Poetry.

Via Crucis, Via Lucis.

Through night to light-And though to mortal creation's face a pall of horror wear, Good cheer! good cheer! The gloom of midnight flies;

Then shall a sunrise follow, mild and fair. Through storm to calm !- And though his thunder-oar

The rumbling tempest drive through earth and Good cheer! good cheer! The elemental war

Tells that a blessed healing hour is nigh. Through frost to Spring !- And though the bitter

blast Of Eurus stiffen nature's juicy veins, Good cheer! good cheer! When Winter's wrath

is past, Soft, murmuring Spring breathes sweetly o'er the plains.

Through strife to peace!-And though, with bristling front, A thousand frightful deaths encompass thee, Good cheer! good cheer! Brave thou the bat-

tle's brunt For the peace-march and song of victory. Through sweat to sleep!-And though the sultry

With heavy, drooping wing, oppress thee now Good cheer! good cheer! The cool of evening

Shall lull to sweet repose thy weary brow. Through cross to crown !-- And though thy spir-

it's life Trials untold assail with giant strength, Good cheer! good cheer! Soon ends the bitter

And thou shalt reign in peace with Christ at length.

And though the midnight finds thee weeping

Good cheer! good cheer! The Shepherd loves his sheep: Resign thee to the watchful Father's will.

Through death to life!—And through this vale of

And through this thistle-field of life ascend To the great supper in that world whose years Of bliss unfading, cloudless, know no end.

For the Poung.

Our Young Friends will notice our leading editorial this week. We hope they will be induced to embrace the Saviour whom Anna loved, and who was to her so precious. We commend to them the Bible. the Church, and the Sabbath School. Then we ask them to read, often and prayerfully, the books which Jesus blessed to her. The first two named are publications of our own Board; the two others are issues of the CARTERS. All can be had in Pittsburgh. "Seek ye first, the kingdom of God and his righteousness." "Whosoever cometh unto me, I will in no wise cast out."

From the Boston Recorder The Silver Quarter; or, The Two Rewards One bright Sabbath noon, as little Edith Sumner was walking home from church with her mother, she said:

"Mamma, will you please give me twenty-five cents? I want to give it to a missionary from Africa, who visited our Sunday School this morning. He said there were a great many people there, who knew nothing of God and heaven, and that he wanted to carry some Bibles to them. As he has not money enough to buy as many as they need, he thought we children might like to help him. I wish you had been at school this morning, for then I know you would pity the poor creatures he told us about."

"I should like to have heard Mr -'s address," replied Mrs. Sumner; "though nothing could add to the deer interest which I already take in the spiritual welfare of our deluded brethren in that benighted country."

"Then, mamma, you'll let me have the quarter, won't you? Our superintendent asked us each to give something. Lizzie Jackson and Susie Maynard say their mothers always give them twenty-five cents when there is to be any collection of the kind. You can afford to give me as much, can't you?"

"I don't know, my daughter, as that will be a good plan." "Why, mamma, you strely must think this a worthy object. The other day when I asked for money to give a crazy woman at the door, you feared she would make an improper use of it, and so refused. But you cannot think so in this case You certainly approve of having Bibles bought for

"Yes, my child, I do approve, and am convinced money can be invested in no better way, for I deem it both a duty and a privilege to assist according to our means in distributing God's Holy Word among the millions of human beings who are now living in utter ignorance of all its blessed teachings and promises: But, Edith, if I give you the money it will not be your giving, and surely, you would wish the

"Yes, mamma, but you know I have no money and I cannot earn any. O, I'm so I do want very much to help buy the Bibles."

"Perhaps you will yet be able to do so," replied her mother. "You know that saving money is earning it, and there may

be some way in which you can save that | amount.'

"I'm sure, I don't know how," answered the little girl, sadly. evening around the tea-table, Edith sud- truth." denly looked up, and said to her aunt, with whom she and her mother had lived since her father's death: "Aunt Mary, do you think I eat a pound

of butter in a week?" "What a curious question," replied her aunt. "I'm sure I don't know, but should thought I was summoned into the presence was more freedom in the air than on the think it possible, as you are a great butter of a king. I felt glad to go at first; but earth. I have lived in perpetual terror of

eater."

it in the Missionary Box." do so, and think you will feel much happier | was. As I walked, I discovered great rents | whale, wounded by the sword-fish and purif you persevere in making this sacrifice which I had not seen before; and as I tried | sued by harpoons, was dying to breathe the to every meal."

