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GEL MESSENBERS. bless'd, who've crossed the flood before. ve gone before,

perstitious faith. fers so deride, lessed are we who feel angel guide.

der still is flung hisven's enbattled height, d with messengers, as when wred the Hebrew's sight.

With trend too light to bend to earth The fairest, frailest flowers, Or brush away the beaded dew That rosy morning showers.

They walk the earth, these spirits pure Heirs of a heavenly land ; They come, they go, but leave behind No foot-print in the sand.

Bathed in a streem that ever flows Hard by the throne of love, Spirits arrayed in heavenly light, Invisibly they move.

And bearing censers which exhale A soft, a rich perfume, They whisper to the dying car Of life beyond the tomb

Pure messengers they come to win, To warn, to comfort, chide, And blest we are who ever walk-An angel at our side.

Dur Contributors.

-Selected.

## LETTER FROM THE SUNNY SOUTH.

SATANNAH, GA., ( Nov. 13, 1880.

Dear Christian Sun :- This fulfills a promise made to your esteemed and worthy editor, to contribute son.'ething from our sunny South for your columns, but as my literary attain. ments (if I ever had any) have been supplanted, since my college days, by the engrossing duties of business, 1 cannot promise your readers edification or amusement.

I landed in Savannah upon the 9th of April 1878, during the gloomiest it is a pleasaut pastime to sit at the weather imaginable, and this, with my being an etire stranger, (not even my future partner in business was here to receive me), cast a still deep gates announces their entrance or er dreariness over my already heavy exit. But I must not forget the I had but a short time sinc

Bay, South Broad, East Broad, and West Broad streets, tradition says, were the original limits of the city, and marked the defences the early inhabitants erected to protect them 

At equal intervals thronghout the sources fronty and go. 10; Super-city there are numerous public and St. Joins with squares, and on Bull street, which is the principal promenade, the squares thedral, are models of 13@14c., Oream

contain several very handsome mon- tecture. The latter uments. One of these is of white pleted, and when it i, 94c.; in tiercmarble, erected to the memory of nificent, having cos

General Pulaski, the Polish nobleman, tune, and yet in beau upon the spot where he fell while de proportion it will not equ. fending the city in the siege of 1779. pendent Presbyterian.

How I wish there was a Christian The inhabitants have a great veneration for heroes, and if they fall in Church here. People ofter ask to proximity to the city, eventually per- what church I belong. I trust we fect some arrangement for perpetuat some day may be so fortunate. Adieu, ing their fame. The corner stone of dear SUN, for the present, when my a monument to be erected to Sergeant duties permit will let you know more Jasper of Revolutionary fame who of our Forest City.

lost his life in defense of the city, was laid on the 9th of October of last year, just one hundred years since Pulaski received his death wound. On that occasion, which Savannah styled/its centenuial, the city was overrup with people, and, like the late Serqui-Cen-nial of Baltimore, was pecuniarily beneficial to merchants, hotel keepers, and newspaper publishers. Forsyth Park, situated in the southern part of the city, is one of Savannah's chief attractions, and is to this city what the Central Park is to New York. It is indeed a charming spot, having all the advantages that naure and art car give. The walks are astefully laid out, and center upon a magnificent for ntain, circular in shape and colossal in size, which in full play reminds one of a huge rock with sparkling case les dashing from itpassed away ;-like the winged wind sides. Around this fountain (wore in not for the even watchful policeman, the botanist could find and endles-number of specimens for his study. of midnight, softer than an angel's call. Talk not to me of the future! It is rue, there are many trials in store aud not only here, but throughout the whole park there are beds of rare for all of us; but beyond these we took for brighter days-if not in this and beautiful flowers, tenderly carea world, in the better land to which the for by the hauds of experienced flow faithful are fast hastening.

is.'s. It is needless to say this is a fa vorite resort for the old as well as the yourg.

