Correspondence. STYLE OF CULTURE NEEDED BY AMERICAN THEOLOGIANS. NO I. BY EDW. CLARENCE SMITH.

I. We suppose that the clergy, as a in piety. The age seems to demand of certain that extreme, or rather strong all understanding." the American theologian that he devote a larger measure of his time to the work of getting for himself a muscular and well- of our theologians should have pre- of the Nepisiquit River. furnished mind. Infidelity is beleaguering eminent regard to the great conflict in-Christian faith with strong armies, and to which the church is about to enter. throwing the hook for golden salmon, Christianity needs to thrust through its Nothing is plainer than that Christianity which crowd this river, had been purshowy and striking, but when not worn | hosts of God with the targe of brass by sterling qualities is in no wise better and spear of iron, it will have little to "a mine of wealth," said a provincial than the bright armor and splendid do but to make men as true and as good gentleman, "richer than all the gold trappings of some effeminate Paris, and in their lives, as their philosophy will will prove no safeguard against the teach them they ought to be. All philorough blows of a sturdy antagonist. sophies that have refused to do obeisance We wish to see the smoke and blaze of to faith, as wielding a rightful sceptre the cannon followed by the blue steel over the vast empire of mysteries, have that will splinter the tough spar, or thus far been overthrown. Human reashiver the hard granite.

lation is unfavorable to this thorough a curse upon Atheism that the serpent work in the way of culture. The fields no longer erects itself, but crawls, and of orthodoxy are carefully surveyed and eats dust, and is abhorred. It is true staked off. We have no imperative need that we still meet with occasional atto hew out doctrines and carry them tempts to solve the highest problems of before. I think it was at New Castle, together to be compared and matched, philosophy on grounds exclusively maand built up into creeds and systems. terial. We have young and ambitious This hard work would strengthen us, Buckles, trying to pick the complicated but our fathers have done it for us, and lock of human history with the old and we are too apt to pass contentedly into worn-out skeleton key of materialism, the full inheritance of their labors If but these attempts are not formidable, we felt less secure in our doctrinal strong- and only excite the ridicule of thoughtholds, our mental life would be less inert ful and scholarly minds. and indolent; and though we might spend less time in amiably contemplating the consoling doctrines of our faith, and might | inadequate. Thus both sensualism and have to pass a more sober and anxious idealism having been overthrown, the life amid the stern mysteries of unan world of thinking men had been satisswered problems, yet, perchance, we should be stronger men for all this dis- humble in its mien, and living on terms cipline. Historic induction tells us that of peace with Christianity. But Christhe dominant races those which incar- tianity finds in the absolute philosophy nated the ideas of their age, and gave them splendid and permanent utterance yet encountered. No other infidel syswherever they fought and triumphed, tem has ever armed itself with so ultihave not breathed the balmy air of mate and gigantic an hypothesis as is Southern climes, or made their abode in wielded by this daring Titanic philorich valleys, burdened with the profuse sophy. What other hypothesis can wealth which genial suns and gentle issue in so tremendous a synthesis, so showers have forced from a soil teeming comprehensive an ecclecticism? This with fatness, but have got their nurture opponent Christianity has to meet. in a rougher school; have gazed with There is no avoiding the conflict. Hucare-worn brows and saddened hearts man nature will endure no antagonism upon mountain crags and barren wastes; between its religion and its philosophy. have had their hearts made brave and The power of Christianity is pre-emiself-reliant, and their wills sharpened as nently moral, but it must make human the flint, and their sinews wrought and reason its faithful ally before its dotwisted into hardness and iron strength. minion over the world can be complete. by exchanging quick and rough blows Men's philosophy may be purer than wrench from her clenched hand security scarcely be more worthy than their against want and death. Perhaps the philosophy, provided the philosophy is herself to the Saviour. use of the analogy will not be denied deliberately chosen, and accepted with We thelogians of this country do a sincerity of belief. not find ourselves amid the sterile wastes | Christianity must therefore arry itself and mountain heights of theology. On for the battle. It has it on hand to fight the contrary, we luxuriate upon the this arrogant Pantheistic Goliath, and smooth and fertile meadows of ortho- smite it in the forehead. It will scarcely doxy, and see the fields about us waving need more imposing weapons than the with the mature fruitage of creeds, and simple missiles of reason and revelation, confessions, and systems. But to return, it would seem that our skill, must lurk in the arm that hurls theologians must not let their minds them. Our theologians have found lapse into a state of indifference respecting that the champions of the opposing infidoctrines; must not repress, but strongly | delity are no mean opponents. There encourage a positive and forceful attitude is something brawny about the Teutonic of mind in the matter of its beliefs. It genius that makes it a dangerous foe. is an unnatural thing for the mind to The old barbaric Germans had rude stand upon the magnet of doctrine, and weapons, but opposed splendid bodies stubbornly brace itself over the point of and resolute wills to the horrent spears indifference. The alacrity with which and blazing banners of a more advanced men adopt the sentiment of the Roman civilization, and maintained a desperate moralist, "in medio tutissimus ibis," not resistance. Perhaps we may learn wisonly in the province of ethics, but in dom from the hewing which the mailed the less practical sphere of philosophic legions of Varus got at the hands of and theoretical belief, is often a token, Arminius. not of the wisdom of human nature, but of its indolence or timidity; and these mathematical moralists, and philo- | LETTER FROM REV. E. P. HAMMOND. sophers, and theologists, who are forever factoring and radicating extreme written on board the steamer Inland their self-estimate, and amiable in their | journey homeward from that point may tolerance and liberality, but generally do prove of interest. not deserve to be ranked with minds conservatists in doctrine are always to before. We then bade adieu to the old feet at the first leap. be looked upon with suspicion when mountains which so often reminded us they are not old enough to be wise, and of the Highlands of Scotland, and just an ecclecticism which rejects extreme deeper waters where the great while earnest mind that has canvassed the surface. whole field of speculation, and given of doctrinal strongholds, provided they visit, to return to dear old Scotland.