the quarter all myself."

though she frequently said: "I shall be glad when the week is out;

want to earn the quarter."

there was no preserve or sauce on the table, to do something to earn heaven one week, than it would otherwise have been, without another week, you would be more discourbutter. Several times as the family were aged; and if you should keep on trying, I helped. Edith would appear as if on the think that before long you would certainly point of passing her plate, then resolutely give up in despair. We cannot help to take up her dry bread, although it was easy | save ourselves—we cannot do any thing to to see the struggle was a hard one. On Saturday morning, she said joyously,

to-night, can't I?" "Certainly," replied Aunt Mary, "but I think it would be a pity to give up when will give you rest.' Now, if it were possiyou have so nearly accomplished your ob-ject."

ble for the sinner to put away his burden of guilt by his own effort, this invitation

"But I thought," said Edith, in a tone would not be to him—he would not be of disappointment, "the week would be heavy-laden, and would not need the rest over to-night, and I could eat butter."

at liberty to do as you please." "Mrs. Sumper, after helping the older all for you." members of the family that night, offered Edith some of the nice yellow butter, you; but then, if Christ does all for us,

"You wish for some, do you not?" "Poor child. The temptation was a be saved? great one. She raised her plate, but immearatery witharew it.

quarter is earned."

"Yes, dear Edith, you have indeed bravely persevered in this, your first act of self-denial, for the benefit of others," said her aunt, as kissing her, she placed a silver quarter in her little hands.

"O, mamma! O Aunt Mary, how glad I am I did n't give up. I should If I had not remembered what the minister told us of the poor heathen, and thought how sad hates it, and you will strive to do good, not say, "Sandy's bent on a disturbance to-day; it would be, if they should never learn because you can by doing it earn heaven, I shall not please him, do what I can." about God. O, I'm very glad," and the child fairly jumped for joy.

None could be happier than little Edith, as she set out on the following morning, with a bright shining coin in her pocket, and, the consciousness that she had persevered in a self-imposed duty, and was now able to give what was in reality her own for the benefit of those poor creatures, in whom she was so much interested. On approaching the church, she met one of her classmates, who said, "How much

have you got for the mission?" "A quarter," replied Edith. has given me a two and a half gold piece. I should think you'd be ashamed to have people see that you give so little."

"Tis all I have," softly replied the child, as they entered the church. At the proper time, a collection was taken up, and as the rich girl's money was laid on the plate, the children looked on and whispered their admiration of her lib-

erality, but they took no notice of Edith's quarter. But Christ and his angels were looking

fading page. earnestly joining in the prayer that God the wayside. would send his Gospel throughout all

Both children had their reward. The rich child was seen of men, and reality give her mite (and not the last one ness." to be earned through other similar selfjunction: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

· From the Episcopal Recorder.

The Ragged Garment. "Aunt Lucy, I've been trying all this any more like one now than I ever did. What shall I do?"

"What is it to be a Christian, Ella?" "Why, to be a Christian is to be good, and I've tried to be good every day. I have given away all my spending money to plunged into the sea. As the fairy stood poor people, and I have been patient every by the sea shore, she saw another whale afar day-every day but Thursday with John-off, and she jumped into an argonaut shell ny, helping him spell—I went to Myra and went to the whale to ask him if he was Smith, and begged her to be friends with me, though I'm sure I hadn't done any—"No, I am not, replied the whale; "but a moral state, that he shall know how to

G. never told you that, and just as certain another." that neither your mother nor I ever did; She granted the whale his wish, and flew and I am sure that nobody who has studied away well contented that she had that day that neither your mother nor I ever did: Nothing more was then said upon the the Bible with an understanding heart, done three benevolent actions. subject; but as the family were seated that | would teach you so, for it is not Bible

> "Why, Aunt Lucy!" " Ella, did you see that poor beggar that happy. came to the gate yesterday?" "Yes, aunty."

