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# Poetrn.

The tempter, as God's legends tell-Allowed on earth to roun - . (Crushed that which Woman loves so well,

And since, in varied guise of sin He works his hateful will.

He comes not now in subtle mood And mysteries she may know; He makes insulting, swift advance Into her bright home nest, Admitted and embraced, perchance, By those she loves the best, He brings the world where he must dwell.

Transmuting Paradise to Bell-This serpent of the still! Ho twines about her trembling life. And soils it with his slime; He fills the hours with foolish strife. He sows the seeds of crime. And Poverty and flerce Disease. And Hunger and Disgrace.

Her days and nights to fill.

And Death by death-empanged degrees. Are in his cold embrace. To grieve, to hurt, to rend, to smite, To ruin, and to kill. Are leaden links of his delight-The serpent of the still! Rouse, Woman, in your quiet power. Your heart's man-withering frown. our hand that rules the festal hour And crush the menster down! You shape the human form and ; oul.

You mark the infant's way, Youth's fancy you can oft control. Man's action you can sway : Bond every blessing of your life To fight its deadliest ill! Strike-daughter, malden, widow, wife This serpent of the still!

### Select Family Rending. Childhood as an Educator.

BY NORMAND PATTERSON. There is an education of vital import all men, which it is beyond the power men to impart to man! To deal fairly

with men we must be able to put ourselves in the place of men; not less must we b able to put ourselves in the place of child ren before welcen deal fairly with children -or with men. One cannot wisely teach child or man until he has been taught childhood. As did our divine Master, must we "call a little child, and set his Rockwood. in the midst" of our thoughts, our feelings our studies, our cares, our joys, and our sorrows. Until we know a child, we can not truly know ourselves. Let me illustra. trate by a chapter from my own experience. The warm days had lingered on until the keen edge of an autumn wind severed

the seasons, and turned the summer adrift to the mists of the silent sea. I had touched the match to the paper and bits of light wood in the furnace. Mr little boy of four and a half years-superby built, noble fellow that he was! -- stood by, with his two chubby hands filled, with sticks of kindling, ready to throw thent in to the fire when I should open the deor and give the order. The arrangement had been that he might come down and "hel me" build a fire, with the understanding that he must be careful not to soil his dress with the mouldy wood; he should hold it out from him, and not hug it n his arms; neither must be get against the sooty iron of the furnace. He was natural ly a careful child, methodical and scrupu lously neat, so that there was nothing exacting in the conditions upon which we

both started down for a bit of grand, good The flames were rounding up the chimney. Now," I said, "when I open the door, you shall see the fire, and you must throw in the sticks quickty, or the smoke will pour out into the cellar." It was an exciting experience,-the first time my boy had had a hand in fire-building, 'the very thing that he was always warned to keep little face looked smilingly up to me, aloof from. The roar of the draught, the fierce fury of the glowing flame, the lurid light in the celtar dusk, -he almost forgot to throw in the wood, "Ouick!" I said. quick, while the door is open!" One stick went in ; the second struck the side of the plate inside, and I pushed it in. "Hurry !" I said again ; and the third for refuge from trouble, but for very joy to Magazine. struck the side of the door-frame, and fell on the floor. Of course, the little fellow was dazed for the moment. He was exwholly novel, as well as exciting, to him. Should he stop to pick that up, or throw in the two that he still held? One stick | build a fire; perhaps they helped me to on the floor, the roaring fire, the outpourbuild a character; and perhaps, too, they ing smoke, too many orders from me, the builded better than they knew." But God work of it, the play of it, the novelty of it. knows. the bewildering haste of it all,-he stooped hesitatingly for the fallen stick, and instinctively tightened his grasp on theothers by folding them into his arms against his immaculate frock! I shut the door haste, and, seeing his attitude, broke out with: "Now look at that dirty wood against your clean dress! I told you you should not come down here if you did He looked confused a moment, the

dropped the wood, turned round, and ratoward the stairs, ascended and disappear ed. In that crucial moment, what silen criticism might the keen logical sense, the half god-like instinct, of childhood, have passed on me! Relatively, I had expected more of him than I should expect of myself or of any grown man. I heard the quickening feet of my little helper on the floor overhead, heard him climb the stair way to the second story; and while I stood inutely wondering at the suddenness of his departure, I heard him burst into a loud and pitcous cry. He had not fallen,-no he had not hurt himself : it was I that had fallen, I that had hurt him. But he' was in his mother's arms; his head was on his mother's shoulder.

