

Words of the Wise.

TRUST not so much to the comforts of God as to the God of comforts.

"To live in hearts we leave behind
Is not to die."

THE Scriptures were written not to make us astronomers, but to make us saints.—Henry.

"OUR mission is not simply to preach the pure Gospel," said Dr. Thomas, "but to live it."

DEWS of the night are diamonds at morn,
so the tears we weep here may be pearls in heaven.

IT is good for us to keep some account of our prayers, that we may not unsay them in our practice.—Henry.

To an honest mind, the best perquisites of a place are the advantages it gives a man of doing good.—Addison.

NEVER be angry because you cannot make others as you wish them to be, since you cannot make yourself as you wish to be.

TRUE bravery is shown by performing without witness what one might be capable of doing before all the world. *Roche foucauld.*

HE who now rides scornfully upon the proudest crest of political ambition, may, like enough, yet perish in the deepest trough of political despair.

THE martyrs to vice far exceed the martyrs to virtue, both in endurance and in number, so blinded are we by our passions that we suffer more to be damned than to be saved.—Colton.

WHEN home is ruled according to God's word, angels might be asked to stay a night with us, and they would not find themselves out of their element. *Spurgeon.*

IT will afford sweeter happiness in the hour of death to have wiped away one tear from the cheek of sorrow than to have ruled an empire, to have conquered millions, or to have enslaved the world.

TO OUR READERS.—If you suffer from headache, dizziness, back ache, biliousness or humours of the blood, try Burdock Blood Bitters. It is a guaranteed cure for all irregularities of blood, liver and kidneys.

TURNING sunshine into night, and making misery gratis when we are not miserable, is anything but Christian; though, alas! some good people do sometimes make a merit of it.—H. Bushnell.

SOMETIMES "the heaviest wheat of all" may spring up from seeds dropped in an accidental way. What a motive to the maintenance of personal holiness! The accidental is a shadow of the intentional. Influence is the exhalation of character.—W. Taylor.

CLOTHED with life the weak intent,
Let me be the thing I meant!
Out of self to love be led,
And to heaven acclimated,
Until all things sweet and good
Seem my natural habitude.

—Whittier.

WHEN Carlyle was about fifty-two years old Dr. Chalmers visited him, spending an hour and a half at the house in Cheyne Row, and the following is a part of the record Carlyle made: "It is long since I have spoken to so good and really pious hearted and beautiful an old man."

IN the ruins of Pompeii there was found a petrified woman, who, instead of flying from the doomed city, had spent her time in gathering up her jewels. She saved neither her life nor her jewels. There are multitudes making the same mistake. In trying to get earth and heaven they lose both. "Ye cannot serve God and Mammon."

THAT cloud itself, which now before thee
Lies dark in view,
Shall with beams of light from the inner glory

Be stricken through.
And like meadow's mist through autumn's dawn

Uprolling thin,
Its thickest folds when about thee drawn
Let sunlight in.

IT SHOULD BE REMOVED.—If the lungs are obstructed by phlegm, caused by cold, do not rack them by coughing, when the cough and soreness can be cured by Haggard's Pectoral Balsam, the reliable throat and lung healer.

GOD'S mercy is so great that it forgives great sins to great sinners, after great lengths of time; and then gives great favours and great privileges, and raises us up to great enjoyments in the great heaven of the great God. As John Bunyan well saith: "It must be great mercy, or no mercy; for little mercy will never serve my turn."—C. F. Spurgeon.

A PITIFUL FATE!

HOW A MINISTER'S GOOD DEED LANDED HIM IN AN INSANE ASYLUM. THE STORY OF HIS ESCAPE.

To the Editor of the Milwaukee Sentinel:

SIR: I have read a good many stories of late concerning the confinement of sane persons in lunatic asylums, and I am thereby prompted to relate a bit of personal experience.

In the year 1855, while I was serving the Methodist Episcopal Church in a New England town, a neighbour's house took common with others, I stood on the roof, passing buckets of water, exposed intense heat on the one side and freezing winds on the other. I took a fearful cold. For twenty five years it worked havoc in my physical and mental systems. Nevertheless I continued in my ministerial duties. I preached many a sermon when suffering intense agony. At certain points, however, I would be comparatively well, and then again, my head would get heavy, my breathing laboured, my appetite fail. I would lose interest in life; feel sleepy at mid-day, and wakeful at midnight. My heart occasionally gave me great concern. Not knowing to the contrary, I attributed this ill-feeling to malaria. But eventually strength faded away, and I was utterly prostrated. I was cauterized, cupped, blistered, and treated by many physicians in many different ways.

My case was a puzzle as much to my physicians as to myself. For one of them at first prescribed for delirium tremens, and yet I never had tasted intoxicating liquors. Another said I had brain disease, another spinal difficulty, another nervous prostration, heart disease, etc.

My mind eventually gave way, and in 1882 I was confined in the Brattleboro, Vt., Insane Asylum for six months. When I knew where I was, I demanded instant release. I then made a visit to Oceanic, N. J., but I had reckoned too much on my strength. I again lost my reason for a considerable period.

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