God's Blessing on Them.

BY CHARLES WILTON. God's blessing on them !- those old saints Who battled hard and long; Who cleft in twain the stubborn chain And conquered might and wrong! O, Time! revere their sanctity, Nor let their glory cease : For by a mortal victory, They sealed immortal peace.

God's blessing on them !- those stout hearts, In these advancing days, Who seek to guide the progress stride From error's countless ways! O, be their track a track of light, The onward march of man; The wise to shape our steps aright-The good to lead the van.

God's blessing on them !- one and all, Of - very rank and clime, Who strive to aid the stern crusade Against the growth of crime! O be their names a rallying cry For ages yet to come; A word whose echo shall not die 'Till nature's self be dumb!

Flowers.

BY MRS. E. OAKES SMITH, Each leaflet is a tiny scroll Inscribed with holy truth, A lesson that around the heart Should keep the dew of youth; Bright missiles from angelic throngs In every by-way left, How were the earth with glory shorn, Were it of flowers bereft !

They tremble on the Alpine heights, The fissured rock they press, The desert wild with heat and sand, Shares, too, their blessedness; Wheresoe'er the weary heart Turns in its dim despair, The meek eyed blossom upward looks,

There's not a heath however rude. But bath some tittle flower To brighten up its solitude, And scent the evening hour. There's not a heart, however cast By grief and sorrow down, But hath some memory of the past To love and call its own.

Inviting it to prayer.

Miscellancous.

A View of Cronstadt.

The following graphic description of Magazine for August :-

nowhere distant more than about six miles the basins before spoken off; and behind from the main land on either side, and even them again are the great magazines, the this, as a navigable distance, is so much dock-yard, and canal. More to the north strattened by spits, shallows and mud-banks, are laid out the barracks and other public painted no color that would fail but green; that the actual passages are reduced to very buildings. confined limits. This is the case espe- Such and so defended is the southern It widens and deepens a little, however, to- lead them against such fearful odds would paintings of Raphael are to'day as fresh as an inner harbor, well locked and sheltered her annals. by a bend in the land, and partly protected by the Oranienbaum spit, which juts out towards it from the south shore, and which being covered by a few feet of water, offers an effectual barrier to the approach of ships, and is impracticable for advance of troops. and is a person whose mental or physical southeast side; but these are so intricate. so environed by shallows and patches, that they are navigable only by vessels of a small class, and afford no regular communication with the north channel, which is broader and deeper in the centre than the other, though it also becomes very shallow at some distance from the shore. The island itself is about six miles long, and a all practical purposes. mile and a half wide at the southeast, its broadest part. This part represents the root, and hangs on, like a square piece, to the tongue, which shoots out, narrow and ties in the state of New York, and in sevnarrower, towards the tip, until it ends in the state of free Lora, The facts tons, and had been transported 160 miles. a few broken rocks over which the waves elicited were astounding, and yet they were Ventulation was better understood by the Waters. --Our readers will doubtless rethe sea, a little barren tract of rock and ined the subject doubted their correctness ined the subject doubted their correctness sand, it would scarcely afford sustenance At that time it was found that, while in for a family or feed a flock of sheep; yet it is a prize which mighty nations strive to

Let us next see how art has enhanced the value of the spot we have been surveying. A first object in the design which sought to convert it into a naval arsenal was of course to find a suitable site for the docks, magazines, and defences which must grow around the harbour and anchorage. The square end of the island was naturally adapted for this purpose. It had a sufficient and compact space for the building; it was surrounded by the sea on all sides, save where it was joined by a narrow neck of land to the promontory beyond, and of circumvaliation; and it offered besides a facility for the digging of immense basins on its south side, which might compensale for the smallness of the luner harbor, three of these—the man-of-war, the middle, relative number of drunkards in the counand the merchant harbor—all entered by reguiar locks from the Little Road. In the two former a great part of the Russian shore five years ago. former a great part of the Russian ships

on, it was deemed necessary that the Great as a beverage, a much larger proportion are to know anything without telling his neigh-Road, and even the entrance, should have drunkards now than formerly.

annihilate any attacking force. ing to the attack. Let us snppose, then, yet we find in this town in 1852, that one that we are making for the entrance. The out of every fourteen of the entire populafirst object which presents itself is the Tul- tion was a drunkard. the guns en barbette and those which may the population by thirty. work, showing a semi-circular front, brist- whole country.

