Sunny eyes may lose their brightness; Nimble feet forget their lightness; Pearly teeth may know decay; Raven tresses turn to gray; Cheeks be pale and eyes be dim Faint the voice and weak the limb; But though youth and strength depart, Fadeless is a loving heart.

Like the little mountain flower, Peeping forth in wintry hour, When the summer's breath is fled, And the gaudier flowret's dead; So when outward charms are gone, Brighter still doth blossom on Despite Time's destroying dart. The gentle, kindly loving heart.

Ye in worldly wisdom old-Ye who bow the knee to gold, Doth this earth as lovely seem As it did in life's young dream, E'er the world has crusted o'er Feelings good and pure before-Ere you sold at mammon's mart The best yearnings of the heart?

Whether life of ease or care Be the one to me assigned. That each coming year may find Loving thoughts and gentle words Twined within my bosom's chords, And that age may but impart Riper freshness to my heart.

LITTLE TEACHERS.

- " A bottle of ginger beer, please." "We have none; we've lemonade."
- " How much is it ?"
- " Sixpence."
- "Oh!" exclaimed the first speaker, a thin, delicate-looking little boy, "I've only got a penny; can I have a glass of water, please
- see the glass back again."
- to answer, the child said pleadingly,
- she's so thirsty, she's been very ill, and-" the gentleman said.
- and give the child one, quick."
- so many glasses that-" "I don't know him, but I'll pay for it," was sherry I offered him, though the tears came inthe reply, and the girl handed him the first to the child's eyes as he though ot his sister reing it to the boy, when the latter said ear- said Mr. Owen, thoughtfully.
- the lemonade slone, please." "Nonsense, child, the wine will do her more
- good than harm." But we are tectotalers, and Bessie would where it is now, for aught I know."
- "Then I'm afraid she'll have to go without." tance ?" hand was laid on his shoulder, and the stranger way rejoicing."
- said kindly. you, -it isn't often people act from principle," done?" and she smiled, but the smile showed he added, a little bitterly. "Come along, she was pleased.
- it to your sister, where is she?
- the eager, craving thirst of an invalid.
- "No! it was sixpence, -but I didn't pay ed safely." for it-this gentleman did." "Oh, sir, how kind of you,-thank you very
- much."
- gentleman said "You look far too ill to travel alone; have you no one to take care of you?"
- "Yes, sir, Ben," answered the girl with a smile, and a loving glance at her brother.
- some one to take care of him, -you'd lose him and at last succeeded, for she exclaimed: in a crowd;" at which assertion, Ben drew ... Why, I know now, Edward-how silly of
- "Ah! but he's very handy, are you not, died." Ben? Mother says he's almost as good as a
- to do that was the laughing reply. "Where what became of her." are you going?"
- " To Liston, sir; I'm going to stay with an aunt until I get strong." "And is Ben going to stay there, too?"
- "Oh, no," answered Ben, looking a good deal surprised at the question. " Mother could not manage with both of us away. I'm going back to-morrow. I should not have come, only
- "Well, as some one was obliged to come, why did your mother not do so?"
- Why, because I came half-price," said Ben teeling convinced that his questioner was sadly deficient in worldly wisdom.
- "Oh, that's it, is it?" said the gentleman, thoughtfully, "Take your place, Ben, time's the only train that leaves Liston calls here; supup! and," he added quickly, "write to me tomorrow to say how you and Bessie get on; you would know then."
  there's my address," and he gave t e boy a card, "and there's something to pay the pos-tage," he added, putting half a sovereign into the astonished Ben's hand; then, after standing to see the train start, and nodding to the little travellers as it did so, he carried the glass ges directly the train stopped, and his face back to the refreshment room, returning a very cold answer to the girl's extra civil "Good Owen, who approached him saying, morning, sir;" upon which she relieved her feelings by informing the station-master, who came in at that moment, that "Mr. Owen had picked up some more beggars;" adding, in a little better already this morning, and we are tone of affected pity, that "it was really dread- so much obliged to you, sir, and-." ful to see the way that man was taken in," to "Never mind that, Ben; you see that ladyall of which the station-master listened without that one in the brown dress who is speaking replying, he having good cause to be as well to the station-master?" aware of Mr. Owen's kindness of heart, as Mr. Smith's want of it. Meanwhile Mr. Owen walk-

me to do, and also to thank you for giving me balf a sovereign. Bessie says it is a great deal "I fancy I knew your mother once, my b of money, but I will try to spend it right.

