EVER GIVE Your Thinker a Thought?

Funny things happen in this world and now and then some of them make one an interested observer, for instance: several years ago a man pursued a systematic course of inyestigation to discover what kind of elements the body would take up from the yegetable kingdom out of which to make gray matter in the brain and nerve centres throughout the bedy; also how to prepare this food so that it would be easily digested and allow Nature to make use of these elements. So far the proposition was all right. Question—How to bring all this about?

It took over two years work to solve the problem successfully. After it was solved the food was given to many people and the result watched carefully. When all results were proven beyond doubt the food was put on the market under the name of Grape-Nuts. Then followed public announcement in the newspapers and magazines that such a food was in existence and that it would perform its intended work. People all over the world realized the need of such a food and began purchasing it liberally. It attracted so much attention that a long list of imitators sprung up all over the country. They boiled wheat, roasted it, stewed it, chopped it, mixed it with rye, malt, onts, and perhaps hay—we are not sure—gave it a fantastic name and told the public it was a "Brain food."

Then, from these imitations, came the offering of spoons, knitting needles, chima ware, pictures, doll babies and even pianos to induce people to gorge (themselves with the various and sundry things.

Fortunately the most of these imitation foods are harmless and decently clean so that no real harm is done except that people who pay out money to secure a food for special service have a right to expect an equitable return for that money.

Investigation proves that in practically all cases where imitations are put upon the market, the men who place them are untrained and have no knowledge of the writer, that is made upon the solid, fundamental, scientific basis of food making. If they did have, they would produce original arti

Grape Nuts food is made at the Pure Food Factory of the Postum Cercal Co., Ltd., and sold all over the world.

None of us can tell for what God is educat-None of us can tell for what God is educating us. We fret and murmur at the narrow round and daily task of ordinary life, not realizing that it is only thus that we can be prepared for the high ascend. We must suffer if we reign. We must take the via crucis (way of the cross) submissively and patiently if we would tread the via lucis (way of light). We must endure the polishing if we would be shafts in the quiver of Emmianuel. God's will comes to thee and me in daily circumstances, in little things equally as in great meet them bravely; be at your best always, though the occasion be one of the very least; dignify the smallest summons by the greatness of your response.—Rev. F. B. Meyer.

I was once spending a night in a beautiful home in a large city. At about nine o'clock my host, a gentleman about fifty years of age, got up, went into the hall, and put on his overcoat and rubbers. Returning to the parlor door, he said :

"Excuse me, please, for just a few minu-I am going to say good-night to my

His mother lived three blocks distant, and for thirty years her, son had never failed to go and bid her good night, if he was in the

matter who his guests are, my husband nev-er fails to run over to his mother's and bid her good-night," said the gentleman's wife

her good-night." said the gentleman's wife when he had gone.

Neither he nor she could sleep if this duty had been neglected. When his business compels him to be away from the city he writes to her every day, if only a single line, "Her mental powers are beginning to fail and she forgets many things so that her mind is a blank on some points; but when nine o'clock comes, she always knows the hour, and says: 'It is time for Henry to come and bid me good night."—Selected.

A MINISTER'S LABORS.

Apart from the labors that fruit into puloit ministration and pastoral and public serice, is no acounting to be made so the mental strain and the spiritual travail which are

heart the sorrows of a great many persons who look to him for succor, but there are hours when the tide of his own faith ebbs. Is a minister's fight with his doubts worth anything to the world? Because he always seems so sure of his hold on the eternal verities, is it to be thought that he is content to pass on to others a merely traditional faith, instead one that has been wrought out in long hours of painful questioning and wrought astriumphantly into the very texture of his own life? The effort which a minister makes to keep and broaden, to intensify and make real, his own faith, to adjust it to the growing light of science, is as necessary and as noble a part of his work as anything that he does.

—The Century. minister's fight with his doubts worth any-

THE HEART OF A CHILD.

"Just see, papa! I made all this to day, said a tiny girl, holding up an awkward bit

"Well, I don't care anything about that, child," said the father.

I expected to see the child burst into tears but she went away quite tranquilly. She was so used to such treatment that it did not surprised or hurt her any more.

That father prided himself on his kindness to his children. It was his boast that he never struck one of the whole five. What would he have said if he had been told that his words injured that child as much as beating would? Although he never scolded or said rough things, he was continually manifesting a lack of sympathy with the lit an inalienable part of the ministerial calling? the ones. The blows were falling directly Not only does the minister carry on his on loving childish hearts.

He often wondered why the older children never took him into their plans. He loved his children dearly; he would have enjoyed being a companion of the big boys and girls, but he turned them away again and again when they were tiny children and he might have obtained the key to their hearts.

Oh, fathers and mothers, come into the Oh, fathers and mothers, come into the lives of your children when you can sympathize with the little men and women. Take time to be interested in their affairs, and then you will be spared the bitter pain of being shut out of their confidence, and feeling that they have grown away from you, when they most need you.—Exchange.

The Bible is the only book which show us what we are-not only our needs, but our possibilities. So many men are content to live in the valley or to roam about among the foothills who might be climbing upon the peaks of the higher Christian experience. —John R. Mott.



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