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Poetry.

### Heaven.

Heaven is the land where troubles cease, Where toils and tears are o'er: The sunny clime of rest and peace, Where cares distract no more, And not the shadow of distress Dims its unsullied blessedness.

Heaven is the home where spirits dwell Who wandered here awhile, And "seeing things invisible," Departed with a smile. STo hail, amid sepulchral night, The morning of eternal night.

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for her.

" Keep me in ?"

" Yes, Pearl."

Heaven is the everlasting throne, Where angels veil their sight; Whence He, the high and holy One, Throughout those realms of light Diffuses by one thrilling glance The glory of his countenance.

Heaven is the place where Jesus lives To-plead his dying blood, While to his prayers the Father gives An unknown multitude,

Whose hearts and tongues, thro' endless days Shall crown his head with songs of praise.

Heaven is the temple whither prayer, From saints on earth ascend ; The dwelling of the Spirit, whence

His influences descend, Like heavenly dew, to cheer and bless

His children in the wilderness.

A Heaven is the dwelling place of joy, The home of light and love, Where faith and hope in rapture die, -And ransomed souls above

2 11 Drink in, beside the eternal throne, Bliss everlasting and unknown.

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VESPER. By Madame the Counters De Gaspari Translated from the French edition by Mary L. Booth. New-York: Robert Carter & Brothers. For sale by R. S. Davis. Pittsburgh. The book before us will be viewed differently by different persons. Those of a strictly practical turn of mind will scarcely deem it worthy of perusal; while others, possessed of an ardent temperament and exquisite sensibilities will be enthusiastic and almost unqualified in its praise. An intermediate, and probably the largest class among intelligent readers, will see in it much to admire, and at the same time something to censure.

The descriptions of nature, with which the ! book abounds, are extremely interesting. They are more than descriptions; they are at the same time communions with nature-the outgoings of a disagreeable task now to take up her time. alls of lat home amidst the beautiful and wonderful works of God.

The sketches of social and individual life are yaried Lin some instances touchingly tender, and . again thrillingly tragical. Throughout the book the Christian reader will be pleased to notice a vein of devotional feeling, and a profound regard for the spiritual welfare of all concerned.

The style of the book does not exactly suit our taste. It is too artificial and monotonous, and keeps the mind on a too severe and constant

O, she ought to have looked into her O, she ought to have looked into her "I am just as sorry as ever I can be. I ger besetting her young and beloved hus-little mirror then! We think she would was never half so sorry—never in the band and her infant child. have been frightened at the reflection of world !" "That's right. Now go with me to

her face-indeed, we are sure of it ! "Pearl ! Pearl !" sweetly called Mrs. mother." Perry from the doorway of her room, just And the children sought Mrs. Perry,

across the entry. "It's plain she don't mean to let me sew with her penitent child. The next morning Pearl rose bright and here. Of course not. Maybe she'd as lief as not I'd melt, yes melt over the horrid early to weed her garden. She was careful seam in the hot sitting-room. I wonder to put on the thick pantalets, stockings and what she wants of me, though. Someshoes that her mother desired her to wear among dewy grass and plants. On the sitthing disagreeable -----"My child, do you not hear me ?" sweetting-room mantel she saw the boquet in a

ly asked Mrs. Perry, drawing near. pretty vase. Carl had been careful to ar-"Yes'm. What do you want of me?" range it prettily, and for her. and Pearl dropped her sullen head still "And I was so naughty to him yesterday !" sighed Pearl, pausing to admire it.

"I think we shall find it cool and pleas-In a few mornings her garden looked as ant in the east chamber. We will take neatly as her mother could desire. our work there now, my love. I imagine In other matters-in her bed-room, in the arrangement of her trunk and drawers, that troublesome seam will grow less troub-

lesome there. Don't you, my darling ?" about her person, in her studies, sewing, in Mrs. Perry was one of those loveable beshort, in all her duties, she tried to be ings, who abound in sweet looks, endearing thorough, for the painful lesson of that sad ways, and pet names ; and whose patience, afternoon could not be forgotten. - Boston amiability, good judgment and quick dis-Recorder. 

