

Promise for Zion.

ISAIAH LI.

The Lord shall comfort Zion,
Her places waste restore,
And of her silent wilderness,
Make Eden bloom once more,
His garden shall she then become,
And worthy of his choice,
Gladness and thanks in all her smiles,
And music in her voice.

Thou, too, shalt wake, Jerusalem,
No longer drunk with wine,
With none to guide thy tottering steps—
He makes this promise thine!
The cup of trembling from thy lips,
That made his love deplore,
His angels say'd, his mercy takes,
And thou shalt drink no more!

Like smoke, the skies shall vanish,
And earth grow black with years,
Man, too, shall wither in his walks,
A thing of age and fears;
But Zion's promise still shall stand,
A type for aye to show,
Who seeks for God, in faith and love,
Nor age, nor death, shall know!

A STRANGE FACT.—When shooting rabbits the other day, (says a Northumbria friend) I stood awhile on the spot where I was concealed by a piece of broom, when six partridges alighted about sixty yards from me. They had not enjoyed themselves there more than a minute, by stretching their necks and spreading their wings, when a sparrow hawk came dashing along the hedge-rows in his usual rapid style. Taking a hurried aim at him, I broke his thigh and leg. He skimmed on, passing within three yards of the partridges, which were so frightened at the sight of their winged enemy that they did not rise at the report of my gun. After loading, I proceeded to finish the hawk, which was perched on a willow, fifty yards beyond the partridges, going through the midst of them. The ground where they lay was quite bare, and so near was I to them that I might have touched the most distant bird with the end of my gun. It is said if a paper kite be flown in a field where there are partridges, they will lie until a net is thrown over them. They must take the piece of paper for a bird of prey hovering in the air.

CURE FOR SMALL-POX.—The *German Reformed Messenger* has received a letter from a friend in China, in which it is stated a great discovery is reported to have been recently made by a surgeon of the English army in China, in the way of an effectual cure of small-pox. The mode of treatment is as follows:

When the preceding fever is at its height, and just before the eruption appears, the chest is rubbed with croton oil and turpentine ointment. This causes the whole of the eruption to appear on that part of the body, to the relief of the rest. It also secures a full and complete eruption, and thus prevents the disease from attacking the internal organs. This is said to be now the established mode of treatment in the British army in China, by general orders, and is regarded as a perfect cure.

SWEDENBORG'S CLAIRVOYANCE.—In the year 1759, when the city of Swedenborg, toward the end of the year, on Saturday at 4 o'clock p. m., a fire broke out in Gottenburg from England, Mr. William Costel invited him to his house, together with a party of fifteen persons. About 6 o'clock Dr. De Swedenborg went out, and after a short interval returned to the company quite pale and alarmed. He said that a dangerous fire had just broken out in Stockholm, at the Sundermalm, (Gottenburg is about 300 miles from Stockholm,) and that it was spreading very fast. He was restless and went out often; he said that the house of one of his friends, whom he named, was already in ashes, and that his house was in danger. At 8 o'clock, after he had gone out again, he joyfully exclaimed, "God! the fire is extinguished from my house. This news is a great commotion through the whole city, and particularly among the company in which he was. It was announced to the Governor the same evening.

On Saturday morning, Swedenborg was sent for by the Governor, who questioned him concerning the disaster. Swedenborg described the fire precisely, how it had begun, in what manner it had ceased, and how long it had continued. On the same day the news was spread through the city, and, as the Governor had thought it worthy of attention, the consternation had considerably increased, because many were in trouble on account of their friends and property, which might have been involved in their disaster. On Monday evening, a messenger arrived at Gottenburg; who was despatched during the time of fire. In the letters brought by him the fire was described precisely in the manner stated by Swedenborg. On Tuesday morning, the royal courier arrived at the Governor's with the melancholy intelligence of the fire, of the loss it had occasioned, and of the houses it had damaged and ruined, not in the least different from that which Swedenborg had given immediately after it had ceased; for the fire was extinguished at 8 o'clock. — *Emmanuel Kant.*

Duties in general, like that class of things called debts, give more trouble the longer they remain undischarged.