'Yours, very respectfully, BENJAMIN HOLDERS.

" Poor Ben! that letter cost him a good deal of trouble, I am afraid, and I expect it was the right." not done without Bessie being called upon to help. Poor little fellow! he would not feel so weighed down by gratitude if he knew what a good turn be had done me. It was worth a deal more than half a sovereign to me. How strangely little things work together for good! Sometimes I wonder if any one ever did another a good turn without its being paid back to them sooner or later in one way or another;' and, smiling a little, pleasant smile to himself, Mr. Owen replaced Ben's letter in its envelope, and as he did so the door opened, and his mother

entered the room. "You are early this morning, Edward," she particular business? I hope I have not kept side, and he then opened it, saying as he took getting home from California. He was buckyou waiting."

- "Oh, no, mother dear, you are punctual as usual; I came in from my walk rather earlier here is a lady come to see you."
- than I do generally, that is all. Shall I butter "Please, dear. Oh, Edward, I wish you
- want to go to London to-day." "Won't you tire yourself, mother? Cannot I go for you?"
- my fancy work—that is my principal object in going. I cannot get the right shades here.
- "No. I think not, mother dear; that task would be rather too difficult. I have not told you of a little adventure I had yesterday."
- " No, what was it?" "Well, to make you understand it altogether I must go back to Monday. You know I "No, indeed, you can't, we don't sell water went to spend the evening at Mr. Donald's and, - besides the train will be off, and I shall never as is often the case, the conversation turned on
- my teetotal principles. I defended them, of "What is it, sir?" and the girl in charge of course, but someway I had the worst of the arthe refreshment-room at R -station turned gument, or it appeared to me I had; and at from her would-be small customer, to a gentle- last, to make a long story short—a story I am man who stood near; but before he had time ashamed to tell, you, mother-I determined to give up total abstinence, and so, yesterday, at "Oh, please, miss, it's for my sister, and the railway station, I asked for a glass of wine. But before I had time to drink it, a boy, a poor, "Well, bring her here then," said the girl sickly, diminutive-looking mortal, that looked sharply, but she seemed a little ashamed when as if one might almost blow him away, taught me a lesson I do not think I shall forget in a "Two glasses of lemonade-and-sherry, hurry; be was taking his sister (I almost laughed at the idea of such a mite doing anything) Oh, if you know him, sir; but we do lose into the country, and he wanted some water for her but he steadily refused the lemonade-and-
- glass; at that moment he was in the act of giv- maining thirsty. He was a brave little fellow, "Whatever he was, I owe him my thanks "Oh, thank you, Bessie is so thirsty—but for having warned you. Edward, you did not as she noticed it, and said quietly, drink that wine?" asked Mrs. Owen, anxious-
  - "And what became of your little acquain-
- The boy turned away sadly, with tears in his "Oh, I took his sister some lemonade, gave theirs. Why Ben's face is scarcely half the eyes, but before he had reached the door, a him half a sovereign, and sent them on their size it ought to be?"
- "You extravagant boy!" said Mrs. Owen my suffering is increased by an "All right, my boy, I only wanted to try "half-a-soverign; would not half-a-crown have do so," was the quiet answer.
- here's the lemonade. Never mind, I'll bring "The half-a crown would have done," re-The boy led the way to the door of a third- have been pleased enough with that, but I drink, drink, from morning till night, and moclass carriage, in the corner of which sat a thought the good turn he had done me deser- ney, or money's worth, all went to get it." sickly girl of fourteen, whom the boy address- ved a higher reward, and somehow, I was in-
- ed as Bessie, and who drank the lemonade with terested in the children—they seemed to have been well, even carefully brought up; and yet so-perhaps I needed harsh teaching, for I paid "Oh" that was nice;" she said, as she gave they were evidently very poor. You can see no attention to you. It was only the horror her brother the glass; "was that only a pen that I was interested, mother, for I asked Ben of seeing the wrong that taught me the right. to write to me, and tell me whether they arriv- I love my children; they are all that is left to
  - " And has be done so?" "Yes, here is his letter."
- Mrs. Owen took Ben's letter and read The girl's words and tone were strangely at through, pausing at last with a puzzled look on variance with the evident poverty of the chil- her face, and repeating slowly, "Holders,dren, and interested in spite of himself, the Benjamin Holders-surely I must have heard that name before." " Just the idea I had, mother; but the name
  - is so ugly, that one ought to remember it di-
- Mrs. Owen made no answer, she was evident "Only Ben!-Why Ben looks as if he wants ly trying to recall something to her memory
- himself up and almost succeeded in making me not to think of it before! Don't you rehimseif half an inch taller, whilst his sister re- member Bessie Waters, who was with me during that long illness I had before your father
- girl, and he's so little that people make way for rather a small boy then, but I have an indistinct and her brother do, to Mr. Owen, they often "Well, they would not have much trouble to read to you a great deal but I never heard
  - ed Holders; I did all I could to persuade her a good example to those around them."-Temto give him up, but in vain, and at last one perance Record. morning a note was found on her table, in which she wished us all good bye, and said she was going to be married. I have never seen or heard anything of her since then, though I
  - made every inquiry I could about her." "And you think these may be her children." "I think it is very possible. It is rather an ncommon name. It I am right in my conjecture, Edward, I should like to find Bessie out." "Well, that you can do very easily. Ben
  - And so it was settled. Mr. Owen went to
  - "Well, Ben, so you left your sister "Oh! yes, sir, and she thought she felt a

