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Looking Beyond.

Sometimes we feel a longing for the future
Of hands, grown cold and weary in the strife,
Hands in the quiet grave, now calmly resting,
So full of loving service when in life.

Sometimes our hearts are filled with bitter anguish
Over some grief that seems too great to bear;
But come, to the future—beyond—
Let us
And all our future seems bereft and bare.

Sometimes we feel a deep and earnest longing
For something which in life has been denied,
And our vexed spirits make a low, and wailing,
That we have missed those joys for which we sighed;

Mixed then perchance within this earthly region—
But all we have is not our portion here,
No, our freed spirits have a wider kingdom;
A future lies before us bright and clear.

Bright with the radiance of a holy sunlight,
Clear with the clearness of the crystal sea,
Did not dark sin-mists cloud our earthly vision
Of the great Life Eternal yet to be.

But peace, faint heart! let faith spread
Broad her pinions,
Soar to the upper realms of joy and light,
Look on the things unseen with earnest glances,
Look upward, onward—walk not more by sight.

In the bright joy of that glad Easter morning
The last, the grandest that our earth shall know,
What joy, what rapture in the grand reunion,
When bliss shall rise supreme o'er pain and woe.

Let us walk onward through this lower region,
Through this deep valley where sin's shadow lies,
Looking beyond; where sunlight glides
The mountains,
E'en sometimes now too bright for mortal eyes.

Great Sun of Righteousness, and arise
Thy guide us
Through all the darkness and dreary ways of life;
In life and death, shed thy bright beams
Upon us,
And make us more than victors in the strife.

Interesting Story.

Married To A Drunkard.

She arose suddenly in the meeting and spoke as follows:

"Married to a drunkard! Yes, I was married to a drunkard. Look at me! I am talking to the girls."

We all turned and looked at her. She was a wan woman, with dark, sad eyes and white hair, placed smoothly over a brow that denoted intellect.

"When I married a drunkard, I reached the acme of misery," she continued. "I was young, and oh, so happy! I married the man I loved, and who professed to love me. He was a drunkard. I knew it—knew it, but did not understand it. There is not a young girl in this building that does not understand it, unless she has a drunkard in her family; then, perhaps, she knows how deeply the iron enters the soul of a woman, when she loves, and is allied to a drunkard, whether father, brother, husband or son. Girls, believe me when I tell you that to marry a drunkard, to love a drunkard, is the crown of all misery. I have gone through the deep waters and know. I have gained that fearful knowledge at the expense of happiness, sanity, almost life itself. Do you wonder my hair is white? It turned white in a night bleached by sorrow, as Marie Antoinette said of her hair. I am not forty years old, yet the snows of seventy rest upon my head; and upon my heart—ah! I cannot begin to count the winters resting," she said, with unutterable pathos resting in her voice.

"My husband was a professional man. His calling took him from home frequently at night, and when he returned, he returned drunk. Gradually he gave way to temptation in the day, until he was rarely sober. I had two little girls and a boy." Here her voice faltered, and we sat in deep silence listening to her story. "My husband had been drinking deeply. I had not seen him for two days. He had kept

My Enemy.

A battle is not always a whirl of confusion and uproar, with men firing at will or at random. At Fair Oaks, when we swept down in the gray of morning on Casey's division, we found two-thirds of it unprepared for our reception. I was a sergeant in my company, and, as we began firing, I noticed a federal sergeant of my own rank displaying the utmost energy in rallying the men around him to check us. Some of our men noticed him as well, and two or three called out that he looked near enough like me to be a brother. By his own individual efforts he rallied enough men to check us temporarily, but after a few moments we drove them again and were in the federal camps. Then our lines broke, and each man fought for himself. I had singled out the sergeant and fired twice at him, and it was a fact that he had also singled me out and fired at me alone. We kept advancing slowly, and by and by, as we crowded them from their shelters, I got a fair view of the sergeant. For a moment I forgot that there was any one else in all that battle. I had raised my gun when he wheeled and raised his, and we both fired together. I went down like a log, having received his bullet in my right shoulder, and for two hours I hugged the earth beside a log to escape being hit again by the missiles of friend or foe.

When the fury of battle was passed on, I was lame and stiff, and as the location was strange to me, and I did not know whether we were still advancing or in retreat, I could not make my way off the field. I could not tell front from rear, nor was there one chance in ten of finding a field hospital. After pulling myself up, and holding to a tree for a few minutes I felt better and advanced to the spot where I had last seen the federal sergeant. I found him lying on his back. My bullet had struck him in the side, and he was fatally hit. As I knelt down beside him he recognized me and said:

"You have given me my death-wound."

"But you sought to kill me," I protested in extenuation.

