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THE SIGNS

"The end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer."—I Pet. iv. 7.

It travels onward, this old world of ours Bending beneath the weight of years and hours; Mark its gray hairs, and note its failing powers! Vigilate!

Its infancy, and youth, and prime are gone; Leaning upon its staff, it totters on. As one whose weary course is nearly done. Vigilate!

Its sinking suns their lean long shadows cast, Its noon-gay mirth and rosy smiles are past, Its fair, fresh firmament grows wan at last.

Like leaves from some unknown, mysterious tree Above our reach, its moments silently

Above our reach, its moment.

Are dropping from a far eternity.

Vigilate!

The nations shrink and tremble, king and crowd; God's lightnings leap and flash from you red cloud, Answers each cliff, and peak, and vale aloud, Vigilate!

The people cower and flee, like frighten'd flock. Earth's stablest kingdoms to their centre rock, And the old crust seems heaving with the shock.

Vigilate!

The gems upon the brow of kings grow dim, Like stars of morning in heaven's eastern rim, Faint and feebler float up song and hymn. Vigilate!

The world's old voice falls low, that once was strong And echo can but faintly now prolong The "Nunc dimittis" of its dying song, Vigilate!

BONAR.

The Eagle's Swoop.

it again describing the same bold curve with pensable to him for his tactics. The object must

his fast, and refrain from attempting that by which he may come to grief. Protection is thus afforded many a creature that would otherwise never be safe from so formidable an enemy. small bush is sufficient guard against the attack; for he always takes heed not to approach places where he may get his talons entangled, and be held fast, or not have sufficient space for the movement of his wings. But for this fear of getting into difficulty, he would feast oftener and fast more rarely than he does. We all all all

It might seem that, with his keenness of vision and speedy locomotion, he need not long be in want of a meal; that in ranging over an entire principality or a dukedom, he surely would able to find some game or other. And he doubtless does see enough that would suit his purpose well, but nothing exactly in the situation that makes it advisable for him to attempt to bear it off. There are lambs below in the meadow, but they have instinctively become aware of their impending danger, and have crowded together in one dense mass, with the ewes outside; or they have all taken shelter beside a sloping bank, or beneath a tree, or alongside of a hedge. None of these positions suit the eagle. In the mountains the chamois do the same, or they stand sideways, pressing close against the rock; here the eagle cannot get near them, for fear of injuring his wings. Sometimes, too, they will take shelter around or under a large fragment of stone, determined to defend themselves to the last; but into a warfare of this sort the eagle has no intention of entering. Among those stones and clefts may lurk a danger he cannot see and had not calculated on; so he leaves them, however unwillingly, to look elsewhere for a kid, in a situation so exposed that, without stop or stay, he may clutch it as he skims by within a foot of the ground. And so he often knows the pangs of hunger. It is only when driven to extremity that an eagle will descend upon the earth and battle with his prey. It is contrary to his instinct to do so. The air seems to be his peculiar element, and earth an uncongenial spot, and, moreover full of pitfalls; it is, too, rendered doubly dangerous by being the abode of man. Of him the eagle has, in common with all wild animals, an insurmountable dread .- Forest Creatures.

Mount Tabor.

THE MOUNT OF TRANSFIGURATION.

For more than sixteen centuries Tabor has An eagle will only carry off such objects as been regarded as the veritable scene of that he can seize in sweeping by. He will not descend great event, and not till within a few years have to any spot of ground unless he can leave its claims been called in question. The chief argument against this venerable tradition is drawn which he came. He will not risk being hemmed from the itineracy of the Evangelists, who menin within narrow limits. An open field is indis- tion Cesarea Philippi as being the last place where Christ had been teaching previous to his be freely exposed, or he will hardly venture to transfiguration, and the scene of the event is said attempt making it his own. As a swallow rushes to be somewhere on the southern ridge of Herdownward in a curve to catch the insects hover- mon. If our Lord had been transfigured immeing over the pond, and upward again on high, in diately after his conversion with his disciples his flight describing an ellipse, so does the eagle, touching the opinions of men concerning himself, and thus only, sweep down to seize a lamb or or the next day, there would be some force to other animal. It must be swept off the ground this objection. But two of the Evangelists inin full flight; it must be caught up at once, with- form us that the event occurred six days after out any hindrance; there must be "ample room the conversation, and St. Luke assures us it took and verge enough" for him to continue his sweep- place "about eight days after these sayings."

bor is less than eighteen hours, giving sufficient glades between oaken groves, covered with lux time for the journey between the two places, uriant grass and adorned with pheasant-eyes, ar-And immediately after our Lord had been glori- maranths, and anemones. Its summit resemof Judea beyond Jordan."

yet Christ never chose a "howling wilderness," but always an inhabited mountain. Even the Mount of Olives, rendered doubly sacred by the frequency of his presence, was in his day, it is now, a populous mountain, but in some of its wooded dells was his bower of prayer. Like a great warrior sleeping in the midst of his camp, Christ was ever with his people. St. Luke more than intimates that the transfiguration occurred during the darkness of the night, and, owing to the custom of the people of the East to retire at an early hour, the time chosen for the august display of the divine majesty was singularly appropriate. During the day he would have been subject to intrusion from wandering shepherds and strolling gamesters on any mountain in Palhave been unmolested by the one or the other,

mit of Jehel-ek-Duhy, from the plain below, it Holy Land on an ambitious crusade. seemed like a lovely terraced mound or a wooding flight, or the eagle will prefer not to break The distance between Cesarea Philippi and Ta- binths; not densely, like a forest, but with open proval, and in which appeared Moses and Elias.

fied, we find him in the vicinity of Tabor, at Ca- bles an oblong area, half a mile long by a quarpernaum, less than a day's journey distant; then ter of a mile wide, and is broken into charming crossing the Jordan, at the head of the lake, "He vales and hillocks, enhancing the beauty of the departed from Galilee, and came into the coasts spot. In ascending to the top, our path was not unlike the thread of a screw, winding in gentle It has been objected that from the days gradations to the highest peak. Now it led of Joshua to the times of Antiochus the Great, through groves of terebinths, now through flow-Tabor has been an inhabited mountain, and there- ery beds, now verging on the edge of a bold prefore inappropriate to the retirement of Christ cipice, now entering dells sombre with thick foliand his three apostles. History simply informs age of stately oaks, and anon opening into glades us that during eighteen centuries the Mount was where the grass was green and the flowers frathe rendezvous of belligerent armies ; that in pro- grant. Though the heat was intense, yet the cess of time its summit was fortified, but in the path was so smooth and shady, that without intime of Josephus the defences had fallen into convenience we gained the highest point in less decay, who caused them to be rebuilt, which was than an hour, when we were refreshed alike by some thirty years after our Lord's ascension. If the unbroken silence of the spot and a view of inhabited at all when he ascended its beautiful unrivalled magnificence. Rising towthe height slopes, it was only by a few wretched villagers, of two thousand feet above the level of the sea, such as may be seen in their mud-huts in any the prospect from Tabor is one of extraordinary part of Palestine. Such is the peculiar configu- grandeur. The eye ranges over the mountains ration of Tabor, that though its summit might be of Samaria, the hills of Galilee, Mount Carmel, inhabited, its high northern slopes are exceed- the lefty peak of Safed, the "Horns of Hattin," ingly retired; and it is a significant fact, though the snow-capped heights of Hermon, the gray accustomed to withdraw from a sinful world to sides of Moab, the slopes of Gilboa, the valley different mountains for meditation and prayer, of the Jordan on the east, with its dark line of verdure, the plain of Akka and the harbor of Aaipa on the west, and the glorlous plain of Esdrælon, one unbroken sea of verdure, with its borders dotted with the little hamlets of Jezreel, Nain and Endor. And no less significant is the thrilling history of Tabor. It was the boundary line of the tribe of Issachar; here the heroic Deborah and Barak assembled the children of Naphtali and Zebulon to fight against Sisera; here was the rendezvous of the brothers of Gideon, "each one resembling the chileren of aking," whom Zebah and Zalmunnah slew, and whose death Gideon terribly revenged, and in later years here was the scene of Israel's idolatry, whose priests Hosea denounces, for having "been a snare on Mizpan and a net spread on Tabor." estine, but under the cover of night he would In our own era it became the stronghold of Josephus and the headquarters of Antiochus the as the former are stationary in the midst of their Great. But there is one historic honor which flocks, and the latter unable to pursue their vo- does not belong to Tabor, and if it did, would not enhance the glory of its associations. The Whether considered for its natural beauty, or French are proverbial for the application of real as the scene of many thrilling historic events, or fancied names to the scenes of the great events Tabor is second only to Olivet in interest to the in their martial annals, and in many instances traveller among the sacred mountains. Separ- the name is chosen because it is high sounding. ated from the south-eastern hills of Galilee, it The "battle of Mount Tabor" is a misnomer, as stands alone, its base swept by the magnificent El-Zuleh-"The Bean," situated some ten miles plain of Esdraelon. Its graceful form is not to the south-east of Tabor, was the village where easily defined, and its shape changes with the Kleber met the advanced guards of the Turks, stand-point of the beholder. Having seen it and which became the central point of the attack. from every point of the compass, I was impress- With equal propriety it might be called the bated with its variant forms, which add not a little tle of Mount Carmel, and with greater consisto its impressive beauty. Viewed from the heights tency the battle of Mount Gilboa. The simple of Carmel, it resembled a truncated cone; seen fact of Napoleon's army coming from Nazareth, from the northern hills of Galilee, it reminded sweeping round the north-eastern base of Tabor, me of the pyramids of Egypt; beholding it from is not a sufficient fact to warrant the application the mountains of Samaria, it appeared like the of the name of this sacred of "Mounts," to a batsegment of a great circle; while from the sum- tle fought by a chieftan who had invaded the

But the glory of Tabor is the transfiguration land park. More than two-thirds of its sides of our Lord. How anxiously I sought to idenfrom base to summit, on the north and east, are tify the spot, that I might look up into the same covered with spreading oaks and beautiful tere- serene heavens from which came the voice of apHigh up or the northern slopes, far away from | These explanations may aid us in understanding the ruins of the ancient villages, is a lovely glade, the attitude of parties in this sacred drama, and inclosed with oaks and adorned with flowers, some of their allusions and expressions. Let us Shut in from the world, all nature breathes a meanwhile proceed to Act II. The first scene sense of repose, and a holy quiet reigns undis- of it introduces to our attention the angel Raphturbed within. The view of the blue sky is un- ael thus soliloquizing :obstructed, and here, in still night, watched only by the mute stars, the Son of God conversed with Moses and Elias touching "His decease, which He should accomplish at Jerusalem," and, as a preintimation of his glorified body after his ascension, "the fashion of his body was altered, and his raiment was white and glistering."-Rev. J. P. Newman.

John Fox's "Christ Triumphant."

(From the London Quarterly Journal of Prophecy.)

Continued from our last.

Our readers cannot fail to notice the singular view entertained by Fox regarding the thousand years. Along with not a few in his time, he fancied that the first thousand years after our Lord's resurrection formed the period foretold in Rev. xx. 1-4. It was a singular belief, no doubt, but yet it was not rare. They fancied that Christ, during those years when the gospel gained so many triumphs, had won His millennial victories; for they had heard not only of the martyrs' noble testimonies, but of the Roman empire at length professing the faith of Jesus. It was this, in part, that misled them; and partly, too, the circumstance that it was not till the first thousand years after the death of Christ that Popery began to wield the sceptre so irresistibly over the world.

