Tis sweet to think of Jesus When earthly shadows mock And sweet to lean on Jesus, The soul's eternal rock. The while our days are flying, We would not bid them stay-Tis short and easy dying, To be with Christ alway

Tis sweet to feel that Jesus, When from full hearts we pray, Before we ask will answer, And heareth all we say: And trembling through the darkness, Our hands can clasp His own, And light come down to lead us. Straight from the Father's Throne.

Tis sweet, O blessed Jesus, To be entirely Thine ! And know there is no measure To Thy great love divine ! Beside its boundless ocean, With yearning hearts we fall, And Thou wilt bless us with the peace That filleth all in all.

vet I must."

A LETTER FROM FLORENCE NIGHT-INGALE.

LONDON, May 5, 1871.

and the Sandwich Islands.

I would say to your Society, Pray for me, but not for me alone, but for all who in this year of judgment and desolation in Europe, at this time (one of the most calamitous times it will please your Society to learn (for are we young man, with great agitation. "But it is jects of our Queen, in all climates and in all me !" longitudes-not by any means only the rich "Yes He will hear you, and me too. What but the whole mass of hard-working, honest, was the great sorrow that came then!" asked frugal people, have contributed every penny the minister.

might be applied to the orphans in the war, nia never to return again. I laid my cheek this awful power. It is like ten thousand lions clothing for the sufferer's in that frightful win- mother its a comfort to kiss pure lips.' She ter campaign, and refused to be paid for it; took my hand in hers, and said, 'My son, you and then the children making their little birth- must make me two promises before I can go in nigh hopeless by the war.

corn, all gone-the very floors and wood-work to stay at the house all the time to watch her. of their shattered houses carried away for fuel, "Well, my poor young triend, how are matby the enemy. To enable these poor people to ters now? "asked the pastor.

accept this, not as what I would say, but as the I have no confidence, and for whom I have no expression of my sympathy and fellow feeling respect. Must I keep that vow?"

without which there can be no civilization You loved her once?"

Books, which you would not care to have, I that I hardly know how I feel." must ask your kind indulgence for them.

Once more, God bless you. FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE.

Richard P. Clark, Esq., New York.

-Christian Union.

buried my mortification, my anguish, as well as yet I am not ready to die:"

its which have destroyed the peace of your wife wife, my young friend," said the clergyman. The hone

"I have no habits and no tastes that I am gale was written in acknowledgement of a certificate of honorary membership in the Missionary Society of the Puritan Congregational Church, in Brooklyn, N. Y.:

side of the house. I had not married a week before I found that my wife had been humored by those silly old women till she fancied herself dependent on ale and wine, and even brandy,

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lowship with them. Ueually I deprecate such membership for myself, thinking that I have no right to have my name where I cannot give touch a drop at home or elsewhere. She pout- away from sin. She brought forth hidden up Smith Sound, the route of Dr. Kane. Failmy work. To me so overwhelmned with busi- ed and cried, and accused me of inducing weak- stores of wine and broke the bottles in her husness that for eighteen years I have never had, ness which would rum her health; but she said band's presence; she charged her sorrow and Sound, and if we cannot then find a way bebut twice, one week's holiday, and a prisoner she would yield to my wishes, and I must bear her sin on her mother and her grandmother, tween the land and ice I shall go back, and to my room, from illness, as I am and have been for years, it is difficult even to write a letter of acknowledgement, so that I seem ungrateful. And yet, I am not ungrateful for sharing it with her. When the baby came, the her family and cost the life of the innocents. the fellowship so freely and so kindly offered, nurse ordered whiskey among the house supplies; and as she reigned up stairs, they both not say she would cast the destroyer from her; I wish them and you God-speed with all my —indeed all three—had what they wanted. she felt her soul so bound and fettered by this heart and soul, both at your Sabbath-school at Then the old lady used to send hot milk punch craving for stimulants that she feared to add to accompanied by two men each. When the Brooklyn and your missionary work in India at bed-time, and for six weeks my house smelt her sin by a false vow. She had lost all faith provisions of one sledge are entirely exhausted, her sin by a false vow. like a grog-shop, day night and was about as in herself, and implored her friends to treat it will resurn, and so will each sledge until one You know the story of the child who was bu- attractive to me, when weary with business as her like a lunatic. sy knitting a vest for our "Lord Christ," a pest house would have been,—for the smell sy knitting a vest for our "Lord Christ," a pest nouse would have been, to the pressure was too great for the mind. In a line open to a birthday present for Him; and when she of ardent spirit and the associations with it were Conscience accusing, love pleading and the portable boats.

