The family IS YOUR LAMP BURNING?

Say, is your lamp burning, my brother ? I pray you look quickly and see; For if it were burning, then surely Some beams would fall brightly on me.

Straight, straight is the road, but I falter, And often fall out by the way : Then lift your lamp higher, my brother, Lest I should make fatal dely.

There are many and many around you Who follow wherever you go; you thought that they walked in a shadow Your lamp would burn higher, I know.

Upon the dark mountains they stumble; They are bruised on the rocks, and they lie With their white pleading faces turned upward To the clouds of the pitiful sky.

There is many a lamp that is lighted : We behold them near and afar; But not many of them, my brother, Shine steadily on like a star.

I think were they trimmed night and morning They would never burn down or go out, Though from the four quarters ot heaven The winds were all blowing about.

If once all the lamps that are lighted Should steadily blaze in a line. Wide over the land and the ocean, What a girdle of glory would shine.

How all the dark places would brighten ! How the mists would roll up and away How the earth would laugh out in her gladn To hail the millennial day !

Say is your lamp burning, my brother? I pray you look quickly and see, For if it were burning, then surely Some beams would fall brightly on me. Friend's Review.

THE TEMPERANCE DEMONSTRATION AT THE FREE TRADE HALL, MANCHESTER, ENGLAND.

On Thur day, the 26th ult., the Free-trade Hall was densely thronged by friends of temperance, chiefly in connection with the Weslevan Methodist body, of which the Annual Conference was being held in Manchester. So great was the interest shown, that a second meeting was held concurrently in the Assemblyroom. During the evening a musical selection was sung by the Wesleyan chapel choirs of various Manchester circuits. Mr. W. H. Whitehead officiated on the organ.

After singing and prayer, the chairman. James H. Swanton, Esq., J. P., of Dublin, made an opening speech. The powerful arthe total abstinence pledge, and he now felt a the Permissive Bill, and one of his strongest was hoped that before long the Mayor would of our God. with them on this Permissive Bill question.

sing, death claimed its victims as day succeeded pression of intemperence and the spread of to- Daniel, as to Belsbazzar, are entirely removed to day and night to night; hell was enlarging tal abstinence. I have watched the rise and by a little document exhumed in our own day itself; and should they stand still and look growth, the youth and manhood, of those or- from the soil of Mesopotamia by the exertion to day and night to night; hell was enlarging the abstinence. I have watches the value of the soil of Mesopotamia by the exertion itself; and should they stand still and look growth, the youth and manhood, of those or-upon all this, and do nothing to arrest this tre-ganisations. The BritishTemperance League of the Sarman King of Assersia " has been cleared." Life Insurance Company, of Maine. Just received at the Westerstary mendous evil and drive it from our land? Mr. which Alderman Barlow is the treasurer- the "Sargon, King of Assyria," has been cleared Hardy afterwards described his own tempcrance large-hearted, generous man, whose life may up by recently discovered Assyrian inscripwork amongst the soldiers in the army. The Rev. William Gorman, a delegate of the been formed about seven years when I signed throws the clearest light upon St. Luke's state-Irish Conference, stated, in the course of his pledge, and the National Temperance League infidel Strauss declared "contradicted his- No Stock or Guarantee Capital drawing interest, but in lieu thereof

adopted a petition to the Legislature in favour doing marvellous work for good in the draw- ory."-Record. of the Permissive Bill. They were spending ing-rooms of this laad, and amongst the officers in Ireland, he said, about eight millions per an- and civilians, in public and in private; an num in drink; about two millions of money amount of good which no one can possibly estimore than the entire imports of the country; mate. The Bands of Hope I have watched, about four times as much as they gave to the and have tried to form them in every cir- bees, but they should not be encouraged in the elief of the poor; and about twenty times as cuit, and to govern them. I have no fear warfare. Bumble bees, like all the hymenopmuch as was spent on the national education of for total abstinence societies producing dithe people. They wanted a great strong effort vision or strife it the ministers will take of nature. The vein-winged insects which fly to sweep away from their land this great mon- the lead and govern them. It was my honster wickedness

