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YOUNG CANADA.

There he is, full of life and spirit, and, well protected from the assaults of Jack Frost, and laughingly sets the icybreathed king at defiance He pays but little attention to the many questions of tremendous import which are now moving the world. The fact of an impending war between Russia and Turkey, interests him much less than his impending upset in a snow drift.

What a young giant he is, and how secure in his own strength, which is of less importance to him just now than his weakness; but in years to come what may he not grow up into. In a few years more he will have day-dreams of future power and usefulness; then again ho will be alone in the world fighting for a name and position which he once thought the world would solicit him to take so that it might be honored. He will then learn to give and receive hard knocks, and will conquer or beconquered; earn for himself an honored name and place amongst honest men or dishonor that given him by his parents.

But there is not much danger of the latter, if his parents have done their duty to him. If a mean act is his abhorrence, a mean thought, a stranger to his mind, he will be proof against the temptations he may be thrown into. If he have a good constitution it will be a good help to him, for many temptations come through these ills which the poet says flesh is heir to, but which in more instances than we would like to acknowledge is his through purchase or through hard persevering work. If his mind be well stored with knowledge, with a good foundation of that truth which leads to life everlasting, and a good constitution, he may be sent out on the world with little fear. and it will be very strange indeed if his little bark be cast adrift, and he do not end his life journey in safety.

And when this end comes, what a difference will there be from the picture before us. There will be looks of silver forming a glorious covering to his head, perhaps rivalling the snow his sleigh now disturbs in whiteness and purity. He will then be as weak as now and will trust in that weakness for strength. He will look back over years of busy life, of bustle and work, and hurry; and they will appear of little importance to him. He will live in the remembrance of what he was as a child, and as his limbs grow weaker, and the present almost passes out of his kn wledge, then the long ago past will become stronger and stronger, and his trust in God will be as pure and implicit as his trust in the long ago had been to his earthly father. Then as his life grows into the future, more pleasant and glorious even than the past, and the immense vista of eternity opens to his gaze he will lose all idea



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of the importance of this life except as a preparation and education for what is to come and pass into the inheritance not worked for but freely given, a joint heir with Christ.

Such we hope may be the future of all the representatives of Young Canada, broader yet of Young America, and such dear readers of the Messenger we hope your lives may be leaving behind you footprints well defined, giving no little strength and comfort to others who may follow you.

THE QUEEN'S HOUSEHOLD DIFFICULITIES.

"It was several years before the Prince and Queen together could make household matters in the royal palaces run smoothly. While nominally master and mistress there, they were in reality little better than lodgers in a hotel, where the landlord and servants had no reason to care whether or no the guests were made comfortable. The palace was officially under the control of three great officers of the lord steward, the lord chamberlain servants must light it. The lord-steward provided the lamps and candles; but the lord chamberlain must wash the inside, and those of the woods and forests the outside, and it, was by no means to be assumed that both sets would agree upon a time, and, before a broken pane of glass could be set or a closet door mended, the sanc-

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tion of so many officials had to be secured, that months might pass before the repairs would be effected "—Appleton's Journal."

SCRIPTURE ENIGMA

VI.

Whom did his servants treacherously slay
As sleeping on his couch at noon he lay?
A prince who, with a missionary band,
Went forth to preach throughout the Holy
Land.

3. A town where mighty miracles were

4.

A town where mighty miracles were wrought,
Which for its sin was to destruction brought.
Before what idol did a Syrian bend
Lest he his heathen master should offend?
Who to withstand the Apostle's preaching sought,
And, on himself a fearful judgment brought?
What did once save from death the human race.

And for a year was their sole dwelling-

place?
A prophet who was called in early youth,
And till old age he served the God of truth.
A mother who did early teach her boy.
The way that leads to everlasting joy.
What king against the tribes of Israel 9

9. What king against the trices
fought
Because a passage through his land they
sought?
10. A word inscribed in Babel's regal hall,
Her impious king to penitence to call.
11. What king would not take counsel of the

wise, But did his father's counsellors despise? What makes the gold with purest lustre

shine.
And is an emblem of God's Word Divine?
What besuteous creatures dwell in heaven above,
And visit earth on messages of love?
Who did, when Judah's tribe was borne

away,
The ruler of the remnant basely slay?
Who brought good news, the apostle's heart to cheer,
When he was sore oppressed with grief

and fear?
A blessed amblem of our Saviour dear,
For those that boust in Him need never

fear.
In the initials of these words we read
A prayer for that which above all we
need.

most drear: The next be viewed with overwhelming

fear.
It easis its beams on every scene of woe,
And throws a radiance on our path below.

Speak in a Low Voice.—A good Quaker, eighty-five years of age, whom no one had ever heard speak a cross word, was asked by a young man how he had been able, through the trials and perplexities of a long life, to keep always so pleasant. He replied: "If you never allow your voice to rise, you will not be likely ever to get very angry."

Never harbor animosity toward a friend for a mere hasty expression. Forgiveness is a God-like quality, and a true friend is so scarce that he should not be repudiated on slight grounds; but those who injure you from "malice prepense" should be shunned as you should avoid a tiger.

— Chalmers says. "The mere existence of the prophecy, 'they shall learn war no more,' is a senience of condemnation upon war, and stamps a criminality on its very forehead; so as soon as Christianity shall gain a full ascendancy in the world, from that moment war disappears."