Poetry.

On Revisiting the Place where I had been at School.

BY JAMES COCHRANE.

Scenes every day or year beheld,
No food for meditation yield,
And rarely touch the heart;
But those by manhood left behind,
Revisited, impress the mind,
And wisdom oft impart.

Thus day by day I pass the spot
Unheeded, if not quite forgot,
Where played the sportive elf;
Yet see no checkering shadows dark
Steal o'er the scene, nor scarcely mark
A change upon myself.

But 't is not so, as here I gaze
On scenes not seen since school-boy days,
When pleasure could not pall:
My joys and sports, my playmates, too,
My hopes and fears, all rise to view;
I ask where are they all?

But yet, methinks, the landscape seems
Not such as fancy fondly deems;
Less rustic looks the plough;
Those windings that once long appeared,
Those trees that high their branches reared,
How short and tiny now?

The village tower appears no more,
With dark green ivy mantled o'er;
I hear no curfew ring;
Nor thrush nor blackbird tell their loves,
Nor little linnets in the groves,
Although the season's Spring.

Was all then but a fairy dream,
As emblemed in the mountain stream
The flowery turf that tears?
The clay soon moistens and falls down,
The daisy that the turf did crown,
The torrent onward bears.

No, 'tis no dream; the scene's unchanged;
Thyself art from thyself estranged:
The man is not the boy;
And age (if age shall ere be thine,)
Shall teach thee for those things to pine,
That scarcely now give joy.

J. S. C.

For the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate.

Letters

OF THE REV. JOHN SMITH, A PRESBYTERIAN MINISTER, TO HIS BROTHER, THE REV. PETER SMITH, A METHODIST PREACHER.

LETTER VI.

DEAR BROTHER:—The writer of the Epistle to the Romans, after expatiating on the deep things of God, the entrance of sin into the world by the first man; the superabounding grace of the second Man; the rejection of the Jews; the calling of the Gentiles; the sovereignty which has mercy on whom it will have mercy, and hardens whom it will harden—triumphantly challenges any one, man or angel, to show that the Creator is in his debt, and, if this can be made to appear, assures the modest claimant, in terms of lofty satire, that it shall be recompensed to him again. The Apostle probably never suspected that this challenge, so boldly given, would be as boldly accepted. He could hardly have foreseen that in future ages a branch of the Christian Church, pluming itself on its superior sanctity, claiming to be the special depository of Gospel grace, and numbering its membership by hundreds of thousands, would actually stand forth, and, in behalf of all the sinners from the beginning to the end of time, set up a plea against Jehovah himself, for damages sustained by them in the fall of their great forefather. The united body of Arminian Methodists, Episcopal and non-Episcopal, hold it as an article of faith, that after the fatal revolt in Eden, God, as a just and righteous Being, was under obligation to do one of two things; to destroy Adam at once, or to make compensation to his posterity for the loss they sustained in that great catastrophe.*

