ers hands in the good works of the Lord. This hely day has been set apart by God, as a day of rest and religious devotion .-And how liberal in his demands of our physical labor, giving us six days in which to perform our works, requiring only one day, or one seventh of our time to be devoted to his cause and his service. Do we rightly employ this time? Nay, verily --Appoint a prayer meeting at the church and you will find that not one half of the members will attend. Some stay at home. walk over their farm, and lay off plans for the ensuing week. Others spend the Sabbath in visiting from house to bonse, thus preventing their neighbors from going to church, causing unnecessary trouble, and an extra dish at meal time, Others straggle off to some church of another denomina tion; not for the spiritual good they expect to receive, not because they can enjoy them selves better and worship God more devoutly; but for motives consurable and profitless. Is this right? Nay verily, You do not engage with as much enthusiasm in the religious exercises as you would at the in yiew, church of your choice You are not as devout and as devotional in your feelings -Now, if you do not engage with your whole heart in the religious services, God will

Beside this, you have an influence which justly and rightly belongs to your own church; and instead of giving your influence to build up a congregation at your church, you are leading it to build up congregations at their churches. We are not sectarian in our views Perbaps we are as free from that bane of the church as most others; and while we do not deny the propriety of visiting other churches on certain occasions, to exchange views relative to the means best adapted for promoting the honor and glery of God, and the establishment of his kingdom here upon earth; yet, we do insist, that whenever there are servin church, it is a duty, you owe ceive equal representation. to God, yourself and the church, to wait upon and attend to all its ordinances, "Wait on the Lord : be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart; wait, I say, on the Lord.

If you wish to go over your farm toolay off plans for the ensuing week; I beg you in the name of my heavenly Master, do so on Saturday evening, and thus have an easy conscience.

If you wish to visit your neighbor to discuss politics, (you had best let that alone,) the state of the weather, the condition of the crops, the news of the day, &c., go some evening in the week and God will not condemn you, if you order your conversation aright.

One other remark and I close this article. When you carry your produce to market, becure to start in time to reach home Satarday night, and you will not violate that plain, positive, command of God, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy."

Belle Voire, N. C.

A Cure for Anger.

other five years old-were playing together. sing said-

out of the room for a few minutes,"

She went out, and soon returned with all the angry feelings gone. How she spent readers will know. Lucy had not read her greater. Bible in vain; she knew the meaning of and it shall be given," and many times had she proved them to be true when fighting

try to call to mind this golden sentence. end to it, you will save yourself hours of

their children are brought.

TEMPERANCE.

Farr's review of the causes of death in render it was complete. Now my little readers OLK, VA., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1871.

"We hear a good deal about intemper deferred from week to week, ance. The drunken man, wheth

I need not repeat any common-places in the result. gether, to council, advise, encourage, and by mutual exhortation strengthen each othknowledge of the facts, or misrepresents. largest scale. tions, of history -for this, too, you know Will the teachers and parents of the full well.

compelled to use many which were very not doubt your answer. an substantiate.

prepared by our own scholars, if that might charge. e: and since the war this necessity has increased tenfold. Individual efforts, of the most praiseworthy character have, from time to time, been made in this direction by Southern men, but net of a sufficiently comprehensive nature to accomplish the purpose us all.

To fully meet the want thus universally others in excellence, beauty and cheapness most assuredly hold you to a strict account for your neglect of duty, and your unfaith-

Holmes wrote History, Grammars and Schele de Vere wrote French Books

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more about Geography than Maury, or of History and Grammar than Helmes, or of Mathematics than Venable, and so on

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Lucy, the elder, feeling that anger was ri- use in their public schools; County Boards searches, searches. precedented in the history of school book

