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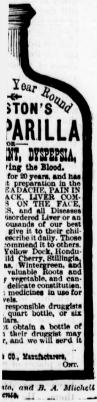
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[Of the legends which cluster around the Crucifixion, perhaps the most familiar is the tale of "The Wandering Jew;" but there are many others. The tradition which suggested the following sonnet, is akin to the one which derives the red breast of the robin from a drop of blood falling on it when the bird sought to withdraw one of the crown of thorns, and it is not unlike the other legend that the aspen had never shivered until its wood was taken to make the cross.]

Lofty and tail, unbending and upright, Beside a spring, there stood a willow tree, Its young leaves rippling like the verdant Before the breeze and in the morning light.

The rabble ran towards Golgotha's height; And walking in the midst of them wer

And waiking in the midst of them were three; And two were thieves, and one was He Who was to die for men in all men's sight

A'soldier broke a willow branch to urge Them on, and smote Him with a willow thong. As up the hill the slow procession crept. Then,-when it saw its branches used to

Scourge The Man who bore His cross amid the throng,—
The guilty willow bowed its head and wept.
J. B. M. - The American.

BETTER THOUGHTS.

Science expands the intellect; religion adorns the soul. They should ever go hand in hand.

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available to the rich and poor alike-yet but few enjoy it. The worst education that teaches self-denial is better than the best that teaches

everything else and not that. Opportunities are very sensitive things; if you slight them on their first visit you seldom see them again. If we should read the secret history of

our enemies, we should find in each man's life sorrow and suffering enough to disarm all hostility.-Longfellow.

True charity needs no arguments to call it into play. It is always on the alert-never loses an opportunity, but is constantly in quest of them.

Self-respect is the noblest garment with which a man may clothe himself—the most elevating feeling with which the mind can be inspired. The law of the harvest is to reap more

than you sow. Sow an act and you reap a habit; sow a habit and you reap a char-acter; sow a character and you reap a des-It is "the end that crowns the work." All labor is lost that is not persevered in: with each failure comes a new beginning.

The race is won only when the goal bas been reached. Beware, dallier by the wayside! God is eternal and can afford to wait, but you are mortal and your time is brief, and your opportunities few, and you should not dare to trifle with them. Up, and on!

The soul of man is endowed with many The soul of man is endowed with many noble powers, and feels a keen joy in their exercise; but the keenest joy we are cap-able of feeling, consists in prostrating all our powers of mind and heart, in humble adoration before the majesty of God.

In the Middle Ages, on the death of a monk, his plate was placed on the table at every meal for a month. The usual amount of food was put upon it, and this was distributed to the poor, who were exhorted to pray for the repose of the soul of the departed brother.

and monstrous, in comparison with the petty depredations of the despicable thief who breaks into his granary and surreptitiously carries away his corn.

Holy poverty emancipates us from perpetual fear of losing those things to which we are inordinately at ached; it spares us the dreadful pain of being separated from those things, in the possession of which the perverted soul places its only happiness and comfort.—Father Businger.

Whatever you think proper to grant a child let it be granted at the first word, without entreaty or prayer, and above all, without making, any condition. Grant with pleasure, refuse with reluctance; but let your refusal be irrevocable; let not importunity shake your resolution; let the particle "No," when once pronounced, be a wall of brass, which a child after he has tried his strength against it, shall never be tried his strength against it, shall never be able to shake.

Henry A. Wise, in his address on the subject of education, says: "Teach your children the elements of Christian philoschildren the elements of Christian philosophy, the Bible lessons of love and temperance, and knowledge and virtue, and faith, and hope, and charity, and you may turn them out into the world without a pang of apprehension, without a doubt of distrust or fear; they will never injure the States." the States.

Busy Mortal, why labor so hard? Is it for the mere dross of earth? Know you not that the grave yawns before you, and that in the twinkling of an eye you be enveloped in its chilling folds? Labor for the goods "that perisheth not." These will light up the gloom of the tomb, and transform its dark cerements into a robe of fadeless light. This is the better part.

GROWING OLD GRACEFULLY.

How I love to see men and women grow old gracefully. So few seem to think of it, farmers especially. Many of them appear very loveable and nice until they are married—then good-bye to appearances; there is no need of trying to be anybody any longer; they must work, early and late, and save all they can so as to have plenty money to live on and enjoy, when too old to enjoy it. The new top buggy is sold. Anything is good enough for the wife to ride in, but there was nothing too good for her before she gave her life into his keeping (the only piece of property that seems to lessen in value by becoming the possessor of it). The husband forgets the little thoughtful kindnesses to his wife that women think so much of, becomes indifferent (which is breaking the hearts of many poor wives). seldom "slicka up," and in fact, does not seem like the same man that wooed and won her a few months before. How I love to see men and women gro wooed and won her a few months before.

The woman is often just as bad. It does not pay to comb her hair or put on a long to comb her hair or

collar in the morning, it is too much bother; collar in the morning, it is too much bother; very soon drops her music, and so it goes from bad to worse. O! what a pity. For my part, I think we ought to try all the harder to keep the love after we get it, and instead of going down hill, try to improve so that one shall never have a chance to be ashamed of the other. If there was more pure love in the world there would be much less chance for fault-finding on this score. We would all keep trying to improve and grow better, and the ones that try are the noble men and women (we once in a great while see), that we all love and admire so much, and can truly say of them that "they have grown old grace-

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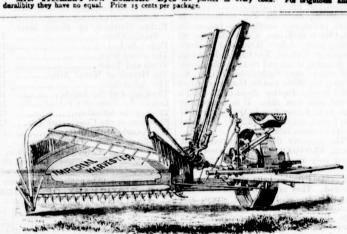
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