The Family.

Only the Children.

Beneath an ancient, wide-spread tree,
Which cast a pleasant shade,
Five children full of mirth and glee
One sunny morning played.
Loud were the sounds of merriment
Which o'er that daisied field they sent;
For their's were hearts untouched by care,
And eyes that seldom owned a tear.
"What are those sounds," asked one, "I hear?"
"*Only the children* playing there."

Only the children! Years have flown
Since that bright summer day,
And those have men and women grown
Who then were at their play;
The eldest of that little band,
Who threw the ball with skillful hand,
And rolled the hoop by far the best,
His country now attempts to guide,
And fashions laws, which, when applied
Shall aid and succor the distrest.

The next—a gay and laughing girl,
With blue and sparkling eye,
Whose hair was always out of curl,
Whose frock was oft awry,
Is now a lady full of grace,
In whom you scarcely now can trace
The want of care that marked her youth;
And to whose simple pen we owe
Some sweet and simple tales which show
How lovely is the way of truth!

The youngest, gentle as a dove,
As sweet as she was fair,
Who gave her doll such words of love,
And nursed it with such care—
Far from the scenes of early life,
Is now a missionary's wife,
And oft her weary husband cheers:
Together patiently they toil,
And hope to reap on Indian soil
The seed which they have sown in tears.

Only the children! Yes, they seem
But ciphers unto some;
But I, who often sit and dream
Of things that are to come,
In children, full of healthful glee,
Our future generation see,
Mighty for good—or else for ill!
God bless and guide them, so that they
May scatter blessings o'er life's way,
And all His wise behests fulfill!

A Better Warfare.

"Mamma," said Frank Ashley, looking up from the book he had been reading, "how I do wish you and papa would let me be a soldier when I grow up; there is nothing I wish for so much. I have been reading about Edward III., and the Black Prince. What a brave boy he was! Do you know, mamma, he rode at the head of his father's army when he was only fifteen, and what glorious victories he gained? O how I *should* like to be a soldier!"

"I do, indeed; but, Frank, I am not thinking of the kind of battles fought by the brave young prince and his father. I wish you to be engaged in a far nobler and better warfare."

"I know what you mean, mamma," said Frank, in a disappointed tone; "but see what a great many years I must wait, and how much I must learn before I can be a clergyman like papa."

"It is not necessary that you should be one to engage in the conflict I mean," replied his mother. "Listen, Frank; in this parish, and in others throughout our country, thousands of human beings are losing their health and strength, their time, talents, and friends, and homes, and every blessing God has bestowed upon them, through the power of that great tyrant and enemy, strong drink. And now your papa, and many others of God's people, have resolved, with his help, by giving up its use themselves, to persuade others to do so, and thus save themselves from the drunkard's lot, and become again sober and right-minded, the children of our heavenly Father. Surely this is an end worth striving for, a victory worth gaining; and it is a work in which children may engage and hope to be very useful. When a fellow-creature is rescued from the power of drink, and taught by self-denying example to walk in the right path, I consider it a far nobler victory than even that of Crecy. Will not you fight in this battle my dear little Frank?"

"Do you think, mamma, that I could save big men like Stiles and Williams from getting drunk?"

"Yes, you could, my child; little as you are, you could speak a word to them; you could tell them of the meetings; you could read them a temperance tale; you could be like David, and help them against the Philistine."

"Then, indeed, mamma, I will be a temperance soldier, and try to win some one from being killed by drink. I will begin this very day."

"Do so, my dear boy; and may our Father crown your efforts in his cause with the success he alone can give."—*E. A. W.*

Husbands and their Habits.