When Popery had begun to develop itself, then (they concluded) the time foretold in Rev. xx. 1-4 was completed, and Satan had been let loose for a little season. We find Fox in his "Acts and Monuments of the Church," vol. i., p. 139, calculating that about the year 324, when the persecution under Licinius ended, and Constantine openly used all his influence for Christianity, the millennium began. "After which year," says he, "according to a preordinate counsel of God, when His severity had been suffici ently declared upon His own house, it pleased Him to show mercy again, and to bind up Satan, the old serpent, according to the twentieth chapter of the Revelation, for the space of a thousand years, that is, from the time of Licinius to the time of John Wycliffe, of Huss, and others." Many in Fox's day, as well as Fox him. Nomocr. "Speak out-speak plainly! What is self, were in the fullest sense men who wait for the Second Coming of Christ, not because they were premillennialists, but because they believed that were entered upon "the short time" during Nomocr. "What is it? Can't you tell at once which Satan was loosed, and which was to be ended by the Great White Throne of the

We find not a few other writers-such as Nomocr. "Then tell it out." Chytraeus, (who wrote "Explicatio Apocalypsis," in 1571), whose system in some respects differed from this-all coming to the same result, viz., the expectation of the sudden appearing of Christ. This class of writers held that from A. D. 73 to 1073, the thousand years ran their course, the gospel being preached, and the Church compara- Thanatus exclaims as he enterstively unmolested by persecuting oppressors. But in 1073, the power of Gregory VII., Hildebrand, manifested itself, exercising such fierce tyranny Adopylus "He has slain us !" and opposition to the truth, that no one could Nomocr. "Who? who has done it?" mistake the full development of "the Man of Adopyl. "He has uptorn us from the very root!" Sin" foretold in 2 Thess. ii. And inasmuch as Nomocr. "But who, who is it, that has wrought the Turks were specially troublesome and formidable to Christians at the same period, they con- Thanatus. "The very being whom I slew outcluded that in that ferocious avdersary they had discovered "Gog and Magog." Nothing, there. Nomocr. "What mean you? Who?" fore, in their theory remained to be fulfilled but Thanat. "Christ!" the sudden Appearing of the Lord, who was to Nomocr. "Xylonicus! who hung upon the cross? "consume the Man of Sin with the Spirit of His mouth, and destroy him with the brightness of His Coming." Although, therefore, they were one with us in interposing no millennium between their day and the Coming of Christ, it was not Psycheph. "Ay, he has risen!" for the same reason as we. It was, we believe, Nomocr. "Can I believe my ears?" with this idea before him, that Luther so often Adopyl. "Not only risen, but to our realms yet spoke to this effect: "The last day is not far off." And Latimer: "Antichrist is known throughout Nomocr. "What more?" What more?" all the world, therefore the day is not far off; Psycheph. "Wrought havoc. He has robb'd so that it may come in my days, old as I am." | 1990 him them of their prey." | 1990 him them of their prey."

"A captive, and fast bound a thousand years, Satan, so irresistable till now, Lies in his prison-house; for so our Prince, The King of kings, was pleased to command. He that bound others is now bound in chains! Yet is he to be loosed again and to go forth From his dark cell to work ill for a season, And to deceive the world and all its tribes. That is the hour when sad calamity Shall furiously assail the Church of Christ. And then Pornapolis (the whorish city) Shall borrow from the dragon all his power, And act as his vicegerent far and wide. Alas! disaster and distress not small Too surely she shall work, when forth she sends Her cruel agent, her Dioctes stern. Yet nothing but the body shall he hurt;

The souls are ours, and have a place with us

Has by His blood made sure. To Him be thanks,

In heaven, for so the Lamb of God

Eternal thanks, for He has won it all!

Then follow the samples of persecution, some of them curiously neglectful of all chronology. In Scene 4, a messenger from hell, Anabasius, appears, carrying letters to Pornapolis, the whore of Babylon, from Satan still bound, urging her to carry on her cruel work busily and unrelent-

'Until that, loosed from the Tatarean chain, He once again appear upon the scene,

When the thousand years have run their course." At the opening of Act III. we find Ecclesia lamenting her oppressed state; and then, in the Second Scene, Nomocrates (the law-power in the soul) alarming her by his demands. But in the next scene we find (that this is one of the anachronisms of the piece) this tyrant suddenly getting news of Christ's resurrection and all its blessed results. We find Psychephonus, one of his attendants, appearing on the stage in great trepidation and excitement : ---

Psycheph. "Fear meets me everywhere, nor do I see an end of fleeing"-

Nomocr. "What's this? What's happened? What's all this confusion ?"

Psycheph. "Evil, Nomocrates, nothing but evil now !"

this you mean ?"

Psycheph. "Willing or unwilling, all is lost to me!"

what it is ?"

Psycheph. "All, all, I say, is lost!"

Psycheph. "We are buried! Yes, I say we'er nie buried all !"he apstacency guilloute bus

Nomocr. "What ?"

At this moment two more attendants appear, viz.-Death and the Keeper of the gates of Hades, Thanatus and Adopylos, i. e.

"He has destroy'd us all! utterly ve siruin'd !"

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He whom I sentenced to a thorough furious death?" O to shift medicon out mor

Thanat. "But he has risen?"

Nomocr. "Risen!"

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It turned out, among other things, that Nomo- be changed : the martyr's ashes will be gather-

Ecclesia at the report that Satan is soon to be is heir to, for the promise is, "There shall be loosed again, which well-founded dread is soon no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neihis plan, he raises up in Babylon, or Pornapolis, will the ancient promise have its complete fulfilto Rev. xii. 11. And now deceit, imposture, al- shall walk and not faint." lurements, fascination, threats, promises, are each tried in turn, in order to deceive and ruin souls. We have many allusions to the times of persecution and the arts and practies of Rome in Fox's own day, down to the prison "Bohardo." But there in nothing very interesting, neither is there much of poetry or spirit in it; and for that reason we pass on to the closing scenes.

In Act V., Scene 4, Ecclesia (the Church) speaks as if things were not come to their last ng into difficulty, he would fear

"Tis theirs to wrong us, ours to bear the wrong;

This is the part and triumph of the saints, (Rev. xii. 14.) This monster nought can quell but Chrit's ap-

pearing. And we will leave the victory to His hands. Most gladly do I bear, for Christ's dear sake, All I have borne, and greater ills than these

To bear I'm ready—none can conquer Him? We bear His marks, let Him avenge His cause. Long have we suffer'd, but ere long at last He shall appear to end our many trials.

Meanwhile to pray and watch, let that be ours-What means the cracking of those opening doors?"

Africus. "Virigns with lamps, and torches flaring high? What mean they issuing forth at such at time?"

Ecclesia. "These are my friends! I know them! They will wait the arrival of the Bridegroom, till He come.

(To be continued.)

The Rest which remaineth for the People of God.

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"There remainesh therefore a rest to the peo-ple of God." Hebrews 4. 9.

(Continued from our last.)

2. We found the present rest in heaven to be imperfect, inasmuch as it does not include the body. It is the perfect fulfillment of our Lord's promise, "Ye shall find rest unto your souls;" but the beautiful body, which God created in his own likeness, is still the subject of fatigue, decay, and death. It would be wasting time to point out how long living believers are deprived in the body of their rest. The labor for daily bread, the sense of fatigue, the cares and pains of sickness, and the irresistible approach of age, are all daily witnesses that the poor fallen body is bereft of its rest. And the bodies of the de parted have only advanced one step further in their ruin. With them the work is complete, which with us is only in its progress. It is no rest to be scattered to the winds in dust, no rest to be the prey of worms; it is the curse of God which has taken all present rest from the flesh. But in the midst of all this ruin we are taught by David, Psalm 16. 9, that "the flesh itself shall rest in hope," i. e., that even the very limbs shall submit peacefully to their ruin, in the blessed expectation that they too shall have their rest at the resurrection. Then death will be swallowed up in victory; then the Lord will fulfill his promise, "I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death: O death, I will be thy plagues; O grave I will be thy destruction." It will not matter then at which period of the body's ruin we are found. the rest at the advent is so admirable, that we

crates has been rifled of his "handwriting that ed, and the wearied frame of the living believer was against us." It has been nailed to the cross. will be transformed; so that all together shall Then, in another scene, Dioctes, Anabasius, and rest in an incorruptible immortality : "He that Pornapolis join in one grand conspiracy. But is feeble among them at that day shall be as ever and anon they are alarmed by rumours of David, and the house of David shall be as God, what Christ is soon to do for their destruction. as the angel of the Lord before them." There Act IV., Scene 1, brings before us the fear of will be a total rest from all those ills that flesh realized by Satan himself appearing on the stage. ther shall there be any more pain;" and there But we need not give his utterances further than will be a total rest from all toil of weariness; for to state that he is introduced as resolving to try if there be work, it will be without fatigue, for the Church with every temptation with which he "he shall change our vile body that it may be has assailed the Lord Jesus. In pursuance of fashioned like unto his glorious body," and then the formidable imitation of Christ in Pseudam- ment :- "They shall mount up with wings as nus, the pseudo-Lamb of God alluding evidently eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they

(3.) But the crowning joy of this rest will be that the Redeemr's kingdom will be then comcomplete.

Accordingly, the language both of the Psalm and chapter speaks of it not merely as his people's rest, but as his own: "If they shall enter into my rest;" and again, v. 1, "a promise is left us of entering into his rest;" the idea of which words appears that it is a rest which he not merely provides, but enjoys, admitting his people to enjoy it with him. The rest on the Sabbath is the share which God has given us of the rest which he himself enjoyed after creation; and our rest in the Lord will be in like manner our fellowship in the rest which he himself shall enjoy after redemption. Thus it is impossible to enter on the fulness of the rest until the coming, for till then the Lord's kingdom will not be perfected. It is not yet perfect even in his elect, much less in the world. There may be thou. sands, and tens of thousands of chosen saints not yet called to his kingdom; and even in those that are called, how many and how grievous are the defects! He is working a daily work in the ingathering of souls, and carrying on a daily contest with the great enemy on our behalf. But if this is the case with his chosen, how much more is his kingdom resisted in the world! The world lieth in wickedness, and Satan is permited to retain such a power, that he had the daring boldness to presume to tempt the Saviour, by the specious offer of a willing surrender of his sovereignty. Hence we are to look forward to a time when the Saviour himself shall rest; when as God rested on the seventh day at the close of a finished creation, the Redeemer shall rest in full satisfaction in the enjoyment of a perfected redemption; when, according to the language of the prophet, "he shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied."

Now this is the rest in store for us at the Ad-

It will be a rest from toil, or, as the text expresses it, a Sabbath-keeping,—the holy repose of one whose work is finished. When he died on the cross, he said, "It is finished," for the work of atonement was complete, and at his advent again he may say, "It is finished," for his mediatorial work will then be perfected. We cannot fathom the deep mystery of God resting, but we may gain some in ight into the blessed character of that marvellous rest. All conditions of the eternal covenant will then be fulfilled, and all the work to which he was annointed amply performed. There will not remain one of his elect ungathered, nor a single spot on the garment of any one of them, when He presents them spotless and unblameable before the throne. Throughout the world will there be found no rebel thoughts, for the "new heavens and the new earth" shall be filled with righteousness; there shall be no support of sin, no strife and backbitings; "nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more." There shall be no more blood-stained battle-fields, nor any broken-hearted widows, for the whole world shall rest under the holy sovereignty of the Prince of Peace.

To be continued.

[There are some sentiments in the above peculiar to the author; but the general treatment of If dead, we shall be raised, and if living, we shall transfer it to our columns.

Deus Eversor.

There is a prophetic phrase which, though it was first used in a particlar application, describes a general truth in relation to God's providence over nations: "I will overturn, overturn it; and it shall be no more, until He shall come whose right it is; and I will give it him." The political dynasty founded by David and perpetuated through so many generations of his descendants, was to terminate with the reign of Zedekiah, and the Babylonian conquest was to be followed by revolution after revolution in the condition and government of the chosen people. The throne of David should be no more till the coming of the promised Christ to reign in a new kingdom of God. But as is often the case in prophecy, the language used on a particular occasion and for a particular purpose, announces a comprehensive principle. All prophecy, in regard to the powers and dominions of this world represents God as the great revolutionizer, subverting thrones, breaking down empires, and so helping on the progress of a new a better kingdom in which his own Anointed reigns. All history, interpreted in the light of prophecy, is a revelation of God overturning, overturning, and still overturning among the nations. One power after another comes into view; extends itself by conquest or by peaceful growth and acquisition; makes some contribution perhaps, willingly or unwillingly, to the general progress of the human race; and then falls, because God has overturned it in his inevitable displeasure against some great wickedness that would not be reformed.

