

Agents for the Grey Review.

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Dundalk, Pricewille, Glasgow, Hibernia, Drumore.

THE REVIEW

Durham, November 26, 1880.

The storm of last Saturday proved very severe throughout the Province and disastrous to the shipping on the lakes. In the northern sections of the Province the snow fell to considerable depth, in some places as much as fourteen inches, while the thermometer dropped down to zero on Saturday night and in Belleville to fourteen degrees below zero. On the lakes, especially Lake Erie, the shipping has suffered severely.

The Province of Quebec, although the first settled, has fallen far behind in the race of progress as compared with the other Provinces of the Dominion. However a better day is now expected to dawn upon her.

The Credit Foncier Association of Quebec has turned their attention across the Atlantic. They have sent their agents to explore and investigate the resources of the Dominion even to the foot of the Rocky Mountains, and as might be expected, previous to their departure to France, these gentlemen were entertained in a most hospitable manner by their fellow countrymen to a grand banquet in the Windsor Hotel, Montreal. The speeches made by the delegates on the occasion showed that they were more than favorably impressed with what they saw in the course of their travels, and that the Dominion, and notably Lower Canada, presented a great field for the profitable investment of capital as means of developing the resources of the country.

THE STATE OF IRELAND.

The "woes of Ireland" have for centuries been the opprobrium of British politics, and occupy a large share of public attention now as they did one hundred years ago. The country is described as being in a more disturbed and demoralized state now than at any previous period in its history. The anti-rent agitation has extended into districts hitherto pacable; tenants who do not profess any inability to pay the landlords speak defiantly, and refuse to pay or to pay only on a valuation, and the terrorism of the Land League is steadily breaking down the opposition of the law abiding among the peasantry. One of the agitators, a Mr. Healy, at a public meeting denounced one Manning, who had taken a farm from a non-paying tenant had been ejected, and stated that "in the course of a little time they would pay him a visit, conveying to him, with the best respects of the meeting, a polite request to surrender the farm. The "visit" was paid and the result of the interview is, that a prosecution has been entered by Manning against Healy and his coadjutors. There can be no question as to how this state of things will terminate. The supremacy of the law will be established, but in the progress of the operation these poor deluded people will be the principal sufferers. As the schemes of Parnell, Davitt, and their fellow demagogues become more fully known, it appears that the anti-rent agitation is only a stepping-stone to a complete legislative severance of Ireland from Great Britain. Indeed Mr. Parnell has lately proclaimed that behind the land question lies the national question, and that as soon as the first is settled he will raise the flag of the second. This is a Utopian scheme that is doomed to disappointment, for however par in Great Britain may differ upon political questions, they are as one upon the question that an independent legislative existence cannot be conceded to Ireland. Meanwhile the Government, averse to resorting to extraordinary means for the preservation of the peace, are adopting the constitutional means placed within their power. The air is full of rumors, among others the Bishops and Clergy of the Roman Catholic Church of Ireland have taken the matter up, and at a meeting held for the purpose embodied their opinions in six resolutions: competent valuation of the land, freedom of eviction on the part of the tenant who pay their rent the right of free sale of land to solvent purchasers, encouragement to tenants to buy their holdings, the erection of suitable dwellings and allotments of land to laborers, and the relinquishment of waste lands by the Government. This is very well in theory, and might answer a good purpose in patriarchal times, but is beyond the domain of practical politics in our day. There is no question but a reform of the land laws in Ireland is urgently needed, and had the Compensation Bill introduced by Mr. Gladstone last session become law it is probable that in that direction would have been taken, and possibly the worst complications of the present agitation might have been prevented. As it is, however, the Government have promised a liberal land policy next session, but requires that order will precede any attempt at reform.

The Dominion Parliament is expected to meet for the despatch of business about the 2nd of December next.

Local and other Items.

SEE H. W. MACKLER'S 50 cent Shirts and Drawers. R. McFARLANE has a fine stock of cheap Cutters and sleighs. See Adv.

LADIES Clouds, Shawls, Wool squares, are in great variety at H. W. MACKLER'S.

FOR Cutters, Sleighs and all kinds of carpenter work call on Jameson & Co. See adv.

CALL and see H. W. MACKLER'S Ladies Mantles, New Stock, 25 to 30 per cent below value.

