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If this little puppy were a person, he would certainly feel highly flattered at the attention he is receiving from three dogs, much older than himself, as well as his loving mistress. We are afraid a human slothful genius. being would have his head turned by it all,

to allow such things to affect whatever vanity he already has in his little head.

DO IT WELL.

An adage has it: "Whatsoever is worth doing at all is worth doing well." This motto is the keynote of success. The boy who plays with a right good will, when it is the proper time for play, and who studies just as hard as he plays, is the boy who will get on in life.

Michael Angelo was one day explaining to a visitor at his studio what he had been doing at a statue since his previous visit. "But these," remarked his friend, " are trifles."

"It may be so." replied Michael Angelo, "but trifles make perfection, and perfection is no trifle."

Samuel Smiles declares that "close obthings is the secret of ervation of little

success in business, in art, in science, and any service, it is due to nothing but in-year, I was so nervous that if any one spoke in every pursuit in life."

When Charles James Fox was appointed secretary of State, being piqued at some emarks made about his penmanship, he ctually took lessons from a writing naster, that he might do better. Though ery stout, he was especially expert at the

how he managed it so well, he replied: more than he gets is not likely to get any "Because I am a very painstaking more; for, if he does, he will be receiving man."

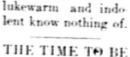
Earnest application and attention to all the details will accomplish more than should be applied to the Christian life.

more than he is worth.

The rule of doing everything well

God wants whole-hearted service. We The great Sir Isaac Newton once said are to be "fervent in spirit," as well as but this poor invalid puppy is far too wise to a friend: "If I have done the public "not slothful in business." Be brave.

active, and earnest as Christians, and you will find a joy and sweetness in the service of God that the lukewarm and indolent know nothing of.



PLEASANT.

" Mother's cross," said Maggie, coming out into the kitchen with a pout on her

Her aunt was busy ironing; she looked up and answered Maggie: "Then is the very time for you to be pleasant and helpful. Mother was awake a good deal of the night with the baby."

Maggie made no reply. She put on her hat and walked off into the garden. But a new idea went with her-" the very time to be pleasant is when other people are cross."

"True e n o u g h," thought she, "that would do the most good. I remember when I was ill last

to me I could hardly help being so cross: Buffon said of genius: "It is and mother never got cross or out of patience, but was quite pleasant with me. I ought to pay it back now, and I will."

And she jumped up from the grass on and well will sooner or later be called up which she had thrown berself, and turned came of court tennis; and when asked higher. The man or boy who is worth no a face full of cheerful resolution towards



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dustry and patient thought."

An Eastern proverb declares "Time and patience turn the mulberry leaf to satin."

He who does humble labour faithfully