found out that it could not be given to Him- perfectly disgusting to me from boyhood up. self, begged that it might be given to the My mother trained me to hate it, and to make appetite demanding stimulants, while those least of the "Lord Christ's little brothers" (in every one else hate it. When the nurse left, allusion to the verse which she had been taught). my wife needed Bourbon whiskey and brandy ging her to gain the victory,—it was too much I cannot wish a better wish to your young mem- more than ever, to nerve her for the care of the bers, or, indeed, to all your members, older or baby; and I actually found her feeding my child brother's and sisters," both at home and of a drop of spirits passing those pure lips again abroad. May we always, all of us, remember I would, in the name of heaven, save my baby quench her thirst. She called on her husband, that it is our highest comfort, our blessed priv- by sending it away to nurse where she would ilege that we may give to Himself in the least never find it! That frightened her so that she member of His flock, and that all the world is gave me a solemn promise that no child of mine should be made a drunkard in its cradle,that's were those old ladies began with her !"

"Charles, my dear fellow, tell me all, and I will save both her and you. You should have told me this before," said his friend. "Oh, sir, how can a man disgrace his own of our European life), are suffering, starving and dying. Oh, pray for all! And I am sure wife, the mother of his child?" replied the

not all brothers and sisters in the United States all out now. I can hide it no longer, and I will and in old England-of one family and of one throw myself on your mercy. Perhaps God tongue?) how their English relations, the sub- will hear you when you pray; He doesn't hear

they could so ill spare. Women have given "O, sir, just before our first baby died, she above pauperism. So general a collection to me what she had denied before. I was alamong the "working classes" never has been, most wild, but she was cruelly calm. My in my own dear hills of Derbyshire. National dying bed. I could not resist the temptation me freely, and now He's taking me home. O Schools, factories, poor negro congregations of asking sympathy where alone I dared to ask isn't that merciful! I should not dare stay in

day presents for the "LORD CHRIST," for Him pcace.' I told her I would promise her my to give to the children made homeless and well life, if she asked it, and she said, "Promise me that you will never leave poor Sarah while "They have been to us like Providence." you live, and that you will not let her fall lead said one French district, left utterly destitute you to think lightly of the religion of Christ. by the tide of war-of the English and Ameri- You promised God at the altar, my boy, to can gifts which reached them and saved them love and cherish her, and to live with her while almost from despair. For well we know how God spared you both on earth,-there were no many contributions came from America. Thus "if's" in the case. And even should she prove they gave to the sick and the suffering of to have been a hypocrite, Jesus is true, and whom they knew nothing, but by heresay- his religion is pure; and you need him more gave knowing that they should receive nothing again, gave to replace in otherwise ruined to her to the end, and to believe in the pitying homes, as far and as fast as possible, populati- and powerful Redeemer, and to seek him with men? Does it not appeal to those in power to is "love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, ons of utterly devastated villages, some of the your whole heart?' I could not deny her last stay the flood of poison which is flooding our goodness, faith, meekness, temperance. most industrious in the world, and whose market gardens were the finest in Europe. Gar- faults of my wife as far as in my power, But dens and homes laid waste, even the kitchen from the hour the baby died she began to lose pots and pans gone; tools, cows, horses, seed- control of herself, and one of her aunts has had

return to their work, to their former lives, as "O, sir, how can I tell you? Stupefied quickly as possible, was of course the object. with wine, she went to sleep last night, and And they gave not of their superflurity, but when my sweet Charlie disturbed her, she rose actually of their necessity. This is true missi-up to quiet him with paregoric, and I think onary work—helping for God's sake, for pure she gave him laudanum; of course, it was by love of Him and of the fellow creature, never mistake, and she is nearly crazy. Well, he seen, never to be seen, till we all meet to part at least, will never be a drunkard! Here am, all alone and heart-broken; and yet there's I can write no longer. I must ask you to a vow on me to live with this woman in whom

"Yes. It was made in the ear of Heaven I, too, have been working for India—for with no conditions; but God will hear you now twelve years that she has scarcely ever and either restore her or break the chain. He been out of my head—but principally in the will not lay on you more than you can bear. way of trying to mend the physical habits and What a glory it will be to you should you save

nitary neglect of the stations and people, that soul from death by your forbearance

worthy the name, no true progress in higher "Yes, and I don't know but I love her now too well to cast her off on the world, if she I will, with your permission, send some pa- hadn't a mother; and yet sometimes I loathe her. I looked on all women as pure and but as they will have to be torn out of Blue good; and I've been so shocked and crushed

asked the minister.

