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#### HARPS OF GOLD.

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Hark ! my soul, be still and wonder, Through the air what sounds are rolled, Soft as dew, yet loud as thunder-'Tis an angel's Harp of Gold. Hands that once were worn with sickness Bouse the holy hallowed choir ; Forms that bowed on earth with weakness, Wake the harp with touch of fire.

What is music here but madness-Funeral march+s for the dead? Sighs of want and notes of sadness, Roll around each fainting head. Sweet, oh. sweet! the airs of heaven ; Happy hearts those skies enfold ; And with robes of light are given To each wearer Harps of Gold.

I would praise as they are praising (I would strike a Harp of Gold.) Shall the songs which they are raising Be but by an angel told? Then I heard a soft low breathing, To my heart the whisper came, Saying, "Thou mayest join their rapture-Thou mayest wake their chords of flame.

Hearts all filled with thoughts of heaven, Hearts to contrite musings dear, Hearts redeemed, and hearts forgiven, Hearts where love has cast out fear. Hearts that would be ever raising Loving thoughts for love untold, Hearts on Jesus ever gazing, Hearts of love are Harps of Gold.

When our wills are heaver-moulded. When our words are sweet and low, When by the good Shepherd folded, We can follow him below, With a heart by sorrow tender, And a heart by truth made bold, And a heart that will not wander From the Shepherd's flock or fold-

Harps of Gold to these are given, Standing by the great white throne; Robes of white, and souls forgiven ; Golden girdles to each one. Harps of Gold! Oh thought of glory! Child of earth, a Harp of Gold : Fiery trials-sorrow's story-Then are angel's Harps of Gold.

FOR THE CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN.

REMINISCENCES OF PRESBYTERIAN MINISTERS. BY AN OCTOGENARIAN. No. 44. war with England, and the call for soldiers was urgen. Norfolk was threatened by British ships. To secure him against a draught, the Preabytery very wisely deter mined to liceuse and ordain him to the holy ministry. He was probably ordained an evangelist sine titulo. This was perfectly portunities for good, because he does not spright, for ministers are simply moral heroes They ought not to engage in the business of the case of Moses, when directed by his Lord. national wars. We leave this kind of em. to undertake special work. All the time, he war against his own foibles, infirmities and besetting sins. Happy is that minister who can say with Paul, "I have fought a good was lodged. I was struck with his placid fraught with benevolence. They both invited me to spend the night in his apartment, and the invitation was promptly acbefore he remarked, with a good deal of se riousness, that "he felt like being a Monk." "A Monk," I replied. "What, a Presbyterian Monk? You would then be a nondescript. Were you one like Luther, ordained to arouse nations when asleep, we should rejoice : but were you to a cowl like a Capu e. in, you would soon become a caput mortuum am, og all Protestants." "No," he replied, "Id dn't mean anything of that sort. Was thinki w of a hymn of John Newton-

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never thought that Virginia divine well suited to the meridian of New En and my impression is that he staid the a short time. We passed rapidly th the place in 1819, and we were struck neatness of its appearance. Noah W at one time resided in the place, and Sigourney spent in it much of her life. husband spoke rather contemptuously four hundred dollars per annum whi earned by her pen. But four hundre lars in ten years would amount to four sand dollars, and that sum would stop many chinks in the business of hous ing. It would serve at least for pin m He became pastor of the Second Pre rian church in Alexandria, and that of one time was a highly social place. I day we recal with delight the meetin Presbytery which frequently took among its cordial inhabitants. They were always glad to give us a warm welcome .tality is proverbial.

with the cultivation of the farm. His intentions were entirely pure. We have never me that the labors were rather too severe in fitting themselves in this way for the work byteries. of the ministry. He was probably thinking of the theological school which Doddridge had established at Northampton in connection dismissed to try other expedients in reaching unemployed men. the ministry. Whilst leading this farm life

the pupils must have become inured to the This minister was prematurely licensed horn which has made the banks of the Shen and ordained. In 1814 our country was at andoah the most poetical part of Virginia.