and elastic in every faculty, plant himwar had made the hearts of many men then they were converted-turned from peeled trunks alone left standing. self squarely on the van of the conflict, | tender, leading them to think seriously | the error of their way." And as I saw conscious, as he swings his trenchant of the realities of eternity, and thus pre- some of those ships, in the deep channel, blade and delivers his blows, quick and paring the way for revivals of religion. rising majestically at the first approach strong, that there remains so great And my soul was filled with thanks. of the flood tide, I could but pray that strength of resources and endurance in giving that we had not only seen peace not only individuals, but that whole his arm that, like Horatius Cocles, he reigning throughout the world, but that churches, all over our land, might be can keep the bridge against a thousand during these years many had been led quick to yield to the first indications of men. We must not be too slothful to by the Holy Spirit to secure, through the special reviving presence of the Holy mass, are rather wanting in culture than | think positively. We must not be too | faith in Christ, that "peace which passeth | Spirit.

The next morning we reached Bathurst, a thriving village, at the mouth

We learn that the exclusive right of iron embrasures ordnance that are of is about to fight its last battle on the chased from the Government for about as the "jumping off place," but when we rified steel and long of range. In this field of philosophy, and that when, by \$300, by two gentlemen from Philadel- arrived there we felt we were almost belligerent work that Christianity has its puissant might, it has laid in the dust phia. Thus we found that others had home. From the time we left Boston on hand, no degree of enthusiasm or this colossal and arrogant giant, Panthe- been before us in this wild region, who we had to make all our purchases in emotional power can take the place of ism, which is the last hope of the Philis- could appreciate its attractions. After gold, and it was a pleasant change to mental strength. Enthusiasm is always tines, and has come up against the doubling Miscou Point, the tourist passes get where our currency was available. the cod and mackerel fishing groundsmines of the world, and, strange to say, worked almost exclusively by your enterprising countrymen, at our very thresholds."

Passing up the Miramichi River, three enterprising towns, Chatham, Douglass, and New Castle, with their vast-lumber yards and ship-buildings, and green fields, greet the eye.

At each of these places, crowds flocked at the "Tip Top" House, though the to see the "new steamboat." Many of the morning before the mercury stood at Him for the future. them had never but once seen the like the freezing point. Three years before, an opportunity was afforded to hold an open-air meeting.