For example: Those earliest of empiresthe Egyptian, the Assyrian, the Babylonian, the Persian-had each its day of progress and of military and commercial ascendency, making the wealth of many lands and of distant climes subsidiary to its splendor; each in its turn contributed something, under God's all-arranging providence, to the advancement or extension of material civilization; and each in (its turn, weighed down by some wickedness that could no longer be endured, fell into ruin under the visitation of God's justice. Philosophical history, analyzing the facts which it records, and tracing out the causes of national decay and death in successive eras, is compelled to teach the same lessons which the Bible teaches. Little as it can learn concerning the institution, the laws, the culture, and the manners of empires that rose and fell so long ago, it is sure of this,—that each of those empires in its turn contributed something to the world's progress, or had the opportunity and means of doing so, - and that each in its turn fell and perished because there is a divine nemesis that may wait, and wait, but cannot be evaded, and does not fail to smite in its own time the wickedness of nations.

In proportion as the records of history become more ample and authentic, the principle which we have indicated as essential to the philosophy of history is more fully exhibited and illustrated. While the old empires were successively

unrelenting oppressors of a subject population | whose human rights they would not acknowledge, and whose presence among them, though it seemed to enrich them with the truits of unrewarded labor, fostered their indolence and their pride, and made them weak while it made them rapacious. God's justice, ruling in his providence, could not permit such a nation to go unpunished. Having trained themselves to an incapacity of any higher sentiment than a narrow state-rights patriotism, they suffered by mutual violence in the perpetual conflicts of confederate but ever disunited states, till, by a natural fall, they became the subjects of a royal filibuster who led them forth to conquer the world. Greek dynasties reigned in Egypt, in Syria, and in Babylon; and the Greek became, for a while, the almost universal language of literature, of commerce, and of dominion. But all the history of those dynasties, and of the people which God has raised up for so great an influence on the world, is a constant illustration of the great truth that there is a divine providence over nations ever testifying against iniquity. All may be summed up in that prophetic word of God, "I will overturn, overturn, overturn." All illustrates what sovereign monarchs and sovereign nations, the founders of polities and the architects of empire, are so prone to forget—that nothing can be stable which is not established in righteous-

Let it be remembered then, (for the thought is pertinent to the present condition of our public affairs,) that, under the holy providence of God, the world is governed from age to age in the interest of righteousness and against all forms of iniquity and evil doing; and that though there may be times when it seems to a doubting mind as if this world were given to the wicked, when unbelief scoffs at the humbled majesty of right, and when faith is constrained to cry, O Lord, how long,-God is always working in his own methods, and by his own instruments, to "overturn. overturn, overturn," till every mighty wrong shall be subverted and removed-till justice, supreme over all power and privilege, shall be the inspiration of all law-and till his own anointed Son shall reign throughout the earth. This is an element of Christian faith—this the constant expectation of the living church through all the ages of her testimony, whether in action or in suffering. This is the burthen of all prophecy -this the light that shines along the track of time, growing brighter as the world advances and God's plan unfolds itself in history. God 'overturns, overturns, overturns;" one power after another, one nation after another, one mighty iniquity after another, falls and is no more while earth and heaven are waiting till He shall come whose right it is to reign.

We are in the midst of such an overturning. - N. Y. Independent.

The Effect of Pardon.

In the garrison town of Woolwich, a few years ago, a soldier was about to be brought before the rising and falling in the valley of the Nile and commanding officer of his regiment, for some misin regions beyond the Euphrates, there was grow- demeanor. The officer entering the soldier's ing up, on the opposite side of the Mediteranean, name said, "Here is-, again, what can we do far from the rivalries of Egypt and Assyria, a with him; he has gone through almost every orpeople whose influence on the destinies of the deal?" The sergeant major, M. B., apologized for world will never cease to be recognized. Their intruding, and said, "There is one thing which quick intelligence, their exquisite sense of beau- has never been done with him yet, sir." "What ty, their creative art, their genius in literature, is that, sergeant-major?" "Well, sir, he has nevtheir curious inquiries after speculative truth, er been forgiven." "Forgiven!" said the Col. their shrewdness in commerce, their prowess in "Here is his case entered." "Yes, but the man is arms, and their passion for liberty, gave to the now before you, and you can cancel it." After Greeks a marked pre-eminence among nations. the colonel had reflected for a few minutes, he But the ineradicable vices of the Greek civiliza- ordered the man to be brought in, when he asked tion were fatal to the race. Their democratic him what he had to say relative to the charge energy, and their patriotic heroism, withstood brought against him. "Nothing sir," was the rethe shock of Persian invasion, and turned back ply, "only that I am sorry for what I have done." the wave of Oriental conquest from Europe; but After making some remarks, the colonel said, with all their passion for liberty they could not "Well, we have resolved to forgive you." The maintain their own self-government-Still less soldier was struck with astonishment, the tears could they become the apostles of liberty for the started from his eyes-he wept. The colonel, world. Their love of liberty was not the love with the adjutant and others present, felt deeply of justice; its aspiration was "Liberty for the when they saw the man so humbled. He thank-Greek, and slavery for the barbarian-liberty ed the colonel for his kindness and retired. The for us, and slavery for all the world beside !" narrator had the soldier under his notice for two With all their passion for liberty, they were the years and a half after this, and never during that

Kindness conquered! The man was won!

fable, or a subject of no importance.

fore God? Guilty of breaking his law, which is holy, just and good. Guilty, not of breaking the law once, but ten thousand times—not in one don and justify every sinner that believes on him? Do you see that God offers to pardon you, invites you to come to his throne of grace, that you may obtain mercy-and has long been, and is now, waiting to be gracious unto you? What would you have said if the soldier referred to had insulted his colonel when he told him he made up his mind to forgive him, and had told him he did not want his pardon,-but that he was a most hardened and ungrateful wretch? Yet if you refuse, or neglect to humble yourself before God, and ask for the pardon promised in his word, you are acting just such a part before God. O, the folly, the consumate folly of the man who trifles with eternal punishment---who rejects the Savior of sinners---who refuses to come to God by him, that he may be pardoned, sanctified, and saved!

Grace teaches good works. The pardoned soldier became a changed man---mercy did what punishment could not, for it thoroughly reformed him. So, if we believe the love that God has to us, it we receive the message of his mercy, the promise of his grace, and come to him for pardon and obtain it, we shall find that the grace of God, that bringeth salvation to us, will teach us to deny ungodliness and worldly lusts, and to live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present evil world. Nothing softens the heart like kindness, and therefore in the gospel the kindness of God our Savior is set before us. Nothing inspires the soul with gratitude like love, nor will anything make us desire to walk as to please God like gratitude; and therefore the gospel minister cries. "Herein is love not that v God, but that he loved us, and gave his Son to be the propitiation for our sins?" If the grace that presents a free, full, and everlasting pardon of all sin, will not melt our hard hearts, and reform our vicious lives, nothing will. The law with its rigid requirements and terrible threatenings only hardens the sinner's heart, and renders him obdurate and sullen; but the gospel with its sweet invitations, gracious provision and glorious promises, melts, humbles, and remodels every heart; it consequently reforms, regulates, aud consecrates the life to God's glory and praise. Once more, reader, that gospel speaks to you. Once more, the God of all grace addresses you. After living so long in sin, after hardening yourself against him so often, after treating him with criminal contempt, he says, "Come now, and let us reason together: though your sins be as scar- narrow share allotted to us to the glory of God, let, they shall be white as snow; though they be and meet in the kingdom. red as crimson, they shall be as wool." That is,

time was there a charge brought against him, or they shall be blotted out, they shall be all fora fault found with him. Mercy triumphed! given, and you shall be white as the driven snow, and clean as the well-washed wool. And even if This is just the method God adopts with us in my reader be a desperate sinner, one of the foulthe everlasting gospel. We are guilty. The est transgressors, one of the basest of Adam's charges are brought against us. The case is en- race; yea, if you are the vilest that ever breathed tered. But the Lord delighteth in mercy. He God's air, or blasphemed God's holy name, or seeks to melt us by his love. He is ready to for- injured your fellow-men; if you deserve the lowgive; saying, "Only acknowledge thine iniqui- est and hottest sheel, yet to you, to you at this ties." And then offers us a pardon-a pardon, moment, to you, after all that you have done, God not of one sin, but of all our sins. A pardon that speaks, not in a voice of thunder---speaks not in will bring peace to the conscience on earth, and wrath, but in mercy--speaks as it he were not entitle us to eternal rest in heaven. The soldier, willing that any should perish, but that all should in the case before us, gladly accepted the par- come to repentance---and what, think you, are his don, was melted down by the kindness of his col- words? "Wonder, O heavens! Be astonished, O onel, and wept like a child would weep. But sin- earth !" God the infiintely holy ! God, the inflexners too often hear of God's forgiving love with- ibly righteous! god says to the vilest out of out emotion, and instead of humbly confessing hell, "Seek ye the Lord while he may be found; their sins, and gladly embracing the pardon of- call ye upon him while he is near; let the wickfered, they treat it with neglect or contempt. ed," the desperately wicked, "forsake his ways, What can be the reason of this? The reason is, and the unrighteous man his thoughts;" the man they do not realize their criminality, or the dan- of no character, the most depraved, "and let him ger which they are exposed—they do not believe return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy;" in the punishment which their sins deserve, and yea, he will have mercy, for he delights to do so, therefore they treat the gospel as if it were a He will have mercy upon him; "and to our god, for he will abundantly pardon." Abundantly par-Reader, have you felt that you are guilty be- don! Yes, he will pardon all sin, all sin completely. Pardon with his whole heart, and with his whole soul. Pardon so as to cover sin, so as to annihilate the charge of sin, so as to free from form, but in a multitude of ways-so that if God all the penal consequences of sin, and from the were to punish you according to your desert, he consequences of sin for ever. He will forgive all; must sentence you to perdition. Have you un- not only forgive, but forget. Hear his own prederstood the gospel, which tells you that God cious words, "I will be merciful to their unrighteis loth to punish you, that he hath no pleasure ousness, and their sins, and their iniquities will in the death of a sinner; to prove which he I remember no more." O, blessed assurance, that spared not his Son, but delivered him up, the god will not only blot our sins out of his book, just for the unjust; to bear our sins, to atone for but out of his memory, so that they shall be reour guilt; and so God may be just, and yet par- membered no more .-- British Workman.

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Our Lord, after enumerating in order a seies of events to take place ere his second Advent, spoke of a "generation" that should not pass away without witnessing this wonderful spectacle. Passing over the varied opinions respecting the application of this term, I will briefly give my own conclusion, which is, that it is the generation of whom the prophetical teachings and signs of the times convince a certain portion termed "virgins," to expect the Lord's return. This as a period of time is forty years, being the same length of time that was given to the Jewish nation for repentance, after the commencement of our Lord's ministry. The darkening of the sun, the bloody appearance of the moon, and the falling of the stars, were fulfilled literally before its commencement, being in a discourse of the Saviour where symbols were not employed, the more to impress the common people. It commenced with the proclamation of the advent message, about 1837-1840, and terminates about 1877-1880; and the fulfillment of our Lord's prophecy on Olivet is to be completed ere its termination. Consequently, it gives probability to the theory of the close of the great prophetic periods at a point in the immediate future. If correct in this supposition, those now living are truly living : nd animon nover elem

"In a grand and awful time, In an age on ages telling; To be living is sublime."

In Noah's time life was protracted to centuries, and God warned 120 years. He forbore with those he brought out of Egypt 40 years; again he was forebearing 40 years at the close of that dispensation; and he is as long suffering to us now. It would not seem to comport with the ways of God to warn a generation as this has been, and permit it to pass away utterly mistaken and disappointed. It would require great evidence, indeed, to arouse a people for two or three generations to come, having a history of our disappointed calculations before them. You rightly request short communications. I might say much more, but if the above be anything to the purpose it is sufficient. May we fill up the

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St. Augustine's Soliloquies.

holiness, terrible as well as laudable, doing won- whether or not we can perfectly reconcile our a son of darkness, I loved my darkness because come." I did not know the light. I was blind, and loved blindness, and walked towards darkness through darkness. Who lead me out thence, when I was a blind man, sitting in darkness and in the shadow of death?