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1. In the alphabetical list of ministers and licentiates appended to the Minutes there always glad to give us a warm welcome.-The town is situated on a kind of Bowling ber as the above table shows, 1032; add to these the licentiater, 81, and we have 1113 Green—it has a fine harbor, and its hospi-tality is proverbial ber as the above table shows, 1032; add to these the licentiates, 81, and we have 1118 the town is situated on a kind of bowing ber as the above table shows, 1032; add to these the licentiates, 81, and we have 1118 have you profess to have consecrated to Him, and hardly needs contradiction. The facts are all against it. As a general thing they neith-that he had not taken upon himself, years

Gulielmus Walton finally retired to his accounted for in this way: When ministers have been dismissed from one Presbytery to farm, which lay, we believe, near the Shen. another, their names are at once removed from the Rolls of the Presbyteries dismissing farm, which lay, we believe, near the Shen-andosh river, though its exact position we andosh river, though its exact position we are not able to give. He endeavored to es- dismissing Presbytery of the fact of the reception of the person dismissed; and that the tablish on the place a kind of theological names shall be kept on the Roll until such notice is received? And ought not the same seminary, by uniting the labor of his pupils | rule to be established in reference to Church members?

2. Of the 1032 whose Presbyterial location is given, 812 are engaged in fall work under the direction of the Church Courts ; leaving 220 unemployed, or engaged in other than ministerial work. Of these 220, 47 are in Professional work, 47 are Infirm, 19 are except they be sent ?" This is the question heard what amount of students he obtained, In Transitu, 5 are Agents, (an officer unknown in our Church organization.) 85 are Withor what success attended his efforts but he out charge, 18 are in no way described and one is Suspended. Agents and nondescripts evidently aimed at the accomplishment of ought to be marked W. C., and then these would number 108 -which certainly is a large evangelical results. One of his pupils told proportion of our 1032 ministers to be entirely unemployed in the full work. Something certainly ought to be done by our Presbyteries. There surely is a call for the adoption of the X Sec. of Chap. VIII of the New Blok, and for its faithful discharge by the Pres-

3 A little better showing than this however can be had: O' the 11 Presidents 5 at least are serving as Stated Supplies, and of the 31 Profestors and Teachers it is probable that at least one fourth are similarly engaged, and all the Editors are in charge of religious with his classical academy, or it may be he newspapers; and in addition to these, of the 19 In Transitus, it is probable that a goodly number are simply passing from one pastorate to another-say one half: this would give the Son "the heathen for an inheritance, was thinking of Calvin's school of the Pro- us at least 27, who though not in the full work are still doing a good work for the Church. and the uttermost parts of the earth for a phets at Geneva. But his health began to Adding these to the 812 of the Table, and we have 839 employed men-leaving only 93 fail, and we presume that the classes were unemployed, and of these 47 are infirm and unfit for work. We thus have only 46 able

4. Only a little over one-half of our ministerial force are in the pastoral office. One

tread of herds coming to and going from the Evangelists and Domestic Missionaries are put together in the 31 column. river, and to the sound of the boatman's Something should be done by the General Assembly or by its Clerks under its direc

#### SOME THINGS NEEDED.

This procedure robs God in withholding We have set our hearts and hands to a great work. We have started up "to the from him worship by . alms-giving in that Presbyterian, writing of the meeting of the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord place where we have chosen and covenanted Presbytery of New Orleans at the Centreagainst the mighty ;" shall we go on ? God to worship Him, and to support mutually ville church, of which Rev. Dr. C. M. Atforbid that, having put our hands to the ment and command, in which alms giving is markable and touching incident : plough, we should look back ! But to go forward we need help. "The harvest truly as much worship as prayer, and always assois great, but the laborers are few." is as emphatically true now as when these words were first uttered. The weary overburdened also explained. God usually tests the sin- after being "as sheep without a shepherd" little band of workers now amidst the teem. cerity of our prayers by our sacrifices, and for years, have again found a home with the ing millions of heathen are continually ask-ing for more helpers; and even the benighted as related to the church. Christ knew where profession of faith. One was the young wife, ing for more helpers; and even the benighted heathen themselves, upon whom some faint rays of the "Sun of Righteousness" have fallen, are saying in reproving tones, "If fessions of admiration, sentiment, and enthuthis gospel is true, why do not more mission- siasm, which he was trying to pass current and ten-all of them children of the Covearies come to tell the good news to all ?"- on the Master as loyalty to God. But it nant, who had been baptized in infancy. In The command is, "Go ye therefore and teach may be said in reply that these people may doubt but that his being baptized in infancy

