

## THE SECRET OF A HAPPY DAY.

Just to trust, and yet to ask  
 Guidance still;  
 Take the training or the task  
 As he will;  
 Just to take the loss or gain  
 As he sends it;  
 Just to take the joy or pain  
 As he lends it.  
 He who formed thee for His praise  
 Will not miss the gracious aim;  
 So to-day and all thy days  
 Shall be moulded for the same.

Just to leave in his dear hand  
*Little things*;  
 All we cannot understand,  
 All that stings;  
 Just to let him take the care  
 Sorely pressing.  
 This is all! and yet the way  
 Marked by Him who loves the best,  
 Secret of a happy day,  
 Secret of His promised rest.

## CRUMBS FOR THE CHILDREN.

BY MRS. MORTON.

Dear Children:

At the close of Mrs. Morton's last letter she put in a short piece which we copy for you. It is as follows:—

"Here are some crumbs for the children. I asked a very little one, shewing her a picture of the child Jesus, 'who is that,' 'Jesus loves me' said the little one sweetly; she was thinking of the hymn 'Jesus loves me this I know.'"

A mother refused to let her little daughter come to school, saying, 'If a girl learns to read she will die.' 'Oh! no!' I said, 'look at Fanny; I taught her to read, and she is not dead yet.' Fanny was with me at the time; she is wife to Geoffrey mentioned above and is very helpful to us.

One of Miss Semple's little girls was asking for candy. Another said to her in English 'Greedy Fellow.' This was very amusing because I don't think they knew twenty English words between them.

A nice boy about nine or ten years old smoked tobacco until he became insensible and then fell into the fire and got badly burned.

I want Miss Semple to write to the little boys and girls tell them about her school. I think she will do so soon, but the children keep her ever busy."

## PRECIOUS WORDS.

"Whosoever" and "whatsoever" are two precious words often in the mouth of Christ. "Whosoever will may come;" "Whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do." "Whosoever" is on the *outside* of the gate, and lets in all who choose; "Whatsoever" is on the *inside*, and gives those who enter the free range of all the region and treasury of grace. "Whosoever" makes salvation free; "Whatsoever" makes it full.

On Sabbath afternoon the 24th Feb., John B. Gough addressed a medical students prayer meeting in New York. He strongly urged them to abstain from intoxicating drinks and to beware how they prescribed such potients for their patients after they became physicians. The closing part of his address is well worthy of consideration and ought to create a deep impression.

"To save the life of the body is noble, but to save the soul is nobler. I cannot drink one glass said a man to me without getting drunk. Then why drink? O I cannot refuse to drink because it is customary for gentlemen to drink. Said another; I hate drunkenness. Well then why not abstain? Because I think teetotalism is cowardly. How easy to find excuses. Every time a young man falls he gets up weaker than before. Drink has caused the ruin of lawyers, doctors, and ministers. I know a clergyman, an able man, I knew him well and have sat at his table. He is now a drunken hostler in a stable in Boston. When Moody was in Boston some brothers went to see this man and asked him how he had fallen so low. He answered that he was sick and applied to a doctor who gave him alcohol, and from that time the thirst for liquor grew upon him. It is a beautiful thing to see a physician with politeness and tenderness ministering to the needs of the sick, but grander than all it is to be instrumental in saving human souls. The physician has opportunities for that, and it is his duty to take advantage of them. To man the life-boat, and save the perishing from wrecked vessels is a deed that deservedly wins the applause of men. To man the life-boat and save wrecked souls will win the plaudits of white robed angels and the approval of the Almighty.