Woetry.

Gone.

ALONE, at midnight as he knelt, his spirit was Of somewhat falling in between the silence and the prayer;

A bell's dull clangor that hath sped so far, it faints and dies So soon as it hath reached the ear whereto its er-

And as he rose up from his knees, his spirit was Of somewhat, forceful and unseen, that sought to hold him there:

As of a Form that stood behind, and on his shoulders prest Both hands to stay his rising up, and Somewhat

In accents clearer far than words, spake, "Pray yet longer, pray, For one that ever prayed for thee this night hath

passed away That leads to God's great treasure-house, grew

covetous; and there "Was stored no blessing and no boon, for thee she did not claim, (So lowly, yet importunate!) and ever with the

" She link'd that none in earth or heaven might hinder it or stay-

One Other Name, so strong, that thine hath never missed its way. "This very night within my arms this gracious

Within the Gate, where many a prayer of hers had gone before "And where she resteth, evermore, one constant

song they raise Of 'Holy, holy,' so that now I know not if she prays;

"But for the voice of praise in Heaven, a voice of Prayer hath gone From Earth; thy name upriseth now no more pray on, pray on l' Patience of Hope.

Correspondence.

CHRIST'S OFFICE MAGNIFIED.

"Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named. Eph. 8: 15.

MIDDLETON has rendered this " every famoriginal: heavens.

In the realm of Jehovah, there are unnumbered worlds, and, perhaps, every world has its family dwelling on it—its intelligent family which hymns the praises of the great Jehovah. And wherever there is a world throughout the vast heavens of heavens, its inhabitants have the same object of worship with us. Their God is our God. They as reverently adore him as any of us. He is their Father as well as our Father. Hence the whole may said to constitute one fraternity; and therefore there is a degree of appropriateness in our translation, "whole fam- occupied by the Nestorian mission, is also ily;" and indeed the original may be trans- within the domains of the Grand Sultan. lated either way. That of Middleton I have regarded as the Better. All worlds have a ern Turkey may properly be described as common Father, and therefore sustain a fra- one large mission. There are 21 stations; ternal relationship; whether we regard them | 84 out-stations; 40 missionaries; 44 autho-

as of one, or as different families Indeed all seem to have a common interest in our Jesus; though theirs is not so close, so immediate as ours. Through and almost two hundred of whom were received by him, they stand, but by him we are saved, As being more immediately our Saviour, he took not their nature, but ours; and hence he is our Brother in a nearer sense than he | nistry. That at Constantinople is to be reis theirs. We can approach nearer to him moved into the country, to insure a greater

Jesus is the connecting link of the universe, or more properly the celestial chain which males. Training schools, on a small scale at binds all worlds together, and each holv individual to the throne of God. However we may translate the expression, we are to understand by it every intelligent unfallen be- exceeded eight millions of pages. Dr. Gooding of the heavens or heavenly worlds, and ell has nearly completed the revision of his every redeemed being of earth. They all Armeno-Turkish version of the Bible. Dr. constitute the one great family, or the fami- Riggs is translating the Bulgarian Scriptures. lies of the one God and Father, and of the Dr. Schauffler has nearly finished an Arabo-

With all these holy intelligences of other for the use of the Moslems. worlds, Paul bowed before God-with them we bow. May they not be the sheep of our sudden and violent deaths among the mem-Father's fold, which went not astray? But | bers of the mission; those of Dr. Dwight we went astray, and hence the good Shep- by a railroad accident; Messrs. Coffing and herd came to seek and save us. To me it is Merriam, by the hands of Arab highwaymen; very interesting to contemplate those passa- Mrs. Meriam, in consequence of the death of ges of Holy Writ, which indicate to us her husband; and Mr. Dunmore in battle the near relationship we sustain to other near Helena, Arkansas.] worlds. And though we seemed forever to have severed the bond of the heavenly a want of laborers, was never so promising brotherhood, yet we shall be restored again of spiritual fruit as now. The light is spread-