very large calibre, and their fire would el- in the grog shops of the land. fectually sweep the entrance of the channel, flanking and crossing that of Risbank -Great Road, and come within range of Fort Peter, a low fortification on the sameside as Alexander, but nearer to the island. The two low curtains, a larger tower in the centre, and smaller towers at either end comprise the front of this work. It is not main principle in the defence. Last, but

not least, either in size or importance, Fort Menschikoff rises, vast and glaring, tow-Cronstadt is extracted from Blackwood's ering above all the others, with its four of age. The commonest wit, at which we tiers and its massive walls. This was evi-Seen from the sea, at the distance of a dently meant to be the crowning stroke of then showed the superiority of the ancients few miles, Cronstadt looks like the picture the inner, as Risbank was of the outer deof a flood, wherein trees, ships, steeples, and fences. Unlike its brethren, it stands on ot Syracuse, the enemy's ships were burned towers are seen half submerged in the terra firma, and is built near the mole-head by glasses held to the sun. They had malwaves; and the whole scene, viewed at the south angle of the square end of the leable glass, so that when the goblet had through the haze of a sunny day, seems a island. It is apparently a square, solid mass confused maze of gilded cupolas, tall masts, of masonry, constructed without any very and solid foris, all floating in the waters .- elaborate or scientific plan, but presenting As the sky clears and the eye gains its true a front of casemated batteries which would focus the maze resolves itself into the plan flank Cronslott and rake the approaches to of a well defined and formidable stronghold. the inner harbour with a tremendous fire. The forts stand forth clear and distinct, the We might think that the acme of defence had plains of Sicily, see ships enter and come be a blazing sun in a black sky—sunshine ships mark the hard of the hard-near and there are ships enter and come mindled with thick darkness and there The forts stand forth clear and distinct, the ships mark the bay of the harbour, and the been attained by such an aggregation of form the been attained by such an aggregation of form Mauritius must therefore have had a telesmasses of houses even assume a form - tresses; so thought not the Russians, for they Now less than ever does the view present have moored some of the line-of battle ships any feature of picturesqueness and beauty. of their fleet betwixt Menschikoff and Cron- phitheatre, at an immense distance, by the any feature of picturesqueness and beauty. of their fleet betwixt Menschikoff and Cronsider of the victure of their fleet betwixt Menschikoff and Cronsider of the victure plan, not a picture; a plan marked by hard, to the inner harbours and forming an overfirm lines, denoting security and defiance. whelming increase to the force already con-The island of Cronstadt lies in a bight centrated for their protection. Beyond this glass. And Layard brought from Ninereh betwire the two shores of the gulf, and is barrier line, and behind Menschikoff, are a piece of glass, which philosophers and

cially with the main channel, which runs channel of Cronstadt. Such is the place betwirt the island and the south shore, which hairbrained theorists expected our and is so narrow and shallow that its na- fleet to attack and take. English hearts vigation alone, except under experienced are stout, English ships are strong, English and skilful guidance, is a difficulty .- seamen are skilful; but the man who would wards the southeast end, into a toleraby lead them to certain destruction, and leave if they were of yesterday; and in the vault convenient and spacious anchorage, and, the country to mourn over a catastrophe turning thence towards the south, ends in greater and sadder than has yet clouded of ancients, to whom Raphael is but a child

Army of Drunkards.

What do you mean by a drunkard? How many are there in this country? A drunkpowers are so deranged, by intoxicating liquors, as to disqualify him for the ordinary duties of life. A man who is habitually thus effected, is an habitual drunkard, and the man who is occasionally thus under the influence of intoxicating drinks, is an occasional drunkard. If this definition is not scientifically correct, it is near enough for How large is the army of drunkards in

these United States? About twenty-five years ago, a careful some towns the drunkards were only as one now, cut into docks, covered with barracks some towns the great some to fourand storehouses, and surrounded by forts, een of the entire population. The average Christ; and one has been found in Egypt was believed to cause forgetfulness of past was about one out of every thirty two of the 100 feet wide, 80 deep, and 40 miles long. and present woes—the afflicted mind and been a great change in the drinking usages selves that Fulton had invented steamhoats; trammels that bound them, and being thus

time. Several millions of foreigners have come among us within the last twenty years a of granite on carriages by machinery, the last twenty have been of granite on carriages by machinery, the is supposed that the average life of the Irish,

