

**MISCELLANEOUS.**

**THE LAND OF OUR BIRTH.**

not a spot in this wide propled earth  
so the heart as the land of our birth:  
home of our childhood—The beautiful

memory retains when all else is forgot.  
by the blessings of God  
ver hallow the sod,  
alleys and hills by our children be trod.

language of strangers, in accents un-  
own,  
trill to our bosoms like that of our own?  
may be fair and the smile may be bland,  
tear not the tones of our dear native

here's not a spot on the earth  
like the land of our birth.

bet is the language which taught us to  
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names of parent, of husband and friend;  
ought us to hie on our mother's soft

st,  
ids she sung as she rock'd us to rest.  
ay the blessings of God  
ver hallow the sod,  
alleys and hills by our children be trod.

From the Christian Examiner.

**URAL DREAD OF DEATH.**

as to us strange—it seems as if it  
ing, in a world where from the very  
ion of things, death must close eve-  
of human life, where it hath reigns  
over all generations, where the  
we breath and the dust we tread up-  
once animated life—it seems to us  
unge and wrong, that this most com-  
essary expedient, and certain of  
, should bring such horror and des-  
-ith it; that it should bring such tre-  
-agitation, as if it were some awful  
-ecedented phenomenon;—that it  
; more than death—a shock, a ca-  
-e, a convulsion; as if nature, in-  
-holding on its steady course, were  
-o irretrievable ruin.

at which is strange, is our strange-  
-us event. Call sickness, we re-  
-pain, an approach to death. Call  
-iness and failure of the limbs and  
-all decay, dying. It is so: it is a  
-loosening of the cords of life, and  
-ig up of its reservoirs and resour-  
-shall they all, one and another give  
-feel"—will the thoughtful man say  
-the pang of suffering, as it were,  
-and cutting asunder, one by one,  
-and invisible bonds that hold me to

It would seem from the following article that  
the *Mormonites* have broken ground in Venango  
county, Pa. In this vicinity they have become  
wholly defunct. The young man indicted upon  
the charge of attempting to dig up a *Mormonite*,  
(as we mentioned a few weeks since) has been  
acquitted.—*Edt. Censor.*

[From the Franklin (Pa.) Democrat.]

**MORMONISM.**

We of this place were visited on Saturday  
last by a couple of young men styling them-  
selves *Mormonites*. They explained their  
doctrine to a large part of the citizens in the  
court house that evening. They commen-  
ced by reading the first chapter of Paul's  
Epistle to the Galatians; also by giving an  
account of their founder, Joseph Smith,  
then an inhabitant of the state of New-York,  
county of Ontario, and town of Manchester.  
Having repented of his sins, but not attach-  
ed himself to any party of Christians, owing  
to the numerous divisions among them,  
and being in doubt what his duty was, he had  
recourse prayer. After retiring to bed one  
night, he was visited by an Angel and di-  
rected to proceed to a hill in the neighbor-  
hood where he would find a stone box con-  
taining a quantity of Gold plates. The  
plates were six or eight inches square, and  
as many of them as would make them six  
or eight inches thick, each as thick as a  
pane of glass. They were filled with char-  
acters which the learned of that state were  
not able to translate. A Mr. Anthony, a  
professor of one of the colleges, found them  
to contain something like the *Cyrian Chal-  
dena* or *Hebrew* characters. However,  
Smith with divine aid, was able to translate  
the plates, and from them we have the *Mor-  
mon* bible, or as they stated it, another *Re-  
velation* to part of the house of *Joseph*. The  
*Revelation* commenced about 600 years be-  
fore Christ, with a prophet of the name of  
*Lehi*, of the tribe of *Joseph*, and a contem-  
porary of the prophet *Jeremiah*, who had  
also warned the inhabitants of *Jerusalem* of  
their idolatry, & becoming unsafe in the city,  
was ordered by God to leave *Jerusalem* and  
journey toward the *Red Sea*. He with an-  
other family who accompanied him, built  
themselves a ship and landed on the coast  
of *South America*, where they increased ve-  
ry fast, and the Lord raised up a great ma-  
ny prophets among them. They built cities,  
and encouraged the arts and sciences.—  
Their prophecies foretold the appearance  
of the *Messiah* on the other continent, and  
gave as a sign that they should have two  
days without a night—also of his death,  
which was the cause of the terrible earth-

**CIRCULAR**

Of the Executive Committee of the New-York  
State Temperance Society.