gent families of the heavens; and what are being received by the missionaries. More we to understand by the expression? Mr. persons have avowed themselves Protestants Barnes says, "This expression, of 'whom,' in the last twelve months, than during the may refer either to the Father or to the whole previous forty years, and never were Lord Jesus Christ. Commentators have so many inquiring on the subject of religion. been divided in opinion in regard to it. In Homs, a city north of Damascus, two Bloomfield, Chandler, Erasmus and some hundred and fifty persons avowed themselves others refer it to the Father; Locke, Dod- Protestants, and earnestly requested either a dridge, Calvin and some others refer it to the | missionary or a native preacher. Two hun-Lord Jesus. This is the more natural inter- dred and thirty-two Maronites in B'teddin pretation." There are very few references declared their adhesion to the gospel, and in the word of God to give us any light upon have remained steadfast for months, with a this point; but what we have, seem rather to flourishing school among them. In Cana, indicate that Jesus is the one "of whom the the Protestant community has increased whole family in the heavens and the earth three-fold, and greatly needs more room for is named"—that the name of the blessed religious meetings; and the same is true of Jesus is named upon all the intelligent fam- Deir-Mimas. A new meeting house has been

epistle (Ephesians) that there will be a time was broken up by the massacre, but a new when all will have one community in him. church of seventeen members has been form-That time will be when the grand restitution ed in the Merj-Ayun district, most of them shall have been effected. Then there wil be from that church. Six were admitted to the a unity such as there has not been since the church in Sidon. There were also additions

fall,—and it will be a unity in Christ. family, in whom all worlds have an interest candidates for admission in connection with -an interest in a higher, nearer and dearer these three stations. Missionary associations sense than that which the Creature sustains have been formed, both of males and females. to the Creator. All have an interest in him, for weekly offerings to support a national because in him the Godhead is united to hu- preacher in Homs, and a city missionary in manity—the Creator to the creature. But Beiruf, and to supply preachers for several all have an interest in him a higher sense localities in the south. They also publish a than that. They have a common interest in small Missionary Herald in Arabic, and have lim as a Saviour. I say a common, but I do not say an equal. As the Almighty Saviour bic, for the Sabbath school children, which not say an equal. As the Almighty Saviour of all worlds—we learn from they are taught to sing. An unusual number of the establishment of Christianity as the standard of the establishment of the country. There are four manner of carrying the gospel to the rece, and art, and human governments the word of God, that all stand together with

him. Had it not been for the Almighty Godman Saviour, there would undoubtedly have

been a universal falling of worlds. Had he failed in the great work of man's redemption creation would have fallen with Had he not undertaken the work of him. man's redemption, the universal realm of Je-hovah would long ere this, in all probability have been destitute of one loyal subject the universe would have had none to hymn his praise. I repeat it, I believe I am authorized by the Holy Volume to say, that had he not undertaken the work of man's redemption, all holy worlds would have fallen; and that had it not been for his death on Calvary, there would not now be one holy being to hymn the praises of the great Jehovah—creation would be worse than a blank. His name is named upon all, as their Sa-

viour,—not in the same sense as his name is named upon us as our Saviour, and yet as really. He is as really their Saviour, as he is our Saviour. He is their Saviour to keep them from falling; and our Saviour to raise us from the ruins of our fall, and to keep us "A soul, that climbing hour by hour the silvershining stair
That leads to God's creek treesmand and the silverthan without him, we can rise. Without him their standing would have been as hopeless, as our rising. All worlds had an interest in Bethlehem, Gethsemane and Calvary.

They are named Sons of God, not merely because of their creation by God and their obedience to him, but also because by our Je-

sus, they are kept sons of God. We behold in this, the office work of our Saviour greatly magnified. He is not merely the Saviour of one little world, but, in a very important sense, of all worlds-of all who hymn the praises of him who sits upon the throne and of the Lamb. As the sun is the centre of our solar system, so is he the grand centre of the holy. So he is the grand moral centre of the universe. He is the grand attraction of all holy hearts in all JAMES KERR.

GENERAL VIEW OF THE MISSIONS OF THE AMERICAN BOARD FOR 1862.