I loved that boy. I loved to teach him but the trouble was I ought to have sat at childhood's feet to learn, before I expected him to sit profitubly kt mir c. I would not have burt him for 'the world; but I did not know what a child was, and consequently could not shield him from myself. send you free something of great value and im-portance to you, that will start you in business, father of the man."

me. He was logical, I was illogical; he was true, I was falso; he was doing his best, I was doing my worst. I had imposed restrictions which could not be complied with. I had exacted a promise which he

was too innocent, too inexperienced, to know that he could not keep. I reflected upon him as morally disobedient, when he was only physically fallible; as obstinate when he was only embarrassed; careless when he was only bewildered; heedless when he was only hurried; naughty, when he was truest to himself and to me. Yes! I would have given my life to tell him how I had wronged him; but he was now! where he needed no further instruction from me, where he was no longer in danger of being ignorantly blamed and unjustly reprimanded. Those little feet were farther above me than the floor just overhead, and the voice of a once pained and injured spirit had gone to join the voices of the

white throne. One, two, three, four years passed. Bu I was more than four years older. I had had time to sit down and think. In the silence of my sorrow, I could turn over the pages of the past. A life that was gone came before me as a new life that is. He was my helper, my educator, now, if 'not then. He had passed beyond my teaching, that I might pass forevermore into his. . Five years went by. The keen Novemfor his supposed fault. ber wind came again. " Would you like to go down in the cellar and help papa make a fire?" I said. My bright-faced boy jumped from his chair, his long golden curls dancing upon his shoulders, as he hailed with delight the promise of so rich and novel an experience. I exacted no promise from him which common senseto say nothing of experience-taught me he might not be able to keep; though was cautious not to forget to ask nim to be careful. I would try to show him how to keep the wood from soiling his dress. He was nearly four years old; almost the same as his brother had been-whom he never saw. 'A shuddering awe crept over me for the moment. Was I competent to undertake that which I had so signally filing child ? Cau it be that God is willing A try me again? Can I make reparation

failed in once before? Was I to be trusted with that tenderest, truest, most God-like of all earthly things, -the heart of a con-Before the whole selfool he walked down to my lost one by doing for his little broto where Christie sat, and, holding the her that which I ought first to have done for hinr? Is it possible that all these, five cars I have longed to recall that one day in my life, and to be just, where I had been injust, and to heal, where I had wounded? The flames were roaring up the pipe again, and my little man was standing, as did his brother, years before, with his hands loaded with wood. I almost trembled as the past came before me and so overlaid the present that each seemed to

loose its own identity. "Quick!" I said, "while the door is open. Throw in the wood, quick!" One stick after another flew into the flames; then one struck the deor-frame, and fell on the floor. History was repeating litself with painful accuracy of detail. Should he let that go, or throw in others? The smoke poured out, and I hurried him again He was confused, and I knew it. As his brother's pupil, I had learned to recognize that and to respect it. I saw him clasp the wood to his breast as he stooped. soiled his dress, but he was not disobedient. He was doing his best. He believed that he was my helper, and so he was, even in a better way than he knew. He picked up the stick, threw it, and it fell again. "Never mind," I said, " don't hurry too much. I will hold the door until you are quite ready." (Oh that I had faid that five years ago!) The next time he tried. he succeeded. Yes; he succeeded, but-not half so much as I did. I helped him in his bit of fun, but not half so much as he helped me in my bit of life learning. We started upstairs together: His trusting little hand was laid in mnie. A serene was not a pitcous cry of a wounded heart that I heard, but the sweet music of a joyous voice, saying eagerly, "Did I help you, papa?" Only God know why I put such

an emphasis on the answer, "Yes, my dear liftle boy, you did help me." Then I heard his little feet outrun me, not to his mother tell'her that he had been my helper. And somehow I think that the angels know that I held two little hands, and answered two little voices, and sought to lighten two little hearts, when I said " You helped me!" Perhaps I helped them to

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please bin by showing him that hepleased with them no little danger. .

ten-thousand thousand around the great whole truth about it, he knew he would I do know that there is One whose eye clear himself from blame, but he knew also watches over all who will know and put that this would get his friend a double his blessing upon every one who sincerely punishment, for breaking the rules and endeavors to follow these golden precepts.

