

The Fireside.

THE DISAPPOINTED.

ELLA WHEELER WILSON. There are songs enough for the hero. Who dwells on the heights of fame: I sing for the disappointed. For those who missed their aim.

A BOQUET OF THOUGHT.

LAVATER says: "He who sedulously attends, pointedly asks, calmly speaks, coolly answers, and closes when he has no more to say, is in possession of some of the best requisites of man."

A LIE, which is half the truth, is even the worst of lies.—Tennyson. CUNNING: signifies especially the habit of or gift of overreaching, accompanied with enjoyment and a sense of superiority.

A DREAM flitted past the cavern where Fortune was sleeping, and awoke her from her slumber. "Whence comes thou?" asked the goddess.

"From a maiden," said her aerial visitor, "over whose pillow I have hovered all night. I wore the shape of a lover of rank and wealth, who had horses and equipages, and a train of liveried servants. I knelt and kissed her hand, and had just won her consent to be mine, when day broke and I vanished. But the good child will think of me all day long, and be happy."

"My fate is not so happy as thine!" replied Fortune. "Twas but lately I visited a merchant, and made him prosperous and rich. While I remained with him he was contented, but yesterday I turned my face away from him, and he hung himself."

"Why should those whom thou visited, feel thy disappearance less? Am not I to a dream?"—From the German of Lichter.

I HAVE always preferred cheerfulness to mirth. The latter I consider as an act; the former as a habit of the mind. Mirth is short and transient, cheerfulness fixed and permanent.

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ing in space, reverberating for ever and ever.

If our words, why not our thoughts? If the Has Been, why not the Might Have Been?—Roundabout Papers.

STRENGTH! what is strength? Why, my brethren, to make every day of trouble so easy to us by His power, as to carry us through it. God has said, and will stand to it: "As thy day is, so shall thy strength be." Afflictions, even at a distance, will appear very formidable, when viewed by unbelief. Our fears say, Oh, my God, if I come to be tried this or that way, how shall I bear it? But we do not know what we can bear, till the trial comes, and we do not know what strength God can give us or what a strong God He will be, till he is pleased to put us into a furnace of affliction.—Whitefield.

RELIGION AT HOME.

It is laughable to see one hunting high and low for his spectacles when they have been shoved over his forehead. But it is not laughable to see Christians hunting for what they call opportunities to honor God, while overlooking such opportunities which they carry with them wherever they go. A slovenly carpenter was once heard at a weekly prayer-meeting to pray with great fervency for the spread of Christ's cause—a cause which he disgraced and hindered in his sphere every time he stood at his work-bench. When he ended his prayer, a hearty "Amen" came from a servant who put her mistress out of temper a hundred times a day by her carelessness. A clerk also was there, who, although he taught a class in the mission school on Sabbath was always late at his employer's store week days. He whispered "Amen!" too—and he meant it, so far as he knew himself. A lady hearer, as she listened, resolved to join the Church missionary society, and then went home and found unseasonable fault with her cook. And others also felt warned to do something for Christ who never seemed to have thought that religion, like charity, begins at home. The mechanic who is powerful in class-meeting, and weak at his trade is no credit to the cause he professes. The servant who drops tears feelingly at religious service, and drops dishes unfeelingly in the kitchen, has her tenderness altogether too much on one side. And it is a poor kind of religion which seeks opportunities to set others straight, that overlooks its own crookedness.—S. S. Times.

BEGIN RIGHT.

As the boy begins, so will the man end. The lad who speaks with affectation, and mimes foreign tongues that he does not understand at school, will be a weak chameleon in character all his life; the boy who chases his teardrops into thinking him devout at chapel will be the man who will make religion a trade and bring Christianity into contempt; the boy who wins the highest average by stealing his examination papers will figure some day as a tricky politician. The lad who, whether rich or poor, dull or clever, looks you straight in the eyes and keeps his answer inside of truth, already counts friends who will last his life and holds a capital which will bring him a sure interest than money. Then get to the bottom of things. You see how it is already as to that. It was the student who was grounded in the grammar who took the Latin prize; it was that slow, steady drudge who practised firing every day last winter that bagged the most game in the mountain; it is the clerk who studies the specialty of the house in off hours who is promoted. Your brilliant, happy-go-lucky, hit-or-miss fellow usually turns out the dead-weight of the family by forty-five. Don't take anything for granted; get to the bottom of things. Neither be a sham yourself nor be fooled by shams.

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