

subject of brother Cecil's bravery came up in the course of conversation. At first it seemed to her incredible.

"What? My son crossing the Connection on horseback? Impossible! And then she hurried home only to have me verify it proudly, as a true sister should.

"Mother" said Cecil, "it was just nothing at all. Why, I would die for you!"

Those were his loving, manly words. God bless the dear lad's memory to-day.—*Church Year.*

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"THY WAY, NOT MINE."

It is human to shrink from pain, but it is divine to suffer the will of God willingly. We eulogize strength of will. An "Iron will," how envied! Very good is it, if found in the way of righteousness. Then, the stronger the better. Worthy, in that event, of the one who set his face steadfastly to go to Jerusalem. Otherwise, the more resolute, the more devilish. The more imperious, the stronger, more terrible and destructive the recoil. Satan has a mighty will.—Alas, what ruin, what woe! The safest prayer that can arise from our "heart of hearts," and the one working for the greatest safety, is that of our Redeemer, "Thy will be done;" and that, too, however rough the path, dark the night or heavy the burden.

"Thy way, not mine, O Lord!
However dark it be;
Lead me by thine own hand;
Choose out the path for me,
I dare not choose my lot;
I would not if I might;
Choose thou for me, my God!
So I shall walk aright."

When perplexed as to duty, bowed down as to any of life's sorrows, rebellious as to disappointed hopes, defeated purposes, irremediable losses or thwarted desires—may the image of the great burden-bearer in Gethsemane rise before the mind, strengthen and quiet the heart. If thorns in the flesh are not extracted, grace sufficient will be granted so to endure as that larger blessing shall accrue to the sufferer and greater glory to him. The formation of the Christ-image, then, demands in us a willing denial of will. By the example and grace of Christ, we will say in the dark and cloudy day or in the clear shining; "Not as I will, but as thou wilt."—*Rev. William M. Campbell.*

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GRACE SUFFICIENT.

I told my people the other morning, when preaching from the text, "My grace is sufficient for thee," that for the first time in my life I experienced what Abraham felt when he fell on his face and laughed. I was riding home very weary with a long week's work, when there came to my mind this text, "My grace is sufficient for thee"; but it came to me with the emphasis laid upon the two words: "My grace is sufficient for thee." My soul said: "Doubtless it is. Surely the grace of the infinite God is more than sufficient for such a mere insect as I am," and I laughed

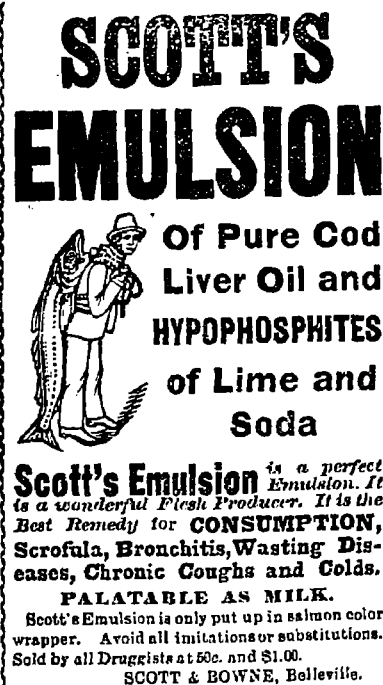
and laughed again to think how far the supply exceeded all my needs. It seemed to me as though I were a little fish in the sea, and in my thirst I said, "Alas, I shall drink up the ocean." Then the Father of the waters lifted up his head sublime, and smilingly replied, "Little fish, the boundless main is sufficient for thee." The thought made unbelief appear supremely ridiculous, as indeed it is.—*C. H. Spurgeon.*

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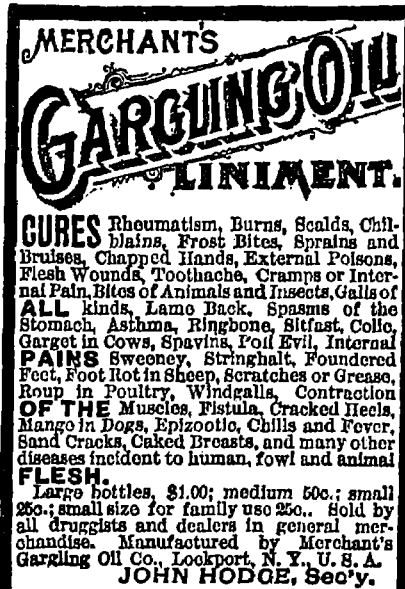
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