#### cernment, are equalled by a firmness most merciful in all its details. Her naturally "Hallowed be Thy Name."

excellent judgment was constantly sceking "Oh, mamma !" said Jeanie Wilson, one knowledge and improvement under the knowledge and improvement under the day, "how sorry I am for poor little Efficience of serve, and honor. "I don't want to go there. I don't care in the bank. People say that he has; and, anything about the room. Carl ought to as we were walking home from school to

anything about the room. Carl ought to be thankful that he is not a girl. Boys don't have to sew and knit, and scrub! I wish I were a boy, I do! All my play-mates are off in the woods having a good time, and I ought to be with them !" mum-bled Pearl, tugging naughtily at her apronbled Pearl, tugging naughtily at her apronbled Pearl, tugging naughtily at her apron-string until she tore it, at which bit of "My dear, I fear that is quite true that

mischief she wickedly rejoiced, thinking "My dear, 1 rear that is quite in a mischief she wickedly rejoiced, thinking Mr. B. has committed this crime, and poor it a job for her mother, who was mender little Effie, as well as her mother and brothers, must suffer the disgrace which "Ah," said the lady, "I am sorry you have torn the string, as it will only keep covers her father's name. But it is a very-

sad and terrible thing to them to hear the you in the house longer, my child." name of one who has ever been a kind and loving husband and father, passed from lip to lip, covered with epithets of infamy ! It

Pearl paled with anger and dismay, and went on thinking her mother very cruel was sin, Jeanie, that brought into the world every kind of suffering which we endure. and unjust. She did not speak another Let us hate sin more and more, and strive word, but sat down in the east chamber to daily to be like Him who knew no sin."" her task, which she knew she must perform "But, dear mamma, poor Effie didn't do satisfactorily, let it take her as long as it this sin, nor her mamma-why do they

suffer ?" Her mother did not comment upon her distorted face, nor sullen silence, but she was deeply pained we may all be sure. She sat in grave silence, sending up many toward him ever since we were born. petitions for light and strength to guide Does Jeanie think that God allows any one aright that froward young spirit. At five, the task was well done. Then came the to suffer any more than his sin deserves? "No, indeed! dear mamma, I didn't mending of the apron-string, which was mean that; for I know that no sinners sufalso to be well done. After that, Pearl could play. She put on her hat, and went fer more than they deserve; and if they will come with real sorrow, because of their into the garden. But she was not happy, sin, and ask God to pardon them for Christ's and at that she wondered, for she had no sake, he will do it; and after this short life is over, they will neither sin nor suffer any At last, she heard a great shouti. g, and,

more. going to the gate she saw her playmates "Jeanie, there is a name glorious in holireturning from the woods. Foremost was ness-a name which we should utter only her brother Carl, bearing carefully a huge with the greatest reverence-the name of boquet of flowers. This she felt sure was the great God, which I have heard mixed with profane and vile language, on the lips

"O, there you are, Pearl. Come and meet us. Can't you walk with us now?" cried one of the girls. feel when we hear this ?"

"Yes," surlily replied Pearl, without stirring however, and then idly humming, for the sake of seeming ind penaent. it would be to call my dear papa had names. "Then why don't you? Come, you can hum with us just as well. O, I know you I feel very sad, and pray, Heavenly Fa-are mod still about your task. I wouldn't ther, for the blessed Saviour's sake, teach are mad still about your task. I wouldn't men to hallow thy name, and do not send. have done it !" the curses on them for which they ask."" "Then you would have been wicked. "Jeanie, do you ever pray to be deliver-Mother wants Pearl to be thorough, that is ed from taking the Lord's name in vain?" all. She isn't a hard mother, my mother isn't. If Pearl had been careful to sew. well the first time, she would not have had to stay in this pleasant afternoon," replied [ name." "But you never use the Lord's name Carl, warmly. Pearl did not speak, but hummed on, fail to hallow God's name ?' and her companions passed along. Carl "Manima, when I utter his mame carestopped in front of Pearl, and in a low tone said ing, I do not hallow his name. But, dear "I wonder that you did not stand up for mamma, I am trying to watch against this mother." "But she kept me in," muttered Pearl. earnestly than ever; and I will ask our "Because you were careless. You are apt to be. Just look at your flower-beds! and her mamma, and to take them to heaven Weedy, arn't they? You know what you ought to do, and do well; but wont be fer any more." thorough. Mother is the best mother "And pray, too, for Effie's papa, that the alive !" "You ought to be ashamed for talking so to me! A pretty brother you are !" sobbed Pearl. "And a pretty daughter you are !" re corder. torted Carl, who then walked off, feeling dreadfully uncomfortable.

They succeeded in flying from France.

It was their good fortune to escape from the bloody land where Robespierre and his associates were busy at the work of death. who was happy to forgive, advise and pray Alas! in those times of terror the poor children themselves abandoned with joy the parental roof, for no hiding-place was se-

cure against the vigilant eye of those monsters who thirsted for innocent blood. The fugitives landed in America, and first went to Boston, where they found a retreat. But what a change for the young, pretty, and fashionable lady, spoiled from infancy by loud and continual praises of her beauty and talents !