Your correspondent lives in close proximity to this dear little place. and when the business of the day is over, with his loved ones around him. windows and muse upon its lovely sylvan aspect, and note the different

protherhood of mankind. At the first glance, our bearts sink within us, so much of ignorance, woe. characters as the click of the iron and degradation meet us on every side. We see errors as aucient as the everlasting hills, and following close menagerie or more properly, aviary

py sphere. Shall burst into joy nowers, to strew our path

But let us turn our attention from

urselves, to the present condition

and future prospects of the great

s not in language to impart the et meltings of my heart, but we gher hopes are destined, within Or mould are wrought, and grateprif receive from heaven, the gift

ch has tempered as, with a parer, abter flame. And as we bid the sad adieu, the soft language of our souls flows from our never-silent eye. No words are spoken, all is deep feeling-the silent transport of the heart.

'One hour of such bliss, is a life ere it closes, Tis one drop of fragrance from thousands

## DIVISION IN THE INFIDEL RANKS.

The "Liberal League," which is an Association of Atheists, met at Chi-BY MARY LIZZIE BEAMON. cago this year, and, we are glad to say, ended in a general "row." The League went to pieces on the question as to obscene publications. Res. What transports of joy thrill the olutions, calling for the abrogation of hoping, trusting soul, at the sound of what is known as the Comstock hat most precious word-future ! Laws, by which such publications Around it cling our brightest ideas of can be suppressed and their transpurity-our fondest imaginings of mission through the mails forbidden. bliss. Ah ! exclaims one desponding Ingersoll, who was a Vice President spirit, "Talk not to me of the future ; of the League, attempted to restrain t brings no promises of good to me." his furious associates, but they dis-My nost valued friend-the idol of regarded his smooth speeches, pourny soul-is languishing under a most ed contempt on the amendments he painful disease, and, ere the flowers offered, and when he threatened to she used to love so well shall be aroused into wakefulness by the kiss of the Angel of Spring, she will have

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THE FUTURE.

GATES COUNTY, N. C.

leave them cried out, "A good rid dance I" They passed the extremest resolutions, and then accepted his resignation, putting a woman in his place. What must those men and women be who cast out Ingersoll as as not sufficinently advanced !-

Elizur Wright, a man known some what in life insurance circles, is now President of the League, and is an infidel of an intensely venomons stripe. He has just written to the editor of Where the hope-buds that lead us to that hap-

Scribner's Magazine that the prosecution of a man by the name of Bennett by the United States authorities for using the mails to circulate an im moral book "was nothing but the old Christian blunder of punishing where it possible to refute." As it filth needed refutation.-Presbyterian.

MINISTEE VS. LECTURER.-A Bos ton paper has raised the question which other journals are discussing. "Why people don't go to church."-

MORAVIAN ARCTIC MISSIONS. BY WM. A. BREWER, SR. LABRADOR.

Selections.

and to enlist, if possible, a more ex-

"What hath God wrought !" tended sympathy in behalf of their benighted countrymen and a mission lied success until 1804, when the mis ability is that the simpler it becomes so benign as that of Hans Egede.— sionaries became much discouraged. the more acceptable to our Father, Their statements and appeals had But before the end of that year they and the more profitable for ourselves; great weight, and produced a power. beheld the dawning of a brighter day, and thus the children would draw us ful impression on some devoted and the Spirit blessed the labors of away from realms which cannot prohearts. Several Brethren were induced to embark with the design of abundant harvest of souls. And on city and faith to our Father's feet. strengthening the mission in cold ward for several years, until 1820, We have yet something to learn from regions of the North Pole. One of these missions prospered and many them turned his attention, however, a benighted Esquimaux was brought our Lord set a little child in the midst. to Labrador, thinking there was a into the kingdom. "Cast down, but and said to his disciples, "Except ye national effinity between the Esqui not forsaken," the same spirit ani be converted (that is, turned back maux and the Greenlanders, and that mated these devoted Brethren under a sympathetic reception of the gos. cloud or sunshine, and sooner or later high), and become as little children. pel might be hoped for at the hands they enjoyed the full fruition of their and hearts of that wretched and be: patient labors. A spirit like that which possessed David Nitchmann nighted tribe of Indians.

