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Poetry.

After the Burial,

BY MRS. BRADLEY.

My baby is asleep to-day, Not in her cradle-bed; A coffin-pillow underneath, A stone above her head. No more throughout the silent house Her merry voice shall ring; No more for ever shall I see The face that was so sweet to me As violets in spring.

Ah! heavy is my heart to-day With loneliness and pain, But not to ease it would I bring My baby back again; For Christ who blest the little ones So tenderly of old, Has carried her where she shall be From every sin and sorrow free, Safe sheltered in his fold.

And I am glad through all my tears, Dear Lord, to have it so, For all the ills that I have known I would not have her know. Far better is this early death, Which leads her straight to thee, Than doubtful years of earthly life Whose end (perhaps with evil rife) No mortal may foresee.

She lies within the arms to-day, And in her happy rest She will not miss the mother's voice, Nor need the mother's breast. No need of me for ever more,-But, oh! she yet may be The loving angel who will come To guide me to my Father's home When thou shalt summon me. -Sabbath at Home.

Tommunications.

For the American Lutheran. The Duties of the Hour. No. 1.

ter contention, and it becomes us to be true to ry Muller, Seriver, Arnold, Schade, Dannthe great principles of the religion we profess. It is said that men are apt to lose the spirit of true devotion in times of religious controversy. They are apt to be satisfied with the outside of religion, and to undervalue its real substance. Now although we as spiritual men are contending for the true soul stiring religion of Christ, we must not forget that we need that same religion in our own hearts. Whilst pleading for the truth as it is in Jesus, in behelf of our people, we must be careful to have it in our own hearts. As time passes on, the lines between the symbolists and General Synod Lutherans will be more distinctly drawn, and it will be seen that the difference after all is more in practice and experience, than in theory. The zeal for doctrines and forms after all will be found to be nothing more than a cloak to cover the nakedness of an unsanctified soul, that innate enmity of the unrenewed heart to the spiritual religion of Christ. For we all know that the experimental religion of Jesus, finds an implacable enmity in any unregenerate heart .--Those who are opposed to the life of Christ in the soul of every true child of God do not and dare not as yet avow their opposition, but after awhile when they shall have filled the minds of their members with their own unscriptural notions, or driven those pious members whom they cannot deceive off to other churches, then they will throw off the mask, and tell them in plain language that there is nothing necessary but to be baptized and go to the Lord's table. I heard one of these ritualists preach a funeral sermon for one of his members, he preached the member directly to heaven, on this very ground, viz: Baptism and the Lord's Supper, not one word was said about repentance, conversion,

ists; this whole conflict turns on that point. Pietism is nothing more than experimental religion placed over against formalism. In England, it was called Puritanism formerly and was pitted against high churchism. Methodism is nothing more than English Pietism, or Puritanism, with the calvinism left out. In Germany, Pietism has always been cramped and hampered by the civil government, and could not make the progress it did in England, where, after the Protectorate of Cromwell, the church had more freedom, especially after such powerful intellects as John Milton, Andrew Marvell, Bishop Croft, Dr. John Owen, Richard Baxter, John Locke, had ventilated the subject of christian liberty. Although the Episcopal church was adopted at the State Church, yet dissenters The great want in our church just now is tru- man, a little over 30 years of age, and yet State church are in the minority. There is no country in the world where men have more mote true piety in our ministry. Hence the situation, oh, how trifling would your philosreligious freedom than our own, and here then duties of the hour are to raise up and train ophy appear, and how unreasonable would we may expect experimental religion to succeed even better that in England. But in Germany and Sweeden and Denmark, our church is bound hand and foot. Even as late as 1830, no prayer meetings could be held in Prussia, and even now a revival of religion would throw a whole kingdom into convulsions. A man that would profess to have experienced religion in his sou, and would pub

and honest to his system of religion.

liely avow such experience, would in many Lutheran countries be considered a fit subject for a lunatic asylum! Religion in Germany is considered a State affair, nobody has any business to think on the subject but the preacher. The catechism and the forms of worship, and the things to be believed, are all prepared for the people, and they have no more right to read the Bible and think for themselves on the subject of religion, than on the subject of politics. This was the state of the case when P. James Spener commenced his glorious career as a Second Reformer of the Church towards the close of the 17th century. He had experienced the converting grace of God in his own soul, and he could not hide the fire that burned within him. He saw the spiritual ignorance of the people, and he saw the cause of this ignorance, and he laid the axe at the root of the tree.

The Rev. Henry Muller, a warm friend of true piety, spoke against the poor, dumb idols in the Lutheran church, as he called them, viz: 1. The Baptismal Font. 2. The Pul-

pit. 3. The Confessional, and 4. The Altar. John Gerhard, a friend of Spener, says, "The most diligent church goers, practice the most abominable things, and yet if we would call in question their piety, and recommend serious christianity to them, they would call you a hypocrite and a Pharisee." There was no piety in the theological schools, not even seriousness; men prepared for the ministry as they did for the law or medicine - practical piety never entered into the account. Arndt in his "True Christianity," in 1620, had sown good seed in the Church, many read his books and saw the necessity of personal holiness, and a deep interest was awakened. But Spener saw that the ministers must be converted, he labored therefore to get up an Institution where the ministers should be properly train-

Arndt was a man of great meekness and modesty, though firm in his views. He bore everything for the sake of peace. But Spener was made of different material he bearded the lion in his den, he carried the war into Africa, and defended his position with great boldca, and defended his position with great boidness and energy. He soon stood at the head things that once gave him pleasure, he now mother, whose soul was bound up in her two bath for the first time in many years.

I beof true friendship, whether between men and why the Bible Can Never Become an of the pietists. Pious and learned men soon

Lutherans now conduct revivals. "In these light of the gospel. meetings," says Dr. Tholuck, "the exercises

But what effect would such preaching have upon the living? The fact is, we have to Halle, the theological school established by thousands of cases, but the students of the the more hopeless I am.'

> Our Missionary Institute may be lookel friend, how dreadful would now be my condiupon as the pure offspring of Spener's Insti- tion if I had not that assurance of faith. tution at Halle. An institution where per- which you say you have not? sonal piety in the students is held up as para- "The skeptic will not always be a skeptic mount to every thing else. Learning and tal- for even the greatest skeptic must admit that ents are not to be undervalued, but what are the Bible may be true, and if it should turn they without experimental piety? What is out to be true, then he must expect all its an unconverted minister worth in the church? threatenings to be fulfilled. I am yet a young ly pious ministry. All who love the cause of with one foot in the grave. How easily might young men for the ministry, who have been then your boasted reason appear, how would converted to God, and to have them educated you then regret that you had chosen an un-

For the American Lutheran. Experimental Religion, by Dr. John Yung Stilling.

Mr. EDITOR:-I herewith send you a trans lation of Dr. Stilling's views on experimental religion, taken from his "Menschenfreund," page 77. It occurs in a conversation between young preacher, whose head was filled with the prevailing notions of the clergy of Germany at that time, (i. e. the end of the last century.) The young preacher had objected to experimental religion on the ground that son. The layman replied thus:

"My dear candidate, give God the glory, and honor the truth, hear me patiently to the end, and do not interrupt me until I shall discerned.' Yes, these things do appear contrary to reason to the naturel man, yea, they are insipid and tasteless to him. This is true also with the whole work of Redemption, and of conversion and the renewing of the soul, into the moral image of God. Just look seriously at the conversation of Jesus with Nicodemus (John iii.). Here our Saviour says must undergo a great moral change in his views and feelings, and become altogether a new creature. This no doubt seemed very strange to Nicodemus, who was then in his