Some husbands never leave home in the morning without kissing their wives and bidding them "good-by, dear," in the tones of unwearied love; and whether it be policy or fact it has all the effect of fact, and those homes are generally pleasant ones, providing always that the wives are appreciative and welcome the discipline in a kindly spirit. We know an old gentleman who lived with his wife over fifty years, and never left home without the kiss and the "good-by, dear." Some husbands shake hands with their wives and hurry off as fast as possible, as though the effort were a something that they were anxious to forget, holding their heads down and darting round the first corner. Some husbands before leaving home ask very tenderly, "What would you like for dinner, my dear?" knowing all the while that she would select something for his particular palate, and off he goes. Some husbands will leave home without saying any thing at all, but thinking a good deal, as evinced by their turning round at the last point of observation and waving an adieu at the pleasant face or faces at the window. Some husbands never say a word, rising from the breakfast table with the lofty indifference of a lord, and going out with a with a heartless disregard of those left behind. It is a fortunate thing for their wives that they can find sympathy elsewhere. Some husbands never leave home without some unkind word or look, apparently thinking that such a course will keep things straight in their absence. Then, on returning, some husbands come home jolly and happy, unsoured by the world; some sulky and surly with its disappointments. Some husbands bring home a newspaper or a book, and bury themselves for the evening in its contents. Some husbands are called away every evening by business or social engagements; some doze in speechless stupidity on a sofa until bed time. Some husbands are curious to learn of their wives what has transpired through the day; others are attracted by nothing short of a child's tumbling down stairs or the house taking on fire. "Depend upon it," says Dr. Spooner, "that home is the happiest where kindness and interest and politeness and attention are the rule on the part of the husbands—of course all the responsibility rests with them—and temptation finds no footing there."

A Short Sermon for Parents.

It is said that when the mother of Washington was asked how she had formed the character of her son, she replied that she had endeavoured early to teach him three things—obedience, diligence, and truth.—No better advice can be given to any parent. Teach your child to obey. Let it be the first lesson. You can hardly begin too soon. One of the successful parents that I have known said that this point was usually settled between him and his children before they were three months old. But it requires constant care to keep up the habit of obedience; and especially to do it in such a way as not to be hurtful to the strength of a child's character. Teach your child to be diligent. The habit of being always employed is a great safeguard through life, as well as essential to the culture of almost any virtue. Nothing can be more foolish than the idea which some parents have, that it is not respectable to set their children to work. Play is a good thing. Innocent recreation is an employment, and a child may learn to be diligent in that as well as in other things; but let him learn early to be useful. As to truth, it is the one essential thing. Let everything else be sacrificed rather that that. Without it, what dependance can you place in your child. And be sure to be nothing yourself which may countenance any species of prevarication or falsehood. Yet how many parents do teach their children the first lessons of deception!

Temperance.

"Bitters."

The Father of Mischief determined one day
To call an infernal convention,
For choosing a special and practical way
To spread abroad great contention.

He was greatly alarmed at the clarion call
Of Temperance Armies above him,
And trembled while seated in misery's hall
To think of the plans that should move him.

The lords of Destruction he summons to Court,
And seats in communion around him,
And calling them Friends he mentions in short
The troubles that lately confound him.

How the temperance cause had taken a turn
What disasters his angels befel—
How few out of many were destined to burn
In the firelashing ocean of Hell!

Ambition and Radical Passion arise,
Then Murder, Theft, Lying and Woe,
Who many expedients strongly advise
To humble the temperance foe.

Hypocrisy, lastly, with cunning cried out—
I've hit on a plan to acquit us;
We'll finish the labor and put them to rout,
If we send them the spy called—"BITTERS."

So Bitters was sent, with his brother Deceit,
To increase and befool the diseased,
And Hell soon considered the mischief complete,
And the devil was very much pleased.

—*J. F. Snipes.*

The Temperance Revival.

The surface of American society is now rippled everywhere with temperance agitation; temperance addresses and sermons falling like autumn leaves from the pulpit and the rostrum; and temperance organizations receiving numerous accessions to their strength. We hail with pleasure this rising movement. It is the needed reform of our times; needed to check the progress of the most gigantic evil that now threatens the well being of society; needed to herald and help forward a higher and purer morality that ever yet was known to man. Every one who performs a part, however humble, in this reformatory movement, stands in his lot as a co-worker with God.