The application of Matthew Stach to the Hudson's Bay Company for permission to attempt the evangelieach with six dollars in his pocket. zation of the Indians belonging to determined to sell themselves into their factories was not successful, and slavery if there were no other way of the work was delayed many years .-Mammon may obstruct the work of preaching the gospel to the negroes, in a spirit that is not easily laid; and the Lord for a time, but it is only for a similar spirit seemed ever to ani a time. The on-going of the car of mate the missionaries to the frigid salvation will ultimately crush down clime of Labrador, and, as in the St. and out every abstruction to the tri-Thomas mission, it had its blessed amph of the Redeemer's kingdom. reward, as will be further set forth In 1752 a ship was fitted out by in our next concluding number of some Moravians and several other this series of missionary papers .- N. merchants for the purpose of trading Y. Observer. on the coast of Labrador. In this

ship four missionaries sailed from London, on the 17th of May, on what turned out to be an exploratory tour.

They took with them, however, the frame of a house and other materials charged by the establishment and for its completion, a boat, various support of a Sunday-school, but that, kinds of seeds, and different implements of agriculture. On arrival bey fixed on a spot for their future church the true rallying point of the residence, and gave it the name of children, and the home in which they Hopedale."

may best be nurtured for life's work It is related in Moravian pamphand conflict. Nor will it be denied lets that another exploratory expe- that the church's care for the childdition took place in 1764, but the ren has taken too exclusively the waiter has been unable to gather reform of instruction, and that there liable details of the enterprise. has been too little care for children's In 1765, Jans Haven and a Danish worship. The cry is for teachers. There is another question to be an missionary named Drawart and two If instruction has been provided for wered,-Why people do go to church. other Brethren, having lauded as we have been content. To a large Answer that first, and then an answei Christian explorers, penetrated far- extent, this has simply been the recan be given why some people don't go. The truth is, nothing attracts ther into the interior of Labrador dection of an error into which the like the pulpit. A rationalist will than their predecessors in the first whole Protestant Church has more come to New York and lecture to a expedition, where they addressed or less fallen. Her strength has gone full house, and go away carrying his several hundred natives, who listen out to instruction. Her care has ed attentively at first, but on subse- been to have preachers of the word. humors ; end some people say, "See what a success !- what a crowd he quent occasions manifested a total This has, in many a case, thrown in udifference. Their labors did not to the shade the still higher matter draws !-- if only the ministry drew as succeed, but they were unflinching in of worship. Men have been content well! But notice that this lecturer. sharp and shrewd as he is, keeps their purpose to lift, if possible, the with good sermons, and indifferent away from New York for a whole light of the gospel upon their dark- to the infinitely more vital matter of ened bearts. provision for the worship of the In the year 1770, Messrs. Haven, church. It has been still more so in Drachart and Jansen explored the relation to the children. The country coast of Labrador, to fix up a convel is flooded with aids for the teacher's nient situation for a settlement .- work-there are notes, illustrations. They were successful, and were en- outline lessons, Golden Texts, Suncouraged to go to England, for aid day-school papers without end. But thing that lives and burns in the to carry forward their enlarged plans what help is offered for the worship wearts of men; before its shrines the of usefulness among the Esquimaux; of the children ? Where can we look and in 1771 fourteen persons, stimu- for aid in this high matter? All lated by the statements of these that we find are children's hymn-Brethren and a zeal for souls, sailed books without end, most of them bad for Labrador, where-after a tedious ly compiled, and full of unnatural and perilous voyage-they arrived on and unsuitable bymns. This is all. the 9th of August, and proceeded at or nearly all, we can find to aid us in once to the place of destination, to this high work. We will not say a which they gave the appellation of word against the richest and fullest provision for the religious instruction "Nain." In 1772-'73 some of the more fero. of the children; this is a work worth the throne is on the way to defeat, cious Esquimaux were subdued by auy pains to accomplish; but we will and the truth in the dungeon is on the power of the Holy Ghost accom. say that, in our judgement, we have the way to victory. No accidents of panying the spoken Word. These done a still higher thing if we have she was frail in health; but the dear position can change the essential na- tokens were encouraging, and the ul led children to worship, if we have child loved her books, and was anxture of things, or the eternal laws timate success of their undertaking quickened worshipful' feeling, or jours to learn, and so she begged her which determine their destinies .- at "Nain" was considered established formed the habit of devotion. If we aunt to let her go to school, for she beyond a peradventure. This effort can do this, we provide a means by thought God would take care of her. of the Brethren, commencing in 1770, which the young life will be contin- But her aunt would not consent .-A GENTLEMAN .- "Step lightly, is accounted by the Moravian Church ually nourished from on high, and by Alice did not tease and worry about Arthur; don't make so much noise as the foundation of permanent mis when you come in," said a little boy's sions in Labrador, which have con- ways and wartare of life-"strong in would make her aunt willing to grant mother one day, as he burst open the tinued from that date to the present the Lord and in the power of his might." she was sitting. "O, mamma, why During the year 1775, while the must I always be so still ? It's a political revolution in America was cate a need than to say how it may cluded to let you go to school."great deal nicer to make as much going on the Brethren were pursu be supplied; wherever the need is Alice seemed delighted, but said: rumpus as you've a mind to." And ing a peaceful revolution for Lara- really and deeply felt there can be "I knew you were going to let me go Arthur didn't speak very pleasantly dor. This was about a generation little doubt that Christian ingenuity just as well before you told me. beeither, when he said this. "Because," before the American Church had and earnestness will sooner or later cause I prayed last night to God that said mamma, in a quiet tone, "if you awakened to the paramount obligation discover appropriate means by which are a gentle boy I shall hope to see to comply with the Saviour's com fit may be met. So far as the matter was sure he would."-MRS. JAMES. you some day a gentleman." "I'm mand to go forth to all nations and of public worship is concerned, there in Guide to Holiness. sure I never thought of that. Why, preach the gospel to every creature. would appear to be two chief direcis that what gentleman means ?" ex. In that year the Brethren pushed tions along which our efforts must claimed Arthur, in such surprise as forward their work and established a proceed. The first is clearly recogindicated that he had got a new idea. new station at "Okkak ;" but the gos. nizing the children as an integral part made vacant by the death of Dr. Bushpel seemed to produce but little ef. of the congregation, and providing nell, of Gaboon, Africa. As one sol-RENEW your subscription to the fect on the natives until the year some elements appropriate to them dier falls in the ranks others stand 1781, when thirty-eight were baptiz- in every service. This may be done ready to take his place.