Do the people of the South desire to rid these sweet and encouraging words, 'Ask, themselves of obnoxious books and perniciby unanimously sustaining this first com- bers, is there no occasion for apprehension up his treasure on earth, not in heaven ;against her naturally hasty temper. How prehensive educational enterprise of our on account of that?—Beecher. many sad scenes would be avoided if all own scholars, and by making the "Univerhildren would follow the example of little sity Series" the uniform series in every Praying for Father .-- A dear little Southern State. (Including, of course, girl had been taught to pray especially for If any one offend you, before answering, any other books having equal claim for consideration). Our schools will then be sup- away. Kneeling at her evening devotion, "A soft answer turneth away wrath; but plied with books which they can long con- her voice faltered; and as her eyes met her grievous words stir up anger." And if you tinue to use; pupils compelled to change mother's, she sobbed "O, mother, I cannot their schools will no longer be retarded in leave him all out. Let me say, thank God use the same; and parents will be saved the him in my prayers." Many stricken hearts expense of present constant changes, while may learn a sweet Jessop from this child. human nature; for never is life so they are relieved of all anxiety in regard to Let us remember to thank God for mercies

JUVENILE.

Little readers of the Sun. -As your cor- occurs to us that our church

Temperance is in order to health; total perance in cating and drinking; and long respondent has been sitent for several tarians. Among us, in the same way the weeks, he proposes to give you a riddle, in the same way the New Enterior on the Witch will probably make you "open your which will probably make you "open your asked". ZEAL WITHOUT FANATICISM, LIBERTY WITHOUT LICENTIOUSNESS. respondent has been silent for several danger similar to that will

GENERAL NEW

The Protestant Churchmy

This subject, in all its bearings, is of the highest importance to us as a people, my I would call your attention—that of the our dearest interests; it is the forming of ishes into the air, and is seen no more.— fusion, to this one end, that the worker may proper education of our children, and the minds of your children and mine. Take away the Bible, and you take away be sure of the desired result. And yet, al-The prophet proper development of their self-respect and which is at stake; the developing of their the elect succession of inspired men.— though many teachers are successful in the

years-all this you know as well as I. Nor -more, the men we all bonor and esteemschool books from which our children derive but that abundant means should not be their views of right and wrong, and their lacking to prosecute the enterprise on the

South unitedly sustain these authors, and And when I say that Laying been, for these gentlemen, in the work thus described, ong years, almost dependent upon the by adopting and using these books to the North for our school books, we have been exclusion of all not an acceptable? I do

distasteful to us, because we had no alter- If you desire further information in renative. I only state that which every reader gard to the books, write to the Daiversity Publishing Compary, 155 & 157 Crosby Long before the war we all felt the neces Sr., New York, -or 54 Lexington St., ity for a change in this respect-the ugcos- Baltimore, -- or to me at Atlanta, Ga., sity for anobnoxious school books-for un- and illustated Catalogues, and other inforectional, unpolitical books -school books matten, will be sent to you at once, without

The preacher's theme grew out of that sad story of Lot-a story full of lessons for

You know when Lot divided the land with his covetons relative, he "pitched his felt, several of our rigest scholars, and most tent toward Sodom." Why? Because successful teachers, united in preparing a self-interest, as he believed, centered there. Series of School Books unsurpassed by any He did not go as a missionary; he had no hope of puritying that pool of iniquity. He Maury wrote Geographies and Astron- went there for gain. Doubtless the Sodomites Luew it, and laughed at any moral sussion Venable wrote Arithmetics. Algebras, be may have attempted. The result is familiar to all.

party gain is greater than the dominance cares what kind? f principle. Men of trade, who indulge undue desires to get on, and who get on unduly-who sacrifice strict probity on the

things, wherein every desire shall be satisthrough all the list? Each author is a fied. Men go toward it as a Mecca. They dwell in it, amid its vice, its varied evily,

Toward Sodom ! "Every road lends to the world's end," read an old legend It were sad indeed, if many were to reach the world's end through Sodom; if selfishness were to overrule all other considerations, until they should become veritable Sofomites of a later day, only to perish as miserably as perished the Sodomites of old.

Our Dwellings.

