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Taggard. This secondivolute, in order of arrangement, and seventh in order of publication, contains Bacon's "Parasceve ad Historiam Naturalem e tiarum," both of which professed to contain parts of his grand instauration of philosophy.

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AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF WILLIAM NEILL, D.D.
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1921

In this comely volume we have an account of the life, character, and labors of an excellent preacher, a successful pastor, and a remarkably pious man, with Selections from his sermons and a commentorative Discourse, by the Rev. Joseph H. Jones, D. D. Not soon will we forget the Conditing address delivered by the venerable Dr. "Nettling at 'meeting of the Synod' of Philadelphin; in the church at the corner of 18th and "Arch Streets, two or three years ago. He then spake as one quite on the verge of heaven.

ald, THE EDINBURG REVIEW, for October, has elevens articles, viz. : Macaulay's History of England, (5th volume;) Montalembert's Works of the West; Lavernge on the Agriculture of France; O'Donoghue's Memoirs of the O'Briens; Citiningham's Church History of Scotland Whe Story of Burnt Njal; English Jurisprudence: Thier's Revolution of the Hundred Days; The Works of Elizabeth Barrett Browning; Dr. Hessey's Bampton Lectures; The Disunion of America. This is the Review in which Sydney Smithy Jeffrey; and Macaillay first (gained their laurels. It has always been distinguished for the thoroughness of its investigations and its trenchant style. But with respect to the great American question, now at issue, this Review, like the other able Quarterlies of Great Britain, seems be sadly in the dark. The closing sentence of the article in the present number, on Disunion, is sufficient evidence of this. The sentence is this: "It is not probable, from the nature of the operations, and from the inexperience of the belligerents, that any decisive military successes will be obtained; and if we might hazard a conjecture as to the issue of the contest, the would be that the two parties, tired but not satisfied, exhausted but not reconciled, will at last sullenly submit to a necessary separation." Most probably before the appearance of another number of the Edinburg, the falsity of this opinion will have been made sufficiently evident. Re-published by Leonard Scott & Co., 79 Ful-

Henry Miner, Fifth Street. Price \$3 per annum. for November, is a number of much and varied excellence. Political questions are eschewed, but the literary character is particularly good. The contents are: Chronicles of Carlingford; How the World treats Discoverers: Captain Clutterbuck's Champagne; A West Indian Reminiscence. Part II .- Mr. Buckle's Scientific Errors; Sir Cresswell Cresswell; The Stage of Weimar; The Inland Sea of Japan; The Cramming Sys-

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THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN QUARTER-LY REVIEW .- The number for October, which has just reached us, contains the following articles: I. Sabbath Schools their Origin and Progress; II. Exposition of Psalm xvi: 8-11; III. History of the Synod of Dort; IV. Entomology; V. Turretin on Calling; VI. Antagonism Essential to Development; VII. Luther and his Times; VIII. Short Notices. We regard this as an unusually able number of this Review. Notice is given that the next number will not be issued until April, 1862, when the Review, hitherto regarded as an experiment will be placed on a permanent footing. The United Presbyterian Church should give it the liberal support to which it is justly entitled.

HARPER'S MAGAZINE for December con tains the following excellent table of contents Coast Rangers of California; Making Money The Okavango River; A Wife's Story; Mount Victory; Orley Farm; The Reign of Sultan Abdul-Medjid; Still Unknown; Mr. and Mrs. Meyer; A Psalm of the Union; The Adventures of Philip: Col. Baker pand Blue Yarn Stockings. For sale in Pittsburgh by John P. Hunt, Masonic Hall, Fifth Street.

THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY for December is a very able number. Among the articles that will be read with special interest are in The Home of Lafayette," "A Rigid Night in the House of Commons," "Health in the Hospital," and "England and Emancipation." For sale in Pittsburgh by John P. Hunt, Masonic Hall, Fifth Street.

## For the Young.

Child Prayer.

Hear this simple prayer I offer!

Helpime to be good to day; May I call right thoughts about me, While I drive the bad away.

When I feel the selfish wishes Greeping in my little heart, May I then, my Heavenly Father, Think how good and kind thou art:

That thou ever givest to me All the blessings that are mine:
All the birds, the flowers, & SALTARI the clouds and bright sunshine.