Commencing with Western Africa, we report only two brethren and their wives now on the ground; but they have had encouragement to labor, there having been half a score and more of hopeful conversions. The mission in Southern Africa has enjoyed the usual prosperity. Twenty-two were added to the church, others were hopefully converted, and church members were quickened and revived. The churches are making some progress towards self-support. A Missionary Society was formed for sustaining native ily." The word rendered heaven is in the home missionaries. The body of converts, all so lately barbarous, contributed \$750 for various purposes. But so great are the inducements to trade, growing out of the incoming civilization, that only a few of the conyerts have yet been induced to give themselves to the ministry of the Word. The only missionary of the Board in

Greece, is Dr. Jonas King. Illness has prevented his making a report of the past year. There are four missions in the Turkish Empire, to Western, Central and Eastern Turkey, and to Syria. A part of the field rized native preachers, (of whom 11 are pastors,) and 125 other native co-laborers. Of churches there are 43, with 1564 members; the past year. One hundred and seventeen common schools contain 3500; and there are three high schools for training a native misimplicity of culture for the young pastors and preachers, and so also is the one for fefirst, are to be commenced among the Bulgarians of European Turkey. The printing in Armenian, Armeno-Turkish and Bulgarian Turkish translation of the New Testament,

Reference is here made to the number of

The mission in Syria, though suffering for through Jesus. We will all be one again.

But whose name is named on the intelliappeals for religious teachers, are constantly lies of creation.

We learn from the first chapter of this aid from the Board. The Hasbeiya church to the churches in Beirut and Abeih; and Jesus is the only being of the Adamic nearly forty persons are reported as hopeful

earnestly calls for a strong reinforcement. The Nestorian mission has suffered much the past year. Mr. Breath died of cholera n November, and was an irreparable loss; and Mrs. Breath has since been obliged to The health of Mr. Ambrose has required him to relinquish the missionary work. The same is also true of Mrs. Thompson. The health of Mr. Coan demanding a cessation from labor, he is now on a visit to this country with his familie. On the health of the health of the missionary with his familie. On the health of eturn to this country with her children. the founder of the mission, is on his way Still God has not forsaken his own work. The week of prayer in January was observed by the missionaries and the native preachers and helpers throughout the field, and awaand helpers throughout the field, and awawas a revival of religion in both the male and female seminaries. The number of persons admitted to church fellowship in connecion with the mission, was sixty-two, and five vere excluded. The whole number in this

sa theological class of fifteen, all of whom are pledged to become preachers of the gospel. More than a million of pages have been printed, the past year; and the number from China missions.—Northern China is opening he beginning, exceeds sixty millions. . . There is more and more evidence that a spi- great interest, though we have now but a sinitual work is going on among the Moham gle missionary on the ground. Dr. Bridgman, nedans of Persia, though it is still in its ear- after thirty-two years of devoted service,

our English and Scotch brethren in India and elsewhere. Even Hindoo gentlemen. not Christians, made donations amounting to about \$200. A young Hindoo merchant of Bombay, educated in the Government schools sent \$50, accompanied by a letter, in which he says: "Though I am not a believer in Christianity, still I admire and appreciate the disinterested zeal and exertions of the Christian missionaries in doing good to the people of India; and I believe the American dission has been and is still doing much it my duty to contribute according to my ability to the support of the mission, in their present embarrassing circumstances." The present embarrassing circumstances." The war has been the occasion here also, as well as in several other missions, of stirring up the native Christians to good works. The total amount given and pledged by the native Christians within the bounds of this mission, exceeds \$500; and the total amount from all sources, is \$7687. Four new churches were organized during the year, making the number of churches twenty-two. The members received were eighty five. The number of other number of other new eighty five. The number of other numbers and new north; and far at least as Peking; and far at the south. The Rev. Charles A. Stanley new missionary, who is anxiously looked for, and wife sailed for this field in July, and two intending to raise \$100 a year for his support. cities and villages represented in these other missionaries are under appointment to churches, is one hundred and one; showing the diffusion of Christianity among the people. Several persons of high caste were re- of attention. The great rebellion seems to ple. Several persons of high caste were received to the chutch. The social condition doubt hanging over its future, both as regards

At Abmed. doubt hanging over its future, both as regards of the Christians is improving. At Ahmed-nugger, there is a training school for catechists and teachers, and also a theological class. In short, the mission, as a whole, is blessed with prosperity; while the indications of progress in the Ahmednuggur district, are specially encouraging.