Ah! if one could go through all his soul, written by Southern scholars provided they hall by hall, chamber by chamber, story by are equally good with those written by story, and see how vast the mansion is, how Northern men? Is it not better both for it gets out of repair on every side, and how us, and for our children, that such books many version are perpetually seeking to make lodgment in it, he, methinks, might Already the response which was inevita; have as much anxiety for that soul as a ble, to this question has gome. More than housewife has for her house, whose work Two little sisters-one seven, and the 5.000, of our best Southern Schools are begins with every day and never ends; and using these books; several Southern States who, with brush and broom, and with when a little difference arose between them, have already adopted them for exclusive servant following, incessantly scarches,

in every Southern State are adopting tham; And yet, some shingle is off, some paint "I am getting angry; I had better go and the best private schools are replacing is gone, some glass is broken, rats and mice books hitherto used, with them. The are in the walls and in partitions, there and and dust and dirt are everywhere. You the engry feelings gone. How she spent publishing, and it is destined to be yet cannot keep even a house in order; and friends, and they were dead; he had cherwhen that house is this woudrous house of ished great hopes, and they were not all the soul, with a population such as no city

their studies by a change of books, for all will that I had a dear father once, so I can keep s, or so little, as when occupied with the character of the toachings under which past, as well as to ask for blesings for the future

Without the Bible.

sions, the almost impossibility of diverting our best citizens—our representative men in cle. Moses and his law, Isaish and his day is evidence that genuine, permanent need I say anything about the powerful silent have put their money into work, not to the same fire. May, more; take away the change of corner stones. influence, in this adoptional work, of the make profit of it, although that is certain, Bible, and you take away the Lord Jesus All true secrets are the Lord's, and are held in regard to the nature, person or of- him and hope in his mercy. They cannot The cross crumbles and the sepulchre sinks | Even the crucible of experience,

> the Futher; take away the Bible, and the that it is not in general use. children may likewise die and be no more. is a living example, a present power. And what kind of an earth is left? And The Sunday School teacher, to succeed

was Thy right hand that spanned the heavcus : Thou rulest the raging of the sea, and Thy path is in the great waters. O divine strength. O Light of lights, I lift my soul dote in a speech. When asked where be to Thee. Let no mists of unbelief arise got it, he said, I have had it laid up in my before me; let no clouds of worldliness and sin come before Thee and me, yea, draw me safely across the waves of this trouble- . some world till I lose myself altogether in

ken. The old man will never weary any more, neither will his hand be unsteady, for now he is lost in the land that is very far off, where they need no light of the sun and where the weary are at rest.

of pleasure and ease. He had loved dear situation and high salary.' realised : still his life had seemed happier than most of his fellows But he had livand now, as he looked back on fifty years, they seemed a blank; and as he looked forward, a darker unknown blank obscured

An aged Christian, just as he was passing away, said, "I am just beginning to live. This life is not all of life, it is only ourselves are not able to remove. the first step."

Wir is not leveled so much at the mus- right. Just as sure as you do, you will get cles as at the heart; and the latter will into trouble. If you even suspect that anysometimes smile when there is not a single thing is wrong, do it not until you are sure wrinkle on the-cheek. - Lyttleton.

The Touchstone of Success.

FARM AND GARDEN.

Essentials to Productive Farming.

The following sixteen essentials for pro-

ductive forming are from the pen of Gen.

1. Good implements of husbandry, and

Wm. Richardson:

kept in perfect order.

he present in the sail

of working crops.

8. Attention to the construction of and re-

10. Labor-saving machinery, so that one

may render bimself as independent as need-

upon such labor begets a disposition of obe-

supplied, and the surplus contribute to in

Soot as a Manure.

crease the wealth of the proprietor.

ricultural napers.

Home Journal.

into the water

of the same to lands in culture.

