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KEEP THE HEART TENDER.

BY MRS. BISHOP THOMAS. Keep the heart tender, Kindly and true; Water it freely With Love's gentle dew Garner its barvests Of rich burnished gold; Let in the sunshine. And shut out the cold.

Keep the heart tender With flowers of kind deeds, And the sweets of their perfum Will choke out the weeds: And the soft beams of Pity. Of Mercy, and Love, Will yield it the glory That beams from above

Keep the heart tender With sweet loving words And they'll fill it with music Like the warble of birds In the heart of the forest-So joyful and clear, When the birds are awaking In the spring-time of year

Keep the heart tender With holy desires. And they'll freshen its altars, And quench the fierce fires Of Hatred and Envy, Of sine ever new Keep the heart tender, Pure, kindly, and true. Christian Advocate

CHRISTIANITY PUT IN PRACTICE.

Last Summer I was traveling upon one of our Eastern railroads. The day was warm and sultry, and the cars were filled with the usual variety of interesting and uninteresting passenyoung children, one a sturdy boy of perhaps of mother-love, were heard in heaven?

that the attention of the party was drawn toward this mother and her little ones. Present
You've taken a long walk, it you are from the Vounce taken a long walk and the Vounce taken a long walk are for the Vounce taken a long walk and the Vounce taken a long walk are for the Vounce taken a long ly one of the young gentlemen left the group

—a very elegant young man, fashionably dres
on the lawn item gayly dressed women language

ed merrily over croquet, and noisy children

played near. A span of superb horses pawed

cised in feeding it cut to the stock, and espesed, but with an earnest, serious look upon his face—came toward the woman, and said very

all the better for it."

At this, the boys found their tongues sufficiently at the gate, while gay salutations passed between the croquet-players be saved by early cutting, properly curing and

passed the heavy baby into his strong arms, and much against their inclination—the gless danced it about and played with it till of the man they would have robbed. There it began to feel quite bright and happy. The young gentleman, still holding the child, asked the other, or looked in the face of the good from rum. The owner was one who, in a the woman if she had to travel far with the children, and if he could be of any assistance. Presently a servant came in, bearing a large his fellow-men. to her. She told him she had been living in dish of the much-coveted apples; also dishes of the State of Maine, had left home about five other fruits from his orchard. He cordially in
of the gay women, the frolicsome children the man from a store in the city came to the kitchrather hard, with her two little ones.

"Oh, you will find kind friends," he answerwhere you can rest a couple of hours." The cied like a two-edged sword."

ladies each had a kind word for the little one, steal it." showed him pictures, and called the other child to them, and filled their little brown hands with cake; and the tired mother looked refreshed and truly grateful.

As we came into Boston, the young gentlemother, who carried the baby in her arms, while our noble friend had the stout boy looking hearing distance of your teacher." over his shoulder, and they were making their

My thoughts often revert to that noble young man, who poured the oil and wine of from the school-room. true Christian sympathy into the heart of that weary woman, on her journey. The deed speaks for itself; he had, indeed, shown mercy to the lonely and triendless. Have not you and I opportunities to do similar kind acts?

FARMER STANTON'S APPLES.

A small group of boys were standing on the lawn in front of Somerville Academy. The topic of conversation seemed to be unusually exciting, for their voices were lowered, and their faces flushed. Higher and higher rose the excitement, till at last one of the boys stepped forward, saying, in a lower tone, as he laid his hand on the shoulder of a manly-looking boy who had formed the centre of the group, but now was moving slowly from it: "Vane, I ask you once more, will you join

the quick bleed mounted to his forehead, his to God and their neighbor. lips moved as if about to speak; but in an ince changed, and look-

Hugh, have repeated too many times, 'My du- wrong." ty toward God,' and 'My duty toward my

be sorry if you do it. Better think again." "What a fuss to make over a few apples! Pshaw! your pious airs won't go down; our minds are made up already," was the reply of privilege of testing old Stanton's 'Perfec- calm and serene, because it is innocent.

ons;' lots of fun there'd be in asking for them. ould'nt there! If that's your way, do it ; but, tell you, you'll miss a jolly time. It's a pity re asked such a namby pamby as you." Arthur turned and left them, but for a long ime could catch the unkind remarks burled at-

ter him by his schoolmates. For miles around there was not another such

most to tell this time. apple known in that vicinity. For want of a those who tasted the fruit, thought it rightly

quietly on, reflecting the calm, beautiful moon, as it seemed to sail along, throwing its silver light on all around; a gentle breeze just stirred the leaves, and naught disturbed the quiet save stop drinking. He shall never go to prison if winter may be, and how much a stock of cartle the occasional plaintive cry of the whip-poorwill. The quiet was too holy to be marred by aught of sin. But soon suppressed voices and

pride of Mr. Stanton's orchard. gers. On the seat directly behind me was a very respectable-looking woman, with two

patient, and though evidently tired, tried to cussion, still in a suppressed tone, the question keen-sighted lawyer.

