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For the ADVOCATE.

our Georgia Correspondence.

BY REV. G. G. SMITH.

m glad you are taking good care Key. You will find him r of the situation at Con-Bro. Bumpass seems to be he passed on this line is a interesting chapter in History. as a matter of fact it should at. It does not at all alter, the truth of any dogma hr as to give his right of mone side or the other. I an say with some positive-Mr. Wesley believed, and when his views are clearly cont, it will be seen that Bro. is as far from believing all

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matter of fact like this settled, and I am a little of brethren each getting on side of the shield, and gone another with mistakes,

denying, patient waiting-he had not the remotest dream of ones claiming it, by naked faith of his own volition, and when men began to profess it, and when men began to profess it, merely because they thought they had believed, he was very careful in

is tian Perfection, and the Dr. is istian Perfection, and the Dr. is tian Perfection, and the Dr. is le hurt at Bro. Bumpass inti-ng that the Doctor had misread Wesley and slandered him. Mr. Wesley never dreamed he was infallible, and never red any one for differing with *except his preachers*, and the nesses, one may be sure. Naturally affectionate and trustful and unsusgot to such a height in London, that John himself had to lay a hand on Thomas Maxfield, and Bey Briggs. The Holiness Band became angered with Mr. Wesley and left the Society, and then he sent out his Plain as Dr. Edwards, and yet Account, his last utterance on this ally both agree with him. subject. It is useless for one to deny

that Mr. Wesley taught: 1. That there is a state of grace

subsequent to conversion, that is called Christian Perfection. 2. That it may be attained by faith,

at any time when it shall please God to give us this faith.

A Letter From Ex-Gov. Holden.

I see by your issue of the 12th in-stant that you have a new outfit for stant that you have a new outfit for your paper. The former sheet was presentable and good looking, but this one is compact, clear, business like, and very handsome in its typo-graphical execution. Persons who write for the press like to have their productions in clear plain type, on a white sheet, without *friars* or *ma*-*ckle*. And they are pleased too with typographical accuracy, that is that hypothesis was after an correct. He had interpreted the book aright. He was not anxious to discredit the wit-nesses, one may be sure. Naturally affectionate and trustful and unsus-picous he rejoiced in these profess-ions, but Charles, whose fervor was greatly cooled, was not credulous. the Abyocare is what it ought to be greatly cooled, was not credulous. typographical accuracy, that is, that the fayetteville *Coserver* was order greatly cooled, was not credulous. He did not believe these pratings as he called them, and he wrote his short hymns, against them: at last things got to such a height in London, that he here allow the provide the state in the state. I read all my printed in the State. I read all my printed in the State. I read all my here the state is a state in the state is a state is a state in the state is a state is a state is a state in the state is a state is a state in the state is a state i marriages and deaths, besides the political matter and the selections. And this every Editor should do who expects to have a correct paper. I have been reading your paper for a number of years, and I can truly say code. Love, jealousy, hatred, ambiit is nearly entirely clear of errors tion, pride, revenge, are too often cle-or mistakes. I can see that you have vated into the rank of splendid virtues, first-class printers, which shows and form a dazzling system of worldly itself in the location of the articles, morality in direct contradiction to the in the use of the rules separating the articles, in the manner in which the advertisements are displayed, and in as pointed a contrast as human imagi- prosy business of raising a church and in other ways. Peter received It is useless again, to deny that the general contour of the sheet, Mr. Wesley taught that External which results from its make-up. and devoted to the interest of their employer. And you, my dear brother, ought to be very grateful, as I know you are, for the good Providences which have always been over you. Your friends therefore, not very important to inrejected all his teaching on this sub- have the happiness to believe that ject, except the Plain Account as they you were cut out exactly for your argue on the possible goodness of a place. You preach every week in print to not less than thirty-five I hope this exhibit of Mr. Wesley's thousand souls. You preach oldbringing about a chartitable judg- Methodism, or Christianity, to your ment; for unfortunately nothing can ment from brethren toward cach readers, and you observe closely the bed me until not only the stage itself other. He was in doubt himself, teachings of the Master, which were has undergone complete purification, been, not that brethren do not reach | reward you, and men and women | Perfection's height, but that they are who love the Lord will sustain you. hope of success ; there must always be not fully converted, and do not live as Remember always that you preach a harmony between the taste of the re that Holiness without which converted people should. If I could the Gospel, which is love. And that get them well justified there would love "envieth not, vauneth not its-be little trouble on the other line. love "envieth not, vauneth not its-elf, is not puffed up, * * is not people go to a play not to be instructed, elf, is not puffed up, * * is not The want of perfect agreement easily provoked, thinketh no evil, I suppose there are now in this State about eight or ten religious papers, and some ninety secular papairs. Secular is defined as "per-taining to this present world," or as 'worldly-mindedness." So we have the religious papers, and the worldlyminded papers. Doubtless they all do good in their way. I have no purpose to assail any of them. Some of the worldly-minded papers possess are more or less the advocates and defenders of what are called good believe, defend and commend dancing, theaters, and operas. They are the devotees of what they call "pleasfriend and brother, Daniels, of the Raleigh Chronicle, is inclined to approve the course of Miss Abbott, in Nashville, in her reply to Dr. Candler, who had pointedly characterized and their writings are very valuable, theater-going and actors and operas in a recent sermon, she being prescular paper like the Wilmington Star, are all that raise their voices against this increasing iniquity. wish the pulpit in this city, and every where, would be more pointed than it is in its warnings against this worldly-mindedness. "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long

