When I am Old.

When I am old-and oh, how soon Will life's sweet morning yield to noon, And noon's broad, fervid, earnest light Be shrouded in the gloom of night! Till like a story well nigh told, Will seem my life-when I am old.

When I am old—this breezy earth Will lose for me its voice of mirth: The streams will have an undertone Of sadness-not by right their own, And spring's sweet flowers in vain unfold In rosy charms-when I am old.

When I am old-I shall not care To deck with flowers my faded hair; Twill be no vain desire of mine, In rich and costly robes to shine; Bright jewels and the brightest gold Will charm me nought-when I am old.

When I am old-my friends will be Old and infirm and bowed like me; Or else their bodies 'neath the sod, Their spirits dwelling safe with God, The old church bell will long have tolled Above their rest-when I am old.

When I am old-I'd rather bend Thus sadly o'er each buried friend, Than see them lose the earnest truth That marks the friendship of our youth; Twill be so sad to have them cold, Or change to me-when I am old.

When I am old-oh how it seems Like the wild lunacy of dreams To picture in prophetic rhyme, That dim, far distant, shadowy time; So distant that it seems o'er bold Even to say-when I am old.

When I am old-perhaps ere then, I shall be missed from haunts of men; Perhaps my dwelling will be found Beneath the green and quiet mound; My name by strangers' hands enrolled Among the dead-ere I am old.

Ere I am old-the time is now, For youth sits lightly on my brow; My limbs are firm, and strong, and free, Life has a thousand charms for me; Charms that will long their influence hold Within my heart-ere I am old.

Ere I am old-oh, let me give My life to learning how to live, Then shall I meet, with willing heart, An early summons to depart, Or find my lengthened days consoled By God's sweet peace-when I am old.

Motherly Advice.

Adam Clarke, was the mother of six sons of such wages, when for her own use; and and six daughters, and the love she bore to them would astonish many of those who are "without natural affections," in these last perilous days. She once wrote:-"My dear little ones engross by far the largest portion of my time; and the pleasing satisfaction which results from nursing them is my greatest reward. Next to my husband, I view them as the most precious boon of heaven; and I do heartily love them as the gift of God. Neither can you, I am sure, conceive the tender feelings of a mother's breast. I would not be without these children for all the world could offer." To one of her sons she wrote the following instructive words:-"Do nothing carelessly, and then, I venture to say, that with the ability you have, you will do most things well. Be exact in all you do, nor let the least matter pass you unexamined. In your reading, too, investigate your subject, and be not satisfied with skimming on the surface of things, or make an attempt to grasp up the whole without attending to everypart in order. Faying attention to particulars as well as to generalities, will by degrees give you a habit of mental observation, while at the same time, it will deepen your knowledge. But endeavour to gain | clear. heavenly wisdom. Do not forget to bear your needs and your heart in private before God, that he may grant you his grace, and direct all your future paths in life." ----

A grasp of the hand, a smile, a word even, is often enough in God's hand to change the entire course of life, to save a soul from death.

THE pleasures of the world are deceitful; they promise more than they give. They trouble us in seeking them, they do not satisfy us when possessing them, and they make us despair in using them. CUSTOMER (angrily)-"Do you call that

veal tutlet? Why, it's an insult to every real calf in the country." Waiter (apologetically)-" I beg your pardon, sir; but I didn't mean to insult you, sir, really, sir." APRIL is said to be the most propitious month of the twelve in which to be married, for we are told in the old song that

"May never was a month of love, For May is full of flowers; But rather April wet but kind, For love is full of showers.

How to BE HAPPY .- What does happy mean? A little girl lately said, "It is to feel as if you wanted to give all your things. to your little sister." The child felt that to be happy she must be unselfish. Did you ever feel happy when you had any selfish feelings active in your breast.

Ir is a great mistake to suppose that money spent in reasonably improving the appearance of a place is thrown away. It may be doubted whether there is any other direct method to increase its pecuniary value. Certainly its market value will depend on its appearance. Tasteful and well-painted buildings, well-arranged yards and gardens with neat fences, shade trees properly disposed, good farm fences and their presence felt in British Columbia, cleanly kept fields, will set off a farm to and the same questions are raised concerngreat advantage and make an amazing dif- ing them there that have so often been even if it be not sold, these things will add | California. Opposition has been raised to attractive as possible. There is such a labor is needed to develop the country, by every one to making his farm and home | the Victoria Legislature has refused to THE EXPOSITOR is only One Dollar I more attractive every year that he lives. sanction their exclusion.

AND METERS BUTTER

Women's Rights in Ontario.