The abolition of market fees is receiving serious consideration by the ratepayers of Goderich.

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M. LOVE is now buying all kind of Provisions, for Hampton & Fleming, at J. H. Hunter's Storehouse, Durham.

CRICKET—A meeting of the Durham Cricket Club will be held at McAlister's Hotel, tomorrow (Friday) evening at 8 o'clock. A full attendance is requested.

LOST.—On the steamer "Alpena," James Sweeney. The deceased was a long time a resident of Durham, and his many friends will regret to hear of his untimely death.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Watt took place on Tuesday, and the attendance was very large. Much sympathy is felt for Mr. Donald McKenzie in his sudden bereavement of so amiable a daughter.

A CREDIT Auction Sale of Farm stock, implements, etc., will take place on 1st Dec. 11, N.D.R., Glenelg, on Thursday Dec. 9th, to commence at noon. Allan Campbell, Sheriff. Hugh MacKay, auctioneer.

The Trucking on the G. B. & W. Railway is slowly advancing towards Durham. The rails are said to be laid within eight miles of this place, and it is expected they will be laid to here within two weeks. So may it be.

MR. RALPH BRIST of lot 24 Con. 6, of the Township of Bentinck, succeeded in capturing three Otters a short time since. They were all very fine ones, one being six feet eight inches long, from the tip of its tail to the end of its nose.

Attention is directed to the advertisement of the CANADA PUBLISHING, a periodical now so well known as to require no words of commendation at our hands; the publisher offers great inducements to subscribers for 1881; and wants an active agent in each congregation.

The old brick dwelling house once owned by Mr. Hall, in connection with the Maple Hill Mills, was burned last week. The fire is supposed to have originated in the chimney. It was occupied by Mr. Smith, who saved most of his household effects. The property was owned by the Merchants Bank, and is insured.—Herald.

SOIRE.—A soiree will be held in the Presbyterian Church, Bunnison, on Wednesday Evening, Dec. 8th, 1880. Addresses will be delivered by a number of Rev. gentlemen and others. Music by an Efficient choir. Admission will be 25 cents. Children half price. Proceeds to go to the Church Building Fund. Doors will open at 7. Tea served at 7 o'clock.

We notice that a number of persons perish in different parts of the Dominion during the late great snow storm, which appears to have reached almost from the Pacific to the Atlantic. Robert Lott, of Romney, Ont., Rev. Father Hart, O.M.I., of the plans near Battleford, North West Territory, and a man at Chaudiere, Que., are all reported to have been frozen to death on Saturday evening.

A DEBATING Society has been formed in S.S. No. 6 (McCallum's) Bentinck, of which Mr. John Henry is President. At a meeting recently the debate was—Whether Intemperance or War the most destructive to Man? Mr. Edward Shepherd was captain on the side of war, and Mr. Robert Tory on the side of intemperance, which gained the day. The attendance at the meetings is very good.

AN INCENDIARY FIRE.—AYTON, Nov. 22.—A farmer named Adam Keller, living about four miles from here, had his barn and contents, consisting of over one thousand bushels of grain, a large quantity of hay and straw, a demerol wagon, farming implements, &c., destroyed by fire at 10 o'clock this morning. Four horses and 20 cattle, which were in the stables under the barn, were also destroyed. Loss, \$2,000; insured in the Germania of Normalcy for \$1,000. The fire was undoubtedly the work of an incendiary. Certain parties are suspected, but no arrests have yet been made.

FIRE IN GLENELG.—On Thursday morning last Mr. Patrick Nell of the Township of Glenelg, was suddenly awakened by an unusual noise, and on jumping out of bed he discovered that his woodshed and the back kitchen were all in flames, but nothing daunted he immediately went to work, being only partially dressed and in his bare feet, to put the fire out, being aided by Mrs. Nell who helped to carry water and between them, by their heroic exertions they succeeded in saving their house from the devouring element, but not before Mr. Nell's feet were frozen, and his hands burnt by the flames. The kitchen and woodshed were destroyed, but the house, which is a good log one, was saved without being much damaged. Mr. Nell's feet were sore but not seriously blistered with the frost. It is a remarkable circumstance that Mr. and Mrs. Nell were able to subdue the fire themselves after it had gained such headway as it had as they had to carry the water quite a distance. But pluck and perseverent work wonders sometimes.