> punish you not only for your disobedience, out also for your obstinacy." So Ben Christie was marched up to the master's desk, and received a sound caning ly.

"I say, Ben," said his schoolfellow. when they were again alone together, "why in the world didn't you deny it?" Because there was only we two, an

ue of us must have lied," said Ben. "Then why not say I did it?" " Because you said you didn't, and would spare the liar."

The boy's heart melted. Ben's generou act made him feel ashamed of his own cowardly conduct, and when the school reassembled; he went straight up to the master's desk, and said :-"Please, sir, I can't bear to be a liar. t off the squib;" and he burst into tears

boy, and then at Ben Christie, and, oh how sorry he felt that he had given such undeserved punishment to the brave little fellow. He could not take back the punishment, but there was one thing he could do. and that he did at once

real culprit by the hand, he said:-"Ben, Ben, lad, he and I beg your par-But Ben's face, as he looked up at naster, was full of smiles and forgiveness. . And all the boys broke out into a chee for their good teacher and their brave

SWISHING BOYS AT ETON. the canonical term at Eton") a little fellow for playing cards, and the victim did not take the punishment sfolidly. whist, will you?" said the doctor, (swish) -all right-you shuffle and I'll 'cut." Keats's wrath was sometimes also 'pointed with a jest, though, as may be guessed, its humor was mostly very grim. A luckless lad in his division construed a famous pasmonumentum, a monument, perennius, hardyou," said the doctor. "Then you'll stay afterward, and I'll give you something that one of the most amusing samples of scholastic irony, and the cruelest, was one which came under our own notice. \_A certain boy, in construing Greek Testament school on Monday morning, and a bitter winter's morning, we well remember this custom was, an old English equivalent. The boy, after hesitating awhile, substituted a modern and a polite circumlecution. "My mrdesty, or is it ignorance? For if it is

guorance you will write out and translate your lesson." "Oh, no, sir," was the natural answer, "it is not ignorance. Ah, I see, modesty. Then you will write out and translate it twice."-Mac Millan's WHAT SHOULD BOYS READ.

In the sub primary schools of Philadelphia they have a fifteen-minute lunch time in the mid-forenoon, which is utilized for teaching-table manners and etiquette. The twenty-five little people under six years of tables arranged in a hollow square. Each child provides himself with a napkin, which boy or girl from each of the four tables brushes up the crumbs, collecting such remains of the lunch as are to be thrown away. It was a surprise that so much could be done by way of forming habits, and that it had not been more generally practised with little folks in school. Fifteen minutes thus spent each day is well spent as a part of the recess time, if our observations in the Philadelphia schools are

.FOR YOUNG WOMEN. Since drunkenness comes first and hardest npon women, since it is to her what a I should have known him better, had I swine is to a garden, rooting up every sweet | inability to perceive certain colors is not known myself better. I should have blossom, and destroying every fruit, and due to a defect in the instrument of sight known myself and human nature better, making a wilderness of the garden of the by the eye; but to the power of interpreting asked the detective, with an air of mystery. had I knewn him better. "The child is Lord, I have a right to say to every young the impressions conveyed to the brain by When the next autumn came, I would by your act, bear testimony and exert your problem is no longer a physical one. It have given my life to see again that child- influence against intemperance. Let not falls among those with which the mental ish expectancy, those little hands filled your fair hand, that yet one day shall go physiologist has to deal .- Medical Press. with wood, that noble head and regal form | out in please, convey to another the out lit pp with the weird glow from the fur- | wh'o's shall desolate and destroy the housenace flames. I longed in my heart to sit hold. If there be one thing that woman at his feet as my teacher; to help him by should stand for, it is temperance, - Henry

BRAVE BEN. Fireworks are all'very well in the open air after dark, and English boys and girls rules for boys and girls, which are certainwould think it a great shame to have none ly worthy of very careful study. Theyoung to " let off " when Guy Fawkes day came | readers will find it very profitable for them be pleasant, and, besides that, they bring they can be often read. With an garnest

"Very well," said the master ; " I shall

10. If you find anything, return it to the

The master looked down at the sobbing

18. Be exact ai your behavior at

school-fellow .- Child's Own Magazine.