  - " Yes, sir."
- paid for, was left untasted on the refreshment- will be sure to remember her?"

- opened it first, smiling a little over the con- Owen's mother, and before he had quite set- A Sabbath-school teacher must take time for tell you of it, as you were kind enough to ask him, saying in a voice so like her son's, that it and not feel that he is extravagant. But ke
  - Do you live far from here?"

  - you tired?"
  - Ben stopped, and said rather timidly-
- stairs, ma'am ?" and in obedience to this request Ben went up time to win souls. until Mrs. Owen began to feel tired; but just A story is told of a man on a burning steam said; as he rose to kiss her; "have you any he paused at a door till Mrs. Owen reached his headed for a near shore. The man was just
  - the first step into the room-
- and Ben's mother looked at each other; and "Then won't you save me?" He hesitated then the latter, covering her face with her moment, and hated himself for it the next would tell me what time I can catch a train: I hands, burst into tears, while Ben stood by, He could not save both the money and the in bringing the stranger ady home with him;
  - "You see, Bessie, we have not forgotten you, and I am very glad to have the opportunity of seeing you again. Why did you not let me know where you were, and how you were situated?"
  - "Oh, I could not bear to tell you; I paid no attention to your advice, so what right had I to come to you in my trouble ?" "I should have been glad had you done so
  - are you all alone; where is your husband?" "Dead: he died in prison." "Bessie!" exclaimed Mrs. Owen, too much shocked at the moment to attempt to comfort
  - "Oh, it's quite true," was the bitter answer He drank himself almost to death, and then he got mixed up in some street quarrel, and was out into prison, and he never came out again. "How long ago was that ?"
  - "A year and a half." "And how have you lived since then?" 'I am sure I hardly know," was the moody swer. "I've done needle-work, charring anything that came in my way, and Bessie helped me until she fell ill, and Ben has carned few pence sometimes, by running errands; not take much to keep us, does it, Ben? And his mother tried to smile at his little sorrowful face as she spoke, but it was such a poor attempt that tears came into Mrs. Owen's eyes
  - "You are not strong enough for this sort of work, Bessie. You must come home with me. I shall easily be able to find you some sort of work to do, and I should never be happy again if I left you and the children in this stop my paper. place. You are ruining your own health and
- "No; my children suffer for my fault, and "You extravagant boy!" said Mrs. Owen my suffering is increased by knowing that they I take no interest in columns filled with on
- "I could not whilst my husband lived; help turned Mr. Owen, "and I expect Ben would would have been useless then. It was drink,
  - "But your children are teetotalers?" "Yes, I was frightened into making them
  - me : but I would rather see them in their graves than know they were not teetotalers." "You are right, Bessie; but I think Ben will be a comfort to you-will you not Ben?
  - "I will try, ma'ma," said the child simply and then Mrs. Owen continued:-"You will let me help you, Bessie?" "Yes, for my children sake. I feel as if
  - did not deserve it." And Mrs. Owen and her son did help the widowed mother, wisely and kindly, and last summer, when we went down to R-, there was no prettier or happier home than the cottage in which Mrs. Holders lived. Ben was at school, working very hard, with the hope of some day repaying, in a measure, Mrs. Owen's kindness, whilst Bessie was at home, helping
- her mother, and looking the picture of health, very different from the pale-taced girl ot whom "Not very distinctly, mother; you see I was Ben had "taken care;" and looking up, as she recollection of a tall, rather pale girl, who used wonder why he persists in calling them his rather timidly to ask Mrs. Owen the reason, "Nor I, though I could imagine what her the latter only smiled and said blandly that life would be. She was engaged to a man nam- "little people, as well as great ones, can set

