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YOUTHS DEPARTMENT.

THE LITTLE RED-APPLE TREE

The Little-Red-Apple Tree! Oh, the Little-Red-Apple Tree! When I was a little-est bit of a boy, And you were a boy with me!

Oh! the Little-Red-Apple Tree! With the garden beds below, And the old grape arbor so welcomingly Hiding, too, as the sun dripped through In spatters of wasted gold.

Oh! the Little-Red-Apple Tree! In the edge of the garden spot, Where the apples fall so lavishly Into the neighbor's lot— So do I think of you, Brother of mine, as the tree— Girding the ripen wealth of your love To the world as well as me.

Oh, the Little-Red-Apple Tree! Sweet as its fruit is fragrant, Spangled on the leaves so brightly, And rolled o'er the sprouts to buds, Is the memory still and the joy Of the Little-Red-Apple Tree, When I was the little-est bit of a boy, And you were a boy with me!

—James Whitcomb Riley, in St. Nicholas for October.

NOTHING NEW UNDER THE SUN.

The ancient Gauls employed reaping machines in their fields; Theophrastus (B. C. 325) gives a description of a proposed sower. The Jews of Egypt furnished the lock to which Habbe gave his name, and which for a long time was accounted the most secure.

A NOVEL COMPLEX.

A few days ago I was standing by a gentleman, when I expressed a wish to know which point was the north. He at once pulled out his watch, looked at it and pointed to the north.

THE OCEAN'S VOICES.

There is an end of all things since the dawn of time. The world is now in the process of being unrolled, and the people of the future will be as much surprised as we are at the things that are now going on.

CRISIS OF OLD SPAIN.

The Salvo to the Wood is found upon an actual volume mentioned in Novalis upon Walden in the 18th century. An old house in the neighborhood is still pointed out upon a mountain top in which is carried the entire history.

THE GREAT KIDDER.

Jack the Great Kidder is said to be king on the tradition of Carthage, the King of Carthage, and one of the companions of Brutus, who assumed his identity by reciting out the entire history.

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—Tom Thacker.

CATHOLIC CULLINGS.

Coms of Thought From Holy Men Past and Present.

The perfection of a Christian consists in knowing how to mortify himself for the love of Christ.—St. Philip Neri.

A Communion we ought to seek for the remedy of the vice to which we feel ourselves most inclined.—St. Philip Neri.

Time is full of eternity. As we use it so shall we be. Every day has its opportunities, every hour its gift of grace.

If we take all things as from God, and behold all things as in the light of the brightness of His coming, all shall be well.

We must either be the master of our passions, or their slave: it is better to be the hammer than the anvil.—St. Dominic.

To Him who truly loves God nothing more displeasing can happen than the lack of occasion to suffer for Him.—St. Philip Neri.

We are sent into this world that by our own will and choice we should determine our eternal portion. Our eternal state will be no more than the carrying out of what we are now.

The least act of pure love is more precious in God's sight than a whole ocean of charitable works and contributions which are mixed up and debased by worldly fashion, excitement, and self in a thousand terms.

Distractions in prayer are never imputed to us as faults unless when they are voluntary, and when, after having perceived them, we continue in them, without respecting God, in whose presence we are.—St. Basil.

Forwardness is a part of the lawlessness of these days, and shows a decline of the finer instincts of womanhood, and a loss of that delicate Christian conscience which can distinguish not only between what is right and wrong, but between what is dignified and what is undignified both for woman and for man.

We are most liable to temptation at times when we think ourselves least likely to be overcome; when things have been going on smoothly; when we have been long untroubled by assaults. There are times when we have need to watch with tenfold care, lest through our lackness of security, peace should be more dangerous to us than temptation.

That wonderful prayer, the Pater Noster, will be found, if analyzed, to contain simple and brief as it is, the sum of Christian doctrine, of Christian prayer, of Christian virtues, and Christian piety. It is brevity, simplicity, and comprehensiveness prove its more than human origin—that it never could have been composed without divine inspiration.—Dr. Brownson.

What a life is ours! We serve God by day and by stars; we have cold fire and hot fire, like men in an age, like those that are struck by fever; sometimes we are in earnest, sometimes we give up; we are carried away by gusts of temptation; a frown of the world will kill all our good resolutions. Such is our life! perpetually tossed and and fro like waves of the sea.

There have been in your life times and seasons, sometimes in joy, sometimes in sorrow, sometimes in prayer, sometimes in solitude, sometimes in the midst of the world, when there has come down almost a sensible sweetness to your soul, almost a perceptible fragrance in your thoughts. And what is this sweetness and fragrance? It is the Divine Presence scattering abroad the benedictions of sweetness.—Cardinal Manning.

To whom is He not good, this Sovereign Love of whom I have said that there is no happiness can never be asked there, and those who approach His heart cannot find their own will praying and blessing Him for ever. Continue to come yearned, more and more to this dear Saviour. Bury your heart in the charity of His, and let us say with all our hearts: "May His love and His life be a happy death if it takes place in this life. May you be blessed with the benediction which the Divine Goodness has prepared for those who love and adore Him."—St. Francis de Sales.

There is always one friend in whom we may find perfect and complete rest. Our friends often grieve and disappoint us. Our only Divine friend never fails. We may go to Him at any hour. If He be silent, we know His meaning and His mood. He always welcomes us when we come to Him. He listens to our prayers, and he answers us by His word. We know that we have His sympathy; that He feels with us as if we were one; that He is present now, the day is not far off when we shall see Him say: "Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord"—Cardinal Manning.

TO THE DEAD. A person named Deane and others in the year 1882, residing in a remote locality, were found dead in their beds, and were buried in the cemetery of St. John's, Montreal.

A Business Operator's Editor—Here is a fellow who has sold in the first place. Proprietor—But he is in my hands. He is said to be a married man, and he is in my hands.—Harper's Bazar.

There are two things which God does not desire: a man who is not a man, and a man who is not a man. He does not desire a man who is not a man, and he does not desire a man who is not a man.

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