Dr. Hawtrey was flogging ("swishing i 24. Pray daily to God, and by your se 'Odd tricks, indeed!" (swish). "Oh, yes sage in Horace thus: Ezegi, I have eaten, but was acquitted by the judge on the er, aere, than brass. "Oh, you have, have will help you to digest it." But perhaps charge of murdeling the Rev. G. C. Had-(in those days always taken at the first ly they saw him to the dastardly murderwas) came upon a word to which our old English translators gave, as their good who killed himself

"Does it hurt a boy to read novels?" Take a clean sponge and dip it into a again, but only after much labour. The terest had spent \$0,000 recently in fighting | Harvard Times thinks because you can draw human mind, my lad, is a sponge, and it the prohibitionists in constituional amendsoaks up the good, bad and indifferent with the same relish.

The great trouble with novels is the false with all stories in theso-called boys' papers, and it is so to a certain extent in many of the boy books. In the first place the boy, detective or runaway are two improbable.

he spreads as a table-cover before him and self half believing, at least, and the next to tell long stories. The teacher leads them to yourself that you won't believe a word ting and down-treading loves, hopes, and fountain to the earth beneath.-Guelph frequently in the talking. Use of spoon, of the story, the mind will soak up many joys. fork, knife, etc., is taught whenever an op- false theories and absurd ideas, and later portunity offers. After lunch one little on in years it may cost you something to get rid of them. COLOR BLINDNESS A BRAIN AFFECTION.

fault, and thence preceeds to the assump- credence, but it is a fact all the same. tion that it may be equally true that the woman : By your look, by your work, and the optic nerve. If this is the case, the

Wheezing, gasping sufferers from Astlima receive quick and permanent relief by using gists or by mail on receipt of price,

TWENTY-YOUR GOLDEN RULES.

Some one has prepared the following round. But indoors they are too noisy to to cut out theservies and put them where and persistent effort to obey them there is Two boys were alone together in their no doubt but they will tell favorably onschool-room, when the master, who was their future his. Some of the eminent not far away, heard a squib going off, and men of the pastin early life adopted such judging that one of the scholars must be rules, to which in after years they attriup to some tricks, he came to the door-way | buted, in a large measure, their great sucand in a very stern voice asked who had cess. I am sure at least of this, that no one ever adopted and followed carefully Ben Christie, one of the two, knew that rules like the following, whose life was a his companion was the culprit, but waited failure. Success in its truestsense is doing to see whether he would confess. To his right, and no one succeeds really who does great surprise his friend straightly denied | not do right. I lishall never know the number of boys and wirls who will cut out these

"Then it was you, Christie?" said the rules and carefully put them away in some book or drawer with the resolution that Ben did not answer. By telling the they shall be the rules of their lives. But telling a falsehood. So he would not Then, too, in kdeping them to the best of your ability you will know that the smiles of heaven are spon you. Here are the

1. Respect and obey your parents.

2. Love your brothers and sisters sincere. 3. Never spedklevil of one another.

5. Be strictly lonest; even in the smallest

able to give to the poor 7. Do not moch the deaf, the lame, or 8. Always address the aged with pro-Do not dirty or injure your clothes.

11. Avoid the dompany of bad children 12. Never be cruel to any living thing. 13. Do not covet what is not your own. 14. Try to improve at school every day.

