

A SCEPTICAL CLERGYMAN.

THROWS ASIDE HIS DOUBTS AND BEARS STRONG TESTIMONY TO THE TRUTH.

London Advertiser.

Scepticism is a deplorable thing, especially when it leaves the mind on a stormy sea without an anchor or hope of haven. It does not probably prevail any more in these days than in did it the past, but we hear more of it because of the publicity given by the secular press. Some minds are so constituted that they cannot accept anything without proof, and yet they do not necessarily demand that the proof shall have the stamp of highest authority. They recognize merit for itself, and accept it gladly, knowing that eventually it must gain general recognition. The legal and medical professions as well as the ecclesiastical are slow to adopt what may conflict with their notions of self-interest and right. New ideas are almost always disturbing, but eventually they become assimilated and are warmly commended.

The case of the Rev. George Waterman, a talented clergyman of Berwyn Lodge, Broadstone, Winborne, Eng., suggests these observations. He got into a desperate condition, which thoroughly unfitted him for ministerial work. His mind sympathizing with his body, became very much depressed. As the mind is so the thoughts are. He finally put himself under the care of the best London specialists. For several years he pursued the ever-fleeting phantom, but at length they told him that his case was beyond amendment. Still more thoroughly depressed, he grew sceptical to a degree that he believed himself doomed.

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ALAS! it is a poor happiness that consists only in the ignorance or forgetfulness of approaching danger. —Richard Baxter.

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THE hand of the poor is the purse of God. —Du Vair.

HE that is unwilling to serve God in pain and patience is unworthy of so good a Master.

OUR fair morning is at hand. The day-star is near rising, and we are not many miles from home. —Samuel Rutherford.

THE massive gates of Circumstance Are turned upon the smallest hinge And thus some seeming pettiest chance Oft gives our life its after tinge. The trifles of our daily lives, The common things scarce worth recall, Whereof no visible trace survives, These are the mainsprings after all.

THE heart is like the tree that gives balm for the wound of man only when the iron has wounded it. —Chateaubriand.

IF a man speaks or acts with a pure thought, happiness follows him, like a shadow that never leaves him. —Anon.

NO superior, whether master, parent, husband or magistrate, can make obligatory on us either to do what God forbids, or not to do what God commands. —Anon.

IN His hands we are safe: we falter on Through storm and mire; Above, beside, around us, there is One Will never tire.

What though we fall, and bruised and wounded lie, Our lips in dust? God's arm shall lift us up to victory: In Him we trust.

For neither life, nor death, nor things below, Nor things above, Shall sever us, that we should ever go From this great love.

THE truest words we ever speak Are words of cheer, Life has its shade, its valleys deep; But round our feet the shadows creep, To prove the sunlight near.

THE golden beams of truth and silver chords of love twisted together will draw men on with a sweet violence whether they will or no. —Cudworth.

TRUTH being essential to holiness, it is the duty of Christians to bring it to bear upon all those who are ignorant, and all the works of darkness. —Anon.

AFFLICTION is the good man's shining scene; Prosperity conceals his brightest ray; As night to stars, woe lustre gives to man. —Young.

LET suspicion and alarm be awakened when we find our minds at work to make out anything to be innocent against doubt and an uneasy conscience. —John Foster.

MY mind was ruffled with small cares to-day, And I said pettish words, and did not keep Long-suffering patience well; and now how deep My trouble for this sin! In vain I weep For foolish words I never can unsay.

Yet I shall learn at last; though I neglect, Day after day, to seek my help from Thee, Oh, aid me, that I always recollect This gentle heartedness; and, oh, correct Whatever else of sin Thou seest in me! Henry Septimus Sutton.

SUFFER not your thoughts to dwell on the injury you have received, or the provoking words that have been spoken to you. Not only learn the art of neglecting them at the time you receive them, but let them grow less and less every moment, until they die out of your mind. —Anon.

GREAT talkers are seldom great performers. There is much truth in the old adage, that a barking dog seldom bites. A man who is full of talk about what he can do seldom does it. He expends all his energies in talk. Self-praise is no recommendation. Let another praise thee and not thine own mouth, is wise counsel. If many persons would think more, talk less, and do something, it would be much better for themselves and others. —Methodist Recorder.

IF one should give me a dish of sand, and tell me there were particles of iron in it, I might look for them with my eyes forever, and search for them with my clumsy fingers, and be unable to find them; but let me take a magnet and sweep it, and how it would draw to itself the most invisible particles by the power of attraction! The unthankful heart, like my finger in the sand, discovers no mercies; but let the thankful heart sweep through the day, and, as the magnet finds the iron, so it will find in every hour some heavenly blessings; only, the iron in God's sand is gold. —O. W. Holmes.

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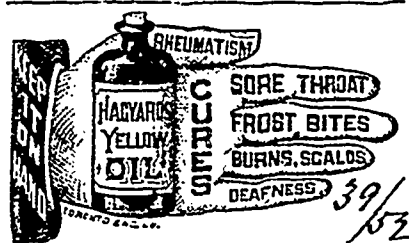
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