tion was that if all the drink in the country piness acd honour to be among the first, if not merable noxious caterpillars and other insects, were driven out of the country it would be the first, who formed the "Grand Alliance" which they convert into wholesome food for vastly the better for it. He had oace, in ar- the Alliance whose noble banner is now floatguing the point with a gentleman, asked him ing on the walls of Westminster, and upheld to point out a single house at that end of the with strong and steady hand by our brave Sir well in the fertilization of white clover, but its town that had not suffered in some way through Wilfrid Lawson-that Alliance on whose coltrong drink. They began at one end, and lours is seen glowing the grand device, "To- to reach the nectaries of the red clover. For got through several streets, and then the gen- tal prohibition of the liquor traffic." Nor do the fertilization of the red clover, we must rely tleman gave it up, for they could not find a we intend to trail that banner in the dust, nor to a great extent upon the bumble bee. single house that had not so suffered. He had to take down the standard until we have that been in rather unfavorable circumstances for a law in the statue-book of our realm, and the connection between the number of cats in a gigreat part of his life, for talking about this sooner Queen Victoria signs that law for us- ven district and the yield of red clover seed. movement. The fact was he had lived amongst the sooner she puts her delicate hand to sign The mice destroy the bumble bees, and the a nation of teetotalers to a great extent. Some that law as the law of this land, the sooner will cats destroy the mice; therefore the more cats people said strong drink could not be done she add to her glorious crown a pearl that will the more bumble bees, and the more bumble without; especially, they sometimes asked him, shine brightly indeed. The speaker went on How did you do in India, in the hot climate? to remark on the waste of mon ey and the loss der to make red clover grow more abundantly Why, he was just in the very country where the of life through strong drink. During the past in New Zealand than it does, some enterprising native who had the slightest respect for his thirty years, he remarked, there had passed gentlemen are talking of importing colonies of character would never touch either wine, or away to their solemn account a million and a bumble bees from England. Our young friends beer, or any intoxicating drink whatever. I was balf of drunkards. He continued: I have found will thus see how earnestly the bumble bee is dining one day, continued Mr. Sauderson, with this liquor traffic has been the great obstacle to desired in countries where he works not. Then the Bishop of Madras. His Lordship called to moral and spiritual progress. If has been the should we not protect what we have, and which his butler, "Why don't you bring beer to chief cause of the backslidings I have met with performs such important services in our fra-Mr. Sanderson ?" I said, "I never take beer." in my own churches. It has spared none. It has grant meadows? We think so, even if it does What you keep up those good looks in this laid its traps silently for the young; it has robhot climate, after all the years you have been bed the mother and the father; it has leaped boyhood. - Turf, Field, and Farm. here, without beer?" "Yes, my lord," I said, up to the pulpit, and has taken away from us it is because I do not take beer that I pre- the leader of his class and the local preachers,

serve these looks. The good looks that are members. Young and old alike it has ruined kept up with beer, are kept up in spite of it, and and brought to a drunkard's grave. And am I not in consequence of it. This question is of wrong to-night in stating that drunkenness is the greatest importance, to every missionary on the increase ! I know this may be disputed especially, and I believe to every minister of -it is disputed; but after lengthy observation the Gospel too. I would not condemn or cast I am come to the solemn conviction at this moreflections upon those who hold different opini- ment that drunkenness is increasing in our land ns from mine. I express my own opinion on- especially amongst women- through that unforly; but if every Methodist preacher and mem- tunate Gladstone's Wine Act, that unfortunate ber were rigid teetotalers, we should see a very Act which has licensed our grocers, and bakers different state of things from what we do see. our confectioners, and our tailors and our It is sometimes said with very great sorrow by drapers, to sell the poison. I denounce this