Who took my hand that he might lead me out? Who is he, my illuminator? For I did not seek, and he sought me : I called not him, and he called me. Who is he? Thou art he, O Lord, my God, compassionate and compassionator, a father of mercies and God of all consolation. It is thou, O holy Lord, my God, whom I confess with all my heart, giving thanks to thy

The remembrance of Christ's wounds is an efficascious remedy against all adversities.

Great is the sin I have sinned, and I am conscious of many offences. And yet I do not despair, since when offences have abounded, grace has also superabounded. He who despairs of the pardon of his sins, denies that God is merciful. He who distrusts concerning his mercy does great injury to God. As much as in him is, he denies that God has love, truth and pow- A. M. Association an efficient instrumentality for er, in which things all my hope stands, to wit : good, in the charity of adoption, in the truth of promise and in the power of redemption. Let now no foolish cogitation murmur as much as it will, saying, for who art thou? and how great that glory is, or by what merits dost thou hope to obtain it ? And I will fiducially reply : "I know in whom I have believed; with what charity but too great he has adopted me for a soul; because he is veracious in promise, powerful in application, and it is lawful for him to do what he will. I cannot be terrified by the multitude of my sins, when the death of my Lord has come into my mind, since my sins cannot overcome him, if I have loved him .- N. Y. Observer.

The Object of Prayer.

The philosophy is false which flies in the face of Inspiration. Let God be true, and every man a liar who contradicts the Holy Scriptures. The view which they give of prayer is everywhere one and the same. It is asking and receiving; nothing less. To affirm, then, that its sole object it to medicate the human soul, and bring it into harmony with the divine mind and will, is to darken counsel by words without knowledge. "Ask, and ye shall receive," is Christ's promise; not "ask, and ye shall be prepared to receive." It is very true, that prayer does exert a very important and happy influence upon the state of our own hearts, and prepares us to receive in a right spirit the blessing which God gives in answer to prayer. But to make this the principal object of prayer is to neutralize this very effect, and to make prayer nothing but a form. Imagine a person saying to himself, as he enters into his closet, the first instance of Moses' use of it, it is rendered and shuts the door, "Now I am going to ask God to give certain blessings, not with any idea prayer as that be likely to have a very salutary effect in preparing his mind to receive the blessings? But why should he not have just those thoughts, if that is "the principal object of prayer."

Certainly, the better one understands the true doctrine of prayer, the better he is prepared to pray. If prayer is nothing but shooting our petitions against a brazen heaven, that they may rebound with as much force as possible upon our own hearts, then let us know it, that we may acquire skill by practice, and learn to take a sure and evident, that the moment such a theory of pray- says, "the life of the flesh is in the blood," (Lev.

er gains possession of the mind, prayer, in any sober and scriptural sense of the word, prayer to Who is like unto thee, O Lord, even among God, becomes an impossibility. This theory is the gods? Who is similar to thee? Glorious in based on the unchangeableness of God. But ders? Late have I known thee, the true light, views of his unchangeableness with the doctrine late have I known thee; but great and dark was that he hears and answers prayer, one thing is the cloud before the eyes of my vanity, so that I certain, that God must have changed very much could not see the Sun of Righteousness and the if he has ceased to hear and answer it. "O Thou luminary of truth. I was involved in darkness; thou who hearest prayer, unto Thee shall all flesh



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Primary Significance of Words.

Bro. B. If Gen. 2:7 don't give the primary idea of soul, where shall we find it? Thinking primary meant first, I supposed the passage gave the primary meaning and sense of the word. Do you deny it?

The "primary sense" of a word is that which is signified in its original current language.

The word "soul" is an English term, the primary meaning of which must be determined by its original current English usage.

As used by our translators of the Hebrew and Greek Scriptures, the first time they employ it is no more determinate of its radical significance, than are all the other instances of its use in the same translation-each instance in which any word is thus rendered being of importance in determining

its usus-loquendi. There are three Hebrew and one Greek words rendered "soul" in our Scriptures; and we suppose that our correspondent designs his criticism to apply, not so much to the English word, as to the Hebrew, neh-phesh, translated "soul" in Gen. 2: 7. Judging this to be the point in his mind, we reply that we have no means of knowing what that term signified during the first twenty five centuries after creation, except as we can judge from its general use, at the end of that period, in the writings of Moses, and Joshua, and from the book of Job. In 'that hath,' (Gen. 1: 20); in the second and third 'creature' vs. 21,24; in the next instance it is renthat He will be any more likely to give them for dered "life," (Gen. 1: 30). It is then rendered my asking, but because my asking will make me "soul," in Gen. 2:7, and is then used seven times feel more humble, more dependent, and more before being again thus rendered. When, however, grateful when the blessings comes." Would such we speak of its primary sense as used by Moses, we do not mean its significance in its connection as used the first time by him, but its literal radical meaning, as shown by his general use of it. And as we do not find it used differently in the writings of Moses than in other scriptures, dictated by the same one Spirit, we need to consider all the places of its occurrence, in deciding its primary and other uses.

Its primary significance is judged to be that of breath, as a life preserving principle, or "the breath of life," and "life," as in (Job. 41: 21,) "His breath kindleth coals;" (Gen. 1: 20), "the moving creature that hath life;" and (v. 30), "everything

. wherein there is life." God speaks of "flesh with the life thereof," (Gen. 9:4), showing that it strong aim in this intellectual exercise. It is not is used in distinction from the flesh itself. And He

17: 11); and again, "the life of all flesh is the them 3000 souls," Acts 2: 41. Thus used 46 times. blood," (v. 14). Here the neh-phesh or soul being affirmed in one text to be in the blood, it can be affirmed to be the blood in the other only by a metonymy, in which the container is denominated by that which it contains. By a synecdoche, also, it is used for persons, as in Gen. 14: 21, "give me the persons," where the same word is thus rendered—a are in the blood, or that the person is the blood of a

The Soul.

Dear Bro. Bliss: One of the late Heralds contains an article from your pen in reply to questions of J. M. O. explanatory of the term "life."

You explain the Greek word "Psuche" to mean the life of the body, or, in other words, the animal, or blood life, which dies with the body.

If such is the absolute meaning of the term, I am at a loss to know what our Saviour means when he says, Matt. 10: 28, "Fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul," (Psuche.) Light on the above text will be thankfully received by a lover of truth.

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REMARKS. What we said, from which the above impression is derived was that "Our present life in the flesh is a Psuche or soul life; and its continuance is dependant on the action of the blood, constantly supplied with fresh nutriment and purified by constant inhalations of oxygen." We also spoke of the "life of the body" becoming extinct, and of ment. the "soul-life of the body," as dependent on the blood. It was not, however, our intention to confound the soul, as an animating essence, with the soul-life of the body, which is the result of the soul's animating influence. Our idea of the term "soul" was given in full in the Herald in our Catalogue of "Scriptural tropes," in 1858, under the word soul, as follows;

Soul, n. (Hebrew, Nephesh; Greek, Psuche.) Lit., the animating principle, that which endows animals with life and instinct, and allies the mateial of man's nature with his intellectual and moral faculties: "I pray God your whole spirit and soul rand body be preserved blameless unto the coming of the Lord Jesus," 1 Thess. 5: 23; "The word of God is quick. . . . even to the dividing asunder of the soul and spirit," Heb. 5: 12; "Haman stood up to make request for his life," (nephesh) Est. 7: 7; "To every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to everything that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is life," (Ib.) Gen. 1: 30; "Whosoever shall save his life (psuche) shall lose it," Matt. 16: 25-thus used about 100 times.

-A Metaphor, applicable to any refreshing influence. The Hebrew verb is thus used three times. "The stranger may be refreshed," Ex. 23: 12. See also 31: 17, and 1 Sam. 16: 14.

is, or has been connected, "If any of you shall be unclean by a dead body," (nephesh,) Num. 9: 10:-"Ye shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for men who were, defiled by the dead body (Ib.) of a man," Num. 9: 6-thus used 11 times. Also,

2. For the bodily appeties and sensations, "Our soul loatheth this light bread," Num. 21: 5. "The idle soul shall suffer hunger," Prov. 19: 15; "Yea a sword shall pierce through thine own soul," Lu. 2: 23-thus used 40 times.

3. For the intellectual and moral emotions and affections, "My soul trusteth in thee," Psa. 5: 7. "My soul is full of troubles," Ib. 88: 3; "The soul of the wicked desireth evil," Prov. 21: 10; "He that is of a proud heart," [nephesh] Ib. 28: 25;-22; "The soul of Jonathan was knit to the soul of "Thy Seed shall possess the gate of His enemies.

4. For the immaterial part of man, "Fear not soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell," Matt. 10: 28; "Thou wilt not leave my soul in Hades, neither wilt thou suffer thy Holy One to see corruption," Acts 1: 27.

-A Synecdoche, 1. For the entire animal.phesh) that was the name thereof," Gen. 2: 19 :-"This is the law of beasts, and of the fowl, and of Paul, however, is not the only apostle who apevery living creature (Ib.) that moveth in the wa- plies this prediction to Christ. Peter, before Paul ters," Lev. 11: 46-thus used 8 times.

2. For the entire man, "The Lord God formed his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living soul," or person, Gen. 2:7; "Abraham took the souls they had gotten in Haran," Gen. 12: [nepesh] from among them," 33: 6; "Give me the from his iniquities." Acts. 3: 25, 26. every soul," Acts 2: 43; "There were added unto 19: 34) who observes, that, It is not written here

It is also used in the sense of one's self in 85 instances,-in 17 of which it is applied to God,-"The Lord hath sworn by Himself [Heb. his soul] Amos 6: 8; "My soul chooseth strangling"-i. e., I choose it, Job. 7: 15.

Note. -The word rendered soul in Job. 30: 15, nowhere else occurs in the Bible ; and that renderpart being denominative of the whole; but no one ed "souls" in Isa. 57: 16 is found in 25 texts, and would therefore think of arguing that the persons is nowhere else thus rendered, but ordinarily breath -as in Gen. 2: 7, "Breathed into his nostrils the breath of life." See Breath. It is, twice only, rendered spirit, in Job. 26: 4, and in Prov. 20: 27. There is no other word rendered soul; and the only other rendered spirit, except those noticed below, is that which is thus rendered in Matt. 14: 26, and Mark 6: 27, and that nowhere else occurs.

> As will be seen by the above, our view of its use in the text referred to, is that it is there put, by a metonymy, for man's immaterial nature—that which survives the dissolution of the body, and may be destroyed by eternal consignment to Gehenna.

We suppose the brother respecting whom you enquire has modified his views somewhat; but we do not feel authorized to say to what extent, for the reason that he has never communicated to us, and we know not that he has to the public, the extent of the charge. We suppose that he has given up the unconsciousness of those who sleep; but do not know how he stands in relation to the future punishment. The fact that "Anti-eternal-torment," "is still advertized" "is not decisive on that point; for he may have no control over such advertise-

The Blessing to all Nations, Promised in Abraham's Seed.

"Thy Seed shall possess the gate of His enemies; and in thy Seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed." Gen. 22: 17, 18.

How the nations were to be blessed in Abraham's seed would be a mystery, without the Apostolic assurance that our Savior was crucified : "That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith"-the Apostle giving as a reason, that: "To Abraham and his seed were the promises made: he saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one. And to thy seed, which is Christ." Gal. 3: 14-16.

The same form of the word rendered "seed" being used for the plural as well as for the singular, it has been claimed by sceptics that Paul's argument, that it was spoken as of one, is sophistical and untenable,-on the ground that it was never used in the plural form by the Hebrews, except to denote the seeds of vegetation (Dan.1: 12); and some Christians have consequently fallen into the error of supposing that Paul was here mistaken, and did not reason logically! Even Jerome, who is followed by Le Clerc, allegeth, according to Dr. Macknight, that -A Metonymy, 1, for the body with which it "the apostle by an argument of this kind meant to impose on the simplicity of the Gallatians." It has peen claimed that Paul founds his argument on the presumption that "seed" cannot signify a plurality the dead," (Ib.) Lev. 19: 28. "There were certain of persons;" which it often does. But which claim shows a very superficial acquaintance with the basis of Paul's argument.

