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ffrom the Western Christian Advocate.] A CHRISTMAS IDYL.

BY REV. DAVID H. MOORE. When Christ's eternal glories took
The humble form of clay.
Twas myster; to the angels' look,
And has been to this day.

Yet need I leave myself to nid A wonder high as great— The wedlock of immortal mind To matter's low estate?

Shut in by duty's iron bars, Nought but my body's stave, My mind, more free toan yender stars, Doth bold defiance wave.

And while a slave my body bends
to tells by duty g.ven.
Ity mind its glances apward sends,
And joys in hope of heav.n. And when my body falls and dies, and due, returns to dust, My mind then cleaves the yielding skies, Andjoins the sainted just.

No more unequal pair, 'twould seem, Make earth of ours their home— The one to labor, else I dream, The other tree to roum. But born of e'en such wedlock strange Are thou, hts immortal given, And beings of such lofty tange As people fabled heaving Olympus shook beneath the tread Of b-ings such as they and ocean reared its formy head, Their mandates to obe.

And mountains now in all our lands Their hoarded treasures yield To those who in their royal bands, Such royal scepters wield: As from the earth, and sea, and sky, Their willing subjects tring. To bow to powers that cannot die, And own that Thought is king.

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And last, the body lifted up
From ut the grave shill rise.
For bod will take the chrismal cup
And into life saptize.

Then mind and body joined anew,
More equal by the change,
Shall pubs of heav 'my life pursue,
And fields elysian range.

ST. PALL'S, Delaware, Dec. 26, 1888.

EPHEMERIS

-Boston has 574 doctors. . -Punston is lecturing in Chicago. -Train has a new financial scheme. -John Bright has dined with Victoria. -Salm Salm has joined the Prussian ser-

-Bateman sold out his Opera Bouffe for \$60,000. -Gen. Phil. Kearney's widow is living in

Indianapolis. -A mine of tin ore has been found near Winslow, Me.

-Baltimore has 49,000 houses and 352,-136 inhabitants. -The statue of Isabella in Havana has

been taken down. -Bismarck would like to see Montpensier on the Spanish throne. -A grand chess tournament is now in

progress in New York. -One hundred and fifty dollars a piece is the price of white camelias. -The last English colliery explosion des-

troyed only twenty-four lives. -Brigham Young now wants to build million dollars worth of hotel. -George Francis Train still talks in New

York, but he has few listeners. -Leotard has emulated Isabella by hav ing a fall. He did it in England.

-The library of the late Marquis of Hastings sold at auction for \$25,000 gold. -New Zealand has been indulging in quite a nice little batch of earthquakes.

-General Rosseau left a widow, five children and a \$10,000 life insurance policy. -Minnesota has a legislature, not one member of which was born in the State. -Colored candy poisoned forty person

at a private party in Brooklyn the other day. -Money is easy and business is brisk now in California; only real estate is shaky. -Full dress day receptions are being in-

troduced in New York, but are not success--English orchestras are lowering their pitch and Simms Reeves sings with them

again. -Gen. Geo. H. Thomas thinks he was never a Democrat, and he ought to be able

to judge. -Mrs. Harriet Peale, widow of Rembrandt Peale, died in Philadelphia on the 12th inst.

-Fanny Fern proposes that ministers be paid for attending funerals. We thought they were.

-The Illinois Legislature is about to make the legal railroad fare for adults three cents per mile.

-Chicago now talks of bringing all the railroads into the city by means of underground tunnels.

-Mr. Seward is but 68 years of age, yet most people imagine him to be older by at least one decade. -Green Clay Smith has resigned the

Governorship of Montans and gone back to his farm in Kentcky. -On Sunday last the McDaniel block of

buildings was burned in Nashville, involving a loss of \$40,000. -"Clelia," Garibaldi's novel, has ap-

of the Papal priesthood. -Brigands have appeared in Austria and

recently robbed Prince Schwarzenberg of sixteen thousand florins. -Counterfeit fifty dollar greenbacks are

out. Persons should be careful and not get any mixed in with their change. -Some close observer has discovered

ladies in straightened circumstances. getting well, thereby disappointing griev. age, render her especially fit for just such a

ously his expectant heirs presumptive. -Anthony Trollope thinks that the Capitol buildings at Harrisburg are the ugliest

and the most inconvenient in the country. -The Spanish Infanta and her husband,

Count Girgenti, are living at a retired village on the coast of England, near Brigh--Henry Ward Beecher has always been wonderful. When he was a student he says

he often walked thirty and once fifty miles

prairie fires are stopped by the roads and widow's only son.

fields. The timber is too valuable to be wasted, and people guard it with a jealous

-In spite of extravagant puffing Minnie Hauck had a grand success before a critical Parisian audience in Patti's favorite role of Amina. -Memphis rebel papers are doing all they

can towards increasing the feeling of hatred between the two parties in Arkansas and Tennessee. -A beautiful and elaborate memorial tablet has recently been put up in Westmin-

ster Abbey over the tomb of the poet Chaucer. -Christmas day was so cold near St. Augustine, Florida, that oranges froze solid on the trees, and the mercury was down to 17

degrees above zero. -Church, the artist, says he never had a clear idea of Eden until he had been in the Orient. Whether he has had one since

or not he don't say. -A canary bird at Rochester, N. Y., knows several tunes, but has become so patriotic recently that it will sing nothing but Yankee Doodle.