hend it, and yet he feels as certain of it as he brother's behalf. He thankel God for a pray- who was also near death with the same disease possess. He is not filled with strength to In 1670, Spener preached a sermon in the does of his own existence. But Nicodemus ing mother, and told of his regrets that he but with firm confidence—whose remarks to overcome successfully his own spiritual enecity of Frankfort, that is said to have alarm- understood this just as little, for he replied had so long grieved her. He lanked God for his children, after he was informed by his phyed and awakened the whole city. I should again, 'How can such things be?' Jesus then praying Christians, and moe than all, his sicians that all hope of recovery was gone, souls of other men to Christ. O, if we could ea and awakened the whole city. I should asser, sould like to see that sermon. If any one who replied. 'Art thou a Master in Israel and thanks were due to God, wholn Christ was a were affecting. He called his family togeth-but always get near to Christ, how should our reads this article knows where that sermon is knowest not these things?' This my dear prayer-answering God. It an humble and er, and informed them of the information he strength be increased. He is the true source to be found, he will please commmunicate the candidate, is even yet the case with the Nic- feeling manner, he related ome of the cir- had received from the physicians, and what of our power. "I can do all things through fact to the editor of this paper. Spener odemuses of our day (i. e. unconverted preaduration of this paper. Spener odemuses of our day (i. e. unconverted preaduration of this paper. Spener odemuses of our day (i. e. unconverted preaduration of this paper. Spener odemuses of our day (i. e. unconverted preaduration of this paper. Spener odemuses of our day (i. e. unconverted preaduration of this paper. Spener odemuses of our day (i. e. unconverted preaduration of this paper. Spener odemuses of our day (i. e. unconverted preaduration of this paper. Spener odemuses of our day (i. e. unconverted preaduration of this paper. Spener odemuses of our day (i. e. unconverted preaduration of this paper. Spener odemuses of our day (i. e. unconverted preaduration of this paper. Spener odemuses of our day (i. e. unconverted preaduration of this paper. Spener odemuses of our day (i. e. unconverted preaduration of this paper. Spener odemuses of our day (i. e. unconverted preaduration of this paper. Spener odemuses of our day (i. e. unconverted preaduration of this paper. Spener odemuses of our day (i. e. unconverted preaduration of this paper. Spener odemuses of our day (i. e. unconverted preaduration of this paper. Spener odemuses of our day (i. e. unconverted preaduration of this paper. Spener odemuses of this paper. Spener ode found it absolutely necessary to appoint spe- chers,). Formerly, and even yet there are and begged the brethren to ray for his dear "My dear wife and children, I never knew He is not only the strong tower to afford refcial meetings for prayer and conversation, just many preachers who remain Nicodemuses, mother, that her declining years might be full till now how very dear you are to me, and how uge in time of danger, and our armory to supas any faithful preacher will now. These they do not examine the Bible for themselves of comfort in the assurance of her own faith, much we owe to our dear Saviour. For many ply us with weapons, but he also infuses

New Reformation.' It was a mild and gentle My dear young friend, let me tell you there is never spent in vain. but a firm and importunate plea, for a higher but one way of reaching a clear consciousness The good results of the week of prayers are ever known here." He then offered a few Christ speaking through us, or whether it is degree of piety both among the pastors and of the things of the Spirit of God, and that is evident every day. A brother who was pres- words of prayer, remembering the two who ourselves that speak. When the voice and people. Would not this book be of great ad- by a true and living religious experience.— ent one day of that week, and requested pray- were unconverted, and said: "I am nearer spirit of Jesus are present in our voice and vantage to us if translated for our people One of the great evils of our day is that min- ers for his church and congregation, now ac- home than the physicians thought. I am al- spirit, they are moved to yield to our entreatnow? The great rock of offense was Spener's isters are not ashamed not to have such ex-knowledged that prompt answers were received. A few broken utterances, and ies. We shall never be very efficient in this assertion that "theology could not be pursued perience. It must be admitted on all sides, ed. His church had been quickened by the he was gone. without personal regeneration." The old sym- that no one but the true experienced christ- Spirit of grace, and was now praying and labolists of Wittenberg drew up an accusation ian can have the assurance of faith, and that boring for the conversion of sinners. As God cning power of grace gives life and spirit to against Spener, and pointed out 264 heresies he who has not got this assurance of faith was always ready to give more abundantly the services from the commencement to the way to Christ? Shall we endeavor to draw has not the required experience, and can than his children could ask or even think, he end .- Ch. Inhelligencer. One of his friends, Schade, became a fa. therefore not be a true christian. Now when desired that prayers might be continued, and

natic, and did the cause of true piety much we tell those who are in doubt as to their greater showers of grace received. injury. Such things will occur, for the trial true state, but who wish to be looked upon of our faith. One of the charges brought as true christians, that they must have this of a brother for prayer for one who had thrice against Spener by the orthodox party was, experience before they can have an assurance fallen under the power of temptation. It was that he taught that a holy life was necessary of faith, their pride rises up against it, and a case of much interest to the individual and to constitute a true christian, and that all instead of examining themselves closely, and his friends, and nothing but the grace of God who were baptized were not necessarily truly seeking the true way of gospel faith, they could save this fallen brother. regenerated." Another charge of heresy, cast all the blame on the Bible, and turn and Another, who was present, asked: "Will was that he taught "that religion would make twist and pervert the Word of God, until it you pray for me, that God will set my soul at men happy in this world." Here we can see either amounts to nothing, or teaches just liberty, and inspire within me the consolations the identity of our principles with those of what they want it to teach. It is with the of the Christian's hope? I have long been Spener in the 17th century, and Franke in heavenly truth of religion, just as with an old striving to become a Christian; but the more Spener and taught by Franke. We have only medical science are always finding fault with Another said: "I have been a member of

to press the arguments they used, and become it, that it is contrary to nature and reason, the church for many years, and at times have dence in your affection. vious and holy as they were, to succeed as that it should be successful. Those who de-thought that my hopes were well founded, at 3. Be affectionate and faithful to the they succeeded. We of the General Synod are sire to learn by experience the power and eftreading in the footsteps of the Fathers of ficacy of this old medicine must take it them- I am so now, and have been so for several ations when they interfere with theirs. Pietism, our opponents are the true followers selves. I am now, (says the sick laymen, who months, Somehow, I cannot realize that the of the old orthodox champions who ever op. had experienced the power of God's grace in promises of God are for me, and ask you to be their master; do not be their slave. posed true piety. These facts we must keep his soul,) standing at the very threshold of I must die in a very short time. Oh, my it in my soul."

Jesus Christ should labor and pray to pro- this be your condition, if you were now in my where their piety will suffer no damage in certainty for a certainty. At this point all the sins of my whole life rise up before me, were disposed of. SPENER, JUNIOR. | my conscience brings them all before the judg-

would be my condition?

from eternal burnings."

it was contrary to the principles of sound reather that from my inmost heart I am anxious Savior's love, he had peace and joy which blessing and gracious assurance. to arrive at the truth, tell me now what I nothing else could give. must do, how I am to begin work?" "If Personal requests for prayer were made by this really be your desire, I would say, pray a young man for the conversion of his broth have closed my remarks. 'The natural man do not cease to implore the Father of Light heart. It was pleasant to hear this request receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God for that illumination that cones from above. from this young man, who himself had been for they are foolishness unto him, neither can Watch carefully over your words and thoughts the recipient of God's mercy through this in-

prayers will most assuredly be answered."

Practical.

canst not tell whence it cometh or whither it them. In agony of soul she ften asks, 'Why, us by your prayers?" goeth, so is every one that is born of the Lord, delay thy coming?" On the day this Another request comes from Detroit: "Three looks upon with indifference—he now loves sons, her only children, andhe knew that she lieve the Holy Spirit is moving him."

long and perseveringly prayed. did not consist in regular discourses, but in a (referring to rationalism,) have undertaken had listened was full of encouragement not to they are—are the subjects of our last united them to Christ, is greatly owing to our lack of free inquiry into the wants of a christian life.' to examine the spiritual things that belong to faint in prayer. Although the answer might prayer. I go hence soon, but if you take intimate fellowship with him. When we are In 1675, Spener published his 'Pia Deside i,' God. They have brought the 'foolishness of be long delayed, the promises were sure. The Christ as your Saviour, we shall soon all meet filled with the spirit of such fellowship we or, 'The Pious Desires of the Church for a God' before the bar of their own wisdom.— praying breath of the children of grace is beyond the river of death, and be united in find it comparatively easy to persuade men.—

Marked attention was given to the request

pray for me, that my mind may be enlighten-

he sees no way to escape. Others testify of strong and useful exertion. freedom and deliverance: "I know that my 7. Ask of every thing which you are dis- o' wicked men." Redeemer lives," says one, "and that he is posed or tempted to do, Is this right? If it 'And what then,' asked Smith, 'do you marked religious experience? spoke with confidence of the power of Christ 8. Never forget that you are on the way clock is it wi' you, sir, if you please?'

in parcels, and the hour was gone before they with dread.