In the Madras mission, Mr. Hunt, the efficient missionary printer, has been absent at political importance. the Hills, with his family, on account of ill inder his care. There was an accession of towards its completion.

people are increasingly disposed to read, and

The Ceylon mission will rejoice to welcome this mission, and who labored in connection Presbyterian, or strictly Congregational with it more than forty years, finished his "Another feature to be noticed is, that these earthly career in the city of New York, on bodies are in no ways connected with similar the 12th of May. The mission, though tried ecclesiastical bodies in the United States, or with the apprehension of diminished funds, elsewhere. They grow out of the exigenhas enjoyed the usual prosperity. Fourteen cies of the work here, and it is not yet seen village schools have been sustained by tuition to be desirable or feasible to have them coning their studies. There are ten churches, containing 439 members; and the new It is expected that the mis members were forty-three. One new church esia will be in great measure restricted, were only the fruit of a discovery in science, was organized, and received a native pastor, who has the prospect of much usefulness. The establishment of observables of observables and received a native pastor, hereafter, to the two considerable groups of or an experiment in philosophy."

We might add—nor is it a new The establishment of churches with native pastors, must be regarded as really the begin-lands; at least, that the American mission-the voice of the preacher, accomplished all

also, there is an encouraging development of ple, in their earlier stages.

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his family. On the other hand, Dr. Perkins, the feelings of the people towards foreigners, and especially in their treatment of religious back to Persia. The people have been rendered somewhat restless by oppression, and by the vein border of Principles of the total and the restless by oppression, and by the vein border of Principles of the total and the restless by oppression, and by the vein border of the total and the restless of the by the vain hope of a Russian intervention.
Still God has not forsaken his own work. kened great interest. In February, there sition among the people to hear the gospel, especially in the villages. Here, too, there is a favorable change in the feelings and conduct of the people towards foreigners. The female members of the missions have had unusual encouragement to labor for their own fellowship is about five hundred, and the centeral points are being multiplied. There and the printing amounted to nearly one million of pages. The report on this misits broad fields for missionary labor with died on the 2d of November; and to the In view of the propable embarrassments growing out of our civil war, liberal donations have been made to the *Mahratta* mission, by tionable, laborious, protracted, and filled up from beginning to end with useful deeds, with nothing to detract from the amount of usefulness, places this departed brother in the first rank of missionaries. Mrs. Bridgman remains at Shanghai, with her school;

> church of six members, and the character of the members is such as gives promise for the Christian Indians. follow him; and there is perhaps no other part of the great missionary field more worthy statement, that as many as thirteen colonies to be Christians. are said to exist in different parts of China, all gaining in numbers, and in mercantile and