For all have, O let me bless thee;
Tor mly own glad happy heart;
For only when I'm good and loving,

Can I know how goodsthou art. AND THE RESERVE THE TANK OF

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S. S. Magazine.

A Child's Answer.

Once in a Sunday School, a very little girl repeated the twenty-third Psalm very well, and so pleased a visitor who was present and heard her, that he kindly took a shilling from his pocket and said, "This is for your little lesson, my child."

The child's eye flashed with delight on what she never, perhaps, had had in her possession before, and she clasped her hands tightly over her prize.
"Now," said her father, "I see a great

many shops open in this quarter, though it is God's day. You must, on no account, spend that coin in any of them to day, but keep it till to-morrow. You understand. I won't be with you, to see you; but there is One who will see you, and find out at once if you break the Lord's day."

in the speaker's face with a dark, thoughtful eye. " Who will see you?" he asked, after a

ause. "Myself will see me," said the child in an instant, and with a gesture of pride. She did not know how noble her answer was; but she gave it clearly and promptly. She would disdain to lie or deceive, even when alone. She could never disgrace herself, though it was only in her own eyes. That was the simple answer, full of truth

and honor. Of course the visitor expected her to reply, "God will see me." Perhaps, after ill, it came to this, that God was so at home in the poor little heart, that she knew no difference between his eye, and her own eye. Can each child who reads this say so Is God at home in your heart, and making it so pure and holy, that you think it the most solemn thing to say, when you are tempted to sin, as that ragged child said, 'Myself will see me?"

Learning to Think. The greatest of all arts, my young friends, is learning to think. It is a noiseless, but most effectual method of enriching the mind; and storing it with useful ideas. It is like the silent processes of nature, that produce such vastand striking regults without noise, and perhaps unnoticed by men. Aided by careful observations, and a spirit of inquiry, it will bring you a better return; in future life and old age; than any bunk stock, or even the famous Government "loan" that so much is said about. JE

The action of the mind, when thus employed, and the striking results attained by it, remind me of the beautiful little engine in the Armory at Springfield. Small in compass 650 small that the part you see you can almost span with your arms;) its movents are the very perfection of harmony, and so silent that you can hardly hear the gliding of a shaft or the falling of a piston.

Yet you learn, on inquiry, that, connected by a hidden path, it propels all the machinery of those numerous and vast establishments. It is perfectly astonishing; so much so that you look on that little silent worker, in wonder if it can be so! But six months more in which to make up their them. you will notice, on careful observation, that it is nicely geared, constantly oiled, beautiwas thought hopeless. But Luther exfully burnished, and in all respects kept in the most perfect order. This, in connexion with the superior workmanship of its original make, accounts for its beautiful and yet I could see no pillars on which the ways to have a free circulation among the superior workmanship of its original make, accounts for its beautiful and yet I could see no pillars on which the ways to have a free circulation among the superior workmanship of its original make, accounts for its beautiful and yet I could see no pillars on which the ways to have a free circulation among the superior workmanship of its original make, accounts for its beautiful and yet I could see no pillars on which the and efficient action. It is just so with the mind, my young friends. It is a most perfect piece of workmanship, as it comes from the hands of God. But it is our business to gear, and oil, and keep it in running order. Thus treated, it is capable of great there?"—Dr. Gill. things, such as the world, perhaps, has not

But you must see to it that no rust-spots of naughty, corroding sins get upon the machinery, to mar its beauty and consume its life; that no friction of passion or hurtful lusts, is allowed to wear it; that the jarring or disarrangement of no bad habit is allowed to destroy the regularity and perfection of its motion; and last, but not least, you must see to it that no dust of in-

Now, my young friends, when you see people making a great noise about their attainments, or what they are doing, or intend to do, especially if you find yourself at all given to such display, think of the processes of nature, how still they are, and yet by a greyhound. The little fellow, never how much they accomplish. By "processes having seen a dog of so slim and slight a texof nature." I mean such things as gravity, electricity, growth of vegetation, etc., etc. When you are inclined to underrate the value of thinking, and the power of the mind, remember the little engine at Springfield, what force there is in it, and how much it accomplishes. Then consider how vastly more powerful and wonderful is the MIND, the thinking machine, that made it, and could make others superior, even, to

If you do this, I am sure none of you will esteem lightly the art of thinking, or he so unwise as to neglect it yourselves. I intended to give you, at this time, some thoughts, which came into my mind the other day, about the well of Samaria. But I must not weary your patience, so. I will try to tell you how I have been "learning to think" upon that subject at another time.
Truly yours, "Uncle Ben." Truly yours,

## Miscellaneous.

The Three Hands.