I could, thus far; but I can do it no longer." "My dear friend," said the pastor, "you ning; and, reaching the same spot again—No that little Charlie is dead, and to ask you to make a prayer at the funeral to-morrow; but I did not mean to say what I have. I wish that that that the can become more to you than wife, or mother, or child. Carry your grief to Him, did, and you said No! Why didn't you say men could die when life is worthless without destroying their own life. I cannot live, and yet see joy and gladness. He has not cast off your lesson. You must know that you know your lesson. You must know that you know that you know your lesson. the son of such a saintly mother."

it! You have learned nothing till you are sure On a solemn promise that his trouble should Little Charlie was laid in the grave. The If all the world say No, your business is to say not be made public, and with a warm sympathy mother was frantic with the thought that she, Yes, and prove it! that half relieved it, the minister gained a clew when "half asleep," had ended his life; but the father was calm, and perhaps thankful that "You have not, I hope, fallen into any hab- the darling of his heart would not be reared a

stake before a gainsaying world, and the name him in New York city, Capt. Hall gave the folashamed of, sir; the trouble is on the other of the poor woman was to be dropped from the lowing as his plan of sailing the Polaris: The following letter from Florence Nightin- side of the house. I had not married a week books as an unworthy member. But God ar- I propose to leave the port of New York before I found that my wife had been humored rested their action and took the case in His and go inio Davis Straits, first stopping at St.

for strength. I had been taught to shun alco- happy woman cast herself on her husband's keeping the island of Greenland aboard, as we Sir: To your request of April 17th for a hol as I would a nest of serpents, so I argued mercy, and begged him to pray for her that call it, on the starboard side, and keeping beletter, I reply: God bless you and the Puritan with her on the subject, and finally coaxed her God would, by His almighty power, break the tween the drift of the channel, and the land into giving up the use of stimulants. But very chain that had become too strong for her. She line. After getting to Cape York, and a little Sunday-school Society "of Brooklyn.

I write as soon as it is possible. I thank soon I found that she went to her mothers every seemed penitent and humble, and cast herself above it to Cape Diggs. I then expect to run them most heartily for their kindness in giving day to lunch, and that her grandmother had upon God's mercy and the pity of her husband, on a parallel with Jones' Sound, latitude 76° the by a certificate, the rights of Christian fel- called me a tyrant for refusing to supply her and implored her friends to confine her, even if If land and water permit the Polaris to go to

The pressure was too great for the mind. whom she had begged to do it were encouraout, "O, cruel mother and grandmother! O, broken my husband's heart—and—and cast me

off from the mercy of Heaven!" One night a friend of her early and innocen days was sitting by her bed, while her nurse was resting on the lounge beside her. All night her mind had been wandering among things terrible and und unclean, and she had started again and again in horror at sight of a monster who was tearing her away from her husband, on whose name she kept calling in plaintive and imploring tones. Suddenly she raised herself on her pillow, opened her fine brown eyes to her triend, and said, "Mary is that you? O, Mary, I've been a great, great sinner! I've wandered very far from God, and the very shoes off their feet, the very suppers had drank enough to palsy her arm, and she Satan has desired to have me that he might out of their children's mouths, to the poor suf- let it fall! When I came home it was in conferers in this awful war-not of their own creed vulsions, and neither she nor the Irish girl God is stronger than Satan, and He can bring not of their own thinking or way of living at knew anything of the cause. But the doctor back and pardon His wandering prodigat. all—but in the freest spirit of Christian charidiscovered a dark bruise on the dear little Mary, call Charlie. When the young husband ty, all have given, every man woman and child head; and after it was all over she confessed appeared, she threw her arms feebly about his neck, saying, 'O, Charlie, I'm been a great sinner! I've wounded Christ, and stumbled not even for our own Patrioric Fund. Poor mother, who loved me, and who had a pure you, and almost lost my soul. But God has congregations of all kinds-" Puritan" chapels home and sweet air to receive me in, lay on her brought me back to His house and pardoned in the West Indies; in London, ragged-school it. She had seen the danger and its progress. this world any longer with that awful foe huntchildren, who, having nothing to give, gave I then told her that I had resolved to send my ing me to destroy my soul. Charlie, don't hate their only feast in the year, that the money wife back to her mother, and to go to Califor- me when I'm in the grave. You never felt who want it more than we." Loudon Dis-down on the pillow by my mother's, and I tearing one frail creature who has no strength senting congregations, without a single rich wished in my very soul that I had never left to resist them. Try to get it banished from member, who sent their large collections; poor her, and that I might lie down in the grave be- the land! O, tell mothers, and fathers, and working women's parties, who made up warm side her, now. I kissed her and said, 'O, churches, and rulers that they know nothing of the power of this foe when once he lays hold on a poor mortal. Love me, and O, love the Saviour, whom I have wounded before you.

and who can save even such a sinner as I have

Tempter has lost his power-"The stricken deer had gained the home for God is able to forgive unto the

And before the day dawned, she slept, and

entered, no doubt, into the land where the

those who call upon Him. This painful story is true in all its principal points. Does it not prove that there is danger but unostentatious. His young and beautiful rom ardent spirits, for women as well as for life was full of the purest of the spirit which

WHAT SAYS THE CLOCK

"Tick," the clock says-" tick, tick, tick What you have to do, do quick. Time is gliding fast away; Let us act, and act to-day

If your lesson you would get. Do it now, and do not fret; That alone is hearty fun Which comes after duty done

When your mother says, "Obey. Do not loiter, do not stay; Wait not for another tick; What you have to do, do quick

If my little boy will mind, And be prompt and good and kind Time for him will sweetly end

KNOW THAT YOU KNOW.