Mons. de la Tour-du-Pin was extravagantly fond of his wife. At the court of France he had seen her, with the proud eye trees. of a husband, the object of general admira-tion. Indeed, her conduct had always been virtuous and exemplary. But now in a foreign land, and among unsophisticated re-publicans (1793), what was the use of courtly refinements?

Happy as he was in seeing her escape from all the perils he had dreaded on her own account, still he could not but deplore the future lot of the wife of his bosom. However, with the prudent foresight of a good father and a kind husband, he nerved himself against despair, and exerted himself to render their condition less miserable than that of many emigrants who were

They boarded at Mrs. Muller's, a goodnatured, notable woman, who on every occasion, evinced the greatest respect and admiration for ther fair boarder; yet M. de. la Tour-du-Pin was in constant dread lest, the conversation of that good, plain, and well-meaning woman might be the cause of great ennui to his lady. What a contrast to the society of such gentlemen as M. de Norbonne, M. de Talleyrand, and the highminded and polished nobility of France ! Whenever he was thinking of this transition, (particularly, when absent from, his is realized that for thousands of miles this wife, and tilling the garden of the cottage which they were going to inhabit,) he felt such pange and heart-throbbings as to make him apprehensive on his return to

they, and you, and I have been committing in tears. Meanwhile, the good hostess toward him and failing in our duty would give him a bearty about the second hostess and repeat to him, "Happy husband! Happy husband !"

At last came the day when the fugitive family left the boarding-house of Mrs. Muller to go and inhabit their little cottage, where they were to be at last exempt from want, with an only servant, a negro, a kind of Jack-o'-all-trades-viz., gardener, foot-man, and cook. The last function M. de la Tour-du-Pin dreaded most of all to see

him undertake. Joint all the second emigrant went into his little garden to gather some fruit, and tarried as long as possible. On his return home, his wife was absent; looking for her, he, entered the of people created by his power, and pre- kitchen, and saw a young countrywoman, served by his goodness. How should we who, with her back to the door, was kneading dough; her arms of snowy whiteness

Mamma, I have heard it so used, and I were bare to the elbows. M. de la Tourknow that it is infinitely more sinful than du-Pin started; the yo round. It was his beloved wife, who had exchanged her muslins and silk for a country dress, not as for a fancy ball, but to play the part of a real farmer's wife. At the sight of her husband, her cheeks crimsoned, and she joined her hands, in a supplicating manner. "Oh! my love," said "Yes, mamma; every time I say the Lord's Prayer, I pray, 'Hallowed be thy she, "do not laugh at me. I am as expert as Mrs. Muller." Too full of emotion to speak, he clasps her to his bosom; and kisses her fervently. mixed with curses ; how, my child, do you. From his inquiries, he learns that when he thought her, given up to despair, she had employed her time more usefully for their lessly, or read his holy word without think- future happiness. She had taken lessons from Mrs. Muller and her servants, and, after six months, had become skillful in the sin, and every other sin, and to pray more culinary art, a thorough housekeeper, discovering her angelic nature and admirable dear Heavenly Father to comfort dear Effic fortitude. "Dearest," continued she, "if you when they die, so that they shall never sufknew how easy it is! We in a moment understand what it would cost a country woman sometimes one or two years to learn Lord will give him grace to repent of his Now we shall be happy-you will no longer sin—to make amends, as far as he can, to those whom he has wronged; and then he, too, may dwell in heaven."—*Episcopal Re*. Now we shall be happy—you may for me, nor I of doubts about my abilities, of which I will give you many proofs," said she, looking with a bewitching smile at him. "Come, come, you promised us a sallad, and I am going to bake for to-morrow; the oven is hot. To-Miscellaneous. day the bread of the town will do-but oh ! -henceforward leave it to me." From that moment, Madame de la Tourdu-Pin kept her word; she insisted on go-Talleyrand and the Country Woman. ing herself to Boston to sell her vegetables and cream-cheeses. It was on such an er-In 1793, M. de Talleyrand was in Bosrand to town that M. de Talleyrand met ton. One day, whilst crossing the markether. The day after, he went to pay her a place, he was compelled to stop by a long visit, and found her in the poultry-yard, row of wagons, all loaded with vegetables. surrounded by a host of hungry chicks The wiley courtier, generally so dead to and pigeons. second hus emotion, could not but look with a kind of pleasure at these wagons, and the little She was all that she had promised to be Besides, her health had been so much benwagoners, who, by-the by, were young and efited, that she seemed less fatigued by the pretty countrywomen. Suddenly the vehousework, athan if she had attended the hicles.came to a stand, and the eyes of M. de Talleyrand chanced to rest upon one of balls of the Winter. Her beauty, which the young women who appeared more love. had been remarkable in the gorgeous palace of Versailles, was daszling in her cotly and graceful than the others. 'An exclatage in the New World. M. de Talleyrand mation escaped from his lips. It attracted said so to her.

