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THERE is nothing terrible in death but that our life hath made it so.—*Matthew Henry.*

FAITH is the soul's trust in Jesus as our salvation. It ought to bring a delightful sense of security.

LET friendship creep gently to a height; if it rushes to it, it may soon run itself out of breath.—*Fuller.*

THAT was a good prayer of the old deacon: "Lord, make us willing to run on little errands for Thee."

THE infidel Arab said, "I will loose my camel and trust in God." The man of faith says, "I will tie my camel and trust in God."

Let us be content in work, To do the thing we can, and not presume To fret because it's little.

—*Mrs. Browning.*

As a countenance is made beautiful by the soul's shining through it, so the world is beautiful by the shining through it of God.—*Isaiah.*

A HEART divided between God and mammon, though it may imitate the matter so as to appear plausible, will, in the day of its discovery, be found guilty.

IT is not sufficient that we have some doctrinal knowledge of Christ, or that we make a profession of faith in Him, but we must hearken to His word and obey Him.

ALL who are savingly converted are called by the grace of God; their conversion is the effect of His good pleasure concerning them, and is effected by His power and grace in them.

NO FLOWER can grow in Paradise that is not transplanted from Gethsemane; no one can taste of the fruit of the Tree of Life that has not tasted of the Tree of Calvary.—*Leigh Richmond.*

THE Scriptures give four names to Christians, taken from the four cardinal graces:—*Saints*, for their holiness; *Believers*, for their faith; *Brethren*, for their love; *Disciples*, for their knowledge.

A RELIGION that never suffices to govern a man, will never suffice to save him. That which does not distinguish him from a sinful world, will never distinguish him from a perishing world.—*John Howe.*

JACOB'S heart was never so full of joy as when his head lay hardest. God is often most present with us in our greatest dejections, and loves to give comfort to those who are forsaken of their hopes.

THE joys of the world bring sorrow, but the sorrows of repentance are full of joy. If it be bitter anguish to know that we are sinners, is it not unspeakable joy to know that we are saved by grace?

CHRIST is an inhabitant in the soul of every good Christian. Where His Spirit dwells, there He dwells; and He dwells in the heart by faith—by means of the continual exercise of faith upon Him.

IT would be of great use for the discovery and confirmation of the truth, if the disciples of Christ would compare their observations and experiences, and communicate to each other what they know and have felt in themselves.

THERE are men in the world who wear a girdle of fret, as tying as any friar's to annoy themselves. They fancy that in such experience is to be found the highest fulfilment of religious duty, and the truest expression of this world's probation.—*Rev. Stephen H. Tjoms.*

IT ought to be the great care of every one of us to follow the Lord fully. We must follow Him universally, without dividing; uprightly, without dissembling; cheerfully, without disputing; constantly, without declining; and this is following Him fully.—*M. Henry.*

Little crosses, little cares, Little things that give us pain, As we bear them ill or well, Turn to endless loss or gain.

Little trials now may bring Golden lessons to the heart, Which, perhaps, in after-years, Stern sorrows must impart.

—*Countess of Rothes.*

THOSE who have been kept faithful in great trials for the time past, have reason to hope that the same grace will be sufficient to

help them still to live by faith, till they receive the end of their faith and patience, even the salvation of their souls. If we live by faith, and die by faith, our souls are safe forever.

EVERY real and searching effort at self-improvement is of itself a lesson of profound humility. For we cannot move a step without learning and feeling the waywardness, the weakness, the vacillation of our movements, or without desiring to be set upon the Rock that is higher than ourselves.—*W. E. Gladstone.*

THE source, or motive, of giving to God, and the purpose to which the money given is to be applied, are entirely distinct. The purpose should never serve as the motive. Men are not to give because money is necessary. They are to give simply because giving is necessary. And giving is necessary for the sake of the giver. It is for the giver's own benefit that God expects him to give.—*Churchman.*

WHEN may a person be charged with cowardice? When he fears to tell the truth; when he insults the weak; when he is afraid to do right; when he shrinks from maintaining that which he knows to be good; when he prevaricates on being detected in error or falsehood; and especially when he knows certain things of himself and is afraid to own it.