I was sitting, on a very warm and bright Summer morning, upon a grave-stone in a church-yard. It was a flat gravestone, elevated upon four little pillars, and covering the spot where sleeps the mortal part of a may parish, and who held the charge of it for sixty years. I had gone down there as father taught me never to play till my work was finished, and never to spend my work was finished, and never to spend my old Horses. usual, for awhile after breakfast, with a work was finished, and never to spend my wondered if he had sometimes come to the church-yard after breakfast, before he be- perfectly easy to do so. It is to this I owe gan his task of sermon writing. I reflect- my prosperity." ed how his heart, moldered into dust, was now so free from all the little cares and worries which will find their way into even the quietest life in the world. And sitting there, I put my right hand upon the mossy stone. The contrast of the hand upon the

recalled the fingitive idea; he answered; will do, if spared in this world. And now has added in our judgment—one of the God said, That's well done. The boy it has done a great many things. It has finest pears to our list of good ones. Mr. had the idea, but not the words. Wesleyan smoothed the heads of many children, and Adams will please accept thanks for calling the noses of various horses.'

It has travelled, I thought to myself. along thousands of written pages—it has paid away money, and occasionally received it. In many things that hand has fallen short, I thought; yet several things which that hand found to do, did with its might. But have you ever examined your horse's So here, I thought, were three hands not hoof? It is hardly less curious in its way. far apart. There was the little hand of in-fancy; four daisies were lying near it on the gravestone where it was laid down to dompare with mine. Then the rather skinny and not very small hand, which is now doing the work of life. And a couple a series of thin layers, or leaves of horn, of yards beneath, there was another hand, whose work was over: It was a hand which had written many sermons preached in that plain church; which had turned over the leaves of the large pulpit Bible (very old and shabby) which I turn over. now; which had often opened the door of sert the leaves one by one into those of the house where now I live. And when I another quire, and you will get some idea The child was silent, but kept looking up got up from the gravestone, and was walk of the arrangement of the several layers. ing quietly homeward, many thoughts Now, the weight of the horse rests on as came intor my mind concerning growing many clastic springs as there are layers in old.—Fraser's Magazine.

Maize and Tobacco.

The Indian Corn looked over the fence, And what do you think he spied? A field of tobacco, just ready to bloom, And stretching in lordly pride.

To the broad-leaved neighbor at once he called, In accents loud and clear, I thought you belonged to a Summer clime; Pray, what are you doing here?"

So then, with a hauty air, replied That plant of power and pelf, You are pleased to ask of my business, Sir-What do you do, yourself?"

I feed the muscles, and blood, and bone, That make our farmers strong, And furnish bread for the little ones That round their table throng."

The foreign guest rejoined, As the chosen friend and companion dear Of men of wealth and mind. I'm the chief delight of the gay young spark;

I move in a somewhat loftier sphere,"

O'er the wise may sway a hold; I lurk in the book-worm student's cell-In the dowager's box of gold. Thousands of hands at my bidding work;

Millions of coin I raise"-He ceased to speak, and in angry mood Responded the tasseled Maize: Yov're in secret league with dyspeptic ills-A merciless traitor band :

With clouds of smoke you pollute the air, With floods of slime the land. You tax the needy laboror sore; You quicken the drunkard's thirst: You exhaust the soil-and I wish you'd go

Faith.

To the place whence you came at first."

When Charles V. imperiously required the Confession of Augsburg to be abandoned, and gave the Protestant leaders only is too often allowed to tear and mutilate fear it would fall. Some men look about for the pillars, and would fain touch themwith their hands, as if afraid the sky would fall. Poor souls! Is not God always

One Thing and Another.

A boy was tempted by some of his com-"You need not be afraid," said they, taken them, he is so kind he would not grows on the outside branches, exposed to hurt you." hurt vou.'