THE T. G. & B. DONSTON.—The by-law submitted to the ratepayers of the Township of Bruce by the ratepayers of the Township of Bruce Railway, to be expended wholly for the gauge, was carried by a majority of 65 votes. The by-laws in the municipalities of Culross and Teeswater having been defeated, new by-laws will be prepared and submitted without delay.

Wingham carried a by-law for the Teron, Grey and Bruce extension by a majority of 116 on Friday last.

The Paisley Mechanics Institute has a membership of 120.

Dornoch.

Business is somewhat lively this week the late snow having made good roads. Deer are plentiful in this vicinity, two big boys were out hunting last week when they came across three deer, but they got frightened or fired as they said themselves and returned home without any deer. R. Dargavel, however, met with better success; he went out to try his luck and brought home two fine deer.

P. Mcintosh Postmaster killed a pig six months old which weighed over two hundred pounds—beast his who can?

T. Brounan is kept busy.

W. O. Mara has been fixing up his stables lately. Travellers may expect good accommodation in future.

Maldou would need an assistant he is kept so busy that he has to work night and day.

G. C. McFarlane of the Montreal Telegraph Co. Durham came here on Monday with a despatch for Mr. D. Smith. Considering the expedition of this despatch we would advise all to Telegraph by that Company.

An accident happened to Mr. Leister recently, he fell down stairs and was bruised pretty bad. He is recovering as fast as might be expected.

R. Austin wants an assistant we believe.

Dundalk Items.

The markets here, for most all kinds of produce have advanced, and grain, pork, fowls and produce are now pouring into market.

Winter has now fairly set in, sleighing is pretty good, the little town is lively. Farmers are getting good prices for grain, etc., and getting supplied with all the comforts of life, such as dry goods, groceries, etc.

The new industry mentioned in last issue is doing good work, some fine specimens may be turned out daily.

Mr. Wm. Nelson is now in the field in opposition to J. J. Millerton for the Reevyship. Both parties are making a very vigorous canvass, and both parties are quite confident that they will be elected, but one Reevy is all we require yet. We think of making the defeated candidate an offer of Mayor for this town, to atone for his loss. We wish them both success.

Weather cold and snowing, a few sleighs coming in but roads rough. Mr. J. C. Atkinson, tailor, that left our town a few months ago and went to the village of Holstein, has returned again. No place like Dundalk for tailors; he opens out on W. Clittick's old shop. Mr. Chas. McConnell brought in three fine deer on Monday. Good for you Chasley.

Mr. David Walker bought fifty acres on the 9th con. Brant, for which he has paid \$2,000.

Canada is no longer without native Sunday School papers. Very creditable publications are those issued by Mr. C. Blackett Robinson, Jordan Street, Toronto. Before ordering for next year, send for specimen copies, which will be forwarded, postage prepaid, to any address.

A BOY'S FATAL SLIP.—On Tuesday afternoon while Herbert, a twelve-year old son of Mr. C. H. Cogshall, Guelph, was taking advantage of the light fall of snow to have a sleigh ride, he accidentally ran into a post, and was so seriously injured that he died shortly afterwards.

Just as we are going to press, we learn of the sudden death of Mr. Charles Hale, who lived on the old Durham Road, about five miles from Pricewille. He died in about twenty minutes after being taken ill, on Sunday morning last—cause said to be apoplexy.—Markdale Standard.

PERRY & Lamb, the contractors of a section of the Stratford and Huron Railway, in the neighborhood of Chesley, made a move towards effecting a settlement with their creditors, last week. A meeting was held in Walkerton, but only a few were settled with, and another meeting was to be held in Chesley the following day, but the contractors did not put in an appearance.—Bruce Herald.

We are sorry to have to record this week an accident whereby a young man named Joseph Gordon, of St. Vincent, was deprived of his right hand. He was engaged at a threshing at Mr. R. Batty's, 9th line, and in removing some straw from behind the cylinder of the machine, his hand was caught by the teeth of the cylinder, and mutilated in a frightful manner. Dr. Maclean was at once called, and amputated the hand and the patient is now doing as well as could be expected.—Meaford Monitor.