of the parapet five feet four inches. The towers are thirty-one feet three inches high, and twenty-eight feet one inch broad. The parapet is both crenelated and loop-holed, Presbyterian Banner, and the towers are pierced for the discharge of some projectile. From any elevated site the scenery well repays one for the trouble of ascent; clear streams are seen meander-WEEKLY NEWSPAPER; ing down the passes, whilst on every side, and looming far in the distance, are a succession of brown hilltops, with small patch; es only in cultivation. Droves of pack-asses are seen going and returning, the form PITTSBURGH, PA. er unladen, and the latter bringing a small kind of brushwood, which the borderers burn instead of the millet stalk in use on the plains, whilst in wild abundance are REV. DAVID M'KINNEY. scattered innumerable ash, poplar, and fir-

Offshoots branch out from the wall in occasional places. For their construction it is difficult in every case to assign a reason the little town of Lo-wan En is completely encircled by one, and on the opposite side a double wall winds upward with the portions in nearly parallel lines.

A visit the following day to the Pass of Chapow, distant about twenty-one leagues from that of the Lo-wan, confirmed our surmise that in the erection of the wall the contractors, if such there were, availed themselves to any extent of the building materials closest at hand. We noticed several guns, most of which were partially imbedded in the earth or rubble forming the centre of the wall; one bore an inscription recording that it was cast in the reign of Wan Lee, the last Emperor but one of the Ming dynasty; it must therefore have been upward of 260 years

old and was evidently fashioned after a European model. A great many of the towers were in a decayed state, and the interiors of some of them, having been cleared of debris, were converted into gardens and granaries.

The Chinese speak of the wonderful struture as the 10,000 lee old wall, and appear to consider it extremely natural that strangers should desire to visit it; the sight amply repays one for the troubles and difficulties of the journey; and when the fact extraordinary product of masonic art pursues its serpentine course, all other so-called wonders of the world fade by comparison with this lasting memento of a despot's Mrs. Muller's to meet the looks of his be- folly and the involuntary labor of a sub-

Anecdote.

One hot Summer day, Duke Charles dined in the little town of Nagald. With gives a complete view of business, opinion. the dinner came a great multitude of flies cerns, and matters and things in general, in all uninvited ; but that mattered nothing. NEW-ENGLAND, They buzzed about one over another, and alighting here and there, making quite as free as if they had been a portion of his princely train. Duke Charles was angry at This is a feature found in no other religious newspaper, an makes the Banner a most valuable repository for inform this, and he then called the hostess; he

said : "Here, old beldame, let the flies have a separate table !"

The hostess, a very quiet woman, did as she was ordered; set out another table, and then coming up to the Duke, said, with a low courtesys: So have a "The table is served. Will your high-

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stretch. In some of the scenes, also, there appears to us too much straining after dramatic effect. We might also add that the writer, in our

opinion, pronounces too positively on the availability of the penitential exercises of her characters, who on the verge of death are brought suddenly to a sense of their spiritual danger. We think too much encouragement is given to a trust

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## Pearl' Learning to be Thorough.

It was a pleasant day in early Summer, and little Pearl sat ponting at the open window of her bedroom, muttering harsh words, and letting her heart overflow with wicked thoughts, Usually her face glowed with happiness, which, with dimpling smiles and dancing eyes made it a pretty enough picture, framed in with heaps of golden curls. Everybody called her lovely, but no one would have called her so on the day of which we have been writing. "It is too bad." Mother needn't have

been so "set about the seam to-day of all days. Here I've to pick, pick, pick, and sew, sew, sew, until this yard long seam is done right, 'quite right,' as she said in her manner that means so much. Some girls could coax their mothers out of this determination, but I could not mine. She means what she says, she does !. Of course, in time; I mean when I am a woman, I shall sew splendidly, quite equal to the best, I

Pearl flew into the Summer-house, where she freely indulged in her tears.

Carl, quickly moved to anger, and a quickly to repentance, soon went to her and begged her pardon for his hasty words: then, with tears in his own eyes, which he hurriedly dashed aside, he sought his moththan before.