would not.' If I had no Saviour now what is commanded, and to those things wherein the Church is found wanting; to those who My triend do not depend upon a few isola- have "borne and had patience for his name ted cases of skeptics who may have died tran- sake," and "have labored and not fainted, quilly, this may sometimes be the case with but against whom "he has somewhat, because the worst sinners. It is a great blessing when they have left their first love;" and the apt conscience becomes awakened on this side of and eloquent expositon and instructions of the grave, so that the poor sinner may find this Scripture then made by an aged minister a converted laymen, and an unconverted refuge in Christ, and be pluked like a brand who was present for the first time, will long be remembered by many. There was hope-but "Here the poor sick man ceased, being only hope—for the backslider, while there was much exhausted. The young preacher sat consolation in the believer's faith in a present for a while in deep meditation, and then said, salvation, which buoyed up his spirit under ad-Allow me to say a few word, I am conscious verse circumstances; and in the smile of the

> without ceasing for a knowledge of the truth, er, and for more grace and faith in his own R. W. ceived was real and permanent.

upon an aged minister, who was now confined with a broken limb, whose words of encouragement and earnest prayers had eften quicka mother for prayers for the conversion of her man and an aged woman, who were without or be interested in their wishes. state of nature, he no doubt thought it fool- two sons. The handwriting and phraseology hope. And there was an affecting request In its practical results this condition of abeth's breakfast, and simple refreshments the strength of his reason, chuckling over the and were substantially as follows: "A moth- from his "three children, who hope you will ian of all the highest and purest pleasures series of entertainments given by the nobility things be?' But Jesus proceeded quite calm- for the conversion of her two young sons, end, we cannot let him die unsaved. We pray we were obliged to hold this kind of fellowship to outdo the others, it was universally admitly and said, 'The wind bloweth where it list- again begs that you will pry that God will with all our heart and soul, that God will with our earthly friends, we would feel their ted that Lord Goring won the palm for the

change has taken place in his soul, he now man said he believed that request came from sion of my father, and I am encouraged to fidence reposed in them, in making known to harnessed, with ropes of sausage, to a hugh cels holy desires in his soul, the very things his mother; but if it did pt, his case was repeat the request because he is thoughtful he hated before, he now loves—all worldly identical with it. He had a pious Christian and inquiring. He attended church last Sab-

God and his fellow men with his whole heart. had often sent requests for prayer to this There was a request for prayer for a dear tial to the enjoyments friendship produces. But where this heavenly impulse comes from meeting for them: and he mow declared that friend who was at death's door by consumphe does not know, nor is he able to compre- God had answered prayer in his and his tion, and without hope. And another for one robs the Christian of the power he should meetings were like the anxious seat, perhaps for fear they might offend their superiors in and in witnessing the faith and devotion to years your mother has joined with me in prayconducted very much as our General Synod the church. Some however come to the true Christ of her children, for whom she had so er that our children might all belong to our Saviour, and he has answered our prayers in gers to fight. "In our day, the unconverted ministers, A brother said the relation to which they all but two. These two—you all know which hold upon the hearts of men and leading

Counsels to a Son.

ate Rev. Dr. Peabody, of Springfield, to his that I come unto thee," even though the son, when the latter was going from home to yielding wave and bottomless deeps intervene. reside, with the request that he would read If we shall do this, then we shall indeed realthem daily:

Father. Speak to him every day. It is un- and blessed fullness of personal religious exgrateful to neglect him; and if you do neg- perience, and be prepared with energy aud lect him, you will repent it bitterly forever. success to execute the grand mission whereun-

the 18th. Our American fathers came from well tried medicine that has been tested in I strive, the farther off it appears to be, and how anxious they are for your welfare and Religions Telescope. improvement. If you will not take the trouble to write to them, they can have no confi-

5. Always attend to duties first, and after- so readily set aside?" before our people, yea, on this line we must eternity, I have no hope of ever getting well, ed, and that I may have the grace of the Spir- wards to pleasures. Finish your studies before you allow your amusements to begin.

able to keep me by his grace. Oh! taste and is, do it, however much it costs you; if it is make a miracle to be?' see how good he is. He hath delivered my not, let nothing induce you to do it. Every 'I regard it,' said uncle, to be merely such soul from the power of the destroyer, and has time obey your conscience, you increase its an interference wi'the established course o' given me to hope in his mercy. Bless the power within you. Each time you act against things, as infallibly shows us the presence and time of their conversion, 318 could tell it

to save to the uttermost all who come to Christ to a world where you must answer for every 'It is half past twelve, Greenwich time,' thing that you have done. Live so that you replied Smith. On a subsequent day the requests were read may give in your account with joy, and not

NEARNESS TO CHRIST.

Not long since, a lady who is well known to a large circle for her devotedness to the Christian life, remarked, in a conference meeting, that one of the satisfactory features of her experience for some time had been, that when she engaged in prayer, either for herself, or for the outpouring of the Spirit upon others, the way to Christ seemed so near .-During much of her life it had been otherwise. A strong and continued effort had sometimes been required before she could feel Christ present. Now she felt that he was indeed near, to satisfy at once her heart with We were led by this remark to reflect upon

the wide contrast presented between this experience and that of perhaps a majority of the professed disciples of the Lord, and the consequences following from the common low finement over past ages is strictly shown in state of experience. It is a fact that the ex- the following paragraph: perience of thousands of Christians is far he know them, because they are spiritually and if you continue in this tate of mind your strumentality not long since, and he spoke from being so thorough and satisfying as it ly part of the sixteenth century, gives a cuwith confidence, and the blessing he had reshould be. In their devotions there is not rious description of an English interior of that fullness and nearness of approach to God, the better class. The furniture was rough, Prayers were also asked for God's blessing that sweet and perfect confidence, and that the walls unplastered, but sometimes wainintimacy of communion, which the Christian scoted or hung with tapestry, and the floor should enjoy. They speak to God as though covered with rushes, leaving what they could he were very far removed from them. They not eat to rot there, with the draining of ened the inspirations of hope in this place, do not take hold of his hand as children take beer vessels, and all manner of unmentionaand who was now enjoying great peace of hold of the hand of a father. Jesus, too, is ble abominations. There was nothing like rethat tallen man must be born again, that he The Fulton Street Prayer Meeting, mind, and beight prospects of the future. The far from them. They do not feel the beatings finement or elegance in the luxury of the

men, or men and God, and is therefore essen-

Our weakness and inefficiency in taking heaven in a more perfect love than we have They learn to understand whether it is indeed

Now, shall we be moved to seek a nearer so near, and remain so near, that we shall always feel when we pray that he is believers will keep the sacred volume new; indeed right with us, and not far from us ?-Shall we, like Peter, have the boldness of The following "counsels" were given by the faith whereby we shall say, "Lord bid me ize that we are clothed with the power of

work until we realize that Christ is near to

1. Never forget that you have a Heavenly the Highest. We shall attain an increasing 2. Remember your friends at home, and to, as servants of Christ, we are appointed.— years of his ministry, which we recommend

A Schotchman on Miracles.

'Well, you may say what you please,' said Smith, 'I, for my part, cannot believe that God would first impose laws on nature. and 4. Govern your passions firmly. You can then go to violate his own laws. What would be the use of making them, if they are to be half were baptized in infancy. Mr. Cushing

'I dinna ken, sir,' said uncle, very reverently, 'what God may do, or what he winna Another one requested prayers that he 6. Do not read much fiction. It is to the do; but I don't regard a miracle to be a violamight be delivered from the burden of sin, mind like drinking to the body; it intoxicates tion o' the laws o' nature. 'There's nae viowhich is a burden to his soul, and from which and destroys the power of the mind for any lation o' the laws o' nature, or arther the laws a fatal error when parents assume that their o' God, that I ken o', save the wicked actions children will, of course, live for years in im

Lord, O my soul!" And many of the letters it, you do something to destroy its power. the action o' o supernatural pooer. What o' within a week, and 172 knew the hour and

time-piece from his pocket, 'it's ane o'clock fore conversion 186 had been in the habit of wi' me; I generally keep my watch a bitte secret prayer and 73 of occasional prayer, The leader read portions from the second The most prejudiced men are generally those with me; I generally keep my watch a bitte while 121 neglected it entirely. A long list is given of the occasions or influences to which

the laws o' a watch? True, I hae done what watchdom wi' a' its laws cooldna hae dune for itself, but I hae dune violence to nane o' laws. My action is only the interference o' a superior intelligence for a suitable end but I hae suspended nae law, violated nae law. Weel. then, instead o' the watch, say the universe; instead o' moving the hands, say God acting worthily of himself, and we hae a' that I contend for in a miracle; that is the unquestionable presence of an Almighty hand workng the divine will. And if he sees fit to work miracles, what can hinder him? He has dune it aftener than once or twice already; and wha daur say that he'll not leave to do't again?

