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For the Advent Herald. PRAISE TO GOD. Shout, all ye saints of God, aloud! The sacrifice of praises bring; Unceasing thanks and honor give To Jesus Christ, our heavenly King.

Chonus.
To the immortal King of heaven,
Be glory and dominion given.

Once he appeared in human flesh, To die for Adam's helpless race; But now He comes the second time, In majesty and glorious grace. To the, &c.

Angels that dwell in dazzling light Sweep o'er the chords of living fire; Let thundering alleluias burst From all the bright celestial choir. To the, &c.

Glisten, ye stars-shine brighter still, Moon, clearer show thy mild sweet light; And thou, O Sun, pour forth new floods Of glory from thy heavenly height, To the, &c.

Mountains and vales, his praise resound; Ye winds, his name our earth convey; Ocean, lift up thy crested waves, And desh with joy thy foaming spray.

To the, &c. Sparkle, ye flowers, in pearly dew ; O, clap your bands, ye lofty trees; Sing, sing, ye birds, O swell your notes, With sweetest music load the breeze.

To the, &c. Ye cattle on a thousand hills; And ye that in the waters throng ; With all possessed of life below,

Join in the universal song. To the, &c. And thou, my soul, extol the Lamb, The great mysterious Three adore; Come, angels, saints, creation all,

Resound his praise forevermore. To the, &c.

Liverpool, Eng. July, 1844.

J. Conny.

"BE NOT AFRAID, ONLY BELIEVE." Believe, never falter, The blessed One is nigh,

Keep burning on faith's altar, Devotion pure and high!

Lord Jesus, oh, come quickly! And in thy glory reign; We love thy blest appearing, We shall not watch in vain !- E. C. C.

protection to their country.

But the fall of the church was followed by the most palpable, immediate, and ominious change. The great names of the Romish priesthood, the vigorous literature of Bossuet. the majestic oratory of Massillon, the pathetic and classic elegance of Fencion, the mildest and classic elegance of Fencion, the mildest of all enthusiasts; a race of men who towered above the genius of their country, and of their religion; passed away without a successor. In the beginning of the eighteenth century, the most profligate man in France was an Ecclesiastic, the Cardinal Dubois, prime minister to the most profligate prince in Europe, the Regent Orleans. The country was convulsed with bitter personal disputes between Jesuit and Jansenist, fighting even to mutual perseand Jansenist, fighting even to mutual persecution, upon points either beyond or beneath the human intellect. A third party stood by, unseen, occasionally stimulating each, but equally despising both, a potential Fiend, sneering at the brind zealotry and miserable rage, that were doing its unsuspected will. Rolled that boasts of her freedom from schism, should blot the eighteenth century from her page.

The French mind, subtle, satirical, and delighting to turn even matters of scriousness into ridicule, was immeasurably captivated by the true burlesque of those disputes, the childish virulence, the extravagant pretensions, and the still more extravagant impostures fabricated in support of the rival pre-eminence in absurdity; the visions of half-mad nuns and friars; the Convulsionnaires; the miracles at the

traordinary man arose, to guide and deepen it into public ruin, VOLTAIRE; a personal profit-gate; possessing a vast variety of that superficial knowledge which gives importance to folcial knowledge which gives importance to fol-ly: frantic for popularity, which he solicited, at all hazards; and sufficiently opulent to relieve him from the necessity of any labors but those of national undoing. Holding but an infesior, and struggling rank in all the manlier provin-ces of the mind, in science, poetry, and philos-ophy; he was the prince of scorners. The splenetic pleasantry which stimulates the wea-ried tastes of high life; the grossness which half concealed captivates the loose, without offence The French Revolution.

By Gronds Croly.

The primary cause of the French revolution was the exile of Protestantism.

Its decency of manners had largely restrained the licentious tendencies of the highest orders; its learning had compelled the Romish Ecclesiastics to similar labors; and while Christianity could appeal to such a church in France, the progress of the Infidel writers was checked by the living evidence of the purity, peacefulness and wisdem of the Gospel. It is not even without singlion of Scripture and History to conceive that the presence of such a body of the servants of God was a divine protection to their country.

The French Revolution.

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The primary cause of the French revolution concealed captivates the loose, without offence to their feeble decorum; and the easy brilliancy which throws what colors it will on the darker features of its purpose; made Voltaires the very genius of France. But under this smooth and sparkling surface, reflecting like its all the lights flung upon it, there was a dark and fathomless depth of malignity. He hated government; he hated morals; he hated morals; he hated religion. He sometimes bursts out into exclamations of rage and insane fury against all that we honor as best and holies, that sound less the voice of human lips than the echoes of the final place of agony and despair.

A tribe worthy of his succession, shows are

A tribe worthy of his succession, showy, ambitious, and malignant, followed; each with some vivid literary contribution, some power-ful and popular work, a new deposit of combustion in that mighty mine on which stood in thin and fatal security the throne of France,—Rossau, the most impassioned at all manages. Rosseau, the most impassioned of all romancers, the great corrupter of the female mind.

Buffon, a lofty and splendid speculator, who dazzled the whole multitude of the minor philosophers, and fixed the creed of Materialism. -Montesquieu, eminent for knowledge and sagacity; in his "Spirit of Laws" striking all the establishments of his country into contempt; and in his "Persian Letters," levelling the same blow at her morals.—D'Alembert, the the same blow at her morals.—D'Alembert, the first mathematician of his day, an eloquent writer, the declared pupit of Voltaire, and by his secretaryship of the French academy, furnished with all the facilities for propagating his master's opinions.—And Diderot, the projector and chief conductor of the Encyclopedie, a work justly exciting the admiration of Encyclope, by the novelty and magnificence of its design, and by the comprehensive and solid excitations. design, and by the comprehensive and solid ex-tent of its knowledge; but in its principles ut-terly evil, a condensation of all the treasons of the school of anarchy, the lex scripts of the Revolution,

All those men were open Infidele; and their attacks on religion, such as they saw it before them, roused the Gallican Church. But the warfare was totally unequal. The priesthood came armed with the antiquated and unwieldly ars; the Convulsionnaires; the miracles at the tomb of the Abbe Paris; trespusses on the common sense of man, scarcely conceivable by us if they had not been renewed under our eyes by Popery. All France was in a burst of laughter.

In the midst of this tempest of scorn, an ex-

bored to close, was brought into the contest, "ished, where was their religion? The de- the Porta del Popolo. On the next day, the of the Saintship at the privilege that conterred Saintship at the hands of the Pope' where was the principle to cheek, and the hottest simulants the problem of Scipture by every man who had a soul to be saved; rested trom pines remine to the three of the saved of that general use of Scipture by every man who had a soul to be saved; rested trom pines remine to the three of the pope and the entry defined to the saved. The problem of the Chatean; till with no castle of St. Angelo surrendered; the city gates were seized; and the Pope and the earliest of the Saints, or of the three was the privilege that conterred for the plander of the Chatean; till with no castle of St. Angelo surrendered; the city gates were seized; and the Pope and the earliest of the Saints, or of the chapel kindled their thirst. On the 15th, Berthier made his triumphal contry; delivered a harangue at the foot of the Saintship at the hands of the Pope's where was the principle to cheek, and the hottest simulants the problem of unboly appente to madden them on, they the prohibition of that general use of Scripture of unboly appente to madden them on, they by every man who had a soul to be saved? tasked from minor rapine to the throne. But where was the revelation of that Purgatory, the fall of Christianity was the passion, original and a mass could extract a sinner? where was the command to imprison, king was immolated on the altar of this montant torture, and slay men for their difference of strong anarchy; his queen, a noble being, the Pope was sent away uncominion with an Italian minest and the college whose heavy, heroic heart, and patient fortitorture, and slay men for their difference of opinion with an Italian priest and the college of cardinals? To those formidable questions, the cleries answered by fragments from the fathers, angry harangues, and more legends of sacrifice. The monarchy was affered up, more miracles. They tried to enlist the nobles and the court in a crusade. But the nobles were already among the most zealous, though secret, converts to the Encyclopedie; and the gentle spirit of the monarch was not to be urged into a civil war. The threat of force only inflamed contempt into vengeance. The populace of Paris, like all mobs, licentious, restless, and fickle; but beyond all taking an inless, and fickle; but beyond all taking an interest in public matters, had not been neglect- sistless and remorseless, was in their hands; ed by the deep designers who saw in the quarrel of the pen the growing quarrel of the sword. pourp, immeasurable impurity, and blood flow-The Fronde was not yet out of their minds; the ing night and day from a hundred scaffolds, barrier days of Paris; the municipal council they filled up their cap of horrors, and consumwhich in 1648 had levied war against the government; the mob-army which had fought, and tion of Christianty.

terrified that government into forgiveness; were A. D. 1797 The death of Christianity was terrified that government into forgiveness; were the strong memorials on which the anarchists. of 1793 founded their seduction. The perpetual ridicule of the national belief was kept alive among them. The populace of the provalive among them. The populace of the provinces, whose religion was in their rosary, were prepared for rebellion by similar means; and the terrible and fated visitation of Franco began.

