The Tyranny of Ill-temper.

(Aunt Marjorie, in the 'Christian Intelligencer.')

It is an open question and possibly an open secret that the good-tempered people in this world are responsible for the tyranny of the ill-tempered. In social intercourse and in the household ill-temper is so dreaded, its effects upon commonplace enjoyment are so blighting and its atmosphere is so baleful that the amiable and self-controlled are apt to yield their own preferences to avoid a scene. Woe to the home in which an ill-tempered father

to the home in which an ill-tempered father or mother has succeeded in laying a spell of uneasiness or terror on the children.

In one of Miss Muloch's stories three sisters living together might have had a peaceful and happy existence but for the stormy temper of one to whom the others continually conceded the right to have fits of passion and to be violent and disagreeable whenever she chose. The truth is that once in a while the path to peace leads straight through while the path to peace leads straight through war. To concede to any person the privilege of being ill-tempered at discretion is to do a double wrong, first to the person and then to kindred and friends.

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No lesson should be earlier learned than that of restraining one's moods and of repressing hasty and unconsidered speech. In Little Dorrit Charles Dickens with a master hand set on his canvas a type of ill-temper run riot, in the character of Miss Wade, a woman in whose life were no flowers, nothing but a rank growth of evil weeds. She exerted a malign influence wherever she went. Mr. Meagles' advice to the young girl whom this woman did her best to ruin body and soul, might well be taken by any ill-tempered individual. 'Count five-and-twenty, Tattycoram.' Whoever counts five-and-twenty slowly before speaking will be able to maintain silence until it is prudent to speak.

The gist of the trouble is that usually ill-tempered people justify themselves and fancy that the rest of mankind are to blame. They are so ready to excuse their own outbreaks and to complain of others that it really requires an immense amount of effort and a very clear vision to stand up against them. One has even seen a cross and fretful child, permitted indulgences and allowed to dominate the nursery because the short-sighted mother has thought it wise to avoid issues and to take invariably the easier way. This mistake in child training has fatal results. While it is the case that example is more potential than precept in the ordinary home, every rule has exceptions. Early in life The gist of the trouble is that usually illevery rule has exceptions. Early in life children should learn that justice is the one thing to which all are entitled and on which no one can trample with safety.

Rose Bloom.

There is no music in a rest, but there is the making of music in it. In our whole life melody, the music is broken off here and there by 'rests,' and we foolishly think we 'ave come to the end of time. God sends a time of forced leisure—sickness, disappointed plans, frustrated efforts—and makes a suden pause in the choral hymn of our lives and make in the choral hymn of our lives, and we lad ment that our voices must be silent, and our part missing in the music which ever goes up to the ear of the Creator. How does the musician read the rest? See him beat time with unvarying count and catch up the next note true and steady, as if no breaking place had come in between. Not without design does God write the music of our lives. place had come in between. Not without design does God write the music of our lives. But be it our to learn the time, and not be dismayed at the 'rests.' They are not to be slurred over, nor to be omitted, nor to destroy the melody, nor to change the keynote. If we look up, God himself will beat the time for us. With the eye on Him we shall strike the next note full and clear.—John Ruskin.

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Not love of any mortal may Reign o'er this sacred spot; For she who ruled it rules to-day, Atthough we see her not.

Oh, mother! queen of every

Not wife nor child that space
Can ever hope by any art,
To rule, nor take your place!

— Table Talk. Oh, mother! queen of every heart,

Abiding in Gloom.

I am sometimes reminded of the 'tot' who, on a rainy morning looked out of the window with a frown, and deeply sighed. Then she said: 'There are so many horrid things! Why do there have to be such a lost of 'em, mother?' 'And what is troubling my little girl this morning?' was the smiling answer. 'O, ten million thousand things. More than I could count up in a month.'

After breakfasht was disposed of, the mother said: 'I want you to come with me into the library, dear.' That was a favorite resort with the little one, so she made no objection. Once there the parent asked, handing the child a pencil and a sheet of paper: 'Now write down as many of the million things that trouble you, as you can. Of course one sheet won't hold half a million, but you can start on it.'

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Rather dismayed but still 'game' the wec one seated herself and industriously wrote two headings. One read: 'It rains.' The other bore this lament: 'Addie's gone away, and Sadie's going to be my seat-mate. I don't like her.' Then she began to bite her pencil, and looked crestfallen. Her mother kept silent, allowing the little mind to gather ideas. At last a meek voice said: 'Mother,

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When one allows the habit of seeing the gloomy side of things to become a settled trait of character, trials are usually exaggerated. Not that one necessarily becomes untruthful, but the mind has gotten a 'twist' and ever discovers more troubles than really exist. . . The habit must be broken if you are to live a victorious life. And it must first be recognized. The very best way to seeure this, is to look carefully over your blessings. As you do so, you will begin to see how remise you have been in nott giving God praise for all his many gifts and loving favors.—Mrs. M. Anderson, in 'Way of Faith.'

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