



THE HOPE OF ISRAEL.

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But still, under this revolution from papal jurisdiction, the government and nation, we must observe, was yet under the symbol, or character and history of the first beast. For though Henory yill, had, with the nation, revolted from the Church of Boune and the Pope's supremacy yet we are not to think that this constituted the death and revival of the first beast, to which a clear distinction must be kept, otherwise our ideas will be confused by the heat of the first beast, the two-horned beast, but this constituted the down to an authority little more than that two-horned beast, but still remained a purt of the first beast, the which a clear distinction must be kept, otherwise our ideas will be confused by the support of the first beast that the two-horned for the first beast that the two-horned form the papal power, and whilst the king retained the kingdom in civil and ecclesiastical matters in his over hands, to show the kingdom was his and not the pope's a few extracts from history are given on the pope's a few extracts from salted of that kingdom after separating from the papal power, and whilst the king or tained the kingdom after separating from the papal power, and whilst the king or tained the kingdom after separating from the papal power, and whilst the king or tained the kingdom after separating from the papal power, and whilst the king or tained the kingdom after separating from the papal power, and whilst the king or tained the kingdom in civil and ecclesiastical matters in his over hands, to show the kingdom was his and not the pope's a few extracts from history are given on the pope's a few extracts from history are given on the pope's a few extracts from history are given on the pope's a few extracts from history are given or the first pope of the first beach while separation from the papal po

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The paralle of the wheat and the tares, of Matt. 13, is evidence directly athwart the doctrine of all men being saved. "The tares," representing the wicked, "are gathered and burned in the fire;" are "ea f into a furnace of fire," after which "the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father."

"The wicked is reserved to the day of destruction; they shall be brought forth to the day of wrath." Their destruction is not their salvation and as the day of wrath consumes them "thous."

and as the day of wrath consumes them, "burns them up root and branch," (Mal. 4: 1) they certainly are not subjects of divine grace. The Scriptures throughout speak of two classes, the righteous and the wicked. While the reward righteons and the wicked. While the reward of the righteons is plainly declared to be eternal life, it is said that "the wicked shall perish; into smoke shall they consume away." Ps. 37: 20. "He that speaketh lies shall perish." Prov. 19: 9.

"THEN said one unto him, Lord, are therefore that be saved? And he said unto them Strive to enter in at the strait gate for many say unto you, shall seek to enter the strait gate; for wide is the gate und broad is the way that leasest to destruction, and many there be waven go in thereat; because strait is the said and narrow is the way waken leader? I tried few there be that flap 4. You found in line, systems we cannot seek the strait gate; for wide is the gate und broad is the way the strait gate; for wide is the gate und broad is the way the leader to destruction, and many there be waven go in thereat; because strait is the said anarrow is the way waken leader to the strait gate; for wide is the gate und broad is the way the leader to destruct on an anary way to the said flap 4. You found in line, systems we cannot see that flap 4. You found in line, systems we cannot see the the destruction of the way of life be harmonized with it. The queen the strait gate is the said of the way waken for the said of the s

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Man disobeyed, and died, and the race is mortal.

Mercy pleads for man, the noblest work of creation; justice demands that he pay the of a violated law. Goa is merciful. His Son is merciful, and in pity and love to the world he offers his life a ransom for man that he may live. The demands of justice must be met, and the penalty paid. But Jesus Christ hath appeared, "and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel." Through Christ came the resurrection from the dead; then "as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive." life, it is said that "the wicked shall perish; into smoke shall they consume away." Ps. 37: 20. Man shall live again. Mercy has succeeded, "He that speaketh lies shall perish." Prov. 19: 9. and a way of escape has been provided for fallen man; the ransom offered is satisfactory to justice, and it is paid; but the plan, through justice, and it is paid; but the plan, through justice, provides that only those who will accept it as their only hope of escape, shall have the full benefits of it. The plan, the sacrifice, the atonement, brings about the resurrection to life, to not there would have been no need of the cycle.

ed are destroyed, or cease to exist, they are not among the saved, but, as the Saylor says, walk in the broad road to destruction, and receive the reward, everlasting death.