The March number of the Toronto Law Journal contains a list of the Acts passed at the last Session of the Ontario Legislature, amongst which is "An Act to extend the rights of Property of Married Women;" an Act so extraordinary that we give a summary of it for the benefit of our readers -especially the married ones. Since the passing of the Act, the real estate of any married woman, which is owned by her at the time of her marriage, and all profits accruing therefrom, shall be held by her for separate use during her lifetime, free from any claims of her husband; her receipts alone being a discharge for rents, &c., connected with it. But she shall be liable for any contract made by her respecting her real estate.

All wages and personal earnings, all proceeds and profits from any occupation or trade which she carries on separately from her husband; and all investments of such proceeds shall be free from the debts of her husband, and can be disposed of by her without her husband's consent.

She may in her own name insure for her sole benefit, or for the benefit of her children, her own life, or with his consent, the life of her husband, and the amount paid under such insurance shall be free from the claims of the representatives of her husband or his creditors.

She may become a stockholder or member of any bank, insurance company, or any other incorporated association; vote by proxy, and enjoy the like rights as any other stock-holders or members.

She may deposit money in her own name in any savings or other bank, and withdraw it on her own check, her receipt being legal discharge to the bank; but it shall not give validity to any deposits made by her, of her husband's moneys with a view to defraud his creditors. -

She shall be liable for any debts of her own, contracted before her marriage, and any property belonging to her for her separate use, shall be liable to satisfy such debts, and her husband shall not be responsible for any of her debts in respect of any business in which she may be engaged on her own behalf.

She may maintain an action in her own name for the recovery of wages or money due to her, and can have the same remedies both civil and criminal, against all persons Mary Clarke, wife of the learned Mr. whomsoever, for the protection and security may be proceeded against, separately from her husband, in respect of any of her debts, engagements, or contracts, as if she were

> Who will say, after this, that women have not "equal rights" in Ontario?

> Mitchell, Ont., has forty-five more ratepayers on its roll than last year.

Good thoughts are as useless as good dreams, if they are suffered to remain None of us stand alone in the world;

none of us can sink into an abyss of misery without dragging others after us. WE should not wed an opinion for better

for worse; what we take upon good grounds we should lay down upon better. HUMANITY.-No one has a right to dis-

turb the comfortable feeling, even of a beast, unnecessarily, much less wantonly. HEALTH. - The only way for a rich man to be healthy, is by exercise and abstinence,

to live as if he were poor .- Sir W. Temple. FIRST do the duty which lies nearest you, which you know to be a duty. Probably your second duty will then have become

Persons of good taste and refinement expect to be pleased at the same time they are informed, and thus receive a double

INDUSTRY doth preserve and perfect our nature, keeping it in good tune and temper, improving and advancing it towards its best state.

A FEW days ago Mr. Hawley, of Clarence, caught a very fine silvery-gray fox, which was taken to Ottawa, where its skin was valued at \$45 to \$50.

THE Young Women's Christian Association of Boston have resolved upon the erection of a new home for indigent young women, at a cost of \$80,000.

THE Goderich Star says the fall wheat in that section generally looks well, far better than was expected after the very severe winter that has prevailed.

THE Scaforth Expositor says that Mr. William Muir, who has been Clerk of the Township of Tuckersmith over thirty years, is entitled to the distinction of being known as the oldest Township Clerk in the

THE death of a "Prelatical Crossus" is reported in the Panama Star. The Archbishop of Lima died on the 19th of February. He was the oldest Bishop and the oldest Archbishop in the Catholic Church; the first by reason of seniority, the second by reason of age. Another more agreeable circumstance to those directly interested is the fact that the late prelate was probably the richest man in South America, his property at the lowest estimation amounting to twenty millions. His life was spot-

less, and his virtues many; his fault was a remarkable desire to increase his wealth. THE Chinese have recently been making ference when it comes to be sold. And answered in different ways in Australia and amazingly to the enjoyment of it by its their employment on the old stereotyped possessor, if he be not blind to every thing grounds that they come as coolies, spend but the dollar. Every man owes it to the nothing, prevent European immigration, community in which he lives to contribute and will never make for themselves homes, to the general reputation and to public or become assimilated to the institutions enjoyment by making his surroundings as of the country by becoming citizens. As thing as paying too much attention to out- they might as well on such grounds prohiside and to show; but there is a reason in bit the use of steam or the introduction of all things, and a measure of time, and machinery. We do not wonder, therefore, attention, and expense should be devoted that, on a full consideration of the subject,

THE Star says that a calf aged about ten weeks old was killed in Goderich last week, which when dressed weighed 250 tbs. The calf was nearly pure Durham.

CONFESSION.-A man should never be ashamed to own he has been in the wrong, which is but saying in other words that he is wiser to-day than he was yesterday.

THE latest schedule of convictions for the county of Brant contains no less than 102 cases. Of these 75 were before one magistrate, 23 before another, and the remaining four before different parties, one man having the honour to sit on three of

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