



From the New York Square.  
**Do Not Speak Ill of a Brother.**

BY BARBARA VAUGHN.

Do not speak ill of a brother,  
Though glaring his faults may appear;  
Perhaps your own vision's distorted,  
And unconsciously do not see clear.

Never magnify faults in a brother,  
That in self would invisible be;  
Better lovingly veil every failing,  
Than tarnish a name wilfully.

If for fame you must traduce a brother,  
Then eschew the much coveted prize;  
Rather wait at the foot of the ladder,  
Than on rounds of Perfidy rise.

Pause well, for perchance your own record  
A scrutiny close would not bear,  
And should foes e'er attempt to dissect it,  
Far worse than your brother you'd find.

Then never speak ill of a brother,  
But righteously judge to the end,  
And with charity cover all errors,  
In speaking of foe or of friend.

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**Young Men's Strength.**

BY CARSON L. POWELL.

John the Evangelist in one of his epistles says: "I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong." Solomon says, "the glory of young men is their strength." The Scriptures everywhere teach us that God has an important work for young men to do. Joseph was made the deliverer of Egypt, Canaan and the whole world, from the ravages of a cruel famine when he was but a young man. David killed the giant Goliath and thus put an end to a desperate war between the Israelites and Philistines when he was but a youth. It is said that Solomon ascended the throne of Israel when he was only eighteen years old, and the great and important work of building the temple was committed into his hands. During the progress of this work, he had under his control about two hundred thousand workmen. Our Savior accomplished his work on earth while a young man. The Apostle Paul entered upon his mission to the gentiles while a young man; for we are told that just previous to his conversion the stoners of Stephen laid down their clothes at a young man's feet whose name was Saul. And if we read history we there learn that young men have accomplished prodigies in the drama of life. Bonaparte was a young man of twenty seven when he was made commander of the French Army in Italy. Alexander had conquered the world when he was thirty three years old. Hannibal was made general of the Carthaginian Army when he was twenty one. Washington became Colonel of an American regiment at that early age. Lafayette was side by side with the American generals when nineteen years of age. John Q. Adams was the secretary of the United States' minister to the court of St. Petersburg, Russia, when a lad of fourteen.

Who are those who generally hold the

hazardous positions of engineers on our railroads? Young men. Who are those who assume all the dangers of old Ocean and bless humanity by an interchange of the products of the different climes? They are generally daring young men? Who are those who often emigrate to and develop the wild and unsettled territories of our country? They are young men.

I know that it is customary for old men, as a general thing, to look upon young men as weak, impudent, foolish creatures; but God does not so regard them. Christian young men are a power in any community. Fogyism is one of the grandest hindrances to the advancement of christianity in the world; but young men are often the successful combatants of this monstrous evil.

According to Rebold, in his "*Historie des Trois Grandes Loges de Franc Macons en France*," the first places on the Continent where Masonry was introduced from England were Dunkirk and Mons, in both of which Lodges were constituted as early as 1721. The Dunkirk Lodge bore the title of *L'Amitie et Fraternite*, and was re-constituted 1st March 1756, by the Grand Lodge of France. The Mons Lodge was constituted the 4th June 1721, and bore the title of *La Parfaite Union*. Later it became Provincial Grand Lodge, under the English jurisdiction, for the Austrian Netherlands, and itself constituted Lodges from 1730. It would be interesting to learn the evidence on which Rebold bases these statements. According to the same writer the first Paris Lodge was founded by Lord Derwentwater, in 1725. It was known as Lodge "St. Thomas," and was constituted in the name of the London Grand Lodge, 13th June 1726. Its place of meeting was an eating house or restaurant in the Rue des Boucheries Saint Germain, kept by one Hurre. A second Lodge was constituted in Paris the 7th May 1729. It was named *Louis d'Argent* and met at Lebreton's mine host of "Le Louis d'Argent." The third Paris Lodge was named *Artes Sainte Marguerite*, and was founded 11th December 1729; while a fourth, known as the Lodge *De Bussy* met at Landelles' Hotel of the same name and after the initiation of the Duke d'Aumont, was called the Lodge *D'Aumont*. Of the four Lodges, Thory, in "*Acto Latomorum*," makes mention of the first, and he also states, under date of 24th December 1736, there were at that date four Lodges in Paris.—*London Freemasons' Chronicle*.

The efficiency of Masonry does not consist in its numbers. It is quality not quantity that determines power. The chisel of steel will sever the thickest bar of iron, and a Lodge of thorough Masons, brethren who have a hearty, deep, and abiding interest in the Craft, will exceed in power, influence and ultimately in numbers, any Lodge, of half hearted and feeble Masons, no matter what they profess—whatecapacity or under what auspices they assemble.