Mon Our Ancestors Lived.

The improvement in social comfort and re-

"Ereamus, who visited England in the earsick and maimed and suffering in the hospital of his heart against their hearts. They ad- higher rank; the indulgences which their At short intervals, for everal years, re- were subjects of prayer at the request of one dress him only as some one very remote, who wealth permitted consisted in rough and quests have been presented o the meeting by who had visited them, as were also an aged may, or may not hear what they are saying, wasteful profusion. Salt beef and strong ale constituted the principle part of Queen Elizishness. It appears to me I can see him in of these requests were sufciently identical for prayer for "our dear father," which came things is very injurious. It robs the Christ- were served to her in bed for supper. At a idea of a change, and say, 'How can these er, who has many times asked your prayers pray earnestly for him, as he is very near his which his experience should afford him. If in 1689, where each exhausted his inventions eth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but have mercy on them, and save save him. Dear brethren, will you not help friendship to be an intolerable formality, and magnificence of his fancy. The desceiption would seek to cast it off for same thing more of his supper will give us an idea of what was congenial. Jesus called his disciples friends be- then thought magnificent. It consisted of Spirit.' The individual feels that a great request was read for the 1st time a young times I have asked you to pray for the conver- cause of the intimacy and fullness of the conthem "all thinge he had heard from the pudding-bag, which served for a chariot."

keep it forever from becoming antiquated .-One of the charms of the blessed book is that it is a repository of original material of history. Every great historian spends a large amount of his time in examining its authentia original records of the times under his survey. Sometimes a newly-discovered scrap, only a few lines in length, will give a new coloring to many pages of his volume. Now, the Bible is an ancient history, full of the richest variety of incident, and extending over the great epochs in the world's progress. It is no second-hand compilation, but an original. fresh, and inspiriting record. This ean be appreciated without reference to its divine in-

A more important reason why the Bible will always have the interest of a new book is, that it is associated with the experience of the new heart, The Spirit uses the Word in regeneratioa. The new-born soul has a new insight into the Scriptures. The Christian, as he grows in grace, finds increased injoyment in the Bible. "I used to think," said a believer to us, 'that many portions of the Bible were dry and uninteresting, even after I became a Christian: but now I can say that I find no part uninteresting.' A book that is so intimately connected with the new life, being itself the fountain of life, can not grow old. The new hearts of every generation of or, rather, its own divine inspiration and divine instructions will keep them ever finding

last Congregational Quarterly contains an article by Rev. Christopher Cushing, entitled "The Methods of the Spirit," in which he gives an account of the religious life of 300 tians laborers. Some of the facts stated are these: Of the 380 persons 193 had pious parents, 157 others had pious mothers, 11 others had pious fathers, and but 59 had an entirely irreligious parentage. Mothers will notice that 310 of the 380 had pious mothers. and will take courage accordingly. Just one

If European Christians rely too much on infant baptism, family training, and having children grow up Christians, do we not rely too little upon these things? Is it not often penitence, and then be convicted and have a

305 cf the 380 made their profession of rcligion under thirty years of age, and 193 under twenty years. The males were 128 and fore conversion, 60 stated it as not exceeding a week, 50 as from one to two weeks, 56 a from two to three weeks, 33 as from 3 to 5 'Well, sir,' said uncle, pulling a huge old weeks, and the rest as for longer periods. BeSacred Corn and Grapes.

climax of its folly by an act that calls for the burg and in doing this, I hold, that it has vi- because the Education Society has no funds devoted pastor, Rev. T. C. Pritchard, we went ry give notice of the same each year, in the here and entered the ministry, all except six solemnity to their communion-service, the fering with the interests of the institution to Peter-Your remarks certainly have some paid us. The church was beautifully trimmed have English Christians to sneer at the "sa- very likely. Still whether it does or not, it tions of a beneficiary course, living part of that we will not soon forget, altogether it their attachment to the General Synod. Send cred cow" of the Hindoos, if their own Bish- was the universal sentiment. Pains were tak- the time on bread and water, and who have was an occation long to be remembered. ops display such folly as this?

up to the Pan Anglicans.

The following article was handed to us by its author for publication in the AMERICAN LUTHERAN. The writer will be easily detected by his well known peculiar, and blunt style, and this may be regarded as the strongest argument by the opponents of the Missionary Institute against its separate existence. We have had the article on hand for several weeks, because we wished Dr. Zicgler to write a reply to it which might appear in the same ey? number with the article. Dr. Ziegler has, however, been absent from home for some time. This week, he has returned and written a reply which the readers will find in ancussion on the subject.

All that "Vindex" says about those who speak or write against the removal of the Missionary Institute being men of no influence or not reflecting the sentiments of those who control affairs at Selinsgrove, is mere bunkum. Every one will understand this, when he reflects but for a moment, that those who control the affairs of the Missionary Institute. are the very men who oppose its removal both in the Board and in print:

Gettysburg and Selinsgrove.

The two theological schools familiarly designated by these names are the only ones contwo or three others are seldom mentioned and be stated when the proper time shall arrive. only because, the number of their students is very small, their location is remote from the centre and their activity is not of a high order. Their professors are, no doubt, very respectable gentlemen, but their schools have, somehnw or other, never awakened a general interest. Gettysburg and Selinsgrove have absorbed our special attention, for nearly all burg and Selinsgrove," with Dr. Ziegler's re-

them, a few of which I shall specify. They we say about Gettysburg, for if we happen to large portion of our Zion, I thought I would Church. These prayer-meetings were intendare both located in the same State, less than give utterance to a truth that does not just give you a short account of a work of grace ed for the young peope, but have grown so one hundred miles rail road distance from please them, we are in danger of having the in the Lutherbaum. I need not tell you what large that we have hought proper to call each other; both are connected ecclesiastical- faculties of both institutions "come down" and where the Lutherbaum is. You have seen them the people's prayer-meetings. They are ly with the General Synod; both teach, in upon us, as we have reason to know from a it with your own eyes, worshipped within its conducted similarly to the Fulton Street general, the same theological system; both recent experience. are taught by men who graduated at Gettys- James-There is no danger, however, that say that there has been a revival among its mental in doing much good. The Columbia burg; both aim at an advanced theological they will "crush" us, if they do 'come down' members, would be slightly incorrect, for the Church, is alive again, and will soon be largtraining; both are governed by directors upon us pretty heavily. some of whom belong at the same time to the John—This writer "Vindex Junior" says, constantly revived. Some years since, Dr. been with and blessel us and to Him be all Board of each school and both are supported that the Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, Harkey wrote a little book. The title "The the praise. by men who fraternize on all other church has three professorships fully endowed and Church's Best State," showing and proving

