

the melted tallow, the linen may be washed, and the spots will disappear, without injuring the linen.

It is estimated that the city of New York pays \$10,000 a day for cigars, and \$8,500 a day for bread. It is also computed that 25,000 persons, every year, in America, go to the grave from the use of tobacco.

CURIOUS PEAR TREE.—A very curious pear tree is to be seen in a garden within a block or two of the Greenwood Cemetery, near New York. Every alternate year one of the two sides—blossoms and bears fruit. This year, for instance, one side will bear an abundant crop of sweet fruit; the other nothing. The side that does not bear this year, will blossom and yield a good crop of sour fruit next year, and so alternately. This has been the case ever since the tree first yielded fruit. Altogether it is a great curiosity.

A CURIOSITY.—The Boston Traveller has received what it calls "a great curiosity of the fruit kingdom." It is an admixture of apple and pear, which grew on a pear tree, the branches of which mingled with those of an apple tree. The fruit has partially taken the colour of the apple which grows upon the tree. It has the taste of the apple, but retains the shape of the pear. The apple which grows upon the tree is of a deep red.

Months Department.

SMALL THINGS.

"Who hath despised the day of small things."

From little seeds sweet flowers spring,
And perfume o'er our pathway fling,
And noble oaks derive their birth,
From acorns buried in the earth;
And the bright corn on waving plains,
Roses from the tawny, scattered grains.

And infant hands may plant the seed,
And from that small and simple deed
Rich produce shall adorn the ground,
And gladden every heart around;
For God will send the sun and shower
To cherish and refresh the flower.

How small the seed of truth appears!
Oft sown with trembling and with tears:
And yet that precious germ imparts
Fragrance and life to desert hearts;
Nor shall its progress stay until
Its branches the wide world shall fill.

And a child's soft and earnest prayer
Rich blessings may to others bear;
And a child's penny, rightly given,
May aid in guiding souls to heaven;
And lisping accents may proclaim,
The sweetness of a Saviour's name.

Dear Children, God is kind indeed,
To let you help to plant his seed!
O! cast it with a liberal hand,
On every dark and heathen land,
And he who dwells enthroned above,
Will smile upon your work of love.

THE GREAT WORK OF A LITTLE THING.

A little word in kindness spoken,
A motion, or a tear,
Has often healed the heart that's broken,
And made a friend sincere.

A word—a look—has crashed to earth,
Full many a budding flower,
Which, had a smile but owned its birth,
Would bless life's darkest hour.

Then deem it not an idle thing,
A pleasant word to speak,
The face you wear, the thoughts you bring,
A heart may heal or break.

RICHMOND HILL CADETS.

ADDRESS ON THE PRESENTATION OF A FLAG TO SECTION 75, CADETS OF TEMPERANCE, RICHMOND HILL, ON THE EVENING OF OCTOBER 8, 1851, BY THE LADIES.

WORTHY ARCHON AND CADETS OF TEMPERANCE:

—It affords us infinite pleasure to present you with this Flag as a token of the interest we feel in the welfare of your youthful Order. Believing that the principles which form the basis of your society if properly carried out, are calculated to benefit the human race by the suppression of intemperance, and its certain concomitants, crime and misery; we feel it a privilege as well as a duty incumbent upon us, to encourage you not only by our contributions, but also by our cordial co-operation.

We feel it our duty when we consider that the temporal evils inflicted on society are most severely felt in the domestic circle over which it is our lot to preside; and we count it a privilege to be permitted to co-operate in a cause whose object it is to lag waste the dominion of Satan, to raise man from degradation, misery, wretchedness and woe, and to elevate him to a proper position in the estimation and society of the good; to defend the cause of the fatherless and the widow, as children and mothers may justly be denominated, whose parents and husbands are addicted to the debasing practice of intemperance—a practice which benumbs the intellectual faculties, debases the affections, perverts the moral powers, degrades man below the level of the brutes, and carries along with it a train of evils destructive to the happiness of families, and to the harmony and order of social life.

Worthy Archon and Cadets of Temperance: The habits which you are now forming will influence your whole future life and conduct. You are now permitted to enjoy the pleasure of associating together for the benefit of each other, and of your fellow beings; but soon you will have to separate and pursue the various avocations of life; and then you will experience the beneficial results of the principles imbibed in these early associations.

There is no period in life in which young persons are more exposed to temptation than when they enter the counting-house of the merchant or the work-shop of the mechanic. There, at a period when the reason is but feeble, and the passions are daily growing stronger, you may be placed in the company of those who have attained the full maturity of wickedness. Vice will spread its allurement on every hand, and if you be not true to your principles you will be entangled in its snares. But so long as you adhere to the Temperance Pledge, you will find it a safeguard against every temptation.

Let us entreat you then, to be faithful to each other, and to the cause which binds you together in the bonds of brotherhood; and remember that it is easier to keep in the path of rectitude, than to return to it.