"That is the very reason," replied the boy, "why I should not touch them. It is dolence or neglect shall be permitted to boy, "why I should not touch them. It is gither on is surface, or clog and impede its true, my father may not hurt me, yet my movements, and thus destroy its practical disobedience, I know, would hurt my father, and that would be worse to me than anything else."

A little boy had lived for some time ture, clasped the creature round the neck. with the impassioned cry, "Oh, doggie, doggie! and div ye live wi' your uncle, tae, that you are so thin?"

A fop, just returned from a continental Pompeii. "Not very well," was the reply; "they are so dreadfully out of repair." A celebrated female writer thus pleads

the cause of the little girls :- "I plead that she be not punished as a romp, if she keenly enjoy those active sports which city gentility proscribes. I plead that the ambition to make her accomplished do not chain her to the piano, till the spinal column, which should consolidate the frame, starts aside like a broken reed-nor bow her over her book, till the vital energy, which ought to pervade the whole frame, mounts into the brain, and kindles the brain fever."

When red-hot shot are fired, the ordnance used is elevated to the position desired before the gun is shotted. The powder in the gun is kept from explosion by means of the wadding. Between the ex-plosive substance and the heated mass are For animals cannot live long, in a healthy

## Agricultural.

The feacher, at this point, asked, "And is a fat little hand; not the deast like those over its whole-surface with tine russet dots: consider the horse in his prime at from the fingers and many winkles now. The original tree was found in the woods of nine to thirteen years of age, always relight?" A little boy; seven years of age, always relight. A little boy; seven years of age, always relight of a moment and the provious to his having at tained his growth, says at seven years, he has not been over-driven; strained or other when finding its own fruit of rare excellentially for a moment and then, with the intended to be a sailor. It when, finding its own fruit of rare excellentially gray bigger, as, all little hands, lence, he collivated it with care, and thus ing food or abuse. It was a seven years, he when, finding its own fruit of rare excellentially gray bigger, as, all little hands, lence, he collivated it with care, and thus ing food or abuse. It was a seven years, he when, finding its own fruit of rare excellentially gray bigger, as, all little hands, lence, he collivated it with care, and thus ing food or abuse. It was a seven years, he was at a least of the horse in his prime at from the woods of nine to thirteen years of age, always relight. The original tree was found in the woods of nine to thirteen years of age, always relight. The original tree was found in the woods of nine to thirteen years of age, always relight. The original tree was found in the woods of nine to thirteen years of age, always relight. The original tree was found in the woods of nine to thirteen years of age, always relight. The original tree was found in the woods of nine to thirteen years of age, always relight. The original tree was found in the woods of nine to thirteen years of age, always relight. The had one of a said the was a seven years, he with the intention of grafting it. He always was at seven years, he with the intention of a said the provious to his having at the provious to his having at the provious to his hav

our attention to it. - New-England Farmer.

The Foot of a Horse.

The human hand has often been taken to about five hundred in number, nicely fitted to each other and forming a lining to the foot itself. Then there are as many more layers belonging to what is called the "coffin bone," and fitted into this. These are clastic. Take a quire of paper and inhis four feet-about four thousand; and all this is contrived not only for the easy conveyance of the horse's own body, but for whatever burdens may be laid on him.

Colts on a Hard Floor.

Some people state that colts should stand on a hard plank floor, in order to toughen them for a hard road. It looks to me like putting hard, thick shoes on an infant's foot, to raise corns that will trouble him for

Low-Headed Fruit Trees.

In trimming fruit trees, we should always be careful to secure the trunk from the rays of the Summer sun. Solar heat, by being long permitted to come in contact with the bark, is said to scald the circulating fluids, and thus cause many of the diseases which affect fruit trees in this climate. The foliage only should be fully exposed to the influences of heat, for that is capable of bearing it unharmed, and even to profit by it, when most intense. It has been asserted by distinguished terra-culturists, that trees which are permitted to branch out low-say three or four feet from the ground-are rarely attacked by "fireblight," "frozen-sap blight," black spots,

or other diseases of the bark or limbs. There is, also, another advantage attending this practice. The soil is kept lighter, looser, and more free from weeds, and there is no necessity of mulching. The high winds pass, also, almost harmless over the trees, and have not power to twist, rack and break the branches or to detach the fruit, as they do where the branches aspire, and are exposed. A writer on this subject says: "The trees will be much longer lived, more prolific, beautiful and profita ble. They are more easily rid of destructive insects, the fruit is much less damaged by falling, and the facilities for gathering it are much greater; there is less danger in climbing, and less danger of breaking the limbs. The trees require less pruning, scraping and washing-if the two latter are thought necessary, and the roots are protected from the scourge of the plow, which