16. Ead with mankfulness whatever "Forgetfulness of one's own concerns set before you. my dear, a smiling face, a word of sympa-17. Never chew or smoke tobacco other narcotics, nbr drink any intoxication

19 Put you clothes and playthings 20. Avoid eating any kind of unripe fruit. 21. Always answer distinctly, correctly,

22. Shun all kinds of gaming as great 23. Become the young disciples of Jesus

and modestly.

rice praise. His holy hame .- Marion. Religious Telescope THOUGHTS FOR THOUHTFUL PEOPLE. To the Editor of the FREE PRESS. A saloon keepel in Chicago sold liquor to a young girl, whio, while drugged, was' taken out and thined by a disreputable character. The siloon keeper was arrested ground that the law forbids the sale of The shloon keepers presented a gold-headed brilliant defense. Along side of that place often are sorry that she didn't keep it while the fact of Arensdorf giving a grand dinner she had it. to the jury who acquitted him on the

dock though three witnesses swore distinct-It was said of the brilliant young lawyer the fatal act was caused by "mental de- butchers will put in bologna! pression." The mental depression was caused by a debauch begun in a bar room.

little friend," said the master, "is that His mother is called a fanatic because she severe. Why not spank it? wants the bar-rooms closed. closed and great bonsternation in several places have been caused thereby. We were | pick one up. told it could not be done, that more would be sold than dar, and that prohibition larger than that of a man, but the trunk of would not prohibit, but the violators are an elephant is considerably smaller than skipping out, some places are being closed, that of a woman. and the business of drunkard-making is hobbled and crippled throughout this Dominion as well as in the United States running gutter, and what is the result? where, as a prominent liquor dealer, of The sponge can be cleaned and purified New York, recently stated, the liquor in-

ments and local option campaigns. Let the good work go on in Halton that she may again virglicate her character as a ideas and vicious theories. It is the same sober, law-abiding and temperance county.

With this I close .:carnestly that he and his brethren might | the creel flames, as if glorying over the no matter what his age, is made to perform be preserved from what he called their victory they had achieved, were completing feats of valor which common sense teaches "upsettin' sins." "Brudder," one of his are impossible. He never acts or talks friends said, "you ain't got de hang ob dat memorable scene. Awful in its grandeur, age are seated about their four kindergarten like a boy. His adventures as a houter, ar word. It's 'besettin',' not upsettin'." but for the destruction it was reeking, one "Brudder," replied he, "if dat's so, it's | could not fail to express admiration at the Nevertheless, as you read, you find your- so; but I was prayin' de Lord to save us brilliant sight which was here presented from de sin ob 'toxication, an' if dat ain't | The building was like a hugefurnace. The arranges thereon his simple lunch. They thing is to wonder why you cannot be a a upsettin' sin, I dunno what am." Sure flames had complete possession of all the are allowed and encouraged to talk as they here. The story makes you dissatisfied enough, the old Negro was right. Drunk- upper part, and as they mounted higher cat, observing not to talk when another is with school and home and family governdences is the appetting sin-upsetting and higher till they seemed to lick the very talking, not to interrupt another. not to ment, and the first thought is to run away homes and characters, upsetting manhood, take too much of the time from others, not or plan some adventure. Even if you say womanhood, and sweet childhood, upset. sides and fell like the spray of a beautiful

THICK AND THIN SOLES.

A PROFESSIONAL FORGER.

him. What of him?".

make horse shoet.

PRICE THREE CENTS PROHIBITION. Turic-" National Anthem."

Prohibition! hasten on, All hail thy hopeful morn, Lord help us all : Give us a will to bear Our brother's burden share, Altho' we have no fear That we might fall.

Prohibition! let the sound Encircle us around And save us all. Tot pole to pole again Reverberate the strain We wrestle till we gain

Prohibition.

Can we afford to loose

Our sense of brotherhood; His keeper we! Then around our ensign white Ye gather who love right, Vote not for party, but Prohibition. Now let the people's voice Be heard that this our choice

Must law become : Lord! we look up to Thee, Help us, save Canada, · From alcohol's curse set free, God, help us on.