some who conscientiously say it, that teetota- traffic, the speaker concluded, as the grand lism has destroyed our society in many places. obstructive to all spiritual and moral progress guments of the Rev. S. R. Hall, at the Metro- I admit it. But how? In India we have tropi- -the great cause of rags, wretchedness, and politan-hall, in Dublin, had induced him to sign cal rains sometimes. They come down in such woe. I denounce it as the great barrier to the immense quantities that they sweep everything pulpit and the teacher; and I ask this audience freedom he never had felt before in his Christian course, the only chain which bound him to made for them. What do we do? Why we enough has it struck its scorpion fangs in the worldly customs being broken. Alluding to construct tanks, artificial lakes; and instead of veins of liberty. Long enough has it poisonthe Permissive Bill meeting held not long since deluging the country, we draw it off in streams ed our homes, demoralised the population, defiin Dublin, he said he recollected that at that that fertilize the gardens, and make that which ed God, destroyed the people, hindered the promeeting they had a very excellent man-the would be our destruction the means of life and gress of all that is grand and good; and it must Mayor of Cork-in the chair, but he opposed blessing. I fully believe, that if, when this perish. And though it be upheld by the State teetotal movement began, and it was greatly and though it be patronised by the rich and the arguments was that two-thirds of the commu- abused, by the justifiable ignorance of many poor in this land, by great, and small alike, hity should not make slaves of the other third. who had experienced benefit alone from that, and through the three kingdoms, yet if ithere is The reply made to him was that unless the ma- and who said many rash and harsh things of truth in God's Word, and if there is love in jority had been submitted to he would not have others—if we as a Methodist body had taken God's breast, as this traffic is opposed to all Scott of Windsor, brother Johnson, found been Mayor of Cork; and that he would not the stream into our own handss, and guided it that is good, to all that is virtuous, and to all have been in the mayoral chair if there had throughout our societies, it would have been that is holy, it must perish, and it shall; and

been a majority of even one against him. It like that other stream that maketh glad the city with one loud and thrilling Amen, I say, God "Redemption in His blood, the forgiveness of , moved The Rev. Lanuel Romilly Hall moved sins; according to the riches of His grace." Warp, of our God. The Rev. T. B. Stephenson, B. A. amidst loud cheersthe first resolution. Mr. Johnson was the chief means of introdu The Rev. Thomas Llewellyn, on seconding That this meeting calls most earnestly upon

God spare for many years ! That league had tions; and the scholarship of the present day

BUMBLE BEES.

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They had in Ireland, in Bessbrook, a model

town-he wished they had many more of them - a manufacturing town without a single public it, remarked that he had been for a long time the various branches of the Christian Church it was peaceful and industrious and happy; but let the public-house come into it, and police, handcuffs, fighting, and everything miserable and destructive would follow.

The following letter was read. addressed to the Rev. C. Garrett by the Rev. W. Morley Punshon :---

" My dear Mr. Garrett,-You will have gathered from my address of last night that the thy with the temperance reformation, and I am clusion, he alluded to the grief that must rend thankful to say that the moral support both of the heart of any parent whose sons or daughministers and laymen is thrown into the scale ters, taught to like strong drink at his table, to help it on. The Conference directs each became subject to intemperance. Quoting Byminister to make a special appeal from the pul- ron, he said :-pit on the temperance question, and there is a So the struck eagle, stretched upon the plain, No more through rolling clouds to soar again, Viewed his own feather in the fatal dart public sentiment in its favour greatly in advance. That winged the shaft that quivered in his heart, as it seems to me, of the national sentiment at Keen were his pangs, but keener far to feel Twas his own pinion which impell'd the steel; While the gay plumage that had warm d his nest Drank the last life-drop of his bleeding breast. home. My own sympathies are largely with you, and I pray God to further your efforts,

made in all sincerity and charity, to put those hindrances out of the way, which keep so many from comfort, from health, and the Gospel.-I mously, another was moved by am, my dear Sir, yours most truly.

"W. M. PUNSHON ' The Rev. T. Champness believed the publichouse was the stronghold-the very Malakhoff and Redan of impiety in this country. As a soldier of Jesus Christ-as a man trying to do a little good in the world-he felt that the greatest hindrance that met him as a preacher of that would ruin our country if we do not, by dollars a year, and was regarded by me as Christ's Gospel was the public-house at every God's help, get rid of it. He was interested about as much as so much lost money. Comcorner. He suggested that, as soldiers in the in that question from the love of our country, pliance with my new resolution was at first not army of Jesus Christ, they should make a prac- from the admiration he had for that noble tical movement in trying to make men sober, Queen referred to already. And in Queen the manifold temptations to regard such an outand doing their very utmost wherever the ene- Victoria, thank God, they had virtue seated lay as superfluous, and to withhold it. It has my had planted a fort-a public-house-there on a throne of liberty; might that throne long not been withheld; and my experience has to place an opposition fortification. To this endure! But if that throne was to be secure, end he recommended the general adoption of the people of this country who protessed the the Leed's plan of instituting "British Work- religion of Jesus Christ must, in the name of men "-self supporting public houses without God, denounce and do all in their power it. And the singular fact about this increase the drink.