In reply to such objections, it may be remarked, first, however ambiguous the prediction might be, that Paul, as an inspired interpreter, spoke authoritively, as to its application to one or more persons; and that whatever he has affirmed in respect to it, must be received as its inspired significance.

In the second place, it is noticable that independent of any claim to inspiration, the apostle is abundantly sustained in his argument; for the singular number of the word in this connection is clearly "Confirming the souls of the disciples," Acts 14: proved by the context—the words preceeding being, David," 1 Sam. 18: 1-thus used about 100 times. However ambiguous the number of the word might be, as sometimes used, there is no room to question them that kill the body, but are not able to kill the that in this connection the word seed is spoken of as of one and not of many. It is therefore here as clearly in the singular, as it is in Gen. 13: 15:" I will put enmity between thy seed and her Seed : It sball bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise His heel;" or as in Gen. 4: 25, when Eve, speaking of the "Whatsoever Adam called any living creature (ne- birth of Seth, says: "God hath appointed me another seed, instead of Abel whom Cain slew."

was converted, gave the same interpretation. Speakto the Jews he says: "Ye are the children of the man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying unto Abraham, And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed. Unto you first, God having raised up his Son Jesus, sent 5; "If the sword come and take away any person him to bless you, in turning away every one of you

persons," [Ib.] Gen. 14:21; "If a soul shall sin Dr. Whitby also remarks: "This interpretation through ignorance," Lev. 4: 2; "Fear came upon is owned by the Jews (Moses Haddarson ad Gen. thy son, but thy seed: that is the King Messiah.' that ever existed, has been looked to as the great ce-And Theodoret observes, 'The words are capable of menter of the world's peace; on which expectation no other sense; for by Christ only was the promise our unprecedented civil war is a sad, though strik-

and have claimed that Paul's application of the term, great insurrection can bear no comparison to the requires us to understand that reference is only startling awakening, that will arouse those who made to Christ, whenever there is mention of the dream of a reign of peace before the end, when the seed of Abraham. A little observation, however, will Prince of Peace shall appear in person for the estabshow that the phrase is used in more than one or lishment of His everlasting kingdom. two meanings; and it is expressive,

1st. Of the whole multitude of Abraham's posterity : "I will make thy seed as the dust of the earth : so that if a man can number the dust of the earth, then shall thy seed also be numbered." Gen. 13: 16.

2. Of Abraham's descendants in the line of Isaac and Jacob : "Thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs but in the fourth generation they shall come hither again." Ib. 13-16.

3. Of the godly of Abraham's posterity: "All the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever," 13: 15.

4. Of all who are of the faith of Abraham, whatever may be their pedigree: "If ye are Christ's then are ye Abrahams's seed, and heirs according to the promises." Gal. 3: 25. And

5. Of Christ, individually: "In thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed." Gen. 22: 18.

It is clear, therefore, that those who question Paul's logic, or think him mistaken in his interpretation, have given only a superficial examination to the question-though competent, in their own estimation, to sit in judgment on the competency of an inspired apostle. The time, however, when all nations will be fully blessed in Christ, it is evident from the context, will be when He shall possess the gate of His enemies—that is, when he shall put all things under His feet, and shall be the only recognized Sovereign of this earth; which will be when He "shall judge the quick and the dead, at His ap- to be considered a subscriber for life. Yours in haste, pearing and His kingdom." 2 Tim. 4: 1. Till that epoch, the nations are blessed in Christ only to the extent in which they receive him; but when He shall destroy His enemies and possess their gate, there will be no nations remaining except those blessed in Christ.

"My Hopes."

The Rev. Mr. Drake, for twenty three years the pastor of the Baptist church in Plainfield, N. Y., who died Tuesday, April 15, 1862, preached his last sermon on the Sunday previous, from the text, "The peace of God which passeth all underestanding," &c. He had partly written his text for his next discourse, "My ways are not your ways, neither are my thoughts"-here it ended, as did his life. His last rational words were-

"Jesus, my all, to heaven has gone, He whom I fix my hopes upon."

"Yes, my hopes upon, yes my hopes," he added with emphasis. He then was flighty-an audience was in the room-he was speaking to the impenitent and with the call-"Now is the acceptable time, now is the day of salvation," his spirit passed away.

Peace, when there is no Peace.

We did believe in peace; fondly, credulously be lieved that, cemented by the mild umpirage of the Federal Union, it might dwell forever beneath the folds of the Star-Spangled Banner and the sacred shield of a common nationality. That was the great arcanum of policy; that was the state mystery into which men and angels desired to look; hidden from ages, but revealed to us:

Which kings and prophets waited for, And sought, but never found.

There was no limits to the possible extension of such a system. It had already comprehended half North America, and it might, in the course of time, have folded the continent in its peaceful, beneficent brace. We fondly dreamed that, in the lanse ages, it would have been extended till half the Western hemisphere had realized the vision of universal, perpetual peace. From that dream we have been rudely startled by the array of ten thousand armed men in Charleston Harbor, and the glare of eleven batteries bursting on the torn sky of the Union, like that comet which, at this very moment, burns "in the Artic sky, and from his horrid hair shakes pestilence and war."- Edward Everett.

The world has been beguilded by the cry of peace, peace: and the church has not been backward in predicting a reign of peace on earth during our present probationary state-forgetting that our Saviour said, "Think not that I am to come to send peace on the earth: I am not come to send peace, but a sword," Matt. 10: 34. And an inspired Apostle predicted the prevalent expectation of a reign of peace, as a precursor of the end, "For when they shall say peace and safety, then sudden destruction cometh upon them." 1 Th. 5: 3.

True, "the Federal Union," the best government that city of no commercial importance. Florida, di-

ing commentary. But the manner in which states-Other writers have fallen into the opposite error, men have been startled from that dream by this

Particular Notice.

Our readers have perceived that their papers now come to them by a printed, instead of a written direction as before. It is not improbable that many names have been misspelled, in being transferred to blocks, or something omitted. We will therefore be obliged to any, who notice any inaccuracy for prompt information that we may correct the same. We would like always, where there is room to put it on the block, to give the first name in full, and also to have "Mrs." or "Miss," as the case may be, precede the name of all our female subscribers. We would therefore request those whose names now come only a first initial, to give us their name in full; and we would like information in respect to any prefix or affix, proper in any instance, that is now omitted. Money for the Herald might be sent at the same time? In transfering to blocks we may also have omitted or misplaced some name, and therefore we would like prompt notice of any irregularity in the receipt of the Herald. The following is a case in point:

Bro. Bliss .- Dear sir : I wish to know, if you have stricken my name, from your subscription list? I have not received the Herald for the last two weeks, and I am quite unwilling to lose one number. I suppose you know I am not delinquent, as my subscription is paid to July next; and I wish J. A. WINCHESTER.

Claremont, N. H. May, 9, 1862.

In arranging our list alphabetically, the block with your name had slipped into the East Kingston list. That mistake, we trust, will not again happen. You are credited to July next, and may your life continue while the Herald is needed.

The War.

The war news this week, as well as last is of great moment in the direction of a speedy crushing of the rebellion. The Union forces are victorious on both the sea-board and Mississippi,—the stories of which are told in few words by dispatches to government. copied in our columns. The surrender of Norfolk, the repossession of the Navy yard opposite Portsmouth, the self destruction of the Merrimac, the retreat of the rebels from Yorktown, their fight, defeat, and flight from Williamstown, their defeat at West Point, rapid retreat to Richmond, and their persuit by our army, are all events of great importance in the present crisis. The capture of New Orleans with its detenses, and the defeat of the rebel navy in the eastern and western waters, also have an important bearing in the same direction. We may not learn before going to press of the capture of Richmond, the rebel capitol; but we are expecting any hour to hear of that achievement. The rebel congress fled that city more than a week since, and it is now clear as a sunbeam that rebeldom is doomed. There appears to be nothing particularly in the way of the speedy capture of Charleston and Savannah on the Atlantic coast, of Pensacola and Mobile on the gulf, and of Memphis and Fort Wright on the Mississippi; which are all the important points now in posse of the rebels. Their armies at Corinth and Richmond cannot but be greatly disheartened and demoralized by such a succession of fatal disasters as their cause has encountered; and we do not anticipate the rebels making a stand in great force anywhere for any length of time. It is not unlikely, however, that large bands of marauders may rove about the south, preventing important sections of it from returning to their allegiance; but should this be so, it would only hasten the conviction, now fast ripening, that the cause of this rebellion must be placed in a condition where it can never again produce a like result. It may be that God will never permit peace, until the bands of the oppressor be broken and the oppressed go free; or at any rate, until the condition of the oppressed be greatly ameliorated.

The successes of the Government forces, during the past week, as before, have gradually contracted the rebellion into much narrower limits than it at one time possessed. The present condition is thus described in the last "Independent" by Horace Gree-

"Of Tennessee and Virginia, at least half are again under the sway of the Stars and Stripes. The Sea Islands of South Carolina and Georgia are firmly held by the Union forces, while the fall of Fort Pulaski has sealed the port of Savannah, rendering

vested of Rebel troops, might be completely regained to the Rebublic by 5,000 men, in the course of a month; while the capture of New Orleans, by Gen. Butler's expedition, has bereft the Slaveholders' Rebellion of by far it greatest and most important mart, and nearly stopped the clandestine trade between the West Indies and the Gulf coast. North Carolina and Virgina have no remaining seaport, Wilmington perhaps excepted, into which a cargo of arms or military stores can be run for the use of Jefferson Davis & Company; so that Charleston remains practically the only available Rebel port, and that can only be run into by swift vessels in very dark nights, when they can pass within musket-shot of the blockading fleet without being perceived. The rebels must therefore speedily assume the offensive and win decisive victories, or their last hope will be stifled. They cannot stand still; they have lost too much ground; they canot maintain their armies on what is left to them; they may tear every white youth from his home by conscription, but they can not clothe, arm, equip, and provision the number they already have in the field for over three months longer. Four months of unbroken disaster have brought them to the brink of ruin : nothing short of overwhelming triumphs, promptly achieved, can save them from going over. Who believes it proba-ble that they are about to achieve such triumphs?"

The first official account of the fall of New Orleans was telegraphed to Washington from Fortress Monroe, where the bearer of dispatches first arrived, in the following clear and comprehensive manner.

Fortress Monroe, May 8. To Hon. Gideon Welles, Secretary of the Navy :

I have the honor to announce that, by the providence of God, which smiles upon a just cause, the squadron under Flag Officer Farragut has been vouch safed a glorious victory and triumph in the capture of the city of New Orleans, Forts Jackson, St. Phillip, Livingston and Pike, the batteries above and below New Orleans, as well as the total destruction of the enemy's gunboats, steam rams, iron-clad floating bat teries, fire rafts and obstructions, booms and chains

The enemy with their own hands destroyed from eight to ten millions worth of cotton and shipping. Our loss is 36 killed and 123 wounded. The enemy lost from 1000 to 1500, besides several hundred prisoners. The way is clear and the rebel defenses are destroyed from the Gulf to Baton Rouge, and probably to Menphis. Our flag waves triumphantly over them all. I am bearer of dispatches.

(Signed) THEODORE BAILEY. Captain and Second in Command of the attacking force of the Gunboat Cayuga.

NORFOLK SURRENDERED.

Not a blow was struck in its defense by the rebels. The navy yard was saved. Five thousand federal troops are in possession. The rebel steamer Yorktown was sunk and the Jamestown captured by

Washington, May 11. The following was received at the War Department this morning :

Fortress Monroe, May 10-12 o'clock, midnight. Norfolk is ours, and also Portmouth and the Navy Yard.

General Wool, having completed the landing of his forces at Willoughby Point about 9 o'clock this morning, commenced his march on Norfolk with 5000 men. Secretary Chase accompanied the Gen-

About five miles from the landing place a rebel battery was found on the opposite side of the bridge over Tanner's Creek ; and after firing a few discharges upon two companies of infantry that were in the advance, the rebels burned the bridge. This compelled our forces to march around five miles fur-

At 5 o'clock in the afternoon our forces were within a short distance of Norfolk, and were met by a delegation of citizens.