all nations." Dear reader, has God given be giving the equivalent in the churches had much to do in bringing him to God in you health, talents, and education, which where they worship in their vacations. This his old age: for he charged it against himtion. It is probable that the omission of these names in the Presbyterial Rolls may be accounted for in this way: When ministers have been dismissed from one Presbytery to another, their names are at once removed from the Rolls of the Presbyteries dismissing compared to the joy of 'turning many to worse, as it fares with the worship of alms- ers hear that he was once crushed under a 

we who cannot go have to answer. The missionaries have bodies as well as hearts, they must have food, raiment and homes; they must travel to and fro if they accomplish the work which they are sent to do, and for this they must have money; and we who remain at home must share our goods with those in the field, if we would share with them the glory of being instrumental in giving to possession."

ror which would becloud a preacher's mar-We do not realize as we ought how truly row which would becloud a preacher's mar-we are but the Lord's stewards. "The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the the prospect of starving at home, unless there spirit of the Lord Jesus, I shall not forget out of every four is a Stated Supply. 5 In the table all Pastors and Pastors elect are counted in the 1st column, and all Lord of hosts." Whether he has given us wer is mine, saith the the prospect of starving at home, unless there are more faithful people to consider his need, the old man's earnest look, and the tone in the bas given us much or little, is it not the least we can do scalpers. show our gratitude by giving a portion o If the church is in debt, which is usually that which we have received to carry on His the case, the debt must accumulate, or the faithful must pay this also for the people who leave their obligations in the camphor chest them will little be required ; then let no one with their winter clothes, while their precious of us say, so small an amount as I can give bodies are being rejuvenated at the sea-side will do no good. Is it not the little snow or mountain-top. But what is to become of Preston enforced this unity of faith and prac- flake which can hardly be felt as it falls upon the multitudes? Of the ten who have to tice as one powerful auxiliary to success .- | the brow that robes all nature with a mantle

Well, You Know How we Were Raised. Giving up Pews in Summer Vacation.

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A correspondent of the South-Western with our brethren, according to His appoint. kinson has just taken charge, tells this re-

And we know that all will rejoice with us ciated therewith. In its divorcement from to hear that six were added to the memberprayer the fruitlessness of much prayer is gathered into the fold in other places, and Bat granting the claim that their contri- second time; and finally, getting up again butions do actually go to the churches in the from the grave as it were, had three ribs places of their transient stay, it robs the broken by the kick of a mule-they can have church in which is their membership, or overburdens those compelled to stay at home, or him, while yet " a stranger wandering from compels the faithful to pay their own and the the fold." To me, there was another interdelinquents' portions too, which is urjast and an offence to God, or it robs the minister, in whose call was no stipulation about giving up pews in vacation. It probably deprives him from getting any rest, or if he does he is maning dent of all rest, or if he does he is worried out of all rest at the sure prospect of the church was an agreeable surprise to his deficiency at the end of a year's time ; a ter- brother, a ruling elder ; and when they embraced each other, and the brother expressed and make up the deficiencies of these pew- which he said : "Well, you know how we were raised !" There is a profound sermon

· I. v desert woods with thee my God, H. w happy would I be.

his Melwyn rectory.

