CHRIST IS ALL.

I entered once a home of care, For age and penury were there, Yet peace and joy withal: I asked the lonely mother, whence Her helpless widowhood's defense; She told me, Christ was all!

I stood beside a dying bed, Where a sweet infant drooped his head, Waiting for Jesus' call: I marked his smile, 'twas sweet as May; And, as his spirit passed away, He whispered, Christ is all!

I saw the martyr at the stake. And not fierce flames his faith could shake Nor death his soul appal: I asked him whence such strength was give He looked triumphantly to heaven, And answered, Christ is all!

I saw the gospel herald go To Afric's sand and Greenland's snow, To save from Satan's thrall! Nor home, nor life he counted dear, 'Midst wants and perils owned no fear; He felt that Christ was all.

I dreamt that hoary time had fled, And earth and sea resigned their dead, And fire dissolved this ball: I saw the Church's glorious throng; I heard the burden of their song,-'Twas Christ is all in all!

Then come to Jesus! come to-day; Come! Father, Son, and Spirit say; The Bride repeats the call: Come! he has blood for all your stains Come! he has balm for all your pains; Come! he is all in all!

FOR THE CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN. REMINISCENCES OF PRESBYTERIAN MINISTERS

BY AN OCTOGENARIAN.

No. 26. DR. NOTT.

The students who had taken their degrees President. They hoped that he would tarry 1804, made a deep impression on his mind. of "the new heavens and the new earth." among them for a day or two on his way to He not only delivered an admirable oration This world continued but a very short time the General Assembly in Philadelphia. He on his decease, but he would go to men and as God made it. Satan did not defeat the arrived in due time, for there was but little inquire how a duel was fought even to the plan of God, when he crept into Eden and danger of crippled limbs in the old staging arrangement of the parties and their wheel- made the world like his own infernal abode. line of travel. The group of students soon ing to fire. He was not satisfied till he All his works will be destroyed. The saints former venerated preceptor. We never saw ous statesman had lost his life. He grew sprang fresh from the creative hand. "The the people of Princeton so happy as when very cool to Dr. Mason in consequence of meek shall inherit the land and dwell therein

that he had been forgotten by the biogra- deed a piece of severe criticism; but authors on a sinless earth, he had intimate interphers. But we learn that a pair of volumes ought to go armed with the bravery of Wel- course with his Maker. So will it be again. have recently appeared about this great ed- lington against all such assaults. In the Dr. Chalmers says, "The common imagiucator. We used to purchase books before piece, after pointing out not the literary but nation that we have of Paradise on the other the war, but have not seen these volumes .- moral defects of the address, Dr. Mason side of death is, that of a lofty serial region, Money is stringent at present. We are but made the amende honorable by a most splen- where the inmates float in ether, or are mysslightly acquainted with the facts in the life did eulogium on' the talents, attainments, teriously suspended upon nothing; where all of Dr. Nott, though we have heard that he and eloquence of Dr. Nott. preached in Albany before his career as President of a College was begun. We had also tices extended to the many ministers who hon- tion are attenuated into a sort of spiritual heard of his great financial talent, and of his ored Princeton by their presence. We there-element that is meagre and imperceptible and mechanical genius, made known by the in- fore conclude this part of my reminiscences utterly uninviting to the eye of mortals here vention of a stove which could have warmed by saying that Dr. Palmer, of South Caroli- below; where every vestige of materialism all the bears of Spitsbergen, better than the na, gave us an excellent sermon from "What is done away, and nothing left but certain coats they wear. Being famous, too, as a doest thou here Elijah," and Dr. Caldwell unearthly extasies with which it is felt imscholar and Christian crator, he must have did the same from the words, "Will ye also possible to sympathize. It is not the entire possessed a striking versatility of talent.