sure, to their intemperance. would thus be protected by a complete line ted documents before us, we learn that not less than four millions (4,000,000) of foreigners have landed upon our shores since 1830. plate, the advertisement of a brickmaker, From what we know of the drinking usages or Little Road, as it is called. There are them, we are satisfied that there is a larger of these people, the drunkenness among the nineteenth century was famous, not for cines as the means to administer to the

we may not know more than the ancients, he during the winter months, whilst their The relative number of "moderate drink we use our knowledge from the cloister and crews are transferred to barracks on shore, ers is much less now than in 1830, and the cowl, and give it to the people. We The next step was to defend these har- in this, and some other respects, the cause have astronomy instead of astrology. Our bours, and, as a consequence, the old-fash. of temperance has been making great prochemists study to advance agriculture, ratoned straggling forcess of Cronstadt arose. gress; but even among those of our native- ther than to discover the secret of immortal Then came Fort Peter; but, as time went born citizens, who use intoxicating liquors youth. We believe that no man has a right

bor. It is the universal diffusion of knowtheir delences. But the passage into the In 1852 a careful examination was made ledge which elevates us above those whose harbors was about mid-channel, and could by men of candour and integrity, and in a "Lost Arts" are the subject of our wonder. not therefore be effectually commanded by single town in one of the New England There is a spirit of human brotherhood, taforts on either shore. This was, however, states the following facts were developed : ken from the New Testament, which inno obstacle, no difficulty to a system which The entire population of the town was 1, spires our age with the feeling of elevating had raised a city on a marsh; and straight- 626. Three hundred and nine-three were and ennobling our fellow-man. - Buffalo way there sprang up a succession of gigan. legal voters. Of the legal voters, one hund Chris. Adv.

tic island fortresses commanding every ap- dred and ninety-three were in the habit of proach, and threatening at many points a using intoxicating drinks; and among them concentration of fire which must inevitably one hundred and sixteen were habitual or occasional drunkards. This is an inland We must review these forts in the reverse town, where almost the entire population order from their construction and begin were engaged in agricultural pursuits, and from the outside, as though we were advanc. nearly all were native born Americans, and

bucken, a tall, solid, beacon-tower standing on a rock, connected probably by a reef on a rock, connected probably by a reef A somewhat extensive examination, made bucken, a tall, solid, beacon-tower standing on a rock, connected probably by a reef on a rock, connected probably by a reef on a rock, connected within the last three years, of portions of different states, taken in connection with the island shore. We steam onwards, and on the right hand, or south side, Fort Risbank rises before us, the latest in conclusion, that, at the present time, one out of every THIRTY of the entire population of these extroardinary erections. Like all the others, it is built on a foundation formed by piles driven into the mud. It has two tiers of casemates, and on its top are guns.

A somewhat extensive examination, made within the last three years, of portions of different states, taken in connection with different states, taken in connection with the foregoing facts, compel us to the conclusion, that, at the present time, one out of every THIRTY of the entire population of the country is an habitual or occasional drunkard. Possibly the thousands of interval time, and delighted in passing their hours of relaxation in the company of children. This betokens a pure and loving nature. Richter says the man loving nature. Richter says the man do love the solicity of children. Henry IV was passionately found of them, and delighted in passing their hours of relaxation in the company of children. This betokens a pure and loving nature. Richter says the man loving their hours of relaxation in the company of children. This betokens a pure and loving nature. Richter says the man loving nature. Richter says the man loving nature. Richter says the man loving nature. Shirt Collars, &c. &c. Carpet Bags, Carpeting, Heavy Fett Drugget, Cotton and Wool either side, which at the angles rounds off ing the proportion to be the same in each him urging the king to gallop in imitation into towers. The number of guns in this of the states of the Union, all that would of a horse, an ambassador suddenly entered fort is variously stated, but we could count be necessary, to ascertain the drankards and surprised the royal family in the midst fifty-six embrasures in this front, besides in any particular state would be to divide

be mounted on the rear-face. In describ- If this be so, and on the supposition that ing these fortifications it is difficult to use there is as much drunkenness in Illinois as proper terms of art, as their peculiar con- in New York and New England, and alstruction and peculiar purposes required lowing our present population to be 1,250, many and wide deviations from general 000, then we have in our state fortyintelligible rather than scientific. A little drunkards; and an army of habitual or befarther on, on the left hand, or north side, casional drunkards, of more than eight Fort Alexander greets us, a huge round hundred and sizty six thousand in the his study, engaged with its laborious inves-

ling with four rows of guns, one row en What has created this army? What tion consisted in collecting about him in barbette. This fort is said to contain one sustains it? What, as its members die off, his study children of both sexes, whom he handred and thirty two guns; they are of fill its ranks? The answer may be found watched, and sometimes he took part in

Passing Alexander, we are fairly in the sround the business of making drunkards? serve their several di-positions; and when -Northwestern Chris. Adv.

