

Words of the Wise.

TAKE very little account of what your neighbours think of you, but think much of what God thinks of you.

FALSEHOOD is in a hurry; it may be at any moment detected and punished: truth is calm, serene; its judgment is on high: its King cometh out of the chambers of eternity.

MOST men call fretting a minor fault—a foible, and not a vice. There is no vice, except drunkenness, which can so utterly destroy the peace and the happiness of a home.

I HAVE seldom seen much ostentation and much learning met together. The sun, rising and declining, makes long shadows; and at mid-day, when he is highest, none at all.—Hall.

To indulge anger is to admit Satan as a guest, but to indulge malice is to close the door upon him as an inmate; in the one he finds a transient lodging, in the other a permanent home.

TRUE taste is forever growing; learning, reading, worshipping, laying its hand upon its mouth because it is astonished, casting its shoes from off its feet because it finds all ground holy.

MAN, it is not thy works which are mortal, infinitely little, and the greatest no greater than the least, but only the spirit thou workest in, that can have worth or continuance.—Carlyle.

If thou expect Death as a friend, prepare to entertain him; if thou expect Death as an enemy, prepare to overcome him; Death has no advantage but when he comes as a stranger.—Quarles.

GOD'S treasury, where he keeps His children's gifts, will be like many a mother's store of relics of her children, full of things of no value to others, but precious in His eyes for the love's sake that was in them.—Fenelon.

Do not wade far into the dangerous sea of this world's comfort. Take the good that God provides you, but say of it, "it passeth away, for indeed it is but a temporary need." Never suffer your goods to become your God.—Spurgeon.

I DEEM it as absurd and illogical to affirm that there is no place for a God in nature, originating, directing, and controlling its forces by His will, as it would be to assert that there is no place in man's body for his conscious mind.—W. B. Carpenter.

WHAT a comment on the unsatisfactoriness of worldly pleasure was given by the German poet, Goethe, who, at the age of eighty-three, after having drunk his fill of all the wells of sensual enjoyment, said that he had not had three weeks of real happiness in his whole lifetime!

It is one of the highest tributes to music that religion can use it. It is one of the highest proofs that religion brings joy into the heart that when men have found God they want to sing. It is no slight authentication of our Lord that angels sang at His birth.—Dr. F. A. Noble.

It is narrated of the great sculptor, Michael Angelo, that when at work he wore over his forehead, fastened on his artist's cap, a lighted candle, in order that no shadow of himself might fall upon his work! It was a beautiful custom, and spoke a more eloquent lesson than he knew! For the shadows that fall on our work—how often they fall from ourselves!

A GOOD story is told by Dr. Johnson of a father hearing the voice of his child behind him as he was picking his way along the mountain side. "Take a safe path, papa; I'm coming after you." Ah! if older Christians, while passing along the rugged hill of life, would only remember that young Christians and children are coming on after them, how much more circumspect they would be concerning the path taken!

CHRYSOSTOM beautifully says, for our comfort: "I have a pledge from Christ—have His note of hand—which is my support, my refuge, and heaven; and though the world should rage, to this security I cling. How reads it? 'Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.' If Christ be with me, what shall I fear? If He is mine, all the powers of earth to me are nothing more than a spider's web."

THE sun dial receives many shades, and each points to the sun. The shadows are many; the sunlight is one. Life's sorrows still fluctuate: God's love does not. And His love is unchanged when it changes our lot. Looking up to this light which is common to all, and down to the shadows on each side that fall, in time's silent circle, so various for each, is it nothing to know that they never can reach so far but what light lies beyond them forever?—Meredith.

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