The original triumph over the clergy was followed up with envenomed perseverance. The first licensed plunder was of the Church The first licensed plunder was a many property; the first massacre was of the clergy; an atrocious act, of itself enough to make Revolution abhorred; during the war the rage territory. Citizen Joseph Bonaparte was the punishment of its oppressors, of the republicans burned fiercest against the left unbassador from the Republic; and a preunfortunate remnant of their pastors; and, with tended attack on his privileges furnished the the solitary and illustrious exception of the necessary pretext for the brench of the treaty, Vendee, they found no refuge within the borthe return of the army, and the solitary of the return of the army, and the solitary that the characteristic treaty is to the high honor of Eng. Rome. land that she opened her asylum to the fugi-tives, supplied their wants in the spirit of a lib-left the city, alarmed the Vatican; and Rome eral benevolence; and gave them the unosten- had recourse to its highest protectors. Let tatious proof of the unwearied excellence of a those who disbelieve the extravagances of imreligion raised on the foundation of the Bible.

least accountable on the ordinary grounds of sincere. The Pope issued a summons to the public overthrow. No disastrous war had people, to realk in procession with three of the shaken the system; no notorious waste of the most sacred relies of the Church of Rome; the public resources, no tyrannical master, no ru- Santo Volto, or partrait of our Lord, supposed ined finance. nue, was only 2,300,000l, sterling, a sum which Maria in Portico, a mirroculaus miniature of desert lies open in retrospect; through this desshould not have overwhelmed the poorest king- the Virgin and Child: and the chains worn by dom of Europe. The court was economical; St. Peur in prison!

The country was in profound peace; the great For attendance on this procession, and for man. You must leave them where they families were attached to the crown, the king some additional ceremonies, the Pope granted and you are to go a little further, where you was a man of singular lenity and liberality. He had granted much to the demands of the popular representatives, he was prepared to grant up to the fullest demands of rational freedom. Before a drop of blood was shed on the scat-fold or in the field, France was in possession of the constitution, which after five and twenty

the national belief. wonder working image, or a picture that shed the Rosary on each of those days, the Pope of all my disquisitions and readings, nothing tears, opened it: eyes, and healed diseases, the granted for each day an indulgence for seven now remains to comfort me but this passage of controversy was done; Popery had no deeper years and forty days!

St. Paul, 'It is a faithful saying, and worthy of grasp upon the mind.' The image was their on the 3th of February, the French corps all acceptation, that Jesus Christ came into the deity, the legend their creed; when both per-

Power, rerepublic was at length enthroned, and in the midst of celebrations of prodigal mated their earliest pledge in the public aboli-

local and limited; no nation of Europe joined in the desperate guilt of the French Republic, and within three years and a half, the predicted time, it was called up from the grave to a lib-erty which it had never before enjoyed; the Church in France was proclaimed fre

Simultaneous with this restoration, the Popedom received a wound, the sure precursor of its ruin. In 1797, the French army, under Bonaparte

marched on Rome. Resistance was hopeless

The announcement that the ambassador had ligion raised on the foundation of the Bible. age corship look to the narrative of Popery in Of all revolutions, that of France was the the hour of its danger, the hour when all are The whole deficit of the reve- to have been painted by miracle; the Santal

the remission of sins, as in the jubilee.

For all, who on the seven days after the placed on the high altar, the prayer, "Anto oculos tuos, Domine," or in lieu of it the "Pater Noster," or Avo Maria," ten times, the years of suffering, she was rejoiced to reclaim. Pope granted for each time in each day, an in-

pey, Brutus, Cicero, and Hortensius, to re-

ly carried into France, where he died in cap-

On the 20th of March, the act of sederation was published in a fete. The consuls swore eternal hatred to monarchy, burned a paper containing emblems of royalty, the Tiara, &c. and established a union of the three republics, Rome, the Cisalpine, and France. All that followed was insuit, misery, and plunder. The Papal palaces were sacked; the museums were robbed; the nobility were forced to sell their valuables at the caprices of the French; and the populace were famished, roused into insur-rection, and slaughtered. The whole currency of Rome carried on; forced loans, even to the demand of the silver forks of every family; a paper circulation, even down to a penny; the free quartering of French soldiery; and the innumerable, nameless sufferings that belong to the presence of an invader, combined to make Rome taste the bitterness of slavery.

The seizure of the French throne by Napo-

leon, only gave Rome an imperial master. By a striking coincidence, the Papal territory had been conterred, and resumed by a French conqueror; and alike at the commencement and the close of his dominion the Pope had crossed the Alps to consecrate the sword, and place the crown upon the brow of an usurper.

The further detail of the revolutionary history is irrelayent to the purpose of this sketch, which contemplated merely the acting of Provagainst the conqueror of the Austrians; and which contemplated merely the acting of Prov-the treaty of Tolentino dismembered the Papal idence in the preservation of the Church, and

Yet it is difficult to part from this period of strange and appalling vicissitude, without soiemn admiration of the noble shure which our country has borne in the liberation of Europe. And it is but a source of still more solemn admiration and prouder triumph, to believe that she has fought her way through the infinite bazards of the time, in the strength of a lottier guidance than the sword or counsel of man.

LIVE UPRIGHTLY .- The poor pittaged of seventy years is not worth being a villian for .-What matter is it if your neighbor lies in a splendid tomb? Sleep you with innocence-Look behind through the track of time ! a vast will find eternal rest. Whatever you may have to encounter between the cradle and the grave, procession should visit St. Peter's, reciting be- every moment is hig with innumerable events, fore those relies, which were then to have been which come not in succession, but bursting for-"Ante cilily from a revolving and unknown cause, fly e "Pa- over the orb with diversified influence.

John Selden, one of the greatest men of his The true cause, was the want of solidity in dulgence for ten years and forty days!

John Selden, one of the greatest men of his the national belief. When a popular declaim. For all who should recite, kneeling, the day, said, "I have taken pains to know every er had sunk into contempt the impostures of a seven Penitential Psulms, or the third part of thing esteemed worth knowing among men, yet

#### Raligious Toleration.

We cut the following from the Journal and Express, published at Humilton, Canada West. It would seem that in that section of the world to believe in the Advent is a crime sufficient to withdraw from them the protection of the law. Ceasar will recognize no King but himnedf.

To the Editor of the Journal and Express,

Sin,-Allow me through the medium of your to call public attention to an important journul. case which came before the Court of Quarter from a conviction before the local magistrates at Oakville, by parties who had been fined for interrupting, and pelting eggs and other missides, one of those itinerant preachers, known as Millerites. It was fully proved on the appeal that the conduct of the persons who had been convicted was of a most outrageous and unprovoked character. The case having gone to the Jury, they were locked up ten hours, and then dismissed, as there was no likelihood of an agreement as to a verdict. I think the matter involves the great question whether we are to have religious freedom in Canada or not,

A small body of persons designated Millerites met together for religious worship: they com-menced by prayer and singing. It was proved by the most conclusive evidence that they were shamefully interrupted. Whether their opinions are right or wrong, is no part of the question. Are they under the protection of the law? If so, the defendants ought to have been convicted, Let any sober-minded man rend the statute, and then form his own judgment whether I, as a juryman, had not both reason and justice on my side in wishing to confirm the conviction. The 31st section of the act declares "that if any person shall wilfully disturb, interrupt or disquiet any assemblage of persons met for redisquer any assembling of persons met of figious worship by profine discourse, by ende behavior, or by making a noise, either within the place of worship, or so near as to disturb the order or salemnity of the meeting, such person shall, upon conviction thereof before person shall, upon conviction thereof before any Justice of the Peace, on the oath of one or more credible witness or witnesses, forfeit and pay such sum of money not exceeding four pounds." Now, Mr. Editor, I cannot help thinking that the judge, who I admire for his general humane conduct on the Bench, overstept the rules of justice in allowing his charity to yield to expediency in dismissing the jury before they came to a verdict on such an important case. The flimsy argument git up by Simon No-The flimsy argument git up by Simon No-Brains to endeavor to shew that their doctrino was dangerous, and therefore ought to be put downs would lead to the destruction of all who did not agree with him in opinion. The most effectual way to put those men down, if they rearlly deserve it, is to let them alone, and it is not unlikely but that in a short time they will perceive themselves to be mistaken, and confess they have erred. Having, I am afraid, trespassed too much on your time, I remain, Sir, a lover of Fair Play. WM. TAYLOR, King Street.

THE CONDITION OF CUBA .- The Jamacia Times gives a sorry picture of the condition of affairs in Cuba, and especially the conduct of the Captain General. The writer, in illustra-

ting his views, says:
"For instance, the mixed commission possess officially addresses him on the shameful manner sperfectly happy forever.

in which the slave trade is encouraged. Captain General returns the papers, unopened, observing- 'PH have no communication with you.' A deputation of persons interested in those lately unprisoned, wait upon him.—'Gentlemen, (remarks O'Donell) return and govern your wives and children. I will take care to govern Cuba, and you! An American is shot by a sentry, and a demand for redress is unnoticed. The English and American vessels half hoist their colors, and the French entirely lower theirs. The Captain General is indignant at this display of feeling, but adds— The American standing army consists of 6000 men. I am Sessions on Saturday last. It was an appeal prepared with an orderly, well equipped, and an efficient force at this port of 14,000; ' and dehes them! Willim the space of four weeks, we are told, no fewer than 1,100 slaves had been introduced into the Havana; the head money, for permission to land, being 24 dollars, giving the sum of 26,400 dollars, which is the perquisite of the Captain General, who seems to have no idea of allowing any interference. The Court of Madrid, it is said, has expostulated with the Captuin General on his open encouragement of the slave-trade; stating that if he should not adhere to the treaty to suppress it, the British government would take the affair into their own hands. Whether O'Donell will notice this re-monstrance is considered very problematical."

