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BY C. RANSOM HOWARD. We know not what the future years May bring or may withhold Of sorrow, pain, or burdens sad, Or wealth of joy unto'd. Then let us trust whate'er our lot,

He holds our hand and says: 'Fear not What though affliction's scourge we feel And anguished hours know, Faith looks beyond this va'e of tears, Where living waters flow.

Forgotten, then, each smart, each pain We find new strength to live again. Tho' tempest tos ed and mountain waves Of sorrow flood our way,

And midnight darkness hedge us in. Well trust, and watch and pray. Grow calm whi'e waiting His sweet will. Who softly whispers: "Peace, be still!

Bidding Jesus Good-Bye.

REV. A. WYLIE MAHON.

John Graham, the pastor of a large church in a growing manufacturing town, had entered upon the work of his first congregation full of enthusiasm, longing to be used by the Master to improve the condition of his people in every way, longing to be the channel by which heavenly things might flow into the hearts and homes of those to whom he ministered; but his work had been in many ways a great disappointment to him. Strife and contention amongst some of the prominent members of his church made his soul sorrowful, and the unreasonable demands upon his time filled his life so full of work and worry that he could say with Dr. Chalmers that he was almost bustled out of his spirituality.

One Saturday morning an incident occurred which led the minister to fear that he was losing his hold upon spiritual things, that he was unconsciously drifting away from Christ. The week had been a more than ordinarily dis heartening one, full of a multitude of petty perplexing cares which anxious parishioners had forced into his life and which had led him at times to long like the prophet for a lodgingplace in some vast wilderness, or like the psalmist for the wings of a dove that he might fly away and be at rest.

There had been scarcely any time to think about sermons and now Saturday had come. He went to his study with a weary troubled expression on his face and with a feeling of utter failure in his heart, and sat down at his desk, above which hung a copy of Hofmann's beautiful picture of Christ and the Rich Young Man. He placed his

Just then the door of the study opened gently and the sweet little face of a child peeped in to see what his father was doing. The minister turned in a nervous, irritable way, and told the child to go away. As the child turned to go, he waved his little hand and said with a tearful tone in his voice, "Dood-bye, papa," and then loving face in the picture above his Christ's sake. father's desk, he said, "Dood-bye, Jesus."

In a moment the child was gone, the minister and started an unexpected | the Lamb. train of thought. Was he not himself impatient and irritable. Every little thing seemed to annoy him, to put men and women. him out of sorts.

the desk he thought that he could see heads of others; for most persons have in that face so wondrously human and the idea that their brains are as good divine, in those great loving eyes so as anybody else's, and will therefore full of tender, yearning pity, the resent any attempt to controvert their sorrow which fills the dear Saviour's heart as one whom he loves - and whom does he not love ?-turns away from but that of the heart is greater still. him and bids him a conscious or unconscious good-bye.

for help, he looked up into the face of | comes in contact. without the solitude of the wilderness, be thought "fools for Christ's sake." or the wings of a dove.

him up in his arms, pressed him to his accept the teachings of the Bible on ligion. heart, and kissed away the little lines faith. And there is a peculiar satisof sorrow which his unkind words had faction in receiving revealed truth by belong to the same political party; imprinted upon the sweet child-face. faith alone that is not experienced they assent to the same platform; they The whole world was a different world when one is able to reason out and vote for the same candidate; they to him from what it had been a little solve a problem. while before. It had become bright and hopeful and restful, full of the that God has given us in the Bible has are absolutely opposed. To one the divine spirit and love, full of oppor- the effect of making us feel humble tunities of helping others to find their and more thoughtful, and is calculated the security of trade, the permanence plexing cares and anxieties of life.

There are many to-day who know aged. something of an experience of this

heart less sensitive to spiritual things, I which gives a touch of heavenliness to the most trying experiences of life.

impressively this danger to which life article. is often exposed. The first picture is rest on the bosom of a broad calm not remembered as she is. river, while the sleep of the solitary the second picture of the series we see longer so still and peaceful as it was. the dim distance we can see the faint ture of the series, the boat is being unconscious drifting away from Christ. | the Devil. The spiritual nature becomes less sensitive to the touch of God, to the fool that ever lived. A fool with a breath of heaven, to the divine voices purpose; a fool with a crown in prosand visions. The tone of life loses its pect; a fool never to be forgotten; a sweetness; the light becomes dim, and fool that others might be made wiser man sinks down gradually to a lower a fool to make sure of Heaven; a fool plane of existence, where work is a that others by the foolishness of his less enjoyable thing and worship a less preaching might be made wise unto heavenly experience. Whenever salvation, and might inherit eternal

George Muller of Bristol, felt that he life. was getting out of touch with God, to give our lives a touch of heavenliness, which never fails to keep us from bidding Jesus good-bye.—Evangelist.