"Well, dear, I once had a dream as nearly like this as I can remember. I never heard of. I was a fool to think there when I looked down at myself, I saw that I | the hawks and the guns. O! I wish I was "Then, Aunt Mary, will you please give had on a dress just like that one which the a cow again." me twenty-five cents next Sunday if I don't poor beggar-woman wore. I looked around The fairy changed her to a cow, and the eat any butter this week. I want to put in vain for a better one-I could find none, grass tasted sweeter to her than it ever did. and the messenger allowed me not to wait, Upon inquiry it was found that the others "Yes, Edith, I am perfectly willing to and forward I was obliged to go just as I were as unhappy as she had been. The

for the benefit of others, than if the money to arrange the folds so as to cover them, sweet air of heaven once more and to build were given you for the purpose without any worse ones were revealed, and it was so his nest among the green Summer boughs effort of your own. My only fear is that filthy that I implored the messenger to while the horse, whipped and goaded dur you will tire of denying yourself an article throw his cloak over me to conceal it. He ing the day, and tied up through the which you have always considered so essen only smiled at my distress, and remarked night, longed for the freedom of the waves that it was quite too late now to make any again. "Thank you, Aunt Mary, I'd rather do change. Just as we reached the palace without butter one week and really give gate, I fainted with excess of terror and wishes to be what he is not. The poor Little Edith bravely ate her bread with- my relief to find that it was only a dream. trials and temptations; that if he were out butter at each meal during the week, But, as I pondered over it, I could not but | rich, in the midst of his possessions, he feel it to be highly suggestive of a truth would never more be troubled with care; which I hope, with the blessing of God, to but, notwithstanding, he is often weary of I don't like bread without butter." Her make clear to your mind, my Ella. In the the world that has no new excitement to mother would reply:

| Make clear to your mind, my Ella. In the the world that has no new excitement to fith verse of the 64th chapter of Isaiah, we offer; fretted by ten thousand pretended. "Well, Edith, you know you need not go without. Shall I help you to some?" filthy rags; and if you or I try to get to gratitude, and sickened with heartless flat-"O no, mamma," she would answer, "I heaven clothed in them, we shall feel just tery of contending heirs. The uneducated It so happened that during the week gate, only infinitely worse. You have tried which made the bread still less palatable and you are discouraged; if you should try

which a life spent in the loving service of cannot escape a mingled destiny. For "So it will, my child, after tea, but as Christ is to the sin-burdened soul. But wise purposes, there is a drop of bitterness the agreement was that you should deny this is not possible; and all the fitness that at the fountain; it mixes with all the watyourself the entire week, I shall not feel our gracious Saviour requires in you, my ters of life; and whether we drink from an bound to pay the quarter, unless you per- darling, or in any one, is to feel that you severe to the end; but of course, you are are a sinner, and that you are sorry for your sins. Then trust him, and he will do "Aunt Lucy, I think that I understand

labor and are heavy-laden (with sin), and I

"No, Ella; because if we continue to sin willingly, that will prove that we never I relished by all except the brute's good, pa lips, said firmly:

Were really sorry for our sins. If we truly tient little wife. One morning Sandy rose

No, thank you, mamma, I'd rather love Christ, we shall want to be like him, bent on a quarrel; the haddies and eggs and shall daily strive to live as he did when Having gained a victory over herself, the on earth, and as he would have us now been ordered by himself the previous evensacrifice was no longer a difficult one, and, How did you feel the other day, Ella, whenupon rising from the table, she exclaimed: Mrs. B. said to me, 'Ella looks so much "T is mine. The week is over, the like her mamma, and seems to be no less

doesn't it matter how we live? If we only

like her in disposition." "I felt glad, dear aunty." "Why?" "Because I love dear mamma, and I want

to be like her." "Then, dear child, when you become one of Christ's little ones, that is just the way that you will feel toward him. You will learn to hate sin more and more, because he friend who was present heard the little wife but because it is Christ-like. You will fall into sin sometimes, and will have to gray his friend sat down to dinner; the fish was for forgiveness again and again, but you will eaten in silence, and on raising the cover be truly sorry, and praying God for Christ's of the dish before him, in a towering passake to work in you by his Holy Spirit sion he called out, "Boiled chicken! those things which are pleasing in his hate it! A chicken boiled is a chicken sight, you will be more watchful and more spoiled." prayerful, and so will grow more like

Christ. The good actions which you performed last week did not spring from the right motive—they were done to gain a Sandy; "you know how it should have reward. Ah! darling, you forget all the back accounts. Good actions are acceptable to our heavenly Father only when they "A quarter! only a quarter! Father spring from a heart warm with the love of Christ-only when they are offered in the bler. name of Christ." Anna Morgan.

Miscellaneous.

The Benevolent Fairy.