#### THE GREAT COMMANDMENT.

The first and greatest commandment, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, with all thy soul, with all thy strength and with all thy mind," may be truly considered as one of the most important and precious promises that is recorded in the Old Testament. The Jews probably considerd it to be a mere command, and evading its plain and pointed inport, construed it in a manner to suit their capacity and convenience, and many professed to observe and obey it, who probably never experienced the least scatiment of pure love and ideration towards, that Being who had so re-peatedly evinced his love to them. Not finding in their hearts that sublime and holy affection, which was intended as expressed in this commandment, they, like many professors in the present age, were content to understand it to require merely the attentive observance of all the ecremonies, lospitalities and acts of justice and honesty which were specified in the Masaic law. But very few of them were aware that this great command was calculated to convince them (through their inability to obey its strict requirement,) of the depravity of their hearts, and their need of the divine influence of the Spirit of God to enable them to love him in truth. Although reason plainly shows that the great Author of nature is more lovely, and more worthy of pure and ardent love, than any thing, or all things that are created, yet it is manifest that the human heart is incapable of exercising that rational and fervent love, without the ape cial and of him who gave the commandment, And many have probably concluded that it is vain to hope or expect that man should ever be able to love God according to the full import of this great commundment. Nevertheless, it has been happily proved by the experience of many, that this command, " Thou shall love, was evidently intended as a most precious promise; and is more fully expressive of the im-mence joy and happiness which is prepared for the faithful and obedient saints, than can be found comprised in any one sentence in the saa vessel in which slave trading cases are adjudicated; she required repairs, and application or even a truly penitent sinner, read this as a was made to O'Donell (who is himself one of promise, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God the commissioners) in order to obtain them.

"Gentleman, (says he) I'll have nothing to do and consolation;—an assurance of the very conwith the affairs the magnetic half and come from with the affair; the money shall not come from summation which of all things he most ardently my coffers. Mr Crawford, the British consul, desires, and which only is needed to make him

THE SIGNS OF CHRIST'S COMING.

Our Savier specified several signs which should precede his coming, and by which we should know that the time was near. Those signs have all appeared conspicuously, but are disregarded by many because they did not all appear together, or in quick specession. To illustrate the inconsistency of this course, we

will suppose a parallel case.

You have a journey to perform through a wilderness, the terminus of which is a river, whose banks are precipitous and concealed by the fel linge; wherefore it is important that you should be apprised of the vicinity of the river, before approaching t. A friend gives you intelligence concerning the distance, and the appearance of the country through which you are to pass, and mentions particularly that when you have arrived in the last valley,—the one in which the river is located—you will see an oak tree a pine, a maple and a quantity of briers: then you may know that the river is near at hand. With this instruction you proceed and pass through several valleys without seeing any cas or shrubs of the kind spoken of, till at length you come to an oak. You have some apprehension that the river is near, but you do not see the other trees; and passing on some discount you see a pine, a stately transcome to a maple, not a regular tall tree, but a cluster of branches growing as maples often grow, from on. stump : and immediately beyond this, a field of bream, extending as far as the eye can reach. Here, then, in this same valley, you have seen the oak, pine, maple, and briars; and ril in the same order in which they were menticzed. But you say you expected to find these things all together, and that the cak would have been a larger tree; and the maple, more sold and straight: that the briars, moreover, would have been of the tall conspicuous kind, instead of the low creeping briars. Yet you admit that you had no purticular description given of either; only that such was your impression.

Now let me ask, would there be any reason or propriety in rejecting these signs, and concluding that the river was yet at a listace, merely because you had entertained certain unauthorized impressions on the subject? most certainly you must concede this point; and if so, what reason can there be in doubling that the dark day of 1780, the falling stars of 1833, &, are the very signs predicted by our Lord, as indications of his coming? Verily, these must be the true signs.

STATEN ISLAND CAMP-MEETING.

This has been a precious season to a very large company of the waiting and welching believers in this city and vicinity. The spot was not difficult of access, yet was secluded and quiet, in a flourishing grove of oak and hickory, where more than twenty tents were arranged in a broad circle on the smooth ground. On Thursday it rained a little, but Bro. D. I. Robison gave two excellent discourses in Bro. Mathias' large tent. On Friday, Brn. Curry and Robinson spoke in the day time, and Bro. Fitch arrived from Philadelphia in season for the evening lecture. On Saturday, Bro. Fitch preached from Isa. Iv. 5 "Behold thou shalt call a nation that thou knowest not, and nations that know not then shall run noto then because that knew not thee shall run unto thee, because of the Lord thy God, and for the Holy One of Israel, for he hath glorified thee." He first showed when, where and how the children of God are to be glorified,—that it is to be at the appearing, and in the kingdom of Christ, in a resurrection state. He quoted Rom. viii. 16, 17, John xvii. 22; Matt. xvi. 27; Isa. Ix. 1, 2, 9 and 14; Ps. cii 16; Isa. Ixvi. 15 to 23, and many other texts, as having their fulfilment at or after the personal coming of Christ. He

thus opened a deeply interesting view of inany prophecies. We shall doubtless have occasion to refer to it again. On the Sabbath, the attendance was very large, and the audience seemed riveted to the spot, while Brn. Fitch, Storrs, Hutchinson, Mathias, Curry, M.Chan-dler, and others addressed them. We left reluctantly on Monday, after listening to a discourse from Bro. Chandler, on the coming of Elijah as applicable to these last days. Midnight Cry.

### Advent Gerald & Reporter.

"THE LORD IS AT HAND."

BOSTON, AUGUST 14, 1844.

#### Let God be our Refuge.

God's ways are not as our ways, nor his thoughts s our thoughts: for as the heavens are higher than se earth, so are His thoughts bigher than our oughts, and his ways than our ways. Man, in s best estate, comes so infinitely short of being le to comprehend the purposes and plans of his eator, that the ways of God often seem dark and esterious; and we cannot understand his dealings th us. Yet every humble and devoted Christian Is full confidence in the love and wisdom of an vise Providence, so that whatever may betide, has a refuge to which to flee from every storm tempest. Without a God to control the universe, created nature would return to its original chaos. I when we reflect on our own weakness, and ited comprehensions, we can but feel how our stence depends upon the constant care of that erior Being. He knows what is for our good, lough at the time, can see only evil. God sees en it is necessary to chasten and afflict us, to p us low at the foot of the cross; and if He isten us not, we have reason to fear we are not is of God. Without disappointment and trial in s life, to remind us of our dependence, and helpsness, we might forget God, and trust in an arm flesh. How often can the child of God look back scenes of disappointment, when his wisest worldplans were frustrated to his then great dismay, nd see that it was the kind hand of God that thus afely guided him, and shielded him from certain wil into which his own unaided wisdom would nave plunged him. Present good is often found to be our greatest evil; and so the reverse. We thus see the necessity of looking to God for guidance and direction, in all our plans and operations. So long as God is with us, we have an assurance that all things will work together for our good. If we trust implicitly in him, no permanent evil can overtake us. He that heareth the young ravens when they cry, and arrays the lilies of the field in all their glory, is not insensible to the wants of his creatures, whose confidence is in him. He is, and is the rewarder of those who diligently seek him; and none will seek him in vain. His invitations are, Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest unto your souls; for my yoke is easy and my buiden is light. Look unto me and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth. Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness. Ask, and it shall be given you; seek and ye shall find; knock and it shall be opened unto you. Enter ye in at the strait gate. Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before your eyes; cease to do evil; tures for the evidences of Christ's second coming, learn to do well— seek judgment; relieve the op-pressed—judge the fatherless—plead for the widow. who have been for the last few years looking for

Come now, and let us reason together, saith the the coming of the Lord: they took their lamps, Lord, "Though your sins he as searlet, they shall be as white as snow—though they be redlike crimson, they shall be as wool. If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall ent the good of the land. Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money, come ye, buy and eat-yea come, buy wine and milk without money, and without price. Incline your ear and come unto me :-hear, and you shall live -- and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David."

With such a kind being for our Benefactor, who is so able and willing to save all who trust in him -and who will surely be faithful to perform all he has promised-how mindly must those be, who neglect his counsels, and trust their own wisdom to guide them. Cease ye from man, whose breath is in bis nostrils.

-THE EXETER CAMPMEETING, is now being holden as per advertisement. We hope all true Adventists who can, will be present. «

THE CANPMEETING AT HROOKLYN, it will be seen. hy notice in another column, that this meeting has been given up, for the want of laborers to conduct it. It is to be feared that many notices are given of meetings before the necessary arrangements are made.