NO TIME.

BY MRS. JENNIE F. WILLING Time and thinking are the Christian worker's stock in trade." Most of us are so crowdtold me he was going home this morning, and paration, the folly of attempting to carry God s getting attention. "That is all, as you say. them in prayer, bending over their sick beds, getting influence with them, that you may help

into him? Failure again for lack of " time." You teach in the Sunday-school to pacify your conscience. You fail of nine-tenths of your possible success, because you never take ime to draw out and answer the shy questions, to tumble for the key of each child's inner

sanctuary. In a spasm of earnestness you may break into the stronghold; but little good will heat after it has become seasoned than two cords of the same wood which has been continually exposed to the alternate influence of "Well, that is my mother; mind you look before you, hiding the germs of its religious storms and sunshines. Here is something for ed slowly home, with a thoughtful look on his out for her when you get to the station at Lon-feeling away in the depths of it's crude thought. farmers to think of. A saving of one half the face, and feeling rather glad than sorry that don; she wants to speak to you; she thinks You go off thinking: 'Strange that he don't amount of wood usually consumed by those the glass of sherry which he had ordered and she knew your mother a long time ago. You understand me. I was so earnest, and put the thing so plainly. Do you know that you can of wood that may be saved, but in the labor

cled what he was to say, or how he was to say his work. He must " make time;" as we say. him go in debt for a home, and he finds he can "I fancy I knew your mother once, my boy, save money in dozens of ways he never thought

not feel that he is wasteful of it. But let him "No, ma'am it's only down that street, the get his heart fully aroused for a good work, and econd turning to the left, and then the first to he can find time for it. I notice Christian women find ample time for the ornamentation of "Well, I think you had better show me the person and house-tucking, ruffling and croway, and then I shall be sure to be right. Are cheting. Their little people are tricked out in all sorts of fanciful finery. Can it be they "Oh, no, ma'am; and so Ben went on won- make the outer pretty and attractive, while the dering what his mother would think when she inner is guarled and ugly and hateful for want saw him come in with such a grand lady as of care? A Christian man takes time to look Mrs. Owen. After about five minutes' walking after a blood colt. There is money in him. It pays to see that he is well fed, groomed and ex- ASSETTS JANUARY 1ST 1870 -"This is where we live; will you come up ercised, and not allowed to learn bad tricks. The same man has no time to bother with "Yes, you go first and I will follow you;" teaching children. Time to get dollars; no

as she was going to ask him to stop a minute, er. When the fire was discovered the boat was ling about his body a belt filled with the gold "Mother, I have come home all right, and of hard, heavy years. He was preparing for a plunge into the waves. "Please, sir," said a There was a pause, during which Mrs. Owen little, pitiful voice, "can't you swim? "Yes." frightened that he had done something wrong child. Flinging away the belt, "Yes, God helping me, I'll save you," Stooping toward but he felt somewhat reassured when Mrs. the little one he said: "Put your arms around "Yes," returned his mother, laughing, "you on match the wools for hand on her bowed head, said very kindly. much for him. His gold would have carried him under; but the pressure of the little arms clinging about his neck lent force to every stroke. The thought of the precious little life for which he fought the breakers, trippled his strength, and both were saved. Can it be that men and women, named for Christ, get money

at the risk of their children's salvation? Success in Christian effort is according to the principles that govern business success, in exact ratio with the capital invested. If we would do heavy work for the Master, we must give time and thought, prayer and faith, and as sure as law, we cannot but succeed .- N. Y. Inde-