"Had not God provided a Redeemer," says Dr. Adam Clarke, your favorite Commentator, "he no doubt would have terminated the whole mortal story, by cutting off the original transgressors; for it would have been unjust to permit them to propagate their like in such circumstances; that their offspring must be unavoidably and eternally miserable." For, as the Rev. Dr. R. S. Foster argues, "the parent might be to blame, but how could a whole race be to blame for that over which they had no more control than the angel Gabriel?" As a matter of fact, the original transgressors were not cut off, but were permitted to propagate their like. To meet this difficulty, a difficulty that presses alike on men of every creed, and of no creed, you Arminians have, with your usual ingenuity, invented the convenient doctrine of compensation. "It is impossible," says the Rev. Richard Watson, in his Theological Institutes, a standard authority in your Church, "it is impossible to impeach the equity of the Divine procedure, since no man suffers any loss or injury ultimately by the sin of Adam, but by his own willful obstinacy—the abounding grace by Christ having placed before all men, upon their believing, not merely *compensation* for the loss and injury sustained by Adam, but infinitely higher blessings, both in kind and degree, than were forfeited by him." The argument of Mr. Watson is to this effect: since Christ has died for sinners, it is now impossible to impeach the equity of the Divine procedure, full compensation having been made for the loss and injury sustained by Adam. But suppose that Christ had not died—what then? Suppose that compensation had not been rendered. The inference is plain. In that case the equity of the Divine procedure *might have been impeached*, and there is no doubt *would be impeached*, by the unanimous suffrages of all the Methodist Conferences in Europe and America. The Arminian theory may be stated thus: The first transgressors ought to have been cut off to prevent the propagation of their like; but since they were not cut off, their posterity could in justice demand redress of their Maker. Justice required that compensation should be made, that a remedy should be provided for the wide-spread evils of the fall. And now that these claims have been met, damages paid, and losses made up, under such circumstances it is impossible to impeach the equity of the Divine procedure. Men cannot now reasonably find fault. A monarch, contrary to every principle of right, deprives a subject of an estate worth a hundred thousand dollars, and compensates him for this act of injustice, by giving him another estate worth a million. It is impossible, according to the Arminian way of thinking, to impeach the equity of this ruler's procedure, since the subject sustains no ultimate loss, but actually receives back a much larger sum than was taken from him. But can a subsequent benefit, however valuable, sanctify a crime? Is it ever right to do evil, that good may come? You rob a man of all he is worth, and afterwards repay him with interest. You may make him perfectly satisfied; he may be even thankful for having been robbed; this cannot alter the nature of the first act. You may pay principal and interest, doubled and trebled in the bargain; if you deprived him unlawfully of what was his own, you did what you had no right to do—you are a robber still. If God, by a gratuitous act, brought the human race into a situation into which it was not right to bring them; if, after placing them on trial in the person of their federal head and representative, he had not the right to leave them to all the consequences of that trial—a wrong of portentous magnitude was perpetrated. No subsequent benefits could change the nature of that wrong. Not all the blessings, temporal and spiritual, bestowed, and to be bestowed, not all the grace, common and special, conferred, and to be conferred—not even the gift of his only-begotten Son to redeem, nor the gift of the Holy Spirit to regenerate and sanctify, could balance the awful account, could afford a proper compensation to mankind for such a gigantic wrong.

JOHN SMITH.

Literary Notices.

THE TYPOLOGY OF SCRIPTURE: Viewed in Connexion with the Entire Scheme of the Divine Dispensation. By *Patrick Fairbairn*, D.D., Professor of Divinity, Free Church College, Glasgow. Philadelphia: *William S. and Alfred Martien.* Pittsburgh: *John S. Davison.* 1859. 2 vols. 8vo., pp. 399, 452.

We are always inclined to look with favor upon every attempt to interpret upon correct principle, the Word of God, and upon every work adapted to assist ministers and others in understanding the connexions, the history, the imagery, the doctrines, and the spirit of the Holy Scriptures. The author of the present volumes has long occupied a distinguished and honorable place among Biblical students, and his researches have been in a field, for the most part, unoccupied, at least, as a distinct subject of investigation. The Typology of Scripture has not been neglected, but yet it is so intimately connected with Old Testament history and prophecy, and has so much to do with a proper comprehension of the New Testament, that it is somewhat strange it had not long ago received more definite and special attention from the learned and competent. Many difficulties are connected with the subject, and it was not to be expected that all Dr. Fairbairn's views would be universally accepted. But the estimate placed upon his labors by the Church in his own land, and in this country, shows that they are highly appreciated. This edition appears most opportunely, for this is a time when much attention is given to the study of unfulfilled prophecy, and when there is an unusual amount of crude and ill-digested interpretation, owing to the imperfect and limited views entertained of the scope, design, and meaning of Scriptural types. The student who carefully studies these volumes, will find his knowledge of the Old Testament, and his interest in it, vastly increased; and the minister who becomes familiar with them will speedily acquire an enlarged knowledge of Scripture, that will add freshness, richness, vigor and power to his pulpit ministrations. We would be pleased to see these volumes in the libraries of all ministers, theological students, and Bible-reading Christians.

