

Buds AND Blossoms

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"But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory."—II Cor. 3:18.

An herb garden fascinates everyone. Seemingly everyone remembers something about herbs. An old timey remedy, a touch in food, or sweet scented ones for the bath. Most all old homes had the necessary ones for cooking and medicine.

Chives are pretty in bloom. It is good for soups or salad, and the flower is so pretty. It tastes

like an onion. Sage is an old stand by. The leaves are whitish and thick, very outstanding in a border, and the flowers are blue. It is used for seasoning meats, and as a medicine for infection.

Catnip is pretty in bloom, and is used for upset stomach. A tea is made from the leaves. Oregano is a plant that grows two feet high, and has thick, green, hairy leaves. The lavender-pink flowers are very pretty. Italian dishes have a lot of it, from the dried leaves. It is also used in medicine.

Rosemary is a hardy evergreen that grows three feet high. It has pale blue spike flowers. It is used in medicine, food, and perfumes. Balm grows two feet high, with whitish bloom and a lemon flavor. You may make a tea for illness, and bees love it.

Herb seasoning makes cooking an art. They add so much flavor to meats, cakes and tea. In our grandmother's day we depended on herbs as the prime medicine.

We turn to the writings of Percy B. Shelley for this week's Buds and Blossoms poem. Share with us Love's Philosophy.

The fountains mingle with the river,
And the rivers with the ocean;
The winds of heaven mix forever,
With a sweet emotion;
Nothing in the world is single;
All things by a law divine
In one another's being mingle,
Why not I with thine?

See! the mountains kiss high heaven,
And the waves clasp one another;
No sister flower would be forgiven

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Have a purpose in life, and having it, throw into your work such strength of mind and muscle as God has given you.—Carlyle.

At twenty, the will reigns; at thirty, the wit; at forty, the judgment; afterward, proportion of character.—Grattan.

With the wind of tribulation, God separates, in the floor of the soul, the wheat from the chaff.—Molinos.

All false practices and affectations of knowledge are more odious than any want or defect of knowledge can be.—Sprat.

The business that considers itself immune to the necessity of advertising sooner or later finds itself immune to business.—Derby Brown.

One of the things that is wrong with America is that everybody who has done anything at all in his own field is expected to be an authority on every subject under the sun.—Elmer Davis.

There cannot live a more unhappy creature than an ill-natured old man, who is neither capable of receiving pleasures, nor sensible of conferring them on others.—Sir William Temple.

If it disdained its brother;
And the sunlight clasps the earth,
And the moonbeams kiss the sea:
What are all these kissings worth,
If thou kiss not me?

The good things of life are not to be had singly, but come to us with a mixture; like a school boy's holiday with a task affixed to the tail of it.—Charles Lamb.

Custom forms us all; our thoughts, our morals, our most fixed belief, are consequences of the place of our birth.—Aaron Hill.

Antiquity is enjoyed not by the ancients who lived in the infancy of things, but by us who live in their maturity.—Colton.

God sometime washes the eyes of his children with tears that they read aright his providence and His commandments.—Cuyler.

The brightest crowns that are worn in heaven have been tried, and smelted, and polished, and glorified through the Furnace of Tribulation.—E. H. Chapin.

All the world's a stage, and all the men and women in it merely players. They have their exits and their entrances; and one man in his time plays many parts.—Shakespeare.

There are only two powers in the world, the Sword and the Pen; and in the end the former is always conquered by the latter.—Napoleon.

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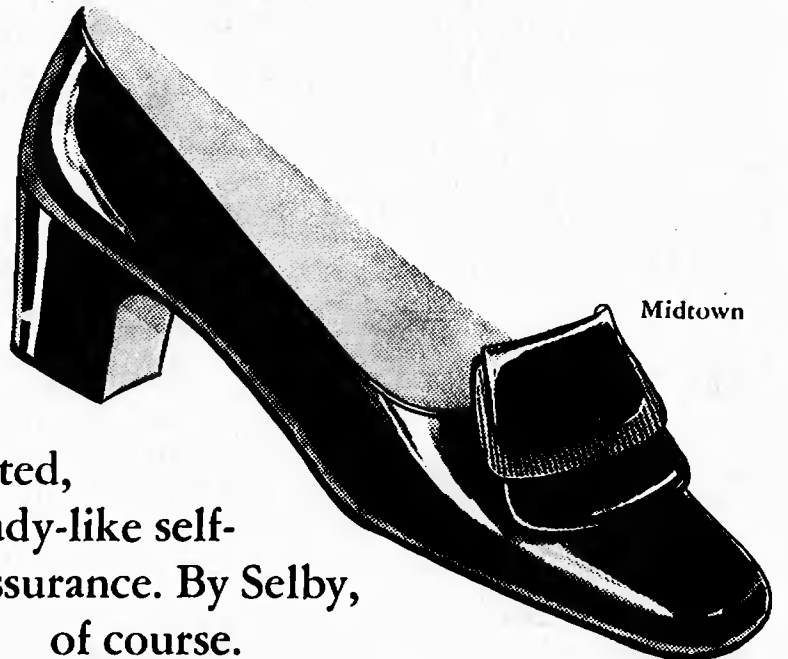
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