But there are some points of dissimilarity. Gettysburg is over forty years old, Selinsgrove endowment of a theological professorship in but practicable; and I do think the Lutheran less than one third that age; the former has Gettysburg? three professors, the latter but one; the former has three professorships fully endowed and sand dollars. a fourth nearly so, the latter has not one; the former has a library of 16,000 vols., the lat- dollars ought to support a professor comforta- gation, rented in the upper part of the city ter has not 2000; the former has the sympa- bly in Gettysburg. Our institutions at Get- of Philadelphia, a small upper room for worthy of nearly all the American Lutheran tysburg have been truly fortunate in getting ship, called as their pastor, Rev. N. M. Price, Synods, the latter is the favorite of few; the such munificent endowments both for the col- since which time they have erected, and ded former is governed by Directors elected by lege and seminary. Now I will tell you what licated a neat chapel; capable of seating be Synods and under the special fostering care of I think would be a good thing. After they teen 400 and 500 persons, and they already the General Synod, the latter is not under get their fourth theological professorship en- number some 100 communicants, with a Sabsynodical control at all, and its directors are dowed, it would be a fine thing if they would bath school of 200 and upwards of regular not responsible to any higher church tribun- begin to endow some studentships. I am told attending scholars, and best of all, at every al; the former reports regularly to the Gen- they have comparatively few students. Now appointment whether for prayer meeting or eral Synod, the latter reports to no church what do all these professorships avail if there preaching, the chapel is well filled. I do not judicature, for it is not ameanable to any are so few students to derive the benefits from believe there is a chapel or church in the enbody; the former publishes reports of its con_ the lectures of those learned and worthy pro- tire city where the attendance is better, comdition, so that its supporters may see what fessors? In former times we had only two pared with the number of its communicants. use is made of the money, the latter publish. theological professors at Gettysburg, and three Some three weeks since the pastor commenced es no official reports and none but its directimes as many students in the seminary as we holding evening meetings, and between 30 and body, I am only showing differences.) The Peter.—Don't speak so loud, James, some of salvation, after publicly presenting themical Lutheran church, Rev. G. Stelling pasformer counts its graduates by hundreds, the body might overhear us, and it might get to selves for the prayers of the church. The tor, on the first Thursday of May, (7th,) 18- sure that no school can show a fairer record. latter, by tens. The former has sent out the the ears of the professors. You know those work is still progressing. Some of the con- 68, at 9 o'clock, A. M. most influential men in the church, the grad- dear brethren are very sensitive on anything verts are the first families of the city, and uates of the latter have yet their reputation that concerns their institutions, and they wealthy. A yankee lady, originally from Bosto make, the former is the pride and favorite would at once tell you that you were inter- ton, for example, a few days after her conof the church, the latter has comparatively medling with things that are none of your version, sent for Rev. Price, the pastor, and few friends; no person of our churches business.

support of others is not prudent housekeep-

design of training only such men who from

THE AMERICAN LUTHERAN age or lack of elementary education could not students in the Seminary to 30 or 40 in a take a full course at Gettysburg but who still short time.

The above we clip from a New York church show that it was no opposition school to wealthy, did not think of your plan, and en- gun a protracted effort, which has continued York city. paper. We remark that our symbolical Lu- Gettysburg and under this impression, it se- dow one or two such "studentships." They without intermission for five weeks. The Hotherans of the General Council are nearly up cured some friends and donations. Support might thus gladden the heart of many a ly Spirit first began its work among the memto the Pan Anglican Ritualists. We were was asked on that very ground. No man who young candidate for the ministry and enjoy bers, stirring up our hearts to renewed dilinot informed where they obtained the flour for has any self-respect will deny this assertion. the sweet consolation that they would be in- gence, and a warmer love for souls. The the wafers they used at their communion at The observer of that day will demonstrate its strumental in doing good on earth long after meetings increased in seriousness, and the Fort Wayne, but we presume their wafers truth. I presume that all the students of its they have gone to heaven. If God ever sees ery was heard on all sides, "What shall we were made of the vulgar prarie wheat of the early days were precisely of that character, fit to grant me wealth, I think I shall endow do to be saved." Especially was this interest west. They either did not think so far or else but a change has been made in the policy and one or two such studentships. they had not the means to procure corn from it now receives those who come with a college Bethlehem. In the article of wine, however, diploma or its equivalent, who instead of bethey had a bottle of wine from Palestine. By ised, are heartily welcomed. I am not sur- when you get rich. the next meeting of the General Council we prised at this, for I can easily conceive that John-I hope that those persons of wealth found Christ, forty four of whom have been expect to find our symbolical brethren fully the worthy gentleman who with so much dig- in our church who intend to devote a portion taken into the church. Several were heads nity occupies the professorial tripod alone, of it to some benevolent cause will think of of families and they like the jailor at Philipwould find it very hard to refuse admission to this plan. a nice young man who shook a sheepskin in his face and who might do his profession credit as a pupil. That's all very natural, but the question is, should it be so? is it not departing from a well understood arrangement, if not a pledge? is it not interfering with the

This subject is beginging to awaken serious attention and the wisdom of this divided interest is doubted. United effort is considered the best policy. The friends of the General other column of this paper. Dr. Ziegler has Synod more than ever should at this time however, not said all in reply to the article of combine their energies or we shall suffer in-"Vindex Junior," that might and ought to calculably. The number of "adhering" Synbe said, and therefore we invite further dis- ods or ministers, at least, has been reduced and we cannot afford to have two schools of divinity so contiguous. It is an unwise expenditure of money and men, and as Gettys-Selinsgrove and besides, they are not men of commanding influence who would be consulted in a measure of such grave importance. Let us unite and present a formidable front nected with the General Synod, which are to our opponents. The conditions could be prominently before the Lutheran public. The rendered mutually acceptable and they will

Conversation in the Sanctum. Between Peter, John and James.

VINDEX JUNIOR.

the fourth one nearly so.

former, whilst there are many who regard as successfully the latter are many who regard as successfully the latter are many who regard as source of what I saw are only many the latter are many who regard as joy the liberty of speech in this country and he should wait as she wished to make him and practice attiwhat I say are only my individual opinions and the chapel a present. He could not wait. and suggestions they are not bound to adopt. She handed him then what she called a trifle is the country and and the chapel a present, He could not wait. She handed him then what she called a trifle is the country and and the chapel a present, He could not wait. She handed him then what she called a trifle is the country and and the chapel a present, He could not wait. She handed him then what she called a trifle is the country and and the chapel a present, He could not wait. In this resort, with a little enforced to their age and circumstant treat you to attend to this matter then be the country and and the chapel a present, He could not wait. In this resort, with a little enforced to their age and circumstant treat you to attend to this matter then be the country and and the chapel a present, He could not wait. In this resort, with a little enforced to their age and circumstant treat you to attend to this matter then be the country and and the chapel a present, He could not wait. In this resort, with a little enforced to their age and circumstant treat you to attend to this matter then be the country and and the chapel a present, He could not wait. In this resort, with a little enforced to their age and circumstant treat you to attend to this matter then be the country and and the chapel a present, He could not wait. Many of our most judicious people believe the ting flower hidden from all eyes sends that one Seminary is conficient and suggestions, they are not bound to adopt them. I was going on to say when you for his individual hancit which proved to be will know what to do. You may regard this ting for the absence of ladies' society these that one Seminary is sufficient, and Gettysthat one Seminary is sufficient, and Gettysthem. I was going on to say, when you for his individual benefit, which proved to be tain stream dashes along with a sparkle of logy as will qualify them to be able and faithwill know what to do. You may regard this tion for the absence of ladies' society these burg to be that one, and hence very little fathe read deliberated and their creation is full ministers of Christ." "Vindex Jr." appeal as rather plain and pungent, but I useless young men could be supported with ease and comfort, and all industrious people vor is shown to any other. They know that the learned professors of Gettysburg could be willing to pay the expense of this in man and woman are professors of Gettysburg could in the learned professors of Gettysburg could be willing to pay the expense of this in man and woman are professors of Gettysburg could be willing to pay the expense of this in man and woman are professors of Gettysburg could be willing to pay the expense of this institution, rather than bear the painful solice. teach all the theological students within our rich and would not be so strong against it." He then the straits of one dear brother. Were I not itude in regard to the welfare of these superbounds and hence, that money spent in the bounds are bounds and hence, that money spent in the bounds are bounds and hence, that money spent in the bounds are bounds and hence, that money spent in the bounds are bounds. The bounds are bounds are bounds are bounds are bounds are bo Two such professorables and through.— occurred, which I might mention, but for the thoughts; a hand to do, but no work done; terms of such departure. He says: "Segive his simple, uncomplaining statement.— has been made by the State for idiots, for inspection and the same more aged, and crippled, is it not aston-Two such professorships would support twenty theological students, which with what would prosper our Zion and fill the earth with his control of the long and fill the earth with his long and fill the eart If Selinsgrove had adhered to its original theological students, which with what would prosper our Zion, and fill the earth with his a human life thrown away—wasted as water be supported from other sources and could sup. praise. port themselves would sweel the number of

might be made useful in some sections of the John-Do you think the men could be rysville, reviving the hearts of his people, and church, the opposition would not be so stronge found if we had the money to support them? bringing sinners humbly to the feet of Jesus. against it. That design was sanctioned by some James-Certainly I do. I believe there On Sunday morning after Christmas, we held influential friends of Gettysburg, but they are hundreds of pious young men in the our Chrismas Jubilee, and to those who were

Thurch Rews.