Hawaii, in the Sandwich Islands, has health; and the usual report has not been Shipman, which occurred in December. The received of the large printing establishment venerable Mr. Thurston, one of the founders suffered a great loss in the death of Mr eleven members to the church; and Dr. Win-slow is pressing his Tamil Dictionary onward are sustained by the Government; as is, also, of the mission, is suffering under the weight the high school, or native college, at Lahain The Madura mission continues its pros- aluna; which has lately suffered the loss of perous career under the divine blessing. No of its buildings by fire. The law requires the leath, and no severe sickness has occurred; children between the ages of six and sixteen and it is worthy of grateful notice, that, for years to attend the schools, where they give fourteen years, no adult member of the mis- attention to reading, writing, arithmetic, geogsion has been called from the world. There raphy, and vocal music. The whole people are now one hundred and forty-five congre- is thus being brought under the influence of gations of nominal Christians, each averathe press. They read the Word of God; they ging between forty and fifty souls. The read the newspapers; thought is stimulated; churches are twenty eight, containing 1127 inquiry is awakened; and it is not strange nembers; of whom ninety-four were added that papists, infidels, and other enemies of ful" and "the divine" in her temples and the past year. The missionaries rejoice in righteousness, should combine to overthrow statues. Athens was a pantheon of divinibeing able to say, that they have seen more this school system. The high school at Ladirect evidence of the presence and power of hainaluna was never more highly valued in borers felt not the glory. he spirit, at some of the stations and in a its relations both to the state and the church. few of the congregations, than ever before. The number of its students is one hundred Several hopeful conversions occurred in the and five. The number in the Oahu cirls' boarding school. The native pastors, College is fifty two; and the institution conpreachers, catechists and teachers, number tinnes to prosper under the excellent manage-two hundred and six. The six pastors are ment of President Mills. It is well known laborious and useful men. The native help- that this institution is independent of the ers are subjected to a course of study, with Board. The number of members reported emi-annual examinations before the mission- in the churches, at the close of 1861, was aries, which is doing much to improve them, exactly 20,000. The number of deceased and quicken in them a desire for higher menmembers is nearly the same, or 20,051. tal and spiritual attainments. The seminary at Pasumalie is a most valuable institution, with thirty-nine students. The pupils in the whole number of church members from the beginning, is 47,556, it appears that between six and seven thousand have ry heart. female boarding school are forty-five. The been cut off by discipline, or become lost by removals. The amount of contributions by 250 Bibles and Testaments, over 500 por- the native churches, for the support and protions of Scripture, and 45,000 tracts, were distributed among them. The readers of the Missionary Herald will remember a remarkable development of the benevolent spirit should be development of the benevolent spirit spirit should be development of the benevole among the native Christians during the past lands as nurseries in the infant churches. The brethren, writing from the Islands at their last General Meeting, say of these bothe return of Mr. Howland and Dr. Green, dies, that "although some take the name of embarked with their wives, on the 26th of Presbytery, and others that of Congregational May. Mr. Meigs, one of the founders of Associations, none of them are either strictly

It is expected that the mission to Micron- be instrumental in achieving them, if they

study the Scriptures, and Bible-classes have been largely increased. * * * A pocket edition of the New Testament of 5000 copies, was speedily exhausted. The mission pastor, but also a catechist and three schoolteachers, are sustained entirely by the "Na- group; and Mr. Doane has commenced transtive Evangelical Society," which is the mislating into the language of the Marshall Issionary society of the native Christians. lands. The prospects of this mission have The other three pastors are supported in the same mingling of light and shade, which part by their own churches. In this mission, is common to missions among a savage peo-

three, advancing, it was believed, in knowledge and stability. The schools seemed to be as prosperous as they had ever been. Such of the Indians as came more immediately under the influence of the mission, were making decided progress in civilization. The use of intexicating liquors, in the wicinity of the different stations; had become much reduced. It is not strange, therefore, that these brethren were hopeful, as well as happy, in their work.

[Here follows an account of the recent utbreak and the escape of the missonaries.] The causes of this outbreak [says the Report] are not fully understood, as yet; but they will doubtless be disclosed in due time. What plans the missionaries will form, in respect to their future labors, no one can predict. The providence of God will indicate

the service which is appointed unto them. making decided progress in the arts and comforts of life. They are improving their habitations, and cultivating more land. The boarding-school has had an average of twenty-two pupils; and its condition is regarded as satisfactory. Aside from the arrangements intended to secure a good moral and religious training, the highest place is given to domestic and out-door employments. The day-school is large and efficient. No additions have been made to the church, within the past year, and the number of communicants remains unchanged.

but it is not expected that the Board will any longer station ordained missionaries there. It will find a more desirable base for its farther operations with. Mr. Blodget writes in a very encouraging manner from Tientsin; except that his health was such as good, in the way of the moral and social ele- to endanger his not being able to await the an increasing desire to improve their outward vation of my countrymen. I therefore deem arrival of his fellow-laborers whom he was condition. It is gratifying to learn, moreencouraged to expect: He has formed a over, that the population of this Reservation is advancing, the gain being restricted to the

> aboriginal stock. The contributions for be-nevolent objects have been diminished by the The Alleghany Reservation has been visited by the small-pox. One hundred were

deaths had occurred. The history of the

Selections.

THE PULPIT AND SOCIETY.