"Fools For Christ's Sake."

BY GEORGE R. SCOTT.

If you desire to be useful in the Master's work one of the first requirements is to have the spirit of Paul and catching a glimpse of the tender, be willing to be counted as nobody for

It is not often that the very wise are useful in bringing men to a knowledge of the fact that they are sinners but his last words had strangely roused and need to be washed in the blood of

Too often men's heads are enlarged all unconsciously but not so innocently at the expense of their hearts. They as the dear little child bidding Jesus know more than they feel on the subgood-bye? He knew that he was all ject of religion. They are wise in the time becoming more fretful and their own estimation, and the result is they lose their hold upon the hearts of

It is a good plan to avoid bringing As he looked up at the picture over your own head into collision with the

The power of the mind is wonderful, An ordinarily intelligent person who

is willing, if necessary, to be looked The minister bowed his head and upon as a fool for Christ's sake, is the like the erring discip'e of old wept one that has power with God and can bitterly. With a heart-cry to God influence for good those with whom he his great, tender, loving, forgiving Some of the best people that have

Friend, and consecrated himself anew lived were looked upon, by those who to Christ. As his whole soul went out | made it a practice to scoff at religion, in the strong emotion of that hour, as fools; but I have noticed that such there came into his heart such a sweet | people were often turned from the sense of the divine Presence that he error of their ways by the splendid realized that heaven could be found specimens of men who were willing to

For one I do not pretend to explain Going in search of his child he took the mysteries of Godliness, but I the most preliminary question of re-

way heavenward through all the per- to encourage a spirit of reverence, which we greatly need to have encour-

says, "Strangers have devoured his little foolish. But when she died look out on the same view. strength and he knoweth it not: yea | nearly all the inhabitants of the town grey hairs are here and there upon at ended the funeral services. The

It is grand to go to your grave bestern is undisturbed by any sound. respected by those who knew that you Just a little distance behind the boat | walked and talked with Jesus; honored | look out on different views. is a rock above which rises a cross, by those who were positive that you which suggests to us the meaning of had a heart that felt for them when for many a weary and hemmed-in life the picture, which suggests to us that in distress and that was large enough he who sleeps in the boat is all uncon- to take them in in the days of adversity or a stable creed, but simply to open sciously drifting away from Christ. In as well as in the days of prosperity.

the same boat, but the river is no best to associate with. An extraordinarily brilliant acquaintance will keep tions or your moral decisions, this at We can see the foaming rapids, and in you too busy consulting a dictionary. least has come to pass: that you are The wisest people are sometimes the outline of the cross; but still the man most foolish. They "know it all,"

whirled along through the raging blessing to the community in which love.—Rev. F. G. Peabody, D. D., in rapids, and is just about to make the they reside. They are the salt and awful plunge into the gulf below; not the pepper of the neighborhood. while the man awaking from his sleep, They live to receive instruction as well stares wildly about, at the fearful as to impart it. They move among doom which awaits him. This is a the people to bring them nearer to true picture of what life often is, an Christ and remove them further from

I look upon Paul as the smartest

There are two kinds of fools. The that prayer was losing its spiritual fo I that saith in his heart, "No God," tone, that life was losing its spiritual is a miserable fool. The fool that sensitiveness, he went aside and waited throws away worldly pleasures and with open heart for God's Spirit to fill advantages to do what God tells him him. This is a plan which never fails to do, because he feels that he is not elbow upon the desk and his head upon to lift us up into the sweet light of the as wise as God, is an intelligent fool, divine countenance, which never fails worthy of the respect of his neighbors and of the angels.

It is an awful thing to know too much to be saved.—Sabbath Reading.

Spirifual Frontage.

As one travels through the countries which the Old Testament describes through Syria or Arabia or Egypt-he is apt to see a very strange and impressive sight. He stands watching the sun drop behind the violet hills and the shadows lengthening across the tawny plain, and far away on the desert he sees a solitary Arab guiding his camel over the yellow waste. The sun sinks, and this lonely traveler halts, dismounts, and spreads his little carpet on the sand. He is all unconscious that any human eye is upon him; all he thinks of is that his hour of prayer has come. He turns himself toward the point where he believes that his holy city of Mecca lies,

The same instinct which makes these Arabian races turn to their sacred place moved the prophet Daniel What Mecca is to them, Jerusalem was to him. It was his holy city, and he a captive in far-away Babylon. He is homesick for his lost temple; he longs for his home-worship. So he gets him a dwelling fronting toward the city of his God, and as he prays he looks out across the open view, as though his prayers could cross the desert and touch the walls of Zion.