The city was formerly surrendered.

Our troops were marched in, and now have pos-

Gen. Viele is in command as Military Governor. fires which had been seen for some hours proved to be woods on fire.

Gen. Wool, with Secretary Chase, returned about 11 o'clock to-night.

Gen. Huger withdrew his forces without a bat-

The Merrimac is still off Sewell's Point. Commander Rodgers' expedition was heard from of a permanent peace." this afternoon ascending James river.

The iron-clad steamer Galena had sunk the rebel steamer Yorktown and captured the Jamestown. Reports from Gen. McClellan are favorable.

EDWIN M. STANTON. (Signed) Secretary of War. Later reports say the Navy Yard was destroyed. THE MERRIMAC DESTROYED Fortress Monroe, May 11.

To Hon. J. H. Watson, Assistant Secretary of

The Merrimac was blown up by the rebels at two minutes before five o'clock this morning. She was set fire to about three o'clock. The explosion took place at the time stated.

It is stated to be a grand sight by those who saw

The Monitor, E.A. Stevens (Naugatuck) and the gunboats have gone up toward Norfolk. ANOTHER NAVAL VICTORY.

Washington, May 11. The following has been re-

Flag Ship Benton, above Fort Pillow, Mississippi. River, May 10, via Cairo, 11th.

To Hon. Gideon Welles, Secretary of the Navy: The naval engagement for which the rebels have been preparing took place this morning. The rebel fleet, consisting of eight iron-clad gunboats, four of which were fitted with rams, came up handsomely. The action lasted one hour. Two of the rebel gunboats were blown up and one sunk, when the ene-

my retired precipitately under the guus of the fort. Only six vessels of my squadron were engaged. The Cincinnati sustained some injury from the rams, but will be in fighting condition to-morrow. Capt. Stemble distinguished himself, and he is seriously wounded. The Benton is uninjured. Mortar boat No. 16, in charge of Second Master Gregory, behaved with great spirit. The rebel squadron is supposed to be commanded by Commodore Hollins.

Captain Commanding Western Flotilla, Mississippi River, pro tem.

The Papal Power. in beef edd wo

Late foreign intelligence announces that a petition, signedby one hundred and sixty priests, has been sent to the Pope, requesting that he will surrender his claim to temporal sovereignty, that it may conduce to the peace of Italy. We suppose this must be the same fact that is referred to in the following statement by a correspondent of the London Daily News, who wrote from Malta, Feb. 8th, though here it is multiplied to "thousands."

"There is to-day handed about Malta a very long and well written protest to the Pope, printed at Naples, and signed by about sixty thousand of the Roman Catholic priests. Several chapters have affixed their official seal to it, and it looks very like Protestantism, but they call it pure Roman Catholicism. It urges the Pope to abandon his temporal power, to restore the church to its primitive state, and to remember that a great majority of his clergy are from his people."

Orestes A. Bronson, the ablest Roman Catholic writer in America, also urges the surrender of this claim. Having been censured for so doing, he thus writes in justification to the Catholic Herald and Visitor:

"I have never opposed the temporal sovereignty of the Pope in his Ecclesiastical States, nor urged its surrender, save on the hypothesis that it is already virtually gone, and cannot be effectively sustained. Its loss, when I wrote, I looked upon as an accomplished fact, or likely to be so, in a near future. Assuming this, I suggested, argued, if you will, that the voluntary surrender, by the Holy Father, of his temporal principality, on the best terms then practiable, would contribute more to the political and social interests of the Peninsula, and to the interests

cial interests of the Peninsula, and to the interests of Catholicity, both in Italy and elsewhere, than a prolonged and unavailing struggle to maintain it against the almost universal popular sentiment."

In this hour of extremity, we should naturally expect that a Christian church would look up to the Creator for guidance and protection; but instead of this, we find the Pope having recourse to a creature—the following being from his late Allocution delivered in the Minerva church:

"May the most Holy Virgin, under whose all-powerful auspices we have been kept safe and sound up to this hour deign to continue to us her protection:

to this hour, deign to continue to us her protection; and may she inspire us with a perfect resignation to

"The Catholic" an American Papal Journal, also gives utterance to similar sentiments, as follow

"The beautiful devotion of the month of May ommences this week If at all times the faithful The city and Navy Yard were not burned. The Christian should implore the aid of the Mother of God, at this eventful period, when so many important interests both in Church and State are to be decided, we should turn to Mary with more than usual fervor, imploring of her to continue to protect and defend the Sovereign Pontiff, to interpose her prayers in favor of the Bishops who are soon to be gathered around the Chair of the of the Chief Pastor, and to obtain for our country the termination of the present strife between brothers, and the return

Those who thus speak and write must have forgotten that it is said of Jesus Christ: "There is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved, '' Acts 4: 12. Also they cannot have remembered that our Lord himself said: "I am the door: by me if any man enter in he shall be saved," John 10: 9; and that, "He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber, 2 v 1.

CORRESPONDENCE.



In this department, articles are solicited, on the general subject of the Advent, from friends of the Herald, over their own signatures, irrespective of the particular views which it defends. Views of correspondents not dissented from, are not necessarily to be considered as editorially endersed. Correspondents are expected to avoid all personalities, and to study Christian courtesy in all references to views and persons. Any departure from this should be regarded as disentitling the writer to any reply. Christian and gentlemanly discussion will be in order; but not needless, unkind, or uncourteous controversy.

MY JOURNAL.

SKETCH OF EIGHT MONTHS' LABOR.

March, 1862. My last No. was dated August 12, 1861, in which I gave a brief account of my sickness and recovery in the Health Institution, or " Our Home," in Dansville, N. Y. Since that time I have enjoyed perfect health, so that I have holding to the definite time, as taught in the Bible, not lost a single appointment; every day has been attended with health to my body and good cheer to my soul. Praise the Lord for his loving kindness and his tender mercies to me, a sinner saved by grace. I have written much that the time has not come to publish; but the constant importunity of kind friends to hear from me again, induces me to give expression to a few thoughts, that may be of some practical use to those who are looking for the speedy coming of Christ.

In the last eight months I have endeavored to follow the leadings of Providence, and have divided my labors between the Advent Church in Boston and the cause abroad, as duty seemed to indicate.

In August and September I visited and preached in Lowell, Mass.; Portsmouth, N. H.; Portland and Yarmouth, Me. In the latter place I attended the Maine State Conference of Adventists, where 1 was received with Christian kindness, and treated as one whose labors and sufferings in the Advent cause were worthy of their consideration. I was much cheered and comforted in beholding their unity and prosperity. May God continue his blessing to

In October I visited Richmond and Whitefield, Me.; Lowell and Lawrence, Mass.; Waterbury and Cabot, Vt.; Champlain, Perry's Mills and Rouse's Point, N. Y.; and Poultney, Vt. In November, Worcester, Mass.; Hartford and Warehouse Point, Ct. ; and Springfield, Mass. In December, Kingston, N. H., at the dedication of the Advent Chapel, gave lectures in East Kingston, N. H., and attended protracted meetings in Rutland and Poultney, Vt. Also Castleton, Vt., and attended the funerals of Bro John Graham's three children, - who died of the diptheria, - already noticed.

January 1, 1862. Conference and protracted meeting, of two weeks, in Richford, Vt. A glorious time, and many converted. Lowell and Lawrence, Mass. February, Lowell; a protracted meeting three full weeks. A glorious gathering of the people of God and the Church, in a new place of worship, New York City, February 21st to March 9th, in a protracted effort with the Church, with a view to build them up. Did what I could under the circumstances (in connexion with Bro. J. I. Lanning, the preacher in charge) for this object.

During my stay in the City, by request, I went out to Newark, N. J., and spoke twice and set things in order in the new Advent Church. Bro. George Libbey was set apart as an Elder in the Church, on Saturday, March 7th, and the organization of the Church perfected. Their prospects are good. The Lord be with them.

March 11, preached in Dansville, N. Y., and vis-12th, preached in Springwater, N. Y. Had a good season. Here met and had an interview with Elder Samuel Chapman, who had been laboring here for some time, with signal success. He received me with warm and cordial greetings. His health is good; looks young and vigor ous, and is laboring with zeal and success. God is with him. He does not deal in elaborated milk and water, on the importance, or the time of Christ's coming and kingdom. Everywhere he leaves his mark for good, in the conversion of souls and the es tablishment of Churches. God bless Bro. Chap-

March 13. Preached in Lewiston, N. Y., on the time of the Lord's coming.

In the last eight months I have proclaimed "the gospel of the kingdom" to good audiences, and with various success, in the above places. My full Jour-

the happiness to know that many souls have been soundly converted to God; not only changed in their religious sympathies, but in moral and physical habits, as to their manner of living -- total abstinence from all intoxicating drinks and foods, that excite the passions, which war against the soul; also abstinence from narcotics, - so that they literally eat and drink "to the glory of God," bringing the body into subjection, keeping it pure, as a "temple of the Holy Spirit." It is my earnest desire that they will not be led away by the error of the wicked; but henceforth "glorify God in their body and spirit, which are his," and so be ready for the coming and kingdom of Christ.

I have also had the pleasure to see many professors of religion, who were living in a state of lukewarmness, quickened into a new life, by a change of their habits of living, both physically and spiritually. O, it has given me great joy to see so many sickly, weakly ones rise to a state of moral health, and triumph over all the miseries of their former

Everywhere I have found the great doctrine of Adventism, the time, loosely held and lightly esteemed by many. Only the few, among the mass, and that it is, in the language of a learned divine, now understood, by "the wisest of scriptural expositors, and of the almost universal consent of those who study the Lord's testimonies with seriousness and discrimination, having concurred in the time of their fulfilment,"* in or about the year 1867-8. Many have turned their attention to the subject afresh, and find satisfactory reasons to look for the coming of Jesus about that time. It is a cheering fact that light is increasing; and while some are growing more dark, under its influence, others are walking and rejoicing in it - so that in this respect also my labor has not been in vain in the Lord.

In this special department of truth the Adventists have yet a great work to perform. Our work is not yet done, although we have done well in giving a wide circulation to all the truth within our reach, in former years; yet the vast increase of knowledge is not to be "hid under a bushel," nor to be perverted by those to whom it is unwelcome. If those who have been enlightened shall for any cause reject it. God in his infinite wisdom can raise up other and more effective instrumentalities. God's will will be done in this matter of the "gospel of the kingdom," and the Church and world will have a full and fair warning of the "time of their visita-

When God, in his providence, brought me into connection with Father Miller, in 1839, I was but a child in the understanding of the prophetic word; and especially of the "times and seasons." I only understood the great commentators, and followed their views of the fulfillment of the prophecies relating to the Jews' return to Palestine, and the conversion of the world and Millennium in 1866. Father Miller threw me from this position, and I embraced his views. But in my conversation with him he said, "I believe I am right in my calculation; but still I may fail. Of this I am certain, it will not go beyond their time of 1866. It is either my time or theirs. You," said he, "are a young man, and may, if I fail, live to see it; I shall not. And," he added, "be faithful, Bro. Himes, to the

The following extract of a letter, dated Oct. 12, 1841, from Father Miller, which I read to the Advent Conference in Portland, Me., Oct. 1841, will corroborate the truth of the above difference of twenty-three years : -

" THE TIME OF HIS COMING.