STIAN SIN

Take away the Bible and you take away The sceret of a Sunday School teacher's countrymen. It is not a sectional move- all the angels. Not a single cherub or success has been sought far and near, and ment, but a national and patriotic one. It seraph; not a single throne or dominion, or has been discussed with no little earnestness. is not a mere rigalry between different pub- principality or power; not a single morn at conventions, and by the press. Theories self-respect and character, which is to be Not a single patriarch, or priest, or prophet. highest and best sense, the very eargerness or Apostle, or evangelist remains to pro- with which many others seek and adopt new regard to the lusting effect of early impres It is an enterprise so important to us that claim or record a single superhuman ora suggestions and make them the hobby of a the mind from the bent given it in early every State, to the number of 300 and vision dissolve together. Matricew and his success is not yet theirs. Buildings rest-Gospel, Paul and his Epistles, perish in ing on the sure foundation do not need a

Christ. No longer need any disputes be given into the possession of those that fear fice of Christ. His bistory, condition or be discovered by any intellectual process,

and the throne, symbolized by the rainbow reveals so many of the subordinate conditithat adorns it, like the rainbow vanishes one of success, will not give up the one away. His pre-existence, His current ex- fact which makes them of use. And yet hoe with all row-cultured crops, so as to keep but the carth to ashes, and it has gotten the precious touchstone is in the hands of the Bible, and the Spirit becomes a ghost efficacy, and who claim neither patentindeed or rather less there allows the second who claim neither patentndeed, or rather less than a ghost. Like right nor technical skill. Clearly it is not a meteor, it flashes from darkness and falls because the means of success is not known, into the blackness of darkness. And so of but because it is neglected and despised

Father retires into an impenetrable secin- Teachers, like all other Christian work sion, infinitely more oblivious than was ever ers, are too ready to exalt themselves and imagined before. And then when the earth their own plans, to the disregard of the is exhausted of everything inspired, and Spirit, which works through all plans and heaven of everything angelical, and the all instruments. It is not mere earnestness universe of everything divine, what is left? it is not learned explanation, it is not sing-A man without a maker, without a Saviour, ing, or visiting, it is not pointed personal without a purpose, and without an end .- conversation, nor all of these, that avail to the noblest of beings, and yet the meanest bring souls to the Saviour. It is rather and mo t miserable-all sensibility, sym- love shining from the heart of the teacher, pathy and affection; yet sitting desolate in visible in all his relations, warming and sackcloth, among the graves of dead friends, lighting in every direction. It is the touch full himself of living memories, ever mourn- of some Christ like one; it is the breath of ing for the dead, but without hope of their the Spirit upon the truth, brought to the return, having no hope but that he and his consciousness of one person by another who ful of neighborhood labor: as a sense of the

what kind of heaven?" And what kind of with his pupils, has only to be a success dience and faithfulness on the part of the And there are many men to-day pitchings universe? Who cares what kind? If a himself. He must be filled with that which employee, their tent toward Sodom. Men o poli- man be a worm, if angels be the spectres ha seeks to peur in. If his anxiety be conties, who make use of unworthy means of werms, if Father, Son and Holy Ghost fined to the imparting of knowledge, there horses and stock, all the necessary outbuilders of bivalves; to accomplish political success; to whom be more names without subsistence who ough preparation will suffice. But if he ings for the accommodation of the hands edge, he must carry a fire in his own bo- as well as for the care of the poultry. som. His love must go out so evidently An old man came along the sea-shore toward God and toward pupils that it shall altar of mercantile success. All sorts of and sitting down to rest on the bank side, be recognized as the mainspring of his teamen, who in any form ignore right and he watched the golden rays of the setting ching. None are so quick as children to ulum for succeeding crops. The clover shrivelled out of all semblance of them just dealing and doing, and look first to sun as they came streaming down the Wes- perceive when instruction and entreaty are field to be either plastered or ashed each selves in shape, size and flavor, or else the selfish ends, last to the means which win tern heavens; he noticed how they fell bestowed from a mere sense of duty. Offiacross the ocean waye, gliding the stately cial piety has no influence over them. They mer and six of the latter per acre. ashes, yet Sodom exists even now. In rains ly on the ivy mantled rains of an old cas- edness. They thrill under the touch of a conturies ago, it is still to thousands of the on the bills of the Eastern shore .- conscerated hand. No story is so charmpeople a delightful city of gain and all good ... And I am gray," he murmured: "I stand ing. no exercise so interesting, no exercise afar off, and O God, others go on their way on the part of the teacher so subduing that the crops grown on the farm, and thus rerejoicing in the brightness of Thy presence, it can produce more than a temporary efbut Thy light talls dimly on me. I am feet, unless it be charged with that same and are content. And when comes the ery weak, but Thou art strong; my time is love which sent Christ into the world and short, and will soon be passed away, but gave him power to redeem it Many may Thou art everlasting, and a thousand years think that this is too simple and well-known are to Thee as a day that is passed; my a fact to be called a secret, but it is a fact knees are feeble and trembling, my hand which marks the rise and fail of many in unsteady, and at every care or alarm, my our Sunday School Israel. Love is the heart flutters and my head bows down. It touchstone of success-Christian At Work.