We hope you will accept this Flag with our best wishes for your future prosperity.

REPLY.

ESTEEMED LADIES:—It is with the highest degree of pleasure that I on behalf of the Richmond Hill Section, Cadets of Temperance, accept this splendid and costly token of your love and esteem; and it is with the sincerest gratitude we return you our unfeigned thanks for the interest thus manifested in the welfare and success of our Order. We regard it an honor to our Section, showing as it does, the estimation in which our humble efforts to check the prevalence of the evils of intemperance amongst the youth of our land, to reclaim those who have ungardedly fallen a prey to its snares, and to train and cultivate their minds in strictly temperate and moral principles, are held by the ladies of Richmond Hill and its vicinity. To know that you approve of our Order, and that we have your warmest wishes for our success and prosperity, not only affords us much pleasure, but will stimulate us to increased exertions, to influence others of our fellow beings to become members, and thus not only save them from falling into the debasing practice of intemperance, but increase our numbers and diminish those of our enemies; so that we shall be the better able to contend with them. And we doubt not that with your assistance to encourage us, and that of Pure Cold Water refresh and enliven us, we shall be able to disseminate the great and glorious principles upon which our Order is founded.

We trust that the honor you this evening have conferred upon us may tend to make us more strict in our adherence to the Pledge, and more zealous in the cause of Temperance and the welfare of mankind, and that our fidelity in this respect will be manifested by large additions to our numbers. Again, Ladies, would we most heartily thank you for this beautiful present, and when we behold it unfurled and floating in the fair breeze of heaven, we will remember the ladies are on our side; and then what have we to fear? for they are more than all that can be against us.

The victory is certainly ours.

HOW TO GET RICH.—Such is the force of well-regulated industry, that a steady and vigorous exertion of our faculties, directed to one end, will generally insure success. Would you, for instance, be rich? Do you think that single point worth the sacrificing every else to? You may then be rich. Thousands have become so from the lowest, beginning by toil, and patient diligence, and attention to the minutest articles of expense and profit. But you must give up the pleasures of leisure, of a vacant mind, of a free, unsuspicious temper. If you preserve your integrity, it must be a coarse-spun, vulgar honesty. Those high and lofty notions of morals which you brought with you from the schools, must be considerably lowered, and mixed with the base alloy of a jealous and worldly prudence. You must learn to do hard, if not unjust things; and for the nice embarrassments of an delicate and ingenious spirit, it is necessary for you to get rid of these as quick as possible. You must shut your heart against the Muses, and be content to feed your understanding upon plain, household truths. In short, you must not attempt to enlarge your ideas, or polish your taste, or refine your sentiments; but must keep on in one beaten track, without turning aside either to the right or left. "But I cannot submit to such drudgery as this,—I feel a spirit above it." 'Tis well: be above it then; only do not repine that you are not rich.—Mrs. Barbauld.

A WORD TO LITTLE GIRLS.—Who is lovely? It is the little girl who drops sweet words, kind remarks, and pleasant smiles as she passes along—who has a kind sympathy for every little boy and girl she meets, in trouble, and a kind hand to help her companions out of difficulty—who never scolds, who never contends, never teases her mother, nor seeks by way to diminish, but always to increase her happiness. Would it not please you to pick up a string of pearls, drops of gold, diamond or precious stones, which never can be lost? Take the hand of the friendless—smile on the sad and dejected—sympathize with those in trouble.

A little boy, more thoughtful than little boys generally are, but not more than they should be, on being tumbled into the mud by a comrade, was asked why he didn't serve his abuser in the same manner, when he replied—"If I should there would be two suits of clothes to clean."

HORN HOUSES OF LASSA, THE CAPITAL OF THIBET.—There is a certain district in the suburbs where the houses are built entirely of the horns of cattle and sheep. These odd edifices are of extreme solidity, and present a rather agreeable appearance to the eye; the horns of the cattle being smooth and white, and those of the sheep black and rough. These strange materials admit a wonderful diversity of combination, and form on the walls an infinite variety of designs. The interstices between the walls are filled with mortar. These are the only houses that are not whitewashed. The Thibetians have the good taste to leave them in their natural state, without endeavoring to add to their wild and fantastic beauty. It is superfluous to remark, that the inhabitants of Lassa consume a fair share of beef and mutton; their horn houses are an incontestable proof of it.—Capt. Colonelist.

We find in the Cincinnati Gazette of the 4th, the report of a Joint Committee of gentlemen and ladies—among the latter Mrs. Judge McLean, and Mrs. S. P. Chase—appointed to investigate the mystery of the rappings, as exhibited through two members of the Fox family. The Committee, after being present at two or three sittings, and watched the whole operations so closely as possible, state, "that they never heard a sound when all the feet of the mediums were in sight, with their soles on the surface of the floor."