instruction as catechumens. ever children's claims are deeply felt. In 1782 a third settlement was Let those who are responsible for the formed and called "Hopedale," that conduct of public worship distinctly of the same name having been aban-recognize the presence of children in doned on account of adverse eircum- onr Christian assemblies, and it will stances several years before. But not be long before the worship will now that the settlement and name take forms that will be, at all events, had been resuscitated, there was a in parts attractive to the young .-growing conviction that the Brethren Our space will not allow of minute As early as 1731, the blessing of had been led to return by the mflu- details, but we may indicate briefly God upon the labors of "The Apostle ence of the Spirit, for it became a some more helpful to the children .to Greenland" led two baptized Green. scene of powerful awakening among it would surely be possible to make

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP.

ed and ten others received particluar in many ways, and will be done wher-

landers to Denmark, to acknowledge the natives, and constrained the the public prayer intelligible and atwhat God had done for their souls, friends of the Redeemer to exclaim, tractive to children, either as a whole or in parts. Prayer cannot shape it-The work was attended with var- self into too simple a form. The probthese self denying Moravians with an fit us, and lead us in greater simplithat most touching scene in which from ways and thoughts that are too ye cannot enter the kingdom of heav. en." When we fix our eyes upon the little child, and think of its needs and and Leonhard Dober, who on the 21st thoughts, we shall not be far from of August 1732, set out from "Herrnthe way which will lead us close to hat' for the Island of St. Thomas, our Father's feet. Could we not devote a part of it to them, not praying

