

Miscellaneous.

"EVER YOURS TILL GLORY."

The Rev. Robert Murray McCheyne was a young preacher of the Scotch National Church, who, after a period of nine years of unceasing, happy labor, was called away to his crown when just thirty years old.

McCheyne's life was a perpetual inspiration; and his piety was eminently hearty and cheerful. He dwelt, during the nine years of his earthly ministry, far away from the damps that arise about Doubting Castle, and hard by the Beulah where the sunlight ever falls.

Dr. Hamilton says he used to seal his letters with a sun going down behind the mountains, and the motto over it, The night cometh. For souls he watched as the fisherman's wife trims her lamp in the window and watches for the storm tossed and belated ones in the offing.

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THE STRUGGLE OF EVANGELICALISM WITH RATIONALISM IN FRANCE.

The London Weekly Review has the following interesting information and pertinent observations respecting the great strife between faith and scepticism for the dominion of the most important bulwark of Christian Protestantism in France:

The contest which has raged for some time in the Reformed Church in Paris between the supporters of M. Guizot and those of M. Henri Barbezat, as candidate for the sixth membership of the Presbyterian Council, has terminated in the election of M. Guizot. We hail this result with unfeigned satisfaction, regretting only that M. Guizot's majority was so small—1,298 votes against 1,288.

MUSIC AND MARTIN LUTHER.

Luther had a passion for music surpassed only by his great desire to do good. When a poor boy at Bisenrach, he would sing in the streets from door to door for a piece of bread.

The good all love music. Charlotte Elizabeth says, "A taste for music and its high gratifications, must certainly elevate the mind. I do firmly believe that the man whose bosom yields no response to the concord of sweet sounds, falls short of the standard to which man should aspire as an intellectual being; and though Satan does not so far pervade this solace of the mind to most vile purposes, still I heartily agree with Martin Luther that in the abstract 'the devil hates music.'"

doctrines were not those held by the Presbyterian Council as the rulers of the Church. When the 'liberals' cry out against persecution it may be interesting to know how they understand and how they practice, liberalism. There was, not long ago, at Lyons, a pastor, M. Adolphe Monod, whose piety and eloquence were highly spoken of, but who advocated the doctrines of the Gospel; his supplemental salary was taken from him; he was forbidden to appear in the pulpit; and was finally dismissed from his office by the liberals.

The demands put forward by the Rationalists on behalf of the Protestant pastor are thus sketched by the Esperance, the organ of the Evangelical Protestants of France:—"The right of to-day preaching orthodox, to-morrow rationalism, and the day after any thing he pleases; the right of celebrating the feast of Easter, without believing in the resurrection of Jesus Christ; of celebrating Christmas, without believing in the miraculous birth of the Saviour; of celebrating Pentecost, without believing in the Assension; of reading in the church the Apostles' Creed, without believing the miracles therein enumerated; of administering baptism in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, without believing in the divinity of the Son and the Holy Ghost; of administering the Lord's Supper, without believing in the Atonement; of combating in sermons what he is bound to respect in the Liturgy; and the right of performing the most solemn acts of worship, which he must regard as a vain fiction or a pious fraud.

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A THOUGHT FOR THE FRIENDS OF MISSIONS.

Dr. Knox, of New York, relates that a gentleman was travelling in a stage-coach. While passing over a river the bridge gave way, and the coach, with its passengers, fell into the water. The passengers, besides the gentleman, were a lady and a child. By great exertions he succeeded in rescuing the child, but its mother was drowned.

How much more delightful than even this will be the meeting in heaven, of those who, by our humble efforts, have been rescued from eternal destruction. Some from the north and south, others from the east and west, and all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus, shall rise up and call us blessed. What joy will there be that day in heaven! Angels no such joy can know; for not to them, but to us, were the words spoken, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature."

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