nes of this perfecting work, have been more misunderstood than any of his views. He did believe *it might be given in* an instant, and we were to look for it, but it was given to self-down in the believe it with the believe it were to here. A Letter From Ex-Gov. Holden. Wilberforce, and many other per-sons of distinction. When a young lady she wrote dramas for Garrick, attended the theatre, and shone in

the best London society. But her biographer states that afterwards, on the death of Garrick, "her views of theatical amusements has already become modified by an increasing observation of their affects, and a form

standard of *honor*, in direct opposition to the standard of Christianity. World-ly honor is the very soul, and spirit, and life-giving principle of the drama. It is her moral and political law. Fear morality in direct contradiction to the spirit of Christianity. The fruits if the spirit and the fruits of the stage, of the parallel were followed up, would exhibit the spring and settled down to the the spring and settled down to the set of the spirit of the spring and settled down to the set of the spring and settled down to the set of the spring and settled down to the set of the spring and settled down to the set of the spring and settled down to the set of the spring and settled down to the set of the spring and settled down to the set of the spring and settled down to the set of the spring and settled down to the set of the spring and settled down to the set of the set of the spring and settled down to the set of the set nation could conceive."

Opinions in Brief.

Monroe Enquirer and Express :

It appears from the results of the late elections in Michigan, Texas and Tennessee, that the local option method is the safest for success to the great and righteous cause of prohibition.

Ruskin :

"In all things throughout the world, the men who look for the crooked will see the crooked, and the men who look for the straight will see the straight."

Christian Standard :

Soft words and hard arguments are always safest and best. Let us agree where we can; disagree only where we must. Let the kind words and pleasing behavior be conspicuously illustrated by us, no matter how it may be received by those with whom we deal.

Southern Christian Advocate :

All the criminals of the State are not inside the Penitentiary walls, and it may be doubted whether the worst ones are there. Many an accomplished rascal goes unwhipped of justice, and some of them may sit on cushioned pews in our most elegant houses of worship.

For the ADVOCATE.

debt. It was prosy. Disgusted at the sacrament from the hands of and left him in the midst of peach and wine in his mouth, denied blossoms and pretty warblers, and Christ and swore falsely. Let us sunlit showers, and crimson-cheeked | not imitate his sinful conduct. Conmornings, with a heart as impervious as a superannuated mile-stone; knowledgement of the truth of his and the other day when he tried to claims and relation to salvation. conciliate the fickle beauties they | He was the son of God. When other side. Raising church debts is anism. He was also a neur of sora good business for a man who wants to feel lonesome.

Brazil and Asia will be exhausted in supplying dazzling head ornaments for the newly-made kings of heaven. An unreverential sinner is not too reverential to ask: If everybody in heaven is to have one of these crowns what will they be worth a dozen? But He who, in this life, covers us with "loving kindness and tender mercies" will not in the world to come put his children off with a glittering triffe. It will be "crown of righteousness," "a crown of rejoic-ing," "a crown of life," and my crown will not be depreciated an iota if millions receive the same inheritance.

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For the ADVOCATE. The Necessity of Confession.

BY REV. J. C. ROWE.

The necessity of confession as an element of religion cannot be denied. Christ says "Whosoever, therefore, shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my father which is is before betown. which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my father which is in heaven." Matt. 10: 32, 33.