Once there was a fairy that had more bepevolence and enlarged views than most of her species. She said her people had done on, and no doubt registered this, her child- very wrong in confining all their gifts to ish sacrifice for his sake, on a bright, un- mankind, who had long since ceased to be worthy of them. Her heart burned to be While Cora was thinking how pleased of service to the brute creation; so she every one was with her, little Edith was stepped up to a cow, which was grazing by this article amount annually to about \$200,

you shall have it." The cow said: "If I might have my

greatly admired. The scholars exclaimed, wish, I would be a bird. I do not like to The sponge is compressed in powerful be tied up in the barn every night, and presses, and sacked like cotton. It is assaid her offering was a great help. This, never allowed to go into but one pasture. sorted and graded samples being fastened then, was her reward, the praise of men. The birds have no troubles; they are free on each package to show its fibre. It is Edith too, was rewarded. Her love for and happy. They can fly away from dan-fished, or raked, or grappled up from the Christ and his Church was increased, and ger, and in Winter they can warm them-clear, sandy bottom, at the depth of twenty, the better feelings of her nature brought selves by the sun. Then they are at liberty forty or sixty feet, and often far from the into action, but more than all, she had the to go all round the world; and gather inhappy consciousness of having performed formation from every country. I am the growing sponge is visible on the bot an act of self-denial, that she might in weary of this life of servitude and same tom.

in the world?"

such a little mite of a creature as I am. I sorbed and destroyed, or eaten by the inweek to be a Christian, and I don't feel always look on every thing large with envy. seets that swarm in the sand. The boathawks could not find me, or the guns of cruel men reach me."

The fairy did as he wished her; and he population.

thing to make her angry; and I've said I am sure I should be if I had been made clasp an evil and wear it. So it was with my prayers every night and morning— a horse, instead of being a whale. Those the apostle. God sent him a thorn in the longer ones than I ever said before! I beautiful creatures do not have to wait upon flesh, where it rankled, and gave him exknow that I have done wrong sometimes; themselves; they are fed and tended, and treme pain. Thrice he besought God to mer. The aftergrowth will then soon cover

"No, dear, I feel quite sure that Miss | each one knows his own sorrow better than |

* The following year, the kind-hearted fairy sought out the creatures she had changed, and asked them if they were very

"O, I was very silly," said the cow. when I changed the petty troubles I had known and tried, for greater ones I had

And thus it is with mortals. Every one shame. This awakened me, and great was man thinks that poverty is peculiar for its as I did in my dream when at the palace man envies the idol of literary fame; every thing seems bright and golden in his path. and he knows not how often the darling of popular favor mourns for the peaceful spirit of the unambitious, and the untroubled faith of the ignorant; and how, in very heartsickness, he shrinks from the publicity the world heaps upon him, and the rancorous animosity it is sure to bring in its train merit heaven. Christ has done all. To Content is the whole of wisdom-the become a Christian is to believe Christ, to amount of all philosophy. Every class of "This is my last day. I can eat butter trust our souls to him, to take him at his mankind has about its share of happiness; word. He says, Come unto me all ye that and if we doubt it, it is because we have clearer knowledge of our own troubles than of any others. We may believe that if we could exchange places with the wealthy and the celebrated, we should have philosophy enough to avoid their restlessness and languor; but we deceive ourselves. Mortals earthen or a golden cup, we cannot escape our portion.

A Confirmed Grumbler.

Sometime ago there lived in Edinburgl well-known grumbler named Sandy Black believe in him, can we go on in sin and yet whose often recurring fits of spleen or indi gestion produced some amusing scenes of senseless irritability, which were highly bent on a quarrel; the haddies and eggs were excellent done to a turn, and had ing; and breakfast passed without the looked for cause of complaint. -"What will you have for dinner, San

dy?" said Mrs. Black.

"A chicken," said the husband.
"Roast or boiled?" asked the wife. "Confound it! if you had been a good and considerate wife, you'd have known be-fore this what I liked," Sandy growled out, and slamming the door behind him left the house. It was in Spring, and The dinner time came, and Sandy and

Immediately the cover was raised for an other chicken, roasted to a turn. "I won't eat roast chicken!" roared

been cooked!" At the instant a broiled chicken, with mushroons, was placed on the table. "Without green peas!" roared the grum

"Here they are, dear!" said Mrs. Black "How dare you spend my money in tha "They were a present," said the wife, interrupting him. Rising from his chair, and rushing from

the room, amidst a roar of laughter from his friend, he clenched his fist and shouted How dare you receive a present without my leave?"