R. C. SCHOOL HOUSE OPENED.—On the 4th inst. a R. C. separate school house was opened on lot 22, con. 4, township of Preston. The Rev. B. J. O'Connell, of Mount Forest, assisted the trustees and others in the opening. The building is frame and cost about \$420 with a \$70 well. The people, who are not the best off as far as this world's goods are concerned, are certainly to be congratulated upon the erection of so neat and commodious a structure, which is a credit to the neighborhood. Until entering the new edifice school was held in the old building used as a church as well as a school. Rev. Father O'Connell, who works untiringly for the benefit of his parishioners, had much to do in bringing about this very pleasing change.—Confederate-Examiner.

AFTER a lightning rod agent and a shoddy pedlar the next thing the cautious cool headed farmer falls a victim to is the one who sells soap and five dollar bills here on Fair day. No less than three of these experts were on hand on Monday last, and must have earned off as much money as would have established a good library. To expose these impostors would be right and proper, but when men who practice the last degree of economy when dealing with the honest men, and who contribute towards a good cause with the greatest reluctance, allow themselves to be robbed and laughed at by men whom they know to be professional gamblers, it is perhaps as well that they should be allowed to profit by their experience.—Chateaufort Correspondent of the Owen Sound Advertiser.

Soiree in Zion Church, Glenelg.

From our Correspondent. A very successful tea meeting in connection with the above church was held on Wednesday evening, 17th inst. A sumptuous repast was provided by the good ladies connected with the church, and at the same time will mention one or two measures that I will vote for.

(1) I will vote against letting jobs late in the fall to be finished in winter when there is one or two feet of snow on the ground. (2) I will vote against giving jobs to members of the Council and paying them out of the Town funds, which is illegal. (3) I will vote against illegal tax sales. (4) I will vote against assessing the poor class high and the richer class low, as has been done in the past. (5) I will vote against appointing useless and selfish members of the Council as Court of Revision, who seem so blind to their duty as to not the assessment roll in town or in some lots are on both rolls of resident or non-residents. (6) I will vote against appointing holding the monthly fair on the public streets. (7) But I will vote for bringing an action against a member of the Council who received \$75 for a useless map and members of the Council who paid the same illegally, and I will vote for a Commission to examine the affairs of the Town for some years back, allowing the way in which the poor people's money was thrown away on railways some years ago without authority and which has never been cleared up. I have been taking notes for some time and will likely place the whole affair before the ratepayers on or before Non-independence Day.

What are the present needs of this municipality doing? We suppose them to be business men; they attend to their own business and neglect ours. They are men who are always to be found where our Lord found Matthew.

Yours, etc., A. D. D.

Death of Mrs. Joan Watt.

It gives us pain this week to chronicle the death of a much respected citizen of this town, in the person of Lizzy McDonald McKean, wife of Mr. John Watt. Her death took place at the residence of her father, Mr. Donald McKean, in Durham, early Sunday morning last. Mrs. Watt gave birth, three months ago, to a son. About three weeks ago rheumatism, which had been lurking in her system some time previous, began to trouble her much, but so serious results were feared. Friday night last she was taken seriously ill with bright and acute congestion of the lungs as a complication of the rheumatism, which proved fatal. She did not experience much pain, but for fifteen hours previous to her death suffered greatly from oppression in breathing.

Deceased was a resident of Mount Forest for about five years. For two years she was teacher in one of the divisions of the Central School, a position which she filled to the entire satisfaction of the trustees, and endeared herself very much to her pupils. On the 10th of April, 1878, she married Mr. Watt and has since resided here. Our departed friend was but 24 years of age, and to all appearance had a bright future before her. She was of a kind and affectionate disposition, and highly esteemed by a wide circle of friends both in this place and Durham, who sympathize deeply with Mr. Watt in his bereavement. Last week she had a pleasing duty to perform in chronicleing the marriage of a couple upon our townpeople, and this week she is called upon to record the death. Truly, "In the midst of life we are in death."—Confederate-Examiner.

Horning's Mills.

Things are looking lively here. Our mills are running night and day. Mr. Clittick, from Dundalk, has commenced a tailoring establishment here, and has plenty of employment.

A merchant from Collingwood has bought the stock and trade of that well known store for so many years owned by the late Wm. Airth, Esq.