"I want to help you about the fire for supper, mother. Come, you go and lie down, and when the table is laid and tea made, I'll call you. Don't look so sad Pearl wont always be naughty," said Carl, between choking sobs. "Lhope not; I dare say the dear child

is very sorry for her conduct." "I know she is! Mother, was it so hard for me to learn to be thorough ?"

"No, my son; for you were naturally more orderly and careful." Carl smiled, though his eyes were still dim with tears, and repeated his desire for his mother to lie down while he officiated

housemaid. This she declined to do. 88 When supper was ready Carl went to tell Pearl, who, feeling hungry, gladly made her way toward the house, though shuf-When bed-hour arrived, Pearl hastily sell my greens and vegetables at the mar-

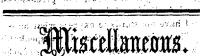
caught and gave the good-night kiss, but ket." she felt dreadfully when she saw her mother's eyes were tearful. She entered ther to read, but could not give the chapter | rand the name of the village where she was proper attention. Then, after undressing for that, either.

"What does all me? How cold and damp mother's cheek was when I kissed! But there she ought not to have kept me (Mademoiselle de Dillon), the most elegant face ! (Limean to go to sleep."

"Pearl, are you awake ?" whispered Carl, outside the door.

crossly— "Yes."

"I am glad of it. I thought you could close beside her bed. Pearl was full enough before; she thought. Now her cup was running over. After frantic sobs; she managed to ask-



the attention of the fair one, whose country

dress and large hat bespoke daily visits to Talleyrand, whom she recognized immediately, she burst out laughing. "What! is it you?" exclaimed sh

"Yes, indeed, it is I. But you, what are you doing here?" "I," said the young woman ; "I am wait-

At that moment, the wagous began in minimum is a first state of the straw hat applied simplicity minimum is a first state of the straw hat applied simplicity. This little adventure left a deep, impres-the whin to her horse, told M. de Talley- This little adventure left a deep, impreslittle bed-roum, took her Bible, and tried the whip to her horse, told M. de Talley-

herself, she knelt to repeat her evening and see her, disappeared, and left him as prayer; but she seemed to have no heart if riveted to the spot by this strange appa-

rition. Who was this young market woman? Madame la Comtesse de la Tour du Pin

And Pearl tried to go to sleep.

"Do you think mother will forgive me?"

"Indeed Varreplied she with naivete the market." As she beheld the astonished ["indeed, do you think so ? . I am delighted to hear it. A woman is always and everywhere proud of her personal attrac-

At that moment the black servant bolt ed into the drawing-room, holding in his hand his jacket with a long rent in the ing for my turn to pass on. I am going to back. "" Missis, him jacket torn ; please mend him "She immediately took a needle, repaired Gullah's jacket, and con-At that moment the wagons began to tinned the conversation with a charming

sion on the mind of M. de Talleyrand, who living, requesting him earnestly to come used to relate it with that tone of voice peculiar to his narrations.

the Great Wall of China."

For a short distance either side of the Lo-wan Passe, the wall is constructed of in. I wont think of her tears nor her pale among the ladies of the court of Louis the brick with rubble in the centre ; but fur-Sixteenth, King of France, and whose morther away it is composed almost wholly of al and intellectual worth had shone with stone; in fact, whatever materials were closest at hand would appear to have been so dazzling a lustre in the society of her. numerous friends and admirers. At the made use of thus, as at the spots we visit-Pearl felt like pretending to be asleep, time when the French nobility emigrated, ed, granite abounded in greatest profusion. but truth triumphed, and she answered she was young, lovely, endowed with the 'so in the construction of the wall was in most remarkable talents, and, like all the made the principal ingredient, and for ladies who held a rank at the court, had miles the wall consists of large, shapeless only had time to attend to such duties as masses of granite, smoothed only on the not sleep so soon. You did not ask moth- belonged to her highly fashionable and outside. We observed but one tower built entirely of stone-they being, with this ex-

agony of that woman, born in the lap of tions of hewn stone. The height of the wealth, and who had breathed nothing but wall from the top of the parapet is about perfumes under the guilded ceilings of the seventeen feet ten inches at most parts, royal palace at Versailles, when all at once though occasionally, where the parapet is dare say," multiered Pearl, distorting her "To be shre she will, if you are real she found herself surrounded with blood highest, it measures, eighteen feet six inches; and massacres, and saw every kind of dan- its breadth is thirteen feet, and the height and massacres, and saw every kind of dan- its breadth is thirteen feet, and the height



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