

TALKING TO OUR FATHER.

A Pathetic Incident of the Comfort of Prayer.

REALIZE THE FATHERHOOD OF GOD.

(Youth's Companion.)
On the shore of Lake Superior stands a little cottage, whitewashed till it is very white, wherein lies a lumberman, dying of spinal tuberculosis.

His has been a life of labor and hardship, of exposure and accident, for life in the North Woods is not without its privations and perils. In one of his mishaps he lost all his left hand except the thumb; and the storms and jolts of forest life have given disease its fatal opportunity.

A rough man, but never dissipated, he loved his home; and when he could no longer work, he came back to the shore of the great lake and began his hopeless fight.

Attended by his wife, and caressed by his two small children, he grew thinner and paler, but gentler also, and more submissive, although life looked inviting, and the helplessness of disease meant defeat and humiliation and uncertainty.

Last summer his wife said to him that she had heard there was a minister spending his vacation over on the island.

"If you don't mind," she said, "I'd like to have him come and baptize the children."

The sick man consented, and the minister was sent for. He came—a kindly, tactful, sympathetic man. And first of all he said to them that such an act as they proposed, what ever it might come to mean to the children in future years, could mean little now, unless the father and mother dedicated themselves, as well as their children, to the service of God. To this they assented; for this was indeed what it meant to them; and to the mother it meant the formal acceptance by her husband of a definite act of faith.

"Let us pray," said the minister. "You pray," said the father. "I can't. I don't see the need of it."

"My friend," said the minister, gently, "would it not be a pity if these two children never came to you just to tell you what their joys and sorrows are, even though you knew them already; and what their wants are, even though you have provided for them in advance?"

The sick man looked bewildered for a moment, and his gaze turned from the face of the minister to the faces of his two children, and he said, "Make you're right. I hadn't thought of it just that way."

He covered his eyes with his stump of a hand, and the tears crept out while the minister prayed.

Before the pastor left, the sick man said to him:

"Do you think that would be prayer, just for me to lie here and tell God what He knows already—how it hurts, and all my disappointment, and my anxiety for the future of these children and my wife—and everything—just to tell Him?"

"I think it would," said the minister. "I think it would be prayer of a very real kind."

The summer was near its end. The minister called but once more, and then returned to his work in the city. When he returns to the great lake next summer the sick man will not be there. But if the closing days of pain find a little more of solace, and the inevitable ending of a strong life finds new strength near its close, it will have been well that the lumberman found his suggestion of the value of prayer through his knowledge of fatherhood.

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My Day.

(By Morgan Shepard.)

I wonder where the Days all go, And what makes Other Days? Some hurry by, and Some are slow, But not One ever stays.

I wish I knew a way to keep A long and Happy Day; But when I sleep they always creep So silently away.

I'd like to keep a Day with me— The One that was the best; It would maybe just let me see What happens to the rest.

If I could only hide behind The Day I loved, and peek; It would's mind if I should find How Days can make a week.

And I would take him by the hand, And he and I would go To Sunrise Lands where Days all Stand

Just waiting in a row. And I would see the Hours grow To make my dearest Day; And then I'd know why Some are slow,

While others rush away.

ANOTHER USE OF CORN.

Is the Field Product to Furnish the Future Fuel?

From "What-to-Eat."

Thus it is seen that corn not only occupies a most important place in the food supply of man and beast, but it enters into the manufacture of an enormous variety of useful commercial products.

And this is not all, for the indications are that corn is to furnish the future fuel of America, the fuel that will give us our future light, power and heat. Rapidly are our coal fields and our forests being exhausted, and when they are gone we must turn to denatured alcohol, made from corn to supply this greatest of needs.

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Hon. James Wilson, Secretary of Agriculture, says:

"It is becoming an interesting question in what direction the people will turn for heating and lighting, considering the increasing price of coal and the diminishing supplies of wood. An acre of land which produces 50 bushels of corn, nearly 2800 pounds, will furnish 1960 pounds of fermentable matter; that is, starch and sugar together. Forty-five per cent. of this will be obtained as absolute alcohol, namely 882 pounds. A gallon of absolute alcohol weighs 6.8 pounds; therefore an acre of corn would produce about 130 gallons of absolute alcohol: Commercial alcohol is about 95 per cent. pure, so that approximately an acre of Indian corn producing 50 bushels would make about 140 gallons of commercial alcohol.

"Our coal mines are definite quantities and are being rapidly used up. Our forests are disappearing and many of them have disappeared. The same is true of the source of mineral oil and natural gas.

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Taft sounds mightily like graft and graft spells "pie" among North Carolina Republicans. Look out for the growling and snapping.

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DRAWING AND HOLDING.

Dr. Henry Van Dyke Tells About a Layman He Knew.

ONE AGENCY DRAWS—ANOTHER HOLDS.

(Selected.)

There is much unwise talk about drawing preachers. We do not disparage the ability to draw a large congregation. It is an art well worth studying and acquiring. But it is not right to lay the entire responsibility for drawing the community into the church upon the preacher. Has the church no duty in this case? Are there not churches that can hold the people when drawn there by the minister? Are there not church members who do more scattering than drawing? We have known leading members to drive away some whom the minister had drawn to the house of the Lord.

Dr. Henry Van Dyke tells about a layman who came to his study, from one of the churches in the Murray Hill neighborhood, to inquire about a pastor to fill the vacant pulpit. He asked Dr. Van Dyke if he could recommend someone. The doctor told him he could recommend a dozen. The gentleman seemed surprised at that, for he could hardly believe there were a dozen ministers in the land fit to minister to so important a congregation. Dr. Van Dyke named one after another; to each one the preacher-hunter objected. One had weak voice, another wore a black caravat in the pulpit, another had a disagreeable delivery. At last the gentleman said, "We want in our church a minister that will draw."

"Oh, no my Christian friend," said the doctor, "what you want is a church that will hold. You haven't got it. Twenty congregations have passed through your church because you have not had a church that will hold. You want a church that will hold the people when they get to it. The ministers cannot hold them. Success depends not half so much upon the minister as upon you, the church."

Every church member should be a drawing card. By the magnetism of his spiritual personality, by the efficacy of his prayers, by the power of his sanctified effort, he should draw the people from all classes to the house of the Lord. Let your light so shine that others may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Then shall the church of God prosper greatly and Mount Zion shall rejoice.

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Let Her Boon.

(Greensboro Record.)

"Now see business boom," cries the Taft man. All right; we are with you. We saw it go down under a Republican administration and we are eager to see it go up again. But it had as well be understood that the man who has plenty of money will get more, while the man who has little will have less, and it will always be this way until the tariff is shorn of its robbery.

Badly Needed.

(News and Observer.)

Mr. Taft promised that his election meant "return prosperity." Let her come, Mr. Taft. It is badly needed. The Roosevelt panic has seen most cotton mills shut up and a lower price of cotton. Now let the wheels move and the price go up!

Know Him Best.

(News and Observer.)

Nebraska people know Bryan best. The sweeping Democratic victory there is much consolation to him and to every man who voted for the Nebraskan. The tribute was largely a personal one, more personal to Bryan than political.

It is now in order for the "I-told-you-sos" to surrender the floor.

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