Lay up Things in Your Brains.

Daniel Webster once told a good anechead for fourteen years, and never had a

My little friend wants to know what good it will do to learn the 'rule of three' or to juice to the ear. commit a verse of the Bible or the catechism. The answer is this: Some time and the waves break over the shore; but a you will need that very thing. Perhaps it silver cord is lost and a golden bowl is broit fit just in the right place. But it will be just in place some time, and then if you don't have it, you will be like the hunter

"Is THIS ALL OF LIFE?"-80 said a man me study surveying said a man who had which annually destroy property and life of wealth as, lying upon a sick bed, he lost his poperty; and now I am glad of are occasioned by an accumulation of soot success of the "University Series" is unthere are webs with their victims on them, looked back over fifty years of it. It is just in place. I can get a good in the stove pipes, chimneys, etc.

father's tracks." He was trying to do is, powerful for the tender leaves of most plants pect only fair profits, who aim to raise good ous teachings? Can it be better done than feelings that no army ever equaled for num- ed for self, and not tor Christ; he had laid and two younger brothers were at the same and requires to be composted with ten crops, by taking good care of a fair supply thing. The father went to the house of times its bulk of muck, etc., or diluted of farm animals, and lay out a good plan prayer that evening thinking, "If I lead with a large quantity of water Twelve and stick to it, year by year, through good my sons thus, I'll make tracks for heaven." quarts of soot dissolved in a hogshead of or syil, will, in the long run make the.

> dence naturally produces patience, hope, to all kinds of vegetables and flowers. It nothing so good as hanging on to the last. cheerfulness, and all other dispositions of is better to apply it to the soil about the mind which alleviate those calquities we roots than to the leaves or stems.—Our A promise should be given with caution,

Never attempt to do anything that is not your suspicions are groundless.

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Raise the earth, say six inches, higher, than the general level of the ground around where you wish to make a kiln-say twelve or eighteen feet in diameter, or larger or smaller if you please. Now lay on this plenty of them, which should always be bed, cut split wood, to a depth of two feet, as close as it will lay together keeping the 2 Deep plowing and thorough pulveri- centre a little higher than the circumference, zation of the soil by the use of harrow, drag and running it up on the outside tapering ; then put on the wood; lay on all sorts of 3 An application of lime, marl or ashes, brush, briars, &c., on which throw sope where calcareous matter or potash may not eightsen inches of earth, then another layer. of good, brush, leaves, &c., and then early 4. A systematic husbandry of every sub- again notil you have made your kit al stance on a farm capable of being converted large as you wish it. Openings at the w. into manure, as systematic a protection of of the kiln should be left to fire it, sufficient such substances from loss by evaporation or not only to start the fire, but to admit a waste of any kind, and a careful application sufficiency of air to keep it burning. It should not burn too fast, nor, should the 5. The drainage of all wet lands, so as to heat be allowed to escape through openings. destiny! All the magnificent apparatus in by any consultation of doctors, or patient in preparation for His coming is gone!—

by any consultation of doctors, or patient relieve the roots of the plants from the ill from drying. The earth should not be dry, effects of a superabundance of water, a conductive of the plants from the ill from drying. The earth should not be dry, and the wood of all kinds, except the kinds. dition equally perhicious as drought to their lings, may be green; enough dry wood, healthy growth and profitable fructification &c., of course, is necessary to start the are. 6 The free use of the plow, cultivator and After the kiln is burned so as to reduce all down at all times the growth of grass and gold, it should be cut down, from top to as it is thrown into a cart or wagon, to 7. Seeding at the proper time with good be conveyed to the place where it is to be