of Dr. Nott, we learn that its author is at Adieu to Nassau Hall. pains to show the agency of the Doctor in preparing the Plan of Union in 1801, between the Congregationalists and Presbyterians. This was an error of judgment. He ought to have remembered how completely the Presbyterians were outgeneraled by the Independents in the time of Cromwell, who was seconded in his efforts by no less a man than John Milton, his Latin Secretary. We one in a certain place testified saying, what doubt the propriety of mixing a loose Church is man that thou art mindful of him, or the Theophylact, Jerome, Ambrose, Luther, Calgovernment with one in which the people son of man that thou visitest him. Thou vin, Koppe, Haldane, Chalmers, Tholuck, are fairly represented by pastors and elders. madest him a little lower than the angels: Scott, Henry, Hodge and others. Some of those who joined our Presbyteries thou crownedst him with glory and honor, and under the Plan of Union were not without a didst set him over the works of thy hands hankering after the beggarly elements they Thou hast put all things in subjection under had left, but the great increase of the Presby- his feet." The quotation here given from terian Church prevented any serious results. the 8th Psalm is nearly literal. Calvin Had the Presbyterians obtained the victory gives the following interpretation of the pasin England, Monk with all his army could sage. Alluding to the words of the Psalmist, not have restored Charles II. to the throne he says, "David there mentions the benefits of reason, the other the science of revelation. on terms that left the monarch a persecutor which God bestows on mankind. . . . and an infamous despot. The Presbyterians Man was at first put in possession of the as the only rational explanation of its own line of steamers sweeps for forty miles around worked his passage home to Long Island, in

But it seems that the author of Dr. Nott's to them after he had forsaken God. . . life takes pains to convince his readers that Christ has been appointed by the Father the tal, and ought to be immortal. Theology wicked. This was waging war against the Psalm will not be fulfilled." In the same conof prey, presented a more revolting sight necessary that the fallen state of the whole renders him worthy our respect and esteem. The auditorium is 50x28 feet, with a tower this is a sign that they have a vain religion. inridge

than any in two hundred and fifty years of world should be repaired. The Apostle in

domestic servitude.

who were educated at the Institution. Nor the full and complete blessing of God, the Union county. The Presbytery is composed groves of the Academy to encounter the of the world was promised to him. Some temptations of the world. His discourse in taste of this the godly have in the present At present star preachers are so numerous lawful allowance from the hand of their ceers. We heard Dr. Nott at a subsequent one the kingdom of God." period. It was during the sessions of the

the stages were changing horses at the inn. an address he made to one of the classes forever." God's will will "be done in earth After the demise of Dr. Nott, we supposed about to leave Union College. It was in- as it is in Heaven," When sinless man lived

go away," and Dr. John McDowell from substitution of spirit for matter that will dis-From some brief remarks on the biography "With all thy gettings get understanding."

FOR THE CENTRAL PRESENTERIAN.

THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST.

comes, the earth, purified by fire, and made "new," will be the future abode of the saints. In Hebrew ii: 5-8, it is written, "But

were opposed to the execution of Charles I. world that he might rule over the works of They only wished to show him the lawful God, but by his own defection, he deserved the house points to the architect who built it; rights of the crown, but that all under that the loss of his dominion. . . . He the law presupposes a law-giver; the creacrown were not without rights. This was was justly deprived of the good things which ture is inconceivable without a Creator .true, notwithstanding the sophistry and rank he had received; not that he was denied the Reason's highest function is to prove the always depend upon a good corn crop: there old classmate, and to better things. He obuse of them, but that he could have no right

the President was an Abolitionist. This heir of all things. . . . What food knows that there is a God, and that man is shipped to St. Louis, and the eastern cities his classmate's advances. Otherwise, perstatement if true adds nothing to the credit then Christ has destined for his own family, immortal for weal or for woe. Philosophy as far as Liverpool and London. 4. The haps, they might have said a few words, and statement if true adds nothing to the credit in tru Constitution of his country, he should have whom we are admitted into this family, at not explain it, and still less remedy it. Thetried to expatriate himself, and to have set the same time admits us into a participation ology knows both the poison and the antiup his College among the Serfs of Russia. of this right, so that we may enjoy the whole dote. To him who knows from experience This would have been acting an honest part. world, together with the favor of God. Hence, that he is a sinner, justly exposed to the Presbyterians who are looking for homes, thrope and a gambler. He then sought him But to violate the rights of the States, and Paul teaches us that Abraham was by faith then hug to their hearts a Constitution dis-made an heir of the world. . . . Until Christ is his Saviour, who satisfies all his persed into shreds was preposterous and then a new restitution be made by Christ this of infidelity have as little weight as water

