

Words of the Wise.

THE heavens declare the glory of God, but the Gospel makes known His love.

ST. PAUL does not teach like a heathen moralist to put on such a virtue and put off such a vice; but he says, "Put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ," and this is at once to put on all virtue and put off all vice.

HELL is the harvest of iniquity; every sinner reaps what he has sown. Heaven is the harvest of holiness; every saint reaps what Christ has sown for him, and what, under Divine teaching, he has been sowing for himself.

IN this world, man is likely to get what he gives. Men's hearts are like a whispering gallery to you. If you speak softly, a gentle whisper comes back; if you scold, you get scolded. With the measure you mete it is measured to you again.

STRIVE to win the esteem rather than excite the envy of your neighbour by the selfish display of possessions which you know they do not possess, and with which you yourself would not be blessed but for the goodness of Him who loves not selfishness.

WHEN we ask for strength for the day, our thought is usually of that which is needed for our most important work. We should not limit it. The grace that shall save us from evil thoughts, hasty speech, a violent temper or censorious spirit, is just as much needed as the other.

How easy is it for some people to praise themselves and their work; to point out their good qualities—they seldom see the poor ones—and remark on the perfectness of the undertaking. They forget the advice given in the good book, "Let another praise thee, and not thine own mouth."

THE best things are nearest; breath in your nostrils, light in your eyes, flowers at your feet, duties at your hand, the path of God just before you. Then do not grasp at the stars, but do life's plain, common work as it comes, certain that daily duties and daily bread are the sweetest things of life.

It is not the encountering of difficulties and dangers in obedience to the promptings of the inward spiritual life which constitute the tempting of God and providence, but the acting without faith, proceeding on our own errands with no previous conviction of duty, and no prayer for aid and direction.

THERE is no greater mistake than to suppose that Christians can impress the world by agreeing with it. No; it is not conformity that we want; it is not being able to beat the world in its own way; it is to stand apart and above it, and to produce the impression of holy and separate life. This only can give us a true Christian power.

DR. ADDISON ALEXANDER, whose power and grace in dealing with the deep questions of theology have never been excelled, when near the close of his great life, walked to and fro in his room, singing in a low voice:

"I'm a poor sinner, and nothing at all, But Jesus Christ is my all in all." Although able to write fluently in sixteen languages, and well acquainted with thirty, he counted all his gifts and attainments as dross—his own merits as nothing.

ITS WORK IN STRATHROY.

It often happens that the opinion of an experienced man, an expert, if we so call him, conveys greater force than an aggregation of outside, uneducated testimony. And then, too, personal experience or observation is so much more convincing than mere assertion. Trained to habits of analysis and keenest accuracy, and from the very nature of their daily occupation given to the most incisive criticism of anything of a proprietary nature, chemists, as a class, hesitate very long before endorsing anything of a remedial nature whose virtues have been announced through the public press. St. Jacobs Oil, however, is so universally successful and so unvaryingly accomplishes all that it promises, that the able chemist, W. J. Dyas, Esq., of Medical Hall, Strathroy, Ont., sends, with his friendly recommendation, the following from David Harrison, Esq., 9th Co., Township of Caradoc: "Having suffered with inflammatory rheumatism since last July, and hearing of St. Jacobs Oil, I sent for a bottle of the article on the 15th of October. At that time I was confined to the house, and could not possibly get out of bed without assistance. After four applications of the Oil the pain ceased entirely, and I was able to go about Strathroy in less than a week. I cannot give too much praise to St. Jacobs Oil for what it has done for me, and I believe it to be a most reliable remedy in rheumatism. Its wonderful efficacy should be brought to the knowledge of everybody."

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