More Than A Dream.

Let love and your better self win you,
And follow them on to the goal. Afar in the path of Endeavor The temples of Happiness gleam They stand as a promise forever That heaven is more than a dream.

We fall in the moments of weakness. Borne down by the passion for sin.

Acknowledge the error with meekness And strengthen the guard from within.
The lusts of the brute we inherit
Must cower and shrink from the light
That flows from the throne of the spirit
And shows us the path to the right.

I know not what creeds we should cherish, Or if they may all be astray. I only know nothing can perish,
That nothing is taken away.
I know not, when earth-chords shall sever,
How much or how little survives;

Move on through a cycle of lives. 1 know not the kingdom immortal; Yet feel in my innermost soul That Death's not a wall but a portal, Through which lies an infinite goal. I know not the glory supernal.

Nor paths that the angels have trod: Yet something within is eternal-And grows in the sunlight of God.

I know not if spirits forever

I know not the realm where my spirit Sojourned ere I came into birth; Yet know in my heart I inherit A memory not of the earth; Beyond the dark river, I see The hills of a country elysian I'll tread in the acons to be.

I know with the wisdom of Sorrow, The lessons I've gleaned by the way; The fruits that we gather to-morrow Are grown from the seeds of to-day. Life's page we have blotted and checkered No power on earth can restore. We write an indelible record, To blight or to bless evermore

With voices scraphic and tender Our loved ones are calling afar. With light that is golden in splendor fruth shines like a mystical star. The veil of the Silence is riven, The banner of Hope is unfurled; And Love, through the portals of heaven, Illumines the night of the world. -Denver News.

The Good of Being Good.

In one of his early stories, Wilagainst the idea that a sinner he has in mind should be allowed to escape the consequences of his acts. "What's the good of being created, but can find nowhere exhave known it also if they were good?" he asks, "if things are to cept in the embrace of Him who turn out that way?" The Scotchmade us. man's question has often been put. The Satan of the Book of Job implies it when he asks, "Doth Job serve God for naught?" Jacob, at the outset of his spiritual life, suggests it in the terms of his covenant at Bethel. He bargains that, if God will take care of him, he will do certain specified things in return.
The elder son in the parable looks in the same direction when he contrasts the kid he never got in payment for his virtues with the tatted calf bestowed upon his repentant brother.

There is no doubt that this conception of the relation of obedience to reward has its uses in the earlier stages of the spiritual life, whether of men or of races. The child may be brought to take its medicine or its exercise by the offer of some privilege or gift, posing is done by the young memorize it. before it is wise enough to appre- ladies?"

adapts itself very wisely. Its pictures of the life beyond death, for instance, with crowns of glory and golden harps, and other decouldn't be so immodest. I'm plad you didn't expect me thing for your college career has been a failure in spite of the couldn't be so immodest. I'm point to let you do the proposition of the proposition o tails of the apocalyptic vision, appeal to the untrained perception of the beginner. But the Bible itself, as we come to read it in the light of a degree results and the light of a degree results resident and the solution of the beginner. But the light of a degree results resident and the solution of the beginner. But the light of a degree results resident and the solution of the beginner results resident and the solution of the beginner. But the light of a degree results resident and the solution of the beginner results and the solution of the beginner. But the light of the solution of the beginner results and the solution of the beginner results and the solution of the beginner. But the light of the solution of the beginner results and the solution of the beginner results as a seeming the solution of the beginner results and the solution of the solution of the beginner results and the solution of the solut in the light of a deeper experisence, suggests grander meaning for these symbols, which are seen to correspond to spiritual blessings of vastly greater worth and and beauty. In MacDanald's and beauty. In MacDonald's happy phrase, God seems at times to offer us a sixpence, and we find it a shilling instead. But it is because sixpence attracted us the more. The reward which seemed to lie outside the life drew us more marries."—Smart Set. than that embraced within its

Jeremy Taylor reproduces from some Oriental mystic the story of the King who, when riding out to the chase, met a woman bearing a torch and a pitcher of water. He asked her what she was going to do with you strike it, it will Run. But she was going to do with them "To burn up heaven and quench hell," she said, "that men henceforth may hate sin and love God for himself alone." There always going to do with the Man will not Run. He will "Don't you know," said the kind-taced old gentleman who may start Way down near a litstop of the story wrong for you always going to do with you strike it, it will Run. But "Don't you know," said the kind-taced old gentleman who henceforth may hate sin and love Boy's waistband but they always going to do with you strike it, it will Run. But "Don't you know," said the will be will be with the wi are people whose notions of always come to a Head at last.— heaven and of hell leave work for Eugene Field.