Messrs. Martien have brought out the work in excellent style, as they have done with all their late publications.

THE CRUCIFIXION OF CHRIST. By *Daniel H. Hill*, Superintendent of the North Carolina Military Institute, and late Brevet Major in the United States Army. 12mo., pp. 345. Philadelphia: *Wm. S. and Alfred Martien.* Pittsburgh: *John S. Davison.* 1859.

We do like to get our eye upon a work devoted to the discussion of any religious subject by an intelligent, able, pious, and orthodox layman. We like to see the rank and file of the great army of Christians coming to the help of the Lord against the mighty. Works written by such persons may not have the theological exactness and finish, the profound research, or the depth of critical exegesis of the professional Divine. But the subjects are viewed from new points of observation, the writers have had the advantage of more intercourse with the world, they have had the opportunity of learning many popular difficulties and objections, from which others have been excluded, and many will read the writings of such, who would not give a moment's thought to the elaborate volume of the mere theologian. Major Hill had already acquired a very fair reputation, by his work on the Sermon on the Mount. In the present volume he considers a subject of incomparable interest to every friend of the Lord Jesus Christ. This volume is based somewhat on the plan of Paley's *Horæ Paulinæ.* The statements of the writers of the four Gospels, are investigated and weighed according to the established laws of evidence, and their credibility perfectly established. And one great peculiarity and merit of the work, is, that the undesigned coincidences in the different inspired histories are clearly and happily brought out, while the doubts raised by the sneers and cavils of infidels, are effectually silenced. The style is agreeable and perspicuous, the spirit displayed is admirable, and the argument is conclusive.

THE TRUE PSALMODY; or, The Bible Psalms the Church's only Manual of Praise. Second Edition. Pp. 246. Philadelphia: *Wm. S. Young.* Pittsburgh: *W. S. Rentoul.* 1859.

A number of the ministers and elders of the Reformed and United Presbyterian Churches of Philadelphia, met together on the 16th of August, 1858, and appointed a committee, consisting of Revs. J. M. Willson, J. T. Cooper, and Robert J. Black, to which Rev. Wm. Sterret was subsequently added, to prepare from existing treatises a work in favor of the exclusive use of the Psalmody approved by these denominations, as the matter of the Church's praise. The result is the work before us, of which this is the second edition. The character of the gentlemen engaged in the compilation of this work, and the fact that its outline was unanimously approved at an adjourned meeting of the same ministers and elders, is ample evidence that this is considered the strongest plea that can be urged in favor of the exclusive use of the Psalmody authorized by the Churches represented. But our brethren of those Churches will permit us to say that those who differ with them on that subject, do not for a moment admit that the terms, "Psalms of David," "Book of Psalms," "Scriptural Psalms," "Inspired Psalms," &c., are to be used as identical, and signifying only the one hundred and fifty Psalms of the Old Testament. Nor do we believe that a careful perusal of the work will do aught toward convincing any one not previously committed, of the propriety of the exclusive claims set forth by these Churches.

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For the Ladies.

Power of a Mother's Name.

It is hard for the most abandoned criminal to forget a mother's love, or to be insensible to the memories of a pure and happy home in childhood. A writer in the *Times* describes a visit to the Philadelphia Penitentiary, in which he witnessed an interview between the warden and a young man about to enter on his imprisonment:

We passed on to the ante-room again, where we encountered a new comer, who had just reached the prison as we entered. He had been sent up for five years on a charge of embezzlement.

He was attired in the latest style of fashion, and possessed all the *nonchalence* and careless appearance of a genteel rowdy. He twirled his watch chain, looking particularly knowing at a couple of ladies who chanced to be present, and seemed utterly indifferent about himself or the predicament he was placed in. The warden read his commitment, and addressed him with:

"Charles, I am sorry to see thee here."
"It can't be helped, old fellow."
"What is thy age, Charles?"
"Twenty-three."
"A Philadelphian?"
"Well, kinder, and kinder not."
"Thee has disgraced thyself sadly,"
"Well, I aint troubled, old stick."
"Thee looks not like a rogue."
"Matter of opinion."
"Thee was well situated?"
"Yes, well enough."
"In good employ?"
"Well, so so."
"And thee has parents?"
"Yes."
"Perhaps thee has a mother, Charles."