Seldom, if ever, did I behold such a crowd of rough-looking men, half of them Catholics. For the first few moments, when the word was preached, an attempt was made to scoff, but soon an awful ninety miles distant.

solemnity rested upon the large as-But we must here close this already sembly. As I looked upon those hardtoo long letter. But as there is now a ened men, not a few of them listening telegraph station here on the "tip top" for their lives, with tearful eyes, I could of Mt. Washington, if any thing remarkbut think of those words in Acts x. 44: able transpires we can easily communi-"While Peter yet spake these words, cate.

the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word." When prayer was offered, many heads

were uncovered. I can but hope that I shall meet in heaven some from that open-air meeting who, for the first time. heard the simple Gospel of Christ.

After the meeting was through, the Presbyterian minister of the place, who chanced to be present, greeted us warmly, and a wealthy Scotch lady invited the party of Christians from the Inland City to repair to her charming residence to partake of a refreshing repast.

That night, after our little company had, as usual, read the Bible and prayed together, a young lady from Pennsylva nia, who had for days been seeking the Saviour, said to me, "Oh, how much I wished that I was a Christian when I was at the open-air meeting and hearing dulging the hope, that she has given

and rises around the sides of the vessels

At Shediac, our next landing place, we took the cars for St. John's, a di

corselets and well-tempered arms and pray for the outpouring of the Holy and him crucified;" but if "born again," or a forest of enormous trees, blasted and the blow, and there the three lie to making himself tough and sinewy, quick Spirit. But results had proved that this there must have been such a time, and riven by the elements, with the dry and

> A. M. STEWART. 'OIL CITY, August 9, 1865. GLEANINGS BY THE WAY. PORTVILLE, OLEAN, PENN YAN, WIL-

During a recent trip, I spent a fortnight at Olean, Cattaraugus County, After spending a day and a half New York, and in one of my excursions, visiting in and about St. John's, we emvisited Portville, the residence of Mrs. barked on board the large steamer for a Humiston and her three children.

LIAMSPORT.

sail through Passamaquoddy Bay for Eastport, on a beautiful island on the is a neat, clean-looking village, on the eastern coast of Maine. That locality banks of the Allegheny. Learning has been somewhat famous in the States from Rev. Mr. Ogden, the worthy pastor of the Presbyterian church, that

Islands, and New Brunswick so de- in good order. This humble homestead grandly of stone, a hundred feet long in sirous of annexation with the United had been purchased through the exer- the clear, with a corresponding breadth, tions of Dr. Bourns, and in addition, the

widow receives two hundred dollars annually, as the avails of the photograph sales, and one hundred pension from the Government. The children are still young, healthy, and smart, and as God the season. It was none too cool even has so wonderfully interposed for their present comfort, they may well trust

The Presbyterian church in Portville has recently received spiritual blessings. The church in Olean, under the care of Rev. James B. Beaumont, who is most highly valued and loved by his people, is also prosperous, and just now the people are expending between three and entering the harbor in Portland, though | four hundred dollars in reparing and embellishing the house of God, intending, also, to furnish it with a fine organ.

The writer having labored with this people during the winter of 1860-61. on revisiting, had practical demonstration of their good remembrance of those who had preached the word among them, and of the warm-hearted hospitality with which they can receive them. It was refreshing to exchange stone streets and brick walls for beautiful meadows, a rolling river and hills of pine and hemlock, curtained with a delicious temperature, a scene that stood the camp. It is not for religion that perpetually before our eyes, which, with men come here, but for oil; men go to the testimonials of assiduous affection,

