My father, o'er my brow; The pass, with all its scenes, bas fleti, And I must turn me now To that dim future which is vain My eyes seek to descry : Tell me, my father, in this hour, In whose belief to die.

"In thine? I've watched the scornful smile, And heard thy withering tone, Whene'er the Christian's humble hope Was placed above thy own; I've heard thee speak of coming death Without a shade of gloom, And laugh at all the childish fears That cluster round the tomb.

" Or is it in my mother's faith ? How fondly do I trace Through many a long year past That colm and saintly face ; How often do I call to mind, Now she's beneath the sod, The place, the hour, in which she drew My early thoughts to God.

"Twas then she took this sacred book, And from its burning page Read how its truths support the soul In youth and failing age; And bade me in its precepts live. And by its precepts die, That I might share a home above In worlds beyond the sky.

" My father, shall I look above, Amid this gathering gloom, To Him whose promises of love Extend beyond the tomb? Or curse the Being who hath blessed This checkered path of mine? Must I embrace my mother's faith, Or die, my sire, in thine ?"

The frown upon that warrior brow Passed like a cloud away, And tears coursed down the rugged cheek That flowed not till that day. "No, not in mine !" with choking voice, The sceptic made reply ; " But in thy mother's holy faith, My daughter, may'st thou die !"

## Old Tweedy's Bad Luck.

BY REV. JOHN TODD, D.B. I doubt whether many of the children knew him," replied Mr. Bland. somes spitting and sometimes nodding.

-for the want of an hour's work. His garden who sneeringly refused to attend the same school was an unlucky spot, always full of weeds and he did. I expect to hear of him as having done nothing else. If he wanted his wood cut up, still more for our country, for it is still as true his axe, was sure to be dull, and his grind-stone as when Solomon said it, " By humility, and the broken. His very razor was an unlucky one, fear of the Lord are riches, and honor, and life." and would tear and pull and draw beard and -Little Corporal. tears at the same moment-for the want of sharpening. Hence it was that everything he

rel such poor bodies had."

Old Tweedy had one treasure—the idol of his heart. It was a beautiful little girl about ten years old. Everybody said that " Mary is just like her mother, and not bit like her father." Old Tweedy was too indolent to care what people said; he only knew that in his eyes, there

squealing, and the mother got better. He lost guilty. It is high time that a reform movement all his "bad luck," but instead of it he had industry and a happy home, and the bright face of continued until the evil practice is extinct. happy Mary, and the blessing of God .- S. S. I desire to offer a suggestion to the entire

by his bed to pray, as he retired to sleep for the renounce the use of tobacco, and during the night, said: "Dear heavenly Father, please Centenary year of American Methodism, devote find that the best protection from the wire worm don't let the large cow book me, nor the horse the entire amount of money thus saved to the is through under-draining and the application of kick me; and don't let me run away outside of Centenary funds. These each you, brethren, for fresh or unfermented manure.—Doubtless the the gate when mother tells me not to." Mrs the sake of our beloved Methodism, and for impetus given to the crops is a chief reason of Signary of Dall & Tohn Christ's sake, and for your own soul's sake, that this security.

me the same quantity."

"Do you wish them for yourself?" I asked,

some employment in my store part of the day and put the unclean thing far from you, and "Very much, thank you, if mother is willing," unto the Lord, "I beseech you therefore, brenow that the berries are nearly gone?" he replied.

" Is your father living?" "Yes, sir," a deep color suffusing his face as he answered, and I felt sorry I had asked. He came that afternoon to say that his mother was greatly obliged for my kindness, and he could go to work at once. As I expected, Fred

was obliging and prompt; two excellent qualities to start in life with, in company with honesty and diligence; the possessor is sure to arrive with honor at the destination aimed. He books, and consciousness of right progress-could had every indulgence. At the table he was the be read upon his face. Fred had not recited to Mr. Bland many days, before I saw something was wrong, he became sad. Then he ceased gome no satisfactory reason, and I called upon Mr. distracted, they wept over him, and rested not Bland to ascertain the truth.

for him," said the teacher, "but you see I am Alas! the excess was at their table. Studies "Fred is a fine fellow and I am very sorry compelled to humor my patrons, and they insist, were neglected. Rides, balls, dinners, suppers school if Fred continues to come."