The Scriptness abound in invitations to sinners to come to their contractions. It receive the 28, 29.

The Lord is mereiful to mankind. The Lord is mereiful to mankind began to the world that he gave he is only began to the world, the world that he gave he is only began to the world, and love beyond deathe merey, he provime to all manis world, or many and love beyond death energy he provided so obtained which satisfies it, having provided so death? Who dare stated such free grace? God, while he has provided such free grace? God, while he has provided such free grace? God, while he has provided such free grace? God while he has provided and death are set before ing for himself. Life and death are set before

> had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived." Num. 21: 9. -In the anti-type of this brazen serpent, which was Christ, there is also conditional terms of salvation, and the conditions are stated-"Whosoever believ-

> Thank God for such rich mercy! such abundant grace! salvation merely for believing! believing the record God has given of his Son! To believe is also to obey, and to obey is to live. O let us not be slow to believe, to obey, and to be found among the few who tread the narrow way, who enter in at the stra it gate, and find the way of life.

The Sabbath a Memorial.

A MEMORIAL is defined to be "that which preserves remembrance," and the Sabbath, the seventh day, is very properly called a n e notial of creation. Embodied in the code of laws of he ten commandments stands the Sabbath statute, memorializing in its language the work of God in creation. "For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day; wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it." It is a very appropriate memorial. After the Creator had finished his work of bringing into existence the world and established the going forth of the sun, had caused vegetation to grow upon the earth and peopled it with human beings and the brute creation, he devoted the following day to rest; he "rested and was refreshed." He not only ceased from his

to eat bread till he should return to the ground. His labors were now greater, hence the greater need of the Sabbath rest, and to him it would always be a blessing.

tion. The Sabbath, or Sabbatic Institution, is a nemorial of creation. The Sabbath was made br man, and so long as man exists, he, as an elligent being, should reverence the instituon, which can be done in no other way than by observing the very day on which the Crerested himself. No other day was sanctified, the sanctity has not been removed from the seventh day and placed on another, and as long man lives he should honor his Maker by memorializing his creation work.

We sometimes read and hear it said that "the work of redemption is greater than the work of creation," and therefore the day on which Jesus arose from the dead, effecting the redemption of man, should be memorialized by observing it as the Sabbath, and creation's should be dropped. But how do they know that "redemption is greater than creation?" That is some of their own reasoning, and vain it is too, for redemption's work is not yet complete, nor will it be till the power of the grave is broken, and man steps forth from it a re-deemed captive, when "Death is swallowed up in victory," and redeemed man shouts, "O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?" Besides, Jesus has instituted his own memorials of his death, burial, and ressurrection, in baptism and the Lord's Sup-That these ordinances are memorials of redemption's work, so far as completed, is evident from Rom. 6: 3-5, and 1 Cor. 11: 26. There is not a word said by the Sayior or his

Whereks, for the Creator's work was finished. seventh he rested and commands us to do the wheeks, for the Creator's work was finished. predicteve are told by one competent of judging sanctuantowing, even the Son of God, that "the him to uth was made for man." Mark 2: 27. It was det apart for his use; he was to labor six days, and when the seventh rolled its round, he was to be and be refreshed. Man's labor was allotted theach; no was put in the garden of fiden "to are he could enjoy its rest. After his sin and his expulsion from the garden he was placed under greater labor. The ground was cursed for his sake, at brought forth thorns at difficulties, and in the sweat of his face he was to eat bread till he should return to the ground. ways be a blessing.
While sabbatizing, or observing the Sabbath mate some trade or finish some piece of work, rest, we are reminded of the work of God in or if when it comes we merely stop our bodily ereation, as to the origin of the Sabbatic institu-tion. The Sabbath, or Sabbatic institution, is a

There is not a word said by the Sayior or his apostles derogating the Father's memorial of his reseation work, but they respected it by observing it; and were the Sabbath changed to memoralize the Sayior's resurrection, there would be two memorials of that event, and that without any Scripture warrant.

