



### If I Can Live.

If I can live

To make some pale face brighter,  
and to give

A second lustre to some tear-dimmed eye,

Or e'en impart

One throb of comfort to an aching heart,

Or cheer some way-worn soul in passing by;

If I can lend

A strong hand to the fallen, or defend

The right against a single envious strain,

My life, though bare

Perhaps of much that seemeth dear  
and fair

To us on earth, will not have been  
in vain.

The purest joy,

Most near to heaven, far from earth's alloy,

Is biding clouds give way to sun  
and shine;

And 'twill be well,

If on that day of days the angels tell

Of me: "She did her best for one  
of Thine."

—Helen Hunt Jackson.

### JOHN ALEXANDER DOWIE.

#### A Brief Outline of the Career of "Elijah III."

John Alexander Dowie, self-styled Elijah III, and founder of Zion City, near Chicago, died in the former city last Saturday morning. Dowie was born in Edinburg, Scotland, in 1847. He was afterwards taken to Australia by his parents, where he was employed as a clerk. At the age of twenty he returned to Edinburg and took a five-year course in theology and the arts. Again in 1878 he returned to Australia and set up the first Free Christian tabernacle and organized a divine healing association, and in this work gained much notoriety by going out into the rural districts and apparently effecting many cures of putrid fever by the laying on of hands and prayers. In 1888 Dowie and his family landed in San Francisco, finally settling in Chicago, where he and his wife established the Christian Catholic Church in Zion City. In 1901 the first building was erected in Zion City, and a year later the embryo city had 10,000 inhabitants and its population continued to increase for a year or two. In 1903 dissensions began to arise among the divine healers and Zion City was placed in charge of a Federal Court receiver. The receivership was soon dissolved on Dowie's representation that the city could pay its indebtedness dollar for dollar. A year ago the prophet was kicked out by his first lieutenant, Voliva, charging Dowie with gross mismanagement. About this time the divine healer was deserted by his wife and children for one cause and another. At the time of his death Dowie had only about 200 faithful followers. At this time the assets of Zion City are believed to be close to \$28,000,000, the principal feature of which is a large lace factory.—Exchange.

#### He's Your Husband.

A great deal is said by lecturers and a great deal is written by writers about how good husbands ought to be to their wives—and of course they ought. But sometimes it seems as if the wife being good to the husband is omitted. Here's a suggestion which we clip from the Rich Square Times:

"Don't complain of your husband to anyone, not even to your own mother. If she is the wise woman you think her, she will respect you all the more. Did you think when you married your Will or your Harry that he was the one perfect man in all the world, and now you have found out that he is very human, af-

ter all? That it does seem sometimes as though he loved himself a little better than you? That he can even bear to differ with you sometimes in matters that concern you very much? And, oh, dear little woman, that he will forget just what you want him to remember sometimes? Now just take our advice and don't tell anybody. He is your husband—your other self—and you ought to cover his faults just like you do your own."—Scotland Neck Commonwealth.

#### Characteristics.

You are—

Strong-minded,  
Self-respecting,  
Generous,  
Honest,  
Tastefully dressed  
Courteous,  
Dignified,  
Manly,  
Sympathetic,  
Ambitious,  
Prudent,  
Frank,  
Refined,  
Enthusiastic,  
Eloquent,  
Witty,  
Particular,  
Well-read,  
Successful,  
Unlucky,

The other fellow—

Stubborn  
Vain,  
Extravagant,  
Hair-splitting,  
Foppish,  
Servile,  
Puffed up,  
Brusque,  
Inquisitive,  
Covetous,  
Selfish,  
Rude,  
Effeminate,  
Fanatical,  
Long-winded,  
Frivolous,  
Fussy,  
Pedantic,  
Lucky,  
Incompetent.

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"I had quite an encounter as I came home to-night," the valorous Mr. Hobbs announced at the tea table. "Two men slightly intoxicated were having a quarrel on the corner. As usual, there was no policeman in sight, and they were in a fair way to knock each other's brains out, when I stepped between and separated them."

"Weren't you afraid, father?" asked Mrs. Hobbs in a quavering voice.

"No, indeed, why should I be?" inquired Mr. Hobbs, inflating his chest.

"I guess there isn't anybody could knock any brains out of my father!" said Willie proudly.—Youth's Companion.

### The Origin of Buncombe.

"It's all buncombe!" is easy to say and easy to understand, but few know its origin. In early legislative days a member of the National House of Representatives from North Carolina was holding forth at such length on an immaterial topic that he was called to order on the ground that his remarks were irrelevant. He turned sharply upon the member calling him with the remark: "You may not care to listen, but I'm not talking to the House, now, anyway. I'm talking to my folks down in Buncombe County."

The same reply is credited to General Vance when he was a member of the House, and perhaps with truth, for with all the jokes he perpetrated it would be strange if some were not borrowed; but Buncombe had even got into the dictionary, through its first boom, before Vance got into the House.—Ed.

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