Here I wish to ex one who is in a state of corruption and to an age of accountability. It is an Chattanooga Railroad; length of tunnel, nothing, but turning them all off with tent to illustrate a principle or a sen-Institute of the statement during them all out them all out the statement during them all out the statement during them all out them all out the statement during them all out the statement during them all out them all out the statement during them all out them all o five lines below, he changes it, and quotes me as saying "there never was a time when infants were in an unregentime when infants were in an unregential bit in the principle or the way where the was, he had me to be a difficulty of the way of the Thomas and Bagwell, they are regen- pany presented him a silver medal in me high up in his left arm, and with his sentiment is thus brought more distinct- ance at Commencement, and I have a

HOW LONG AND HOW MANY.

Number 45.

These thirty men only did the writfor they are not righteous. Sprung The reliable man is a man of good ing. They wrote just what God told from a falten race, they are the victims judgment. He does not jump at con- them. How many different sections of of a spiritual leprosy, which will, even clusions. He is not a frivolous man, books are there in the Bible. Sixty-six, when they become sufficiently develop- He is thoughtful. He turns over a sub- all bound together, comprised in one ed to become subjects of regenerating ject in his mind and looks at it all beautiful whole. It is a blessed volume. do so with unfeigned diffidence. I am grace, incline them to evil, and that around. He is not a particular or a Prize it above every volume in the wide, a searcher after truth. My opinions, continually. Hence they must be born one-sided man. He sees through a wide world. Receive it as the man of again. When can infants, dying in in- thing. He is apt to be a very reticent your counsel and the guide of your life. jects, are merely in a formative state. Of fancy, be regenerated? According to Bro. man. He does not have to talk a great Your life can never be a failure if you Yates,* inasmuch as regeneration is ef- deal. He is moderate, not only in habits follow its instructions; it shall be a fected by the spirit operating upon the of body but also of mind. He is not a lamp to your feet and a light to your

WALK IN THE LIGHT.

It was wise as well as tender advice that the Quaker lady gave to one who went to her in an hour of perplexity; What you have seen in the light never doubt in the darkness." And turning brave man, for his conclusions are logi- "Hours of Thought," we come upon the over the pages of Dr. Martineau's can be thoroughly honest and truthful out of sight-he sun, moon -and not a without being good. Is such a quality tint of light upon the path below; when attainable? Most assuredly so. It is the only guidance is the faith of brighnot born, it is made. Character may ter hours and the secret Hand, we are fore such counsel of confidence can bethat are to be our stay and comfort in days of weakness and of gloom. It is often because we never really learn anything in the light that we have increasing beauty and glory to the house nothing to sustain us in darkness. To of God. Oh, that we may prize it that works by love and purifies the

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and architectural effect. J. T. R. Reply -The tower was originally a a main tower or "keep" design for defence, the walls being immensely thick, the ground. Church towers were confirst were invariably separated from the Zion; "thy walls, salvation, thy gates, main building. They were designed chiefly to give an imposing appearence to the structure. After a while the tower formed part of the church edifice. flanking or decorating the middle of the round, and later of polygonal form. In this Few can tell a pathetic story so well which all true worship should arise.

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(Westeyan (Ga.) Advocate.)

Every now and then we are told that Infidels say so because they wish it so. And good men lie down under the juniper tree and wail out their weariness

and impatience. Poor Elijah! Grand old Francis Asbury used to write terrible things against "the people called Methodists" in his day. We have spent many hours pouring over his "Journal," - which is his best life, -and if his occasional predictions had come true we would believe that his criticisms of the traveling preachers whose disposition to marry gave him such trouble,-were just. We hope we shall not be charged with want of reverence for the memory of one of the truest successors of the Apostles if we say, that the indigo tinge was most apt to show itself in his diary, either just after fatigue from excessive traveling or preaching, or in connection with his frequent illnesses.

LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

We are glad to see that our editors and public men are more and more disposed to calculate the enormous outlays required by the overwhelming monopoly, and to compare them with the expenditures for the necessities of life and for those things that minister to the real elevation and well being of the people. It is a one sided question. Reason, conscience, political economy, social and civil consideration, all pronounce the liquor traffic as wasteful, corrupting and them. He is a good man, for no one weary flats to tread, with the heavens Raleigh Observer, in estimating that North Carolina pays \$8,500,960 for its liquor, while it only gives about \$1,000,-000 for education and \$269,830 for re-"think eight times as much of whiskey come of practical use, it is evident that as they do of education, and thirty two we must, in our days of mentel and times as much of whiskey as they do of spiritual health, really assure our Christian faith." Will intelligent peoselves of those principles and truths ple long submit to such a disgraceful anomaly ?- Christian Weekly.

> But there is a way to be adding evermore and more! Go out into the lanes and highways; find some outcast wretch

-some stray fragment of the universal wreck of man, some trampled stone in the miry clay; sound aloud the word of the Lord, that harp of blessed music by which heart," Possessing this, we shall be the spirit draws mankind to Christ, able to walk even through the valley of By-and-by, under the power of God, to a sense of ruin and want, and is led in the strong captivity of the truth, to Christ. No sooner does he touch a man, than the virture of a new life comes unto him, and he lives. The love of God is shed abroad in his heart. The beautiful garniture of inward graces, more precious than the most fine gold, adorns him. He is united to Christ, and the custom of putting steeples or spires through him to God. Here is the honor on church buildings originated; also, if of the Church, the preciousness of the they are intended to serve any other gospel; and the glory of the grace of God. How wouderful that communicapurpose at present than that of belfries | God. How wondering that communicadead, that ascension of the regenerate soul "to sit in heavenly places with structure by itself. Feudal castles had Christ!" Look unto the rock whence he was hewn and the hole of the pit whence he was digged! How is God glorified in such an addition to his Church? with narrow windows or holes far above What joy is it to the angels that do his will? By such is the Church a building structed after a similar design, and at of God. Thus does it rise toward heav-

A SHARP LAWYER CAUGHT.

One of those shrewd, sharp, and sareastic lawyers-of that class who take demoniacal joy and unspeakable pride church. There was also, with many, a some little prominence. The sharp devotional idea, in thus pointing, as lawyer managed, after much skillful manwith a finger, to the heavens toward ouvering, to so confuse the witness that the only answer he could obtain to his

question was, "I don't recollect." When the lawyer had this answer returned to him a score or so of times, his patience gave out. "Tell me, Mr. J." he exclaimed, with biting sarcasm, 'can you everremember anything?"

"I can," was the response. "Can you carry your memory back for twenty years, and tell 'me a single ustance that happened then?"

"Yes, I think I can," returned the

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