If temperance were universally prevalent how changed would be the condition and history of man; crime diminished, and poverty, and suffering; homes and hearths, now sad and sorrow stricken, made happy and filled with abundance; time and money economized and affording opportunities for a higher improvement! Sad is it indeed that the fiend intemperance reigns, blighting lives, darkening homes, wasting fortunes, ruining reputations, perpetrating crimes, filling prisons and alms-houses, and murdering immortal souls! Its extirpation from society is required in order to the highest good of man. The gentle angel of temperance will bring relief to humanity from a thousand ills under which it has groaned, and beget a thousand forms of profit and pleasure now unknown to the inebriate.

It has often seemed to us most strange and inexplicable that men with any pretensions to character and decency should engage in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. Their trade inures to the degradation and ruin of man. For paltry gain they send crime and sorrow to stalk with giant steps through society, and help to promote the eternal undoing of their wretched victims. It is sad indeed for those victims; but will it not, somewhere along the path of their on-going life, be worse for the agents who accomplish their ruin? Will not God demand at the hands of these men the blood of the souls they have murdered? Surely, surely, it were more innocent to be a gambler than a drunkard-maker; the one filching but his neighbor's substance; the other bloating the form of his neighbor, pauperizing his intellect, staining his soul with guilt, and sending him to be a denizen of the place of torment. Alas for the distiller and the rumseller! However reputable here, they will be found wanting when weighed in the balances of the Almighty. They work out human ruin, and must bear the result of their dehumanizing deeds.

To drive them from their injurious work, and diffuse universally through society salutary temperance principles, will not be the work of a moment, an hour, a day, a year, but an age. The temperance army, if it would drive intemperance now intrenched in self-interest from the field, must discipline its forces for a long and severe struggle. Let them fling to the breeze as their watchword, prohibition; rally under the banners of God and Christianity; and no earthly power will be able to impede their march or arrest their victory. We welcome the rising of the tide, and bid it sweep on until the earth shall become a well-watered garden of the Lord.—*Pittsburg Ad.*

Don't support men for office who drink intoxicating liquors. The man who can't govern his own appetite is unfit to govern a State.

Don't support an obscene story-teller for office. A foul mouth indicates a foul character.

Agriculture.

Usefulness of Trees.

Allow me to say a word of kindness on behalf of my stately and unbrageous friends,—*the trees* of the forest. It is, perhaps, owing to the peculiar circumstances in which he is placed, rather than to any lack, either of taste or good judgment, that the Canadian farmer seems to regard them as a sort of natural enemy, to be destroyed by fire and the edge of the axe, and whose useful qualities are to be extracted only in the moment of destruction. But the inexorable logic of facts bids fair to overturn the one-sided conclusion of the backwoodsman, and replace it by that of the man who "sees good in every thing," and who tries to make the most of it.

Some of the chief uses of trees are the following:—

1. They exert a powerful influence in moderating the violence of storms of all kinds, not only by breaking the force of the wind near the earth's surface, but by their many pointed tops acting as an electrical force which is often the true "spirit of the storm."

2. They tend to increase the humidity of the air, and to equalize extremes of temperature, both of which are valuable *desiderata* in our climate.

3. When planted in pretty close rows along fences and roads, they check the violence of the wind, prevent it from leaving the winter-wheat field bare, where the snow is wanted, and blowing into lanes and roads where it is not wanted; thus often obstructing traffic on our principal roads for days at a time, and completely shutting the minor lanes and highways.

Indeed I believe the amount extra of inconvenience, loss, and labor caused by drifted roads and lanes in one season, would be amply sufficient to balance the expense of planting trees along all such exposed places, and as profit we would reckon shade for cattle, and pleasanter roads.

