

Correspondence.

FROM OUR LONDON CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, April 23, 1863.

SHAKESPEARE AND GARIBALDI.

This is the Anniversary of SHAKESPEARE'S birthday! Three centuries ago on this day, a little, lively babe was brought into the lottery of life...

Whatever failure there may be in the Shakspeare demonstration, the Garibaldi reception in England has been throughout a splendid ovation. Every class has agreed to do honor to the great liberator of Italy.

It seems that his lordship "wisely thinks it a great deal more important, to carry the Gospel," to this "civilized heathendom" than "to play a Convocation at (Ecumenical) Councils."

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MATTERS IN THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

Another stage has been reached in the great "Essay and Review" question. The convocation of the Province of Canterbury, met on Wednesday, and a deputation from the Lower House waited on the House of Bishops...

He said that the course of the recent suit had settled that the powers of the Court which had disposed of it, inquiring into charges of unsound teaching, were limited to certain specific propositions expressly contradicting other specific propositions contained in the Articles and formularies of the Church.

If the Bishop does not see now that this decision is of the gravest importance, it is only because he is on the wrong side of the scene to have a proper view. At any time, the Government can disperse Convocation and put an end to the discussion, and it is not likely that any great practical benefit would arise from the mere private expression of the views of leaders in the church.

"A circular letter from the association of churchwardens, past and present, to the churchwardens of parishes in the Diocese of London," has been sent about, containing an article from the Daily Telegraph in which that radical and free-thinking organ—you have a nice specimen of the writers in George Augustus Sala, now or recently with you—sounded the trumpet for Coleman's attack on the Pentateuch.

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FROM OUR ROCHESTER CORRESPONDENT.

DEAR EDITOR:—While we write, our city is wild with excitement over the good news of successes to our arms. It is hard work to think or write of anything else just now; and if these successes continue at the present rate for a week longer, very few will want to read of anything else.

But success brings sorrow also. Yesterday and to-day intelligence has been coming to stricken households; and father and brother have started in sorrow to bring home the wounded, or get the remains of the dead, whom they love now more than ever.

Rev. Dr. Gridley, who has been for twenty-seven or twenty-eight years, we believe, the able and honored pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Waterloo, has recently received a very handsome "testimonial" of the affectionate regards of his people, and a token of their "appreciation of his services."

It was well and handsomely done. The Doctor is well known to be one of our ablest and best men. Highly intellectual, thoughtful, studious, judicious and faithful, by his long service he has won a large place in the hearts of his people, and in the respect and confidence of his brother ministers.

Mr. MORRIS.—Thirty-nine have recently been gathered into the Presbyterian Church in this place, under care of Rev. Levi Parsons, Jr. Ten or a dozen more, it is thought, will unite at the next communion.

THE ROY.—Thirty were received last Sunday to the Presbyterian Church in this beautiful village, and others, it is hoped, will come at another time.

The following young men were licensed last week, at Auburn, by the Presbytery of Cayuga: Henry Ward, Albert True, John V. C. Nellis, David Biggan, Henry C. Hazen, Thomas F. Chaffer, Clarence H. Beebe, Abel S. Wood, Thomas E. Davis.

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LETTER TO A NORTHERN SECESSIONIST, WHO COMPLAINED OF THE ALIENATION OF HIS FORMER FRIENDS.

You allude with great bitterness to the altered manner of your old acquaintances since the breaking out of the rebellion. Considering the stand you have taken, in uniformly censuring the policy and measures of the Government; in apoloising for the rebellion and justifying its enormities; in charging the origin of the war to the North, and expressing unequivocal satisfaction in every reverse of the Union armies and every advantage gained for the rebellion; you ought not to be surprised that true, patriotic men regard these developments with stern disapprobation.

In many cases during the war, the friendships of a quarter century have been sacrificed to party prejudices. We might expect the men who could sacrifice their country, to sacrifice every minor interest.