Home and Fireside. that it is life prolonged in a condition of unmitigated selfishness, with each human atom flung into ceaseless and unmitigated strile

But it isn't exactly so

There's a time to shout and a time to sing with all the rest, and each enwith all the rest, and each en-during the essential misery of the Tuere's a time to risk for the stake, a time ceaseless fall in the black pit of atheistic despair. What the environment of such a life may be matters little. Were it transacted among all the beauties and delights with which poets and painters have invested Paradise, The misery would be the same. And a time, alas, to grieve, without Country without Country and But never a time to selfishly without. Some one once, Bishop Whipple says, tried to pose a poor colored woman by asking her where they would get all the brimstone needed to keep up hell-fire forever. She replied: "Dose As the con-

As for the life of the redeemed, in a few words of his great Epistle, as in all the visions of the Revelation: "He that hath the Son hath the life." There can be posed persons to aid the young in a few words of his great Episnothing greater than to live in fellowship with God the Father and his Son Jesus Christ,—to be and his Son Jesus Christ,—to be in the bosom of the Father. To live that life is to have attained to the highest blessedness. This found with the only begotten Son to the highest blessedness. This true, spiritual heaven is not a thing beyond death only. "He that hath the Son hath life." He that hath the Son hath life." He ably. As a rule this can be done to the speakers or readers should be able and willing to make preparation for filling that place creditably. As a rule this can be done to the speakers or readers should be able and willing to make preparation for filling that place creditably. As a rule this can be done to the speakers or readers should be able and willing to make preparation for filling that place creditable. The speakers or readers should be able and willing to make preparation for filling that place creditable that hath the Son hath life." He able and unaided effort that hath the speakers or readers should be able and willing to make preparation for filling that place creditable that hath the Son hath life. The speakers or readers should be able and willing to make preparation for filling that place creditable that hath the Son hath life. The speakers or readers should be able and willing to make preparation for filling that place creditable that hath the Son hath life. The speakers or readers should be able and willing to make preparation for filling that place creditable that hath the Son hath life. The speakers or readers should be able and willing to make preparation for filling that place creditable that hath the Son hath life. The speakers or readers should be able and willing to make preparation for filling that place creditable that hath the Son hath life. The speakers or readers should be able and will be able to the speakers or readers should be able to the speakers or r is not waiting for eternal life to by earnest and unaided effort be reached after he dies. He does not, in the Stoic phrase which has that effort will gain much more slipped into our Christian speech, from college training than by expect to "go to heaven." It is relying upon others. The lesson not a Muslim paradise, to be of self-reliance is one of the most valuable that can be taught. tain only a conventional or arbitrary relation to its own nature. It is the fruition of a life begun here,-the victory of a warfare going on now.

For this life and for the next, therefore, the good of being good is just in being good. It is the good of spiritual health, in which every function of our spiritual nature has the tone of true vitality and energy. It is the joy of the widest usefulness, in which In one of his early stories, William Black represents a sour-tempered Scotchman protesting our fellows' need. It is the life of serene communion with the Father of our spirits, in which we attain that rest for which we were

> Thou art the source and center of all minds, Their only point of rest, Eternal Word! From thee departing, they are lost, and rove At random without honor, hope, or peace. From thee is all that soothes the life of man His high endeavor, and his glad suc His strength to suffer, and his will to serv But, O thou bounteous Giver of all good, Give what thou canst, without thee we are

poor,
And with thee rich, take what thou wilt -S. S. Times.

And John Had To.

"John," she said, as she toyed with one of his coat buttons, 'this is leap year, is it not?"
"Yes, Mamie," he answered, as

Ideal Enough for Earth.

Miss Bridesoon-"What is your idea of the ideal lover? Miss Yellowleaf-"The one who

The Boil.

This is a Boil. It is on the Feel it? If you Do, the Man will box. 25c. Feel it, too. The Boil is a mean

To conceal your hand and wait; There's a time to creep and a time to climb,

Endeavor to deceive.

-S. E. Kiser in Chicago Record-Herald.

Self-Help.

As the commencement season sinners all takes dere own brim-stone wid um." approaches many persons who are supposed to have skill or ability in writing are receiving the Apostle John takes us as far, from college students, both boys

To put forth one's own efforts, to use one's own knowledge is to strengthen both mind and character. The habit of relying upon others for work to be displayed upon special occasions is, we fear, quite general among our codege students.

It is impossible for professors which its advocates have overlooked. to prevent it, except in those cases where the proffered speech or essay is palpably beyond the capacity of its alleged writer.

lege commencements so-called original productions which we knew were not written by those who delivered them. The teachcapable of filling their positions. Such evident frauds discredit the school which permits them, as well as the students who perpetrate them.

There is a sort of assistance in such matters which is perfectly proper, and even commendable. To refer the young writer to authorities on the subject he or she is to discuss or to some good book that treats of it is all right. But the aid should not go beyond that point and critical correction of the student's own

Give the young mind the material and then let it assimilate it as much of it as it can and put the result in its own way.