#### LETTER FROM CANADA.

Is it not true that we are living in that period of time referred to by our Savior in the last of the 24th, and the first of the 25th chapter of Matthew's Our Savior commences at the 45th verse of the 24th chapter, and refers to the time when some servants of the household would be giving the household the necessary meat in due season, and the evil servants would be saying in their hearts My Lord delayeth his coming, and would smite their fellow servants, and eat and drink with the drunken, till they were cut off at the coming of the Lord. Then, says our Savior, shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, who took their lamps and went forth to meet the bridegroom. It seems to me that our Savior, knowing how.

It seems to me that our Savior, knowing how men would conduct at the end of time, made his

men would conduct at the end of time, made his illustrations so plain, that all night know when the kingdom of heaven should be thus likened.

Since brother Litch fectured here in Stanstead and Hadley, we have seen many converted to God, and made happy in believing in the coming of the Lord. And of some of us in this place it may be trade and we went out to meet the Bridgeroum. Lord. And of some of us in this place it may be truly said, we went out to meet the Bridegroum, and were happy in believing that our Lord would come in the year 1843; and many of us are still happy in believing that the Lord now standeth at the door. But, while the Lord has to some seemed to tarry, all have apparently slumbered, and some seem to be sound asleep, and I fear they will never awake, till that "cry" shall be heard, "Behold, the Bridegroom cometh, go ye out to meet him."

I believe the proud professors will not acknowledge their lamps have gone out, till that time; they still say they are right, and the Adventists are in a

edge their lamps have gone out, till that time; they still say they are right, and the Adventists are in a great error. For the last six months I have heard of no conversions in these three townships. O, my brethren, let us be faithful a few days, and our blessed Lord will come; and he now commands us that, when we see these things come to pass, to know that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand. It seems to me that every candid reader must know that we are standing on the eve of the fifth kingdom, and at the end of the 2300 days. And our Savior's words prove that we are there.

Yours in the blessed hope.

Barnstead, July 15th, 1844.

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P. S. You would do me a kindness to write on the first part of the 25th chapter of Matthew, and show how it is to be fulfilled,

REMARKS .- We understand the "virgins" taking their "lamps" and going out to meet the Bridegroom, was fulfilled in the searching the Scrip-

(their Bibles,) and went forth to meet the Bridegroom. The" foolish," who took no oil, we understand to be those who had no saving faith in their hearts, and whose belief in the Lord's coming rested more on the opinions of others than in any knowledge which they possessed of, or belief they had in the word of God. The "wise" were those who saw, and believed the testimony which the Lord had spoken. We understand that the "Bridegroom" tarried, or appeared to us to tarry, when the time passed by at which he was expected, since which, those whose faith rested on other evidence than the word of God, have in their slumbers permitted their lamps to go out. But at midnight, when all such will have given up all expectation of their Lord, and shall say in their hearts, My Lord delayeth his coming, and shall begin to smite their fellow servants, who continue to give the household the necessary meat in due season, heing vexed that they should still be looking for the Lord, and shall eat and drink with the drunken; then the sign of the Son of Man will be seen in heaven, all the tribes of the earth will wail because of him, and the cry will be made, "Behold, the Bridegroom cometh, go ye out to meet him," this is our God, we have waited for him, and he will save us." All the "virgins," both "wise" and "foolish," will then be thoroughly aroused: and those who have given up their faith will look to those who are rejoicing in the coming Savier for help; but the wise can only direct them to the Lord Jesus Christ, in whose name alone any can he saved,-of whom alone they can obtain oil to replenish their lamps, if peradventure they may be saved on the last inch of time. But, slas ! it will be too late for them; the door of mercy is forever closed; while they go to buy the Bridegroom will come, and those alone who are ready will enter in to the marriage supper of the Lamb; and the door will be shut : none others can ever enter in. "Watch, therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh."

#### Prophetic Symbols.

EXTRACTS FROM DAUBUZ'S SYMBOLICAL DICTIONARY.

B.

BABYLON in the Revelation in Rome, not only upon account of Rome's being guilty of usurpation, tyranny, and idolatry, and of persecuting the Church of God in the same manner as the old liceral Babylon was, but also upon the account of heing, by a successive devolution of power, the poseral Babylon was, but also upon the account of her being, by a successive devolution of power, the possessor of the pretended rights of Babylon. The literal Babylon was the beginner and supporter of tyranny and idolatry, first by Nimrod or Ninus, and afterwards by Nebuchadnezzar; and therefore, in Isa. xlvii. 12, she is accused of mugical enchantments from her youth or infancy; viz., from the very first origin of her being a city or nation.

That Babylon is Rome is evident from the explanation given by the angel in Rev. xvii. 18, where it is expressly said to be that great city which ruleth over the kings of the earth; no other city but Rome being in the exercise of such power at the time when the vision was seen.

BALANCE. The known symbol of a strict observation of justice and fair dealing. It is thus used in several places of the Scriptures; as Job xxxi. 6; Psa, lxii. 9; Prov. xt. 1, xvi. 11.

But Balance joined with symbols, denoting the sale of corn and fruits by weight, hecomes the symbols of scarcity: bread by weight being a curse in Lev. xxvii, 26, and in Ezek. iv. 16, where it is said, "I will break the staff of bread in Jerusalem, and they shall drink water by measure, and astonishment."

shall eat bread by weight, and with care, and they shall drink water by measure, and astonishment."
Which curse is expressed by famine in the same prophet, ch. v. 16, and ch. viv. 13.

BEAST (wild) The symbol of a tyrannical usurp-

ing power or monarchy, that destroys its neighbors or subjects, and preys upon all about it, and persecutes the Church of God.

The four beasts in Dan, vii. 3, are explained in

verse 17, of four kings or kingdoms, as the word king is interpreted, verse 23.

In several other places of Scripture, wild beasts are the symbols of tyrannical powers; as in Ezek. 1881. 28, and Jer, xii. 9, where the beasts of the heldence explained by the Targum, of the king of the beathen and their armies.

The Head of a beast auswers to the supreme pow The Head of a beast answers to the supreme power, and that whether the supreme power be in one angle person or in many. For as the power abstracted from their power; but both, in concreto, make up this head politic. And therefore, if the supreme power be in many, those many are the head, and not the less one head for consisting of many persons, no more than the body is less one body for consisting of many persons.

A their with three ribs in its mouth, denotes the land donn of the Medes and Persians. It was said unto it, "Arise, devour much flesh." This was to show the cruelty of those people, and their greedle-

show the cruelty of those people, and their greedi-ners after blood and plander. Their character was that of an all-devouring hear, which has no pity. The tibs in the mouth of it represent those nations which they especially made a prey of. Dan. vii. 5. Hanson, In Ezek, xxix. 3, 4, it is used as the symbol of the Egyptian king; and the dragon there menmoned is called the dragon in the rivers, and represented with scales; and is therefore a crocodile, a

hoper the swiffness, a leopard will over the recover the second of three qualities; viz. cruelty, [Isa. xi. i; Jer. v. 6; Hus. xiii. 7.] swiftness, [Hab. i. 8.] and the variety of the skin. [Jer. xiii. 23.] Upon the account of the first quality the Persian and Explian interpreters explain the leopard as an implicable enemy. Dan. vii. 6; Rev. xiii. 2.

As to swiffness, a leopard will overtake thrice or former the swiffness, though it draw back of

element the swiftest horse, though it draw back af-ter the first or second overtaking; and therefore the leopard, in Daniel, expresses very well the speed of conquests of Alexander the Great in Persia and the Indies, which were performed in ten or twelve

years' time.

A leapard with four heads and four wings of a fowl, denotes the kingdom of the Macedonians or inequals. The leopard being remarkable for its authors; hence, especially with wings on its back, it is a fit emblem of the conquests of the Macedonions under the command of Alexander. As the hon had two wings to represent the rapidity of the nians under the command of Alexander.

bon had two wings to represent the rapidity of the babylanian conquests, so this leopard has four, to signify the swiller progress of the Macedonians. The four heads also are significant. Fitteen years after the death of Alexander, his brother and two some being murdered, his kingdom was divided by tassauder, Lysinachus, Ptolemy, and Seleucus, into four lesser kingdoms, which they seized for the markets.

themselves. Dan. vii. 6.

Lion. A lion with eagle's wings represents the Babelonian empire. Dan. vii. 4.

Babylonian empire. Dan. vii. 4.

Bill. When a person is cast into it by way of punishment, it is a bed of languishing, and therelate a symbol of great tribulation, and anguish of lady and mind; for to be tormented in bed, where men seek rest, is the highest of griefs. See Psa. xh. 3; vi. 6; Job xxxni. 19; Isaiah xxviii. 20; flev. ii. 22.

BEHIND. According to the Greek and Roman nuthors, as the back parts, accounted behind, tol-low the face as leader; so whatsoever is said to be behind is accounted as future, coming after, and not

The reason of this symbolical signification of the word whind, may be perhaps more clearly given present, or before. But an event to come is unknown, unseen, and therefore behind; and therefore to fullow after, in order to be brought into actual existence, and rendered present or before.

