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RE-CREATION.

"Lo! the winter has past! The rain is over and gone,
The flowers appear on the earth
The time of the singing of birds

It is the time of re-creation The corn of wheat which was cast into the earth to die live again and is multiplied. Out of the gloom has come bloom, Out of the night has come light.

The whole earth has shaken off the lethargy of winter and stands robed in fresh garments. alert as a swift runner ready for

What message does this season of new life speak to the heart of man? It is the time of the singing of birds. Have our hearts no message of gratitude to the All Father? It is the time of re-creation. Does it not speak to us the possibility of laying aside the dark shell of sin and mistakes and wilfulness of the past, to live a new, a re-created self? A self of truer love, nobler ambition, greater service.

It is the time of the blossoming of hope. The unfolding buds, the lilting song of birds the very air is full of the mys. tital foretelling of better things to come. God withholds no good thing from them that trust him. "Renew your strength this Easter Day. Suffer your winter of weariness and timid fear to recede. Cast cowardice behind you. You are not a failure. God made you for a purpose or rather is making you. Trust Him. Fight on. The winter is past."

SHOWING HIS FAITH.

A strong and useful Mason sends us some subscriptions to "THE ORPHANS' FRIEND AND MASONIC JOURNAL" and he statthat he recently made a talk in his Lodge for the good of Mason ry and that his theme was "Every Mason in North Car lina Should Take the Paper a the Order." He says: "I cited them to the good and wholesome reading in general and the ad vantages to be gained from the Masonic Department under the able editorship of P. G. M. John Nichols."

We wish many more of or bre thren throughout the State would bring "THE ORPHANS FRIEND AND MASONIC JOURNAL! strongly before there Lo We earnestly ask the Masons of the State to join most actively in the effort to increase our sub scription list to ten thousand names. The benefit of this wider circulation of our paper would be great, immeasurably great. The Mason who reas regularly the Masonic Department of the paper will be a better Mason, we believe. The readers of that part of the paper devoted to matter for the members of the family will be interested and profited.

The Masonic Order and the orphanage work of our State w be strengthened by the increased circulation of "THE ORPHANS' FRIEND AND MASONIC JOUR-NAL."

A GREAT SORROW.

Far harder to bear than would be the death by disease or bodily injury of the child, is the sorrow high has come to our brother S. M. Beasley, and his wife in the and for frolic, for helpfulness and sudden, mysterious disappear-sympathy and comradeship. Oh more than two years ago.

that the deep wound received failed to find the talent of enjoythen has been kept open. Can ment. hearts go out to them.

the nature of the evil one.

crime of child-stealing.

If Kenneth Beasley is dead, we Exchange of Life!—Pilgrim. would that the parents and all others who have heard of the case might know this fact. If the lad still lives, may be yet be retored to parents and home and

THE TALENT OF ENJOYMENT.

It was Robert Louis Stevenson the intrepid optimist, who reminded us:

things -.
I'm sure we should all be as happy as

study human nature. We meet it manifolded in many types,there are "all sorts and condition of men," you know, and our lot has fallen in a thickly populated much happiness in life as there ought to be, and as there is really definite provision for! Life meant for joy. There is a reguarity of breath, a pulsation of blood, a routine of sunrise and ly or even a little bit like another, so thappy inoon-time, a repetition of food and rest, —a sense of the allpervading care of providence—all of which should serve to remind us of the delights of life. There are the opportunities, too, for solicial and artistic pleasure, for mulsic and merry-making, for fun server have the chance of living.—Sel.

ance of their little son, Kenneth, depend upon it, if you like tears for your portion better than The conditions have been such laughter, you have some way

we conceive of the exernciating Years ago I heard a little girl pain of their experience? Our say with complacency, when asked to form a sentence contain If a human being has, for the ing the word accept, "I accept ake of revenge, or of money gain everything that is nice." Her' or for any other motive, selfish was a good doctrine, try it and and low, stolen that child from his see; for we are very apt, do you fond parents, he surely must have know, to say "No, I thank you, given himself up to demon-pos- when all the time we want to session and, in such a person, say "Yes, if you please." Accept we have a concrete testimony to the good times and the good things that come; develop friend Not personal resentment and ships with the good people, and evenge, but the interests of so- be gracious and hearty and hapciety, the protection of the fami- py over them, too. You will find ly, demand the punishment of that a due expression of gratitude anyone guilty of the diabolical wins many friends. Be ready to take as well as to give in the great

EVERY DAY A NEW ONE.

Here is a pretty bit of optimisti philosophy, inspired by so ordinary a occurrence as the daily sunrising

"Did you know the sun rose ever morning? There are many person who do not know this important fact, if they do know they do not act acco ingly. Those persons carry yesterday ourdens and successes around wi them to day. They would be better of if they carried only to day's burder and successes and failures. The failure 'The world is so full of a number of of yesterday should be forgotten, becau they dishearten us for to-day. The su cesses of yesterday should not be re membered, because they will weig Well, are we? That's the against the larger possible successes question? Some of us love to to-day. The burdens of yesterda should have been buried yesterday The s one meaning of the sunrising. thuts off yesterday. The sun rises fair and bright and new this mornin is though it had not risen anew ever morning of these six thousand years nings a new day with new opportun area of habitation. "I touch ties, new duties and new possibilities and sip the wine of many lives!" Yesterday is shut off from to-day by the as Ruskin expressed it. But as we study, we must be impressed in the morning to usher in the new day study, we must be impressed with There are men in this town who are the patent fact that there is not as gray with the burdens of yesterday, when they might be buoyant with the

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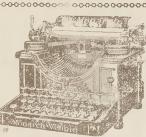
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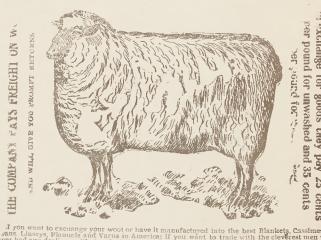
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