Henry Ward Beecher gives the tollowing account of how he learned to learn when studying. The lesson is a good one for all learners "I first went to the black-board, uncertain soft, full of whimpering. 'That lesson must be learned,' he said in a very quiet tone, "Is the cause of the boy's death known?" but with a terrible intensity, and with the cerasked the minister.

"Probably not. In the first place, the physicians reported the child's death from convulsions; and now by laudanum administered by hours." That's nothing to me—I want that problem. I don't want any reasons why I don't get it. 'I did study it two hours.' That's nothing to me—I want that DRESS GOODS, A RUINED HOME.

"You are surely ill," the pastor said taking the young man's hand kindly and leading him to a seat.

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"I believe, sir, that my heart is broken. But I did not come here to say this. I have hypical my mortification, my anguish, as well as a cident. But she knows and I know what caused the accident; and I feel almost as guity as she does; I ought to have sent the child away. No woman who uses ardent spirits at all is fit to have the care of a little child. The world may never know all this; but more than one of my neighbors has seen her excited by wine, and I am ashamed to look them in the face. I want to hide myself in the grave, and best study it at all, or you may study it ten hours—just to suit yourself. I want that lesson, Underwood go to the black-board! "Oh, yes, but Underwood go to the black-board!" 'Oh, yes, but Underwood go to the black-bo ted, stopped and then went back to the begin- Staple Goods, "Charles, if you are in trouble you have a friend here; tell me the worst," said the ministree Lord in the land of the living. Call on barred my progress. The next! and I set down in red confusion. He, too, was stopped to the living. In great variety "Well, sir," he replied, "I came to tell you Him in the day of trouble, and He will deliver you, as surely as He reigns in heaven. You with 'No!" but went right on, finished, and as

> HOW CAPT. HALL PROPOSES TO HUNT FOR THE NORTH POLE.

The honor of the church was very soon at In an address at a farewell banquet given

John's, Newfoundland. After spending a few Distressed and conscience stricken, the undays at this island I shall cross Baffin's Bay, perhaps take harbor where Dr. Hayes took his, perfectly satisfied to let that be the basis of my operations in reaching the North Pole. I have no idea of getting the Polaris higher than 80 will be commenced in April of next year, on no less than five sledges drawn by 15 dogs, and is left to traverse the last one hundred miles.

Dhinarn.

If I find open water, I shall go on with my

Weathy Ann, the beloved wife of Mr. James

In early life she became deeply thoughtful more; and pleaded with him not to cast her off, for the sake of their old true love. She called to East Boston she became alarmed lest she should never be counted worthy to walk with foolish aunts! you have ruined my peace and Christ in white. Months passed by, in which Christ in white. Months passed by, in which her daily enquiry was, "Where is he whom her daily enquiry was, "Where more months of my soul desireth to see? These were months of anxiety and sorrow. In 1862 under the preaching of the Rev. W. McCarty, whilst he was discoursing upon the beautiful doctrine of " salvation by faith,"—her mind became suddenly enlightened, her heart strangely warmed and she was enabled to rejoice in that liberty with

which Christ doth make his children free. Her sorrow was turned into gladness, her sadness into joy, and from that time her aim was to adorn the doctrine of Christ Jesus her Saviour. In March 1870 her health began to fail and she sank gradually until death put an end to her sufficings; and her happy spirit soared aloft to that Jesus whom she loved, and to that heaven to which she so joyously looked forward. In behalf of sorrowing husband and parents we mention the visits of Rev'ds Thos. Angwin and C. H. Paisley which afforded her great comfort when she neared the darkness of deaths valley. On the occasion of her funeral the Rev. W. C. Brown preached most comforting and appropriate discourse

On the 10th of July died her only child,-a dear little boy of only 18 months; -and whilst we laid his remains by those of his mother we thought of them as together in the better land. pecause Jesus says of the children " of such is the kingdom of heaven. Whilst the mourners once more wept, we endeavoured to comfort them by a discourse from Job 14. 1 and 2 ver.

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FOR THE LENGTH OF THE DAY .- Add 12 hour

Subtract the time of rising.

FOR THE LENGTH OF THE NIGHT.—Subtract the

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