To make this confession does not require that we should at all times, if at all, make a full tabular statement of the points of our faith. Neither is this duty fully performed when we "make our humble confes-The Rambler. The Rambler laid aside his pen in The Rambler laid aside his pen in such a choice all the goddesses of in- | Christ and in the same night, with spiration skipped his acquaintance the taste of the sacramental bread fession of Christ involves an actossed their heads and turned up we acknowledge his Divine Sonship their noses and passed by on the we rise above Social and Arirows and acquainted with grief. He hath borne our griefs and sorrows. He was wounded for our transgressions. He was bruised for our iniquities. The chastisement of our peace was upon Him and with His stripes we are healed. He is our mediator between us and God. He made an atonement for our sins. And his is the only name given under heaven whereby we must be saved. We look for and receive pardon by faith in Him. These points of faith in Him raise us above Deism. In our confession of Christ we cultivate both the habit and spirit of prayer, but our prayers are all offer ed through Him as our high priest interceding for us in heaven. This confession of Christ is not made by formal statement. But it is most We are exhorted to "quench not clearly made by a daily life of obedience to His commandments. "Let your fight shine." "Confess your faults one to another" is the command of the Apostle Says my irritable neighbor (one's James. When a man has wronged neighbor may not be far off), when I his brother, either by word or aclie down at night and say I have had tion, he ought to make confession of a dozen crosses, the painful con- that wrong and ask forgiveness of sciousness crosses one that I, my- the injured one. We so often, through envy or misjudgment, do injustice to others. When this is done we ought to confess our error and mistake. This is the only way to remove the tarnish from our own characters. It is hard to live an active life and not experience collissions of plans and interests. These collissions generate hard thoughts, unwe ought kindly to tell others of "An honest confession is good for the soul," Honest christian confession is also good for society.

Vesley found himself as a uxiond student of Theology ere of almost unmixed To be a good churchwas to hate a dissenter, and a and stand by the churchs were despised, and Rectors. good companions for Sources. He read Jeremy Hely Living. It aroused nead Wm. Laws "Serious in Holy Life." He and Charlked the sixty miles to Mr. parish, and had an interview bet austere, mystical legalist. embraced the doctrine of Perfection, with all his and it was this doctrine which ife to the Holy Club, but he this inward holiness, and ward correctness of life, so to salvation, were to be seby works. Self-denial—the nts, Methodism, seperation the world, this was the way to in can see the Lord. For seven Mr. Wesley believed and sought Christian Perfechas consed all this controversy. . Wesley has been supposed by to hold the same views of Retion held by Calvinists, by galians and by many Metho-I venture to say not one conman, as we count him, and dy, 1 think in five hundred,

Institled by faith was saved on found that he must low- with God, and constant dominion dews of Christian Perfection, over sin. the statement that it was the conclusion that there | Jesus Christ. Mally of God, he was pardoned, he liberty to publish. idically changed, he had the ⁸⁸ of the Spirit, he had don over all sin inward and outbut he had inclination toward doing, which often troubled did evidenced an impure heart.

Practical Holiness, dominion over Your printers are all fine young in, constant joy and peace, was not men, very industrious and sober, dependent upon this grace.

2. That the grace of entire sanctification was very rare.

3. That when possessed, it should be professed with great caution. The Georgia Holiness Association has understand it, and by that they should be judged.

views will have some influence in fashioned, flat-footed, unadulterated

y works. Justification came with Mr. Wesley's views may cause hopeth all things, endureth all Sanctification, and it was by a search into the Bible and Christian things." Love hath for its essence and works. Then he met Experience, and the question shall and model the Lord Jesus Christ, Babler, then he learned the be settled there. There is no doubt who freely gave himself for others. of the fact that the present Holiness s on Regeneration and right movement in the church is modern, mistake has been made, as much so as the Woman's Missionary Movement. It began about twenty years ago in the formation of the National Aossociation, of which Rev. I. S. Inskip was President, but there is as little doubt that the views presented by Rev. J. T. Crane and Rev. J. H. Baxter, and accepted by many of our church, are modern the height Mr. Wesley be- too, that they are new, does not a good moral tone, and all of them just after his conversion that prove them false. On one point we to be, and we may be holy, and that morals. But nearly all of them, I egan to preach as fully as none of us have reached the top. We,

and the Count that the man | I think, can all accept this statement. 1. That there is a state of grace in sin, inward and outward, which we can have conscious peace ure." I observe that my young

