

Words of the Wise.

A GOOD Christian is not a grave to bury God's mercies, but a temple to sing His praises.

HOPE is like the sun, which, as we journey toward it, casts the shadow of our burden behind us.—Samuel Smiles.

We are hanging up pictures every day about the chamber walls of our hearts that we shall have to look at when we sit in the shadows.

THESE six—the peevish, the niggard, the dissatisfied, the passionate, the suspicious, and those who live upon others' means—are forever unhappy.

If there is anything in the world which was not instituted by Jesus is the papacy, that is to say, the idea that the Church is a monarchy.—Kegan.

"My will, not thine, be done," turned Paradise into a desert. "Thy will, not mine, be done," turned the desert into a Paradise and made Gethsemane the gate of heaven.—De Prussense.

JACOB'S heart was never so full of joy as when his head lay hardest. God is often most present with us in our greatest dejections, and loves to give comfort to those who are forsaken of their hopes.

It is the mission of Christianity to disciple, teach or educate all nations. To go into the world and instruct all men was the final injunction of the Saviour. The degradation of ages disappears before the simple process of Christian teaching.

THE way out of any difficulty is not to worry, nor lose faith in God or man. Keep good-natured, and push on in the line of conscientious duty. Soon the feet will touch hard bottom; and the opposite shore is not far away or hard to reach.

WHERE the peace is that Christ gives, all the trouble and disgust of the world cannot disturb it. All outward distress, to such a mind, is but as the rattling of hail upon the tiles to him who is sitting within the house at a sumptuous banquet.—Lighton.

To exercise spiritual power is to develop and strengthen it. The discipline is to repress and extinguish it. Your spiritual faculties being uneducated, you are disqualified from apprehending truth by means of power if you have atrophied by disuse.—Elizabeth Stuart Phelps.

ALL the glory and beauty of Christ are manifested within, and there He delights to dwell; His visits there are frequent, His condescension amazing, His conversation sweet, His comforts refreshing; and the peace that He bringeth with Him all understanding.—Thomas à Kempis.

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If you sincerely loved the will of God, and only this, we should change our earth into a heaven. We should thank God for everything—for evil as well as good from His hand. O my God, what do I see in the course of the stars, in the revolutions of the seasons, in the events of life, but the accomplishment of Thy will! May it also be accomplished in me, and may I love it. May it sweeten and endear all that to me. May I annihilate my own to make Thy will reign in me. For it is Thine will, and mine to obey.—Fenelon.

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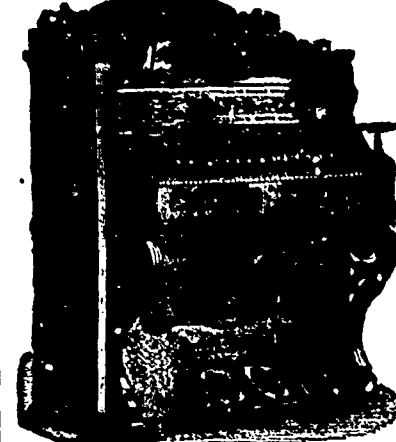
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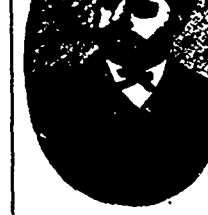
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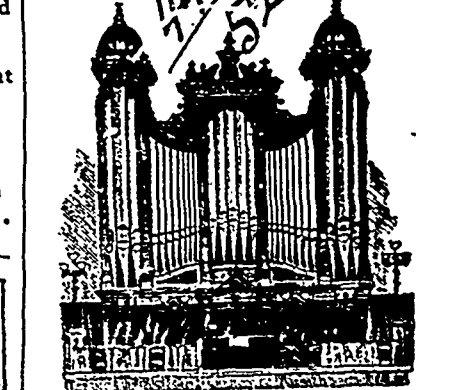
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