OTHER PEOPLE'S AFFAIRS. What makes everyone love to be with you?" the sweet, simple, unaffected and very lovely Princess Alice once asked her grandmother, the Duchess of Kent. "Iam always so sorry to have to leave you, and

so are all the others who come here. Won't you please tell me, grandma! The old lady smiled, and for a moment that was all she did. The Duchess of Kent knew the secret of 6. Save what you can, so that you may be her influence over her friends, but how to explain it without vanity or egotism to this most natural and truthful little girl at her side was not altogether an easy task. Alice's sweet directness could never be put off with poo-pools or a disclamer, as the dear old

lady knew from an intimate acquaintance with her character. "I think, my child, that this is the reason," the Duchess replied at last. "I was early instructed that the way to make people happy was to appear interested in the things which interested them-namely. their own affairs; and this could only be accomplished by burying one's own grief, 15. Guard against low and vulgar lanannoyance, satisfaction or joy completel

> thy and unselfish help, where it is possible to give it, will always make others happy, and the giver equally so." . Such counsel as this took deep root in the heart and mind of the beautiful Princess and her brief but exceptional life proves

the wonderful power of unselfish regard for

Where could a better lesson for all our girls be found than this one, given so many, years ago by the aged Duchess? Other people's affairs? Why, our own affairs are of infinitely more consequence to us, and yet, if we take the trouble to look about us, we are sure to find that the most agreeable and helpful persons are those who lend a rerdy car to the sorrows

of others, and keep a closed mouth concerning their own.

WIT AND HUMOR. Some acrobats are fresh, and somersault "Woman feels where man thinks," says, writer. Yes, that's why man is bald. Laundry-women are forgiving beings. The more cuffs you give thum, the more they will do for you. We often say." Rumor has it," and as

"soft-place," through a dislike for hones work, can find one under his hat. The English language sounds funny to a foreigner, as when one says "I will come by and by to buy a bicycle.' 'A sea-green glass vase has recently been

thrive on fresh milk, boil it." This is too Now that the great raft in the Atlantic . Thank God the bar-rooms are being has broken apart, there will be a fine chance for those ships that have lost their log to The brain of an elephant is somewhat

A physician says: "If a child does not

It is nonsense to assert that Italians do not readily become Americanized. The presi dent of the Italian savings bank in New York has decamped with \$150,000.

Why is woman like an accordian? The her out with much ado, but she makes music when you try to shut her up SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN A FIRE. Crackling with fury and shooting their forked tongues high in the air, o'ercanopy-One night at a meeting a Negro prayed ing the city with a curtain of lorid light, their awful work of destruction. It wasfa heavens, clouds of sparks burst forth on all

A BRIGHT WORLD.

One day in the Tennessee mountains a The feet can be kept warmer in cold man whom I met had occasion to go from weather by wearing a shoe with a light his home to the county seat. He was a sole than a thick one; with the former the | man of more intelligence than most of his Professor Ramsay believes that the part foot has a chance to work, thereby keeping fellows, but he had never in his life been ticular defect giving rise to color blindness up a circulation this, of course, applies away from home before. He had never lies, not in the eye itself, but in the brain. only when the weather is dry. But when seen a town. The nearest approach to one Certain persons, he points out, are incap. it is wet and rubbers are necessary, it is the had seen was the collection of houses able of judging which of two musical tones best to wear a single soled shoe inside. In about the store where he sold his truck and is the higher, even when they are more the summer the thick sole should be worn, bought his bacon. When he got back from than an octave apart. Yet, as such per for it keeps the heat from striking through the county seat I asked him what he sons hear either tone perfectly, the defect to the foot. This is all so contrary to the thought of what he saw. "Well," said is not one of deafness. He accordingly preconceived opinions of the public that it he, "all I got ter say is this: If this argues that in such persons the brain is at is doubtful whether it will receive much here world is as big on the right of us as it is, on the left she must be a reg'lar

CHINESE FORM OF TAKING AN OATH.

The witness kneels kown in the witness-"Yes," said the citizen, eagerly. "I see | box; and a China saucer having been "That man," said the detective in a low | the rail of the witness-box; and breaks it. tone, "that manis a professional forger." The crier of the court, who swears the wit-"Good gracious " exclaimed the citizen, nesses, then (with the aid of an interpreter) in surprise, " with would ever have thought | administers the oath in the following it? Why don't you arrest him, then?" words: "You shall tell the truth, and the "Can't," said the detective wearily. | whole truth-the saucer is cracked, and Southern Asthma Care. Sold by all drug- Won know it isn't against the law to if you do not tell the truth, your soul will be cracked like the saucer."