Milky Way ranging among all the States, nection, he calls the "world to come" alluded Presbyterian. which bore the burden of its stars and glit- to in Heb. ii: 5, "the future world," and tering gems to enlighten the people. We "the renovated world," and says that while sincerely wish that the slave States had it began before the resurrection of Christ, at of religious thought and feeling is that which founded a plan of gradual emancipation. " the beginning of Christ's kingdom," it will I have made bold to term the Protestant here three Sabbaths in the month, and since labor to make gospel seed grow in the rocky This would have been better than the con- have "its full accomplishment in our final Evangelical. It is evident that we have the erection of the building the church has soil; but I now hear of the settlement of a cocted scheme, by which they were suddenly redemption." He goes on to say, "As here the very heart of the great Christian doubled its strength, and now numbers about new minister there, under circumstances of cocted scheme, by which they were suddenly redemption. He goes on to say, and tradition. It has framed large communities; tossed into a furnace, without a redeeming Christ carries on war continually with His it has formed Christian nations; it has sustossed into a furnace, without a redeeming and promise. Providence is sank into my heart, and now on earth I gossippy conversation? Do they content that He has a long and growing chain. Who can tell thank you, and will praise God in heaven their has a long and growing chain. Who can tell thank you, and will praise God in heaven their has a long and growing chain. The next thank you, and will praise God in heaven their has a long and growing chain. The next thank you, and will praise God in heaven their has a long and growing chain. The next thank you, and will praise God in heaven their has a long and growing chain. The next thank you, and will praise God in heaven their has a long and growing chain.

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became a dignity, but the dignity was reviled. his commentary on Romans iv: 13, which last it is eminently outspoken, and tells of We wonder whether these men had ever states that Abraham is the heir of the world, its weaknesses as freely as of its victories or read the Epistles of Peter and Jude. Their Calvin says, "Since he now speaks of eter- merits. It rallies millions and scores of mil- on the Ohio river. This congregation here denunciations are terrible against all who nal salvation, the apostle seems to have some- lions to its standard, and while it entirely has also doubled its strength within a few would rend governments to pieces. We what unseasonably led his readers to the harmonizes with the movement of modern years, and, realizing the great necessity for would rend governments to pieces. We what unseasonably led his readers to the grant that there were some features that world; but he includes generally under this world; but he includes generally under this a house of worship, resolved to build. After the faults of others, or to censure them as William as its first elder; and now, in 1877, grant that there were some leatures that world; but he includes generally under this work has just been holding scandalous errors, or to lessen the this hymn is sung at that church, and eight to have been made more comely. And world, the restoration which was extended. The house is a next and house it and ho yet a four year's war was kindled and a mil- pected through Christ. The chief thing inlion of slaughtered men, delivered up to birds deed was the restoration of life; yet it was

Heb. i: 2, calls Christ the heir of all the We have not the hundredth part of a wish good things of God; for the adoption which to detract from the well earned reputation of we obtain through His favor restores to us Dr. Nott. Never was there a man who gave the possession of the inheritance which we himself so unreservedly to the interests of lost in Adam; and as under the type of the did he forget them after they had left the Apostle rightly teaches us that the dominion

the Princeton church was one entirely evan- life. . . . It is indeed a great comgelical and delivered in a style of finished el- fort to the godly in their poverty, that though ocution. He commanded the strictest atten- they fare slenderly, they yet steal nothing tion, nor was any one weary when he closed. of what belongs to another, but receive their that they have fallen to a discount; but at lestial Father until they enter on the full cheap, and the soil is generally of an excelthe time of which we write they were duly possession of their inheritance, when all lent quality, a large part of it consisting of appreciated. No man can preach a couple creatures shall be made subservient to their very rich alluvial deposits lying upon the of hours without a wish to show off himself glory; for both heaven and earth shall be waters of the Green, Tennessee, Cumberland, instead of his subject, and such persons often renewed for this end-that according to their Ohio and Mississippi rivers. Within this fall below the standard of ordinary preach- measure they may contribute to render glori- Great area there are only fourteen Presbyte