Finally, if anybody avails himself of the suggestions herein contained, let him remember that good hardy fruit-bearing trees are just as easy to plant as any other, and if our municipal authorities would plant double rows of trees, such as evergreen, horse-chestnut, maple, beech, and fruit trees alternately along our highways, they would save many a poor fellow from upsetting his load of cordwood in a snow-drift in one season of the year, while in the other they would afford a pleasant shade to the footman, a grateful resting-place to the cattle, a luscious bit to the adventurous school-boy, and a cool and pleasant drive for themselves.

Washing Wool in Germany.

The process of washing is done under the roof, and, accordingly, no sudden showers of rainy weather can interfere with it. Before the shower bath is administered to the sheep, their dirt or pitch has to be dissolved or loosened. For this purpose a soaking vat is put up, of strong planks or boards, which is covered and tightly put together. It is filled with hot water, equal to eighty-four Fahrenheit; the sheep are then placed in two lines and constantly handled until the yolk and dirt are dissolved, which ordinarily takes from fifteen to twenty minutes. The solvent effect of the hot water is increased by adding a few pounds of potash, and also by the lye arising from the natural oily matter of the wool. The sheep, after being well soaked, are placed under shelter, where they have to wait their turn of the shower bath, in order that the animal, now too much heated, may not pass immediately from the hot soaking vat into the shower-bath, this being from sixty-one to sixty-three degrees Fahrenheit. The water is let upon the sheep through a hose, with a strainer upon the end. It falls with considerable velocity, and is brought to bear upon all parts of the sheep until the wool is of a snowy whiteness. The sheep are then driven to a warm, dry shelter, and shorn as soon as the wool is dry, generally about the sixth day. On an average forty sheep are thus washed in an hour.—*Western Rural.*

Unfermented Manure.

Many excellent farmers have an idea that manure, to be most efficient in raising crops, should be well-rotted; but this is a mistake. Manure loses a very heavy per centage of its real value by decomposition. Fresh manure, dripping with animal urine, hauled directly from the stable on to the land, and ploughed under, is worth nearly double that which has decomposed to a saponaceous consistence. When it is convenient for farmers to haul their manure on corn-ground from the stable, as fast as it is made, it saves handling it twice, and forwards the work in busy spring-time. No fears need be entertained that the atmosphere will carry off the strength of the manure if left on the surface. The only danger to be apprehended by this method, will be in case the ground being frozen, and covered with snow or ice when the manure is applied; if upon sloping land, the virtue of the manure might wash away; but on level land there is no exception to this plan of operation during the entire fall and winter season.—*Germantown Telegraph.*

Ducks and Hens as Egg Producers.

The French Academy of Sciences, the most learned body of men in the world in abstruse studies, has lately had its attention called to the comparative value of ducks and hens in laying eggs. The experiments were made by a Frenchman. His observations were limited to three hens and three ducks, all fine animals, hatched at the same time in the month of February. During the following autumn the ducks laid 225 eggs. They recommenced laying in February, and continued to do so until the middle of August. The hens laid no eggs during the autumn, but began in January and left off about the middle of August. The totals of each at the end of that time were—the hens, 257 eggs; the ducks, 617. He next examined the nutritive value of each kind of egg, and found them nearly equal in that respect. Hence the duck is more profitable than the hen by far.

The Word without the Blow.

I remember, when a boy, how one of the neighboring farmers always excited my wonder by his manner of driving oxen. There was none of the loud shouting and halloing, the flourish and crack of whips, that I was accustomed to see in others; but he walked quietly by their side, or rode in his seat, never raising his voice above his usual tone, never speaking a second time; but whether he wished them to advance or stop, turn to the right hand or to the left, he gave them the appropriate word, as he would speak to you or me; and what most of all upset all my ideas of the requisites for a teamster was, they always obeyed him. Whether the load was light or heavy, whether hauling stones or uprooting stumps, 'twas all the same; they girded their stout necks to the yoke with a right good will, as though they had found a master for whom "duty was pleasure, and love was law." If even the brute creation are thus susceptible to the law of kindness, how much more important it is that the Christian should make it his constant study, as the law of his life!

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