

ABOUT BEN ADHEM AND THE ANGEL.

Abou Ben Adhem (may his tribe increase)
Awoke one night from a deep dream of peace
And saw within the moonlight in his room,
Making it rich and like a lily in bloom,
An angel, writing in a book of gold.
Exceeding peace had made Ben Adhem bold,
And to the presence in the room he said,
"What writest thou?" The vision raised
its head,
And with a look made of all sweet accord
Answered, "The names of those who love
the Lord."
"And is mine one?" said Abou. "Nay,
not so,"
Replied the angel. Abou spoke more low,
But cheerily still, and said, "I pray thee,
then,
Write me as one that loves his fellow-men."
The angel wrote and vanished. The next
night
It came again, with a great wakening
light,
And showed the names whom love of God
had blessed,
And lo! Ben Adhem's name led all the
rest.

—Leigh Hunt.

SAVED IN ANSWER TO PRAYER.

It has been almost a year ago now that a man came into our evening service and at its close, as is my habit, I was greeting the people at the door and after passing a few commonplace remarks with him I asked if he was a member of any church, and he said, "No, I have no time for such things." This gave me my text and we sat down and had an earnest talk together and I found he had been a "rank" infidel for about fifteen years and had even lectured in its defense. After he went home I called a few of the people together and we

all promised to pray each day for this man by name. The next Sunday evening he came again and we had another long talk and I noticed that he had been fighting the Holy Spirit all week. We kept on praying. The third Sunday he came to all three services and in the evening he yielded to God. At a cottage prayer meeting the next Tuesday evening—two days later—he stood up and said, as near as I can recall, "For two weeks, friends, I have been in torment and had no peace at all, but I want to say tonight that I am trusting the Jesus you all trust and I am believing the Bible you all believe, please don't stop praying for me." A few weeks later I baptized him and also his wife, and since that time it has been a steady growth, in character and service. There are some things, thank God, that we know experimentally about God's Word which all "modern findings" cannot in any wise cause to tremble. There are some who would try to dispute with us about this power of prayer and often the conversion of our friend referred to as evidence. "For the man was above forty years old, on whom this miracle of healing was showed." He is striving now to win his brothers to the Saviour and his firm, manly life and quiet confident words are giving great confidence in God—S. V. Whitmore, in the Commonwealth.

OPPOSITION TO THE LORD'S DAY.

"In the lapse of a generation we have seen enough to give us heart about Sunday and all the questions related to it, or bound up with its fortunes. It is a remarkable fact, so far as my experience goes, that nothing that has ever been deliberately organized in opposition to Sunday has ever succeeded. For a time it has made a splash, but the day of grief has sooner or later darkened upon it. This fact cannot be put amongst the supernatural; it is too bulky a fact to permit of such

easy disposal. For a time, as I have admitted there may be much hilarious shouting and mighty bragging of unspiritual men, but the laugh of the derisive heavens has always announced the rout of the assailant and the filing of his petition in bankruptcy. I put my hand to this as to an affidavit. I will go further and testify that within my personal observation no heterodoxy permanently thrives. Even magic-lanterns have their day and cease to be. They are toys for a season only. Old practices, eccentric doctrines, fads, megrims, and all sorts of intellectual curiosities may flourish for a time, but having no deepness of earth, they soon wither away. False doctrine, however eloquently expounded, hardly ever pays its own rent. Many a startling heterodoxy intended to bring in an intellectual renaissance has had its light cut off by some sordid gas company, callously indifferent to modern speculation and the artistic temperament. Account for it as we may, it is the Gospel old and undified that alone can stand the wear and tear of time and grow younger with the wasting years."—Joseph Parker.

LAYING THE FOUNDATIONS.

When gold was first discovered in California, they used to saw timber in New England, and frame it into buildings ready to put up, and stow them into the holds of ships, and carry a whole village in one ship, to be put up in that new region. Had you gone into that ship and peered into the hold to see what the village was like, you would have been disappointed at seeing a confused heap of planks and boards. But if you had taken them out, fitted part to part on a green hillside, shaded with trees and surrounded with gardens, you would then see what that work was that had been done far away. Such was the work done by the early church. They were working at plans, foundations, making beginnings, making experiments, and we enter their labors.—Ex.

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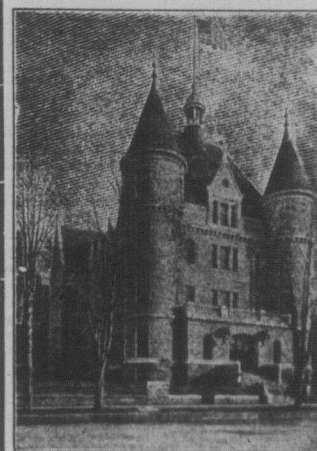
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