was enough to warm up the heart and

attention be given to such matters, the consideration must be pressed by some The same can be said of Penn Yan, faithful evangelist. A few, who were the place of former ministerial labors, religious in former localities, may prove which for the few days of our tarrying sturdy and resolute enough to carry their was nothing but an uninterrupted Sunpiety with them here, as into camp. A nvside. Penn Yan has much improved large majority who made professions at during the last five years; a part of the home, are speedily freed from such atimprovement being witnessed in the ententions by the fever of oil. Many who largement of the Presbyterian house of come in hopes of a fortunate strike, had worship and the increase of the congrebut little thought of such matters in forgation. By the removal of Rev. Mr. mer homes and haunts, and have less, Starr to St. Louis, the pulpit is again if possible, here. Others were about as vacant, and I found brother Sloat, of the bad as the devil could make them, before | Third Presbytery, filling it a couple of Sabbaths as a candidate. Many of the young men of the place Several denominations have either and neighborhood had been engaged in the bloody scenes of the late war, of whom the most had returned, but some are sleeping in the soldier's grave. One of these was Captain Morris Brown, once a young member of the Presbyterian church of Penn Yan. He was remarkable for skill, activity, and courage, and was highly recommended for promotion; but after having fought "on the line" from the Wilderness to Petersburg, a year ago last June, he there met an instant death, and in such circumstances. that the body of the gallant young patriot has never been recovered. In letters written immediately before his death, however, his friends received his assurconversions." In some parts of the permanent home. No marvel therefore. ances of firm trust in God, of his study if but few stakes are tightly stuck about of the Scriptures, and of his readiness to meet death; so that, like multitudes of our noble youth, "he sleeps in Jesus," wherever the body lies watched and protected by guardian angels. During this journey, I fell in with multitudes of returning soldiers, and took frequent opportunities of conversing with views, are those who may perchance City, in Chaleur Bay, lat. 48 deg., long. fluid. While the ships only a short than to keep it. Interesting prayer, individuals, and the gratification was meeting same place in the evening. great to find that these men all knew for what they had fought, and that the great object of the conflict had sustained them in their toils. They were evidently privates, yet they could describe the martial movements in which they had been engaged, as if they were generals, and were able intelligently to criticise whatever had been done. At Benn Yan, I took occasion to visit the beautiful

gether, the initials on the three separate blocks lying on the ground-the ages, respectively, two years, six years, thirty years-waiting for a happy resurrection. The monument over these graves is unique; of striking design and wonderful finish. It is made of two blocks of marble. The first is chiseled to represent a pile of stones, such as the Old Testament patriarchs would heap over a grave. On this, however, is set a Cross, the emblem of the New Testament Faith, done in white marble, like the lower piece, made to resemble wood-Portville is six miles from Olean, and work, with the grains and knots most

skilfully done. On the way home, a few hours of daylight were passed at Williamsport, where everything bespeaks thrift, enter-Mrs. Humiston's family were living in prise, and growth. I had the pleasure the place, I felt great curiosity to visit of meeting an old and valued friend in them and report to the many friends of | Rev. Wm. Sterling, the patient and sucthe dead soldier at Gettysburg. I found cessful pastor of the Presbyterian church; a small, but very comfortable frame and this gratification was greatly heighthouse with a half-acre lot, laid out partly ened by inspecting a new house of worin garden and partly in fruit trees, with | ship, rapidly rising, for the use of his cona small barn in her possession, and kept gregation. It will be built tastefully and and furnished with every improvement; destined, doubtless, long to remain the birth-place of heavenly hopes. "Because of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek thy good." W. W. T.

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THE YEAR-DAY THEORY.

In our Review there is a notice of Mr. Shimeall's new book on prophecy. In this notice, the Year-Day Theory is spoken of as "of Cabalistic origin and a convenient device to sustain the wildest possible vagaries of prognosticators and would-be prophets."

The reviewer, in attacking this theory which supposes a day in the prophetic language to signify a year in actual time), seems to think he is attacking and demolishing the very foundation of Millennarianism. He seems to think that this theory is peculiar to the believers in the personal Advent and Reign of the Son of Man on the earth.

So also, in those articles which Dr. Hatfield published in several numbers of the Review as an argument against Chiliasm, the same mistake is made, and the Year-Day Theory attacked as if it were essential and peculiar to Millennarians.

So far is this supposition from being true that this theory is quite as common among anti-Millennarians as among the send it home rejuvenated for further laclass of interperters so much despised and hated by the reviewer. All that class of anti-Millennarians who consider the Apocalypse as a prophectic history of the Christian dispensation, adopt this theory. It is only by the aid of this theory that they are able to stretch the one thousand two hundred and sixty days, and other similar periods of the prophecy so as to find in the Apocalypse, Mohammed and Islamism, the Popes and the Papacy, the Irruption of the Barbarians, and the French Revolution. Mr. Barnes, who is sufficiently decided

his opposition to Chiliasm, adop

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REGIONS.

MORAL ASPECTS OF OILDOM. These seem very similar to that of

camp, not for the enjoyment of Gospel

ordinances, but to fight. Should any

Yours. REV. A. M. STEWART IN THE OIL

We do not wonder that we found the majority of the people in all our travels through Nova Scotia, Prince Edward's

States. At Portland we took the Grand Trunk

Railroad for White Mountains. The day we ascended Mt. Washington, towering six thousand two hundred feet in the air, was said to have been the finest of

on the first day of July, we stood a long

time on the same spot, waiting for the clouds to clear away, shivering in the cold, which was so intense that the rocks around us were covered with ice. But this time we could see the ships

views, are always untruthful or unsafe.