The convict had been standing during the brief dialogue perfectly unconcerned and reckless, until this last interrogatory was put. Had a thunderbolt struck him, he could not have fallen more suddenly than he did when the name of "mother" fell on his ear. He sank into a chair—a torrent of tears gushed from his eyes—the very fountain of his heart seemed to have burst on the instant. He recovered partially, and said imploringly to the warden:

"Do n't, sir, for God's sake, do n't call her name in this dreadful place! Do what you may with me, but don't mention that name to me!"

There were tears in other eyes besides the prisoner's, and an aching silence pervaded the group which surrounded the unfortunate convict.

The black cap was drawn over his eyes. He was led to an adjoining apartment and stripped, and shortly afterwards he reappeared on the corridor. He passed silently in charge of a deputy-keeper to a lonley cell in a distant part of the prison, the door creaked on its hinges, he disappeared, the chain dropped from the outside bolts, and Charles was a close prisoner for five years to come.

For the Young.

Right Feelings; or, "Harden not your Hearts, Boys."

John H—— was a bluff boy of fifteen. He was a smart, active, fearless fellow. The boys thought a good deal of him, and he thought a good deal of himself.

On one occasion, his father had business which called him far away; and, as the eldest boy, he had a kind of oversight entrusted to him. John did well for several days, acting under the counsel of his mother, just as he ought to have done. By and by he grew impatient, and did many things quite independent of her. The younger children did not like his sayings and doings at all. "He orders us round," they said, "as if he were king." At last he took the entire management of things, and one day acted not only against his mother's wishes, but talked very ill naturedly to her.

Going to bed that night, he could not sleep. His conduct toward his mother troubled him, and he tossed from one side of the bed to the other, trying to get an easy place. He blamed the bed, and the servant who made it; and then he thought he was sick, and continued to toss on for some time; in fact, John suspected what the matter really was, only he was too proud to own it. He knew it was his treatment of his mother that troubled him. And, for a long while, he tried to sleep it off, or think of something else, or excuse himself in one way or another. Happily, John did not succeed. Conscience would do its work, and John listened to all it said; and the consequence was, that pretty near midnight—for it was as late as that—the boy got up, stole to his mother's chamber, and, with tears in his eyes and penitence in his heart, begged her to forgive him. "And oh!" he says—now that he is a man—"it was the sweetest moment of my life, when I was forgiven."

That hour was the turning point in the boy's life. If he had *hardened himself* that night, the next day he would probably have behaved worse than before, and so on and on, until the bad boy had become the bad man. But John yielded to the voice of conscience, and he made thorough work of it. He confessed his fault, and asked to be forgiven, and experienced the sweets (they are real sweets) of forgiveness. The next day John's management was improved. He was more kind and considerate toward his brothers and sisters, and respectful toward his mother; and he was prepared by it afterwards to taste the sweets of God's forgiveness and favor. And his word to every boy now is, "If you have wronged your mother, be sure to own your fault, and ask to be forgiven." *Harden not your hearts, boys.—Early Days.*

Boys Be Neat.

"When I was six years old," said a well-known merchant, "my father died, leaving nothing to my mother but the charge of myself and two young sisters. After selling the greater part of the household furniture she had owned, she took two small upper rooms in W—— street, and there by her needle contrived in some way—how, I cannot conceive, when I recollect the bare pittance for which she worked—to support us in comfort. Frequently, however, I remember our supper consisted simply of a slice of bread, seasoned by hunger, and rendered inviting by the neat manner in which our repast was served, our table always being spread with a cloth, which like my good mother's heart, seemed ever to preserve a snow-white purity."

