

POETRY

[FOR THE BEE.]

DAVID'S LAMENTATION FOR SAUL AND JONATHAN,

A Jewish melody, (In imitation of Byron.)

Ah! why are the Mighty all fallen around;
The beauty of Israel lies slain on the ground,
Tell not in Askelon! Tell not in Gath!
How the Mighty have fallen in midst of their wrath,
Lest the Philistines' daughters rejoice in their fall,
And triumph aloud at the conquest of Saul,
Giboa!!!

Oh never!!!

Oh never again!!

May thou ere be refreshed by the dew or the rain,
Till barren thy soil, and leafless thy tree,
May the blast of the desert descend upon thee;
A barren thy valleys, a barren thy mountains,
O dry be thy wells, thy rivers and fountains;
For there vilely upon thee, in midst of the fray,
The shield of the Mighty was casten away.
O Saul thou wert lovely! and lovely thy son!
In life were united, in death they were one,
With the wing of the eagle, more fierce than the lion,
They strode o'er the field they were destined to die on.
From the blood of the mighty, the fat of the slain,
Their sword was not stay'd, nor turned they in vain.
As the bright sun of morning, that morning beheld
Them in armour bedight, as they strode o'er the field.
Before its last ray had that night hid its head,
Its sheen was bedimmed and the lovely lay dead.

Weep daughter of Israel!

The Mighty's laid low,

The anointed of heaven,

The Philistine's foe,

Thy monarch who clothed thee, in scarlet, lies cold,
That deck'd you in purple, in jewels and gold.
Jonathan my brother! unbent is thy bow,
The dread of the heathen, that thousands laid low.

My friend! my companion!

My brother! my all!

I weep for thy death,

And I mourn thy fall.

Not the love of earth's fairest, nor children of air,
Not the love of the turtle with ours could compare.

Ah why are the mighty, the weapons of war,

All fallen! all perished!

A bright morning star.

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COLUMN FOR LITTLE BOYS AND GIRLS.

As we would not wish to be found guilty of neglecting the interests of any class of our readers, and remembering with what eager curiosity, we were wont in our juvenile days to scan the pages of Newspapers, we have selected the following hints from a late publication, for the especial benefit of our youthful readers, of both sexes, and, as we have a variety of other select pieces of the same sort, in preparation for future Numbers of the BEE, it will afford us much pleasure to hear that they have been eagerly sought after, and read by those for whom they are intended.—Ed.

YOUR CONDUCT AT TABLE.

Come not to table without having your hands and face washed, and hair combed. Sit not down until your elders are seated. It is unbecoming to take your place first. Offer not to carve for yourself, or to take any thing, though it be something you much desire. Ask not for any thing, but tarry till it be offered to you. Find no fault with any thing that is given you. When you are helped, be not the first to eat. Speak not at table. If others are discoursing, meddle not with the matter; but be silent, except when spoken to. If you wish any thing from the servants, call them softly. Eat not too fast, nor with greedy behaviour. Eat not too much, but moderately. Eat not so slowly as to make others wait for you. Make not a noise with your tongue, mouth, lips, or breath, in eating or drinking. Be sure never to speak with victuals in your mouth. Endeavour so to eat that none can see your victuals whilst chewing. Stare not in the face of any one, especially your elders, at the table. Grease not your fingers nor tablecloth more than necessity requires. Bite not your bread, but break it: neither crumble it

about the tablecloth. Lean not your elbow on the table, nor on the back of your chair. Spit not, cough not, nor blow your nose at the table, if it can be avoided; but if there be necessity, do it aside, and without noise. Take not salt with a greasy knife. Never come to table, if you have a cold, without first cleaning your throat and nose. Never raise phlegm into your mouth at table and swallow it: it looks very disgusting. Stuff not your mouth so much as to fill your cheeks; be content with small mouthfuls. Blow not your meat, when too hot, but wait with patience till it be cool. Smell not your meat, nor put it to your nose; turn not the other side of it upward to view it on your plate. Hold not your knife upright in your hand, but sloping; and lay it at your right hand, with the blade upon your plate. Spit not forth any thing that is not convenient to be swallowed, such as the stones of plums, cherries, or the like; but with your left hand neatly move them to the side of your plate. Fix not your eye upon the plate of another, nor upon the meat on the table. Lift not up your eyes, nor roll them about while you are drinking. Throw nothing under the table. Bend your body a little downward to your plate, when you move any thing that is carried to your mouth. Look not earnestly on any one that is calling. Gnaw no bones at table, but clear them with your knife (unless they be very small ones), and hold them not with your whole hand, but with two fingers. Put not a bit in your mouth till the former is swallowed. Before and after you drink, wipe your lips with your towel, if you have one. Never pick your teeth at table; neither pick your nose, nor scratch your head. Never drink till you have quite emptied your mouth, and do not drink often. Frown not nor murmur, if there be any thing at table which your parents or strangers with them eat, whilst none is given to you.