Gather Sponge.

The sponge business is largely pursued at the Bahama Islands. The exports of 000. It is almost entirely the growth o "Cow," said she, "what do you wish for the last twenty years. During that period, most in the world? If you will tell me, the article has almost quadrupled in value, and has been applied to a great variety of new purposes, especially in France.

shore. The water is so transparent that

The sponge is the covering, the habita-When the fairy heard these words, she tion of the lowest order of animal nature sacrifices more and more cheerfully to be touched her with a little wand, and the cow Indeed, organization can hardly be detected made) toward fufilling the Saviour's in- changed to a bird, and flew merrily away. in the animal. When first taken from the Soon after, the fairy met a robin, and she water, the sponge is black, and at once be comes offensive to the smell; it will almost "Pretty robin, what would you most like cause the flesh it touches to blister. The first process is to bury it in the sand, where "I would like to be a whale," said the it remains for two or three weeks, when the bird; "I think it is very degrading to be gelatinous animal matter seems to be ab-Besides, I would like to live away down un- men who obtain it are paid in shares by the der water, because I should be so safe there; owners of the boats. This, therefore, becomes precarious, and semi-gambling, like wrecking, highly attractive to the colored

The Higher Experience.

then trouble that is taken away. There is | ton of hay can be made at as little expense portune him, and then lifts them up into such sympathy with himself, and such nearness to eternal things, that in a high state of mind they learn to bear troubles which in a lower state would crush them.

Agricultural.

Poultry in Frosty Weather.

There is something exhibitanting in a

frost. When the early morning breaks on the earth covered with rim, and the hard ground seems to spurn the foot that treads on it, and the sun rises like a disc of burning copper, there is something cheerful about it. Nature has donned her masquerade dress of white. Your horse cannot contain himself; and the steady old friend, for some months past content to shake his head, or whisk his tail, as the only answer to what a grand-daughter of ours calls a "good cut o' the whip," now seeks to de-vour space, and to try conclusions with your strength or that of your reins. In like valid. manner your tried friend, the old dog, is then a holiday to many, but (ah! those buts) not to all. It is none to the poultry. Water is frozen; the ground is so hard they cannot scratch; there is not an animal of any kind on its surface; and they must depend on their owner for everything they want. See they lack nothing. First they must have water. Few people have any idea of the suffering caused to birds by the lack of water. Their power of maintaining life on the smallest possible quantity of food is wonderful, provided they have water; but a practised eye can tell in a dead fowl or pigeon whether it suffered or not from thirst. The skin becomes hard, dry, and red; the flesh contracts as it were and becomes brown, and the whole body looks as if it had been suddenly shrivelled and dried up. You must bear in mind they require more food and better than they do in milder weather; and, if you can, let them have a greater variety. They want substitutes for the worms and insects. Now, the scraps of meat and fat from the table should go to the fowls. Save the drainings of all the glasses, pour them together, and sweep all the crumbs and old corners of bread into it. Feed the birds MAY. often, and if there is snow, sweep a place clean and feed there. Never feed any kind of bird in such a manner that they shall pick up snow with their food: it is a strong medicine to them. The lark that fattens in two days on the white hoar-frost be comes a wretched skeleton after two days' snow.—Cottage Gardener.

Manures .- Quantity, Quality.

The following extracts are taken from an essay upon making, preserving, and apply-ing manures, read before the Milton Farmers' Club, and subsequently published in the New-England Farmer:

As most farmers keep different kinds of stock, the manure of all would be improved if it should be mixed in one heap. This is easily done when cattle are kept in the stable during cold weather, and also in Summer if the soiling system be practiced; and, according to some writers, manure made by soiling in the Summer is much more valuable than that made in the Winter. The strength of manure, however, depends almost entirely upon the food which the animals consume. As the heap in the cellar increases, loam, muck, or other suitable ingredients should be mixed with it. This mixture should be determined in a great measure by the quality of the soil on which the manure is to be used; if it is cold, wet and clayey, I prefer sandy loam or some other warm material; if light and porous. muck or some other tenacious substance is necessary. In adding ingredients to manure, judgment should be used, because if too much be added it will injure the quality more that it will increase the quantity. Farmers have been sometimes heard to say that with a certain number of cattle they could make so many cords of manure, but the size of a manure heap is no true test of its value. If I am called upon to appraise a pile of manure, I want to know how much stock has been kept, and how it has been fed; and then, if the manure has been properly saved, I think that I can judge pretty nearly of its value. Notwithstanding the light which scien-

tific writers have thrown upon the subject, the manner in which manures operate, the best methods of applying them, and their efficiency and durability, are still subjects of discussion among intelligent farmers. Perhaps there is nothing connected with farming about which practical farmers differ more than the state in which manures should be applied. Some contend that it should be used in a green, unfermented state, and others that it should not be used until it is so rotten and fine as to be easily cut with a spade. I am of the opinion that it depends very much on the crops to be

