

An' yet when I think o't
I'm sair like to greet:
She may feel for my sorrow—
She's a mither, yo see;
An' maybe she kent o't
When she noddit to me!

THE BARTHOLOMI STATUE—(FRANCE'S GIFT
TO AMERICA.)

The land that, from the rule of kings,
In freeing us, itself made free,
Our Old World Sister, to us brings
Her sculptured Dream of Liberty:

Unlike the shapes on Egypt's sands
Uplifted by the toil-worn slave,
On Freedom's soil with freemen's hands
We rear the symbol free: and gave.

O France, the beautiful! to thee
Once more a debt of love we owe:
In peace beneath thy Fleur de lis,
We hail a later Rochemaeu!

Rise, stately Symbol! holding forth
Thy light and hope to all who sit
In chains and darkness! Belt the earth
With watch-fires from thy torch uplift!

Reveal the primal mandate still
Which Chaos heard and ceased to be,
Trace on mid-air th' Eternal Will
In signs of fire: "Let man be free!"

Shine far, shine free, a guiding light
To Reason's ways and Virtue's aim,
A lightning flash the wretch to smite
Who shields his license with thy name!
JOHN GREENLEAF WHITTIER.

THE SAVINGS BANK OF LIFE.

SUNDAY is God's special present to the working man; and one of its chief objects is to prolong his life and to preserve efficient his working tone. In the vital system it acts like a compensation fund; it replenishes the spirits, the elasticity and vigor which the last six days have drained away, and supplies the force which is to fill the six days succeeding. In the economy of life it answers the same purpose as, in the economy of income, is answered by a savings bank. The frugal man who puts aside a pound to-day, and another pound next month, and who in a quiet way is always putting by his stated pound from time to time, when he grows old and frail gets not only the same pounds back again, but a good many pounds beside. And the conscientious man, who husbands one day of existence every week—who, instead of allowing the Sunday to be trampled and torn in the hurry and scramble of life, treasures it devoutly up—will find that the "Lord of the Sabbath" keeps it for him, and in length of days and a hale old age gives it back with usury. The savings bank of human existence is the weekly Sabbath.

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