for them, but by prayer, which shall be suitable and level to their capacity? It is much easier to pray for them than to lead their prayer. It is not unlikely that the very effort to do this would influence our whole worship, and probably the wish would soon find expression from even the older worshipers that all the prayers should be made like to the children's prayer. Thus, in seeking to minister to the children, they would really minister to our own

ueeds. Would it not be possible also to Let no church, as it thinks of its keep them in mind in our worship duty to the young, feel that it is dis song ? Would it be any loss to the elders to sing the children's hymn ? Sunday after Sunday they sing our over and above the work done theresongs, why should we not sing some in, its clear duty is to make the of their songs of Zion ! We should surely not be losers but gainers, and our worship would not be impoverished but enriched. But even if these methods be deemed impracticable, we may surely devote a service periodically to the children,-not the seperate service of the school or an afteroon gathering, but one of t ar services of the church. This may be done and happily is being done in some churches with the greatest benefit. Let the whole service be theirs from beginning to end,-prayers, ymus, lessons, sermon, and it will be found that when the church cares for the children they will cling to her, love her, come into her fellowship, and in time do her work .-- Christian World.

left my beloved native State; and Norfolk, with my numerous friends of both sexes, who had so successfully contributed both to my advancement and happiness while in their who can say we will not have an ele midst. I abandoued too, a good po phant some day ?

sition, and last but not least, left behind somebody, the sunshine of whose presence made Norfolk brighter to called the Park Extension, and used me than it would have been otherwise Dear reader, do you not think I had ground. In the center of this enclos a just cause for being sad ? My kind are there is a very handsome brown employers granted me the privilege stone monument, to the Confederate of returning to them should I not like my new home, and I take this oppor life size bronze statue of the confed tunity of publicly thanking them for erate soldier, of the last days of the such a privilege-accorded to few 1 judge, and one for which I feel truly grateful. It is nearly three years since that time now-by hard licks, es would not be inappropriate, as it instigated by perseverance, and the ever protecting care of a merciful Providence, I feel that the step 1 pendent Presbyterian Church, which took in leaving Norfolk, though ap your correspondent attends in the ab parently in the dark, was, really, in the right direction. Another step high of beanty is said to have few, if any, shall roll back the tide of sin, and er, let me hope.

Who has not heard of beautiful Sa city. It received its name from the constantly presenting new features Indian Savanna, signifying a small, then was nothing but a few rude huts tive, than the outside, but one is tending to, and terminating in a bluff pulpit huge in size and nearly as tall inexhaustible fountain of light, by vannah river. Now, al though it is m the same place, it is a characteristic American city of over thirty-three thousand inhabitants, and in the go ahead-itiveness of its people, not unaway-it there would at least be an im-meuse grove, and to this fact our city owes its beauty; for the architecture of the private residences, with a few sent an unpleasing aspect to the eye, and in dry weather the dust there-from is very disa sable. Its streets are perfectly to be the dust there-by singing doxology, and the cou-are perfectly to be the dust there-by singing doxology, and the cou-are perfectly to be the dust there-by singing doxology, and the cou-are perfectly to be the dust there-by singing doxology, and the cou-are perfectly to be the dust there-by singing doxology, and the cou-are perfectly to be the dust there-by singing doxology, and the cou-are perfectly to be the dust there-by singing doxology. The dust the pure and beautiful which forms to mulke those of the Presbyterian to the dust the pure and beautiful by singing doxology. The dust the pure and beautiful redeemed spirits-redeemed from the BUN.

within it, which up to the time of my last visit, contained an owl and bal eagle-not vuite equal to the Zoolog ical Gardens of Philadelphia yet-but

Joining the Park their is an enclose ure containing thirty square acres by the city military as their dril Oh! victory. Dead. Its top is surmounted by a

war, donated by the city's lately de ceased millionaire, Mr. DeRenne.

To call Savanuah the city of church contains a great many very hand -ome houses of worship. The Inde sence of a Christian Church, in point quals, south of Baltimore. It is unchain the pent-up human mind !

