It, sitting with this little worn-out

And searlet stocking lying on my

knee,
I knew the little feet had pattered

through
The pearl-set gates, that lie
'twixt Heaven and me,
I could be reconciled, and happy too,
And look with glad eyes toward
the Jasper Sea.

If in the morning when the song of birds

Reminds me of a music far more

sweet,
I listen for his pretty broken words,
And for the music of his dimpled

feet,
I could be almost happy, though I heard

No answer and saw but his vacant

I could be glad, if when the day is

done,
And all its cares and heart-aches laid away,
I could look westward to the hidden

sun, And with a heart fall of sweet

yearnings say: "To-night I am nearer to my little

By just the travel of an earthly

If I could know those little feet were shod
In sandals wr night of light in bee

ter lands,

And that the foot-prints of a tender Ran side by side with his, in gol-

den sands.

I could bow cheerfully and kiss the

Since darling was in wiser, safethands.

If he were dead, I would not sit to

And stain with tears the wee sock

on my knee;
I would not kiss the tiny shoe and

say:
"Bring back again my little boy

I would be patient, knowing 'twas God's way, Although I must not all the wis-

But O! to know the feet once pur

and white,

The haunts of vice had boldly
ventured in!

The hands t at should have battled for the right,

Have been wrung crimson in th clasp of sin!

And sho ld he knock at Heaven's

gate to-night,

To fear my boy could hardly en
ter in.

-Selected.

A NEW KIND OF HAPPINESS.

dred feet deep, and I don't believe we should ever have tender consciences and a great reverence for religion, but shrink from becoming Christians lest the change may make them sober and sedate like men, and take away their boyish cheerfulness and love of sports. They forget that if a great joy fills the heart, from peace with God and the forgiveness of sins, this joy will make all life pleasanter to them in study and work and play. Dr. Nehemiah Adams, long settled as a pastor in Boston, gives an account of a boy who became a Christian, without quite knowing what the change meant, or why be felt so happy. Dr. Adams says:

"A lad was on his way from school, with other lads in playful conversation. When he entered his home, he laid down his books in the entry, went to his chamber, locked the door, kneeled down, and heedless whether any one was in the room adjoining, prayed in childlike language nearly as follows: "O God, my heavenly Father, I have come to pray to thee. I don't want anything in particular, but I satisfaction."

dred feet deep, and I don't believe has should ever have stated the bright sparkling water fit had, 't been for good old Jack's help. The children of the college, and was freed a degree by the authorities, if he would submit to the heese without the aid of a teacher. He will don't be one turns the big wheel, and up comes a broket full of the best water you ever tasted.

The Lune best water of the college, and was offered a degree by the authorities, if he would submit to the necessary examinations. But the cakes and apples or bunches of water creases bought on purpose for "dear old Jack."

No wonder the "well donested the well-keeper to him who dare." President Eliot backers and ilique to the college, and perhaps have excepted him without the aid of a teacher. He wild much more work both in mathematics and the classies than was required in the college and the received a degree by the authorities, if he would submit to the necessary examinations. But the class in the received him with or was

love thee. I have come just to say I do not know what has made me feel as I have felt this forenoon, but I haven't been able to think of much besides God. I never loved anything so. Whom have I in heaven but thee, and there is none on earth I desire besides thee. Yes, there is one thing that I do desire, and hatis, that all the scholars may feel so towards thee." After a few words more he joined his brothers and sisters in their play. This boy, was happier than ever before in in his life. He didn't know the reason, but it was because he had come to love God, and not the feel of the fermal separation of the purpose of making them obey. Where any good end to the most is to be answered, it is different. Little ones often object to what is good for them, and when firmness is necessary, people should of course be firm. But, if a little, power less creature has a strong fancy or a great repugnance, a parent or guardian abuses his happier than ever before in in his life. He didn't know the reason, but it was because he had come to love God, and not have a words him leave at the fat of his ment, if he loathes it, or any thing, no matter what, that is repulsion. the reason, but it was because he had come to love God, and that made him love parents and brothers and sisters and schoolmates better, and all beautiful things in nature better. He was much happier than his schoolmates who did not love God, and this new joy entered into his talk and play, and attracted their notice.

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Religion helps children to better study and more faithful work. A little girl of twelve was telling, in a simple way, the evidence that she was a Christian. "I did not like to study, but to play. I was idle at school, and often missed my lessons. Now I try to learn every lesson well to please God. I was mischievous at school when the teachers were not looking at me; making fun for the scholars to laugh at. Now I wish to please God by behaving well and keeping the school laws. I was selfish at home, didn't like to rum errands, and was sulky when mother called me from play to help her in work.

sulky when mother called me from play to help her in work. Now it is a real joy to me to help mother in any way, and to show that I love her."

Such a religion is essential to the best interest and moral growth of youth, and will make lite sunny and cheerful.—Youth's Companion.

THE DONKEY THAT LIVES IN A CASTLE.

firm. But, if a little, power less creature has a strong fancy or a great repugnance, a parent or guardian abuses his power in ignoring it. Why should your little boy be made to eat the fat of his meat, if he loathes it, or any thing, no matter what, that is repulsive to him? It may be necessary to refuse some things at table, but seldom, if ever, to force any thing upon them. Why make a child, either boy or girl, miserable by forcing it to wear articles of clothing of which its taste does not approve or at which other children laugh? I think little girls suffer more from this than from any one thing. Almost all of us have some such memory. I knew a lady whose childish life was made very wretched for a year by an obsolete old beg in which she was forced to carry her books to school; and another whose mother forced her to wear some old lace which, though costly, was laughed at by ignorant children who made her world, and declared that she actually wished herself dead, until that lace was banished from her wardrobe. If you can afford it, it is wiser to give your boy the particular top or kite he wants, and at you can afford it, it is wiser to give your boy the particu-lar top or kite he wants, and your girl the very doll she covets or the blue ribbon she admires. And, at any rate, you need not, uselessly force them to any thing from which they shrink or which makes them unhappy.

PAID HIS OWN WAY.

Theodore Parker's father, a farmer in moderate circumstances, could not give his son a liber-

Many years ago we lived in the Isle of Wight, England. About eighty miles from our house was Carisbrooke Castle. In the castle lived a handsome old donkey. His name was Jack. He had lived in that grand old place for nearly thirty years.

In the castle is a very deep well. Perhaps you will guess now why Jack lived in the castle. The well is three hundred feet deep, and I don't believe we should ever have tasted that bright sparkling water if it had. It been for good old Jack's help.

farmer in moderate circumstances, could not give his son a liberal education. But the ambitious boy determined to gain it for himself. He studied early in the morning and late at night, and one evening, surprised his father Unity to pay a hard to fall his place on the farm, and mastered all the studies of the college course without the aid of a teacher. He did much more work both in mathematics and the classics than

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