General Assembly in Philadelphia. The not give Abraham an inheritance in Canaan, mainder are self-sustaining. Yet in the last capacious church was filled to a perfect over- although He had promised it to him as well few years a very encouraging advance has flow. The text, "Ye believe in God; be- as to his seed. And we are also told in Heb. lieve also in Me. In my Father's house are xi, that Abraham, with other worthies there bytery. The church of Paducah, of which many mansions: were it not so, I would have mentioned, did not receive the promise be- Rev. Dr. J. T. Hendrick is the beloved pastold you. I go to prepare a place for you, fore they died, and will not receive it until tor, is large and well established. In Henthat where I am ye may also be." His man- all the redeemed are made partakers of it toner of treating the subject made such an im- gether. When the time arrives, for which pression on my memory, that we are almost the whole creation is greaning, to wit, the | O. Davies. Rev. R. M. Tuttle is acting tempted to analyse his plan of treating the time of the redemption of the body-the re text. My space forbids. It was original, surrection .- (Rom. viii: 19-23)-Abraham near Henderson, (Ridgewood and Posey's striking, pathetic and elequent. To the be- will receive the promised "country" and Chapel,) and is greatly encourged, especially reaved the discourse was a kind of Geyser "city." It should be remembered that after at the former point. The faithful labors of fountain from which refreshing showers were John's vision of the new heavens and the new Mr. Tuttle have developed still a third inter sent forth, and from the petrifactions of earth," follows a description of the city of which the children of sorrow were enriched. the New Jerusalem, and the river tree of life Henderson county. With the assistance of Dr. Nott was a man somewhat sensitive in | -a description of what is generally called | Rev. W. D. Morton he conducted a meeting at Union College were on the look out for its his idiosyncrasy. The fall of Hamilton in heaven, but which is evidently a description of several days at this point last month, and

> the warm and sensible accompaniments which The reader would be tired were these no give life and coloring to our present habitatinguish the future economy from the present. It is this which signalizes the Christian from the Mohammedan Paradise, not that sense, and substance, and splendid imagery, and the glories of a visible creation are excluded from it, but that all that is vile in principle, or voluptuous in impurity are excluded from it."

> > That the phrase, "the whole creation" in Rom. viii: 19-23, means the irrational creation, is held by Chrysostom, Theodonet,

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edge of the natural, the latter the knowledge of the supernatural. The one is the science ought to be a God; that man may be immor-

FOR THE CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN.

UNION COUNTY, KENTUCKY.

Dear Dr. Brown,-The writer has for

RICHMOND, VA., WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2, 1878.

some time desired to send your readers communication regarding the advance of the his College. To that end he dwelt in God land of Canaan, not only the hope of a heav- Presbyterian Church within the bounds of on high, and in love below to the young men enly life was exhibited to Abraham, but also the Presbytery of Paducah, especially in of the counties lying in the western part of Kentucky, from Henderson county to the extreme south-western limit of the State .-This area is a rudely shaped triangle nearly 150 miles long on each side. A large proportion of this country is comparatively new and abounds in undeveloped agricultural and mineral resources of great value. Lands are rian churches, two of which belong to the ciples of a true Presbyterianism work out It is declared in Acts vii : 5, that God did Northern Assembly, and but three of the rebeen made in almost every part of the Pres derson a strong and flourishing congregation is blessed with the ministrations of Rev. D. paster of two recently organized churches esting point at Corydon, a small village in on the 16th of November organized a church of twelve members. Dr. Dorsey, Professor Payne and Dr. Smith were elected ruling elders, and Mr. Knoll and Mr. Wohman deacons. There is a prospect of additions at an early day, and a lot and some hundreds collected round one, who had been their learned the exact way in which the illustri- will reign on an earth as pure as when it of dollars have already been contributed to- the well-meant efforts made by others to in- pages. ward the erection of a building.