"You seem tired ma'am, and your little one learn, and various other objections; but Mr. It was a comfortable home, as well as a luxu- with meal are processes all worthy of consider there is tired too; let me have him a few moStanton overruled them all, and the boys soon rious one. Nature, taste, and wealth had done ration. But whatever plan is adopted, let ments that you may rest." And she gladly found themselves—they scarcely knew Eow, their best. It was a scene of beauty, comfort, there be no waste. Taking even the hints Mission of the Spirit. By Bush....... passed the heavy baby into his strong arms, and much against their inclination—the guests taste, luxury and wealth. All came from rum. given here, and acting accordingly, farmers may

but a duty to share it with his neighbors."

little child, having become quiet, was given At last Hugh Carleton could bear it no lonback to his mother, and the young man took ger, and bravely stepping forward—for it redrink! Woe unto him that buildeth his house pan, and a handful of the meal being thrown back to his mother, and the young man took direction is seent.

The baby was good about half an hour, when it commenced the same wearisome wail as be
Stanton, your kindness to us is more than we are some wail as be
The baby was good about half an hour, when it commenced the same wearisome wail as be
Stanton, your kindness to us is more than we and the beam out of the timber shall answer out the anguish of the chilblains was quite gone. fore, and the tired mother looked quite disdeserve, for we came here to—" but Mr. Stanit!—Wendell Phillips, in the National Stanit!—Wendell Phillips, in the National Stanheartened. Then our kind young man again ton stopped him with, "Say no more, my lad, dard. came forward to her relief. "Now let me I know it all; your young triend was right: have the baby again," he said, and he took the Better a thousand times ask for a thing than warm, tired child, to his own seat. The young go in a cowardly, sheaking manner to

man left his party in the care of a friend, and ded, "I trust you will never again be inclined sing themselves to the solution of this great the last I saw of him he was walking beside the to arrange a foraging expedition; but where question with a determination that must ensure

"Now, my lads, I advise you to contess your

had been prevented from committing the sin itself, their intentions remained the same, and for that they were guilty in the sight of God; with great care his precise opinions on the them to his love and protection, earnestly im-

ing calmly and unflinehingly in the face of the and when the moraing came, and Arthur Vane the effect and its cause. Whence comes those about twice its quantity of sugar, to make it boy who seemed to be the leader, he replied:
"Yes, a coward! Too much a coward to do

and which the hand of each was social habits of intemperance which it is sought twice its quantity of sugar, to make it social habits of intemperance which it is sought to remove? Upon what do they feed? and by Its effects will be truly magical, as almost in-

When their teacher presented Arthur Vane tive: the open sale of intoxicating liquor. It neighbor, to forget that the one teaches us to with an elegant basket of the finest fruit, from is not against any vicious habits that temper- it in amongst the wheat and rye. The harrowkeep his commandments, and the other not to Mr. Stanton, with a note accompanying it, ad- ance men invoke the interference of law, but ing will benefit the grain by loosening the hard covet or desire other men's goods, and to keep dressed to "The brave boy who was too great against the public liquor traffic with its crust of the grain fields, formed by the rains our hands from picking and stealing. Better a coward to do wrong," giving him a cordial inthousand times to ask Mr. Stanton for his vitation to visit him and his grounds whenever is a creation of the Government; it is a part of ing for the small grain crops that is highly apples, than to go in a cowardly, sneaking way, and steal them. I tell you boys, you'll frankly that it was zichly merited, than means can it be abolished. No efforts that next month without detriment. they who had taunted him with the name of may be made to suppress it can be premature;

TWO SIDES OF ONE CANVAS.