NORTH BRANCH CONFERENCE OF usefulness of another school dearly cherished the Susquehanna Synod will meet at Bloomsby the church? is it not perpetuating separa- burg on the second Monday (10th) of Febtion when consolidation should be our poli- ruary, 1868.

> MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DI-RECTORS OF THE MISSIONARY IN- among the people we too of Columbia can Semi annual meeting of the Board of Direc. "Captain of our Savation," who hath "visittors of the Missionary Institute will take ed and redeemed hi people." Our earnest place on Tuesday evening march 3d. 1868 .- and faithful pastor, bro John H. Steck, com-A full attendance is requested.

M. L. SHINDEL, Cor. Sec. Selinsgrove, Feb, 4th, 1868.

NEW BLOOMFIELD, Pa.—A correspondent burg is the oldest, the best endowed and the writes to us: "The people are enjoying a most popular, others should unite with it and precious revival at the St. Samuel's church. not it with others. 'I have no doubt that near- The meeting has been in progress nearly three ly all our leading and influental men favor weeks. Quite a number have made a public union. I have yet to hear the first word of profession of faith, while many are inquiring, opposition to it from any man whose opinion is "What shall we do to be saved?" This

NEWPORT, Pa.—Rev. J. H. Davidson wri- eral young men. The meetings are exceedingting to us under date of January 30, says :- ly interesting, free from unnecessary excite-"The Trustees of the Orphan's Home of the ment, and a deep feding of solemnity pervad-General Synod, met here on last Wednesday, ing all the meetings. Other hearts are bebut failed in making the purchase of the ing worked upon, and while there are suppose they will turn their attention to some other point, as it has become a necessity to without help for thelast two weeks-preachhave a Home for our orphan children. There are other locations equally desirable. I do hope the church will act promptly in this sustained by by the prayers and cooperation

PHILADELPHIA.—Dear Bro. Anstadt: As young people's prayer meeting held before our American Lutheran students attend one ply; we must try to get them both into the the tidings of revivals of religion, and the service on Sunday evening, have no doubt spread of the gospel, in its triumphs over the been greatly instrumental under Gsd in pro-There are some points of similarity between Peter—We must be very cautious in what hearts of fallen man, are always welcome to a ducing the present good feeling in the a layman, the Synod having the right to nomwalls, and communed with its members. To meetings in New York, and have been instrupeople that belong to and worship there, are er and more prosperous than ever. God has conclusively, that a steady, constant, deep and Peter-How much do they need for the earnest work of garce, was not only possible, church, styled the Lutherbaum, has exempli- Brobst chronicled in his paper some time ago. John-I understand it takes thirty thou- fied in her history just such a state of things. Shall we have a report from him soon again? Scarcely two years ago, some two or three fam-James-The interest of thirty thousand ilies, a little branch, of Dr. Hutter's congre-

truly gracious to the Lutheran church in Pertions. At the last meeting of the general Synod,

have withdrawn their favor since Selinsgrove church who would study for the ministry if present it was a jubilee indeed. Some anxiehas departed from the object of its foundather were funds to support them. Why we ty was felt by both teachers and scholars as years ago, that about the 1st of April of conscientiously kept that promise, Vindex's tion. It now receives graduates of Colleges have to turn away quite a number of young to whether our first attempt would prove a each year, they take up collections for the assertions to the contrary, notwithstdnding. The Pan-Angelican Synod has capped the and other students qualified to enter Gettys- men every year in the Synod of Central Pa., success; but led by our young, faithful and Treasury of this Synod, and that the Secretato work with a will and the result amply re- church papers.

M. SHEELEIGH. Acknowledgement.

received for the support of the Theological trary, let him produce it. Again of these manifested among the members of the cate- Professor of the Missionary Institute.

mercy of God. Fifty souls have sought and Rev. Hackenburg Tr. of Synod Central Penn'a.

into the fold. The inquiry meetings were

COLUMBIA, PA.

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a large class of catchumens where the first

indications of religious interest were manifest-

Yours &c.

REMARKS BY THE EDITOR :- This congre-

gation is that "remarkable case," which Rev.

MEETING OF THE GENERAL

J. A. BROWN, Pres.

M. SHEELEIGH, Sec.

A. F OCKERSHAUSEN, Treas.

A MEMBER.

many parts of our autheran Zion are rejoic- please remit at once.

pi, have been batized, they and all their From Mr. J. M. Sheldon Phil'a. households. We thank the Lord for all his Mr. Lepply, Snyder Co. Pa. mercies, and pray that the time may soon come, when righeousness and peace shall " Rev. Dr. Haner St. Peter Congre

fill the earth, as the waters cover the great J. G. L. Shindel, Tr. All persons knowing themselves indebted on MESSRS. Editors:-Whilst our brethren in subscription or bond, on endowment will

For the American Lutheran.

column of to-day's paper, demands a reply. consciences, it does not happen to be so in Its design will be seen from its concluding our case. Never did "a nice young man," as paragraph: viz to offer arguments for the an applicant, "shake a sheepskin in my face" union of these two theological schools. Were and, indeed, "sheepskins have little weight it not for the misrepresentations that are made with me; as I refused one at my graduation, ing the souls of elievers. Preparatory to for others to discuss—the misrepresentations, man must recommend himself to his fellows, in it, I would have left the question of union taking the position then as I do now, that a advise him to put his next cross article in a however, I must correct, as no one has in his not by displaying his "sheepskin," but by solid possession all the necessary data except my- attainments and true moral worth.

ed. Although the neeting has been in progress but two weeks, already some fifteen or of these Schools. "Vindex Junior" says: dispose of them more readily than myself. tribunal." The following is our constitution are not free from the heresy of semi-Pelagian- ple instead of bearing it during the seven on this point:

ing at night and visiting and praying with the original statutes it shall be a self-perpetutheir brethren? ating body. It is provided, however, that the mourner in zion, during the day. He is any Synod standing in connection with the of his people, who love him dearly and who which shall have contributed in aid of the General Synod of the Lutheran Church, In stitution not less than one thousand dollars, shall always be entitled to two members in the Board one being a minister and the other inate twice the number to be elected, whilst the Board shall choose from the number

thus nominated." the full compliment of 30 members is not required by this pecuniary condition, the existing members of the Board may proceed to elect said member in such a way and manner and from such Synods as may to them seem most judicious, subject, however, to the provisions of the constitution. It is provided. finally, that two thirds of all the managers must be members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church standing in connection with the

General Synod of said church." "Two Synods are now exercising the aforesaid right of appointing directors, viz: that of Central Penn. and the Melanchthon Synod. The Synod of East Penna. can also exercise this right—and, if I had time to refer to the accounts, I think it would be seen that two Having been formally notified by the pas- other Synods come under the same conditions, or and Church Council of the Evangelical viz: West Penna, and Maryland.

Lutheran church of Harrisburg, Pa., that it Again he states in substance, that our would be inconvenient, if not utterly imprac- Board reports to no church judicature and is ticable, to hold the meeting of the General not amenable to any body, and publishes no Synod in that church on the 21st of May, official reports of the condition of its funds, and consequently requesting a change of time and that none but its directors know how its to the first Thursday, May 7th; and the Syn- affairs stand.

od of East Pennsylvania having unanimously Three district Synods, and most probably united in this request, as also some other Syn- five, can now, if they disire it, have annual ods and numerous individuals consulted con- reports laid before them through directors of curring; we, the undersigned officers of the their own choice and synodical connection. General Synod, in view of the necessities of If they do not desire this, our Board is not the case, do hereby appoint and announce the to be blamed, nor yet our statutes. Indeed tors know how its affairs stand. (I do not have now, and I believe they turned out just 40 persons, many of them aged, and most of Evangelical Lutheran Church to take place in of the Synods which enjoy the constitutional them heads of families have expressed a hope the city of Harrisburg, in the First Evangel- right to demand it—especially as regards the

> Selinsgrove Abandoning its Original Design.—I have no issue with "Vindez Junior" as regards the original design of our school. "Our statutes read thus :-

poured forth in the desert. Oh, birds and foundation. It now receives graduates of leave this matter with the brethren, hoping for a still more helpless class? Let this phil-

