other day? A child seventeen short time ago another child, of... from eight to
ordinarily accepted sense is, indeed, next to impossible for the majority of
London workmen. The father of the family perforce accustoms himself
the absence of all domestic comfort; the wife, probably falls into slat-
terly habits, finding how difficult it is to keep things clean and neat in a
limited space and amid unfavourable surroundings. The difficulty is one
such as has never previously arisen in the history of the world in such
colossal proportions. It is one of the unique distinctions of London to
have a huge artisan population which it cannot properly house. Are we
moving in the right direction to solve the problem? Judging by results,
apparently not. Philanthropic effort expends itself chiefly in building
artisans' dwellings in town; that is, speaking commercially, in reducing
the value of land from 1s. 4d. to fourpence a foot. It would, one
cannot help thinking, be much more usefully employed in devising
means for getting London workmen at a cheap rate into the country.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

THE LATE MR. DARWIN: A SUGGESTION.

To the Editor of the Pall Mall Gazette.

Sir,—Next Sunday numerous congregations will expect some
honourable recognition of the character and works of Charles Darwin.
Let me suggest to clergymen generally, that they should substitute on
that day the "Benedicite" for the more usual "Te Deum," as many of its
noble verses are pointedly appropriate to what they would probably wish
to say afterwards from the pulpit—

All ye Works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O all ye Green Things upon the Earth, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O all that move in the Waters, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O all ye Fowls of the Air, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O all ye Beasts, and Cattle, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye holy and humble Men of heart, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.

In pursuance of the same idea, let me add that a stained glass
window in Westminster Abbey, symbolizing these and other verses of
the same canticle in its several panels, would be a beautiful
monument to the memory of Charles Darwin, and quite in harmony with
the surroundings. It would afford a desired opportunity for other
countries to share in the erection of a memorial without merging their
several contributions indistinguishably into one, as each country might
contribute a separate panel. I suggest this window in addition to, and
not in substitution of, any bust or tablet that may hereafter be decided
upon, and towards all of which, I, for one, am prepared to subscribe
liberally.—I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

April 27.

F. G.

THE QUAKERS OF BILSDALE.

To the Editor of the Pall Mall Gazette.