2. That this state is reached by all believers. He then ar- Entire Consecration and faith in

ostates of Christian life, in Bro. Jarrell has received a promisincere Christians nence he has not sought for, and is e found and divided the perhaps misunderstood. That I dif. ent. Dr. Candler simply performed in family into two parts. Fer with him, he knows, but how he his duty as a man of God. The pul-Christian and the Perfect feels to those who do, will appear pit and a few religious papers, with The Christian was the from the private letter I take the the exception now and then of a se-

LAGRANGE, GA., I SEPT. 19TH, '87.)

DEAR GEORGE :-- I reached home from the Tabernacle at C-----ville, Friday night and found yours. Glad to Tadication of these inclinations Unistian Perfection. Toward sent to Pope Callaway's request for pub-

But may not the stage become so purified as to render it at least harmless and unojectionable? Miss More answers as follows :

"What the stage might be under another and an imaginary state of things, it is not very easy for us to know, and quire. Nor is it the soundest logic to thing, which, in the present circumstances of society, is doing positive evil. from the imagined good that thing might be conjectured to produce in a supposed state of unattainable improvetre can be adopted with any reasonable spectator and the nature of the specbut to be amused." *

We would point the latter to those principles laid down to Wesley by his crosses. mother : "Whatever weakens your reason, impairs the tenderness of your con. science, obscures your sense of God, or takes off the relish of spiritual things, -in short, whatever increases the strength and authority of your body over your mind, that thing is sin to you, however innocent it may be in itself."

But I will not trespass further by extracts, which might be greatly multiplied. I would put these opinions and sentiments about the stage, from this illustrious Christian woman, now in glory, in opposition to Miss Abbott, and the thousands of writers now-a-days who defend this iniquity of the opera. It is hardly necessary to say these things to Methodists. The mind and the heart of the Methodist Church are fixed against operas and theatres.

I neglected in the first part of this letter to refer to the head of your paper. It is new, and very handsome. And your correspondents, and add greatly to your paper. I have not space to enumerate them, but I read them all with pleasure and with profit. Especially the letters of my dear old friend and brother, the Rev. Dr. John E. Edwards. I feel that a great light will go out when his light shall cease to be seen in the window of your sheet. May the Lord bless him as he grows in wisdom and years, and raise up men just like him, to serve the Church, when he is gone.

Yours in the Lord, W. W. HOLDEN.

Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 20th, '87.

Now that the Rambler is ready to return to his trade he is grieved to He and Charles differed, so did he and Joseph Benson (see his letters) and he allowed in all kindness these perience as a pastor my trouble has perience as a pastor my trouble has the system of pure and uncorrupt thea- ally keep enough unexpended energy in stock to run a pen. We are still looking for the man who can raise a church debt and has enough energy left to pay for the trouble of earning it. That is after he has set aside the regulation amount to be

expended in talking about his

the spirit," and we obey the injunction—when the spirit is a bad one. After all, are we really bearing a cross, or are we only cross ourselves? self, have been the crossest one of | them all.

"A dozen crosses!" We pronounce the words without a shudder. How beautiful is our resignation! How calm we are, how perfectly undisturbed as we solemnly declare that a dozen times a day we taste of all the horrors of the cruci- kind words and, too often, sinful acfixion! The baby is fretful; the tions. And instead of fretting over cook late; the bucket in the well; com- | evil-does, either real or imaginary, pany coming to dine and it is washday; the gate left open and the pigs their faults, and confess our own. in the garden; things gone wrong at the store; things wrong at home; things wrong everywhere; these are crosses! These are our crown of thorns, our stripes, the tearing of cruel nails through our hands and feet, the earthquake and darkness of our Calvary! In the name of all the silent sufferers, whose pale faces reflect the sun while eating the bread of affliction and whose inner peace is not disturbed by the staleness of the crust, let us hear no more talk about our crosses.

ANOTHER FEATURE.

Sometimes persons are troubled with special temptation. They have not and do not trespass on the rights of others. But they are under the galling yoke of some sin or appetite. It is profitable for such persons to select one or more persons of sound judgement and ripe experience in religion and confess their troubles to them. By so doing they will often find the remedy they need in the ad-"No cross no crown." The cross vice given them. The man or wo-

