

## For The Quiet Hour

### ONLY ASK AND SEE

By Louis M. Waterman.  
Only ask and God will hear—  
Only ask and see!  
He who heeds the raven's cry  
Must regard your plea  
More than mighty thunder-rolls,  
Faintest whisper of your soul  
His attention will control—  
Only ask and see!

Only ask and you shall have—  
Only ask and see!  
Sweeter than your fondest wish  
Shall the answer be;  
Humble hearts that truly pray  
God hath never turned away;  
He is just the same to-day—  
Only ask and see!

Only ask and God will give—  
Only ask and see!  
Who the Saviour gives gave all  
Just as full and free;  
If you have the Son confessed,  
Found in Him your peace and rest,  
God will grant your humble quest—  
Only ask and see!

### THINGS WORTH KNOWING

To learn to think and act for yourself.  
To waste nothing, neither money, time nor talent.  
If you have a place of business, to be found there when wanted.  
To spare when you are young that you may spend when you are old.  
To bear little trials patiently that you may learn how to bear great ones.  
To be self-reliant and not take too much advice, but, rather, depend on yourself.  
To keep alive in your breast that little spark of fire called conscience.  
To do all the good you can in the world, and make as little noise about it as possible.  
The dress men toil for often stains the soul.

AN APT ILLUSTRATION OF THE GROWTH AND TYRANNY of habit is found in Helen Hunt Jackson's description of the California wild mustard given in "Ramona."  
Coming out of the earth, so slender a stem that dozens can find starting-point in an inch, it darts up, a slender straight shoot, five, ten, twenty feet, with hundreds of fine, feathery branches locking and interlocking with all the other hundreds around it, till it is an inextricable network like lace.  
The plant is a tyrant and a nuisance, the terror of the farmer. It takes riotous possession of a whole field in a season. Once in, never out; for one plant this year a million the next.

Habit at first is but a silken thread.  
Fine as the light-winged gossamers that sway  
In the warm sunbeams of a summer's day;  
A shallow streamlet, rippling o'er its bed;  
A tiny sapling, ere its roots are spread;  
A yet unhardened thorn upon the spray;  
A lion's whelp that has not scented prey;  
A little smiling child obedient led.  
Beware! That thread may bind thee as a chain;  
That streamlet gather to a fatal sea;  
That sapling spread into a gnarled tree;  
That thorn, grown hard, may wound and give thee pain;  
That playful whelp his murderous fangs reveal;  
That child, a giant, crush thee 'neath his heel.

DON SANTIAGO LIVES ACROSS THE RIVER, OVER IN THE mountains. Before the gospel came to his village he was a terror to every one, and his wife and little ones fled. Drink and gambling and other vices were fast bringing him to his grave.  
We well remember the first time he came to the door of the ranch where we preached. He listened, laughed, and finally left, apparently without any influence whatever on him. But the Spirit of God carried home the words of the missionary. He could not rest. He tried to drown his feelings again in drink and amongst his old companions, but for some reason he did not succeed as before. At last, forced to his knees one day out in the woods, he cried to God, and that night was led to God.  
Strange to say, the wife who had been beaten and ill-treated by him in his drunken sprees, now became the one to persecute him. She threw hot coffee in his face to make him swear. She went to the judge and had him put in jail. She even left him for a time, declaring that she would not live with a heretic, that she preferred to live with a drunkard.  
It is hard to tell what Don Santiago suffered in those days, but he did it patiently, and kept hold of God, praying for his wife and others. At last his wife was won, and to-day both of them with their little family are members of the church. He goes out now telling others what Jesus has done for him. He has built almost entirely alone a little chapel, which is used as a day school as well, and two years ago he got the first village in Guatemala under "La Ley Seca," the Dry Law.—Rev. J. Harter.

JUST BEFORE HE DIED REV. DR. JAMES HASTINGS completed the manuscript of a new book, which has now been issued with the title of "The Christian Doctrine of Peace." The issue of the book is indeed timely when the ominous rattling of the sword in the scabbard is being heard in Europe again. Not through culture or progress in civilization will the world win its way to peace, Dr. Hastings says. As to how peace is to be brought about, he says: "A regenerate man becomes a new and living force in unregenerate society. Christianity first plants itself in the individual soul, and then works from the centre to the circumference, from the person to the State, creating purer homes, a higher and finer social temper, a sounder and truer type of civilization. And a new Public Opinion is created. A perverted social conscience, moulding public sentiment, and dominated by traditional prejudices and invincible habits of centuries of superstition, is a rigid and uncompromising factor of amazing force and a gigantic hindrance to the work of Christ. The individual conditions and ideals of men need to be changed; and the spiritual energies of Christianity represent the only power that can grapple with them and overcome them." To all of which we can say, Amen.

WHEN YOU ARE FORGOTTEN OR NEGLECTED, OR PURPOSELY set at naught, and you smile inwardly, glorying in the insult or the oversight, because thereby counted worthy to suffer with Christ—that is victory.  
When your good is evil spoken of, when your wishes are crossed, your tastes offended, your advice disregarded, your opinions ridiculed, and you take it all in patient silence—that is victory.  
When you are content with any food, any raiment, any climate, any society, any solitude, any interruption by the will of God—that is victory.  
When you never care to refer to yourself in conversation or record your own good deeds, or to itch for praise, when you truly care to be unknown—that is victory.

HISTORY RECORDS THAT PRINCESS EUGENIE OF SWEDEN sold her diamonds that she might build a home for incurables. On one of her visits to the home she met a wicked sick woman, to whom she talked about Christ. She told the matron on leaving that she hoped special attention would be given to that poor creature, for the princess was anxious that before she died she would become a Christian.  
One day she found the invalid with bright face because her heart was radiant with hope, and with tears in her eyes the princess said to her husband on returning to the palace:  
"I saw the glitter of my diamonds to-day in the tears of penitence."  
God's law of compensation is that if we sow nickels we shall reap nickels, if we sow diamonds we shall reap diamonds. "Whatsoever" is the line between pennies and pounds when the harvest comes.

