







[For the Christian Spiritualist.]

DESPONDENCY.

BY FRANCIS R. HITE.

My trembling life's eventful way
As soul had chafed with earthly forms,
All the light of wisdom's ray,
All lost those bright interior forms.

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GLORY! THE END IS NEAR.

BY S. B.

Oh, glory! glory! he has come!
In his pure robe of light;
Glory, glory, then never more,
We know of sin the blight.

[From the Saturday Evening Post.]

THE UNITY OF THE HUMAN RACE.

An important lecture has been recently delivered by Professor Owen, at Liverpool, at the 24th annual meeting of the British Association for the advancement of Science, of which the Philadelphia Ledger gives the following summary:
The text was, "The Anthropoid Apes," which is that species of the ape family most nearly approaching to the human family.

that justice may not be done to the few fragments of soul and tatters of understanding which they may really possess. I have sometimes perhaps felt a little uneasy at Exeter Change from contrasting the monkeys with the "prentice boys who are teasing them, but a few pages of Locke, or a few lines of Milton, have always restored me to tranquillity, and convinced me that the superiority of man had nothing to fear.

SPIRITUALISM AS A RELIGIOUS FAITH.

We have, heretofore, spoken through the columns of the religious teachings of communicating spirits, and of the objections raised against the propagation of the spiritual faith by those educational prejudices, whose constitutional adhesiveness to antiquated systems, and whose temporal interests rise up, as it were instinctively, in opposition to it.

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in the volume called The Bible. If a man is convinced by the unmistakable evidence which geology furnishes, that the earth is hundreds of thousands of years older than it is made by the account of its miraculous creation out of nothing, which the book of Genesis furnishes, he is an infidel, and would have to embrace that faith or suffer martyrdom at the stake, if the ultra orthodox could have the making and enforcing the law of the country.

SPIRITUAL MISSIONARIES.

During the last week we had a visit from Jonathan and Hannah Thomas. Old friends, conscientious, intelligent, and unpretending missionaries of spiritualism. With the faith and devotion of early Christian apostles, they went forth one year ago under spiritual direction to proclaim such words as should be furnished them to utter.

KEY TO THE TOMB OF CHRIST.—VICTOR HUGO ON THE EASTERN WAR.

This gentleman has been making a speech to the exiles of all nations, now in England. The occasion was the Anniversary of the Polish Revolution. The chief subject of the discourse was the cause of the present war.

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side shore, and making her way home as best she could. When his back was turned in paddling the boat, she raised a stone hatchet which lay at her feet, and striking him a severe blow upon his temple, he fell with a dull, heavy sound, into the yielding waters, and sunk to rise no more.

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no such a professor, or believer, as were our ancestors a century ago. I pin my faith on no man's skirts; I read the Bible with no man's goggles; but with the light of my own reason, and the strength of my own mind, I read, reflect, and embrace a creed created upon any other foundation, save the first touch of reason's wand, or as it is sported with by every breeze, as it blows by turns from the most opposite points of the horizon.

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at wood cutting in a saw-pit, as a civilian, by a soldier. In London, I have cleaned out a stable, and groomed a cabman's horse for sixpence. I have since tried literature, and have done as many things for ten shillings as I have readily obtained—both sought for, and offered—ten guineas for. But, if I had not been content to begin at the beginning, and accepted shillings, I should not have arisen to guineas. I have lost nothing by working; whatever I have been doing, with spade, or pen, I have been my own helper. Do you wish to imitate? Humility is always the attendant of sense; folly alone is proud. A wise divine, when preaching to the youths of his congregation, was wont to say, "Few of you being golden apprentices, silver journeymen, and copper workmen, are here for pride, is sense; and the only path to motion, is condescension. What multitudes have been ruined in their prospects by the pride of their hearts! Away, then, young men, and away forever, with self-foppery, and empty pride, idle habits, and expensive associates—stoop and conquer." Sink in spirit and rise in opulence. Be faithful over a few things, and be made ruler over many.—London Christian Penny Magazine.

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