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Autumn Morning Thought.

A day of fire on earth and fire in heaven,
Once more the veil of sombre night is
 riven,
To show the sanctuary of this day.

A sanctuary fair with shrine on shrine,
Hidden in misty light that gleams divine,
Illumining with gold the old year's way.

Deep in the yellow woods an influence
 lies,
That woos us to accord with destinies,
And in the sunlight banishes our cares.

For nature, too, must pass away from
 earth,
Her journey still from springtime's tender
 birth,
Through all the fulness of the billowing
 year.

Then may the gold about us bear the
 touch,
The imprint of a thought that makes it
 much,
'Tis glorious so to shine and fade from
 earth.

Important Books on an Important Subject.

The Methodist Publishing House, Toronto, issues a series of very valuable books for young people, and older ones too, on the physical constitution of "the house in which we live," a knowledge of which may save their readers from much evil, sorrow, and sin. These books are prepared by Rev. Sylvanus Stall, D.D.,

and Mrs. Mary Wood-Allen, M.D. The latter is National Superintendent of the Purity Department of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and author of the excellent book in our Epworth League Reading Course, on "The Marvels of our Bodily Dwelling." These books are written with delicacy and refinement.

One is for girls under sixteen, of which the late Frances E. Willard says: "I do earnestly hope that this book, founded on a strictly scientific, but not forgetting a strong ethical basis, may be well known and widely read by the dear girls in their teens and the young women in their homes." Another book is for boys under sixteen. Of this the venerable Rev. Dr. Cuyler says: "'What a Young Boy Ought to Know,' ought to be in every home where there is a boy." Bishop Vincent says of it: "You have handled with great delicacy and wisdom an exceedingly difficult subject." Of another book for young men, Dr. F. E. Clark, founder of the Christian Endeavour Society, says: "It is written reverently but very plainly, and I believe will save a multitude of young men from evils unspeakable." The book for young women, in the same series, by Mrs. Wood-Allen, is dedicated to her own daughter, and contains the wise counsels which a loving mother of large knowledge and experience can give upon the important subjects of love and marriage. These books are as widely removed as possible from the sensational and unwisely suggestive. Parents can perform an incalculable service by obtaining these books for the use of their young people. The price is \$1 net for each, except a pamphlet book for young boys, which is fifteen cents.