### BASEBALL PROTESTS START AS SEMI-FINALS DRAW NEAR

No Less Than Three in Hands of the N. W. B. A. Executive At One Time.

The N. W. B. A. is off to a good start, anyway, and the fans and clubs have seemingly not lost interest. So far this season, this part of the country has done very well, thank you, from the "protest" standpoint of the game, and of course everyone is possibly living in the hope that there is plenty more to follow. In only a few games played, the record so far has been three protests for Grey and Bruce, not a bad average. Chesley protested Neustadt, Flesher-ton has protested Owen Sound and Walkerton has protested Durham. The Walkerton protest against the Durham Juniors is based on three charges, or more. Playing Goldsmith, who, they claim, is ineligible to play with the Durham Club as he lives in Clarksburg, a village nearer Owen Sound than it is to Durham. Snell's age is also under protest, and another point brought out by the Walkertonians is that Goldsmith has played a game in the Owen Sound City League, which is against the law of North Wellington Baseball, so they claim.

The Chronicle is not in a position to say much in the matter, as we are not familiar with the baseball situation this year. However, as the Executive of the North Wellington League accepted the entry of the Durham-Ceylon-Flesher-ton Club as a bona fide club, we do not see where they can rule against Goldsmith, who comes from Clarksburg and is eligible under the age rule of at least playing junior. Whether or not it will be considered a breach of the rules of the N.W.B.A. for Goldsmith to have played a City League game in Owen Sound, we do not know. We are also unaware as to whether or not he played the game in question. As to Snell's certificate, and the charge that he is over age, we are informed that Secretary Horning of the N.W.B.A. has the birth certificate of the player in question and issued his playing certificate on the strength of this Toronto document.

So far, the management here have received no notification from headquarters as to when the hearing will be given, but are not worrying much over the matter.

The Flesher-ton-Owen Sound protest has not yet been heard either, we understand. It seems that some of the games played between these teams, notably the "deciding" game in Chesley on Civic Holiday, which

was won by the Owen Sound nine, were not sanctioned nor ordered by the N.W.B.A. In fact The Chronicle has been told on good authority, and not from a Flesher-ton source, either, that Secretary Horning neither sanctioned nor knew anything about the Flesher-ton-Owen Sound game at Chesley.

Another game that may have to be played over is one that took place in Owen Sound which it is alleged the umps, called on account of darkness and subsequently reversed his decision. Just what the outcome will be in these two protests cannot be even guessed at as there will no doubt be a lot of evidence on both sides.

The one case that has been decided, however, in which Chesley lost out against Neustadt is not very popular in Chesley, judging from the report in last week's Chesley Enterprise. The Enterprise says:

"Chesley protested the game played at Neustadt and four officials of the N.W.B.A. heard the case at Neustadt last Saturday week. To make a long story short, the locals lost their protest and with it went \$25 of our good money. The witnesses on the Neustadt side swore that black was white and when it is learned that our old friend, Reube Horning was on the committee which heard the protest, it will be no surprise to the fans to learn that Chesley lost. This puts Neustadt into the semi-finals and if we are to take their word for it they'll be concentrating on a body-building diet of sauer-kraut and thereby becoming stronger and stronger—just like an onion. Neustadt should go a long way in the semi-finals if they can get Weinert to do the umpiring in all their games as he's the biggest asset the ball team has."

So much so good. And no doubt as the season draws to a close, and with the semi-finals in sight, baseball up in this north country will "every day and in every way" become better and better—especially from the standpoint of protests.

### OLD BENTINCK BOY IN LUCK

Gold Discovered on Land Taken Up by Former Resident of Township.

Another Chesley boy has come to the front in the person of Mr. R. C. Miller, general merchant, of Matheson, Northern Ontario, eldest son of Robert Miller of Bentinck Township, according to The Chesley Enterprise.

Mr. Miller took up six mining claims a very short distance away from Matheson and on the six claims are thirty veins of gold. He has refused an offer of \$150,000 for them.

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### HYMNS OF LONG AGO PLAYED AT CHESLEY BAND CONCERT

Sunday Band Concert at Chesley Featured With Old-time Hymns.

On Sunday evening, July 29, says last week's Chesley Enterprise, the Band rendered a program of sacred music in Heroes' Square to a large and appreciative audience. When the old, familiar tunes were played, many in the audience joined in singing the hymns they had first heard mother sing in bygone days under the old roof-tree. Music has the power to strengthen devotion and advances praise into rapture. Four members led the large congregation in singing and the quartette also rendered a couple of selections very acceptably although the low roof of the Bandstand does seem to interfere with acoustics. Bandmaster Lamiman is heart and soul in his work and inspires the members of the Band with the idea that music is not only a study, but that it is an entertainment, and that wherever there is concord of sweet sounds there will be interested listeners. It would be a great advertisement for Chesley if our Band were financed to take part in the competition at Toronto Exhibition and succeeded in carrying off one of the prizes.

### Fifty Years Old.

The Brussels Post is 50 years old and has been published 43 years continuously by Mr. W. H. Kerr, the present editor, who is still going strong and producing a good paper.

One glance is enough to see why some girls wear short skirts and others shouldn't.—Buffalo Commercial.

The man who can't see a joke is not so annoying as the fellow who sees one where it isn't.—Boston Transcript.

New York folk are still buying rubles and marks, and chattering gleefully of western "hicks."—Lafayette Journal and Courier.

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