The proper shape for fruit trees is that of an umbrella reversed. When this shape is Master had made it to rest. But I had no foliage and fruit. By communicating a conical form to any tree, although it may be rather more graceful and elegant in its effects upon a landscape, we certainly injure it in many ways, if looked upon as an object of profit. The fruit of apple trees which grows on the interior limbs, where the surrounding foliage and branches prevent the sun's rays from penetrating, and panions to pluck some ripe cherries from a where the direct influences of heat are never felt, is, to a certain extent, insipid; it does not mature thoroughly, and will not for if your father should find out you had keep so long or so perfectly as that which in shape—and, especially, in color—that we have known two plates of apples, selected from the same Baldwin tree, one of which was pronounced by a skillful fruitgrower to be the Baldwin, and the other plate another variety! — New-England Farmer.

Cattle of all kinds enjoy themselves and thrive better in the fields, at this season, than in close barns. Good cow yards, fac ing East or South, with barns or sheds on the North and West, to shelter from storms, are more proper for all kinds of cattle, till very cold weather comes, than very tight barns. They lie down and they tour, was asked liow he liked the ruins of rise with more ease than when tied to staunchions; and their udders are always cleaner when they can choose their own beds.

But above all other considerations of profit, let cattle of all ages and races have a chance to get a good share of the free atmosphere which our Creator, in his wisdom, has supplied to us without stint or measure.

No substitute, of man's invention, car be compared with the fresh breezes which are continually moving around our planet. And when man attempts to make improvements on the atmosphere, "he soars above his reach;" and soon finds that he was never required to meddle with elements already made perfect for his use. The attempt of some "cute" farmers to

keep their cows too warm for their health, in order to squeeze out a little more milk,

Old Horses.

little companion who, in those days, was money until I had earned it. If I had but generally with me wherever I went. And one hour's work in a day, I must do that ally intended to convey not only the statewhile she was walking about, attended by a solemn dog, I sat down in the sunshine on the stone, gray with lichen and green with moss. I thought of the old gentleman of I had slept below for fifty years. I before my mind. I early formed the habit of doing averything in time and it become tained his full growth and perfection of bodily frame, until he has passed his seventh year; and until growth is attain-ed, he is just as unfitted for extreme hard labor as a man before arriving at full manhood. In this country, the practice of putting horses to work at two or three years, usually results in their becoming store. The contrast of the hand upon the green surface caught the eye of my companion, who was not four years old. She came slowly up, and laid down her own hand beside mine on the mossy expanse. And after looking at it in various ways for several minutes and contrasting her own the finest pears we have ever metal not for the looking at it in various ways for the finest pears we have ever metal not for the looking at it in various ways for the finest pears we have ever metal not for the looking at it in various ways for the finest pears we have ever metal not for the looking at it in various ways for the finest pears we have ever metal not for the looking at it in various ways for the finest pears we have ever metal not for the looking at it in various ways for the finest pears we have ever metal not for the looking at it in various ways for the finest pears we have ever metal not for the looking at it in various ways for the finest pears we have ever metal not for the looking at it in various ways for the finest pears we have ever metal not for the looking at it in various ways for the finest pears we have ever metal not for the looking at it in various ways for the finest pears we have ever metal not for the looking at it in various ways for the finest pears we have ever metal not for the looking at it in various ways for the finest pears we have ever metal not for the looking at it in various ways for the finest pears we have ever metal not for the looking at it in various ways for the finest pears we have ever metal not for the looking Not long since, a class of little boys in a Sathath School were engaged in reciting which formed their tesson. The class had progressed to that part of the intrative in which the receipt of fight, and the exponential which the receipt of the first of the fi

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