The quantity of manure which it is profitable to use per acre, is another subject of think this depends, in some measure, on the price of land. If a man has land enough, or can buy it at a low rate, his object should be to make the most of his labor and money; whereas, if land be worth five hundred dollars per acre, he should endeavor to realize the most from each acre. Some crops, however, require more food to bring them to maturity than others.

Again, the depth to which manure should be buried is a controverted question. As the tendency of manure is downward, I believe much more is generally lost by being buried too deep than too shallow. Orcharding may be an exception. For tilled crops I prefer to have manure covered, but left quite near the surface. Once more, the best time for applying

manure is not a settled question among farmers. I believe, however, the prevail ing opinion is, that for tilled crops, manure ought to be applied immediately before dropping the seed, but for top-dressing know that I have done wrong sometimes; but, Aunt Lucy, there's nobody so good as never to sin, is there? What shall I do?"

"Ella, who told you that to be a Christian is to be good?"

"Why, aunty, I suppose my Sabbath School teacher told me, or you or mamma. Somebody told me, or I shouldn't know it Somebody told me, or I shouldn't know it Somebody told me, or I shouldn't know it God has placed them; how true it is that the that should be unhappy where to bear it. For I tell you that trouble of themselves; they are fed and tended, and treme pain. Thrice she besought God to him was, the most prevent much loss by evaporation. It will here observe that, although I am satisfied that high cultivation is generally the was answered; but it was answered by a better method than removing the evil—by making him willing and able grass land, as to cause the grass to lodge in ordinary seasons; because I think that a characteristic ordinary seasons.

under it more manhood, more strength, where there is only a ton and a half to the more conscious power of being. And so acre as if there were more, and the quality God hears the prayers of those that im- of the hay will be much better.—Evangelist.

FORM OF A DEVISE OR BEQUEST

TO ANY OF THE BOARDS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH The State laws differ so much that no one form will answer in all the States, but in every

case it is essential to give the RIGHT CORPORATE The oldest Board was originally called the Board of Missions, but is now incorporated under the laws of Pennsylvania under title of "The Trustees of the Board of Domestic Missions" of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America." Of the Board of Education the corporate name is, "The Trustees of the Board of Educa-tion of the Presbyterian Church in the United States

of America." The Board of Foreign Missions is incorporated under the laws of New-York, under the style of "The Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America." The Board of Publication is incorporated under the laws of Pennsylvania under the style of The Trustees of the Presbyterian Board of Pub-

The Board of Church Extension of the General Assembly is not incorporated, but the fol-lowing form of bequest, it is supposed, would be

I bequeath to my executors the sum of gambols, and in the gleesomness of his feelings he picks up a shred of cloth in the field, and shakes and tosses it for very wantonness. The appearance of real Winter States of America, located in the City of St. Louis, Missouri, to be applied to the uses and purposes of said Board, and under its directions, and the receipt of the said Treasurer shall be a full and legal acquittance of my said executors for the same.

When real estate or other property is given, let it be particularly described. RESOLUTIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEM-

BLY IN REGARD TO COLLECTIONS. WHEREAS, Many of our churches do not contribute to our benevolent enterprises, and where as, it is desirable to test the power of simulta neous effort; and whereas, an emergency has arisen, requiring the cooperation of all our churches to save our Boards from serious em barrassment; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That this Assembly earnestly re quest all our churches that have no fixed times for the purpose, to take up annual collections as For the BOARD ON DOMESTIC MISSIONS on the FIRST SABBATH OF NOVEMBER.

For the BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS the First Sabbath of January. For the BOARD OF EDUCATION on the FIRT SABBATH OF MARCH. For the COLPORTAGE FUND of the BOARD

OF PUBLICATION on the FIRST SABBATH OF For the BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION on the FIRST SABBATH OF JULY. For the DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND on the First Sabbath of September. Resolved, 2. That when the annual collections

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