**Restlessness in Children.**

If you watch the management of a child by a mother of small capacity, says Herbert Spencer, you may be struck by the inability she betrays to imagine the child's thoughts and feelings. Full of energy, which he must expend in some way and eager to see everything, her little boy is every moment provoking her by his restlessness.

"Sit still!" "Get down, I tell you!" "Why can't you be quiet?" are the commands and expostulations she utters from minute to minute. She endeavors to repress these childish activities, mainly out of regard for what she thinks propriety, and does it without any adequate recognition of the penalties she inflicts. Though she herself lived through this phase of extreme curiosity—this early time when almost every object passed has the charm of novelty, and when the overflowing energies generate a painful irritation if pent up; yet now she cannot believe how keen is the desire for seeing which she balks, and how difficult is the maintenance of that quietude on which she insists.

"Go away from home to get the news," and here we have this from the Burlington (Iowa) *Hawkeye*: "The royal striped Ichthyophthalmite, on exhibition in the Agricultural building at the Centennial, was severely bitten by the wild Psittacoglossum of Borneo yesterday, and in endeavoring to separate them the keeper struck the grav-nosed Angiomonspermous on the head with an iron bar, instantly killing it. The Acanthopterygious has been sold, because it is so difficult for the Commissioner to obtain the Hypotracheliums, which constitutes its only food."

CALLING A HALT.—The Trenton (N. J.) *Gazette* thinks we are all living too fast, and closes an article expressing this view thus: "It is time to slack up. We are close upon the fifth century of the discovery of the 'New World'; we are celebrating the Centennial anniversary of our history as a nation; we have accomplished great and marvelous things; we have over forty millions of people; a country rich in all the products of civilization; and occupy a front rank among the great nations of the earth. We can not afford to let up on the ceaseless and furious rush and to take our ease a little. Let us enter upon our second century with something of the dignity, and tranquility, and rational calmness, in all our pursuits, business, social and political, that becomes our history, our age, and our achievements. A less eager and hot pursuit of happiness, with a greater measure of contentment with the pursuit, will be more likely to find us the boon we seek."

Friendship improves happiness, and abates misery, by the doubling of our joy and the dividing of our grief.

**PEN AND SCISSORS.**

- .... George Sand leaves two children.
- .... The Colorado potato bug is at Long Branch.
- .... A girl in Fulton county, Ill., sheared 13 sheep in two hours.
- .... A catfish weighing 140 pounds was recently caught at Eel river, Ind.
- .... There are thirty circuses travelling this summer.
- .... Seventeen residences in Waterford, New York, are connected by telegraph wires, and the occupants gossip handily.
- .... Cardinal Antonelli, the Pope's Secretary of State, is likely soon to die of asthma, and the Pope's health is very bad.
- .... An Alligator ten feet long and weighing 175 pounds, was killed in Big Indian creek, Houston county, Ga., last week.
- .... Spotted Tail was in Cheyenne the other day, inquiring about the price of hair.
- .... Mr. Greatnoise has recently been admitted to the Alabama bar. He ought to make a sound lawyer.
- .... In life it is difficult to say who does you the most mischief—enemies with the worst intentions or friends with the best.
- .... Men will frequently give assent to philanthropical views but not a cent to carry them out.
- .... There is a wide distinction between being a man of fortune and a fortunate man.
- .... Do all the good you can in the world, and make as little noise about it as possible.
- .... He who is prone to cut up in his youth is likely to be cut down in his prime.
- .... The *Courier Journal* says the recording angel puts down a business lie just the same as any other. Paste this in your hat.
- .... The St. Louis *Dispatch* remarks that while railroad companies are cutting each other's throats is a good time to see the country.
- .... Don Pedro pays \$85 per day for two Pullman cars, exclusive of the cost of tickets for the party and expenses of the table.
- .... A judge, in sentencing a man to death observed: "Prisoner at the bar, you will soon have to appear before another and perhaps a better Judge."
- .... A Michigan man has started a broom factory in Atlanta; but he seems to be under the impression that he will have to import his broom corn from the North.
- .... "They came here said Artemus Ward, of the puritans," "that they might worship in their own way and prevent other people worshipping in their'n."
- .... A society has been formed in London for the purpose of securing photographs of the old landmarks that are now being swept away rapidly.
- .... In Texas they collect a fine of \$100 from every man who swears. If we had a well executed law of that kind here it would be some object to the city treasury.
- .... A gentleman living near Augusta, Ga., has peaches and plums growing on the same tree. The plum branches were grafted on a peach tree.
- .... A splendid vein of coal has been struck near Truseville, fifteen miles east of Birmingham, on the Alabama & Chatanooga railroad.
- .... Richards of Chicago, has nearly completed a bust of Charlotte Cushman, which is said to be a most striking likeness of the tragedienne.
- .... A family of eighteen Tennesseans, returning disgusted from California, were in Omaha the other day, on the way back to their native State.