"The Lost Arts."

This was the theme of a lecture recentequal to the two others in dimensions or ly delivered before the Young Men's Asnumber of guns, but is still very formidable sociation, in this city, by Wendell Phillips. from its enfilading position. On the oppo. of Boston.] The lecturer commenced by site side just in front of the point of the an expose of the folly and self-conceit of Oranienbaum spit, and fronting the mouth the people of the nineteenth centuryof the inner harbour, Cronslott, or Cron which, he said, was to be seen from our Castle, threatens us. This, the oldest of Fourth of July oration up to the Declaration the series, the first demonstration of the of Independence. He said that originality scheme of defence which has been extend- of invention was not the characteristic of ed and multiplied so vastly, is inferior to the people of this century, as was claimed. its successors in design and elaborate work. Our poets, our painters, our sculptors, meremanship. Though rather a crude effort, it ly aspire to be copyists of the ancientsanswered its first purpose, as a single for- and illustrated it by the Italians, who while tress, well enough, and even now would speaking of Powers, the American sculpplay no mean part in the flanking and con- tor-do not say, "he is perfect"-for that play no mean part in the hamaning would be tame; but they say, he is a centrating combination which forms the Phidias." Bulwer's best piece was stolen from a romance 1,200 years old; and his funniest joke from an old novel, 800 years laugh is 2,500 years old. The lecturer in the manufacture of glass. At the siege fallen from the hand of the king of Persia on the marble pavement, it was merely idented by the fall, and was hammered back to its original shape. The telescope was claimed as a modern invention; but Maurivius could, by the aid of a glass from the cope. Nero while seated in the Roman amchemists pronounced a piece of telescope. In colors, also, the lecturer claimed supe riority for the ancients. The Egyptians and white, the most difficult with us, was the most durable with them. Wilkinson, the painter, had a piece of stucco, which he brought from Egypt, painted crimson, and which was an inch thick in the stucco. This he ground down in London, and with it he painted some of his best pieces. The which Nero dug out, were found paintings -and which have freshness and softness that our painters cannot touch. The lecturer concluded this part by saying "these old barbarians knew how to mix paints." Metals had been claimed by the age in which we live; but there were those immense obelisks, one of which Napoleon moved to France, and on which Louis Philippe had undertaken to cut an inscription, and in doing so, destroyed upwards of three eral confessions of an elliptical form, with dozen of the best chisels that could be corresponding ellipses, in which, whoever made. Humboldt found chisels in a copper mine in South America which are of the priest. A borrible amount of scandal more durable manufacture than modern sprung up in town; nobody's sins were safe mechanics can produce.—The best blades Mechanic Arts the ancients beat us. Those it; but at last, by chance, a discovery was pyramids must have been moved 100 miles, that. Herodotus says he saw a temple cut ning Post. Egyptians than it is by us. The ancients member the magic properties assigned the ventilated their tombs; while we do not River Lethe in the Mythology of ancient ventilate our houses. We had thought that Greece. In those darker ages superstition we had originated canals; but there are five held predominant sway, and usurped the The people of this country flatter them- diseased body could alike throw off the ards, among our American-born citizens, but Arago has a model of a steam out in longer the states of metallicens, brought from Greece; and Homer tells us of thralment, finished the rest of their days with a warrior who was carried home in a ship indifference to the past, and unalloyed anwithout sails or paddles. Railroads are ticipation for the future. wheels running in grooves cut out of stone; that we have a Lethe near our homes and and a similar railroad has been found in hearths, whose waters not occasionally, but after they reach this country, is only seven Central America. The lecturer proceeded at all times flow in one continuous stream of to show that almost every thing which we healing beneficence ! claim to have originated is stolen from the ancients, and the onlything left us is the ty influence of the remedies which bear the printing press and the electric telegraph. name of the world famed and renowned But he while at Naples, saw a stereotype Professor Holloway.

Relaxations of Great Men.