> supply of the churches of Clinton and Coumbus, in the extreme south western point of the State. The first of these churches has been organized but a short time, yet it has his name), a minister well known around New the old sentence be engraven, "Aurora Mu- who may be heard through its pages. And met with a cheering degree of success, and York, popular and elequent, whose son, also, sis Amica." Hesperus has higher claims they send forth in this way the very best of owns a very neat house of worship. Union is a preacher of admirable promise. A few than Aurora in modern times. Some pastors their thoughts. The religious newspaper county is the third in Presbyterian strength months after his conversion he entered the fly to Europe. One absent from his flock keeps the people informed of what is going within the bounds of the Presbytery, and Seminary; and as a specimen of the shifts remarked, "I could not stand that door-bell." on in the Church and the whole kingdom of your correspondent would call the attention of the readers of the Central more especially to add," that for some considerable time, taste, or a practical inability to take these which the pastor, from delicacy or other te this point, 1st. The resources of the coun- whilst diligently pursuing his studies, he avenues of escape, what is to be done? The causes, could not say. Many of the people ty are of exceeding value. The tide of emigration has flowed on north and south of this upon the envelopes of the New York Ob- away. Dr. James Hamilton remarks on this papers; how deeply important it is that those county, which agriculturally is one of the server. For this he received twelve shillings, subject in one of his letters where he speaks papers be of the right kind! That family richest in the State, and left it comparatively and lived upon ninety cents a week-bread in reproof of "the editing of books for people which habitually reads a good religious jour unsettled; for though there are some 3,000 voters in the county, it can readily support 10 or 20,000 with their families. The lands student, an infidel. Shortly after his gradu- all that sort of thing by which the devil under glects this method for growth in knowledge of Union are in fertility unsurpassed by any ation, he banded with a number of others false pretences, cheats clever but kind-heart- They will have wider views and more genein the State, and most of them are well with the intention of going to Texas, and ed men out of the time which was given them rous impulses toward the truth, whether it is watered. The seil is a rich black alluvium, there becoming a predatory gang. Their for serving God and their generation." Our to be supported at home or extended abroad from one to 20 feet in depth, yielding read- purpose was to find some retreat in the wisdom fails us. Perhaps the best consola- On every account, then, it would be well ily from 40 to 60 bushels of corn, and 800 mountains, from which they could sally out tion is to remember that patience as a virtue for the minister to strive to have a religious or 1,000 lbs. of tobacco to the acre. Large upon the country, commit rapine, carry off often languishes when men are not worried. newspaper introduced into each family of his tracts of land unimproved can be bought at the women, and do whatever wickedness The door-bell may then be classed with sum- church. He should make this recommenda prices ranging from \$5 to \$12 per acre, their mutual evil suggested. But on the mer flies, fall mosquitoes and such like. The tion, and urge it strongly from the pulpit .while improved lands, according to locality voyage to New Orleans this student found character may develop sweetness even if the He should enter into the matter more parand facilities for transportation, command the rest too bad for him; and to give him a sermon grows dull. \$15 to \$50. The county is based upon a better chance of getting there, he agreed to If an application were needed it can be will not require a great outlay to secure one rich bed of coal that makes this fuel even fight a duel with one of them as soon as they briefly stated. Don't call on your pastor in of the very best of these journals, which cheaper than the wood which abounds every- landed. An evil fate, however, pursued the morning, unless it is absolutely necessary. would come into the house weekly, freighted where. 2. There are few if any counties in them. Some were lost on the voyage. The When you must call, be brief in your stay. with intellectual treasure that would enterthe State that offer such advantages to emi- rest were smitten with pestilence in the wil- But this application will not meet the eyes tain, instruct, and purify. No pastor ought grants from the east and south. Quite a num- derness, until there only remained the stu- of those who need it most. Alas, no! We to neglect the aid which he might receive ber of Virginians have settled here, both dent, one other well one, and a sick com- had better put the advertisement on the from this source. In former times it was a Dr. Schaff has a word of counsel to the. before and since the war, most of whom have panion. The well one speedily deserted, front door, for, there goes that bell! - Chris- help unknown, for religious journalism is of ological students :- Where philosophy ends, become flourishing farmers and successful and there, alone, the student tended and tian Intelligencer. theology begins. The former is the knowl professional men. The county is readily ac- buried the last of the gang. cessible from the east or west, as three distinct lines of railroad approach or touch its There he was himself taken sick, and put in But the natural points to the supernatural limits, while the Ohio river with its daily the hospital; but ultimately recovered, and existence. So the body points to the soul, the country. The writer knows of no county so changed a condition that at first his own which animates and uses it as its organ; so in the State compared with it in wealth, or mother did not know him. The circuit of where the public and private indebtedness Providence, however, was nearly completed of the people is so small. The people can which was to bring him into contact with his necessity of revelation. Philosophy teaches has been no failure for 70 years, it is said. tained a small school in the town where that that there may be a God, and that there Large quantities of this staple, together with classmate was preaching. This led to a chance hogs, wheat, hay and tobacco, are annually meeting in the street, but in which he rejected mortal disorder of the universe; but it can- ral other good schools with a charming pros- avoidance induced the minister to make inpect of greater increase in the educational quiries about him, from which he learned advantages of the county, and we assure that he was leading a low life, was a misan-Union county. 5. The Presbyterian peo- and became in time the means of his converple here had no house of worship until 1872, sion.