The vote for \$10,000 to widen the T. G. & B. Railway will be taken on the 30th inst.

Mr. Wm. Christy shot a large bear near the village of Shrigley. That the drainage of that portion of the Township is approved by all not a doubt exists, but it must benefit the whole township.

Mr. Rutledge, wife and child, had a narrow escape returning home from Ardena. The King bolt of the wagon broke, and when the wagon-box fell to the ground, throwing all to the hard frozen ground, fortunately Mr. and Mrs. R. recovered a few slight bruises only; the child was unhurt.

Mr. Robert Love, the celebrated English Liberal, now Lord Sherbrooke, writing in the last Nineteenth Century, says:—"A considerable portion of Irish discontent is traditional and sentimental. We have no interest, either apparently or really, opposed to their interest or prosperity. Ireland cannot possibly do us a greater favor than by following the course which leads the most directly to her own wealth and happiness. Her quarrel is not with us, but with herself. She has the same laws as we, and those laws and institutions have been for centuries the admiration of the world. This is no reason why we should not Ireland all the good in our power; but it is a reason, and a very cogent one, why we should not break down institutions the value of which we have proved for centuries, and substitute for them principles untried in practice and unsupported by theory."

The coroner's inquest on the body of Edward Navin, who was found dead in his hut in the township of Ernestown on Saturday morning last, was concluded on Monday. A considerable amount of evidence was taken, and the result was a verdict of wilful murder against Mrs. Navin, who was arrested and confined in the Napawan gaol.

The Brampton Times says that Mr. Hunter declined the appointment of gaoler for the county of Peel, and that Mr. Joseph Modellan, well known throughout Chingawacoy and Brampton, has been appointed to the position.

A farmer in Wallace purchased from a travelling agent a drug which was recommended for killing vermin on calves. The first application killed three of the calves.

Municipal Matters in Durham.

To the Editor of the Grey Review. DEAR SIR,—As I am an aspirant for municipal honors for the year 1881, it may not be out of place to mention a few of the things which I will vote against, and at the same time will mention one or two measures that I will vote for.

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Woodland Chapel Opening.

Announced the new Presbyterian church at Woodland, Egremont, was opened for divine worship on Sunday last. In the morning at 11 o'clock Rev. J. A. Murray, of London, formerly pastor of St. Andrew's and Woodland churches, preached from John 11:16; Rev. D. Fraser, of the dedicatory prayer and otherwise assisted in the service. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock Mr. Murray took charge of the entire service, preaching from Col. 1:12, and in the evening Rev. George Buggin, of Mount Forest, preached, closing for the foundation of his remarks Gal. vi. 14. Each of the sermons were able and evangelical. Excellent music was furnished by the choir of St. Andrew's church, Mount Forest, assisted by some friends. In the evening the choir divided, a portion remaining at Woodland, while others returned to Mount Forest to assist in the services there. In the morning and afternoon Miss Swan presided at the organ, and in the evening Miss Laurie. The several services were well attended. Collections were taken up, the total amounting to about \$72.

The following Monday evening a tea meeting was held, a large number being in attendance, notwithstanding the very rough state of the roads. There was a strong desire to have a very fair sprinkling of Mount Foresters. The supper was served in the old church and was all that could be wished for. Ample justice was done the deficiencies of the season by the company, many of whom were in fit condition to "do away" with a good meal, the rough ride having whetted their appetites considerably.

After supper an adjournment took place to the new edifice where the meeting was called to order by the pastor who took the occasion by the chairman, timely addresses were delivered by the following gentlemen in the order given: Revs. Messrs. Strain and Tucker, of Holstein; Rev. J. Morrison, Cedarville; Mayor Swan and Jas. Scott, Mount Forest; Reeve Murray, of Egremont, and Rev. J. A. Murray, of London. Some anthems were rendered during the evening by St. Andrew's church choir in fine style, Miss Swan presiding at the organ. All present appeared to enjoy themselves and about \$100 was added to the funds of the congregation.—Confederate-Examiner.

CANADIAN ITEMS.

Dresden has abolished its market fees. The Bleedmen and Burford Township Councils have signed the petition for tree lots for farm produce.

The Deceased Wife's Estate Bill will be reintroduced into the Dominion Parliament next session, and it will pass both Houses.