PERRYSVILLE, Pa.—The Lord has been The General Synod to the Congrega- been made in the policy and it now receives those who come with a college diploma or its equivalent, who instead of being advised to in May, 1866, the following resolution was go to Gettysburg as was promised, are heartily welcomed." I once made such a promise Resolved, That the same request be repeatath at the meeting of the Gettysburg Seminary

received their preparatory education either in It is hoped that all the congregations will whole or in part in our own Institute, and bread was made of Bethlehem corn, and the which most of its clerical supporters ewe all weight in them. It is high time that the with evergreen, each class presented an apwine was from Jerusalem grapes! We are the theological education and collaterally, all church should wake up to the importance of propriate emblem upon which remarks were the notice one year ago and those which did cation than we require. Of the remaining not aware that any peculiar sacredness at the ecclesiastical influence they possess. I do beneficiary education. The plan you suggest made by the pastor, then the sweet voices of two, one was a graduate of Wittenberg, Ohio, taches to the corn and grapes of Palestine; not assert that the Constitution of Selins- of endowing what you call "studentships," is but he could not go to Gettysburg, neither ious inquirers to the Saviour, and Satan will and yet this is the only inference to be drawn grove distinctly avows this design of training an excellen. one. I wonder that some of those while their songs of praise ascended, our an opportunity to all our ministers and conwould his father have supported him there from the action of the Bishops. What right only men of a certain class, but I think it who passed through the poverty and privather remaining one had entered the senior light only men of a certain class, but I think it who passed through the poverty and privather remaining one had entered the senior light only men of a certain class, but I think it who passed through the remaining one had entered the senior light only men of a certain class, but I think it who passed through the remaining one had entered the senior light only men of a certain class, but I think it who passed through the remaining one had entered the senior light only men of a certain class, but I think it who passed through the remaining one had entered the senior light only men of a certain class, but I think it who passed through the poverty and privather than the remaining one had entered the senior light only men of a certain class, but I think it who passed through the poverty and privather than the remaining one had entered the senior light only men of a certain class, but I think it who passed through the poverty and privather than the remaining one had entered the senior light only men of a certain class, but I think it who passed through the poverty and privather than the remaining one had entered the senior light on the remaining one had entered the senior light on the remaining one had entered the senior light on the remaining one had entered the senior light on the remaining one had entered the senior light on the remaining one had entered the senior light on the remaining one had entered the senior light on the remaining one had entered the senior light on the remaining one had entered the senior light on the remaining one had entered the senior light on the remaining one had entered the senior light on the remaining one had entered the senior light on the remaining one had entered the senior light of the remaining one had entered the senior light of the remaining one had entered the senior light of the remaining one had entered th class in one of the eastern colleges, had enpostal money orders to the Treasurer, A. F. tered upon the work of teaching in Penna., en to give currency to that idea in order to since they have entered the ministry become On the evening of the same day, was be-Ockershausen, Esq., No. 20 Rose street New finally concluded to prepare for the Lutheran cause he did not want to repent, nor yet to ministry, but being a married man, preferred perish. He said I like that kind of preach for reasons satisfactory to himself, to study at ing, it is such an easy way of getting to hea-Selinsgrove. Besides, forty of these forty-two ven. And his appetite was increasing. He we regard as coming strictly within the provisions of our statutes—inability to take a sures us of its truth, by telling us that the full course of education in our regular institu-I hereby acknowledge the receipt, of cash tions. If Vindex Jr. has proof to the con-

42, eighteen were married men, and their chetical class, many of whom have been bro't From Rev. A. W. Lentz, collection in his ages, at the time of matriculation, averaged couple of years ago, he told us of a revival in they are fully up to the Pan Anglicans, for ing advised to go to Gettysburg as was prom
Peter—Don't forget your good resolutions well attended and through the power and From Mr. J. B. Hall Chapman to Pa. 3,00 26 years. What now? Have I broken my Rev. J. E. Huneyeut Dune'n, Pa. 5,00 solemn pledge? or, have our own statutes Mr. J. S. Burkhart, Selinsgrove, 10,00 been trampled in the dust? I am willing that our readers shall judge between Vindex 30,00 Jr. and ourselves. I think he must himself 10,00 take back his own unfair charges—and then 1,00 | it will follow, according to his own statement. Mr. E. S. German Harrisburg, 10,00 that the opposition to Selinsgrove will not be so strong. Fair play now, br. D. D.

10,00 The Sheepskin. Vindex Jr., giving a reason why I would be likely to violate our sta-91,00 tutes, says—"I am not surprised at this, for yes, enviable! Standing before such souls I can easily conceive that the worthy gentleman who with so much dignity occupies the his Te Deums and Gloria Patrias; to tell the professorial tripod alone, would find it very people that God had merey, &c. I fear he hard to refuse admission to a nice young man who shook a sheepskin in his face and who on humiliation day, reading a prayer from a might do his professor credit as a pupil.-STITUTE.—Notice is hereby given that the join in the glad antiem of praise to the great GETTYSBURG AND SELINSGROVE. That is all very natural, but the question is, should it be so?" Natural as it seems to The article under this caption in another Vindex Jr., and as it would be to men of gum

There are some other points that need a The Ecclesiastical Connections and Control reply, but I shall leave that for those who can opposition to it from any man whose opinion is church belongs to the New Bloomfield charge church belongs to the New Bloomfield charge while at the last service (Friday evening) while at the last service (Friday evening) heard that it has been asserted in certain ple, but carries it about his neck, where he eare of the General Synod, the latter is not quarters, that there is nothing in our statutes can touch it at his will. under synodical control at all, and its direction distribution of the synodical control at all, and its direction distribution becoming a distribution of the synodical control at all, and its direction distribution becoming a distribution of the synodical control at all, and its direction distribution becoming a distribution of the synodical control at all, and its direction distribution becoming a distribution of the synodical control at all, and its direction distribution becoming a distribution of the synodical control at all, and its direction distribution becoming a distribution of the synodical control at all, and its direction distribution becoming a distribution of the synodical control at all, and its direction distribution din tors are not responsible to any higher church rector or professor in our school, and that we vania had hung the 'cross' on the church stee-

> Tressler property, located at Loysville. I souls to pray for, the meetings will be contin- any number of members uot exceeding thirty to prefer these charges, I am prepared to his allowance would have been very small, ued. Bro. Steck hasbeen laboring incessantly one-half of whom shall be ministers and the stand the ordeal. When, Oh! when will tude, by informing the readers of the Luth. other half laymen, and in accordance with brethren cease to bear false witness against and Miss., that when they had given him all H. ZIEGLER.

> > As chairman of the Mis-

To the Members of the Synod of Cen-

Dear Brethren:

ries, and fondly hoped it would be the last Central Pennsylvania, possibly they may be one needed. But I am disappointed. A few "It is provided, moreover, that so long as of the brethren responded, some liberally, others not so liberally, and some not at all .-In the name of the committee I once more reluctantly appeal to you in behalf of our toilsuffering for the common necessaries of life. If even all that Synod promised them is in plain, but uncomplaining language, his lounge in offices, promenade the streets, ap-Must not our cheeks blush for shame? Mine lations to other substantial people known as did. Shall not their wants, and even suffer- "pa," "ma," or "better half," who are able to being, into action? Why this lethargy and left to the chances of parental or domestic inactivity? Do we not know that we have affection? All are not equally fortunate. Shall this work now be hindered or destroyed by our own supineness and inactivity? O that God would create in every heart an un- veal; their bodies would also make excellent quenchable thirst for souls and an undying fertilizers for sterile lands; but the prejudices love for Jesus. It seems to me that if our of a Christian people would revolt at this solove for Jesus. It seems to me that it our lution of this problem. A certain number hearts were aglow with the love of Jesus, as could be employed as lay figures in shop winthe hearts of all his ambassadors should and dows to exhibit clothes on, but the tailors must be if we would stand acquitted at the might not have confidence in them. Most of day of Judgment, these frequent appeals in them could color meerschaums, but this busibehalf of perishing souls and the cause of ness would produce little revenue. What Christ would be entirely unnecessary. Bretha few, and it ought to be distributed. We ren, this is our last appeal before Synod, and propose, therefore, a State Asylum for useless if it is heeded all will yet be well, but if not, young men. An institution of this kind what shall be done? Shall we borrow money could be easily filled with those between the on the credit of Synod, or tell our toiling ages of eighteen and thirty, who should be WITH NOTHING TO Do.—What a strange "For this purpose (to educate men for the missionaries to abandon their work? The rude jostling and friction of the working when about to leave, stated she expected an anomaly in creation is a human being with gospel ministry") "to seek out men who can former would be no easy matter and the latter world would not disturb their delicate nerves. doubts the necessity and usefulness of the former whilst there are the lightly of the liberty o

For the American Lutheran, A Word to "H," in Westminster.