The Creator and the Redeemer have established their own memorials of their own work, and we, if we would be obedient to God and be followers of Christ, should observe each in its own appointed way. If we would be obedient to God and be followers of Christ, should observe each in its own appointed way. If we would receive the reward of obedience and faith we should not hesitate to tread in the paths laid down for us, and trust the Giver of all good for the failment of his word. "He that keepeth the haw happy is he," and "whose trusteth in the Lord happy is he," and "whose trusteth in the Lord happy is he." Prov. 29:18, and 16:20.

Although the Sabbath was made for man for a spiritual and temporal blessing, yet how many are there among those that profess to keep it who lose its greatest blessing and there, by suffer a great loss in spiritual strength. God has given us six days in which to labor; on the side in the contraction with the contraction will be one again in line and the law in the contraction will be observed for the failment of his word. "He that keepeth the law happy is he," and "whose trusteth in the Lord happy is he," and "whose trusteth in the Lord happy is he," and "whose trusteth in the Lord happy is he," and "whose trusteth in the Lord happy is he," and "whose trusteth in the Lord happy is he," and "whose trusteth in the Lord happy is he," and "whose trusteth in the Lord happy is he," and "whose trusteth in the Lord happy is he," and "whose trusted his the contraction of the law in the law

My Happy Home.

I nan a dream, a happy dream,
I dreamed the Lord had come;
And in a city bright and fair
He gave to me a home;
Mine eyes were ravished with the sight,
All glorious to behold,
Of happy millions cithed in white,
That trod its streets of gold!

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Within those walls surpassing bright
The sun did never shine—
The Lord himself did give them light;
'Twas heavenly and divine.
And ch.! the sounds they all did raise
In peaises to their King,
It was perfection's sweetest praise;
The ransomed host did sing.!

then surveyed fair Eden's bowers,
How marvelously fair!
There broomed undying fragrant flowers,
The birds sang sweetly there,
along life's crystal stream,
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was heavenly and syene—
I sigh there soon to be.

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What grandeur did arive;
Magnificent with glory bright
Were all the earth and slices.
Lord, let that happy time soon come
That brings thy sains to see,
And when they reach that happy home,
With them, Lord, let me be,
S. S. Brewer, in Voice of the West.

Spoiled Through Philosophy.

THE apostle admonishes Christians_"Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men." Col. 2: 8. There is true philosophy mental, moral, physical, and theological; and it is yet to be ysical, and theological; and it is yet to be oved that the Scriptures are not in harmony the latest these. There is however, much false acculated to beguite the ignorant and countries of the minds.

hristian, as well as feed the minds ited. Also, there is true science, of the self-co and the Bible in harmony with it there is that which daims to be science very far from it. There are, too, many ductions from both real states and tru phy, by which the word interpreted, and is rudiments of the world Never in any age was or ord of to array God by men of learni the sciences and theu gainst the

truth of revelation. Christians, "beware!"

If there is a God wise enough and good enough in the universe to give a written revelation, we have reason to believe he has done it, and not left his intelligent and responsible creatures to guess what he has done, what he will do, and what his will is respecting them; or to grope their way amid the dim light of nature, and by erverted human reason and finite intelligence. If this be so, the Bible is this divine book; for it stands out before the world as "The Book" of books, and has through all the generations of men to this day. The Bible, therefore, should be the rule and standard by which all philosophy and science, whether true or false, is to be tested; not that the latter are to determine what God's plainer written revelation teaches. Let Christians cling to it, and not be "spoiled through philosophy;" and "avoid vain bab-

Others are destined to share the same fate, while "the word of God endureth forever."