A year or two after the writer happened dren, helpers in work, friends, and all with subject, Repentance, Luke xv: 7; and his cannot feel too keenly, do not wait for feel-1873 the Presbyterians celebrated their semithe work to the point of erecting the brick in Charlestown, now in West Virginia, when whom you have any dealing whatever. Do sermon described by a devout Episcopalian true, but a very sma" collection of books,ing. No sorrow for the past can be too poig walls, with tile covering and plank flooring, centennial; now they have 13 churches .-he took occasion to call on his friend Walton. not wear a long face, or be of solemn coun- as the most eloquent ever heard, certainly by in fact. I have only free, but they are the nant; but do not wait for that sorrow. If for a church. Despite their poverty and the hard times He had just been married to a young lady, tenance, but be like Jesus, pleasantly doing the hearer, who added, "He preached from three best a man end have. They are the the prodigal had not arisen till he was satis-Much is yet required to finish the building they have built within the last two years two and provide seats for those who may attend fied with his own repentance, he would have mission chapels, three brick churches, one the depths of his own heart and it went to wonderful works of God, which I can always whose affections he had fairly won. He in- good, whenever a chance presents itself. the service of the sanctuary, and we appeal fine wooden church and one seamen's Bethel. died in the far country. The tears which do Your profits can be used for God in feed- the very depths of mine." Such apprecia look at, and when how me how great and in earnestness and affection to all who love formed me that he was about going to Ber-The Methodists, who have 16 churches among not flow from the gaunt eyes of famine will ryville, to hold a meeting of several days, ing the hungry, clothing the destitute, visit- tion, for it was as unanimous as sincere, good He is. The sun, the moon, the stars, their brethren in the faith to come forward the colored people; the Baptists who have come unbidden at the feast of fat things; and help us. In addition to the amount aland asked me to go along and lend a helping ing the sick, comforting the wretched, and shows not only the power of oratory but the the earth, the trees; the law of God written 25, and the Congregationalists who have 6, and the fountains of the great deep, which ready borrowed, which is \$2,500, a similar hand. My assent was given. Col. Norris, spreading the gospel far and wide. Just power of the gospel, of the truth, whose elo- in my own conscience, telling me what I would seem, from these figures, to be doing freeze in the winter of remoteness and es- sum will be still required to accomplish other whose seat was on the edge of the town, en- here, wherever we may be, there is a field to quent presentation reaches all Christian ought to do and what I ought not to do; and much more for this unfortunate race than the trangement, will break up and brim over in purposes, and hence contributions amounting Presbyterians, who have no church of colored tertained us with marked hospitality. "You glorify God in, and if we fail to improve that hearts with overcoming, enlightening, fervent most of all, the word of God, the Bible. The to \$5 000 are desired. people in the city. Whether they seek and the sunshine of mercy. The word which you have no church here," I observed. "No," which is least, there is no reason to think we realization. Doubtless to many of his hear works of God are spread out all round me in This call is made to all the followers of the obtain admission to the churches of the whites ers, the simple form of Presbyterian worship earth and sky; they are as a great book take, be it what it may-"Father, I have he replied, "nor elder or deacon, and but would do any better elsewhere. Lord, without distinction of sect, to share I do not know. one deaconess." "Very well," I said, "our God can and will glorify himself by using was most unaccustomed, but Dr. Hoge was always open. Conscience is a never silent sinned, and am no more worthy to be called with us the blessings which have been ex-Lord preached by the side of a well, and the us with what we have, as He could with a made to feel as completely at home as if he teacher, unless we stop its voice ourselves by Thy son;" "Take away mine iniquity, and the made them; and we trust it will not be DEPOSED .