Now, there may well seem to us tious in thus caring which way a worshipper should face. Every land, we say, is holy. All windows open on sacred scenes. The Meccas and Jerusalems of our worship are not walled cities; they are invisible and inward sources of inspiration And yet it remains true that this principle of the outlook of the soul, the habitual front-

cheer at the same meeting; and yet Not to be able to understand all the motives that govern their minds party means the principle of reform. of our institutions; to the other it means the keeping of his own place, the hiding of his own crime, the price Somehow it is hard work for a man for his own vote. They are like people sorrows, in our distresses and perplexikind, something of the power of the to properly honor another man whom who live on opposite sides of the same ties, oftentimes it seems as though street. In a certain sense they are nowhere upon earth could succor and

In my boyhood days I was acquaint- near neighbors, and yet their points to rob the soul of that special grace ed with an old lady who went from of view are directly opposite. One house to house speaking kind words faces north, the other south. One and doing all the good she knew how. looks toward the sun, the other toward In many lives this process of spirit- She was an ignorant woman, but she the shadow. Each of them finds in ual decline goes on for a time uncon- could tell what a loving Saviour had the party which he opposes many sciously. A man may be degenerating done for her in words that brought persons much more like him than in character, may be losing the best tears to many eyes and contrition to some who vote by his si'e. They do part of his life, without being distinct- many hearts. Some people thought not vote for the same ticket, but they ly conscious of what he is doing. This she was a fool, some people said she vote for the same ideas. They are is what the prophet means when he was a fool, and others that she was a not such near neighbors, but they do

Or take the sympathies which people sometimes feel in religion and which him, yet he knoweth not." Gradually minister, who preached the funeral are often quite perplexing. Now and the change goes on till man awakens sermon, said that she was one of the then you fall in with a person whose at last to realize that he is far away best women of the place and would religious convictions are apparently from Christ. There is a strikingly always be remembered. That was very far removed from your own, but suggestive series of pictures, called fifty-four years ago, and her memory with whom you feel the subtle sym-Drifting Away, which illustrates very is yet precious to the writer of this pathy of a congenial soul. Worship means the same thing to you both; The men and women of the world the windows of your souls open the a quiet, peaceful one. A boat lies at who looked upon her as nobody are same way; and you find more genuine sympathy with this believer in another creed than with many who stand very voyager whose head is pillowed in the loved by those who knew you best; near you in opinion, but who stand, as it were, back to back with you and

The first thing which religion does is not to give it an absolute conviction, the windows that look out upon a Brilliant people are not always the larger world. With all the incompleteness of your intellectual convicfacing the right way, and across the sterile details of your daily life are sleeps on. In the third and last pic- and therefore often get tripped up. able to lift up your eyes to the distant "Fools for Christ's sake" are a great hills of holiness and reverence and "Afternoons in the College Chapel.

A Discouraged Pastor.

Some years ago a pastor of a little church in a small town became exceedingly discouraged, and brooded over his trials to such an extent that he became an inveterate grumbler. He found fault with his brethren because he imagined they did not treat him well. A brother minister was which we have rested are shaken. invited to assist him a few days in a special service. At the close of the Sabbath morning service our unhappy in the air, which seemed like a hush house to dinner. While they were waiting alone in the parlor he began his doleful story by saying:

"You have no idea of my troubles; the world without. All his old views and one of the greatest is that my brethren in the church treat me very

The other propounded the following questions:

"Did they ever spit in your face?" "No, they haven't come to that. "Did they ever smite you?" "No."

"Did they ever crown you with

The last question he could not anwer, but bowed his head thoughtfully. The other replied "Your Master and mine was thus

treated, and his disciples fled and left him in the hands of the wicked. Yet he opened not his mouth."

The effect of this conversation was wonderful. Both ministers bowed in prayer and earnestly sought to possess the mind which was in Christ Jesus. During the ten days' meetings the discontented pastor became wonderfully changed. He labored and prayed with his friend, and many souls were brought to Christ.

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were overthrown. Then his thoughts turned to the sea; but lo! it had fled. Ships, which just before were floating securely on it; surface were now left rocking in the sands. Being thus at his wits' end, he tells us he "looked p and observed that the heavens alone

So in human experience there come times when there seems to be absolutely no human help, when we can do GOLD, SILVER, nothing but look up, and abide in loving trust in Him "who abideth

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