One beautiful afternoon in August, there came to me the heart broken wife of a Stateprison convict. We tried to plan for his pardon and restoration to home and the world. unreservedly to help thieves and drunkards. nusical "peep, peep," of his chickens could His house was their home; his name their market; his golden, rosy butter always brought a higher price than that of his neighbors, and his orchard was a marvel to every one. I could tell you of downy, blushing peaches, of good reason to believe, permanently saved. pears most delicious, which weighed the most agreement-only two!

life with a generous heart, noble dreams, and that they are free from thinking. No persons through the orchard, and overhanging this brook was a large tree bowed down by the brook was a large tree bewed down by the tairly earned by energy, industry, and characothers, as those who have none of their own;
weight of its truit. The apples were of a dark
ter, ended in bankruptcy, as is so often the as a highwayman will take greater liberties crimson without, glossy and smooth as satin; case in our risky and changing trade; then with our purse than our banker.—Fuller. their delicate, luscious flavor, unlike any other name, Mr. Stanton called it "Perfection," and safely pass the open doors that tempted him to indulgence, forgettulness, and crime. How hard his wife wrought and struggled to save must be fed on hay and grain for six months It was a lovely evening, the brook glided him from indulgence and then to shield him in the year, it is important to secure the requifrom exposure! How long wite, sister, and site amount of grass and other fodder for such triends labored to avert conviction and the demands. There is little danger of making State-prison! "I would spare him gladly," too liberal provision in this respect. It is im-

ness and crime came from RUM." Manfully did the young man struggle to longer continued crop of grass. The best me-Manfully did the young man struggle to longer continued crop of grass. The best me thod seems to be to put soil into good heart follow the course of the brook, and finally promise, and keep his promise, perhaps a by a indicious system of cultivation, and after The Word of God Opened. By Rev. Dr. stopped beneath the apple-tree which was the month—then fall. He could not walk the streets. oride of Mr. Stanton's orchard.

The moon looked down on four boys, each and earn his bread, soberly, while so many repeared top dressings either of fine manure, The moon looked down on four boys, each the child of a loving mother, whose heart would have ached had she seen the danger of him to indulgence. So, rightfully, the State him to indulgence. So, rightfully, the State

patient, and though evidently tired, tried to amuse the little one by playing bopeep behind was decided, and Hugh Carleton was just preducing of grass. It must be properly cured Directly opposite me sat a farhionable-looking party of young ladies and gentlemen, who
lads, continued: "Well, I know of no ramble were richly painted chairs and lounges et no longer a question whether grass should be seemed very happy among themselves, laughing and chatting in a social way. Soon I noticed ently to protest, pleading lateness, lessons to and the fashionable equipages that rolled by. judicious feeding. Cutting, securing, mixing

but a duty to share it with his neighbors."

There was a vain attempt to eat the fruit, tempted husband. I heard, above the chil-

from rum.

deserve, for we came here to—"but Mr. Stanton stopped him with, "Say no more, my lad, thow it all; your young triend was right:

Better a thousand times ask for a thing than go in a cowardly, sneaking manner to steal it."

The astonishment of the boys knew no bounds. How could be have known their conversation? Could Arthur Vane have betrayed them.

Mr. Stanton saw their astonishment, and added, "I trust you will never again be inclined to arrange a foraging expedition; but where the persons were unusually exposed, and added, "I trust you will never again be inclined to arrange a foraging expedition; but where the persons were unusually exposed, and ded, "I trust you will never again be inclined to arrange a foraging expedition; but where the persons with a determination that must ensure the variance of plant Washers and meal were renewed, and in fiftee minutes the youth was on his way to the store, entirely relieved, although the trial seemed much too short to be successful.

Severe weather may produce a recurrence of the trouble at intervals, but persistent use of the secresy is desired, it is not well to stand within success. The steadfastness of purpose with

the Province is the Sherbrooke Gazette. Many

to him should their confession be made, humbly and reverently. Then, after commending

with great care his precise opinions on the pecome theorem. With great care his precise opinions on the pecome theorem. With great care his precise opinions on the pecome theorem. It is pecome the pecome theorem and easily brought into fine tilth, but if this bly and reverently. Then, after commending "ghastly evils of the liquor traffic;" but as a had been neglected, the ground intended for speaker, and "coward" was echoed by nearly every boy in the group.