"This is the year when the pro. and leave him or her to merely

before it is wise enough to appreciate that the happiness of health is the true reward. So in the spiritual life our first instinct is to look for some outside reward beyond the life itself, as its end and consummation.

To this need, indeed, the Bible To this need, indeed, the Bible and consummation.

To this need, indeed, the Bible the truth, I've only known you for—that is to say—"

"Yes."

"I hope you don't expect me to propose to you?"

"Why, Mamie, dear, I never gave the matter a thought, I—er—to—to tell the truth, I've only known you for—that is to say—"

"I'm glad you didn't expect me to father replied: "My boy, I sent you to college and have kept you there four years that you might fit yourself to do that sort of thing for yourself. If you have not done so your college career has been a failure in spite of the The son of a man of great

high praise. Better still he learned a lesson that has been of incalculable value to him.

Let us encourage our young friends to practice the noble and elevating habit of self-help.

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The Bigger Boy's Side of it.

to fight a boy smaller than your-self?"

WHAT ALARMED HIM. -

A story is told of a gentleman who is at present serving in one of the largest European capitals as embassador extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary from the United States which, though it seems hardly credible as being related of the suave and elegant minister, is vouched for on unquestionable au-

The present embassador had just graduated from college and was enjoying a stay in Paris with some of his chums. One evening after a dinner in which considerable liquid refreshment had been imbibed the merry company took cab for a the-

The show was a pantomime. The young men arrived late, and all rushed into a box without stopping to obtain programmes. After they had arranged themselves and all quieted down it was noticed that the future embassador's eyes opened wider and wider, and he seemed to be in great terror.

Finally, just before the curtain fell, he rose slowly. All eyes turned

Good For the Enemy.

"I have been reading about the latest German army innovation," remarked the gentle optimist, "and it certainly seems to me it fills a long felt want. It is a sleeping bag, just large enough for a man to crawl into, and when he once gets in it is pulled up over his head and tied, the air for breathing purposes being supplied by tubes. The advantages of this bag are said to be that it keeps out bugs and snakes and rain, but it seems to me it has another,

"Think of the value it would be in case of an unexpected night attack - the value to the enemy, I mean. It is so difficult to handle Many of us have heard at col- men at large, even when they are surprised, and it is so easy to handle them in bags. The attacking force would only have to tie extra hard knots in the cords that close the bags and then dump them all into wagons to be carted away, for even the inventor admits that it requires time and patient effort to get out of one of these new army beds.

"The distressing confusion that usually follows a night attack would be lacking, and the results could be summed up by the officer in com-mand of the sortie as follows: 'Sir, I have the honor to report that we captured 487 bags of men. Where shall we pile them up?" "-Chicago

Peculiar Presents.

Two elephants were once offered to King Edward, and not long ago two fine Bengal tigers arrived at Sandringham. "I have accommodation at Sandringham," He said, "for horses, cows, dogs, cats, mice and even rats, but I must draw the line at tigers." The German crown prince received a fine steak from a society of butchers on his eighteenth birthday recently, which reminds us that Bismarck once received a lump of coal from some miners. But the record in gifts belongs to a speaker of the house of commons (Mr. Brand), who received an old pair of trousers, carriage paid .- St. James Gazette.

He Wants the Money.

Here is a characteristic letter which Andrew Carnegie is said to have received from Mark Twain the other day:

Other day:

Dear Mr. Carnegie—Understanding that you are blessed at present with an unusual surplus of income and knowing well your generous spirit and desire to do good to those who will help themselves, I want to ask you to make me a contribution of \$1.50. When I was a young man, my mother gave me a hymnbook, which I faithfully used. It is now, thanks to my efforts, worn out, and I think it should be replaced, and you are the man to do this. Appreciating to the full the generous deeds that have made your name filustrious in this and other countries and believing that in making me this donation you will be carrying on the spirit of your work, I am your faithfully,

Mark Twark.

P. S.—Don't send the hymnbook; send the one dollar and fifty cents.

"Baby Is Sick."

The state of Kansas has for long years been nominally a prohibition state, and the law has been enforced perhaps as well as such drastic laws can be. Spirits are allowed to be sold only as "medicine," and that is how the following story came to be told: A bronzed and stalwart cowboy planted a two gallon demijohn on the counter of a chemist's shop. "Fill her up," he said. "Baby's sick." London Chronicle.

Yet It Was Appropriate.

A company recently playing one of Hoyt's farces in Kansas, says the both her torch and her pitcher.
As long as either is conceived of as something from without the life,—we are lingering still among primary and inadequate ideas of the truth.

The truest conception of hell is

Eugene Field.

Eugene Field.

Self?'

"Yes," was the reflective reply.
"I'm willing to take my share of the blame. But I think he ought to have a lecture, too, on the impudence of speaking rudely to boys that are bigger than he is."

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