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Prof. Lyell said, a few years ago, "The low antiquity of our species is not controverted by an experienced geologist." If this could have been said truthfully at that time (which is to be questioned), it is controverted now. Dr. Dods remarks: "The idea that man has ever been a monkey, a bird, or any other creature besides man, I deem wholly visionary, unphilosophical, and impossible; or, as the author of 'Vestiges of Creation' teaches, that man had been perhaps an oyster, or a vegetable, and passed through every possible link in the existence below him up

gry possible man retailing Triumphant, p. 52.

Prof. Huxley says, "The Engis skull," the oldest human cranium found, "is a fair average," to man." so that "the progressive development theory most seriously damaged by later facts discover-

ed, and there is still an advance toward the Mosaic record in further developments.

Louis Fiquier, in his work entitled "Primitive Man," the "Revised Translation," though maintaining the theory of "pre-historic ages," "shows," as remarks one, "that so far from re-sembling any of the monkey family, the oldest cranium found can only be distinguished from the existing Caucassian by the most careful and critical study; resembling the Simian skull no more than does the present human head. He argues the question at length, and demonstrates that the Simian anatomy and the human were as distinct at the beginning as they are now; and that all the facts go to show that the two species were always distinct." By this it will be seen that "Primitive Man," according to the language of Fiquier, had not only a skull the same as at present, but his "cranium" resembled the "Caucassian" species, which is the very highest type of the race. This is certainly coming back to the Biblical record as soon as we could have a myth, and is "ready to vanish away." We wait further discovery in confirmation of the Scriptures to the confusion of these men.

Carried away by the reasonings of Prof. Lyell,

tuni record with this philosophy; but has hard work of it, owing to the language. tual record with this philosophy; but has have work of it, owing to the language employed and Moses the inspired penman. "True he may be seen that it is a seen to the image of his Maker—"bly," commenced at the lowest stage of human the author quotes from Prof. Lyell, instian men are statement. Thousands of statement. Thousands of statement is a summer of the statement. Thousands of statement is spoiled" by not heeding the cost of administration. employed by rue he [man] laker

That God "in the beginning" would create man "in the image of his Maker," and as the prototype, head, and puler of his whole race, and yet "at the lowest stage of humanity" and yet the lowest stage of humanity. and yet at the lowest stage of humanity inferior to his entire future posterity—is simply and especially of a mindligent. How a professed believer in the Bible can make such a statement I cannot consider an how an individual can do it with a ceive; or how an individual can do it with ceive; or how an individual car to it with the history of our world before him, I am unable to understand, only as the apostle has informed us of the danger of being "spoiled through philoso-I maintain that according to the "Scrip. phy." I maintain that according to the Scriptures of truth" and archæolocal facts, man was at the first created in physical proportions and beauty, in mental power and moral virtue, superior to his begotten offspring under the curse perior to his begot created No. 1 of his species, and fall. He was created No. 1 of his species, and "was the figure of him that was to come." Rom. 5: 14; Heb. 1: 1-3.—Sel.

The Last Days of Rome.

A PECULIAR consideration of what is said in the eighth chapter of Daniel must be omitted in this article, as little is said of the closing history of Rome in that portion of prophecy except to mark the period when Rome shall fall, her position at that time, and the agency by which her fall is to be effected. Rome is to be the last of the Gentile dominions which fill up "the vision" by treading the "sanctuary and host under foot." Then the desolater is to be desolated; "he shall stand up against the prince of princes, but shall be broken without hand." As we have seen in the previous sketches, and shall see more fully in what remains, Rome will take the field against the King of kings and Lord of lords, with the called, chosen, and faithful armies of heaven, and then vengeance shall be repaid. Rome shall be broken in piec es and consumed—given to the fiery flame! That which applies to Rome in the eleventh chapter of Daniel, is to the eighth chapter what "the interpretation of the one that stood by," in the seventh chapter, after v. 15, is to the portion which precedes that verse.