Behind, when not taken symbolically, signifies what is past; as in Phil. iii. 13.

BELLY is the sent of carnal affections, according to the notions of the ancients, as being that which particles first of the sensual pleasures of which partakes first of the sensual pleasures of neat, drink, and veneral appetites: and therefore the Egyptians, in the embalming of a man, threw his belly mio the river, as the cause of all his sins, that it might, as it were, take them away with it. It is expressive of the mind or understanding, as in Joh xxxii, 19; John vii. 38; Ezek. iii. 3; Rev. 1.9, 10. It denotes the family and riches of a min last in Psalm xvii. 14.

as in Psalm xvii. 14. heling—and to loose to permit. Job. xxviii. 11; Brv. xx. 2; ix. 14; xx. 7.

The Jewish kings, at the same time that they were crowned, [2 Kings xi. 12,] bad the Book of the Law of God put into their hands. And thus, in allusion to this custom, to receive a book, may be the

symbol of the manguration of a prince.

A book or roll folded up, in order to be laid aside, is the symbol of a law abrogated, or of a thing of no further use.

A book or roll, written within and without, or on the baside, in a book or roll, written within and without, or on the baside may be a book or roll.

the backside, may be a book containing a long series of events, it being not the custom of the of the would not contain all their writing.

The book of life, is so called in allusion to the custom of kings, who, as they had several books for the record of things, so they had a peculiar book in which was entered the names and actions of all those who did them any special service, that they might reward them in due time. See Esth. vi. 1, 2; Exod. xxxii. 32, 33; Phil. iv. 3; Rev. iii. 5, xiii. 8, xx. 12.

A book may be considered as the emblem of knowledge; and an open book a most significant symbol, either of the taying open the treasures of knowledge in general, or of the disclosure of the

contents of some one book in particular. Rev. x. 2.
BOW. In Psa. vii. 12, it implies victory; signifying judgments laid up in store against the per-

It is also the symbol of war, as in Zech. ix. 10. Breaking a bow signifies the overthrow of the military strength of a kingdom. Hos. i. 5. It denotes peace, Psa. xivi. 9.

BRASS is metaphorically taken for strength. See Psa. civii. 16; Isa. xiv. 2; so in Jer. i. 18, and ch. xv. 20. Brazen walls signify a strong and lastic and the strength of the strength.

ing adversary or opposer.

Mic. iv. 13: The Lord declares, that he will make the harfs of the daughter of Zion brass; i. e. give her irresistible power, whereby she shall tread

down her enemies.

BURIAL is an honor paid to the dead.

The want of it was always looked upon as a circumstance of the greatest misery; [Ps. ixxix. 1, 2, 3; Eccles. vi. 3;] and the denial of it, as an act of the

Eccles. vi. 3; and the denial of it, as an act of the greatest punishment, 2 Kings ix. 10; Jer. xiv. 16.

Dead men in the grave [Ps. xxxi. 12; Ixxviii. 6] are apt to be forgotten. And therefore in Pea. Ixxviii. 11, 12, the grave is synonymous to the land of forgetfulness; and in Psa. xxxiv. 17, cxv. 17; 1 Sam. ii. 9, silence is put for the grave.

C. C. The same take of the care also at the

CALF. The symbols of the ox, calf, or steer, when there for what is signified by the whole animal; whose prime or chief quality is lubor, patience, and riches, or the great product of corn.

So in the dream of Pharach, the seven kine de-

noted so many harvests; their number determining the years, which is peculiar to kine, as the Oneirocritics all allow in ch. 238, 239.

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In the Proverbs of Solomon, xiv. 4, it is said, "Much increase is by the strength of the ox." So of the prophet, as in Joel it. 6, Nah. if. 10, Lam. that the ox hath the signification of increase with great labor; and is therefore in Deut. xxv. 4, the symbol of the Jewish and of the Christian priest-hood. It is there said: "Thou shalt not muzzle the mouth of the ox that treadeth out the corn."

It is the color of approaching death, or of the terror which the foresight of it causes. And in the style of the prophet, as in Joel it. 6, Nah. if. 10, Lam. v. 10, the sooty and grimed color of the face or skin, is put to signify a time of great affliction, in respect of famine, Pale signifies disease, mortality, and afflictions arising from them.

BIRDS (of prey) signify armies who come to prey upon a country. Isa. xvii. 6; Ezek. xxxii. 15; Rev. xix. 17. See Jer. xii. 9; Ezek. xxxii. 4; Xxxix. 17. The reason of the metaphor is plain. As birds of prey feed upon carcases; so those that take the goods of other men ent as it were their flesh; which in the symbolic language, always signifies riches or substance;

BITTER. Bitterness, in Excd. i. 14, Ruth i. 20, Jer. ix. 15, is the symbol of uffliction, misery, and servitude; and therefore the servitude of the Israelites in Egypt was typically represented, in the celebration of the Passover, by bitter herbs.

The imbittering of the belly, signifies all the train of afflictions which may come apon a man; as in Jer. iv. 19, ix. 15; and the same is tully evident from the hitter waters of jealousy, Num. v. 27.

BLASPHEMY is apostacy, whether idolatrous or of any other description. Rev. xii. 1—6; xvi. 3, Acts xxvi. 11; Ezek. xx. 27—32.

BLOOD, the symbol of shaughter and mortality. Isa. xxxiv. 3; Ezek. xiv. 19; xxxii. 6; Joel ii. 30; Rev. xii. 3; Acts xxvi. 11; Ezek. xx. 27—32.

BLOOD, the symbol of shaughter and effusion of blood; a way of speaking not unknown to the Jews.

BOOK, signifies the life, i. e. the acts of him that sees it.

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this sense the symbols are used, 2 Kings vi. 17; and Ps. lxviii. 17. The Lord has also his ecclesiastical or spiritual armies, and these are his uburch, whether militant upon earth, or triumphant in the presence of her Lord. Thus Elijah, from his prepresence of her Lord. Inus Elijan, from his pre-cminent zeal and holy integrity, embodying as it were in himself the strength of the church in his own day, is called "the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof," 2 Kings ii. 12. God in his holy providence employs also the armies of earthly poten-calls in execution the purposes of his weath or his providence employs also the armies of earthy poten-tates in executing the purposes of his wrath or his mercy; these armies are also symbolized by char-ious and horsemen, as in Isa. xxi. 7—9, where they denote the united armies of the Medes and Persians

Cities are frequently represented in the CITY. Cities are frequently represented in the Prophets under the type of women, (virgins, wives, widows, and harlots,) according to their different conditions. So in Isa. xxxvii. 22; Jer. xviii. Lam. i. 15. and other places, Jerusalem is called a virgin; and Egypt is so named in Jer. xlvi. 11. Widow is said of Babylon in Isa. xlvii. 8, 9; and of Jerusalem in Lament. i. 1; and harlot, and harlot of Jerusalem, Isa. i. 21; of Tyre, Isa. xxiii. 16; of Nineveh, Nah. iii. 4; and of Samaria, Ezek. xviii. 5.

Ninevch, Nab. iii. 4; and of Samaria, Ezek. xxiii. 5.

CLOTHED. To be clothed, is a metaphor frequently used to signify, to be accompanied with, or adorned, and even covered or protected; as in Job vii. 5, "My flesh is clothed with worms;" ch. xxxix. 19, "Hast thou clothed his neck with thunder?" So in the Pslams, "Let them be clothed with shame and dishonor," Ps. xxxv. 6; "He is clothed with majesty, the Lord is clothed with strength," Ps. xciii. 1. St. Paul also uses it in 2 Cor. v. 2, "desiring to be clothed upon with our house, which is from heaven;" and in Rom. xiii. 14, "Put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ."

CLOUD without any tokens, showing it to be like a storm, always denotes what is good, and implies success. It is in general the symbol of protection; because it preserves from the scorching heat of the sun, i. e. anguish and persection; and as it likewise distils a rain, or cool and benign intence.

In the Holy Writers, the clouds are frequently the symbols of God's power. Thus Ps. lxvii. 34, "His strength is in the clouds;" and Ps. lxxix. 6, "Who is he in the clouds that shall be like unto the Lord?" For indeed clouds are also more especially the symbols of multitudes and armies: as in Jer. 17, "He shall come up as clouds;" Is. ix. 8, "Who are those that fly as a cloud?" Heb. xii. 1, "A cloud of witnesses."

Clouds without water denote false teachers: as in Jude 12; Prov. xxv. 14.

COLOR, which is outwardly seen on the habit of the body, is symbolically used to denote the true state of the person, or subject to which it is applied,

according to the nature of it.

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Rev. joy, with or after a great battle or slaugh-ter. In Ps. lxviii. 23, red and blood are explana-tory of each other.

White, the symbol of beauty, comliness, joy,

and riches.

There is a sublime climax, or scale of terrific images, exhibited in the colors of the horses in the four first seals, Rev. vi. 2-S; the first horse is pure white; the second firy and revengeful; the third, black, or mouraful; and when we imagine that nothing more dreadful in color can appear, then comes forth another much more terrific, even deadly pale.

