

Single Tax Again.

To THE EDITOR: Dear Brother,— I feel somewhat diffident about writing you again so soon, seeing how you stand, as it were, between two fires. I hope you will not find the heat oppressive. It is but a few words I wish to say, and they shall be mild.

Brother Trout objects to the discussion of the single tax and kindred subjects which are divisive and tend to strife between brethren. Strife and division are certainly to be avoided, if possible, but not at the expense of usefulness. If injustice and consequent suffering prevail among Christians, is it wise to shun the discussion of these evils for fear of strife? In the days gone by, would you have thought the subject of slavery improper for discussion in a religious paper? There are kindred questions still unsettled at the present day. Is it not better that Christian people should study them through the medium of a Christian paper, in the light of Christian principles?

Of course, one small paper cannot treat of every topic that is interesting and profitable, any more than one man can eat of every wholesome dish at a feast. The editor must use his best judgment in making a selection. But I doubt if a timid policy is a wise one.
S. J. CHUBB.

When Shall I be Satisfied?

When my yearning soul strives upward
To life's higher, purer side,
I am forced to cry within me,
When shall I be satisfied?

How can I with all my weakness
On the mount of peace abide;
Ever lacking in completeness,
Never, never satisfied.

Still, I know in day of trouble,
There's a secret place to hide
In the tent of my Redeemer;
Yet am I not satisfied.

And I know through all life's journey,
There is still my Faithful Guide,
Calling, "Let thine heart take courage,"
Thou shalt yet be satisfied.

So I still keep pressing onward
On life's ever-ebbing tide;
Knowing, when I see my Saviour,
I shall then be satisfied.

When this life shall have been ended,
Love, and faith, and patience tried;
When I wake with His own likeness,
Then shall I be satisfied.
RUTH GREENE.

How to Rest.

Some girls don't know how to do this. They think rest and sleep synonymous, whereas rest may mean simply change in occupation. It may

mean the sitting quiet for awhile. It may mean the having a cup of tea, or a bit of bread and butter—the tea being that which does not hurt the nerves, and the bread and butter being that which is healthful and which tastes good. Often you don't eat enough, my dear girl, and you hurry too much when you do eat. Learn to linger over your meal, to talk to your father or mother pleasantly, and so to aid digestion by slow eating and bright conversation. Sometimes the best rest that comes is the sitting in an easy chair and closing your eyes for ten minutes. Don't be afraid or ashamed of this. It is necessary if you wish to be a well and strong woman. You rest when you don't attempt too much, for then you do better work. Rest for you may mean reading a pretty story, while for me it may be leaving books and looking out at the green trees for a while. Find out that rest which is best suited to you and permit yourself to have it.—*Ladies' Home Journal.*

Almost Into Port.

FOR THE AGED CHRISTIAN.

Nearer my boat is drifting,
Nearer the unseen shore;
The amber curtains are lifting,
The darkness is almost o'er.
The light of morn is breaking
Upon my earth dimmed sight;
My raptured soul is waking
To a day that knows no night.

The way has been sometimes dreary,
For the darkness oft did fall
Alike on my spirit weary
And my path with a funeral pall.
But through the darkness a glimmer
Of light would come to me,
As when golden sunbeams shimmer
On a rough and troubled sea.

'Twas the light of love immortal
From my Father's home above;
A gleam through the heavenly portal
That came as a peaceful dove,
And brooded above my spirit,
Till the darkness passed away,
And with brighter hope to cheer it,
I journeyed on my way.

But the end is getting nearer,
The light shines more brightly too,
And heaven is growing dearer
As earth recedes from view.
And soon I'll be casting anchor
In the port I can almost see,
And there the dark-winged angel
Will furl the sail for me.

Yes, nearer my boat is drifting,
Nearer the unseen shore;
The amber curtains are lifting,
The darkness is almost o'er.
And the radiance round me breaking
Is the signal from the fort,
Where the loved of earth are waiting—
For I'm almost into port.

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