II. It would seems that the culture

son has demolished sensualism, as a The present stage of theologic specu- philosophic system, and pronounced such

So, too, pure idealism, with its sceptical conclusions, has been rejected as fied with a sort of ecclecticism, quite a more sturdy opponent than it has ever with nature ; by unceasing struggles to their morals, but their morals will of Jesus." She now seems to be in-

> wild and interesting tract of country, first glimpse of the Bay of Fundy. but great strength, and swiftness, and twenty to fifty feet. bay where the mud is deep, as the tide recedes the ships sink deeply. When the water comes pouring into the bay

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which are so firmly anchored by their

glutinous surroundings, for some time DEAR BROTHER :--- My last letter was they give no signs of yielding to the strong lateral pressure of the aqueous commend themselves to us as humble in 66 deg. 12 min. Some account of our distance off, that chanced to be in the channel while at ebb tide, began gently

to rise the very moment it changed, We could scarcely realize, while there, these, in their slimy bed, seemed satisfied that are active and earnest, strong and that we had by the power of steam been to remain just as they were. But still organization, yet the man on whom self-reliant. Weak and fearful persons borne so swiftly away, and that one as the persevering water rose higher are very apt to put on the robes of thousand one hundred and sixty-three and higher, at length, unable to resist off to Pit Hole with his business on Monecclecticism, simply because they deem miles of the salt-sea waves rolled be- its force, these foolish vessels, as if enit safer and easier to sit as judges than tween us and the city of Boston, which dowed with wisdom, come bounding to to agitate as advocates. These ecclectic we had left but a little more than a week the surface, sometimes rising several

So it occurred to me that when God pours out his spirit upon churches and have no reputation for nerve or fire. as the sun was tinging their tops with individuals, while some seem almost True ecclecticism is admirable; but it is crimson and gold, rolled out into the imperceptibly to yield to its influence and rise to "newness of life," others views, not in that they are sharply de-porpoises, which are only found in that seem so deeply sunk in worldliness fined and strong, but because it believes region, in their playful gambols were and sin that a stronger and more them untrue. We honor the sturdy and throwing their milky sides above the persistent power seems necessary to in- hardly pays to remove it, and hence in bright link; whilst the softness and duce them to leave their groveling exist-

I shall not soon forget the thoughts of ence. But when, at last, God, with such The valley of the Oil Creek, and up the in rich proportion and finished relation, itself sincerely to the work of finding gratitude to God which filled my heart mighty power, pours "FLOODS UPON THE side of the steep bluffs for many miles, agreement between doctrines seemingly as I walked the deck, breathing in the DBY GROUND," that none seem able to as well as many adjacent localities, variant, but really reconcilable; but we fresh cool air of that delightful evening. resist, then those who had so defiantly seem almost covered with these quaint, condemn mere indefinite, negative views, It was four years almost to day since I clung to their evil habits "suddenly" sombre, unique structures. The hunwhen they proceed from sheer mental passed over these same waters on board' cry out, with Peter, "Lord, save or I dreds and thousands of these erections inertness or timidity. We relish a strong the Great Western, with three thousand perish," and find at once the hand of present a peculiarly desolate appearance doctrine, sharply stated. We like men souls, on our way to Quebec. It was the loving Saviour stretched forth to In some localities they almost touch character, that had shone in every reto take perilous places on the outskirts then my purpose, after a few months' bear them up upon the flood-tide of each other. Memory has been taxed for have strength and valor enough to main- The war in the States was absorbing more remarkable and sudden, but they fitting likeness. Imagination suggests votion of Florence Nightingale, she had tain the conflict. Indeed, nothing is all minds, and Dr. Hopkins, of Williams' are in reality no more sudden than long irregular rows of gallows on which labored as a volunteer soldiers' nurse, more refreshing than to see a warrior College, whom I had met in Paris but a those that were more gentle in their might have been hung many ancient in the hospitals of New York, and the for the truth, who, in long and thorough few weeks before, had told me that he manifestations. True, many of the best rebel gaints-numerous Dutch fleets long dreadful fever there contracted laid the courses of discipline and culture, has thought it would be impossible to turn Christians never know the time when since stranded, and their cumbrous old foundation of her mortality. The sudden

