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A VISIT TO SOUTHERN NEW-YORK.

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I have just arrived here, via Cayuga Lake and

the meeting of the American Board at

Oswego; and a blessed meeting, a "holy convocation"

it was. If there are any heights from which

could be gained, than from the anniversary of this Foreign

Missionary Board, it has not been my privilege to

ascend them. So many hundred ministers, and

gospel, corporate and honorary members, and

them so many fathers, whose names are in the

churches—so many distinguished laymen, who

esteem it a higher honor to "serve tables," than to

shine in senators, or sit on the highest seats of

justice—so many foreign missionaries, who have

come to recruit their health, and stir us up to more

fervent prayers and larger contributions for the

conversion of the world; and such throngs of eager

listeners to the deliberations of the Board, and such

fervid addresses from the platform—if at such a

meeting, as this, we are not ready to exclaim,

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EREMITY.

My soul boundless views

To men that single word display:

All that is past, that is, it shows,

Wrapping the soul in deep amaze,

Far beyond Time it throws the mind,

Compassing all things in its analysis:

Elusive, vast, great, undefined—

Eremit!

Eremit! thou art perfect

With matchless interest to all;

Earth would be, could he defend

And cease the restless, cease to fall

Earth shall depart, O Time shall die,

Yet death immortal, cease to be;

Yet deathless thou shalt tread thy—

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them, discussing important sections of the general

history, are of very great value; and Dr. Ruffner

has chosen a topic of surpassing interest, and treated it

in an ably and judiciously selected group, though

altogether a valuable contribution to our religious literature.

Success in Liter. The Mechanic. By Mrs. L. C. Tutthill.

Putnam.

We have commended as very ingenious in idea, and

admirable in execution, these illustrative sketches. The

present does not fall short of its predecessors, and sug-

gests most important thoughts. The book is very useful,

especially to the young.

The PARADOX LOVER. By John Milton. With Notes, Ex-

planations and Criticisms. Edited by Rev. James Robert

Boyd. Baker & Scribner.

In addition to a very fine text of the immortal Epic,

it is supplied with a copious annotation, designed to

illustrate the obscure, and to explain the allusions, ob-

solete terms, and many theological references, with

critical remarks its beauties and merits. The peculiar

character of the Poem, and the changes of lan-

guage and construction, which is very well adapted

to illustrate the consummate beauty of the Poem, but

to excite inquiry, and convey useful information.

Prof. Boyd has shown great diligence and learning in

his Notes, and often a delicate appreciation of the beau-

ties of Milton. The work will be found very useful for

school, as well as pleasant and instructive for general

reading.

THE HOUSE; or Family Care and Family Joys. By Freder-

ick Bremer. Gode & Putnam.

Mr. Putnam's taste and liberality in the style of his

books excite a fresh paragraph at every volume. This

edition of Miss Bremer's works is among the most

elegant of its issues; and well worthy are they of the

handsome dress they wear. This is a delightful piece

of domestic life, full of simplicity, tenderness, truth

and sound philosophy. Next to the Nightingale, it

is the most beautiful of all Miss Bremer's works; and in respect to

the most important ethical subjects, no homily could

be more true to morals, or more impressive than are its

inculcations. Genius and good feeling suffice every

page of it.

THE WORLD GROWING BETTER.

The condition and moral aspects of the world,

as the great theater of action, developing the char-

acter and conduct of men, is a theme of abiding

interest. In the October number of the Biblical

Repository, Mr. Barnes closes a very able arti-

cle, in the following language: "A little girl, who sat

on the bench at school, had lost a little brother. I saw

that she hid her face in her book and wept. I

thought, 'How sad! How sad!' and I went up to her

and comforted her, and put her arms around my neck; but

I do not know how long she wept, for she was so

comforted, and put her arms around my neck; but I do

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emptied a full cake-baker, and broke several strings of

the piano-forte, before accomplishing its fearful

work. It left a party terrified group, though

altogether