From advance sheets of Rev. E. E. Adams' ate address at the Tamworth celebration we made a couple of extracts.

Commerce is a civilizer, but "it never goes on a mission to save men." Art civilizes but art is aristocratic; it is not for the world. Philosophy civilizes, but philosophy is exclusive. Governments civilize, but governments never have missions for the purpose of spreading the blessings of civilization. Greece rose to a high stage of civil culture by constant study to embody "the beautities, but her multitudes of soldiers and la-

which, by the chief families, sentiment has been greatly cultivated, and some of the elements of civilization have been nurtured to a high degree of perfection; but the masses have groped beneath, in ignorance, baseness. and fear. That is not true civilization. It is not diffused. The gospel, by the power of a living ministry, whose central action is in the pulpit, and whose instrumentalities are the pen, the social life and character, diffu-

If stern law could advance Roman civilization to such a height; if a sense of the beautiful and divine in art crowned Greece as the mistress of ancient culture; if commerce lifted Venice to such an altitude of social and artistic glory; with these agencies now, under the guidance of Christianity; with the immortal fair, with the Divine, in its full and perfect glory in the character and person of Christ, as the theme of the heart, the wonder of reason, the goal higher than ideals—what may we not expect for the future of man if, indeed, he shall be permitted to live and hope, and prompted to labor and aspire? under such an influence, with such an over-soul of love and power beaming on him, and leading him up to the goal? It was well said by Dr. Chalmers, in view of the schools, the hospitals, the general social fees and by native contributions, and thirty neeted with bodies of similar name in other order, the subjection of pagan isles and conone by the funds of the Board. The pupils lands." Ten young men were licensed as tinents to the laws of regular life, all effectexceeded a thousand. . . In February, a preachers; four others were ordained as co- ed by the pulpit in its comprehensive action, new class of sixteen was received in the pastors with missionaries, it being deemed "Many of the results of preaching which the training and theological institution, where unsafe as yet to give them an independent world affects to dispise, would be received there are now twenty-two young men pursuposition; and one has received ordination as with universal admiration, and would render immortal the name of the man who should

would not have attained its object. It would have been a failure. It has effected what all these agencies have not attempted, namely, the regeneration of man. The end for which he gospel is preached, and therefore for which the pulpit exists, is more than human. It is to produce a change in the morals, the hopes, the lives, the eternal destinies of men: that, civilization, art, commerce, social influence and government never yet achieved. It is to the gospel alone that the world owes

chieving that result, it must realize for man

ken not at all—as we are sure it has not, in

others. We, in the North, were, at first,

war has been carried on by us under the con-

and mercy on the other. We would not have

the extent to which the community has been

we have not violently assailed those among

us who, by their imbecility or treachery,

elped on the rebellion in the outset; we have

borne, as a necessity, the suspension of an im-

portant legal rule; we have gathered an ar-

my and navy that give us rank among the

ls; we have waited for matur

fore we can utter hosannas!

ing out to the world as the divine ideal for the race, aiming at a superhuman result, and

The Ojibwas, at Odanah, are described as

attacked before midsummer, though only six

its ultimate success, and its bearing on the ful. On Cornplanter's Reservation there is missionary efforts of the Christian world.

Perhaps there is more that should attract the teacher. One has joined the church; attention of the Christian Church in the and others, apparently, are almost persuaded

THE PULPIT A CIVILIZER.

There are portions of our own country in

left to a spontaneous utterance and welcome. proves its divinity. Doubtless they were both betrayed into un-

We might add nor is it a new thought

have accomplished, and nothing more, it SIN REBUKED BY THE SOLEMNITIES OF WAR.

Rev. Dr. Nelson, of St. Louis, recently preached a Sermon on Deut. xxiii. 9.-When the host goeth forth against thine enemies, then keep thee from every wicked thing;" the whole of which we would like to transfer to our columns. We must however content ourselves with the following extract:

Said I not truly, that war is the most solthe praise of having propounded this super-natural result. It has gained this result; And is not this true, with peculiar emphasis, not universally yet, but to an extent that of this war? A government drawing the warrants our belief in its competency. Stand- sword against its own citizens-marshaling armies of such magnitude, as no foreign invasion could call for, to subdue a revolting portion of its own people; blockading its own the loftiest reach of civilization; it must coasts with its own navy; obliged to batter. eventually elevate him to complete citizenship:

THE PULPIT IN THE NORTH AND IN THE SOUTH.

