

at his father with quivering lip and said, "Father, I cannot lie; I did it." "Alas," said the father, "my beautiful tree is ruined, but I would rather lose all the trees I have than that my son should be a liar." Truth is beautiful and gentle. Truth is mighty and immortal. Truth is divine.

The fifth pillar in wisdom's house is

TEMPERANCE.

This is a pillar of very great prominence and importance in wisdom's temple of Christian character. "Every man who striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things" (1 Cor. 9: 25). St. Paul speaks of the Christian life as a warfare, and his earnest exhortation to young Timothy was, "Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life." And of himself he said, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." This "mastery" for which the Christian must daily strive in building the temple of Christian character, is the mastery over himself, his temper, his tongue, his appetite, his ambition, his disposition, and his aspirations, as well as the foe without which attacks him in a thousand ways, only to cast him down and rob him of his strength, of his honor, and of his hope.

St. Paul says: "Whether ye eat or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God."