The pulpit is built in a recess 6 feet deep. opening in the auditorium under a graceful arch, and covered with a distinct Gothic roof half the height of the rear gable of the church. The ceiling rises within to an acute angle conforming to the roof of the house .-The pews and windows are painted in oak. and the wainscotting in walnut. The house will seat from 150 to 200 persons. The building complete cost \$1,500, and for the cost the building is a model of neatness and finish. Last Sabbath the church was dedi-

which encloses a vestibule 4 feet square.-

cated by Rev. Stuart Robinson, D. D., of Louisville, in conjunction with the pastor .-Dr. Robinson delighted the people with one of his finest efforts, a masterly exposition and vindication of the true doctrine and worship of the Church of God. All the indebtedness of the church was then raised by subscription, except \$150 which the congregation hope to meet at an early day. Presbyterians are greatly cheered, and hope for continued accessions of strength and vigor, as the prin-

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their blessed results.

BY REV. ASHBEL G. VERMILYE, D. D.

York to conduct revival meetings in Dr. is soon disposed of, but not so the gentleman the pulpit possibly can about the great en-Skinner's (Presbyterian) church. Of a fine who calls for a subscription, the tramp who terprises of benevolence which the Church is personal appearance, with a look and tone of asks for an old hat, the undertaker with a carrying on, and so will interest them in earnestness and decision, his warm appeals funeral notice, the swindler who is "the son those enterprises and make them more liberal to the conscience and heart made a great im- of a clergyman," the parishioner who "drop- in their support. If religious journals did pression. It even became fashionable to go ped in to ask advice," the old friend who is no more than take the place of, and so and hear him, his sermons were published really welcomed. Every one breaks upon crowd out, the pernicious literature that is larity grew), his name took on variations gation think the sermon dull, and one critic and the world. That pastor is neglecting a from Rev. E. N. Kirk at the start, up to E. observes sagely, that its parts were somewhat splendid auxiliary to his work who is not Norris Kirk towards the close of his services. disconnected. If the minister could only using every effort to induce his people to But among the providential results of his print some of his discourses, and would print take and read papers, which are devoted to meetings was the following one: The senior honestly, instead of "laughter" placed in the spread of the righteousness of Christ in class of that year, at the New York Univer- brackets like some famous Congressional the salvation of souls and purifying the lives sity, had in it a minister's son, bright, genial, speeches, the readers might find "door-bell," of believers. impulsive as a flash, but as yet unconverted. "interruption," "unexpressed maledictions," For a time he rejected, and with some heat, following sentence after sentence on the pious subject in order to appreciate the value of a

In the same University class was another able to write, inditing poems for albums, and intelligent tope of piety than that which ne

He now found his way to Galveston

This converted infidel, after a theological ing in the Gothic style at a cost of \$6,000, course, became a minister and home missionand called the Rev. W. D. Morton as their ary among a godless population. He built had excited the interest of all Presbyterians, Do they gather the members of the housepastor. This church is located at Morgan- a church among them. Others have since and you, a student at the Seminary, being hold together, and spend awhile in the study field, the county seat. Services are held succeeded him, it has taken years of faithful from being scorched, and the hair on their no quiet possession of His kingdom. . . . tailed an experience of ten generations of men. It has to a great extent make good byterianism in Union county. The pastor what moment or act of his life is to be the head from being singed by devouring flames. It happens through His will that His enemies its ground in the world of Christian fact. of the Morganfield church gives one-fourth of link for which other bright links of God's

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THE MINISTER'S DOOR-BELL. We should like to write a companion piece

to Schiller's and to Poe's famous poems on

the bells. They both neglected one "tintin-

nabulation" which to a city pastor brings a

constant trouble and very little pleasure .-

walks the pastor to find a stout, beaming adapted to every class of minds and every person with a small package in her hands. drift of religious thought. This subject the She rises and greets you with a somewhat set minister should look into, and endeavor to smile, and in a few moments introduces Lind- have his people benefitted by the rich stores ley Murray's "Power of Religion" which of instruction which are flowing out from the she is selling at only one dollar. The minis- religious press. ter at last in despair buys the book and dismisses the agent. He finds when he re- work from this source. The periodical relimounts the stairs that the book has been gious press, when habitually perused, will unprinted by the executors of the author's estate "for gratuitous circulation," which the and consequently more interested in the lady had probably overlooked. So the pas- kingdom of Christ; it will supplement the tor sits down again to write on Christian teachings of the pastor, which must necessabrotherhood, or the importance of patience, rily be limited in extent : it will enforce, by or some other excellent theme, when the bell adding additional authority, the truths which peals once more, "A letter for you." He are uttered from the pulpit. Its assistance turns, tears open the envelope, and finds the will make the work of the pastor easier. It Years ago Rev. Dr. Kirk came to New seductive pictures of a pattern-maker. This will give the people fuller information than and placarded around the streets, and I well the morning hour and hinders the work in issuing from so many other presses, it would remember how in the placard (as his popu- hand. And on the next Sunday the congre- be an unspeakable blessing to the Church

