

member that there are other and more potent charms than pink cheeks and bright eyes which will tell in the long run.

The night, however dark, is but twelve hours long; with each morning come fresh chances and possibilities for all of us.—*Youth's Companion*.

## WORK, FOR THE DAY IS COMING.

By DR. BASIL MANLY.

"**I** HAVE often sung, 'Work for the Night is Coming,' and enjoyed it too. I feel that the counterpart is wanted, changing the figure and looking at this world as the night season. Here we toil in the dark, but it is followed by the cloudless, blessed day, in which the results shall be reaped and laid humbly, gratefully, gladly at the feet of our dear Lord."

"Work for the day is coming!  
Day in the Word foretold,  
When, 'mid the scenes triumphant,  
Longed for by saints of old,  
He who on earth a stranger  
Traversed its paths of pain,  
Jesus, the Prince, the Saviour,  
Comes evermore to reign.

"Work, for the day is coming!  
Darkness will soon be gone.  
Then o'er the night of weeping  
Day without end shall dawn.  
What now we sow in sadness,  
Then we shall reap with joy;  
Hope will be changed to gladness,  
Praise be our best employ.

"Work, for the day is coming,  
Made for the saints of light;  
Off with the garments dreary,  
On with the armour bright!  
Soon will the strife be ended,  
Soon all our toils below;  
Not to the dark are we tending,  
But to the day we go.

"Work, for the Lord is coming!  
Children of light are we;  
From Jesus' bright appearing  
Powers of darkness flee.  
Out of the mist at His bidding,  
Souls like the dew are born;  
O'er all the East now are spreading  
Tints of the rosy morn.

"Work, then, the day is coming!  
No time for sighing now!  
Harps for the hands that were drooping,  
Wreaths for the victor's brow.  
Now morning light is breaking,  
Day dawns in every land;  
Night shades beset us no longer,  
Jesus, our Lord, is at hand."

"WHAT, after all," said the late Bishop Lightfoot, "is the individual life in the history of the Church? Men may come and men may go; individual lives float down like straws on the surface of the waters till they are lost in the ocean of eternity. But the broad, mighty, rolling stream of the Church itself—the cleansing, purifying, fertilizing tide of the river of God—flows on for ever and ever."

MR. GLADSTONE says that there is but one question of the day and that is the Gospel. It can and will correct everything needing correction. All men at the head of great movements are Christian men. During the many years he was in the Cabinet, he was brought into association with sixty master minds, and all but five of them were Christians. His only hope for the world is in bringing the human mind into contact with divine revelation.

THE late Dr. Coke, one of the early preachers of Methodism, succeeded in establishing a mission in Sierra Leone in 1811 and at Ceylon in 1813, and donated \$30,000 of his own money to support five preachers who volunteered to go with him as missionaries to the latter country. While on their voyage out there, however, Dr. Coke was found dead in his cabin and was buried at sea. This man was once dismissed by his rector for "Methodistic practices," such as open air preaching and cottage services.

LORD MACAULAY, a writer by no means predisposed to a favorable estimate of religious influences, after a residence in India, declared that the most corrupt form of Christianity which had ever existed would be a blessing in exchange for what he saw there.

THERE are at least eight forms under which the Book of Common Prayer has been from time to time authoritatively set forth—five English, one Scottish, one Irish and one American. This is to be borne in mind when speaking of the "Prayer Book."

BUDDHISM, the highest form of Hinduism, is more of a moral philosophy than a religion, for it is entirely without love. The religion of Mahomet is without morality, and that of the African savage without trust or hope.

IN a recent address Archdeacon Farrar quoted Bishop Lightfoot to show that what many consider "failure" nowadays would in the third century have been regarded as miraculous missionary success.

PROFESSOR HUXLEY says that he has always advocated the reading of the Bible, and the diffusion of the study of that most remarkable collection of books among the people.

ONE of the missionaries of the China Inland mission, a Scotch gentleman worth \$1,000,000, is living in China very economically, using all his fortune in the work.

KNOWLEDGE without common sense is folly; without method it is waste; without charity it is fanaticism; without religion is death.