The third prophetic sketch of Rome, contained in the second Epistle to the Thessalonians, second chapter, has ever been regarded as one of the most deeply interesting portions of the Word of God. It presents the only argument ever employed by an apostle, avowedly for the purpose of showing that our Lord should not be looked for at any time. It has been understood to connect, distinctly, his coming with the end of Rome, in one of its most important expected; and these Scientists are fast giving up their imaginary "pre-historic ages," as they departments. And it is of as much service to us a myth, and is "ready to vanish away." We of their mistake in supposing the day of the Lord was then immediately at hand, by sketch ing important changes and developments that were to come "first," guards as against making through philosophy;" and "avoid vain baublings, and oppositions of science falsely so calland others, respecting "the progressive development for "in 6: 20. Human systems of philosophy, and pretended science, unfounded in eastablished and demonstrative facts, have arisen and lived their brief day and been exploded, one author who endeavors to reconcile the scrip-

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When the beloved prophet fell into a mistake on the predicted design of God in reference to his "people and sanctuary," Gabriel was caused to fly swiftly to enable him to understand the matter. When the early church had misapprehended what her chief apostle had said on the coming of Christ (1 Thess 4 and 5), God spoke by the same apostle to correct them. If we would be set right we must go back to the starting point, and care fully search what angels, prophets, and apostles have given us. Let us now hear Paul: "Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and by our gathering together unto him, that ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand. Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is worshipped; so that he, as God, sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God." 2 Thess. 2; 1-4. It seems that this was s sub ject of particular inquiry and conversation while Paul was with them: "Remember ye not that while I was yet with you I told you these things? [And have you orgotten what I told you so soon, and so are troubled by a hasty and false misconstruction of what came from us? Remember what I told you!] And now [if ye remember and understand] ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time. For the mystery of iniquity doth already work : only he who now letteth [or hindereth] will hinder, until he be taken out of the way: and then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth and shall destroy with the brightness of his com ing : even him whose coming is after the working of Satan, with all power, and signs, and lying wonders; and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth that they might be saved." And here is the reason why God visits it with such a calamity. "And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: that they might be damned who believe not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.'

The prominent and commanding points which stand out on the foreground of this prophetic sketch, which extend from the point where the apostle stood to the coming of Christ, are these: (1) What then stood in the way of the revelation of the man of sin (which the apostle takes for granted they knew very well on recalling what he told them) was to be taken out of the way (2) Then that Wicked was to be revealed, and rise to the stated dimensions of his iniquity. (3) The Lord would consume him with the spirit of his mouth; and (4) destroy him by the brightness of his coming.

How much of this sketch has now become history? Let us see:

1. What was that which was to be "taken out of the way? It can apply to nothing else than the pagan empire of Rome. One of the most generally received traditions, if it may be called a tradition, alleges that the early church understood the apostle to speak in this clause of the imperial power; and knowing that its fall was to make room for the more terrible scourge of the church spoken of in the same passage, she prayed for the continuance of the empire, bloody persecutor as it preferring to suffer by that than by the "anti-Christ" that was to take its place. The supreme power must have been the grand hindrance to such an aspiring element; that only, aside from the faithful in the Church could hinder-even for a time-its de velopment; of that only can we suppose Paul would so obscurely and cautiously as he does.

