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THE FATHER'S HOUSE

The Father's house has many rooms, And some are reached through gathering glooms;

But He keeps house, and makes it home,

Whichever way the children come,

Plenty and peace are everywhere;

The house within:

The room is filled with prayer,

The song begins,

And dear hearts, filled with love, are glad;

Forgetting that they once were sad,

The Father's house is surely thine,

His lights of love through darkness shine.

The house grows late.

Dash back again, dash back again, doubt,

And enter—now! will cast out not!

—By Marianne Fairingham.

NO LUCK ABOUT IT

Mark Twain knows that "It pays to advertise." At a recent dinner he said:

"When I was editor of The Virginian, I used to write a column called 'No Luck About It.' I tried in many ways to drive home the fact that advertising pays. One day I received a letter from a subscriber saying that he had found a spider pressed between the pages of his paper. He wanted to know whether this signified good or bad luck. I replied to him through our 'Answers to Correspondents' column as follows:

"Old Subscriber.—The finding of a spider in your copy of the Enterprise was neither good luck nor bad. The spider was merely looking over our pages to find out what merchant was not advertising in them, so that he could spin his web across his door and lead a free and undisturbed existence forever after."

HER LAST WORDS

She was a small and vivacious person of ten, and had been allowed to sit at the head-table during the visit of the committee that she would not speak except when one of the guests spoke to her.

The preparations for the feast had been made during her absence at school. When she entered the dining-room on tip-toe with excitement, she gave alighted on some candied fruits, offered from the city, and arranged in the best china dish in the centre of the table. Her eyes fairly bulged, but remembering her promise she asked no questions until the dinner was well under way. She had been wriggling in her chair for some moments, and at last could bear no more.

"Mother!" she cried, pointing toward a particularly alluring pear. "If you just tell me where you got it, I'll never speak another word as long as I live!"

Hold on; hold fast. Patience is golden.

The secret of all true greatness is simplicity.

It is not enough to have earned our livelihood, the earning itself should have been serviceable to mankind.

Set the allowance against the loss, and then shall find no loss great; he loses little or nothing that reserves himself.

The efficacy of Bickie's Anti-Consumptive Syrup in curing coughs and colds and arresting inflammation of the lungs, can be established by hundreds of testimonials from all sorts and conditions of men. It is a standard remedy in these ailments and all afflictions of the throat and lungs. It is highly recommended by medicine vendors, because they know and appreciate its value as a curative. Try it.

KEEP STILL

"Keep still. When trouble is brewing, keep still. Even when slander is going on its legs, keep still. When your feelings are hurt, keep still; till you recover from your hurt, and then, any rate. Things look differently through an unanointed eye. Doctor Horton related how once in a communion, he wrote a letter and sent it, and he wished he had not."

"In my later years," he said, "I had another communion, and wrote a long letter, but life had rubbed a little sense into me, and I kept that letter in my pocket against the day when I could look it over without agitation and without tears. I was glad I did. Less and less it seemed necessary to send it. I was not sure it would do any hurt, but in difficulties I leaned to reticence, and eventually it was discovered." Thus works wisdom. Wait till you speak calmly and then you will speak well, maybe. Silence is the most massive thing conceivable sometimes. It is like a regiment ordered to stand still in the mad fury of battle. To plunge is twice as easy." —The Captain's Union.

TUNE WITH A RIVER IN IT

It is a strongly powerful influence that the bagpipes have upon Scottish folk. Now-a-days that influence may largely be ascribed to association. The tunes were composed at the time of the setting of landmarks in Scottish history. Numerous pipers, for example, were outpouring in solo during seasons of joy or sorrow, and, when played again, recall old memories. But apart from that there is something in the very sound of the pipes which stirs the Highland blood, and even a Saxon with a touch of imagination and with a little in him of that poetic strain which forms part of the Celtic character, finds it easy, once he overcomes his prejudice, to allow that there is music in the pipes, and to let that music move him.

It is old idea, no doubt arising from this peculiarly stirring influence of the pipes on the fact that that music is a language itself. There is also a wonderful descriptive power in the sound of the bagpipes to account for that idea. As Neil Munro so finely puts it in that splendid little story "The last Pibroch": "The tune with the river in it, the fast river and the courageous, that know not stop nor tarry, that run round rock and over fall with a good humor, yet no mood for anything but the way before it."

THE WORKMAN'S BURDEN

"What do you suggest should be done to relieve the condition of the unemployed?" was asked Eugene V. Debs, prohibition candidate for President in the United States, at a recent meeting in New York City.

"The working men of this country spent a thousand million dollars last year in saloons," he replied.

"A thousand million dollars means \$200 for each one of ten million families. Every charitable worker will tell you it is the laborers who need relief. The money that goes to the saloon is the money that goes to the liquor counter or the dry goods counter. And that is not the worst of it. The time lost and the decreased earning efficiency of the men who drinks occasions greater loss than the same spent for drink. This is the further fact that the people who do not drink must bear part of the burden.