fluences that might lead, they hoped, to his | Some pastors fly, like the young man in into a family and being read by its various conversion. It came, however-the happy "Excelsior," to the shades of night when members. Weekly it preaches its timely serevening, and the happy morning of a new they want to do steady work. The painful mons to the household. Some of the most life to him, and to many others through him. result is seen in early spectacles and splitting able and pious ministers and other writers He became, and is (though I must not give headaches. Over very few study doors can that are to be found in the land are those many students are put to, it is not improper But where there exists a conscientious dis- Christ. It says many things plainly to them spent one whole week in writing the names enemy pursues a man who takes the bell will scarcely read anything else than newswho are anxious to publish without being nal will undoubtedly have a higher and more

The Power of a Hymn.

the Herald and Presbyter gives the follow-The far-reaching influence of apparently Dr. Murphy's Pastoral Theology.

nsignificant things was strikingly illustrated by a statement made by Dr. John R. Mc Kee, at a recent communion at Mount Horeb, Fayette county, Ky. Dr. McKee gave out him in his peculiar manner, saving :

el, I knew not how nor why, to step into the strength of their piety. Do they relish a room where the s'udent's prayer meeting was sang with such marvellous effects at the

This prayer-meeting must have been in and the chief shipping point for the county a link in the chain of divine grace to men .- and heart of John Breckinridge; through him his family are led to God; by five members of that family the church at Mount WHEN we hear people ready to speak of Horeb is organized in 1827, with his brother

On Circulating Religious Newspapers.

In a previous paper we sought to show that it is for the interest of pastors to keep themselves well informed, through religious journals, of the progress of Christ's kingdom; we would now strongly urge upon Fairly seated in the study, with a "good, fat them that they should also use their influence text," as Dr. John Ludlew used to call cer- to introduce such journals into the families tain passages of Scripture, with his pen just of their congregations. As almost all great dipped in the ink and his thoughts beginning enterprises of the day have their newspaper to flow, the minister is startled by the mourn- to support them, so every denomination of ful peal below stairs, "A lady wishes to see Christians and every important Christian unyou" Away goes the sermon and down dertaking has its journal. There are papers

> He may draw much important aid in his doubtedly make the people more intelligent,

> We need to give continued thought to the good religious newspaper coming regularly

ticularly as he goes from house to house. It modern date, and hence it is not alluded to in older works on Pastoral Theology. But now ministers cannot be too strongly urged As illustrative of the power of a hymn, to use this help; they cannot be too determined in the purpose to have the best religious papers circulated in their families .-

Rainy Sabbaths.

Rainy Sabbaths test the mental and spiritual resources of those who remain at home the old hymn, "Awaked by Sinai's awful because of the storm. How do they spend sound," and said that at a meeting of the the time which, in other circumstances, they Synod of Kentucky, at Shelbyville, he had would have given to the house of God? We heard Dr. Wm. L. Breckenridge, in a speech have often laughed at the story of the Scotch commemorative of Dr. James C. Barnes, say housewife who, on looking forth at the clear Shelbyville, many years before, some one me, anither dry Sabbath; I'll no get my began to introduce John Breckinridge to Mr. drawer cleaned out yet!" and we would be Barnes, when John Brockinridge interrupted far from supposing that any of our readers employed themselves on a wet Sunday in any "Though brother Barnes does not know such way; but how do they engage themme. I need no introduction to him; for one selves? The answer to that question will day, when a student at Princeton, I happen- determine very much the measure and being held. The great revival in Kentucky | quiet hour of personal communion with God? present, were asked to give an account of of the Scriptures? Have they any books the revival, and sing some of the hymns upon the closet shelf which they reserve for camp-meetings held during the revival. You such opportunities as a wet Sunday affords sang 'Awaked by Sinai's awful sound.' It Or is the hour wasted in sleepy idleness or parts sentiment and one part unreality? Or, their attention to it for a time, turning it round and round, and shaking it as one shakes a heavily laden bough until the fruit falls into their laps? These are important questions. A Christian is really what he is when he is alone, and so a rainy Sunday