2. What was it that should be revealed, when the empire fell? Several terms are employed by the apostle its germ—as then working. It is also called "that Wicked." "The Wicked one." (Whiting.) This describes
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(Tyndale.) This descibes the evil thing in its full-grown, vigorous, and active form. The blade has produced the full ear. It this anti-obstitum, anti-Roman son of perdition also to be identified with Rome? Yes, His riss marks one of the most noted changs in the history of that complicated and almost indestructible organization. It is the Papacy. Other portions explain the arts, plans, combinations, and contests by which it becomes successful; this states only the fact. And what is said can apply only to the Papacy. Two facts only need to be cited as proof. (1) The description answers to the Papacy, as face answers to face in a glass, and to no other thing in heaven or carth. (2) The head of the Roman Church has agnorantly, or heedlessly, testified to its application thus: the early Church saw universally in this passage, what they called the future "anti Christ." In one of the violent contests of the Bishop of Rome with the Bishop of Constantinople for the ascendancy, the former—refering to the prevailing ideas of the Church—declared that, "whoseever claimed to be universal Bishop was anti-Ohrist!" Such testimony cannot be disputed. And since the Bishops of Rome, from 'Gregory the Great' to "Pius Ninth" have claimed to be "Universal Bishops," they confess to the truth, however stupidly, and proclaim from the throrie on which they sit, or have sat, "Here is the man of sin, the son of perdition, before which emperors, kings, and princes, as well as the faithful ambas-adors and disciples of Jesus, have been prostrated in the dust—has this power begun to show symptoms of decay? And can it be said of the causes of this change, *s of the great providential and typical restoration of the people of Gd do their home and worship, after the capturity in Babylon, it is "not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts?" Yes, yes. Whenever we look to those lands where the Papacy has enjoyed the most undisturbed triumph; or where it is now the most successful in its opposition to, all that is divine, ev

incurable, that there are no healing medicines! And yet in the midst of her reverses and humiliations, when everything gives the lie to her pretentions, her poor, blind, and stupid dupes claim for her an omniscient and "infallible guidance.

Where, then, are we? How much of this sketch be longs to the history of the past? The pagan empire, the great obstacle in the way of the man of sin, did fall! The son of perdition did arise and has exhibited to all the earth the full dimensions of his predicted usurpations. And this anti-Ohristian, Roman monster has become so paralyzed by the chastening strokes of Omnipotence, that if we did not remember the enormities of the past age, our pity would master our abhorence! We have come to the last days of Rome! We stand where the Church of Thessalonica supposed they stood! The dark and toilsome journey is nearly ended! We should be looking prayerfully, though patlently, for the sunrise of that day which shall make an end of trouble to the Church, by ending the power of her adversaries, the day of the Lord! That day is now immediately at hand. It must be impending over us!—Voice of the West, August 13, 1867.

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ADDENDA TO THE LAST DAYS OF ROMF There was a striking significance in things four years ago, but now much more so. The pope is now shorn of all his political power, without which he declares himself unable to exercise his pontifical authority. He remains in the Vatican, (i.e., the papal palace in the city of Rome,) but the very mayor is a Jew, and the sects which have heretofore been most odious to the papacy have each opened places to describe it, but they are all appropriate and full of meaning: "The mystery of iniquity." "The secret no religious functions therein. He is complete. no religious functions therein. He is completes wickedness." (Whiting.) "The mystery of that wickedness." (Whiting.) This points out the evil in power remaining able to protect him and sus

covering his power by some intrigue which he and his adherents are secretly carrying on. It is obvious that, Pharaoh like, his heart is hardened, and he is preparing in and by the desper-ation of his circumstances for that last war with the Lamb, spoken of in Revelations 17: 12, 14. The Catholic powers and the Catholic church feel the situation keenly, and are as desperately situated as their acknowledged head, and must be meditating some scheme to recover their SAMUEL DAVISON

LETTER DEPARTMENT.

