

Unfinished Still.

A baby's boot, and a skoll of wool,
Faded and soiled, and soft;
Old things, you say, and no doubt you're right.

A Lesson of Gratitude.

A gentleman was once making inquiries
in Russia about the method of catching
bears in that country.

Conscience in Politics.

After all, there is nothing like the conscience
and bringing things to bear upon it.
And if we can find a response in the inner
shrine of the soul, we are in the way to
right all wrongs and to secure all rights.

A Gentle Hint.

It is said of the Rev. Mr. Robinson, of
Cambridge (Robert Hall's predecessor),
that, being asked to take part in the ordination
of a young minister, he thought he
saw certain tendencies to foppishness, and,
amongst others, a strong disposition to exhibit
a brilliant ring on the little finger of
the candidate's right hand.

Christ's Miracle.

"There is a lad here who has five loaves,
and two small fishes; but what are they
among so many?" It is a curious fact
that our Saviour never, when here, created any
new thing.

The Folly of Sin.

O Christless sinner, what will you do in
the day of visitation—to whom will you
do for help? Your houses, your lands,
your money, your honors, your companions,
your relations, will all be miserable comforters
to you.

How God Prepares His Jewels.

One of the many lessons I get from
the life of Peter is the value of defeats, humiliations,
and trials. None of the disciples
had so rough a time, or so many hard
knocks, as he had.

Christian Hand-Shaking

Brother Talmage has a good word in
the Christian at Work in favor of "Christian
Hand-shaking," from which we clip the
closing paragraphs:

"You may call it personal magnetism, or
natural cordiality, but there are some
Christians who have such an ardent way of
shaking hands after meeting, that it
amounts to a benediction.

Failure of Parkerism.

Mr. Cuyler says, in the Evangelist, that
Theodore Parker was one of the most
gifted men that ever stood before an
American audience, but that he has not
left a solitary disciple; and his immense
congregation has vanished like a bank of
snow under an April sun.

If any one wishes to know the secret of
this collapse, let him read Mr. Frothingham's
biography. He will find that while
Theodore Parker was sound as a patriot,
and earnest as a student of science, and
brave as a philanthropist, he was utterly
hollow as a teacher of Christianity.

If he had set out to be a teacher of
Theism, he might have made some converts
from Atheism, for Parker held devoutly to
the being of one sovereign and loving
God.

The Weekly Register, the oldest English
Roman Catholic journal, has passed into
the hands of Mgr. Canal, who intends to
make it the organ of Ultramontane Conservatism.

Do your own Work.

Parents, remember you can not throw off
your own responsibilities upon the Sunday
school teachers. It is your child, not theirs.
God gave it to you, and says to you, as
Pharaoh's daughter said to Moses' mother,
"Take this child and nurse it for me, and
he will demand of you an account of your
stewardship.

How is this, Professor Tyndal?

Our Second German Church in this city
is small in membership and possessed of
but little financial strength. A note of \$800
fell due on the 12th of April, and the holder
of the obligation gave the church to understand
that the money must be forthcoming.

A Burmese Oath

Burmese laws are, on the whole, just and
wise, and were evidently framed with a
view to advance the interests of justice and
morality; but they very often prove futile,
owing to the tyranny and rapacity of the
king, and the venality of many of his officers.

Before Breakfast.

It is a fact that some ladies, who in the
street and in the parlor are attractive in
appearance, come down to breakfast in what
is called *dishabille*. Our opinion is that
the whole family ought to look well in the
morning.

Sex in Education.

One hears it affirmed with an air of
triumphant satisfaction that there is no sex
in mental culture. This is a rash statement,
which argues want of thought or insincerity
of thought in those who make it.

No psychologist has yet devoted himself
to make, or has succeeded in making, a
complete analysis of the emotions, by resolving
the complex feelings into their
simple elements and tracing them back
from the complex evolutions to the primitive
passions in which they are rooted;

It was an eastern idea, which
Plato has expressed allegorically, that a
complete being had in primeval times
been divided into two halves, which have
ever since been seeking to unite together
and to reconstitute the divided unity.
It will hardly be denied that there is a great
measure of truth in the fable. Man and
woman do complement one another's
being.

Training of the Body.

President Felton, in discussing physical
training, said that among the Greeks, a
people so wise in all which concerns the
physical man, there were two widely different
systems of training—one adapted to
the athletic, the other to gentlemen and
men of learning.