lost to shame, and his mother is a washerwoman. home. But a morning without clouds, when all "Then Fred ought to be encouraged, if he nature shone bright and beautiful upon that onquers so many obstacles," I remarked. "Very true, and I wish I could have helped his chamber, and there was bent over him fath-

the real name of the man who lived in the small, As I left resolving I would befriend the boy. brown house on the bank of Cedar Lake, but I called upon our good elergymen, and told him and that devil?" and then that shrick! Oh, it they all knew him by the name of "Old Tweedy." of Fred. He was much interested, and said at was the delerium tremens! As I saw the long nobedy knew or seemed to care how old he was, once, "I will hear his lessons, as few in so small procession, and the crowd of mourners, I said, or where he was born. There he had lived ever a town understood Latin." How grateful Fred since any body could remember. He was a looked, when I told him of the clergyman's inharmless, inoffensive man—had no enemies, and if the truth must be told, had no friends. He man unnecessary trouble. A boy who really does er and mother go sorrowing to the grave. was not profane or malicious, not dishonest or his best, will get on much faster than one who treacherous; but he was lazy. He loved any- is often conquered by careless habits. Fred thing better than work. Whether laziness is a was on the alert for the odd minutes, and I was part of "original sin," or only "actual trans- not surprised to hear from the minister of his gression," I will not undertake to decide. If it rapid progress. Several of Mr. Bland's pupils was the former, Old Tweedy was as full of it would shout, when they saw him in the street, Cautions for Those Having Sheep. as an egg is of meat;" if it was the latter, and say all possible to annoy him. Fred had a he had much for which to be accountable. He hot temper, but like a true soldier, he would not and he would spend the whole day in the little not depend upon his own strength, or wiedom grocery store near by, in smoking, and talking, to succeed. His mother had taught him better, and he had taken her advice, and depended upon The great burden of Old Tweedy's song was Jesus to help him over the hard places. Hard that he "never had any luck in anything." His as he tried to please those about him, still more hard working neighbors were always "lucky," carefully he tried to please and obey the loving but he never was. Everything went against Savior. There is a promise, "They that honor him. If he planted a small strip of corn, the me will I honor," and it became true to Fred. fences not being attended to, some strolling cow One fortunate circumstance after another helpwould get in, and in one night ruin all. If he ed him on. He was respected, and what was had a cow of his own, she was sure to dry up best to Fred, even his poor father began to revery soon for want of food and care, and that form, encouraged by his son. Some property was his "huck." If he got a pig, it would having came into their possession, the family squeal all day long-in agony for food-and at removed west, where a new career was opened night get out, and take him a day or two to get to the father. There Fred found a wide field him back into his rickety pen-and that was his for energy and talent, and rose rapidly to dis-"luck." If there came a rain-storm he was so tinetien. His name is now a familiar word in "unlucky" as to have a house "always a-leaky" our land. His deeds are often praised by those

sharpening. Hence it was that everything as had touched seemed to be unlucky. His patient and kind wife caught a terrible cold in the leaky into a pitcher and pour on it a pint or more of house, and was in consequence laid up with the rheumatism most of the time—which was very size), and then, having covered it, let it stand size.

To Make Shire Bosoms Shire—Try it sheep a musicon sheep.

15. Reep a musicon sheep.

14. Dan't let sheep spoil wool with chaff or burrs.

15. Cut tag-locks in early spring. To Make Smirt Bosoms Shine .- Try it Now it came to pass that Old Tweedy was, of course, very poor. He came to Saturday night, and he had no food. So the grocery not being open, he had to fish in the pond all day, It was his "pork barrel," he said, "the only pork barrel such poor hadies had"

| Simply and then, having covered it, let it stand to fish course, release bottle, cork it for use. A table spoonful of water stirred in the pot of starch that has been made in the usual manner will give the linen a beautiful justre.

| Simply and then, having covered it, let it stand to fish carefully from the drega, into a clean bottle, cork it for use. A table spoonful of water stirred in the pot of starch that has been made in the usual manner out between the hoofs out between the hoofs.

## Cemperance.

Methodists and Tobacco

Very few persons have any idea of the amoun of tobacco used by professing Christians. The was not a being on earth-and he couldn't ima- quantity used in the M. E. Church costs almost, gine one in heaven-so perfect as " my little if not quite, as much money as is contributed to the support of her stated ministry. In one Church of which I have a personal knowledge of Suntise, opened a Sabbath school in the school nineteen per cent. of the membership use to house on the other side of the lake. And little beco. The Church I judge to be but a fair Mary wanted to go, and she must go, and she average representation of all in that particular. did go. At first her father rowed her over in A very moderate estimate shows that at least the boat, and sat and smoked till the school was closed. After a while he would listen to the singing of the children, which he could plainly hear. Then he went a little nearer, then stood num. This statement appears startling, neverat the door, and then Mr. Clough saw him, and theless it is a fact. To the thoughtful, conscispoke of little Mary and her good lessons, and entious Christian it is a painful fact. What an then he got him in the room, and gave him his amount of money to be spent in " needless selfown chair near, the door, so that he might feel indulgence!" How can these tobacco consumers that he might dodge out if anything frightful give an account of their stewardship unto a just should happen. But nothing frightfal happened, God without being condemned for wasting their and he continued to go, and at length began to Lord's money? How can the preacher of rightelisten and to think, and sometimes great tears ousness, whose needless indulgence in the use of would roll down his face. Then one night he tobacco has set an evil example before the peowould roll down his face. Then one night he woke up and heard little Mary praying for her dear father. It was too much! Old Tweedy was moved as he was never moved before. The prayer of his child, and the Spirit of God in of their pecuniary resources, while millions, answer to the prayer, filled his soul. A long which could be devoted to furthering the interagony of weeks followed. He left going to the grocery—he stopped fishing on the Sabbath—professors of godliness in a viciating indulgence he began to work—his house was mended—the cow was a different creature—the pig stopped Church. Other churches are perhaps not less