From Bro. Johnston

BRO. BRINKERHOFF: I am poor, but I cannot afford to do without the Hope if I can possi-bly pay for it. I have tried hard to get subscribers for it, and have also tried to persuade some of my neighbors to unite with me in keeping the Sabbath, but without any success. But I do love the Lord's "Holy day." I talk about it, and sometimes preach on the subject, and then get blamed for injuring the Advent cause by so doing. Yet I do love the Advent cause and doctrines, and became fully convinced of their scripturality as early as the year 1812, and never held any other views than those held by the Christian Adventists since that time. Yet I have been esteemed as an acceptable preacher among the "Christians," the "Baptists," and the "Church of God" repple, since the year 1820, when I was ordained to the work of the ministry in the Christian meeting house, Mount Zion, Philadelphia, on the 20th of Jan. But O! what scenes of distress, trials, and afflictions, I have passed through since then! Afflictions in my person, affliction in my family! uner companions, and nine loving, and hildren were torn from my hand e leath. But are but light afflictions embr: e glory that ready to de children od when we have even reason to when be rev et our loved ones on the earth made new, when King Jesus comes to reign on the throne of his father David. We may well sing, "Roll on, roll on, ye wheels of time, and bring that welcome day."

Notwithstanding Sabbath-keepers are few and far between in this part of Pennsylvania, yet light on other points of Adventism is spreading rapidly among both manisters and people, and especially among the members of the "Church of God," The World's Crisis and Advent Christ. The World's Crisis and Advent Christian Times are read and appreciated by many of our ministers and people, some of whom speak out boldly in defense of the nature and destiny of man, as revealed in the holy Scriptures. deed some are determined to speak out what they believe to be the truth, let the consequences be what they may. I am indeed glad to know that at this late hour that now, as I am entering in my 84th year, so many of my brethren believe those truths, for the holding of which I was formerly frowned upon and ridiculed. But the time is near at hand when the Son of man will appear in power and great glory to gather afflicted children home, that where he is there they shall be also.

Yours truly, WM. JOHNSTON. Shiremanstown, Pa., June 16th.

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MARION, IOWA, THIRD-DAY, JUNE 27, 1871.

AF Tus Editor of the Horn does not hold himself responsible to a sentiments contained in articles written for the paper. Each wr r will be held responsible for his or her view of scripture. We old ourself responsible for editorials, edications and comments; but

WITH this number of the Hope we commence Volume VI. We send it out on its errand of love and truth, to elucidate scripture, to expose error, to uphold truth though it be unpopular, and to carry words of good cheer to the Christian on his journey to the kingdom of God. We hope, with the assistance of the friends of the cause and by the blessing of God, to increase its insofulness and to have its circulation extended. usefulness and to have its circulation extended. usefulness and to have its circulation extended.
We hope that the brethren and sisters will not forget to the reading matter of its columns, a house the paper such as you would wish to see it. We hope you will feel that it is your paper, and then do what you can for it. It is needless to add that a renewal of subscription by its friends is very necessary. for we believe they are all interested in sustaining the office of publication. We enter upon the duties of Volume VI. with a zeal for the cause of the Lord, to advance and sustain it, however, the sustain it, however, the sustain it is not the control of the c ping to have our labors remembered at a throne of grace by the Lord's people.

In this number of the Hope we commence giving "Mr. Miller's Apology and Defense" for giving "Mr. Miller's Apology and Defense" for his Advent views and positions which he had advocated previous to 1844, which "Apology and Defense" he issued August 1st, 1845. We are indebted to Bro. E. G. Branch, of Michigan, for a copy of the Advent Herald of August 13, 1845, containing "Mr. Miller's Apology and Defense." It will, we doubt not, be interesting to the readers of the Hope to read Wm. Miller's experience in the Advent cause, and a synopsis of the posiin the Advent cause, and a synopsis of the positions held by him.

MASONRY FROM PERSONAL EXPE In another column will be citizen of M. Vernon, of who has rehounced Freema voice against it. We copy it from the Christian Cynosure? Taper published in Chicago, devoted to opposition to Secret Societies. Mr. Sawyer was a Mason for about eighten years, hence had ample opportunity to be fully acquainted with the nature and tendency of Freemasonry. with the nature and tendency of Freemasonry. We have no sympathy with Secret Societies, especially Masonry, and believe it to be evil, and that Christians should have nothing to do with

ERRATA.—In No. 26 Vol. V., page 204, Article "Christ's Kingdom not yet Established," 16th line, read, "a few days after his ascension," instead of "a few years."