In the spring of 1861, a gentleman of Maryland invited an old friend in Virginia to attend the marriage of his son; unwilling to believe that the recent secession developments could influence their life-long attachment. The letter was immediately returned with these words: "Keep your free-nigger invitations to yourself, and don't be sending them to Southern gentlemen!"

Treason is a higher crime than murder; inasmuch as murder takes the life of one person, while treason aims at the life of a nation. No man can do a worse thing for himself, his children, and his children's children, than to be on the wrong side of this great conflict that is now agitating the whole country.

There is an involuntary shrinking from and aversion to such as are opposed to the great foundation principles which underlie the deep interests of humanity; the sympathies which absorb our whole nature. This is sensibly felt when a Christian comes in contact with an avowed infidel; when a man of pure integrity is thrown into the society of a swindler; and still more, when a true patriot finds that his neighbor would readily betray his country.

Every man should love his country next to Heaven. He should be willing to do more and sacrifice more for it, than for any earthly interest, personal or social. Do you know what your country means? It cannot be better defined than in the words of the veteran soldier in urging his young relative to take up arms in its defence.

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PROGRESS AMIDST DIFFICULTIES.

Rev. EDITOR:—It may be some gratification to know, that notwithstanding all the difficulties under which we labor in Iowa, and often from quarters least expected, that substantial progress is made at some points.

The man who would divide this glorious country and break it up into worthless fragments, does not know what love of country means; he does not understand the first principles of patriotism.

To degrade the reputation, lessen the power and dignity of the country by destroying the Union, would be like renting out the grand old family mansion where your ancestors have lived for an hundred years, where your own childhood was passed and your own children were born; renting every room to a thriftless family, where squallor and degradation would look out of every window and mark every doorway.

Secession sympathizers are fond of saying, in apology for the course they pursue, that the North and South are essentially two people—two distinct nations—and, as such, ought to be separated. They know the untruthfulness of this assertion in their hearts, while they make it with their lips.

They who urge this difference loudest are recreant Northerners, who, false to the land which nurtured them, are equally false to every other claim. We were, as they pretend to believe, essentially two distinct nations, then their guilt is increased tenfold, in sympathizing wholly and openly with a foreign foe while they have no heart for the interests of their own country.

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The church of Scott, and congregation of Downey, east of Iowa City, are again destitute, from Rev. Wm. M. Kain leaving them to go to Missouri. The people have done better than they ever did before, in subscriptions and donations.

The school and audience were addressed by Mr. James Grant, Mr. Charles Godfrey, Rev. D. C. Eddy, D. D. and the pastor, Rev. W. W. Taylor. The speaking was strictly to the point and full of interest, Dr. Eddy addressing himself to teachers and friends in a most animating and impressive manner.

Union people, far more than secession sympathizers, pray earnestly for these misguided, deluded men, who have desolated their own hearths, wasted their own heritage and despoiled their own glory;—that they may be saved from their own madness and folly. They have already laid in the dust the pride of their families: "There is not a house in which there is not one dead!"

When the burdened heart inquires: "How long, O Lord?" the answer seems to come back, as of old: "Until the cities be wasted without an inhabitant!" Many, who abhor their sin, do not say from the heart:

Information respecting Pennsylvania soldiers in the hospitals of Philadelphia may be obtained by application to Joseph Parker, Chief of Hospital Commission, at the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association, No. 1011 Chestnut Street.

This is to acknowledge the receipt of \$10 in Sunday school library books from the Assembly's Committee of Publication, which, in concurrence with the concurrence with the agency of Iowa City Presbytery devolving on Rev. Hannibal L. Stanley, of Lyons, has been sent to Rev. Geo. E. W. Leonard, near Cedar Rapids, who has been laboring of late with two churches as pastor, on a \$300 salary, he raising \$5 for this Presbyterian Book concern. This donation of \$10 came from Otis Allen, Esq., of Albany, N. Y., in quick response to an appeal for books for our feeble churches and their ministers. All similar donations will be duly acknowledged.