"On this part of our subject, many are willing to admit that it is near, yet not willing to tell how near. A few are of the opinion that the year is defined in Scripture, and those who believe in the time this letter, in common with a large majority of those who believe in time, in America, has been forced by the Scriptures to fix on the year 1843. As a matter of course, nearly all the calumny of the scoffers has been thrown upon them. Those who have fixed on the year 1847 have received less abuse from the clergy, editors, and scoffers, than their brethren who believe in the earlier date; while those writers who have fixed the time as late as 1866 have received little or no obloquy or notice from these babblers and complainers. Why is this so? you may inquire; for each class of these writers tries to prove one important point in the theory, that is, that the time is actually revealed in the Bible; for this must be established before either class of these expositors could be credited a moment by a well balanced mind. And

* See Dr. Tyng's Letter, in the Voice of the raul of the state of things in all the above cities and towns, and the results of the presentation of the whole truth, would be too voluminous for publication at this time. It may suffice to say, that I have tion at this time. It may suffice to say, that I have have taken this position now. — J. v. H.

if this objection were all these men had against the and confidence of those with whom we are associated · Miller doctrine,' they would as soon complain of is one of the most trying things we have to meet in the believers in 1866 as of Miller, and others, who social and religious relations. Those who are assobelieve in any earlier dates. But this is not the ciated with Churches which oppose the Advent doecase; it is only used as a subterfuge to parry off the trine, and whose leading members hold the doctrine force of the argument of the time itself. They know of the world's conversion, very rarely do their duty in their consciences that time is revealed, and they in an aggressive way; what they do is done negaare not able to confute it. Therefore, what cannot tively, and they defend themselves when attacked (as be put down by fair means, must be by ridicule or they will be when known to have tendencies to the persecution; for they are not willing to have it Advent faith) on the points most popular, giving true. The professed ministers of Christ know, if it the least offense and producing the least result. is true, they are under the most serious, solemn, And many such oppose the agitation of the question possessing faith enough to risk their character on the word of God, or courage enough to meet the op- do. The good opinion of those who are not favorposition this doctrine would of necessity raise, they able to the truth stands in the way. will, as a matter of course, do all they can to keep the people ignorant, and cry out against excitements, even after they have been for years trying to excite most of the members. It is unpleasant to come out their people to support the popular institutions of in opposition to those we esteem; and in this way the day. No wonder then, brethren, you meet with so much opposition from this source. Yet we ought formerly shut out of other Churches. Now, as to be thankful that there are, even at this time, then, only the few independent thinkers stand up many of the ministers of Christ who are willing to be called fools for Christ's sake, and are examining this important subject; a great number of whom are satisfied that their former views of a temporal or spiritual millennium was but a tradition of men. and are preaching the kingdom of God at hand. Numbers of these are now satisfied that it is at the door, and a few of these believe in the time, 1843. Thus far, then, my dear brethren, we have reason to be thankful to God, and take courage. We at this subject."

Were Father Miller now living, to see and weigh vent, although he would not, like him, desire to die, but live to see his Saviour come in his king-

Well, I intend to be "faithful to the end." Nothing shall stand in my way, or neutralize my means. I stand free in the truth, and shall proclaim it with all my might, expecting God's blessing to attend my efforts.

I stand now, as always, on the great truths we proclaimed at the Albany Conference, in April, 1845, seventeen years since, and mean to carry logians self-consistent." them all out (especially the following very important article on the time of the Advent), in good

cated to be now emphatically nigh, even at the doors, (Matt. 24: 33,) by the chronology of the prophetic And, Mr. Orme remarks in his life of this great periods, (Dan. 7: 25; 8: 14; 9: 24; 12: 7, 11, man,—"Every change of religious sentiment is im-12; Rev. 9: 10, 15; 11: 2, 3; 12: 6, 14; 13: portant to the person who makes it, and ought to be 5,) the fulfillment of prophecy, (Dan. 2d, 7th, 8th, 9th, 11th, and 12th; Rev. 9th, 11th, 12th 13th, 14th, and 17th,) and the signs of the times, (Matt. and unsettled mind. On the other hand, to be 24: 29; Luke 21: 25, 26.) And that this truth should be preached to both saints and sinners, that the first may rejoice, knowing their redemption is the duty of every Christian to follow the leadings draweth nigh, (Luke 21: 28; 1 Thess. 4: 18,) and of the Spirit in the word of revelation, and to recolthe last be warned to flee from the wrath to come, (2 Cor. 5: 11,) before the master of the house shall at last." The eloquent Saurin once said, "Let each rise up and shut to the door, (Luke 13; 24, 25.)

It will be seen, that if, "by the chronology of Their termination in 1843 will not "indicate" very distinctly a future coming nigh!! It was only on the ground that we were living in the age when " many were running to and fro," and knowledge was increasing, that we could have said the pro- jects that will be rejected by friends, and be likely phetic periods would "indicate" the nearness of to subject us to censure, and perhaps persecution. vary only about twenty-three years. The writer of redemption; except we refer to them in so general Many an honest mind has been kept in bondage by shall rise ap and shut to the door. Luke 13:

> That this course of conduct should subject me to reproach, scorn, and misrepresentation, is nothing strange nor unexpected. It was threatened, and has been very cleverly carried out. I have not thought proper to pay any attention to my accusers, although I have to meet their ungrateful conduct in many places. Of this I am sure, that no true Adventist will sanction such treatment of one that has a clean record, and is faithful to the cause for which he has toiled and suffered from the very first without change.

Our Sayiour once said, "How can ye believe who receive honor one of another, and not that which cometh from God only." To lose the good opinion

and awful obligation to preach it, and warn and en- in their Churches, or even in the towns where they treat the people to be ready for the event. But not reside, and hence they do nothing themselves and do not suffer others to do what they neglect or refuse to

> In Advent societies, where the preachers oppose the defininite time, the principle works the same on the evidence of the time is shut out, just as it was for free discussion and the whole truth. But this is one of the most difficult things to do, for in so doing a person loses caste, and is often bitterly assailed by his former associates, even though he becomes a better man by so doing. Hence, many are slow to make any change in this direction.

We are slow to learn the lesson, "cease ye from man," respecting religious opinions. Man at his best estate, even as a religious teacher, is altogether vanity, as compared with Christ; yet, whatever is ought to do all we can to get our ministers to look lovely in character or brilliant in talent gives an interest to his opinions, whether true or false. The only safety lies in following the mind of God with the evidence of the calculation of 1867-8, he would be as happy as good old Simeon was in the first adcentury* observes: "Where Scripture speaks, or seems to speak, in consonance with the opinions of the system-mongers, well and good; where it does not, all sorts of critical discipline and violence are employed to break its refractory spirit, or bend it to compliance. The most forced and unnatural meanlabor or influence in this work, by my consent or ing of words, the most wildly congeatural emendations of the text, the most improbable reasonings, the most slender authorities, are all eagerly resorted to for this unhallowed purpose; and the Bible is made the most ridiculous book in the world, just to maintain the systems inviolate, and to render theo-

The celebrated and pious Dr. Owen observed to some one who taunted him with having changed his views upon one point : "He that can glory that "That the second coming, or appearing, is indi- in fourteen years he has not altered in his conception of some things, shall not have me for a rival. gone into with caution and deliberation. To be given to change is a great evil, and indicates a weak afraid of change, is frequently the result of indifference, or sinful apprehensions of consequences. It lect that for his convictions he must be accountable of us say when truth requires it, I have erred, I consecrate the remainder of my life to publish that the prophetic periods," we are to understand or truth which I have hitherto misunderstood, and have the proof "indicated" that Christ is nigh, which I opposed only because I had the misfortune even at the doors, that we must have some under- to misunderstand it. The learned and devoted Topstanding of these periods to "indicate" this fact. LADY said, "I am resolved in the strength of grace, to preach all the truths of the gospel, as far as I know them, and leave God to take care of the consequences."

It is a difficult thing for one to speak out on suba sense as to make them of no practical use. But the fear of such results, and have for the want of courlight has increased, and we now understand these age been kept in darkness. But this should not be periods and signs, and preach them to both saints so. It would be more wise and safe to follow such and sinners; that the first may rejoice, knowing that distinguished men as Outon, Saurin, and Toplady. their redemption is nigh, - and the last be warned Believe and speak the truth, and leave consequences to flee from the wrath to come, before the Master to God. And if a belief of the time of the Advent, or any other truth we believe to be revealed in and by the word of G. d, is likely to subject us to reproach, we are not by our course to "savor the things that be of men, " but "of God." Many are convinced of the personal reign of Christ who do not believe lest they share the fate of the Jews, who on believing in Christ, at his first Advent, were "turned out of the synagogue." Others do not avow their faith in the time of his coming for the same reason. They have no moral courage to make

I know how difficult it was, by personal experience to give up the spiritual millennium and embrace the unpopular views of the personal coming of Christ.

* John House, D. D.

Also to give up the popular notion of going to heav- | From P. W. Stratton. en at death, and embracing the true doctrine of the saint's inheritance - that they will inherit the New heavens and earth forever, as their home, at the resurrection of the just. But my conviction becoming clear on these and other great truths, with the nearness of the consummation, I was by Divine grace enabled to sacrifice all for the truth. And should any further light break on my mind on any import- My head has been worse since than it was before. ant question, I hope, without the fear of man before my eyes, I shall be able to act faithfully to God and the light he shall give me; so that I may follow the noble example of SAURIN, and consecrate the remainder of my days to publish that truth which I had hitherto misunderstood, and which I opposed only because I had the misfortune to misunderstand it.

In conclusion, I wish to assure the friends and supporters of the Advent cause everywhere, with whom I have stood and laboured for twenty years, that I stand firm and faithful on the old platform, and abide in the old ship, having confidence in her ability to bring us into port, without change of principles, policy, or name. We have the truth, and need only to live it out. We have the light, and have only to live up to it, and "let it shine." God is leading us; do not be afraid of his guidance. Knowledge is increasing; let us receive it and rejoice in it, live up to it and be ready for the kingdom. I do not know what I may be left to do in the future, but at present I feel the love of Christ shed abroad in my heart, and have the witness that I am the Lord's. I am full of joy and peace by day and night.

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JOSHUA V. HIMES.

Laban in Search of his Idols.

BY DEXTER HOYT WILLEY.

Bright was the morn that melted away The darkness that hung over earth, When the shepherd of Haran sped on his way, To the land of his home and his birth.

The prizes he'd won by toil-spent years, The companions he'd chosen for life, Walked fast by his side; while often their tears Told their father in anger was rife.

For the gods that he worshipped were taken away To none others would be offer his prayers; So, swiftly, he followed the track where they Had gone with his idolized lares.

But when night came on, and he sought to rest, And when sleep his spirit embraced, A voice spake torth: "Thy son be blessed— Thy heart shall his folly erase."

And when morn awoke on Gilead's mount, His children in the distance espied, He hailed them afar, to give an account, Why no longer in a father confide.

They halted, they met, and a greeting went round, While Laban in friendly disguise
For his Teraphim sought, they were not to be found,
They were hid from the hypocrite's eyes.

Then they questioned why he'd followed thus,-What trespass, or sin they had done; What he'd found of all his house-hold stuff; What dishonor in daughters or son.

Then the old man saw all his folly unveiled, He begged a covenant be made; And while the smoke of the altar floated off on the

His prayer to Jehovah was made.

And when another morn dispersed night's shade, He bade farewell to his daughters, and son; And, when Jacob's prayer of thanksgiving was made, Peacefully their father returned to his home. New Lyme, Ohio.

From Bro. J. S. Horne.

Bro. Bliss: - Although a stranger, I take my pen to communicate to you a few lines. I have now been a reader of the Herald three months. It holds forth to the world the doctrine of the second advent of our Saviour in its true light; which is joy and consolation to my soul. For quite a number of years it had been good news to me to hear the servants of God proclaim to a dying world the second coming of Christ. I long to be delivered from this world of sin, when the wicked will cease from troubling and the weary soul will be forever at rest in that heavenly land, to go no more out forever. There I shall sing the song of Moses and the Lamb, with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and all the holy prophets. O, it will be blessed to meet with the saints of God, to part no more forever.

Bro. BLISS :- I believe it to be my duty to say to brethren, through the Herald, that one Dr. Frost has been in Manchester, and, I understand, has taken considerable money from the brethren here. I bought some medicine for the headache, as he professed to do great cures; and if he helped them as much as he did me, I shall pronounce it a humbug. I think it to be a sin to deceive people in this way, under the cloak of religion. Perhaps you know more about him than I can tell you.

WILLARD P. STRATTON. Yours, Manchester, April 1, 1862.

From Bro. J. A. Heagy.