To Innkeepers, and to all the friends of Temper-  
ance, who travel either by public or private  
conveyances.

Fellow citizens—We wish to call your at-  
tention to a subject, in which you are all  
deeply interested; and we are satisfied  
your acquiescence in the measure we are  
about to suggest for your adoption, will pro-  
mote your own interest, as well as the hap-  
piness of your fellow men.

At a meeting of the delegates who attend-  
ed our last anniversary, it was suggested to  
us that a great proportion of the respect-  
able tavern keepers in every part of the state  
would gladly abandon the sale of ardent spir-  
its, if any other mode could be devised by  
which their establishments could be sus-  
tained. The Executive Committee were  
requested to take this subject into consid-  
eration, and to recommend such a plan as  
should be deemed most likely to effect the  
object desired. It is well known that trav-  
elers who now stop at public houses are  
furnished with many privileges and accom-  
modations, for which the landlord receives  
no compensation, except the profits upon  
the liquor sold from his bar. Hence the lib-  
eral traveler who does not wish to drink ar-  
dent spirits, is induced to buy, for the mere  
purpose of remunerating the owner of the  
house for his accommodations and trouble.

Now this is a bad practice, by which both  
parties are the losers, and we wish you to  
aid us in substituting a better. The reme-  
dy proposed is plain and simple. The land-  
lord who furnishes these accommodations is  
entitled to a fair compensation for them,  
whether the traveler who uses them buys  
liquor or not. Instead of buying a glass of  
spirits then, to remunerate the landlord, let  
the traveler pay him at once what the glass  
of liquor would cost; and let the tavern  
keeper receive it without hesitation as his  
lawful due. By this practice, both parties  
will be benefited. The landlord will receive  
more than double what he would get by the  
profits on the sale of the liquor, and the  
traveler will avoid the risk to which even  
the temperate drinker is constantly subject-  
ing himself in the use of ardent spirits.

Let every friend of temperance adopt this  
fair and liberal course of paying the keeper  
of the public house for the actual benefits  
conferred; and from the information re-  
ceived from our agents and others, we do  
not hesitate to say, the numerous and res-  
pectable tavern keepers in this state will  
quickly rid themselves of their drinking and

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and invite me to do so. I feel the gushing current of life  
to be wearing away its own chan-  
nel the sharpness of every keen em-  
d of every acute and far penetra-  
-ight, as it were shortening the mo-  
-the soul's connection and conflict  
-body." So it is and so it shall be,  
-t, "the silver cord is loosened, and  
-n bowl is broken and the pitcher is  
-it the fountain, and the wheel is  
-it the cistern, and the dust returns  
-rth as it was, and the spirit returns  
-d who gave it."  
it is not a strange dispensation.

which was the cause of the terrible earth-  
-quakes, which rent all the rocks in our hills  
-into the different shapes they now are. Af-  
-ter our Savior's ascension to heaven, that  
-he came down to this continent and appoint-  
-ed twelve disciples, and that Christianity  
-flourished for three or four generations.—  
-After that the inhabitants divided and wars  
-ensued, in which the pagans prevailed.—  
-The first battle was fought nigh to the straits  
-of *Darien*, and the last at a hill called *Co-  
-mor*, when all the Christians were hewn  
-down but one prophet.\* He was directed  
-to hide the plates in the earth, and it was

drunken customers. Most of them will  
-cheerfully abandon the demoralizing traffic  
-in ardent spirits, and be found among the  
-foremost in the ranks of temperance.

We request tavern keepers to whom this  
-circular may be sent, to post it up in a con-  
-spicuous place in their public rooms, that  
-those who do not drink spirits may be re-  
-minded of the duty they owe the landlord  
-for the substantial benefits they have re-  
-ceived from the use of his house, fire, &c.

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