YOUR CONDUCT AT CHURCH.

Decently walk to the pew; run not, nor go playing. When you enter the seat, do not open nor shut the door violently, nor dispute with others who will sit nearest the foot of the pew. Sit where you are directed by your parents. Shift not seats, but continue in the place where you are desired. Talk not in church, especially during service. Fix your eye on the minister; let it not wildly wander to gaze on any other person or thing. Attend diligently to the words of the minister. Pray with him when he prays, at least in your heart; and, while he is preaching, listen attentively, that you may remember.

YOUR CONDUCT IN COMPANY.

Enter not into company without a bow. Sing not nor hum in your mouth, while you are in company. Stand not wriggling with your body hither and thither, but steady and upright. Play not wantonly, like a mimic, with your finger or feet. When you blow your nose, let your handkerchief be used, and make not a noise in so doing. Gnaw not your nails, pick them not, nor bite them with your teeth. In coughing or sneezing, make as little noise as possible. If you cannot avoid yawning, shut your mouth with your hand or handkerchief before it, turning the face aside. Lean not on the chair of a superior standing behind him. Spit not upon the fire, nor sit too wide with your knees at it. Turn not your back to any but place yourself so that none may be behind you. Read not letters, books, or other writings, in company, unless there be necessity, and you ask leave. Touch not, nor look upon the books or writing of any one, unless the owner invite or desire you. Come not near when another reads a letter or any other paper. Let your countenance be moderately cheerful, neither laughing nor frowning. Laughing not too frequently, but silently smile, upon proper occasion. Stand not before superiors with

your hands in your pockets; scratch not your head, wink not your eye, but modestly look straight before you. Walking with your superior in the house or garden, give him the right hand, and walk not too near, but a little behind him: yet not so distant as that it shall be troublesome to him to speak to you, or hard for you to hear. Look not boldly or wishfully in the face of your superior. Do not look upon one in company and immediately whisper to another: it is unmannerly. Whisper not in company. Be not forward and fretful among your equals, but gentle and affable.

YOUR CONDUCT IN CONVERSATION.

Among superiors, speak not till you are spoken to, or asked to speak. Hold not your hand, nor any thing else, before your mouth when you speak. Come not very near the person you speak to. Speak neither very loud, nor too low. Speak clear, not stammering, stumbling, nor drawling. Answer not one that is speaking to you, until he is done. Loll not when you are speaking to a superior, or spoken to by him.

YOUR CONDUCT AT SCHOOL.

Bow at coming in, pulling off your hat; especially if your master or usher be in the school. Loiter not, but immediately take your seat, and move not from place to place, till the school time be over. If your preceptor be discoursing in the school with a stranger, stare not confidently on them, nor hearken to their conversation. Interrupt not your master while a stranger or visitant is with him, with any question, or request, or complaint; but defer any such matter till he be at leisure. At no time quarrel or talk in the school; but be quiet, peaceable, and silent. Neither deceive yourself, in trifling your precious time in play. If your master speak to you, rise up making your answer standing. Bawl not aloud in making complaints. A boy's tongue should never be heard in the school but in answering a question, or saying his lessons. If a stranger speak to you in school, stand up and answer with the same ceremony, both of word and gesture, as if you spoke to your master. Make not haste out of school, but go soberly when your turn comes, without noise or hurry. Go not rudely home through the streets. Stand not talking with boys who delay you, but walk, and with all convenient speed. When it is time to return to school again, be sure to be there in season, and not loiter at home while your master is at school. Divulge not to any person whatever, elsewhere, any thing that hath passed in the school, whether spoken or done.

YOUR CONDUCT IN THE STREET.

Go not singing, whistling, or hollowing along the street. Quarrel not with any body you meet or overtake. Affront no one, especially your elders, by word or deed. Jeer not at any person whatever. Always give the right hand to your superiors, when you walk with them. But when three persons walk together, the middle place is the most honourable; and a son may walk at his father's right hand, when his younger brother walks at his left. Give your superiors leave to pass before you in any narrow place, where two cannot pass at once. If you go with your parents, master, or any superior, go not playfully through the street, nor go too slowly; wag not to and fro, nor use any antic or wanton postures, either of head, hands, feet or body. Stare not at every unusual person or thing which you see, &c. Whilst in the street, do not throw any thing; such as dirt, stones, &c. And offend not the master or scholars of another school.

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THE AMERICAN TEMPERANCE ALMANAC
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Also: Crawley on Baptism—price 3s.