DEAR BRO. BLISS: - I am this evening stopping with our much loved brother and sister Prior, with whom you stopped last May, while attending our Conference. They are well, and still remember the "good time" we had last May. Sister Prior talks of going to Shiremanstown to attend the conference this coming May. Should all be happy to have Bro. Bliss

J. A HEAGY, for Samuel Prior. Yardleyville, Bucks Co., Pa.

It would give us much pleasure to be present at your conference, and to meet those whose acquaintance we made a year since; but the way does not

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Yours truly,

J. S. Horne.

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Grammar.

A Noun's the name of anything: As school, or garden, hoop or swing.

Adjectives tell the kind of Noun: As great, small, pretty, white, or brown. Three of these words we often see, Called Articles: a, an, and the.

Instead of Nouns the Pronouns stand: John's head, his face, my arm, your hand Verbs tell of something being done: As read, write, spell, sing, jump, or run. How things are done the Adverbs tell: As slowly, quickly, ill, or well. They also tell us where and when: As here, and there, and now, and then.

A Preposition stands before A Noun: as in or through a door.

Conjunctions sentences unite: As kittens scratch and puppies bite. The Interjection shows surprise: As O, how pretty! Ah, how wise!

Jan. 4, 1862.

Father Haydn, the Great Musician.

Adapted from the German of Stiehler. (Continued from our last.)

high school. The old man led him up to thing to eat and somewhere to sleep. He the principal teacher, and told him that he called that little room his Olympus. had brought his boy to him to be instructed, so as to become a useful man.

"What do you want him to learn?" asked the superintendent.

"Whatever you think is best," replied the old man.

"That is not my way of teaching. I want to find out first what my scholars would like to be, and then I can tell better what to teach them. What does your little Joseph want to become? He certainly has a preference."

"He seems to like music. I have often heard him say he would like to be a great musician. But he is only a boy, and does not know what is to his best interest."

"You can leave him with me; and come again this time next week.

The superintendent took him to a musical school near by, and related to the teacher the conversation he had just had with his father. Then little Joseph was left there to be examined and to be tried, so as to find out whether he would ever make a

That night, when everybody happened to be out of the room, he saw in the corner a basket of flour. Immediately he put it up on two pieces of wood, which he lifted out of the wood box, and with a beautiful cane, which he took down from a hook, he commenced to draw it across the baskethandle, as if he were playing a violin. basket on the floor!

But the music teacher did not get offended. Next day he gave him a fair trial, and said: "Joseph, if you will only persevere, I will make you a great musician."

years, and improved all the time. He be- receive; seek and ye shall find; knock came the best scholar there. One day the and it shall be opened unto you." chorister of the church in a certain town not far from the great city of Vienna came to visit the school. He informed the teacher that he would like one of his scholars for his choir. They sang in the Grand was pressed by others to take some pears, Duke's church, and he must have an excellent musician to take the vacant place.

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT and was fully satisfied of his ability. Arrangements were made with his father, and it was determined he should join the Grand Duke's choir.

> There he excelled the whole choir, and soon his name became so well known that he was invited to sing in the great St. Stephen's Church in Vienna. He then took instructions every day of the greatest professor in the city. He was two hours with his teacher, and every other part of the day he filled up with hard labor. He was studying all the time.

For some reason or other he was discharged from the choir of St. Stephen's Church. Soon his money was exhausted; but he kept up his spirits, and hoped for better times. He never believed for a moment that God would forsake him. He lived alone in a little garret-room. In the summer time the rain would stream down through the holes in the roof, and in the winter the cold snow would fall down on his hard straw bed. Many a time he smiled as he woke up in the morning and brushed the snow and ice from his hair and his scanty bed-clothes. He lived on crackers and water. He washed his own clothes, and mended them whenever they got ragged. At his morning and evening prayers he played on his instrument, and thanked The time came for the boy to go to the God from his very soul that he had some-

A Great Man.

Years passed by, and Haydn suffered bitterly. " He composed pieces of music, and many critics made light of them. He could get but little money, and no more than was actually necessary to keep body and soul together. He was very delicate, and had no more strength than a child. But nothing discouraged him. Whatever difficulty stood in his way did not destroy

By and by fortune and honor came in upon him; and as old age dawned on him he found himself the greatest musician in Europe. He wrote a great many remarkable pieces of music. They flowed from his pen as easily as a running brook glides over the pebbles. Night and day new melodies were sounding in his ears. They came faster than he could write them

But when little Joseph Haydn became the great musician whom kings and emperors spoke about with pleasure, did he forget the good Providence that had led him through his trials to great success and

Not for a single day did he forget his Heavenly Father. Every one of his pieces of music he commenced with these remarkable words: "IN THE NAME OF GOD!"

When he had eaten his breakfast he And so he continued for at least twenty never went to his writing-desk before askminutes, when the teacher came into the ing God to help him in his arduous labors. room. What was his surprise to find Sometimes the thoughts came slow, as was about half the flour had tallen through the the case occasionally when he was composing his "Creation," and "Seasons:" but then he would kneel down and implore the Lord to give him good thoughts. No wonder that little Joseph became a great musican; for the Lord had said many Joseph staid at the music school two years before his day: "Ask and ye shall

(To be continued.)

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" " New Kingstown, Pa 4.50

S. Blanchard, Barre, Vt. 1.00

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Joseph Barker, Kincardine, C.W. 5.00

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Edward Matthews, Middlebury, O. 1.00

Mrs. F, Beckwith, " 1.00

Mrs. Mary Jane Yoder, Harrisburg, Pa. 5.00

Miss O. W. Allen, Johnson, Vt. 1.25

Mrs. Mary Ann Dowd, New Haven, Vt 5.00

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APPOINTMENTS.

My P. O. address is Castleton, Rutland Co., Vermont.
2w D. T. TAYLOR.

The Messiannian Conference, Pa., will hold its Annual Session at Shiremanstown, five miles west of Harrisburg (on the Cumberland Valley Railroad), Tuesday, May 27, 1862. Abundant provision will be made for the accommodation of all who will attend. It is to be hoped that the several churches will be duly represented, by one or more delegates; and that our brethren in the ministry will be present without fail.

DAN'L ELWELL, Sec.

The annual meeting of the Northern Illinois Conference of Adventists will be held in Amboy, Lee Co., Ill., commencing Wednesday, May 28th, at two o'clock P. M., to continue over the Sabbath. To all we say, Come and help build the wall, though it be in troublous times.

H. G. McCulloch,
Sec. of Conference.

THE CANADA EAST AND NORTHERN VERMONT CONFERENCE will be held (D. V.) in Waterloo, C. E. There will be preaching Tuesday evening, June 10th, and the business sessions will commence at half-past 10 A. M. of the 11th, and close on the Friday following. Hence it is desirable that all our ministers and delegates be present at the commencement. Preaching may be expected once or twice each day, from ministers of the Conference. Let the condition and wants of each church be reported by letter. Meetings will be continued over the following Lord's day. Ample accommodation will be provided for those from abroad. Let there be a general gathering of the waiting ones. Come, brethren and sisters, make some sacrifice, if need be, rather than fail to attend the meeting.

R. HUICHINSON, Pres't.

J. M. Orrock, Sec'y of Conference.

As several friends have wished me to give notice of the time of my going to England, I would say, that if nothing in the providence of God prevent, I will go soon after the the aboved named Conference. My address till then will be, Waterloo, C. E., or Derby Line, Vt., care of Elder J. M. Orrock.

R. HUTCHINSON.

Moore's VILLAGE, N. Y., April 19, 1862. I would say to the brethren of Canada East, I shall visit

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them as soon as the roads permit.

I wish to say to the brethren in Canada West, that I will visit them, if the Lord will, some time in May. I shall be at Wellington Square the last Sabbath in May.

B. S. REYNOLDS.

BUSINESS DEPARTMENT.

BUSINESS NOTES.

A. Bixbee. You do not say where your Herald has

previously gone. Please inform us; as otherwise it will be going to two places.

W. H. Swarts. The notice was overlooked, and we fail to find your letter; but the notice given last week, we presume, is for the same.

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S. S. Garvin. On the 8th of April Porter Scott was credited on our books \$2.00, to No. 1158; E. S. Holmes \$2.00, to No. 1137; and Alexander Fuller, \$1.00, to No. 1083 — so that it was duly received.

T. H. Prior, \$1.00. Sent Harp the 10th.

J. A Heagy, \$5.00. It paid 17 cents over. W. P. owes \$1.00; but we have sent to him at D.

Mrs. R. Cox. Your letter of March 22, 1862, enclosing \$2.00, was not received. We will, however, now credit you to No. 1127. Have changed your address.

Miss H. P. Buttrick. Sent tracts the 12th.

D. G. Stoufer. We have no works on that subject. Sent the tract you ordered.

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Ann Holden. The \$2.00 you sent was credited April 9th, to "R. A. Holden." Will you give us the first name in full?

A. M. ASSOCIATION.

The "American Millennial Association," located in Boston, Mass., was legally organized Nov. 12th, 1858, under the provisions of the 56th Chapter of the Acts of the Legislature of Massachusetts of A. D. 1857, for charitable and religious purposes. The whole amount obtained by donations, subscriptions, or sales of publications, is to be expended in the publication of Periodicals, Books, and Tracts, and for the support of ministers of the Gospel.

All contributions to our treasury, will be duly acknow-ledged, and, at the end of the year, will be embodied in a report. When there is any omission of the proper credit, due notice should be at once given to

SYLVESTER BLISS, Treasurer.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS TO TUESDAY, MAY 13, 1862.

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Messiah's Church, in New York, worship in the Chapel on 11th street, between 3d and 4th avenues. Preaching on the Sabbath, at 10 1-2 A. M. and 3 P. M. The prayerful support and co-operation of all Christians is solicited.

RECEIPTS.

UP TO TUESDAY, MAY 13.

The No. appended to each name is that of the Herald to which the money credited pays. No. 1075 was the closing number of 1861; No. 1101 is the Middle of the present volume, extending to July 1, 1862; and No 1127 is to the close of 1862. Notice of any failure to give due credit should be at once communicated to the Business Agent.

Those sending money should remember that we have many subscribers of similar names, that there are towns of the same name in different States, and in some States there is more than one town of the same name. Therefore it is necessary to give his own name in full, and his Post-office address — the name of the town and state, and if out of New England, the county to which his paper is directed. An omission of some of these often, yes daily, gives us much perplexity. Some forget to give their State, and if out of New England their County, while some fail to give even their town. Sometimes they live in one town and date their letter in that, when their paper goes to another town; and sometimes the name of their town and office are different. Some, in writing, give only their initials, when there may be others at the same post-office, with the same initials. Sometimes, when the paper goes to a given address, another person of the same family will write respecting it, without stating that fact, and we cannot find the name. And sometimes those who write, forget even to sign name. And sometimes those who write, for even to sign hame. And sometimes those who write, for even to sign hame. And sometimes those who write, for even to sign hame. And sometimes those who write, for even to sign hame. And sometimes those who write, for even to sign hame. And sometimes those who write, for even to sign hame. And sometimes those who write, for even to sign hame. And sometimes those who write, for even to sign hame. And sometimes those who write, for even to sign hame. And sometimes those who write, for even to sign hame. And sometimes those who write, for even to sign hame. And sometimes those who write, for even to sign hame. And sometimes those who write, for even to sign hame. And sometimes those who write, for even to sign hame. And sometimes those who write, for even to sign hame. And sometimes those who write with the same that we are not the same and the same and post-office address of the one to whom the paper is sent.

Those mailing, or sending money to the office by other persons, unless they have a receipt forwarded to them, are requested to see that they are properly credited below. And if they are not, within a reasonable time, to notify the office immediately.

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As a general thing, it is better for each person to write respecting, and to-send money himself, for his own paper than to send by an agent, or any third person, unless such one is more likely to get his own name and post-office right, than another person would be; that money sent in small sums, is less likely to be lost than when sent in larger ones, and that a third person is often subjected to poste a greatly and that a third person is often subjected to postage, merely to accommodate the one who sends.

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J. S. Bliss, for papers — Hope you will succeed in your effort for new subscribers; J. H. Elliott, 1135; Mrs. R. Moore, 1101—each \$2.00.

Saul Barr, Esq., 1117—\$5.00.

J. Craig, 1117, \$1.40, received of Eld H.; Mrs. Mary G. Stone, 1140, \$1.50.