The Trial of Fairn.—Now for a senson, if need be, ye are in heaviness, through manifold temptations: that the trial of your faith, being much more previous than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise, and honor, and glory, at the appearing of Jesus Christ.—I Pet. i. 6, 7.

#### Letter from Brother Miller.

His Confession and Connection.

Dear Brethren:—I find my views are yet misrepresented, and my words are perverted by those
who have the care of catering to the morbid appetire of the public mind: they doubtless thus prevent
some who otherwise might look at the important
subject of the glorious appearing of the great God
and our Savior Jesus Christ. If I and those who
believe with me, in the near approach of this heavenly promise, were only affected by their misstate,
ments, I would correct nothing, I would hear all in
parience that a wicked world could inflict, or a corrupt press could publish, until God in his goodness
would remove the "veil from off all faces;" but
when I see the effect of these false representations
is to full men to sleep, and the everlasting conseis to full men to sleep, and the everlasting consequences which must fullow this state of things. I cannot refrain from correcting what, in my soul I believe and know to be false. In my confession, I have said and now say, I was sorely disappointed in not seeing the blessed Savtor this last Spring. I have said and now say, I was sorely disappointed in not seeing the blessed Savior this last Spring. I had believed He would come in the Jewish year 1843, which I had good reason to believe ended March, 1844. And so I honestly proclaimed it. Time has shown my error, as to the exact time of the event. Yet I am not "cast down," I bless God I have not "gast away my confidence" in God or list word. Tam now waiting every hoor for what I then hooked for. I have yet strong laith in the immediate fulfillment of these things. I have said, and still believe, in a proper time, God will justify me in the mode of reckoning time, in prophetic chronology. I believe the fadure is in the monner of the accomplishment of the last events. Yet I know that the grand drama has commenced, and the coming of "Christ is at the door." How do you hoor? I answer by the same way as Christ said I might know, Mark xiii. 29, "So ye in like manner, when ye shall see these things come to pass, know that it is nigh, even at the doors," But save the unbeliever, it may be 10, 50 or 1000 years off, then, for all you know? No, it cannot be, it must be very nigh, the "time," the "signs," all show it is nigh at the door, we can have no assurance of an hour. Herein my views have been mistepresented as though I thought it might be 50 years off. I have no Herein my views have been mistepresented as though I thought it might be 50 years off. I have no such view. I am looking every day, and expecting him too. I have no sympathy of feelings with the Rev. Gentleman, who said he was looking for him every day, but did not expect Him!!

every day, but did not expect Him!!

I am perfectly convinced that thousands of prayers are day and night ascending the holy hill of Zion, from hamlet, grove and field, from hearts sincere, and souls who long to see the kingdom of God: Crying "come, Lord Jesus, On come quickly." These prayers will soon be heard, and answered too, Luke xviii. S. "I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of man cometh, shall be find faith on the earth?" The signs, the Sabbath, the seven times, the seven vision of Daniel and John, the ery of God's elect day and night, all go to show we are near, yes, very near and night, all go to show we are near, yes, very near the end. How can I put it off? And well the angel cries a "Wo" to them, who put of the trying day, and sleep upon the brink of ruin. Awake, awake, oh sleeping virgins, awake! And you my brethren, I do implore you, listen not to any report which the enemies of Christ's return may circulate. The devil

whereof we affirm, you, therefore, will not waver, but will hold first your confidence unto the end. Our apponents do not expect to deceive such; but by measuring others by themselves, they think the Adventists are following leaders, and therefore they appropriate these where they may suppose are Adventists are following leaders, and therefore they misrepresent those whom they may suppose are leaders, in order to draw away, as they vainly suppose their followers. But how foolish they are! We have declared ourselves morally independent. We call no man master. And if any such were among us, when our time run out, they left us. We stand now each on his own faith; should they then have any influence on us? No, at every man "study to be a workman that need not be ashamed," and all the powers of the buttom'ess nit cannot senson, if and all the powers of the bottomless pit, cannot manifold move you. Our opposers ought to see that noth-th, being ing will draw us from our present faith, but a better construction of scripture. Let them give us this, and we yield. But misrepresentation, burlesque and ridicule, will never make a real Adventist give up his hope.

We have the Lord on our side, and we expect be

will continue to be on our side, while we keep humble, penitent, and trust in him and his word. We have no master on earth. We have no leaders, but those who lead us on to the word of God. We fellowship no teachers, but those who teach the Scriptures, and we feed on no tool spiritually, "but every word of God." This is our faith. Therefore, Tod 25 our opposers govern themselves accordingly may we all meet in the New Heavens and And may we all meet in the New Heavens and New Earth, when the angel preclaims " time shall be no lunger." WM. Miller.

Buffalo, N. Y. July 31st, 1844.

#### LETTER EROM BRO. H. HEYES.

DEAR BRO. BLISS:-At this late hour, the night so far spent, and the day so nigh, when under the pulpit-preaching of peace and security, the sinner remains unawakened, the sceptic inconvinced, the backslider unreclaimed, and the poor mourner left comfortless; Almighty God owns the proclamation of the everlasting gospel-"Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come! Yes: the sinner yet feels its power, and the in-fidel acknowledges its truth; the tried child of God welcomes the tidings, and exults in the glorious and soul-reviving assurance of imme-diate deliverance from a world of vanity and corruption, where his affections are not; and wanderer from his Father's house still induced to retrace his stops, and supplicate a return of the favor of his God. The meeting alluded to by Bro. Pierce, was productive of happy results, the brethren and sisters are encouraged, and stimulated anew to work for God; we hear of a like spirit manifesting itself in other places, and upon the whole we feel bound to pronounce the cause prospering, and promising still to prosper. Having considera-ble work upon my hands just now, you must excuse me giving you a more full account of the state of things among us here. We are ar ranging for another grove meeting to be held next Sabbath. (God willing.) We desire your prayers on our behalf that the word of God may have free course and be glorified.

Yours in hope,

HENRY HEYES.

PROVIDENCE R. I., Aug. 2, 1844.

#### LETTER FROM ENGLAND.

Dearly beloved in the Lord:-We received your kind and very acceptable present of books and papers, and we return you our sincere thanks for the same. We are still waiting for the coming of our glorious Redcemer. Our country is in a most alarming state, and should our Savior not come speedily, we shall be in-volved in civil war; but we think that Jesus will come very soon. Blessed be God for the heavenly hope that we have. We are cocupying in the open air from time to time, sounding has come down having great wrath, knowing that the alarm and trying to bring sinners to Jesus.

A Pious Wish.—When the finil of amiction is the bath but a short time. And if the were possible, would "deceive the very elect." Those of my brether would "deceive the very elect." Those of my brether who have studied the Bible for yourselves, know with joy. O, that we may endure unto the end, Henry. the alarm and trying to bring sinners to Jesus

and be found of God in peace. O happy day, when the ransomed of the Lord shall return to Zion with songs and praises. We are certa, that the Lord owns our labors, and we would give you a word of encouragement to proceed in your work of faith and labor of love, by directing your minds to the blessed promise held out in the word of God, "Blessed are they that sow beside all waters," and you, beloved brethren have done so. O, may you was sparking crowns in the kingdom of God. We unitedly send our love to all our brethren and sisters in America. We have not seen your face in the flesh, but we shall shortly

' See and hear and know, All we desired or wished below, And every power find sweet employ In that cternal world of joy."

JOSEPH CURRY.

Princes place, Fleet street. Liverroot, July 17, 1844.

JEWISH TESTIMONY.—Mr. Frey, the distinguished converted Jew, in 1840, published a work, called Judah and Israel, in which he says, p. 194:—

"According to the 'Talundical writings,' the altimate or final date for the coming of Messiah, a

expired within three years, and many eyes and hearts are now directed to that period. If then they hope should not be realized, they confess that they shall be obliged to give up their hope in the calculations or writings of men, but not relinquish their hope in the coming of the Great Deliverer."

P. S. So then in three years from 1840, the Jews look for Chirst's advent, and Christians are looking and waiting for his coming the second time, without sin, to save them.—Voice of Truth.

From the Ann Arbor, "Signal of Liberty."

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ANOTHER CHURCH FEAST.—" LADIES FAIR.—
The Ladies of the First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor, give notice that a FAIR will be held at HAWKIN'S SALOON, on the 4th day of July next. The object of the proposed fair, is to raise the required sum to purchase an organ for the church lee creams, Custards, Lemonade, Cake, and other delicacies of the season will be furnished in great abundance. The public are respectfully invited to attend." "Delicacies of the season in great abundance."—Ann Arbor, Mich. July 24th, 1344.

A GROUND OF STRADFASTNESS.—If I were not A GROWN OF STEADFASTNESS,—It I were not penetrated with a conviction of the truth of the Bibie, and the reality of my own experience, I should be confounded on all sides—from within and from without—in the world and in the church. - Cecil.

Christianity .- Christianity is not only a living principle of victue in good, but affords this further blessing to society, that it restrains the vices of the bad. It is a tree of life, whose fruit is immortality, and whose very leaves are for the healing of the nations .- A. Fuller.