The Rev. Richard Hardy, Wesleyan chap-would endanger everything lovely and sacred lain at Aldershot, said that as he gazed upon in England unless they did put it down. He this vast assemblage he was convinced that this thanked God that in Manchester there had great temperance movement would from this been so firm a stand made on the subject of month to month, enriched in ways not the renight take root and bear fruit in Methodism as Sunday closing. Christian people, whether sult of any plan or forethought of my own, it night take root and bear fruit in Methodism as it never had done before. He often wished we could have a report, comprehensive and ex-haustive, of everything that intemperance was doing in this land of ours—the homes it had destroyed, the hearts it had bracken the the brite destroyed, the hearts it had broken, the widows possibility of mistake on the part of any Goit had desolated, the widespread pauperism it vernment or of any members of Parliament, without fear of fires, failures, or felonies.—Ame- by all who knew him and most by those who

had introduced, the genius it had blasted, the and insi t that this monstrous evil should be industry it had arrested, the brains it had dri- put down. And then if they could get the pubven to madness, the legion of diseases and hor- lic houses closed on the Lord's day-and they rible and loathsome vices which were the atten- would have it-one half of them, and those the dants on this accursed sin. If they could take worst, would be closed every day in the week. the entire results-tathom the depths of the The Rev. John S. Workman seconded the covered, and your difficulty solved.-Such is and admiration of the grace of God and the woe and sum up the extent of the misery-then resolution. He said; What a marvellous change the answer of Faith to scepitcal cavils and obbefore God and man they might well ask were has taken place in thirty years of my abstain- jections. Where a shallow learning and debefore God and man they might well ask were has taken place in thirty years of my abstain-they doing right in seeking simply to stem the ing experience ! At first we were looked on as fective knowledge of the past have led unbe-His last words were "Waiting, waiting, Christ torrent, and not to cut off the springs whence men having, perhaps "a tile off"—as you say the stream of poison and death flowed. Ought in Lancashire. "amiable enthusiasts"—but error, profounder research has always demonthey not, instead of tampering with the demon, to now we are regarded as self-denying philan-to are to are it art instead of tampering with the demon, to are to are it art instead of tampering with the demon, to are to are it art instead of tampering with the demon, to are to are it art instead of tampering with the demon, to are to are it art instead of tampering with the demon, to are to are it art instead of tampering with the demon, to are to are it art instead of tampering with the demon, to are to are it art instead of tampering with the demon, to are to are it art instead of tampering with the demon, to are the demon to are the demon tampering with the demon, to are the demon tampering with the demon tampering with the demon tampering tam tor ever to cast it out-instead of moderating tropists. At first we were almost bowed out writer. German Rationalists objected for exthe use of intoxicating drinks, to banish them of society; now we are hailed and welcomed. ample that the Evangelist St. Luke erred con-by an extensive circle of relations and friends

for ever from our land? In the late war on the At first our "croches" had often to be apoligi- cerning Lysanias; but a few years ago an in- and the solemn occasion improved by a disfor ever from our land? In the late war on the Continent 118,007 Germans were killed or mis-sing; but this war of intemperance was far worse—its battle never ceased, it proclaimed no been so ably moved refers to various organisa-been so ably moved refers to

house, and without a policeman. There was a teetotaler without saying anything public and especially upon the followers of John Wesno fighting there, though they were all Irish- about it. Some men preached teetotalism and ley, to use their influence to help forward Sir men, and the meeting knew what Irishmen did not practise it; he had thought he would Wilfrid Lawson's Permissive Bill to put an end were There was no pawnshop in that town: practise it and not preach it. But some three to the drinking customs of society. and to proor four months ago they were startled in Bir- tect the children of our country from the mingham by the formation of a league of the abounding temptations by which they are surpublicans; and he found that distillers, brew- rounded.

ers, and publicans, men of wealth, had joined Mr. Hall spoke strongly of the necessity for themselves together, and it was no time for men organised, systematic effort in this cause, and like him to keep their sentiments in obscurity. urged ladies and gentlemen the importance of He thought that otherwise the curse of Meroz abandoning the notion that there is no generwould fall upon him. It was time to take osity, no hospitality, no kindness unless the

sides, and it did not need a moment's thought accursed drink and the shameless bottle are Conference which I represent is in full sympa- to decide which side he should take. In con- produced at social entertainment.

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