We ask, with no little concern in the light

Traitors misguided rebels and faithful solof this subject, why our nation is now at traitors, misguided rebels, and faithful solwar? Why Christianity has not restrained diers. Was ever a nation called—could ever the passions and subdued the sin of the peo a nation be called to a more fearfully solple? We reply, because the people would emn work? The text teaches the special not listen te Christianity; because the pulpit has either uttered its voice in vain—as we know it has done, in some quarters—or spoken not at all—as we are sure it has not, in ought indeed to be put away, at any time, dragged into the war, against our sentiments; and in any circumstances; but we feel this against many of our Christian convictions; obligation to be enchanced by circumstances against our love of ease, and our high ideas of peculiar solemnity. Flagrant sins commoral power. But now we enter into it; mitted in sacred places, as the house of God; we give our brothers, our sons, fathers to the sacrifice, because we love our country; because we would have her free; because we believe in government, in the Union. We are on the defensive. We fight to save, not to destroy. We give millions in gold, that engaged in solemn duties, as conducting pubwe may preserve and extend liberty. The lie worship; or administering ordinances of religion; or executing the sentence of death flicting influences of justice, on the one hand, upon a condemned criminal. What can be more shocking to a pure mind, or more hateentered into it, but for the lofty sentiments ful to God, than profane cursing, vulgar oband stern necessities of civilization; and the way in which we have conducted it evinces such a scene? Yet what act of worship, what ordinance of religion, or what dread adminducated in the habits and arts of peace. We istration of justice to an individual criminal, have indulged in no excited display; we have can equal, in solemnity, a battle-field, on therished no hatred; we have yielded to sen which the outraged majesty of a great people, liments of humaneness; we have surrendered avenges itself upon the hosts of rebellion, and wealth, for which we have a proverbial love; accepts the outpouring of loyal blood from we have borne with traitors; we have suffer- | many thousand faithful bosoms, a free-will ed defeats, without decapitating our generals; we have waited for maturing of plans; Where else, of all places in which a seriousminded man can ever find it his duty to be, should he be more desirous to have God with him, with His favoring presence?

Must it be so, that our patriots, dying for our country, die with profane oaths on their lips? Shall the commissioned executioners highest powers of the earth; we have pursued of the divine wrath against anarchists, in the our industry, preserved our schools and our very act of fulfilling their solemn commission. worship; and even now are we forbearing insult and provoke Him whose ordinance of beyond the patience of Europe, whose inter- government they are defending, and who has est in our condition is, of course, only se- said, as plainly and solemnly as He has said condary and subordinate. We are not whol- anything, that He "will not hold him guiltless ly civilized, but all the noble elements of that taketh His name in vain?", Does it ivilization are, at this hour, living and ope- seem to any one, that these thoughts should rative among us, because, we have been be expressed to soldiers rather than to this taught; the pulpit has spoken to us, and we assembly? I did express them, or at least have listened. It speaks still. In this dark similar thoughts, to the 33d Missouri regiment, hour it has become doubly great. It echoes on last Sabbath, and had the unspeakable the voice of Providence. It sounds out the satisfaction of seeing the entire regiment resolves of the people. It repeats the notes rise to their feet as one man, pledging themof justice and judgment. It urges to duty. selves that no profane oath shall be heard it breathes prayer for us, and sympathy with us. It warns us of solemn possibilities. It bids us bow before God; to rush, with grace to keep that vow, I have little fear but penitent sorrow and faith, into his arms. To that their moral conduct will in other respects believe that he will save us, though it be by trying discipline. That he would bring back the Lord will be with the regiment whithersoour lost manhood by casting us into the bil- ever it shall go, and will make it terrible to lows, that by his strength we may struggle its foes. But think not, my hearers, that shore! "The Lord reigneth; let the earth you have no responsibility in this thing. rejoice! The Lord reigneth; let the people This army is emphatically an army of the tremble!" He may yet strike a vital centre people. It is scarcely a hyperbole to say of our national life. We must tremble be that the army is the people armed and arrayed for war. The conscience of the people.