Charles Walmsley, a fireman on the tug Frank Moffet, was drowned at Sarina on Thursday night. He had a family in Wingham.

The smash up on the Grand Trunk Railway on the 6th inst. near Caledonia, was costly to the company somewhere in the neighborhood of ten or twelve thousand dollars.

The residence of the late Isaac Clements, in Waterloo township, was entered one day during the temporary absence of the family and robbed of money to the amount of \$200.

An old woman named Taylor, living in the township of Carleton, near Delaware, while drunk on Sunday, was thrown overboard, having got between the feather bed and mattress.

John Nott, of Brussels, lost a valuable horse by a stray stallion from a man who was being carelessly handled by a valet in an adjoining lot.

A despatch from Detroit states that there are 128 vessels in Lake Erie. St. Clair River, and Lake Huron frozen up, so that eight chances of reaching their destination. There is no water within sight of Detroit.

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The Presbyterian church recently erected at Hoodstowa, Muskego, has been razed to the ground by some miscreants who deliberately removed the posts upon which it was erected. The perpetrators of this atrocious act are unknown.

On Church Music.

Editor Grey Review. Sir,—It would appear, from the number of our pro-organ friends who have aired their opinions through your columns, that they are getting a little excited on the subject, and that what their arguments lack in weight, they are bound to try to supply in numbers. Neither time nor space will permit me fully to reply to the last letters of Presbyterians and Verity and to the article written by the Rev. Mr. Wray.

Though differing in opinion from the form of worship allowed by the Anglican Church, of which Mr. Wray is a respected minister, yet it was with the greatest pleasure that I read his article on "Praise as a Part of Public Worship." This pleasure arose, not by reason of some of his views agreeing with mine, but on account of that truly Christian spirit which he displays when referring to the opinions of others. "Verily" implies that he has treated the subject in the same liberal way; but in making the assertion he merely shows that his imagination has gone beyond his reason. I shall now give Verity's reasons for being a pro-organist—the statements which he has made in support of them, and the deductions derived therefrom.

1st.—His Spectacle theory.—From the statements made by him in supporting this argument, it was plain that he supported instrumental music as a means to assist that an "instrument can't praise God."

2nd.—The exhortations of the Psalmist.—He claims that the exhortations of the Psalmist must be understood literally. Now the Psalmist tells us to "Praise Him with the timbrel and dance. From this it is plain that Verity must consider the timbrel and dance as instruments of praise; but in giving his first reason he stated that instruments could not praise God. So that he must either admit the meaning of the Psalmist to be typical, or his first reason to be wrong. It is plain from his letters afterwards that he still considered that the exhortations must be understood literally, consequently his first reason must be abandoned.

3rd.—Common sense reason, viz., making the church attractive.—He commences this reason by placing the ministers on a level with musical instruments, the workmanship of man, and attempts to show, that churches should be made attractive by the introduction of anything which he may think fit to use. How far he would be willing to go to make the Church attractive in each year to please the senses of the people, he does not state. Surely he will not object to the making of the church attractive with pictures as well as with music. In this way innovations were introduced into the Romish Church, and I will show one specimen of how it progressed in that Church for the last two centuries. First, Mary was shown as sitting at the feet of Jesus, afterwards as standing at His side, and now the tendency is to give her the most prominent position. I may also notice that this is entirely opposed to the orders; for in no case, that I am aware of, does the Psalmist exhort to use instruments to make the church attractive. Yet he states that this is right, although not enjoined by the Psalmist. In other words, if the Psalmist had not exhorted us to use instruments Verity would still be of the same opinion.

I have proved conclusively in my former letters that Christ and His Apostles exhorted to sing praise—that the early Christian fathers, and the Reformers Luther, Knox, Calvin and Zwingle were anti-organists, and that the numerous Presbyterian divines immediately following after Knox were also anti-organists. Verity demolishes my first reason by saying that it is a sound foundation. That of the early Christian fathers he does not object to; but he denies that the early Reformers mentioned and the Presbyterian divines referred to, were anti-organists. I claimed that when an historical fact is denied after references have been given, it is the duty of the person so denying to give his authority for so doing. This Verity has not done, except on his own statements, which he arrives at. I have shown that Verity's reasons conflict with each other, and the usual arguments of Mr. Wray, Presbyterian and Verity are also contradictory of each other. Mr. Wray says that the exhortations of the Psalmist are typical. For so expressing himself, Presbyterian, by implication states that he is heterodox. I am sensible by "Verity" of having introduced into the discussion a frivolous find out; but I claim that in supporting the introduction of dancing into the service of praise Verity wishes to have introduced that which has been practised in the Christian era only by the Druids of Britain and the Brahmins of India. The tendency of men is to depart from the simple form of worship as propounded by Christ and also to coers others to do as they think. In conclusion, Mr. Editor, I on this question from my pro-organist and good people whose opinions on this question I am ever prepared to tolerate.

