

Sunday Reading.

From the New England Farmer.

THE WOOD IN THE MIND OF THEM AND SAID PEACE BE UNTO YOU.

We do, every one of us, exert the Saviour's benediction for our own troubled hearts. The brightest lot in life has so many shadows and perplexities, so much to keep the joyous spirit tempering, that there are but few seasons in which the prayer for peace is not winged with all the fervor of truthful utterance.

The heart secretly rejoices in the deliverance from some heavy burden before another is laid upon it, and the life lesson of patience is again inculcated, and that other lesson that little by little is decreasing: the love of life and leading to the contemplation of another home drenched by no grief, witness to no falling hours.

In the first hours of overwhelming sorrow, the soul fails to recognize any light, but God welters not this darkness to remain. In his own time and manner he pierces the gloom and admits the light from numerous unthought of sources, lays His powerful hand upon the surging tide within and checks its wild raging, bids new avenues of hope to discover themselves, and through waters and storms leads the stricken heart to soul rest and peace.

Peace be unto you! Let us consider for a moment upon whom this benediction fell. They were the eleven, gathered after the crucifixion, their minds still agitated by doubt, the future to them suddenly darkened, their guide, their counselor about to be withdrawn. Where should they go? Every man's hand seemed against them, and their newly found treasure of eternal life, it was considered a crime to declare. There was no outward peace for them. They were poor and persecuted, but the inward peace that passeth all understanding, that the world can neither give nor take away, which hath its source within, that they might possess, and this peace was the burden of the Saviour's blessing.

He looked them with no little words. They could feel like men, yet not be overcome of trials; they could be tempted, and yet possess the strength to resist evil; they could weep and yet rejoice. For these things they must have faith in God, unquestioning submission to His will, and, possessed of these, peace assuredly follows.

They had renounced the security and comfort of home, separating themselves from a family life, laid aside all anxieties for coming days, and for the cause of truth, had followed Jesus to the close of His earthly mission. At whatever price of earthly admiration had herefore sustained them, a new trial was to be met. They were to be left to their own resources, and to leave with them the blessing of peace.

And yet shall doubt that the peace of which He spoke was theirs. Persecution, torture, taunt, rebuke could not distract that peace, for its foundation was immovable, it rested upon God.

Such peace can still be ours. Earth has not and will not ever give us the peace that rests upon God. Seek it not on mountain heights, in ravine caverns, in far ocean depths; seek it not of the wild winds that travel to and fro over the sea and land. Seek it only of God; look for it only in the sanctuary of the soul. If it be not there, it exists not for you, but awaits your reaching power in the invisible realm of mind.

Into the God of peace and all consolation, let the sad heart carry its sorrow, the feeble heart its burden, and with Him leave disappointment and care. To make the most of life, there must be peace within, hope of perfect trust. Let us not yield to the darker phases of experience more than their share of our spirits. Our observations and contentment are precious offerings upon God's altar, and he who willfully darkens his own soul is a witness.

There is peace, content, joy, for the faithful, earnest heart under all outward circumstances, and there all desire to possess, though few will pay the price. There is but one road to their attainment, and this lies through prayer, self denial, perseverance, and all have the power to attain these, but how few have the will.

As peace falls by let us gauge our spiritual increase by the peace in our souls; and if we are still bowed by every wave of passion, still dismayed by every break of fortune, let us realize how suited we are for that land where holy quiet is unbroken save by the exultant shout of the redeemed.—We would not be excluded from the holy company, for with them are every of our hopes; therefore, we will take life's solemn lesson to our hearts in season, and be ready when the Master calls, to present ourselves in perfect peace at the portals of Paradise.

H. J. L.

"THOU FOOL"

A man of intelligence, but of a very skeptical turn of mind, had many conversations with his clergyman, and was always stumbling at the doctrines of the reformation, as a variation and a plague to his reasoning. He stumbled at that stumbling-block being disappointed. His clerical friend did not succeed in reducing his skepticism, the stumbling proceeded, not so much from particular difficulties and inconsistencies in the mystery before him, as from a proud self-reliance before him, not upon God but upon his own reason.

At length, for a long time they were separated. The clergyman did not meet the skeptic for years. Meanwhile the grace of God came into his heart, and he was converted. All his skepticism departed and now he listened only to God. The first time he met his former friend after this great change, the clergyman said to him: "Well, my dear sir, and what do you think now of the doctrine of the resurrection?" "Oh, sir," said he, two words conquered me: "Thou fool!" Do you see this Bible, (taking up a beautiful copy of the Scriptures, fastened with a silver clasp) that you read the words upon the clasp that shunt it?" The clergyman read, deeply engrained on the silver clasp, "Thou fool!" "There," said his friend, "are the words that conquered me; it was so reasoning, no satisfying my objection, but God convincing me that I was a fool; and therefore I determined I would have my Bible clasped with these words, 'Thou fool!' and never again would come to the consideration of sacred mysteries, but through their medium. I will remember that I am a fool, and God only is wise."

And this is the way to come to God's Word: Let every man put this clasp upon his Bible, "Thou fool!" and let him enter in, to sit at the feet of Jesus, and learn of him, just as a little child, remembering the saying of David: "The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple."

Agricultural.

RENEWING PEACH TREES.

EDITORS SOUTHERN CULTIVATOR.—In an article of mine, published in the Cultivator of August last, I noticed the fact that, last year, the question was propounded for discussion before the Fruit Grower's Association of Western New York, whether it was a good practice to renew peach trees by heading them down. I also stated my experience for several years past, in reference to this question, upon which my mind was then settled; and I believe that fruit culturists generally are still in doubt about it. But the success of my experiments since that time have been most striking.

Last spring I headed back several peach trees in various ways, leaving some with only a straight naked trunk standing about four feet high, and from four to three inches in diameter. These latter have succeeded admirably, and now exhibit well formed heads, equal in beauty, size and vigor to thrifty young trees in their third bearing year. Their main branches, which diverge from the trunk uniformly all around, are eight feet in length and from an inch to an inch and a half in diameter at the butt; and they are fully studded with fruit buds.—These trees grow on rather rich land, but before being cut down their growth was feeble, their fruit comparatively worthless, and the tree no longer worth keeping. If their vigor, thus restored, shall continue, this settles the question as to the practicability of renewing old peach trees.

Such heads, however, as I have described, will not produce themselves without some attention from the cultivator. After sawing off the tops I restored the wounds with gum shellac paste. When the sap starts, at least four times as many buds put out as ought to grow, which affords the means of training a well balanced top, by rubbing off all buds except such as grow in their proper places. Unless this is done a very ugly top would doubtless be produced.

Windsor.

Atlanta, Jan. 1868.

MANGE IN CATTLE.

The disorder termed the mange, arises from the excitement of the skin, probably brought on by disarrangement of the organs of digestion in consequence of poverty, emaciation by hunger and want of shelter. After these are supplied, a wash made of gunpowder and water—charcoal, nitre, and sulphur—will be found a valuable application. Mange is an infectious disorder; remove therefore the sick beast from the rest of the herd.—Boston Cultivator.

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J. McDONALD.

Nov. 27, 1867.

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S. H. RANSOM, UCCS, ACRONY.

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Charlotte, June 15, 1857.

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