The liquor traffic is an appalling burden for the working people of the country to carry."

Foundation Principles

First: When we undertake to fill individual ambitions we give them up to the nation's welfare in our first consideration.

Second: We guarantee our drugs to be full strength as well as pure and fresh.

Third: Our customers are supplied with just what they ask for; substitution is never allowed.

PAIN'S COLORLESS COMPOUND.

If you are a sufferer from kidney disease, liver complaint, blood troubles rheumatism, neuralgia or nervous prostration, we confidently recommend the use of Pain's Colorless Compound. This reliable and never disappointing medicine is a true disease healer and system builder. We supply the genuine Pain's Colorless Compound. A.T. Brown, Acton, Ont.

The man without a purpose lives, but enjoys not life.

Other women are always suspicious of a woman who doesn't talk much.

A BOON FOR THE ILLNESS.—The liver is a very sensitive organ and easily disarranged. When this occurs there is undue secretion of bile and acrid liquid flows into the stomach and souris. It is a most distressing ailment, and many are prone to it. In this condition a man finds this best remedy in Parmentier's Vegetable Pills, wholly to speedily correct the disorder. There is no better medicine in the entire list of pills.

THE MERCHANTS BANK OF CANADA

Established 1864

PANDORA RANGE

Train up a girl in the way she should take, and when she is married she will not depart from it.

"My mother taught me how to bake, and told me why she always used a McClary Range.

"Now I have a 'Pandora', and, as with mother, my troubles are few. After fire is started, simply bring thermometer to desired heat and leave the oven in charge of the baking. It's built for faithful service.

"While housewives with other ranges are poking fire and changing dampers, I sit and read the 'Joy of Living'."

McClary's

London, Toronto, Montreal, Winnipeg, Vancouver, St. John, N.B., Hamilton, Calgary.

C. C. SPEIGHT, LOCAL AGENT

Chartered by Dominion Government

SPARKLES

He who has battled, won it only with poverty and hard toil, will be found stronger and more expert than he who could stay at home from the battle, concealed among the provision wagons, or even rest unwillingly abiding by the stuff. —Thomas Carlyle.

Agitation is not only an evidence of life, but it tests character. The candle that cannot stand the light is but a painted lie and the sooner it fades out and disappears the better for the cause of truth.

The milliner, the dressmaker, the type-writer, the book-keeper, the doctor and the nurse can perfect themselves, each in her own pursuit, and who needs it; but the housekeeper must be a professor of a dozen or more branches, if she makes her calling complete.

"Mr. Higgins," said the attending physician gravely, "I am afraid your wife's mind is gone."

"Well, I'm not surprised," replied Mr. J. B. "She's been giving me a piece of it every day for 21 years, and she didn't have a whole lot to start on."

"Employer," said the doctor, "did you tell Mrs. Harkness, that I had come to America? Now Officer Hoy—Yes, sir! I told him you had started this morning."

"Good. What did he say?" "He wanted to know when you'd return, sir, and I told him I did not think you would be back until after luncheon."

A LOVE COMEDY

Scene I.

Sweet Ruth and Jack, (Oh, what bliss!) Sat in the porch Close by the blossoms.

Scene II.

Then I came in, (One quick step) Found them sitting Like this.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought!

Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

Our greatest success in life is usually unexpected.

How many people are like ocean waves—they make a lot of noise but say nothing.

E. W. Groves

Its signature is on every box of the genuine Laxative Groves-Quinine Tablets, the remedy that *rewards a child for one day*.

Marriage may not be a failure, but it seldom comes up to expectations.

Surgical operation is necessary in removing corns if Holloway's Corn Cure is used.

When the wage is the end, the work loses much, but the worker loses more.

HEADACHE.

Burdock Blood Bitters.

What Medical Skill Could Not Do Was Accomplished with Burdock Blood Bitters.

Made at

Action, Ont.,

by Canada's Oldest Glovers

W. H. Storey & Son, Limited

We invite you to examine

at your dealer's a pair of Storey's

Cowboy Gauntlets

They are one example of the

velvety softness, combined with

greatest pliability and toughness,

imparted to our gloves and mitts by

our chrome process.

Perfect fitting, warm, com-

fortable—buy Storey's

and invest wisely.

Insist on Storey's,

at all stores.

The sold of envy eats all happiness

out of the human heart.

When a man thinks of himself he is apt to be more eloquent than interesting.

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Some women break into the gossip

because they are unable to attract attention in any other way.

The fairest flowers of joy spring

from the soil of sacrifice.

BRONCHITIS

Bronchitis is generally the result of a cold

caused by exposure to wet and inclem-

tent weather, and is a very disagreeable

infection of the bronchial tubes.

The symptoms are tightness across

the chest, sharp pains and a difficulty in

breathing, and a secretion of thick phlegm,

at first white, but later of a greenish or

yellowish color. Neglected bronchitis is

one of the most general causes of consumption.

Cure it at once by the use of

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

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