STOP MY PAPER.

Christian world-stop my paper. I am interested in the the things that are seen and temporal, and not in the things which are

- anseen and eternal-stop my paper I don't want to hear of any more revivals of religion-stop my paper. I am tired of hearing about education and
- issionary operations, about theological seminaries and colleges-stop my paper. I don't want to read the obituary notices of ministers and other Christians, telling how they lived and died. I don't trouble myself
- about dying-stop my paper. I am tired of being urged to attend prayerneetings, and have family worship, and sup port preachers, and grow in grace, and train my children in the fear and nurture of the Lord-
- I am disgusted with so much ado about Sabbath-breaking and drunkenness, and lotteries, and card playing, and profane swearing-stop
- position to Mormonism, and Popery, and Infidelity, and grog-selling, and Sunday-travelstop my paper.
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I would like to accommodate my wife. She

- thinks the paper very interesting, and likes to read it to the children; but I haven't seen much in it that I cared about, except the market ar- fortable home for either permanent or transien ticle-stop my paper. I wouldn't mind pleasing our minister. He
- says a religious paper is next to the Bible in a family; that without it children are raised in ignorance, and that it is just as important for grown folks-I don't see it-stop my paper.
- I am a little worried about the matter, One of our leaders came to me to get me to send money for the paper for another year, and when I told him I intended to stop it, he scouted a the idea, and said that every church was mad of two classes-the one growing, taithful punctual and intelligent persons; and the other is norant, irregular, negligent and stationary members, and that it was easy to tell to which class any one belongs, if you only know whether he reads a religious paper. What an insult ! Such talk don't move me-stop my paper .- Time, Trouble and Expense, Exchange.

TO YOUNG HOUSEKEEPERS.

"little teachers": but when once she ventured is too common for young housekeepers to begin where their mothers ended. Buy all that is necessary to work skillfully with: adorn your home with all that will render it comtortable. Do not look at richer homes, and covet their costly furniture. If secret dissatisfaction is ready to spring up, go a step father, and visit the homes of the suffering poor behold dark, cheerless apartments, insufficient clothing and absence of all comforts and refinements of social life and return to your own with joyful spirit. You will then be prepared to meet your husband with a grateful heart, ed by the eat, and drink, and wear business and be ready to appreciate the toil and selfwe are nearly bankrupt. Explain to a Sabbathschool teacher the importance of thorough preparation, the folly of attempting to carry God s
truth into a child's mind without studying methods of teaching, lines of thought, modes of denial which he has endured in the business family expenditures may encroach upon public I'd be glad to do as you suggest; but I have no payments. Be independent; a young housetime." Do you visit your scholars, kneeling with keeper never needed greater moral courage than she does now, to resist the arrogance of fashion. Do not let the A's and B's decide hem Christward? "I know I ought to: but what you shall have, neither let them hold the really I hav nt time." Do you carry each one strings of your purse. You know best what to God in importunate supplication, resting not you can and ought to afford. It matters little judgement, to reducing price and quality. till each is in the Saviour's fold—growing up what people think, provided you are true to that, with their long experience, their ample re yourself, to right and duty, and keep your expenses within your means.—Rural New-Yorker skilled and tried mechanics, they are a le to get,

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"Oh, yes, sir;" and then Mr. Owen nodded kindly to the boy, and went to see that his mother was comfortably seated, leaving Ben to of your grander neighbor? You must have the Holy Spirit's guidance as certainly in the poor fire; and the stewing that must be endured before one can get the fire to a boiling heat. UNION MUTUAL

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