Wiping his eyes, the merchant continued: "Speaking of those days reminds me of the time when we sat down to the table one evening, and my mother had asked the blessing of our heavenly Father on her little defenceless ones, in tones of tender pathos, which I remember yet, and which, if possible, must have made the angels weep, she divided the little remnant of her only loaf into three pieces, placing one on each of our plates, but reserving none for herself. I stole around to her, and was about to tell her that I was not hungry, when a flood of tears burst from her eyes, and she clasped me to her bosom. Our meal was untouched; we sat up late that night; but what we said I cannot tell. I know that my mother talked to me more as a companion than a child, and that when we kneeled down to pray, I consecrated myself to be the Lord's, and to serve my mother.

"But," said he, "this is not telling how neatness made my fortune. It was some time after this that my mother found an advertisement in the newspaper for an errand boy in a commission house in B. street. Without being necessitated to wait to have my clothes mended, for my mother always kept them in perfect order, and although on a minute inspection they bore traces of more than one patch, yet on the whole they had a very respectable air; without being obliged to wait even to polish my shoes, for my mother always kept a box of blacking with which my cowhide must be dressed off before I took my breakfast; without waiting to arrange my hair, for I had been obliged to observe from my earliest youth the most perfect neatness in every respect, my mother sent me to see if I could obtain the situation. With a light step I started, for I had a long time wished to do something to assist her.

"My heart beat fast, I assure you, as I turned out of W—— into B—— street, and made my way along to the number my mother had given me. I summoned all the courage I could muster, and stepped briskly into the store, and made known the reason of my calling. The merchant smiled, and told me there was another boy who had come in a little before me he thought he should hire. However, he asked me some questions, and then went out and conversed with the other boy, who stood in the back part of the office. The result was, that the lad who first applied was dismissed, and I entered the merchant's employment, first as an errand boy, then as a clerk, afterward his partner, till his death, when he left me the whole business, stock, etc. After I had been in his service some years, he told me the reason he chose me in preference to the other boy was because of the general neatness of my person; while in reference to the other lad, he noticed that he neglected to properly tuck down his vest. To this circumstance has probably been owing the greater part of my success in business."

Agricultural.

Barn Building.

We often see in some papers, cuts and drawings for buildings. These usually recommend almost anything rather than economy. Quirks and crooks are represented as ornamental in the roofs as well as in the walls.

These crooked ways are quite costly in farm buildings, and particularly in the construction of roofs. The first consideration in building a large barn, is to see that it shall turn off all the water that falls on the roof. If the barn falls in this, it is no better than a stack yard, where the larger part of the hay may be well secured without a barn.

The roof should be formed in the plainest manner. Let there be no hip joints or triangular spaces to be covered with boards and shingles, for the boards and shingles all come in right angle form; and if you make hipped roofs or anything in that form, you must cut up your lumber to conform, and you waste a large portion of it.

Roofs in particular, should be square or oblong, for modern shingles will not last always, and a good building may bear to be shingled many times before it is too old for use.

Now, every time when a new set of shingles is put on, the same waste is made as at first. Many of the shingles must be cut into triangles to conform to the triangular platform, and the loss in shingles thus cut away must be added to the extra labor of the carpenter. This is to be repeated as often as the building is shingled. If nothing else about a building is to be plain and square, let the roof at least be rectangular.

Eave troughs are useful when they are set right. But it too often happens that they are worse than nothing. Carpenters seem to think they ought to be set level with the plate of the barn or house. But water will not run well on a level, and the gutters are filled with sudden showers. The water runs over where there is no pipe to convey it off, and does more mischief than where there is no trough.

In the Winter season the trough is filled with snow and ice, and storms come in under the eaves and over the plates, doing much mischief inside. Costly buildings in Boston are often made with such eave troughs as these. The builders should see to this.

Brine for Butter.

A good brine is made for butter by dissolving a quart of fine salt, a pound of loaf sugar, and a teaspoonful of saltpetre in two quarts of water, and then strain it on the butter. Packed butter is most perfectly preserved sweet by setting the firkins into a larger firkin, and filling it with good brine, and covering it. Butter will keep sweet a year thus.

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