> seed, and an equal attention as to the period used. I am told that six loads of this preparas. tion was tried on eleven rows of cotton. nair of fences, so that what is made through measuring one acre of land; 300 pounds of the toils and anzious cares of the hurband- best guano was put on another eleven rows, man, may not be lost through his neglect and a heavy cover of manure and cetton to protect his crops from the depredations seeds mixed was put on eleven other rowsall side by side, and each lot of eleven rows. 9. Daily personal superintendence on the measuring the same quantity of land. The nart of the master over all the operations of crop made from the use of the home-made the farm, no matter how good a manager he fertilizer was the best of all. The estimated may have, or however faithful his bands cost of the six loads (cart) was twenty hours may be, as the presence of the head of a labor of one man.

farm and the use of bis eyes are worth sev-Now, farmers, try this on a small scale at first. It is bound to pay you back the cost of your labor; and if it be as stated above, your farms can be made rich in five years, and Virginia's speedy redemption is comparative indulgence of the employer at hand .- Natural.

One who seems to know whereof he 11. Comfortable stabling and sheds for speaks, gives this useful information to lov-

We suppose that nine cut of ten housewish to kindle that love which passes knowl and protection of the tools and implements. keepers will contradict us point blank in a statement that nine out of ten of them do 12. Clover and other grasses to form a not know how to stew a dish of oysters. part of the rotation of crops, and these to be By the ordinary routine that nearly every at proper periods plowed in to form pab- one follows, either the oysters are stewed and spoils it. Here is the right method; try it well kept, but be sure to keep as many as ling the second time : Pick the oysters out can be kept in good condition, as it is a of the juice with a fork, as dry as possible, wise policy to feed as much as possible of stew the juice, thickening with the milk, and just as the cooled soup begins to show 14. To provide a good orchard and gar- signs of simmering, empty out altogether, den to be filled with choice fruits of and you will have rich soup and plump all kinds-and other with vegetables of dif oysters, lucious enough to make you think forant sorts, early and late; so that the ta- you gover tasted real systers before. - Wil. ble may at all times be well and seasonably Star

WEARING FLANNEL .- The majority of 14. The taking of one or more good agpeople are not aware of the beneficial effects of wearing flannel next to the body, both 16. It is better to cut grain just before in cold and warm weather. Flannel is not is fully or dead ripe. When the straw so uncomfortable in warm weather as preimmediately before the grain is so dry that judiced people believe. Frequent colds and on twisting it no juice is extracted, it should constant hacking coughs have left me since be cut, for there is then no circulation of adopting flanuel garments. There is no. need of great bulk about the, waist, which condemns the wearing of flannel with those who prefer wasp-waists to health, for that It may not be generally known that soot case the flanual can be cut as loosely fitting. is a powerful and valuable manure—nearly waists, always fastening at the back. There as much so, (says an exchange) as guano, are scarcely any of the bad effects of sudden bulk for bulk, and the saving of it need changes of weather felt by those who wear. cost little or nothing. It is, in fact, neces- flannel garments, and mothers especially, who had no ball in his rifle when he was be carefully collected and removed from little people, in preference to all those Twenty-five years ago my teacher made the premises. At least one-half of the fires showy outside trimmings which fashion commends .- Mrs. C

Soot contains a considerable proportion discouraged sometimes by occasional gluts, of ammonia, and, on this account is very low prices, and over-production. Every A MAN walking through the deep snow, beneficial to nearly all kinds of plants; but one must expect this; but it will generally heard his oldest son saving. "I'll step in it should be used with caution, as it is too he found true that those farmers who exwater makes an excellent liquid manure, most money, over those who shift their crops.

A firm trust in the assistance of Provi-

> and kept with care. It should be made with the heart and remembered by the Avoid bathing within two hours after a head. meal, or when exhausted from any cause

> Avied bathing when the body is cooling WHEN once infidelity can persuade men, after perspiration, but bathe when the body that they shall die like beasts, they will is warm provided no time is lost in getting soon be brought to live like beasts also --