-Shakespeare's Twelfth Night is to be brought out in Philadelphia next week, at the Arch Street Theatre, by the best stock company in America.

-A little girl only thirteen years old, living in Burlington, Iowa, upon being reproved for meddling with a clock the other day, took offence and killed herself. -Miss Martineau says Lord Palmerston

never inspired, in any sort of mind, any belief in him, beyond confidence in his ability to avert evil or to get out of mischief. -General McClellan will deliver an address before the Mercantile Library Asso-

ciation of Boston on the next anniversary of the birth of the Father of his Country. -Wall street speculators have been buying up the claims of ci derant loyal Southerners, expecting to make-a good thing of them after the Sue Murphy bill has passed

Congress. -There are in New York 356 Protestant Churches and 74 Catholic ones capable in Schomacker's Gold Medai Piano, all of seating about 300,000 persons. There are also 381 sunday schools, attended by

117,450 children. -A London witness having told a London magistrate that he was a penman, was asked in what part of literature he wielded his pen, when he replied that he penned sheep in Smithfield market.

-Minnesota farmers are raising fences. They use cottonwood, gray willow, white maple, black oak and white plum. From three to five years are sufficient to raise a

living fence, to protect the felds. -On January 1st, 1869, the number of whaling vessels owned in the United States was 328, a decrease of 4 since January 1st, 1867. Of these 183 completed voyages and arrived in port during the past year.

-Napoleon presented New Orleans with copy of his Life of Cæsar. The city has had the yolumes very richly bound in heavy antique morecco, red and ernamented with gold, with the seal of the city on each cover in a sunken diamond.

-Ada Webb is going to marry the Californian after all. The reason of the breaking of the engagement is not generally known, but it is generally supposed to have been done because the young man didn't

want to have a palmiped wife. -On the hundredth anniversary of the introduction of vaccination into Prussia, the government has offered a prize of 3,000 oubles (\$2,000) for the best history of that treatment. The essays can be written in

any modern European language. -The Paris Charivari of the 31st ult gives a ghastly engraving of Death, mounted on a velocipede, going his rounds, notebook in hand, in a cemetery full of tembs and monuments, bearing the names of

Rothschild, Rossini, Berryer, &c. -The oil refiners of New York have published a reply to Prof. Chandler's recent report on burning fluids. They accuse him of getting his samples from retail vendors throughout the city and then blaming the refiners for the adulteration, which they assert is done after it has passed from the

hands of refiners. -The custom in Spain is to make Christmas boxes twelve days before Christmas Day. A magnificent box was sent by some royalist to General Prim, with a silver key attached; it was opened by his wife during a grand reception, and inside was found a miniature gallows with an effigy of the General, remarkably well executed, pen-

-Farwell Hall, in Chicago, which was burned down some time ago, has been rebuilt and is now one of the most elegant establishments of the kind in the world, with peared. It is very severe on the corruptions safety and convenience, as regards the modes of egress and ingress. We wish there was an auditorium in this city, whence, in case of fire, a few of the audience might hope

to escape. -Probably the most remarkable book of the present year will be Miss Harriet Martineau's new volume which is to appear in London, called Biographical Sketches that the Grecian bend is not indulged in by 1852-68. Miss Martineau's intimate personal acquaintance and correspondence -The young Prince Royal of Belgium is with most of the prominent persons of work as she has produced.

-A Parisian savant informs the world that "glovers make gloves of a peculiar form for the North American trade, which Euro--English surgeons pleasantly inform pean hands could not wear. The fingers Chang and Eng that the divorcing opera- are made of an apparently unreasonable tion they are about to undergo will kill them. length, but which barely suffices for the exigencies of a Yankee hand." He concludes from this and other signs that we are rapidly acquiring the physical and mental peculiarities of the Indian.

-The German papers mention a melancholy case of suicide and filial devotion. A widow had two sons, the eldest of whom supported the family. He recently was -Mr. C. C. Perkins, of Boston, has been ordered to join the army, having fallen into elected a member of the Institute of France. the conscription. The younger brother, He is the first American recipient of this feeling himself unable to support his aged mother, shot himself through the heart, There is more timber in Southern Min- thereby liberating the elder brother from nesots than there was ten years ago. The military service, on account of his being a

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