SKIMMING IT.

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"If you are going to give a pan of milk don't skim it first," the old grandmother used to say, meaning : If you are going to do a favor don't spoil it by an ungracious word or manner. Haven't we noticed how much of this "skimming" goes on in ordinary family urse ? asks the Christian Uplook.

"Another errand ? I never can go dow town without a half a dozen commission implains Rob, when his sister asks him to bring a book from the library. He never refuses to oblige her; he does not really count avenience ; he only takes the cream off his kindness

"Those gloves ripped again !" exclaim Mary, when John wants her to take a few "It seems to me they always need stite mending when I am in a hurry with some thing else." She would be shocked at his going shabby, and distressed if any one thought her unwilling to render such offices, but she makes it a little unpleasant to ask

The children followed the fashion Tommy shuts the door at Bridget's request but he grumbles at having to leave his top Susie goes to the door when she is sent, but she departs with a protest that "it is Tommy's turh." Thus all day long people who love one another, and who at heart are glad to serve one another, skim the sweetness from every service they render.

THE SEER.

Our Lord upbraided the Pharisees of His day because of their blindness. They could not see afar off, nor could they see things migh at hand. The old prophets were call-ed seers because they could see things which were hidden from others. John Ruskin

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is remedy." At any rate people who are tired of pills, thartics and so-called blood "purifiers," ill find in Stuart's Calcium Waters a far der, more palatable and effective prepara-

MESSENGER AND VISITOR.

onclusion more impressed upon me, that the greatest thing a human soul ever does in this world is to see something and tell what it saw in a plain way. Hundreds of people can talk for one who can think, and thousands can! think for one who; can see: To see clearly is poetry, prophecy and relig-

According to this authority the thinker is not the greatest man, but the seer. Most men do not see things distinctly even when they are clearly pointed out. The great lack of this age and of every age is spiritual vision. We see through a glass darkly. We look on things which are material, but fail to penetrate the veil and see things spiritual. Because we lack spiritual vision we lack reverence also. We trifle with serthem. When we shall be able to see things as they are and see all there is in them we shall see God in everything, and hear a voice saying unto us wherever we go, "The place whereou thou standest is holy ground." Man are not born with spiritual vision.

To see clearly it is necessary to be born again. "Except a man be born again of the Spirit he cannot see the kingdom of God." "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they God. "Diesser are the pute in heart, for they shall see God." The people of God who are traily born again are all seers. They see God in everything. They understand the value of righteousness and truth. The things of the Spirit of God are no longer faolishness unto them. "They loo k reto

says: "The more I think of it I find this the things that are seen, but on things which are not seen.—New York Advocate.

What a debt is ours to that old religion which, in the childhood of most of us, still dwelt like a Sabbath morning in the coun-try of New England, teaching privation, self-denial and sorrow | A] man was born not for prosperity, but to suffer for the ben efit of others, like the noble rockmaple which all around our village bleeds, for the which all around our vinage bleeds, for the service of man. Not praise, not me's ac-ceptance of our doings, but the spirit's holy errand through us, absorbed the thought. How dignified was this. How all that is called talent and success in our noisy capit-als, becomes buzz and din before this man-worthiness.—Emerson.

Sir Hanry M. Stanley, who found the mis-

Sir Hanry M. Stanley, who found the mis-sionary explorer, Livingstone, once told this error of his conversion ... "In 1871 I went to Africa in prejudiced against religion as the worst infidel in bad only to deal with wars, mass meeting and political gatherings, sentimental mat-ters were quite out of my province. But there came to me a long time for reflection. I saw this solitary old man there, and I ask-ed myself. "Why does he stop here? What is it that inspires him? For months after words, 'Leave all and follow me." But bitte by little, seeing his piety, his gentle-ness, his zeal his earnestness, and how he went quietly about his business, I was con-verted by him, although he had not tried to do it."

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