For one moment Arthur Vane's eyes flashed,

Them to his love and protection, earnessly has speaker, and coward was echoed by nearly ploring his torgiveness, he bade them return to the village, trusting they would never again be guilty of attempting even to violate their duty

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The writer means to say that movements for probibition, whether local or general, are prema-remedy is simply alum. Take a knife or gra-There were few words spoken as they walked ture and ruinous to the interests of tempers ter, and shave or grate off in small particles home; each was busy with his own thoughts; ance, he totally ignores the relation between about a teaspoonful of alum; mix it with a thing that I know to be wrong. You and I, give us Arthur, you were right, and we were what have they been perpetuated from genera-stantaneous relief will be afforded. tion to generation? The answer is self-sugges-

> and we are quite unable to understand what still seems so clear to some others, that efforts let all bushes and briers be cleared from the The temperate man's pleasures are durable, to restrain or suppress the traffic in intoxica- corners and sides, as they cause the fence rails Africa and the West Indies. By Rev. W.

and legal dealing with the drink-seller, is the true philosophy of the the temperance reform. The system which now prevails of licensing

men to sell intoxicating drink is a great national sin. It is the greatest blot upon our Chrispardon and restoration to home and the world.

It was a very sad case. He was the only surmoral and religious progress of the people. lived only to serve the poor, the tempted, and farm as that of "Farmer" Stanton. Every the crimical. All he had, all he was, he gave thing that he touched seemed to prosper. The be heard before there was an indication of bail, to save them from prison; his reward, earth. But the one evil must go down as the spring; his vegetables were always first in their reformation. It was a happy hour to other has, before the advancing light of the other has, before the advancing light of the age .- Montreal Witness

Some sciolists have discovered a short path pears most delicious, which weighed the most of pears most delicious and pears most delicious most of pears most delicious most d that would literally "make one's mouth water;" but it is of one apple-tree that I have the to believe nothing. They, therefore, set up Bred under such a roof, the son started in for free-thinkers; but their stock in trade is

GRASS THE ESSENTIAL CROP.

In a section of the country, where stock wrote the prosecuting attorney, "if he would possible to anticipate how long and how cold a he will be a sober man. But all this wretched- will consume. The better class of farmers are adopting new plans to secure a greater and seeding, keep up the strength of the soil by young children, one a sturdy boy of perhaps three Summers, and the other a worrisome baby. The eldest seemed good-natured and by. The eldest seemed good-natured and three Summers are the occupant to apply the needed tertilizing a wide circle of kindred sorely pained, a worthy, well-meaning man wrecked, sorrow and crime,—" All comes of rum," says the vest better than vegetables or grain. But there are other considerations besides the proamuse the little one by playing bopeep behind his hat; and the mother, with the unselfishness which mothers only know, was trying every way to make the little one more comfortable, but all of no avail.

Directly opposite me sat a farhionable-look-look without a strong to the store of the strong to the store of the s

CHILBLAINS

the State of Maine, had left home about five other fruits from his orenard. The cordinary ino'clock that morning, and was on her way to
Maryland, to join her husband, who went there
to get employment, and now had a home ready
for her and the children, but the journey was

of the gay women, the frolicsome children the
impatient horses, and the ocean rolling up to
the lawn. I saw, instead, the pale convict in
his cell, twelve feet by nine, the sad wile going from judge to attorney, from court to goblains, and finally begged to be permitted to

"Ob, you will find kind friends," he answered: "I will do all I can to assist you. After but every mouthful almost choked them, and dren's noise, the croquet, laugh, and the surfthe cellar for an old pan, and brought some The lady of the house immediately sent to we reach Boston, go into the ladies' room, and the kind voice of their host, as he urged it upon waves, that lawyer's stern reason for exacting corn meal, requiring the boy to remove his I will see that you get safely to the other depot, them, talking pleasantly all the while, "pierute to lose, and must hasten back to his work We usto him that giveth his neighbor In an instant red-hot coals were placed in the upon them the suffering feet were held in the dense smoke. Before the meal had burned

Oats ought to be sown as early as the state which the people in some municipalities have of the land will permit, for, the earlier sown A look of dismay crossed their faces, for they remembered that in their excitement their ly admirable. In the recent municipal spring bor thrown away to sow seed on poor land, voices were loud, and they were not far away elections quite a large number of townships while it is a profitable crop on good land. have voted to refuse licenses. In Stanstead, Plow the land deep, harrow and cross harrow, Compton and Richmond Counties, and in the until it becomes light and mellow, and whether fault to your teacher, who is my friend, as treely as you have to me; and the sooner you do ance question takes precedence of all others in sow clover seed, two gallons per acre; then so, the easier it will be tor you," saying which he stepped from the room, and immediately returned with their teacher. They were so overwhelmed with mingled teelings of shame,

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