It is interesting to note the amusements. of learned and great men of present and past times. Their predilections, their private tastes, their amusements, their domestic habits, their relaxations—in a word, all that satisfies them, annoys them, amuses DRY GOODS tic habits, their relaxations-in a word, all them-are capable of furnishing useful leshabits help us to a knowledge of him and

tiers of casemates, and on its top are guns mounted en barbette. The front, facing the estimate, but we think not essentially. The army of entrance obliquely, presents a curve springing from the centre, with a short curtain on
sither side, which at the angles round of ing the presents at the pr feet, asked, "Have you any children, Mr. Ambassador ?" "Yes, sir," "In that case I proceed with the sport," replied the king.

The Duke of Wellington was extremely fond of children, and was a general favorite with them. He enjoyed their gambols, took part in them, and was constantly preprinciples. We must, therefore, try to be one thousand and six hundred (41,600) senting them with little keepsakes and pre-

Leibnitz used to pass months together in tigations. At such times his only relaxa-Ought the people to allow this work to go delighted to observe their lively movements, on? Ought the shield of law to be thrown to listen to their conversation, and to ob-

by played the part of the clergy, I was the current, for which my sisters of the main series of the control of the author of Athalic singing in the author of Athalic singing in the sauce, and standing in front of a mirror with him, there make the oddest grimaces in the glass. At breakfast he would take the child upon his knee, dip his finger in the sauce, and daub his face with the would take the child upon his knee, dip his finger in the sauce, and daub his face with the control of aughed and the child's governess scoled, the Emperor, were almost themselved to make the contract are controlled to make the contract and the sauce and the dealers and the dealers and the child shall be conveyed on such days and at such hours from the control of a mirror with him, there make the oddest grimaces in the glass. At breakfast he would take the child upon his knee, dip his finger in the sauce, and daub his face with the child's governess scoled, the Emperor, were almost themselved the common and the child shall and the child almost always pleased, appeared to delight in the rough caresses of his father. Those who on such of the control of the propose, and the child shall be conveyed to severe the common control of the propose, and the child's governess scoled the cross."

In which my sisters (8t. Mary's, and country liarbour, becaute the child upon his knee current, for which they would a more propose, and the child's governess and the child upon his knee current, for which they would a more propose, and the child's governess scoled to the control of the propose and the child's governess scoled to the control of the propose and the child's governess scoled to the control of the propose and the child's governess scoled to the control of the propose and the child's governess scoled to the control of the propose and the child's governess scoled to the control of the propose and the child's governess scoled to the control of the propose and the child's governess scoled to the control of the propose and the child's governess s Emperor, were almost always sure of being favorably received.

Mysteries of the Air.

Let a man roll a little air in his mouth. and what is that? Let Napoleon twist it between his lips, and the whole world is at manage it with his tongue that there shall be everywhere peace. It is but a little agitated air that sets man in motion. If we could live without air, we could not talk or hear any sounds without it. There would would be every where an awful silence. There is less air in the lower regions of the atmosphere; the bottom crust of air, is, course densest. Saussure fired a pistol on the summit of Mount Blanc, and the report was like the snapping of a stick. There is well at Fulda three hundred palms deep; throw a sione down it, and the noise i makes in its descent will be like the firing of park of cannon. It goes down among the dense air, and also it reverberates. When tained by application at Hea man speaks he strikes the air with his throat and mouth, as the stone strikes water, and from his tongue as from the stone, spread undulating circles with immense ra-

Those circles may be checked and beaten back in their course, as it is with the BY MRS. PHEBE PALMER. waves of a sound made by a stone tumbling multiplied. At the castle of Simoneti, near Milan, one low note of music begets a concert; for the note is echoed to and fro by the great wings of the buildings that reflect and multiply a sound just as light is, and may be brought in the same way to a focus A word spoken in the focus of one ellipsis will be heard in the focus of an opposite ellipsis hundreds of yards away. Such a church of Agrigentum, in Sicily. The architect, perhaps intentionally-built in serstood, heard all the secrets whispered to, sprung up in town; nobody's sins were sale res. It will greatly assist them to explain faith to the scholars.—Sunday School Advocate. that we make will rust; but Saladin's sword The church soon became such a temple of Mrs Palmer is well acquainted with her subject, and made of the tale-telling tones, and the walls and nothing but machinery accomplished had their ears stopped.-Saturday Eve-

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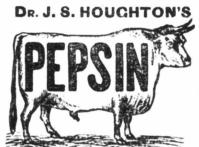
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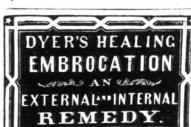
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