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LETTERS. For the Presbyterian Banner. Of the Rev. John Smith, a Presbyterian Minister.

LETTER XXII. REV. PETER SMITH—Dear Brother—There are two very important questions which I now present for your attention.

The second fact, acknowledged alike by Arminians and Calvinists, is that a certain portion of mankind do come to the Lord Jesus to be saved.

Dear Name, the Rock on which they build, Their Shield and Hiding-place, Their never-failing Fortress.

Here, then, are two stupendous facts—one man come to the Lord Jesus Christ, and another man come to the Lord Jesus Christ.

But though we are agreed on this point, we are not agreed on this other question: "Why do sinners come to Christ for salvation?"

Free Communion in Scotland. MESSRS. EDITORS—In a recent editorial you alluded to the case of Rev. Mr. Davidson.

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pend upon it, the churches on this side, which have been singing paraphrases and hymns for a long time, will not be offended.

EUROPEAN CORRESPONDENCE. REV. DR. MONTGOMERY AND HIS DEPARTURE FROM SYRIA.

From Belfast—whether I have come to exchange pulpits for a few Lord's days with the Rev. Dr. Morgan—I address to yourself and readers my present communications.

Both gentlemen were on their way to Manchester, to take part in a public meeting there, in Dr. Murray's church, and at that moment they are probably in London.

At Scrabo Hill, a lofty elevation near the town of Newry, north of the city of Down, the base of the monument recently erected to the memory of the late Marquis of Londonderry.

The day on which this Sabbath School anniversary was held, was one of Summer's choicest and loveliest.

The great gathering in the Rector's field was addressed by a young lay gentleman, from Belfast—most excellent exceptions as well as by the Rev. Dr. Graham.

But were not the fathers of the Associate Reformed Church close communionists? The writer admits it, but replies thus: "This exclusive communion principle, which has been adopted by many as a rule of God's house, rests on no higher authority than the traditions of men."

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repeated of her triumph, for he instantly fled again, saying, "Drink now to my dishonor!"

Remorse and Despair. Charles IX., of France, was a modern Nero, as the memorable St. Bartholomew's massacre, conducted under his auspices, can testify.

Attending Public Worship. There is a growing tendency, even in New-England, to neglect public worship, or to give half the day to the sanctuary.

The Temptation. "Past twelve o'clock I sang out the watchman, as young Delamere staggered down Liberty Street toward his lodgings."

A Good Resolution. The following resolution was passed by the Pastoral Union of Connecticut, at its annual meeting, at East Windsor Hill, July 18th, 1860.

Training. Francis Quarles, an old writer who lived in the days of Charles First, says to his parents: "Be very vigilant over your child in the April of his understanding, lest the frost of May nip his blossoms."

A Settled Ministry. Richard Baxter cites among the causes of the success of his ministry, at Kidderminster, the fact that he was settled among the people for sixteen years.

The Characters of Jesus. We who are saved by grace, have room enough in our Redeemer's character for eternal love and wonder.

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