God's Purpose and Pleasure in Respect to Sin.

In the Presbyterian Confession of Faith, page 29, ch. 6, we read, "Our first parents being seduced by the subtilty and temptation of Satan, sinned in eating the forbidden fruit. sin God was pleased according to his wise and holy counsel to permit, having purposed to or-

der it to his own glory."

Question. What is the meaning of pleased?

Answer. Delighted, satisfied.

Q. What is the meaning of permit?

A. To allow, to give leave, not to hinder.

Q. Was God pleased to permit sin?

A. So says the Confession.
Q. Do you not think Adam and Eve were pleased?

A. They probably were.

Q. Was not the Devil pleased?

A. No doubt he was, so far as be is capable of being pleased, both with the permission and the commission.

Q. Who then was displeased? Q. Who then was displeased?
A. I cannot tell.
Q. If God, man, and the Devil, were pleased in reference to the first sin, are they not pleased in reference to all other sins?
A. I should think they were.
In the latter clause of the sentence we are told that God "purposed to order it (sin) to his own glow."

glory."
Q. What is the meaning of purposed?

A. Intended, designed, resolved.

Q. What is the meaning of order?

A. To bid, to command, to regulate, to direct.

Q. Is it true then, that God intended, resolved.

ed, or purposed, to order sin to his glory?
A. So says the Confession; but I doubt whether he purposed to order sin at all, and if he did, I should think that it was ordered more for the glory of the adversay of good than for his own.
Q. What thinkest thou in reference to this?
A, Calvinist—"God has foreordained whatsoever comes to pass."

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If Adam's sin (which has been attended with such direful consequences,) or any other, was ordered for the glory of God, and really did promote his glory, who but the enemies of God have reason to regret the commission of it?

A. No being in the universe!
Q. If sin is ordered for God's glory, do not those who sin most live most for the glory of

God?
A. This certainly would follow as a consepuence.

ONE QUESTION FROM GOD.

"Will ye steal, murder, and commit adultery and swear falsely, and burn incense unto Baal, and walk after other gods, whom ye know not, and come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, we are which is called by my name, and say, we are delivered (that God has permitted us) to do all these abominations?" Jer. 7: 9, 10. Calvinists, "WE wILL!" In the 24th and 25th verses we see God has said, "Obey my voice, and I will be your God, and ye shall be my people; and walk ye in my ways, that I have commanded you, that it may be well unto you."

"But they harkened not, nor inclined their ear, but walked in the counsels and in the imaginations of their evil heart, and went back-ward and not forward."

Does this look like having permitted, decreed,

foreordained their sin, "having purposed to order it to his own glory?"

Let those answer who can .- Ex.

Appointments.

Grove Meeting.

PROVIDENCE permitting there will be a Grove Meeting held near Pleasant Prairie, seven miles west of Marion, about the same distance northwest of Cedar Rapids, commencing on Friday afternoon, June 30th, and to continue over Sabbath and First day. This meeting is designed for a general gathering of all the brethren and sisters and all who are interested in the truth, and desire the spiritual well being of those who are trying to keep the commandments of God and get ready for the coming of Jesus and a home in his everlasting kingdom. Now breth-

ren and sisters, far and near, we ask you, one ren and sisters, far and near, we ask you, one ren and all, to make this meeting a matter of perand all, to make this meeting a matter of perand all, to make this edied at once to attend sonal interest. First decide at once to attend yourself, and then invite and encourage others yourself, and then invite and encourage others yourself, and the same. Go right to work and live and to the same. Go right to work and live and pray for a good meeting—one that can be owned and blessed of the Lord, and where his slitted and blessed of the Lord, and the L

BUSINESS DEPARTMENT.

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