I MUST pray to God that somebody else may do whatever I left undone. But I shall not have any right to that prayer unless I do my duty whenever I see it. And oh! to how much duty we are blind and deaf! But at least we may pray that God will lighten our eyes and open our ears, and I believe a sincere soul was never left with that prayer unanswered.—*Edward Garret.*

CULTURE when it assumes its proper place illumined by faith, and animated by devout aspirations, acquires a dignity and depth, which of itself it cannot attain. From faith it receives its highest and most worthy objects. It is chastened and purified from self-reference and conceit. It is prized no longer, merely for its own sake, or because it exalts the possessor of it, but because it enables him to be of use to others who have been less fortunate. In a word, it ceases to be self-isolated, and seeks to communicate itself as widely as it may. So culture is transmitted from an intellectual attainment into a spiritual grace.

PITIFULNESS has sometimes forgotten God; a great people never did. The skepticism of the last century could not uproot Christianity, because it lives in the hearts of the millions. Do you think that infidelity is spreading? Christianity never lived in the hearts of so many millions as at this present moment. The forms under which it is professed may decay, or they, like all that is the work of man's hands, are subject to the changes of moral beings; but the spirit of truth is incorruptible; it may be developed, illustrated, and applied; it never can die; it never can decline. No truth can pass away. The flame is undying, though generations disappear. Wherever moral truth has started into being, humanity claims and guards the bequest.

THE reason why a great many people seem to be always changing their faith, is that they never really have any faith. They have indeed what they call a faith, and are often very positive about it. They have gathered together a number of opinions and fancies, often very ill considered, which they say that they believe, using the deep and sacred Word for a very superficial and frivolous action of their wills. They no more have a faith than a vagrant has a home who sleeps upon a different doorstep every night. And yet he does sleep somewhere every night, and so these wanderers among the creeds, at each given moment are believing something, although that something is forever altering. We do not properly believe what we only think. A thousand speculations come into our heads, and our minds dwell upon them, which are not, therefore, to be put into our creed, however possible they seem. Our creed, our credo, anything which we call by such a sacred name, is not what we have thought, but what our Lord has told us. The true creed must come down from above and not out from within. Have your opinions always, but do not bind yourself to them. Call your opinions your creed and you will change it every week. Make your creed simply and broadly out of the revelation of God and you may keep it to the end.—*Rev. Phillips Brooks.*

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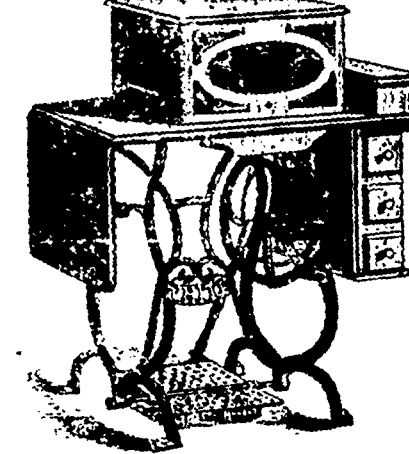
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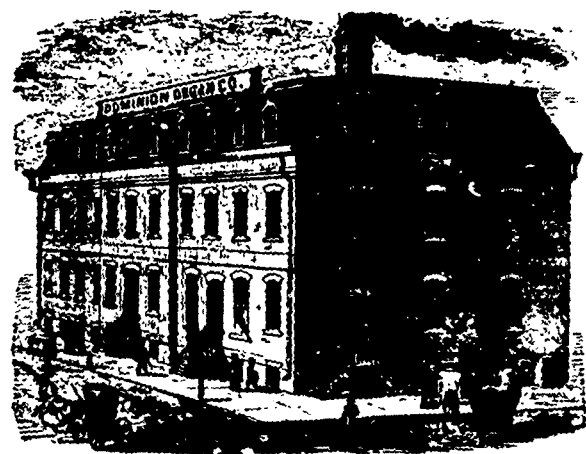
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