Yours, etc., DURHAM, Nov. 23, 1880. NEMO.

Sir Alexander Cockburn, Lord Chief Justice of the English Court of Queen's Bench, died suddenly on Saturday evening.

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Church Music.

To the Editor of the Review. Sir,—As one that has never yet appeared in your columns on the Organ Question, for the following propositions bearing on this subject:—

1. It must be granted, that the Lord-intended that the outward forms and observances of New Testament worship should be quite different from those of the worship of the Old Dispensation; that, in fact, there should be such a revolution in the method of worship, as that all that was outwardly sensuous, symbolic, ceremonial, or non-essential to spiritual worship should be rejected, and all that was essential, simple and spiritual, should be retained.

2. It must be granted, that as the Lord regarded with displeasure any attempts to add to or omit from, the worship of the Old Dispensation any forms and observances, contrary to the method or rule authorized by Himself; so, in like manner, He will regard with displeasure, any outward additions or omissions not authorized by Himself in the New Testament method of worship.

3. It must be granted, in accordance with the foregoing propositions, that as Christ rejected nearly all the outward forms and practices of Mosaic worship (especially those of an outward, symbolic, ceremonial, or non-essential character) in that system of worship instituted in the Gospel times by Himself, we have no right to introduce any form or practice of the Old Dispensation into that of the New, except those for which we have His authority. Still less, without His authority, have we a right to introduce such practices of the former as are not in keeping with the spirit of the latter.

4. It must be granted also, that the any way we can know what outward forms or practices were thus authorized by Him in either method of worship, and how much of the first method was to be retained in the last, is to examine the direct precept and the practice of the pious, relating to the worship of each dispensation. The most careful examination of the Direct Divine precept and the practice of the pious, in Old Testament times, shows only, that under the Old Dispensation instrumental music was enjoined, and that it was used. The most careful examination of the direct Divine precept and the example of the pious, under the New Testament Dispensation, shows that instrumental music was not enjoined, and was not used, and therefore was not authorized by Christ, but rejected by Him from New Testament worship in common with many other things pertaining to the Old Dispensation of the same character.

This argument, so far as the practice of the pious in New Testament times is concerned, gathers strength from the fact, that had instrumental music been authorized or enjoined by Christ, the pious would certainly have felt it their duty to use it, in accordance with the principle stated in the 2nd proposition.

Instrumental music must therefore have been rejected. It was non-essential, and in keeping with the ceremonial and symbolic worship of the Old Dispensation, but not in keeping with the spiritual and essential worship of the New. It is the characteristic of New Testament worship, that none but the spiritual and essential elements of worship remain in it; and even pro-organists, admit that instrumental music is not an essential element of worship. Why then should they insist on its use, seeing that neither New Testament precept nor practice is in its favour of it? They admit they can praise God well without it. If the authority for the use of the organ is at the best, doubtful, why do they not take the safe side, and give up New Testament precept and practice. As we all profess to worship God in the New Testament form, there is surely no extravagance in saying, that the precept and practice of the New Testament should be our highest and our only rule, both as to the practices in worship which we are to observe, and those which we are to omit. As the precept and practice of the Old Testament must form the true guide, in what was to be practised or omitted by the worshippers of the New Dispensation.

By a full comprehension of the foregoing propositions, we think, it will be manifest that instrumental music in praise, should pass away with that old form of worship, with which it corresponded, and of which it formed a part.

5. Seeing that worship, without the instrument, is the divinely prescribed form of God's worship, as attested by New Testament precept and practice, if we depart from this rule and adopt the principle of expediency in making unauthorized additions of our own, how