We are amazed that, among those with the entire people, needs to be roused to the whom we are at war, the gospel and the pulpit should have wrought so little of true hu- the people needs to be brought to the resolumanity; that there is so much ignorance, tion that it shall be put away.

wild hate, and actual barbarism. But we Two days ago, I received through the Post need not wonder. There is mingled with the Office, a written request that I would call best civilization yet known a large amount of upon a Christian brother; (personally a the barbaric element. And when the minis- stranger to me,) a regimental officer, left betry reaches only a small portion of the peo- hind his regiment which has gone to the fieldle—when the pulpit is limited by caste, and by reason of sickness. I went immediately ontrolled in its sentiments and utterances to him, and had a pleasant, though serious hereby, it is a light in a dungeon; a vestal interview. He is a husband, and the father fire which the world does not see. A man is of two children; his wife having visited him not warmed by the sun, if he shut himself in on account of his sickness, had just left him, an ice-house. A mighty passion has seized to return to their family, and he, (I presume) the Southern mind. The forces of barbar- hopes ere long to resume his duties. He is ism and sin have gotten the start of Chris- an elder in our branch of the church, he is tianity, and are concentrated to sweep socie- warmly devoted to the cause of our Union, he ty away, before the moral power has fairly feels, like a humane and Christian man, his come to its relief. It must wait, now, until own personal sacrifices, and the fearful widethe passion shall be spent, the delusion dissi- spread suffering which this struggle is costing. pated, and the moral nature have a breath- But that which moistened and reddened his ing time. Avarice, pride, luxury, ease family eyes, and brought a look of the keenest an-prestige, chattelism, sustained by Northern guish into his honest, manly face, was the egislation, have made the pulpit dumb, have thought of the prevalent corruption, and disexpurgated the gospel. Civilization there is honesty, which had come to his knowledge, only a sentiment, a memory of the past, ga- and against which it was his difficult duty to thered into a focus here and there not to struggle, in the responsible office of quartershine in upon the masses, and awaken them master. The struggle had apparently been to moral glory, but to burn and wither their too much for his bodily strength, and had opes and aspirations. But even there the helped to prostrate him. I know that dengospel is not a failure, for it has gained a unciations, on this subject, are apt to be quite. need that shall grow when the soil is broken too sweeping. I am sure that our country ip and watered by the storms of judgment has many honest men in such places. Let and by the showers of mercy.

them devote themselves, and die, (if need be,)
under the crushing labor, and wearing anowers still. They are fitted for the mind, guish. Their martyrdom is as holy, and in he mind is fitted for them. If they do not God's sight as precious as that of those who save us, we shall be unsaved. They offer bleed on fields of battle. But how shall we, the noblest message, and in the way best suit-ed to our nature. No other system ever en-we put away and suppress the vile corruption, dured such resistances. No other is great which not merely wastes the nation's resourand pure enough to risk its progress and success to such an instrumentality. "It is the only system that can be successfully preach-index impressed with the wickedness of offered freely to reason, and the heart fraud-we must everywhere frown upon every species of corruption-we must cease to flatter The fact that it can be preached and live, with congratulations, or with envy, those who enrich themselves out of their country's distresses. Remember Achan's wedge of gold, PAUL-BARNABAS-MARK.-Barnabas seems, and Babylonish garment, and know that God to have been too partial to his nephew, and will frown upon a people who do not frown perhaps Paul was too severe with him. upon the covetousness that can ply its im-

> As ever you would have your souls justified by grace, take care to have your sins judged by the law.

> pious trade, unawed by the presence of Je-

due warmth and pertinacity; which shows hovah's judgments, and undismayed by the

the remains of human depravity in the nation's agonies, coolly and profit oly making hearts of the best of men: and the impartimerchandise of them.

ality of the inspired historian in recording

it, is worthy of notice. - Rev. T. Scott. D.D.

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ance in a holy life.