A voice within us responds that there unilt of grauite after the Dorie style vanuah! But I shall attempt to pre- of architecture, and is so skillfully is a Power that can and will do this. sent it, not as the ideal, but the real and beautifully proportioned, it is and that power is the Spirit of Truth Truth is elevating and eunobling for your ever increasing admiration. in its character, it is more precious circular, basin shaped tract of coun- Its lofty spire, the very picture of than all the treasures of earth, and try; and was founded by General grace, towers one hundred feet above yet how unwilling we are to receive James Oglethorpe, who brought a the house tops, and is the first object at ! We do not need a prophet's far colony from England, landing at to greet you when approaching the seeing vision, to discorn-already the Charleston, S. C., 1733. Savannah city. The inside is even more attrac dawning of a brighter day. Every new and glotious troth that situated upon a level sandly plain, ex- struck with the odd appearance of a is revealed, is one more ray from the

forty feet high overlooking the Sa as the galleries. Some of the congre which it is to be illuminated. gation wish a low pulpit, but they "But," says one, "the twilight is so are in the minority, and those who long and so misty that I fear the sum have pews in the amen corner will will never arise." Let us not be dis probably some day put in a plea to couraged. We may console ourselves have them elevated also, since if they for the length of the surors by relike the Northern citters. It is also show their attention by looking at flecting that that blessed day will called the forost city, be cause, to illus- the minister, their necks are subjected have no evening twilight. When trate, could the houses be taken to a tiresome strain. It would, no once the sun has arisen it will never away-if there would not be left a doubt, interest your readers to know decline.

exceptions, is anything but attractive what my observation has learned me. will continue its reign forever, couand the majority of the streets being They have a hymu-book arranged quering the powers of evil, until the nnpaved between the sidewalks, pre-specially for their use; their minister "strengholds of sin," shall be demol-

y their train, are oppression, misery and sin. Great truths, for which the uman soul is hungering and thirst ig, are still unrevealed : The pure air of beaven is weary with its burlen of sighs and regrets. The soft breeze, that should bring peace and health to the children of earth, is reighted with sounds of grief-the wild discordant din of the battle field. he moans of the dying, and the tri umphant yell of heartless victory .-

From many a wretched home we hear the ravings of the maniac husear. He knows people will not band, as he curses the gentle being come to hear him twenty, ten, or evwho has given her women's heart en five times a year. Yet the thousinto his keeping. From the far off ands fill the Christian pulpit fifty-two Ganges comes up the low wail of the days in the year, and send of their delicate infant, as for a moment it substance to the heathen. Cold as struggles with the dashing waves, tereligion is to day, it is yet the one fore it comes a prey to the monsters of the deep, a tiny, innocent victim upon the altar of Superstition. We world delights to assemble and worturn from the fearful picture, and ship. Why don't people go to mk, is there no redeeming spirit that church ? Tell us why they do,please, and then we will tell you why some don't.-Christian at work.

> The truth cannot be burned, beheaded, or crucified. A lie on the throne is a he still, and truth in a dungeon is truth still; and the lie on

> > Wm. Mckinley.

door and sprang into the room where time.

#### A CHILD'S FAITH.

I think she is about ten years old. and she has loved and served God for several years. All her troubles and all her wants she takes to Jesus, and she loves to sing the sweet hymn:

> "What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear ! What a privilege to carry Everything to God in prayer !'

Little Alice often comes to her aunt, who is her mother now, for her own dear mother has gone to live in heaven. With a bright aed happy face she comes, saying. "Auntie, my prayer is answered! God has given me what I asked him for. I was sure he would." Some time ago, when the weather was growing cold, her aunt thought it best to keep Alice from school, fearing she might get sick, for which it will go forth to all the weary it, but she prayed to God that he her desire. Soon a change came to the mind of her aunt, and she called

It is, however, much easier to indi- Alice to her and said, "I have conhe would make you- willing, and I

Four persons have volunteered to take up the mission work in the field