- Bishop Stevens, of the Epis receive me graciously"---whatever the word copal Church of Penneylvania, has deposed letter of Pliny to Trajan makes it certain rod, ox-goad, two mites, a sling, or a needle. had been of the same communion, and our refusing to listen to it. church building being duly authorized by from the ministry the Rev. William Newton may be, let it be a true one, and swifter than that deaconesses were recognized in the It looked like a small matter to stop and Episcopal brethren enjoyed to the utmost "But these two books would fall short of the congregation to solicit subscriptions, who some time ago j ined the Reformed hereby appoint and request the Rev. Dr. B Episcopal Church. This was an official act, primitive Church." There is now a kirk at talk to two or three neglected-looking boys, their pulpit privileges of the day. The beau-teaching us the truest wisdom if we had not your return will be the footsteps of forthcom-Berryville, and one at the White Post, not playing in a frog-pond one Monday morning, tiful illustration used in his evening's ad- the blessed word of God, to make that known ing pardon; and great as may be your own M. Palmer, of New Orleans, to receive and but Bishop Stevens added to the official dec far from where Lord Fairfax turned over on but it resulted in making a Christian of John dress for the Bible cause, was apposite in to us which we can learn in no other way. joy in rescuing and restoring grace, no less forward all offerings that may be tendered laration the prayer that God would forgive his bed and died when told that Cornwallis Wanamaker, one of the most useful and many ways, appealing to the universal in- For in the Bible we read how God made the will be the joy in heaven over your repentby persons in the United States for the com- him " for the great wrong you have done to had surrendered. In the summer of 1818 successful Christian workers in the world .-- stincts of humanity and to the higher princi- heavens and the earth, and all these glorious ance .-- Rev. James Hamilton, D. D. pletion of our church in Campinas." this church, and slas! I fear to your own J McF. GASTON. soul also, by needlessly rending the body of the writer spent a week at Bedford Springs It looked like a small matter to visit a dull ples of Christianity, when describing one of things we see around us. He teaches us For the Commission. Christ, and producing slienstion among His professed followers." Mr. Newton read the IN BITHYNIA, just over the "Bosphorus, with the subject of this reminiscence. He and stapid looking boy, and talk to him those grand frescoes that adorn the walls of there also how man sinned, and how the Lord March 10, 1878. to whose churches with others Peter address preached in the town on Sabbath morning. about Christ; but when that boy became Mr. the Vatican, he painted in glowing words the Jesus Christ redeemed us with His blood .letter to his new congregation with some A faithful discourse. We returned to the Moody, it looks great. It looked like a small three figures, Charity with the little children In that book we read what that blessed Saed his first epistle, mission churches. have IT is a mere accident, but it is suggestive, pungent comments, and the congregation re-Springs in time for the afternoon sermon. - business to be talking to a man in the will in her arms and clinging to her robe, Hope viour did and suffered for us, and what He American missionaries. In one of these all curs in the gospels is in the first words re- sition meant nothing more than any other The name of the town led me to reflect on derness with nothing but a stick he could with eyes lifted heavenward in joyful expec- commanded and promised. It tells us, too. ecclesiastical edict which formally separated the members have recently become preachers | corded from Jesus' lips, "I must be about the sorrows of Lady Russell at Woburn Ab- call his own, yet, when he became Moses, it tation, and both leaning upon Faith whose how the Holy Spirit is promised to all who a pastor from a church which he had left. of the Word. The men have formed them- my Father's business." Business life is conbey-the genius of Bunyan, and the cot- turned out to be a great matter, in the his arms are clasped around the dear, sad Cross. seek Him. Conscience can, indeed, show us Presbyterian. The Bible Society meeting in the after- our sins, but it is God's word alone which selves into a band called the "Distributors secrated when you make this your motto.tages for the poor reared by Howard the tory of all time. W. T. P. noon was attended by a very large assembly teaches how they can be forgiven, and how of Light;" the women have their organiza- Bring God our Father into the office and the IN OR OUT .- The Interior, of Chicago, has Philanthropist. . a habit of saying things to the point. Here tion, "Bearers of Glad Tidings;" the chil- exchange, and treat trade as his work-to be Not long after we heard that Mr. Walton ALL the punishments, and all the magis- and conducted by the minister of the differ- we can be saved from them. Not long after we heard that Mr. Walton was preaching in Baltimore, but how long he was preaching in Baltimore, but how long he remained in that city we are unable to say. will be evil done in it. The best way the magistrate can take to discharge his own ered together and all united in one common ers, the three books of Conscience, God's all are engaged in Bible circulation, and in sanction-and you have the true alliance of duty of sessions to see that the members are In the course of his ministry he was invited of the spread community and adjacent counties. Rev. Dr. by the Holy Spirit, make a man truly wise." lages and country. to Hartford on Connecticut river, but we well and reward well.

