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Happy Thoughts.

A chain that often separates friends... The first and greatest of all duties is to defend ourselves. It is not life to live for one's self alone. Let us help one another. The proper way to warm a house is to keep the dollar cold. The energy that what success begins to develop very early in life. He who sees the end from the beginning will do only what is right. To the blessed eternity itself there is no other half than this instant. Conscience is the voice of the soul; it passes into the value of the body. Do not suffer life to pass; it will grow moldy for want of use. It was a cynic when he called city swamps a "dog's den" for dirt. If you have more money than your wife, it is a waste of time to bear them. After all, the wanted minus plus is but a species of bank in every disguise. Perform present duties, that time may be spared for succeeding labors.

Selected Miscellany.

They are never alone who are accompanied by noble thoughts. Discontent is the want of self reliance; it is infinity of will. The art of life is to know how to enjoy a little, and endure much. The consciousness of duty performed gives us music at midnight. The angels find all their happiness in love, from us, and according to it. We must learn to infuse sublimity into trifles; that is power. A wise man reflects when he speaks, and reflects on what he has uttered. Lotomative—The steed of progress. Power—A modern instrument of terrorism. A Disappointed Drummer—An agent for a New York grocery house who was put out to discover that the agent for a Boston house had taken one of his best customers. "Did he offer you better figures?" he asked in explanation. "No." "Better terms?" "No." "Goods any better?" "No." "Then why did you leave our house?" "Well, to tell the truth," replied the merchant, "we both belong to the Odd Fellows and have a fraternal feeling, you know." The agent had no more to say, but there was business in his eye as he withdrew. Next time he came over the route he called upon the merchant and said: "Well, I am also an Odd Fellow now, and hope to secure your orders again." "Have you joined?" "Yes." "How sorry I am!" sighed the merchant, with a look of distress on his face. "Only last week the Boston man and myself were honored from the order for being drunk, and now, of course, we don't feel like having anything to do with any member in good standing. Under the circumstances I couldn't possibly patronize you."

One Way to Save Labor.

Two or three years ago, when from poor health I was unable to stand on my feet very long at a time, I learned when making a garment to always give a thought to the ironing of it, and to trim it accordingly. I found that children's everyday clothes look about as well trimmed with a little piece of the same, or the strip of some other kind, as when refilled, and they were so much easier handled. Indeed, it saved so much time and strength that I have ever since made their clothes plain, feeling it to be of far greater importance for a mother to be with her children in the future years to come, than it is to wear out her body and temper while they are small, in fastening their vanity over ruffles and needless trimmings. I like to see children nicely dressed, and a clean, plainly made garment looks much better, in my opinion, than an over-trimmed article that you have a child wear just half a day longer because you so dread the ironing.

Attractive Homes.

There is use in beauty. It makes home attractive, its exterior more respectable, our lives happier, our domestic intercourse more refined. By all means plant some little garden of grass to temper the rugged surroundings of the front yard. Its effect, though slender language, will speak to the viewer or the passer-by a word of elegance for you. The least dower of earth will be a more attractive; a curved path winding between trees to the house, a mound of stones and shells with the ivy trailing over them, the flowering shrub or the turf of fern—all such things are attractive, and form a pleasing object for the eye of every the most indifferent beholder.

Every Heart Knows Its Own Sorrow.

This statement appears to contain much truth. In some cases, however, it is the heart of many little ones, which, though small, is capable of much feeling. This form of heartache is very common, and can be remedied. PAINLESS EXTRACTOR gives peace to the throbbing crown. Don't forget that. Sell by druggists everywhere. N. C. POLSON & CO., Kingston, Proprietors.

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