

Who Won the Crown?

BY GERTRUDE MANLY JONES.

Before my open study fire,
A drowsy feeling o'er me crept.
And there, curled in an easy chair,
A dream came to me while I slept.

The day had come The mission band,
Each sister fixed up in her best,
Lined up before the Angel's stand

Then spake the Angel, "Sisters dear,
You've all been loyal, good and true,
Your Master loves you, and he sends

Harsh Mercy.

One day about twenty years ago,
out in the far west of Montana, a stage
coach was making its regular trip.

There was but one course of procedure
that suggested itself to him in
his extremity, and upon this he resolved
to act.

and crying out in her anxiety for her
child. "Oh, my baby! my baby!
Give me my baby!" she shouted. But
the driver apparently gave no heed to
her distress.

The story carries its own comment.
It is a striking and suggestive illustration
of the way a loving Heavenly
Father often deals with his children.

Why just this? many a soul tried,
troubled, tantalized with some peculiar
form of discipline, has often said.

By and by there will be sweet notes
in the new song, traced by the sharp
engravings of our harshest earthly
trials.—Chris. Intelligencer.

Some Things We Know About Heaven.

Heaven belongs to the unseen. It
belongs to the spiritual, and therefore
cannot be fully known as long as we
are in the material.

are growing into a strength of life
in which these limitations and re-
straints must be removed. Earth be-
comes too small for us, and we enter
the larger sphere.

We know also that heaven is the
home of love. It is love that crowns
life with blessedness. Without love
all is a cold, dreary wilderness,

There are fathers and mothers, and
other loved ones, who have been
waiting for us. And all will sing the
song of redemption, as Christ leads
us to the Father and says, "Behold,

Kinds of Faith.

BY REV. JOSEPH D. BURRELL.

"Many men, many minds." We
may also say, "Many men, many
varieties of faith." Life is life, yet no
two men are alike.

Even the writers of the New Testa-
ment felt differently about faith. In-
deed, if they had not, that would have
been a wonder indeed.

When we read in the Epistle to the
Hebrews, "Now faith is the substance
of things hoped for, the evidence of
things not seen," we are hardly to un-

What do faithful Christians to-day
want? To grow better, to have
strength for duty, to find comfort in
trial, to see God's work prospering,

Seek God With All Your Heart.

"And ye shall seek me and find me,
when ye shall search for me with all
your hearts." This promise of God to
Israel is applicable to every wanderer
from him.

When you seek for God "with all
your heart," you will find him. "All
the fitness he requireth is to feel your
need of him."

And he is "not far from every one
of us." Just a heartfelt whisper will
reach him.

"We are all Eve's daughters,"
sighed a pretty woman, whose husband
had just scolded her for catching cold
by attending a Christmas dance in a
low-necked dress.

It is well known that Dr. P. S.
Henson, of Chicago, has a defective
eye. A good man and his wife, mem-
bers of the Henson household of faith,

They went to see him about it.
"We have been praying for you that
you may have two perfect eyes," they
said to the doctor, "and have now
come to pray with you. Will you not
ask the Lord right here and now to
give you a new eye?"

Dr. Henson's reply was startling.
"What kind of teeth have you?" he
suddenly asked the brother.

"Same kind," she frankly admitted.
"Well, good friends," rejoined the
doctor, "you go and ask God to grow
some new teeth in your mouths. Ac-
cording to your theory he will do it
without delay. When you get your

teeth, come around, and we will see
what can be done about that new eye!"
This happened some time ago, but
the good people are still grinning on
artificial molars, and Dr. Henson still
looks down on his great congregation
with one eye. Epworth Herald.

Partake Not in Their Sins.

When God's people are in Babylon,
they have need to take special care
that they partake not in her sins.
Providence seemed to lay this meat
before them; being captives, they must
eat what they could get, and must not
disoblige their masters. Yet if the
command be against it, they must
abide by that. They were jealous
over themselves, lest, though it should
not be sinful in itself, it should be an
occasion of sin to them; lest, by indulg-

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