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HOW GREAT WORKS are DONE for GOD.

The earnest Christian wishes to live a use ful life, and frequently overlooks present oppreciate the means in hand. Let us consider bishops of Rome, and if they get killed all own a single lamb or goat; a stranger in the in our town, and I have thought some brief and universal. The meeting was one of a willing offering of all that she can, the if not better.

peared in Leesburg. The writer was intro- seasoned, polished, varnished, or decorated Hoge and Preston of your city. daced to him by an elder, at whose house he with gold or ivory. The Lord took what Upon such occasions at this, it is especial- duced Rev. Dr. Hoge, President of the Vircountenance, every feature of which was rod in thine hand, wherewith thou shalt do ternity of faith and sympathy of feeling cluded the services with prayer. signs."

characterizes the dealings of God with his all," they also illustrate "the unity of the influence will long be felt and remembered. and a greater desire to see souls saved, should cepted. We had scarcely retired to his room servants. All great works for Him are to Spirit, in the bond of peace." The Presbybe accomplished by serving Him, with what terian church was crowded night after night during the week, by all classes of citizens, we have in hand.

Shamgar with his ox-goad, David with his earnest, intent listeners. On Sunday mornsling, the lad with his five barley loaves and ing, Rev. Dr. T. L. Preston, preached in the wo fishes; the widow and her two mites, same church to a large congregation, from and Dorcas, with her needle and thimble, af. Genesis xxii: 1, God did tempt Abrahamford touching illustrations of the same prin- and in that wonderful Bible story of the paciple of service, and how God can use those triarch's three days' journey to Mt. Moriah to obey God's command in the sacrifice of his who consent to serve Him.

Now the application we wish our readers only son, Isaac, pictured with thrilling power to make, amounts to about this: Whatever and pathos and rejoicing, the trial of faith, you may be, farmers, laborers, merchants, the triumph of faith, and God's tribute to mechanics, clerks, students, or a sewing wo- faith. In response to an invitation tendered

"Exactly so," I replied. "Your meaning man, our Heavenly Father would have you by the unanimous vote of the vestry and urwas underst vod, and now let us indulge in serve Him just where you are. Try to use gent desire of the rector and congregation, all in your cottage? I don't even see the that slumber which Dr. Young has eulogised your business, what ever it may be, for the Rev. Dr. M. D. Hoge preached in St. con amore." He took many a sound sleep in glory of God. Let godly wages be given, and George's Episcopal church. His audience, able to teach me, who am thought to be so preach Christ to all around you-your chil- the largest assemblage of the morning; his learned myself, much I never knew before.'

tion, to secure on the part of the Stated Clerks of Presbyteries, a more uniform method of indicating the employment of ministers. And Church employment should have precedence over every other; e. g. if a minister is a President and at the same time a Pastor work? Where much is given will much be or Stated Supply, he should be marked as P. or S S., whether his other employment is required; but to whom little is given of

Query-Is "P. O. Tullahoma T." in the Presbytery of Nashville, the name of a E. D. J. minister or of a Post office?

FOR THE CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN. EAST HANOVER PRESEVTERY.

was no opposing church interest or denomi progress of the great iron horse as he moves FREDERICKSBURG, VA., May 4, '78. Only a few days ago, the April meeting of national claim. T give the Bible to the over his well-known track? So with our ployment to the Popes, Cardinais and Aren- was a more kooper of sheep. He did not East Hanover Possbytery ended its session destitute, was a Cardinais and Aren-

we can say is, that they ought to have been land, and all he could call his own, was a rod account of last Sunday's services may be of general interest and combination. Ray. Dr. work shall go forward. But to obtain more he had cut from some thicket. Any day he interest to your readers, especially as several Dunaway of the Baptist church, opened it workers and more money, we need more zeal a moral hero in which the hero keeps up the might have thrown it away, and cut as good, Richmond ministers officiated in our church- with prayer. Rev. Mr. Smith of the Presbyte- for Christ and the salvation of sinners.es; and the Bible Society of Fredericksburg rian church, read the President's report, and "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest, that He

When the question of ways and means was held its annual meeting in St. George's the new resolutions proposed. Rev. Mr. will send forth laborers." We cannot doubt mooted, the Lord said unto him, "What is church on Sunday afternoon, at which were McBryde of the Episcopal church, gave out that He will answer the prayer he has told tian gentleman of high character. Although of talent it may drive into other professions. that in thine hand? And he said a rod." gathered all denominations and their pastors, the hymns, made the necessary business mo- us to offer, if we ask in the right spirit .- not previously consulted, I cannot refuse the

Presbyterian church, who in his turn intro-

This incident illustrates a principle that communions. Recognizing "one God, over theology, whose reviving power and blessed not believe. If we had more love to Christ,

P. E. N.

#### THE THREE BOOKS.

From the German.

An aged servant of God, who lived in a poor and lonely cottage, always showed so very learned man.

see him, and was astonished at the wise words work, in that room, that upper room where he heard from his lips, said-

see a library, or any collection of booke at smallest book-shelf. And yet you have been

"Sir." replied the old man, "I have, it is

stay at home to the one that goes, the truth All Christians could meet in this work, there of purest white? Yes, that even stops the might as well be told; many of those that stay adopt the policy of those who are away. and give nothing. The church is practically abolished in vacation .- Presbyterian.