M. Editor: - In the Luth. and Missionary ome time since, there was a letter published from Westminster, Carroll county, Md., over the signature of H. In this letter, the brother tells us some strange, and really some funny things. He tells us that since his people have tasted of the doctrines and morals inculcated by the Luth. and Miss., their appetites are increasing. Now this is quite gratifying to bro. H. It wil make his work much easier, if he can plaster over the consciences of his people with forms and ceremonies.listening to a Universalist preacher, say that he was very glad that there was no hell, bethen tells us that they have a revival and asrevival began in the old Pa. Synod, and says he is glad, and moreover proud of it, because he was ordained by that prim old lady. Now, I wonder what kind of a revivul that is. A the Westminster charge, where sinners were anxious and came forward to be prayed for, and be directed to the Lamb of God. If he would come to the Pa. Synod, with a report of such a revival as this, I fear he would be dismissed and put out of the synagogue.-Would not Mr. H. cut a pretty figure in the old Pa. Synod, before a number of anxious souls who were weeping over their sins, and asking with deep contrition of soul of God's people, 'what they must do to be saved,' and begging an interest in their prayers? Oh. with gown and liturgy, and a choir, to sing would be as much out of place, as the man book, which thanked God that we were enmidst of a rebellion. Mr. H. then goes on to tell us that they are making progress; that they are building a fine church of brick, and are decorating it with a cross on the steeple. This is the second time, if not the third, that he has published in the Luth. and Miss. that he is having a cross on the steeple. I would political paper of Philadelphia or New York, for if he does not take some other method of making it known to the world, his fame will be confined so a very narrow limit at last .-He then tells us that he and a Catholic had "The Board of managers may consist of Whenever any man has the moral courage ing him as a beneficiary on their funds, I fear that he could receive, he went off to a Synod which had never given him a groat, to be ordained. Again he brings in the Doctors of Divinity, and talks about doxy and orthodoxy. Does he want to be doctored too? I really think he needs it; his divinity must be in a precarious condition. It is a fortunate thing that he has blown off some gas, otherwise he night 'burst' before Doctoring time comes sion Committee, I appealed to you sometime round. If he thinks there is any danger, I age in behalf of our missions and missiona- would advise him to apply to the Synod of compassionate enough to appoint a committee Member Synod Central Pennsylvania

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'Oh! never mind,' said William, then, 'Come do not be afraid!' So when they both began to play, Said Echo-'Be afraid.'

'What can it be?' said William. 'Oh, let us go to school,' For he began to be afraid; Said Echo-'Go to school.'

Then, softly whispering, they said, 'Oh, if our master knows;' But Echo, answering every word, Said, softly-'Master knows.

'We must not tell a lie.' And then they heard the Echo's voice Say-'Must not tell a lie.'

'What shall we do?' then William said,

So Dick began to cry, and said. 'William, you brought me here; Said Echo, in a mournful tone, 'William brought me here !

'I never will do this again, If master will forgive,' Said Will to Dick; and then the voice Said-'Master will forgive.'

'Then let us go,' said little Will; 'Come, Dicky, do not cry.' And in the same tone Echo said-'Come, Dicky, do not cry.'

'We shall not be so very late, If we make haste away;' And Echo, with a warning voice, Cried out-'Make haste away.'

Then Dicky dried his tears, and said, ·I will do so no more;' And Echo, in a cheerful voice, Then said--'Do so no more.'

And off they quickly ran; And, happily were just in time, Before the school began,

Remember, then, my little friends, Though Echo nothing knew, There's One above who always knows, Both what you say and do.

Is it Wicked to Covet Babies.

Under this caption Rev. Henry Ward Beecher writes the following article for the New York Ledger:

I have great trouble with the Ten Commandments-no, there is nine that do not trouble me, and one that does, as if it felt that it had a right to include in itself all the authority of the other nine.

Now, stealing has never been a pet sin. It is true, as a child I slowly learned the distinctions of property when presented under the form of cakes, tarts, sweetmeats. • But a quince switch early developed in me a clear judgment and good conscience. I will own, too, that, ripe cherries, hanging over the road, and within my reach, had a confusing effect upon my early moral ideas. But when I had once overcome the temptations which took advantage of youthful inexperience, and plied me with doughnuts, crullers, rarely red apples, and such like besetments, I emerged into a realm of honestly which I have inhabited since with reasonable good reputation.

The command touching murder might be taken out of the decalogue safely, I think, in so far as I am concerned-I don't think that I should ever kill anybody.

But there is one command that sorely tries me. It is this: "Thou shalt not covet." I get on with this very well, in so far as the express specifications go. It is the "nor anything that is thy neighbors," that ensnares potato, with the end cut off, is a very convenand troubles me.

I don't wan't his house, his grounds, his money, his wife-but how about the children? Ah! there is my stumbling and downfall!

A babe about one year old, beginning to frolic, fairly able to manage its hands, creating new words out of old ones, laughing and crying from sensibility rather than pain, I can not see one of these without a sharp attack of covetousness. Now that I think of it, I do Let it stand in a moderately warm place. In not know that I am so safe on the matter of three weeks it will be excellent vinegar. stealing as I just now represented. I do feel some emotions, as if, could do it securely, aud knew what to do with it afterwards, I would snatch the body and run away with it. In your Answers to Correspondents can you give me any help? Is it wicked? Do I covet? in garments that have not been saturated with And is thinking about stealing, with genial a solution of tungstate of soda. This minerfeelings of how enjoyable it would be, amount all is used in the laundries of London. It preto the moral commission of the act? If so vents the fabrics with which it is incorporat-—if I have stolen all the babies that I wish- ed from blazing, and does not impair the col- store, ed were mine, though they were in fact my

neighbors, then I am in an awful condition! But, it was not this confession that I set out to make, but an expostulation, rather .- study of a christian, and the very thing that There is a heedlessness in the doings of pa- makes him to be a christian, is conformity with rents that surprises me. Every day they send Christ. The sum of religion, (says PythagoThankful for past favors, I kindly solicit the paout two or three little rogues, so sweet and so ras) is to be like him whom thou worshippest. innocent, and beautiful, that as I make my And that truly is our only way; there is nomorning walk to the post-office, I am brought thing but wandering and perishing in all our July4 67 ly to a full stand, and have to fight with my ways, nothing but darkness and misery out conscience. "Now, there is no use; little fel- of him: but he that followeth me, says he,

Not covet them? It is too late; is is done

Another dangerous practice is to put children at the window. On some days it seems as if the streets were a picture gallery, and a greater than Reynolds or Corregio had been hanging children's heads in the most advantageous positions. My neck aches with looking up! Tidy nurses hold up to view the most beautiful children, that, safe in the distance, laugh, pat their hands at you, and even throw you kisses. My peace of mind is disturbed every day, and it is clear to me that there is some malice aforethought; for, where I have been seen to gaze with special admiration, and to resist the spirit of covetousness with great difficulty, there, on the morrow, will be found waiting for me, in yet more bewitching presentment, the same face, set off with two or three other faces, as if to make the temptation stronger. Mothers of beautiful children have much to answer for.

The other day as I passed down Pierrepont St., I saw in an open lot a dozen or two of young girls-the eldest hardly ten years old-playing with the utmost glee, and the teacher leading on the frolic. I leaned on a low gate, and was studying the unconscious grace of their movements, the charming expressions, the beauty of their overflowing faces, when some one of them made a mistake and was caught-when one of them spied me, and, with a cry, ran to me, and reached up to kiss me; and her little six-year old sister was close behind, on the same errand; and a little red ridinghood, with one hand full of bread and butter, joined in, till there were four or five about me. Mr. Bonner, I did covet them! I am sorry to say that I am not sorry for it. Indeed, the matter is getting worse every year. What shall be done?-Ought not the pretty children to be kept out of the streets and away from the windows ?--Or else, ought it not be agreed that the command against coveting does not include children under ten years old?

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