A LIGHT BURDEN.—"My burden is light." A light burden, indeed, which carries him that beam it. I have looked through all nature for a resemblance of this, and I seem to find a shadow of it in the wings of a bird, which are indeed home by the creature, and yet support her flight towards hear. en—St. Bernard.

Bodity Infirmities. — Bodily infirmities, like breaks in a wall, have often become avenue through which the light of heaven has entered the soul, and make the imprisoned indiate long for release.—Dr. Watts.

Use of Afflictions.—Afflictions are the same to the soul as the plough to the fallow ground, the pruning-knife to the vine, and the furnace to the gold .-

A Good Conscience .-- Speak not well of any unndvisedly—that is sordid flattery. Speak not well of thyself, though never so deserving, lest thoube tempted to vanity; but value more a good conscience, than a good commendation.—Burkitt.

A Plous Wish .- When the flail of affliction is

SAFETY IN DUTY .- If we are in the path of duty, and it our help and our hope is in the name of the Lord, we may confidently expect that he will uphold us, however faint and enfebled we may seem in he in ourselves and others.—Newton.

DEATH .- He that is well prepared for the great journey, cannot enter on it too soon for himself, though his friends will weep for his departure.—

A timear Event .- The conversion of a sinner to tiod, is an event never to be forgotten. It is an eram electric; it is registered in heaven.—Robert

hernen's Diving .-- Three things make a divine: prayer, meditation, and temptation.

CLUSTERING AFFLICTIONS .- The remark is often made, that afflictions come in clusters. I believe there is truth in it. It is in accordance with God's made of instruction. It is but giving us "line upon line, and precept upon precept," as he does in his word.

A Good Example:-The man who labors to please his neighbor for his good to edification, has the mind that was in Christ. It is a samer trying to help a sinner. How different the face of things, if this spirit prevailed, - if dissenters were like theny and Watts and Doddridge, and churchmen like Leighton .- Ceril.

"We confess our inability to see how persons can innocently go where they know error, if not folkhoods, are presched as the truth of the gospel, without (in ordinary circomstances) being guilty of thegraph or countenancing the error. It he position is exclusive, it is the exclusiveness of that, which knows no compromise with falsehood. In these times, men should 'take care what they hear,"—Banner of the Cross. (Episcopal.)

So let it be !

INTERESTING VARIETY OF THE BIBLE .-When the celebrated Dr. Samuel Johnson was asked why so many literary men were infidels, his reply was, "Because they are ignorant of the Bible." If the question be asked why the

any other memorial of past or present time. From the worm that grovels in the dust beneath our feet, to the track of the leviathan in the feaming deep-trom the moth that corrupts the secret treasure, to the eagle that sours above his cyry in the clouds-from the wild ass in the desert, to the lamb within the shepherd's hold-from the consuming locust, to the cattle on to the ceder of Lebandon-from the crystal arream, gushing forth out of the flinty rock, to

PRAYEN. Left is not the length, but the strength good or evil, no shade of darkness or gleam of complete the time of Daniel's vision when Jesus of prayer, that is required; not the labor of the lip, light, which does not come within the cognitude that provide the labor of the lip, light, which does not come within the cognitude that provide that provide the labor of the labor of the Holy Scriptures; and therefore the they words be few," as Solomon says, but full, and to the purpose,—Spencer.

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Spencer. mind that may not find a corresponding pic-ture; no thurst for excellence that may not meet with its full supply; and no condition of humanity necessarily excluded from the unlimited scope of adaptation and of sympathy comprehended in the language and the spirit of the

#### Prophetic Chronology.

DEAR BROTHER BLISS .- How say some among us that the prophetic periods have expired? Do they believe that God has proved unfaithful to his word? It is most astonishing to me, that any man of common capacity cannot or will not see that it have periods begin at the dates which have always been assigned for their common capacity. been assigned for their commencement, they could not possibly end before sometime within the year 1844

We have the very best of reasons for believing that 6000 years alloted for this world in its present state, began the month Tisri, which is the first month of the Jewish croil year, and the seventh month of the sacred year. Accordingly, at the first of Genesis, where the Bible gives the date of creation, that month is always given. This perfect period, the antitype of the six days of creation, must therefore end with the same month. As the vulgar christian era began in the year of the word 4157. christian era began in the year of the word 4157, i. e. 4156 years, and a fraction having passed at its commencement, 1843 full years and a fraction being added, make the 6000 and years and a fraction being added, make the:6000 years complete. If then, the chronology be correct, this wicked world will end in the seconth mouth of the present Jewish sacred

The seven times of the Gentiles, amounting to 2520 years, began with the captivity of Manasseh, in the year B. C. 677. By substracting 677 years from 2520, thus leaving 1943, it has been concluded without further examination that the period would end in A. D. 1843. But this is a mislake. It would require the whole of B. C. 677, and the whole of A.D. 1843, added together, to make up the full period of 2520 years. Therefore commencing the period of any given point within B. C. 677, a part of that year would be left out; and at the end of A. D. 1843, the period would be complete, and would require all the time to the same point within A. D. 1844, for its completion. If then the seven times began B.

lovers of general reading so often fail to acquaint themselves with the sacred volume, one reason may be assigned doubtless is, they are not aware of its interesting variety. This feature of the Bible is well illustrated by Mrs. The 2300 days of Dan. viii. 14, began with the decree of the Bible is well illustrated by Mrs. This decree to restore and to build Jerusalem. This decree to recent work, entitled the "Poetry of Nix. 28: xiv. 13. 2 Chron. xxxvi. 22, 23 Ezra i. 1-4. It was renewed by Darius B. C. 519 See Ezra vi., and finally completed by Artaxerses Longuage, pathos, and sublimity, either concentrated in the minutest point, or extended to the widest range, we can derive from the Scriptines a fund of gratification not to be found in any other memorial of past or present time. into execution. There are two important considerations which show that it goods not be the formcrations which show that it goodd not be the former. One is, that if the 70 weeks or 490 years had begun B. C. 5.6, they would have ended 46 years before the Christian era. The other is that the 70 weeks are in Dan. ix., divided into three parts, 7 weeks, 62 weeks, and I week; and it is perfectly plain from the last clause of verse 25, that the 7 weeks were abouted for the building of the street and walf, in troublous times. The period must therefore have had its commencement in the autumn of B. C. 457, when Exca. having restored the tomn of B. C. 457, when Ezra, having restored the Jewish commonwealth, began to build the wall. From the wide waters of the delage—from the lonely puth of the wanderer, to the gathering of a singlety multinode—from the tear that falls in error, to the din of battle and the shout of a tromphant host—from the solitary in the will-demens, to the satrap on the throne—from the time arrived of the full manifestation of the Messiah the satrap on the throne—from the time arrived of the full manifestation of the Messiah to Israel. This was when Jesus came into Gablee proclaiming the glad tidings of the kingdom of God, and saying 'The TIME IS FULFILLED.' We Gablee praclaiming the glad tidings of the kingdom of God, and saying 'The TIME is fulfilled." We have the very best of reasons for believing that this was in the autumn of A. D. 27. And from the autumn of B. C. 457 to the autumn of A. D. 27, there therefore the depths of hell, to the regions of eternal glory,—there is no delarmity, no tendency to remainder is 1817. So many years remained to band of out-comers, I find them strong and

But some one will perhaps he ready to ask, What will you do with the 1290 and 1325 days of Dan. xh?" If he be a believer in the advent doc-irine, I might in return ask him the same question. Dan. xii? Trine, I might in return ask him the same question. Certain it is, that those periods did not begin A. D. 508. Had they begun then, the 1290 days or years would have ended A. D. 1798, and the 1335, which extend just 45 years further, would have ended A. D. 1843. But Daniel does not yet stand in his lot: therefore the days are not yet ended. There never was sufficient proof to establish the commencement of those periods in 508. The best evidence we have is derived from Cribbon who gives a périod of 7 years, from 508 to 515, for a certain series of of 7 years, from 508 to 515, for a certain series of events which he describes, in the former part of which he places the overthrow of paganism and the establishment of papacy. But the exact date of this event he does not assign. We should therefore look to the date of that later event, which makes the termination of the 1290 days, rather than

makes the termination of the 1290 days, rather than to the exact time of their commencement.

This period of 1290 days, and the 1260 days of Dan. vii. 25, and of Rev. xii. 6, 14. xiii. 5, we believe terminate together. The former must therefore have commenced 30 years before the latter. One commenced when papacy was established, the other, when the saints were given into his hands. The bishop of Rome did not receive the letter of Justinian, constituting him "the head of all the holy churches," till A. D. 539. Then began the 1260 days, which reach to A. D. 1799. In the month of Feb. 1798, the French army under Berthier entered Rome, deposed the pope, and declared the papal government abolished. But it was not until March 26th, 1799, that the pope was taken a cap-March 28th, 1799, that the pope was taken a cap-tive to France, where, in August of the same year, he died. This event seems a complete fulfilment of Rev. xiii. 9, 10, which most distinctly marks the end of the 42 months of verse 5. We believe these chronological dates be correct. If they are so, " the dispensation of the fulness of time" will open upon us within three months.

