

when the motives and objects are worthy. For after all, what a capital, kindly, honest thing is a good laugh! What a tonic! What an exorciser of evil spirits! Like "a thing of beauty is a joy forever." Even a single unparticipated laugh is a great affair to witness. But it is seldom single, for it is very hard to gravely contemplate a laugh if there is one laughter and one witness, forthwith there are two laughers, and so on. The convulsion is propagated like sound. What thing it is when it become epidemic!

"Laughter! 'tis the poor man's plaster,  
Covering up each sad disaster.  
Laughing, he forgets his troubles,  
Which though real seem but bubbles.  
Laughter! whether loud or mute,  
Tells the human kind from brute.  
Laughter! 'tis Hope's living voice,  
Bidding us to make a choice.  
And to cull from thorny bowers,  
Leaving thorns and taking flowers."

### Question Answer.

What is Socinianism?

Who was the Banker Poet?

Who is called the Weeping Prophet?

Who is the author of the Doxology?

Who was called the "Serpent of the Nile"?

What was the "Parliament of Dunces"?

What is the Mohammedan theory of falling stars?

Who wrote the line, "A thing of Beauty is Joy forever"?

Who is called by Spenser, the "Shepherd of the Ocean"?

Who was born in Europe, died in Asia, and buried in Africa.

Why is a thoughtful reverie called a brown study?

Who wrote "The Maniac"? also "Curfew must not ring to-night"?

What is the meaning of Diplomats? also Apologetics?

### Answers to Questions in last No.

A "Red Letter Day" is so called because in the old calenders the Holy or Saints Days were marked with red letters.

A "Black Letter Day" is so called because the Romans marked their unlucky days with charcoal.

The Chinese are called Celestials because they were the first astronomical discoverers their Emperor claiming a Celestial Ancestry. styles himself the Son of the Sun.

The Seven Wonders of the Ancient World are:—

- 1 The Pyramids of Egypt.
- 2 Pharos of Alexandria.
- 3 Walls and Hanging Gardens of Babylon.
- 4 Temple of Diana at Epheus.
- 5 The Statue of the Olympian Jupiter
- 6 Mansoleum of Artemisia.
- 7 Colossus of Rhodes.

The meaning of the term "Sub Rosa" is "under the rose" or "privately."

Toronto is like a mountain because they both look down on Hamilton.

### Perseverance.

If we possess a high standard of moral perfection, and aim to live up to our standard, we cannot afford to omit the virtue of perseverance from among the valuable traits which form a noble character. By perseverance is meant persistence in what one has undertaken. By its means great deeds have been accomplished, wonderful inventions completed, and a world wide knowledge acquired. Patience is intimately associated and blended with perseverance, for without patience one would become discontented and discouraged by the amount of time and labor which need to be expended in order to accomplish the desired end.

To perseverance we owe the grand achievements that have been wrought in the

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