

## Words of the Wise.

No man can be taught faster than he can learn. — *Amen.*

THE fewer words, the better prayer. — *Martin Luther.*

I HAVE lived to thank God that all my prayers have not been answered. — *Jean Ingelow.*

KEEPING God's commandments is better and more pleasing to Him than building churches. — *M. Henry.*

IT is not learning but *life*, that is wanted for the Messiah's kingdom; and life begins by birth. — *Afford.*

TROUBLE and perplexity drive me to prayer, and prayer drives away perplexity and trouble. — *Philip Melancthon.*

LIFE is held will field as we make it, A harvest of thorns or of flowers.

— *Alice Cary.*

THROUGH ages, through eternity, what you have done for God, that, and only that, you are. — *Deeds never die.* — *F. W. Robertson.*

THE Bible is a page torn out of the great volume of human life; only, torn by the hand of God, and annotated by His Spirit. — *Dr. Joseph Parker.*

IT has been seen from the days of Balaam downward, that a man may have a hold on the truth intellectually, without its producing any effect on his moral being. — *J. C. Hare.*

I HAVE been driven many times to my knees by the overwhelming conviction that I had nowhere else to go. My own wisdom, and that of all about me, seemed insufficient for that day. — *A. Lincoln.*

We doubt the word that tells us, Ask,  
And ye shall have your prayer;  
We turn our thought as to a task,  
With will constrained and rare;

And yet we have! These scanty prayers  
Yield gold without alloy.  
O, God, but he that trusts and dares  
Must have a boundless joy!

— *George MacDonald.*

CHASTITY enables the soul to breathe a pure air in the foulest places; continence makes her strong, no matter in what condition the body may be; her sway over the senses makes her queenly; her light and peace render beautiful. — *Joubert.*

THE best thing to give your enemy is forgiveness; to an opponent, tolerance; to a friend, your heart; to your child, a good example; to a father, deference; to your mother, conduct that will make her proud of you; to yourself respect; to all men charity. — *Mrs. Balfour.*

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If a canoe be connected by a cord with a distant ship, one in the canoe may draw himself to the ship, if he cannot draw the ship to himself. So, as has been said, is it with prayer. If it does not bring God to man, it will man to God. And this is always well for man. — *W. P. Breck.*

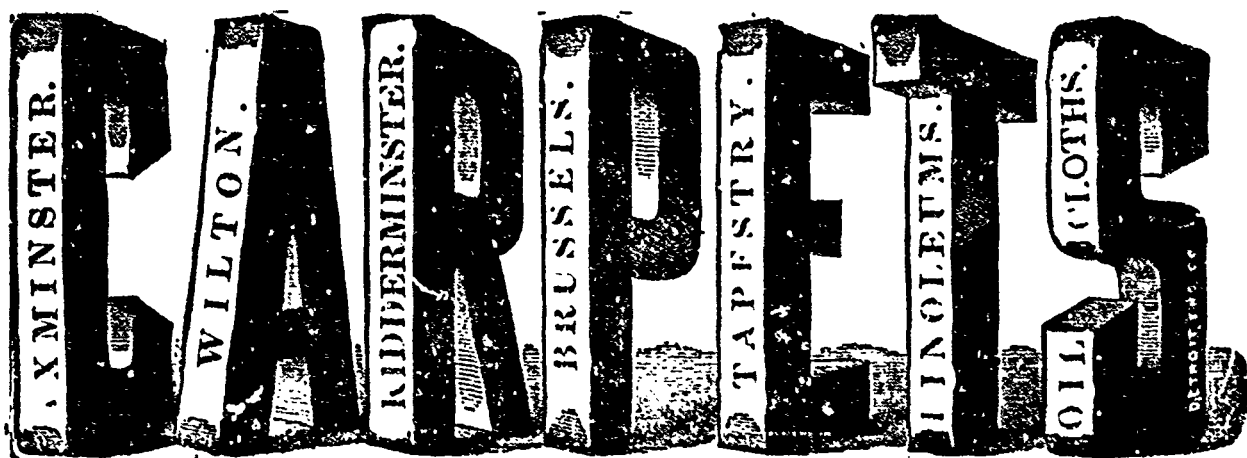
By shaking the magnetic needle, you may move it from its place; but it returns to it the moment it is left to itself. In like manner believers may fall into sin; but no sooner do they wake to reflection, than they repent, and endeavour to mend ways, and resume a life of godliness. — *Gotthold.*

OH, how great a task it is for a poor soul that comes, sensible of sin and of the wrath of God, to say in faith but this one word, Father! The Spirit must be sent into the heart for this very thing; it being too great a work for any man to do knowingly and believingly without it. — *Bunyan.*

GOD respecteth not the arithmetic of our prayers, how many they are; nor the rhetoric of our prayers, how neat they are; nor the geometry of our prayers, how long they are; nor the music of our prayers, how melodious they are; but the divinity of our prayers, how heart-sprung they are. — *John Trapp.*

THERE are many ways in which it would be well for us all to carry our childhood with us, even on into old age, if it were possible, in its trustfulness and open-heartedness, and willingness not only to love, but to show that we love, as well. Why, that last alone would cure many a heart-ache of to-day. — *May F. McKean.*

LIKE flakes of snow that fall unperceived on the earth, the seemingly unimportant events of life succeed one another. As the snow gathers together, so are our habits formed. No single flake that is added to the pile produces a sensible change; no single action creates, however it may exhibit, a man's character. — *Jeremy Taylor.*



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