emigrating to Oildom, and with no signs of improvement here. tance of about ninety miles, through a

effected or are aiming at organizations and Saturday afternoon we caught our in different localities, with, however, We were all anxious to witness the irregular and often doubtful success remarkable phenomena connected with When, after much effort and perseverance, a religious organization or cothe high tides of those regions, which rise in different parts of the bay from operation was effected in camp, the next terrible battle was most likely to send When we arrived at St. John's there one-half of it to heaven and the other to the hospital. So here, the next locality lay in the harbor just before our hotel, on the full tide, a large steamer; but in that may chance to get up a great excitement, will likely carry off to it a the morning it was out of sight almost. We could scarce believe our eyes, so large portion of the adherents some toilchanged was the whole appearance of ing missionary has been gathering around him. The population floats. the harbor. I then witnessed a striking The thought seldom seems to be enterillustration of the difference between what are called "sudden and gradual tained of arranging a habitation for a

> the church. A few on the hills around Oil City, seem to have built houses with the intention of living in them. Last Sabbath, I preached under an

old shed at Petroleum Centre. Good congregation and attentive. Much easier to get a congregation in such a place Regular preaching has been had in this place for the past two or three months. Some consultation about a church most seemed to depend, told me he was day morning.

DERRICK.

The derrick in Oildom may fairly be looked upon as an institution. It is a cemetery, to look upon the grave of a each well to be sunk, about fifteen feet are speedily abandoned. The derrick

God's love. Such conversions seem comparisons, but refuses to yield any

strong wooden frame-work erected over | friend greatly esteemed and lamented. The cemetery lies on one of the easy square on the ground, forty to fifty feet slopes running down to Keuka or high and tapering to the top. Nineteen | Crooked Lake, and if any connection can out of twenty wells either prove oilless be imagined between the resting place or yield so small a quantity that they of a wearied body and that of a happy soul, this beautiful scene will furnish the nearly every instance is left standing. grace of land and water, as they mingle cannot well be ever banished from the memory.

On the top of a gentle knoll, commanding all the bewitching outlines, in a family lot richly enclosed, our friend was laid. She was a woman of noble lation of life. Among thousands of her sex, each of whom had rivalled the debeen forging for himself close-linked the attention of Christians in numbers to they caught their first glimpse of "Christ masts still left to bleach in sun and rain, removal of two young children completed

this theory-argues it in Daniel and applies it in the Apocalypse.

And besides adopting this theory, this class of anti-Millennarians apply the prophecies to very nearly the same series of events as those to which Dr. Cumming, and that the whole class of Millennarians, apply them; these two opposing classes of interperters not differing in this respect much more from each other, than the individuals of either party differ among themselves. And further, Mr. Barnes and that class of anti-Millennarians have so used up the prophecies in their application of them to past events, that there is very little yet to be fulfilled, and according to their own showing, if the Year-Day Theory be correct, the millennium cannot be much further off than Dr. Cumming and his party make it.

But not only is the Year-Day Theory not peculiar to Millennarians, and common to them with their opponents, it is also REJECTED as "of Cabalistic origin and a convenient device to sustain the wildest possible vagaries of prognosticators and would-be prophets," by a large class of the most thorough and earnest Millennarians. To this latter class of Chiliasts, the Advent and Personal Reign of Christ is the motive which shapes their daily life. It is the ever present consideration in every plan they make and every work they undertake to do. It is their loyalty to the coming King that makes them indifferent to earthly politics and unseduced by earthly honors. To them Millennarianism is not merely an interesting way of interpreting prophecy, nor a means of obtaining reputation.

These Chiliasts regard the Year-Day Theory, whether held by Millennarians or their opponents, with the same abhorrence with which they look upon Dr. Cumming's worldly wisdom, his flattery of the mean and wicked British Government and people, and his wresting of the Scripture so as to teach the escape of Britain from those impending judgments which are coming on all the world.

We hope the Review will succeed in its attempts to overthrow this baseless and deceptive theory, but beg its readers to remember that its utter destruction will not shake for a moment the foundations of pure Chiliasm. D. G. M.

THERE is a world of beautiful meaning in the following rather liberal translation from Freville:

"As the clock strikes the hour, how often we say, 'Time flies!' when "tis we that are passing away."