F. EUGENE DURBEC,
Auction and Commission Merchant,
Office Assembly Street, Between Plain and Wash-
ington Streets.

WILL give prompt attention to the sale and purchase of REAL ESTATE, STOCKS, BONDS and all other articles of PERSONAL PROPERTY, MERCHANDISE or PRODUCE, at either private sale or auction. April 14

"Stolen."
ON the night of the 6th instant, a large chestnut colored HORSE, about 12 years old, whose generally hangs on both sides of its neck is rather thin, has a blue face; had when taken one shoe on a fore foot and a sore on the right shoulder; walks wide with his hind legs and under the saddle will pace slowly. Any information, thankfully received and rewarded. Address HENRY A. BREITZ, April 13 '66 Lexington, H. S. C.

Notice.
IN pursuance of the authority vested in me by Section 8 Article II of the Constitution of the Episcopal Church in this Diocese, I hereby change the place of the meeting of the next Diocesan Council from the city of Columbia to Camden; and the time from the 10th to the 24th of May next. The Council will, therefore, be held in Grace Church, Camden, on the 24th of May. The necessities for these changes are so obvious that they need not be stated, and I earnestly request the attendance of the members of the Council. THOS. F. DAVIS,
Bishop of the Diocese of S. C.

The attention of the Clergy and Parishes of the Diocese is called to the above, and those who may fail to receive the usual notification, are requested to consider it in lieu thereof.
J. D. MCCOLLOUGH,
Secretary of Council.

April 18
Engine, Boiler, &c. at Private Sale.
WILL be sold at private sale, a FIVE HORSE POWER ENGINE, a BOILER, 30 feet long by 8 feet in diameter, and SMOKE PIPE, &c. in very good condition. Apply to
A. R. PHILLIPS,
At Dr. Gaiger's

Headquarters.
COLUMBIA, S. C., APRIL 8, 1866.
CIRCULAR.
ALL Officers on Post Duty at this place will make a report to these Headquarters of all men attached to their respective departments, who are entitled to draw rations at this post. All provision returns must be made out at the departments and approved at these Headquarters. By order
A. F. RUDLER, Col. Com'dg.
W. J. MEALING, A. A. A. G. April 10

Headquarters.
COLUMBIA, S. C., MARCH 31, 1866.
SPECIAL ORDER NO. — Copy.
JOHN CARSTEN is hereby appointed Adjutant Provat Marshal of this city until further orders. He will be obeyed and respected accordingly. By order
A. F. RUDLER, Col. Commandg.
W. J. MEALING, A. A. A. G. April 4

Headquarters,
NEAR SMITHFIELD, N. C., APRIL 7, 1866.
SPECIAL ORDER NO. 23. — Extract.
MAJ. GEN. MANSEFIELD LOVELL is assigned to command in the State of South Carolina.

By command of J. E. JOHNSTON,
KINLOCK FALCONER, A. A. G.
HEADQUARTERS DIST. OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
APRIL 12, 1866.

ORDER NO. 1.
In compliance with the above orders, the undersigned hereby assumes command in this State. Until the names of the staff are announced, official communications to these headquarters will be addressed to Lieut. J. M. B. LOVELL, Acting A. A. G. at Columbia. April 14 M. LOVELL, Major-General, &c.

Headquarters Mil. Div. of the West,
AUGUSTA, MARCH 4, 1866.
SPECIAL FIELD ORDERS NO. 18.
[Extract.]
COL. A. F. RUDLER is hereby assigned as Commandant of the Post at Columbia, S. C.

By command Gen. BEAUREGARD,
Official: Geo. W. BERRY, Col. and A. A. G.
HEADQUARTERS, COLUMBIA, S. C.,
March 15, 1866.

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 1.
In obedience to the above order, I hereby assume command of this Post.
By order of A. F. RUDLER,
Colonel Commanding.
W. J. MEALING, A. A. A. G. March 21