"Yes, I fired at you. Some of the men said you looked like me, and I felt a desire to kill you."

"Let us be friends," I said, as I knelt beside him. "I can use one hand and arm, and perhaps I can stop the bleeding."

"It is too late!" he whispered.

So it was. He had lost a great quantity of blood, and it was still pouring out and sinking into the black soil of the forest. As my hand touched his, he grasped it and said:

"We were enemies. Let us be friends. Give me water."

I held my canteen to his lips until his thirst was satisfied, and then I sat beside him and held his hand and watched the shadow of death coming nearer. He lay with his eyes closed for a long time, and at last whispered:

"Tell Mary and the children I am coming."

My heart smote me as I thought of the wife and children who would never see him again—the black pall of sorrow which would settle down over a happy household.

"And tell father and mother!" he gasped. "Have them all come to the old home to meet me."

And there was a father—and a mother—and brothers and sisters! And my bullet would bring tears and sobs and wails and mourning. And the sunshine of life would go out of many hearts for months and years—perhaps forever. I prayed him over and over to forgive me, and as death came nearer I dared not look away from his pale face for fear that I should meet the accusing glances of widow and orphan. As death finally came he clutched my hand with firmer grip, looked into my eyes with a last effort and faintly whispered:

"It is war, horrible war! Let us be friends! God bless Mary and the children!"—*Detroit Free Press.*

Advice to Swearers.

Nobody cares for the swearing of an habitual swearer. His volleys of profanity have no terror in them. They mean nothing. It is the man who

never swears who scares you out of your boots if once in a lifetime he does swear. So far as we can learn, Washington only swore once during the eight years of the revolutionary war. But that one time counted. It set back the tide of retreat, changed a route into a victory, and made things hum. But the fellow who swears on all occasions, and swears hot and cold with the same mouth, the intellectual paper who ekes out his barren supply of ideas with an abundant crop of profanity, whose conversation is a long chain of mill privileges, and who talks as a beaver works; his swearing is weak, tiresome, disgusting. So, if you want to swear with any effect, my boy, be very seldom about it. Be exclusive in your profanity. If you can't get along without it, bring it out occasionally, like rare old family diamonds; don't keep it running six or eight hours a day, like the kitchen hydrant.

And—you won't be offended, my man—but if you will observe closely you will perceive that young men, boys, fledglings of about your age, swear more than men—more frequently, more awkwardly, with less point and direction. A man becomes ashamed of it. It belongs to the cigarette and matinee period of life, my boy. It is a habit that nourishes in the bread-and-butter days, along somewhere between the high school and the college, and while the blue ribbon on the diploma is bright. It belongs to what Pack apply calls the "unsalted generation," the fresh young men. So put it away and put on manly things.

I know some good men, some of the best in the world, who will "found" it and even "dog-gone" it, and in New England even a deacon has been known, under a terrible strain, to "condemn it." But as a rule, my boy, don't do it. Don't swear. It is not an evidence of smartness or worldly wisdom. Any fool can swear. And a good many fools do it. Ah! if you could only gather up all the useless, uncalled for, ineffective oaths that have dropped along the pathway of my life, I know I would remove stumbling-blocks from many inexperienced feet, and my heart would be lighter by a ton than it is to-day. But if you are going to be a fool just because other men have been, oh, my son, what a hopeless fool you will be.—*Burdette.*

How the President is Elected.

Many of our readers do not know how the President of the United States is elected. Many believe that every man who has the right to vote for a Congressman has the right to vote for the President. The New York Herald has been asked the question, "How is the President elected?" and in answer our contemporary supplies the following information:—

The President and Vice-President are not elected by the people nor on the election day in November. They are chosen by electors and, under the present law, which was recently passed, on the 2d Monday in January.

It is these electors for whom the people vote in November. In every State each party has a right to name a number of electoral candidates equal to the number of its Senators and Representatives. Take New York. The Republicans name thirty-six and the Democrats thirty-six. The Prohibitionists or any other party may nominate the same number.

These electors are voted for on election day by the people. Not a vote will then be cast for Cleveland or Harrison. Their names will not appear on any ticket. The electoral tickets which receive the most votes will be elected. If it be the Democratic, that will be the election of thirty-six electors pledged to vote for Cleveland and Thurman.

The electors chosen by the people at the polls will meet on the second Monday in January in their respective States to cast their ballots for President and Vice-President. The Democratic election will be pledged and morally bound to vote for Cleveland and Thurman, and the Republicans for Harrison and Morton. But they are not required by any law to vote that way. Each one can vote for whom he pleases. A Republican elector may vote for any person not named as a candidate. Voting for the party candidate is a matter of politics, not of law.

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