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The Teacher's Motto.

Something for Christ ;
Some soul to win
From the downward path
Of death and sin.
Some heart to cheer,
Some fear to quell ;
O, may each day
Some blessing tell !

Something for Christ ;
Some one to guide
To the open front
At the Saviour's side.
With earnest zeal
To tell of Him,
Something each day,
Who saves from sin.

Something for Christ ;
Some word of love
That may point the way
To heaven above,
That all, O Lord,
May feel and see
That we, each day,
Have been with Thee.

Something for Christ ;
We would begin
This day, this hour,
Some work for Him.
The fields are white,
The laborers few ;
Whate'er Thy will,
Lord, help us do.

—*Philadelphia Methodist.*

The Tribute Money.

THE subject of our frontispiece is admirably described by Canon Farrar as follows :—

The Herodians might come before Jesus without raising a suspicion of sinister motives ; but the Pharisees, astutely anxious to put Him off his guard, came to Him circumspectly, deferentially, courteously. " Rabbi," they said to Him with flattering earnestness, " we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any man ; for thou regardest not the person of men." It was as though they would entreat Him without fear or favour, confidentially to give them His private opinion ; and as though they really wanted His opinion for their own guidance in a moral question of practical importance, and were quite sure that He alone could resolve their distressing uncertainty. But why all this sly undulatory approach and serpentine ensalvation ? The forked tongue and the venomous fang appeared in a moment. " Tell us, *therefore*," since you are so wise, so true, so courageous—" tell us, therefore, is it lawful to give tribute to Cæsar, or not ?" This capitation tax, which we all so much detest, but the legality of which the Herodians support, ought we, or ought we not, to pay it ? Which of us is in the right?—we who loathe and resent, or the Herodians who delight in it ?

He *must*, they thought, answer " Yes " or " No ;" there is no possible escape from a plain question so cautiously, sincerely, and respectfully put. Perhaps he will answer, " Yes, it is lawful." If so, all apprehension of Him on the part of the Herodians will be removed. If, on the other hand, as is all but certain, He should