> Campinas Church, Brazil The following appeal has been sent to me

by Dr. J. M. Gaston, formerly an elder of the church in Columbia, S. C., and a Chris-A short time after his ordination he ap- Ex. iv: 2. It was a plain simple rod; not and addresses were delivered by Rev. Drs. tions, and introduced Dr. Preston of the And if He can incline the hearts of some to request to "sit at the receipt of custom."devote their lives to the work, can He not All contributions sent to me for the church

incline all hearts to give that which is neces- at Campinas will be duly acknowledged in was in his hand; "And thou shalt take this ly pleasant to note how potent becomes fra- ginia. Bible Society, and Mr. McBryde con- sary to carry on the work? "Whatsoever the papers, and forwarded to Dr. Gaston, in who do not receive four hundred dollars a ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall Brazil. B. M. PALMER. among different congregations and differing The old 'Burg has had a week of grand receive." Ah! there is our trouble, we do New Orleans, La., April 22, 1878. Dr. Gaston gives some account of the con-

dition of the country, the great need of a and children.' we not pray in faith, such faith as would Protestant church, and says : prove Him and cause Him to pour upon us "By great sacrifices on the part of a few the blessing He has promised? Then let us inform ourselves better as to the great work lying before us, and having no strength in ourselves, let us draw very near to Jesus, continued and extraordinary efforts an much wisdom and sense when any one asked near to Him for help, near to Him in our amount of money has been collected that inhim for his advice about anything, that the homes, near to Him in our society meetings; duced those charged with this important etc. It is not for want of money, but for matter to enter upon the labor of construct- want of religion." ing the house. But in the midst of our unhow tenderly near He comes to those who dertaking, we find that our means are insuf-A very great scholar who went one day to meet to pray and talk about Him and His ficient to complete the building. With our best-directed applications to all sources of special prayer is wont to be made each sucrelief in this country, it has proved utterly "How is it, my good friend, that I don't ceeding month, surely they too would be out of power to command the resources for putting the house in a condition to be used, persuaded to go up and have their zeal quick-

> ened and their "strength renewed."- Woman's Work for Woman. who have assumed the obligation, expecting that the property in the end shall serve as DO NOT WAIT FOR FEELING .- Whilst you a guarantee to the lender. We have thus

in these simple words

"Young Men."

A correspondent of the Southern Presby terian says:

I have visited a good many points in Eastern Texas. They all want a cheap preacher. Indeed it comes down to this with some of them : "We will give so much. Now if you will pay your own expenses in removing to Texas, and live on four, five or six hundred dollars, as the case may be, we will be glad to have you come." It a minister ever gets here, he will find the old Scotch elder's wel-

come to his new pastor fully verified. As he took him by the hand, he said, "The Lord keep thee humble, and we'll keep thee poor." Indeed, I suppose this is eminently true every-

where just now. This state of things may keep mercenary men out of the ministry, but it is a question how many of a higher order No man with a family cares to embark in any profession that does not promise even a bare support.

It was stated upon the floor of Presbytery the other day, that there are ministers here year. The cry is for young men, unmarried men. They can live on less. As it was expressed, "We do not mind starving a single man, but we do not want to starve women

We think it was truly said by a Texas to whom faith has imparted zeal in their brother, when discussing the financial condi work, a small lot of land, in a central posi- tion of the Church, "It is not so much for tion of the city of Campinas, has been se- the want of money. Our people are found cured for the erection of a church, and with riding on the cars wherever they want to go. This requires money. They dress well, go to shows of all sorts, smoke ten cent cigars.

PROTESTANTISM IN NEW ORLEANS .- A correspondent of the Chicago Interior says: "Protestantism has had a really noteworthy growth in this stronghold of Roman Catholicism. A little more than a half century ago there was not a Protestant church in the without effecting a loan of money upon the whole city. Now there are 112 of such personal responsibility of those individuals churches. The Baptists lead off with 84 the Methodist Episcopal, North, have 22; the Methodist Episcopal, South, 11; the Episcopal 11, and the Congregationalists 8, succeeded, for the time being, in carrying on six of them among the colored people. In