Church, which I hope will meet with favor and be productive of good results. It is this. Let A CHILD'S PRAYER. A little child, kneeling all the tobacco-consumers within her pale at once

ove come the extlusion its as fall has caused such a useless expenditure of money, and con-A boy about twelve years of age, came into escrate the money saved by your constant solfmy store one day with a basket upon his arm, depist to this worthy object. By the millions saying, would you like any berries to day, sir?" yet unborn, who will be placed under the influ-They were so fine that I purchased them. When ence of Methodism during the second century I handed him the change he asked, hesitatingly, of its American history, I implore you to cease Would you like any more to morrow, sir?" the use of this evil weed, and set us swell the Pleased with his appearance, I replied, "Yes, grand Centenary Connectional Educational Fund and every day during the season you may bring to five million dollars. I know that the sacrifice will cost you something. You cannot break the "Then, if you please, you will keep the pay, evil habit long indulged without putting forth herculean effort. There is, therefore, so much Every week-day, the boy, whom I will call the more need that you should make the effort the more need that you should make the effort the more need that you should make the effort immediately. You have formed an evil habit by always giving the same just measure, as at first, indulging a sensual appetite, and the Scriptures One day he' asked if I could tell him where he teach us to 'cut off the right hand' and 'pluck could obtain a second-hand Letin Grammer and out the right eye' if they are evil. Let the instructors of the people, who stand in the holy place, take the lead, and by the destruction of "Yes, sir. I am going to Mr. Bland's school, the tobacco-idol show their flocks an example in the autumn, and he advises me to study Lat- worthy of imitation. Brethren, you who preach against needless self-indulgence must be a pat-Telling him where I thought he could obtain tern to others. See Rom. ii. 21, 33. Ministers, the books, I remarked, "You seem anxious to official and private members of the Methodist earn something for yourself; would you like Episcopal Church, suffer the word of exhortation then, like the cleansed leper, make your offering

I Saw him Borne to his Grave.

thren, by the mercies of God, that ye present

your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable

unto God, which is your reasonable service.

Cor. Chr. Advocate.

He was twenty-three. His manly form had dwindled to a skeleton. A narrow coffin contained all that was once lovely and beautiful. His father was rich and lordly; his mother pious and devoted. The youngest of a fine group, he before him. At the age of sixteen he was brought home by the watchman drunk. The scene was too much for a doting father and mother. Haif till the promise was given that he never again would visit the Pavilien to drink to excess. sisters; yet he was their darling, beautiful and "His father is a poor inebriate, who seems gay, and was yet to be the ornament of their splendid mansion, as a fit had prostrated him in er, mother, and brothers, and sisters. It was an hour of bitterness. "Mother," said he, "what are those bugs on the curtains, and these snakes, procession, and the crowd of mourners, I said. What would not the temperance pledge have er and mother go sorrowing to the grave .-League Journal.

## Agriculture.

1. Keep sheep dry under foot with litter. would spend half a day in mending any child's yield to it, but passed, resolving that in spite of 2. Take up lamb bucks early in summer, and keep them up until Dec. 1st, following, when they may be turned out.

3. Drop or take out the lowest bars as the sheep enter or leave a yard, thus saving broken

5. Begin graining with the greatest care, and ase the smallest quantity at first. 6. If a ewe loses her lamb, milk daily for few days, and mix a little alum with her salt. 7. Let no hogs eat with the sheep-by no means in the spring.

8. Give the lambs a little "mill-feed" in time 9. Never frighten sheep if possible to avoid it.

10. Sow rye for weak ones in cold weather, if those strong, in the fall, and give them specia

12. If any sheep is hurt, catch it at once and wash the wound, and if it is fly time, apply spirits of terpentine daily, and always wash with something healing. If a limb is broken, bind it with splinters, tightly, loosing as the limb swells. 13. Keep a number of good bells, on th

16. For scours, give pulverized alum in wheat bran-prevent by taking great care in changing

17. If one is lame, examine the foot, cler out between the hoofs, pare the hoof if unsound and apply tobacco, with blue vitriol boiled in a

little water. 18. Shear at once any sheep commencing t shed its wool, unless the weather is too severe and save carefully the pelt of any sheep the

19. Have some good work by to refer to least; this will be money in your pocket.

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