"O ! let us be ready to hail the glad day." S. S. SNOW.

Worcester, Aug. 8th, 1844.

#### LETTER FROM BRO. T. SUTCLIFFE.

DEAR BRO. HIMES .- I am happy to say that my soul was never so full of the hope of soon seeing my Lord, as at the present; and although the time in which I expected him is gone by, yet my faith in his speedy coming is increasing, and while I take a view of Paul's, yet a little while and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry, it fills me with delight to consider the shortness of the little while, and the glory which is at the end. This is the comfort and consolation of all saints who are looking for the speedy coming of the Lord, that he will come in his glory, and bring their reward with him, and the scoffer shall scoff no more at ali, &c.

I am striving to do all I can, while I travel north and south of the Canada line, in order that the people may be ready when the Lord shall come; and bless the Lord, I never naw the faith of the Advent brethren and sisters so strong as at the present. I have been frequently told by some of the brethren, that the Bible scems to them as a new book; for, say they, we never understood certain parts of the Bible until now, such as, yet a little while—though it tarry,—the just shall live by faith—wait,—cast not away your confidence,—comfort each other with these words, &c. But now we see that they referred to the very present time we are now in.

The true Adventists, every where I travel, are growing stronger in faith, love, patience, and hope, and are becoming more understand-

vigorous, and the more persecutions and scoffa they receive—the more strong and vigorous they receive—the more strong and vigorous they still grow. I believe we are now passing through the valley of decision; and soon, very soon, the Lord shall roar out of Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem. When the kingdom under the whole heaven will be given to thy people of the saints. May the Lord keep his children, and have mercy on a sleeping, slumbering church and world. Yours in the blessed hope of seeing of my Lord in a few months.

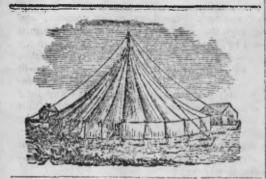
The meeting to commence on the 11th of September next, tonts to be erected on the 10th; and on the west, who can come and tent on the ground, we think had better be at the landing, if they come by water, on the 9th; brethren can transport their baggge to the camp-ground fee of expresse. There is to be abourdaring to the camp-ground fee of expresse. There is to be abourdary on the 10th of September next, tonts to be erected on the 10th; all our betterine from the west, who can come and tent on the ground, we think had better be at the landing, if they come to the camp-ground fee of expresse. There is to be abourdary on the 10th of September next, thou so he created on the 10th; and on the trong the 11th of September next, thou so he erected on the 10th; and on the think had better be at the landing, if they come to the camp-ground fee of expresse. There is to be erected on the 10th; and on the 10th on the 10th on the 10th of September next, thou she 11th of September next, thou she can come and tent on the 10th on his children, and have mercy on a sleeping, slumbering church and world. Yours in the blessed hope of seeing of my Lord in a few months.

Thos, Sutcliffe.

TROY, JULY 29, 18-11.

A LUNAR RAINNOW,-The Germantown Telegraph says:-" This beautiful and rare phenomenon was visible at this place on Saturday night, 22d ult., about ten o'clock, and continued upwards of twenty minutes. It made its appearance in the east when the moon was about thirty degrees above the horizon, forming an arch somewhat smaller than the solar, rambow, but remarkably distinct. This phenomenon is very rare, and that of Saturday night was, perhaps, the most perfect of its kind witnessed in this latitude for half a century."

BCF-We are requested by the Gospel Standard to say that "The work of " that "paper then will be two fold-to spread out before the public our views of the unfulfilled events of prophery, aided by the light of those already fallilled, and to enter into their nature, order, and results, and also to hold up to view our relations to, and duties growing out of such events. In the first branch will be prominently included the personal reign of Christ on earth, a reign of a thousand years in the promised restitution, to be preceded by the destruction, and not the conversion of the anti-christian powers and nations, and the literal resurrection of the martyrs, and the oth er saints. As to specific time, little comparatively will be said, though abourd and intenable views on that subject will be examined and related, and the views spread out in the Prophetic Inquirer will be firmly, yet temperately defended. The second branch of the work will involve Christian union.



DERRY, N. 12.—There will be a componenting held in this town, should time continue, to commence on Theology, 27th of this month, and continue one week. A pleasant and convenient spot has been selected, in a grove situated 11-2 mites from Derry Latter Village, and half a mile from Cheeney's so called. The brethren and sisters in this vicinity, are earnestly lovited to intend and bring their tents and provision with them, prepared to stay through the meeting. It is hoped that Bro. T. Cole, I. E. Jones, R. Plammer, and other becturers will find it convenient to attend.

N. B. Those who do not come provided with tents and provisions, will find good accommodation and fourd on the ground. In behalf of the brethren, J. LESPEST.

HH.I.SBOROUGH, N. H.—The Camp-meeting in Hilla-borough, will be held on the road leading from the upper viblage to East Washington, about 11-4 miles from the village. We hope there will be a general gathering of the friends of Carsa, with their tents, and show to the world that while waiting for the vision, we are not askeep, or become infidela, as was prophesical of inclusive willing to taken, till our Master shall call as home.

Com.—F. Whenler, G. W. Barnes, N. Smith.

The Camprisering will be held, if time continue, in Hilboard's N. H. on land of G. W. Barns, half a unit cast of the road leading from the Upper Village to East Washington, to conduce on Tuesday, August 20th, and continue over the Sabbath. Brethren Slipman, Bennet, and others, are invited to attend. The brethren who can, are requested to come with tents: and those who wish, can be accommodited with provision for themselves and horses to reasonable terms; those who come by stage to the Upper Village, three nides distant, will find conveyances to the gound.

Com.—F. Wheeler, G. W. Barns, N. Smith.

OF There will be a Second Advent Companenting in Manchester Ct. on ground femerly occupied for that purpose, 9 miles cast of Hartford, commencing Monday, Aug. 19th, to combine to the Saterday belowing. The sole object of this meeting is to advance vital godiness in the soul. Mid. Cry with please capy.

This meeting is to be on Chency Place, so called; and is 25 miles from Springfield. Bt. M. informs us that a committee of 11 have been appointed, who have made acrangements for board, horse-keeping, &c on reasonable terms.

Brethred are requested to attend, and bring their tents, provisions, &c.

firec nittee from the village, on the new road toward Ashleys brethren in the ministry, and all who love the appearing of Christ, are invited to come with teots and provisions to entire one week. Provision for entertainment in the lower, and for horse-keeping, will be paide on reasonable tens, and for horse-keeping, will be paide on reasonable tens, and for horse-keeping will be paide on reasonable tens, and for horse-keeping, will be paide on reasonable tens, and the neighboring towns are requested to meet it the ground selected for our meeting, the let Wednesday hand make other necessary arrangements for the meeting.

For the committee.

B. HEAFIL

LIBERTY ME. - Paere will be an Advent Confermed at the Liberty Tabernacle, commencing on the 16th of Angla 10 o'check in the foremon, to continue over the Saldach has carnestly desired that some Advent Lecturers from the west will visit us at that time. Will Br Churchilland that vey attend?

W. B. START, Com. of Cor.

There will be a conference of saints in Cambridge Vi., is commence, if the Lord will, August 15th and continue over the Saldhah. Brethren Bennet and Billings, will be in alternance. The Cry will please copy. H. W. BURNMAN

1.0 WELL, VI.—There will be an Advent Conference bill to the town at Lowell, VI. on Friday, Aug. 30, if the Lowell, Brethren Shipman, Kin.Latt, Clark, and others we may find it convenient, are requested to attend. The abstract of the chief will call on Mr. Perry, who kindly offers a centertain the preachers during the meeting. The meeting will commence at 10 A. M.

Thomas Satchfe.

LYA Second Advent Compensing will be held, it is continue, and the Lord is witting, in Newington, eight ask south of Harrford, Ct. on land of Oliver Richards, counce eig on Wednesday, Sept. 4, and continue opp week, a more. Brethren Miller, Hames, Firch, Litch, and Som, with others, are invited to attend. Arrangements for bond will be made much the ground.

will be made upon the ground.

Com.—W. D. Tuller, H. A. Parsone, A Belden, C.B. win, A. Mix, H. Munger, John Suight, E Parker, E.L. Chamberlain, Wm. Rogers.

6C-Providence permitting, the subscriber will artend mer, ings in the following places, as follows: Great Falls, N. R. Monday, Aug 5th. Dover, N. H., Tuesday, 6th. Ports mouth, N. H., Wednessing 7th. Exeter, N. H. Friday & Haverhill Mass. 10th and 11th. All the above meetings becommence at 2 P. M. and 71-2, except the Subbath. Elder Henry Plummer is to be at the Tabermicie in Boston, Aug. 11th.

1. E. Josep.

#### Letters received to Aug. 10, 1844.

Prophetic Impurity will be firstly, yet comparetally defined. So unlike care and Hartherfo, commonments Monday, Aug. 18th, The second branch of the work will mostly Chastian material. Middle and the control of deverge most of deverge most