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My Prayer.

If there be some weaker one,
Give me strength to help him on;
If a blinder soul there be,
Let me guide him nearer Thee.
Make my mortal dreams come true
With the work I fain would do;
Clothe with life my weak intent,
Let me be the thing I meant;
Let me find in Thy employ,
Peace, that dearer is than joy;
Out of self to love be led,
And to heaven acclimated,
Until all things sweet and good
Seem my natural habitude.

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Convention.

It will be held with the society at Sussex Aug., 7—9. Of course all the societies will be represented. You must have at least one representative there even if the society has to stand the cost. You will all get good. Reduced rates are being arranged on the boats and the I. C R, be sure and take advantage of these If you go by way of the C. P. R. the best you can do is to buy a return ticket.

The executive has arranged a very helpful programme and have endeavored to make the session the best yet.

The Society at Sussex is waiting to give us a warm welcome. Now will each society observe the following request.

Pray. Let much prayer be made to God that the Holy Spirit will be with us. That each speaker and each committee may be divinely directed.

2. Be sure and send your report Send one to secretary at once, be sure and do this, fill in what you can, don't fail to send it because you can't send full report. If you have done something and don't know exactly how much don't put down nothing, give an approximate answer.

3. Remember the Per Capita tax, of five cent per member, Send this and all other money you have to the Treasurer, Mr. T. A. Lindsay, to the secretary, or send it by delegates to the convention.

4. Send delegates to the convention; do not send them simply that they may have "a good time." But send them—(and may every delegate understand the purpose of the convention,)—that they may receive—retain and transmit a spiritual blessing and so conduct the business of the session as that great good may come of it.

F. CLARKE HARTLEY.
Cor. Sect.

F'ton July 10th., 1900.

OUR QUESTION BOX.

Note —This feature of our Young People's Department will appear as often as the questions submitted may require. Readers are invited to make free use of the "Box." Address all questions to Press Com. Care of A. G. Hartley, St. John West, N. B.

Ques. (17) "In a society where there are more Associate than Active Members, could not the Associates be appointed on the committees?"

A President.

Ans. (17) I have known Associate Members to do good work on the music, flower and good literature Coms. I do not think it would be in the best interest of the work to appoint them on the Prayer Meeting Social, Lookout or Missionary Coms.

A Worker.

Ques. (18) I wish to subscribe for a religious paper, and am undecided whether it shall be our denominational paper, or the organ of C. E. Both are impossible. Which would you advise?

F. L. M.

Ans. (18) Our denominational paper

P.—

Ques. (19) Do you think it would be wrong to have a "grab-bag" for raising Missionary money in a C. E. Social?

Anti-Bigotry.

Ans. (19) Yes. I do not think the Lord's money should be raised by any means, that could even be called in question. Grab bags and Missions don't fit at all.

Anti—Lottery.

Ques. (20) "Could you recommend any small book on "the Quiet Hour?"

S. E. S

Ans. (20) "The Morning Watch; by Eleanor Fairman Preston; and published by the, International Committee of Y.W. C. A., 1004—5 Champlain Building, 126 State St Chicago, is a most excellent little work on that subject

P.—

Ques. (21) Can you give us in the Column Whittier's beautiful prayer, ending,

"Until all things, sweet and good
Seem my natural habitude."

Faith.

Ans (21) The selection you mention will be given in another part of Our Column.

P—.

Ques (22) "Can a professor of religion become an Active Christian Endeavorer if they are not a member of a church?'

Earnest Worker.

Ans. (22) I do not think any rigid rule can be laid down about this matter There may be circumstances, unknown to all except the one concerned which prevent their uniting with a church, but ordinarily I think anyone who is conscientiously trying to do whatever Christ would have them do would be glad to have a home among Christ's people I cannot see why the fact that they are not in any church membership should debar a Christian from Active Membership. The Society may prove a stepping-stone to the church. To be a member of the Church Universal is of more importance than membership in any branch of the visible church however desirable that may be

Prisca

What do our readers think about this matter?

Com.

A Post Office Social.

It should be announced some time before the social that all members may send letters, or call for them, and that all letters must refer to Christian or Christian Endeavor work. Letters that are not claimed may be opened and read, and afterwards forwarded if it is thought best. In preparation for the social a large number of letters must be written, and the aid of the pastor, Christian Endeavor officers, and prominent Endeavorers should be called in. A little care will arrange it so that every member of the society receives a letter. Letters should be varied as much as possible, both as to appearance and as to contents. If all were enclosed in the same kind of envelope, the effect of spontaneity would be lost. Let them be as dainty and as suggestive of pleasant interest as any that the postman ever drops at our doors. Some might be sealed, and a pretty monogram affixed. These minor points are not unimportant.

The following letter might be sent to some especially timid and unassuming member: "Dear Miss A.—During the year that has just closed, I have been greatly cheered in my work by noticing the regularity of your attendance at these meetings, and the evident interest you have taken in all that has occurred. Though I have not often heard your voice, I thank you for the inspiration of your presence.

Yours in the work, — —
Pres. of Christian Endeavor Soc'y.

Another letter, written by the pastor to some tried and trusty worker in the society, might read as follows: "Dear Mr. B.—— Several families—strangers in the city—have recently united with the church. I have called upon them, but as my evenings are fully occupied, I am seldom able to come into contact with the men of the family. Could you, with some friend, call at the addresses given below, any time after seven P. M.? I believe that you would be doing a good work if you could make these men feel happy and cared for in Christ's church." Such a letter as this would lead to a personal conversation, and possibly to the inaugurating of personal work.

Letter three might ask some question designed to bring forwaad some other point of interest. As, for instance, the following, written by the secretary: "Dear Miss D.—— In answer to your name at the consecration meeting, I have noticed that you invariably respond by quoting a passage of Scripture. I should like to ask why you follow this course. Is it because you sincerely believe that more good will be accomplished by this means than by a word of experience, or a reading from some other book? Or is it because you can more easily select a suitable quotation on the spur of the moment from the Bible than from any other source?" Of course such a letter as this should be tactfully followed up.

If a meeting like this is held, soon after the Endeavorers have gathered the postmaster or postmistress should be seated at the table with bundles of letters, and should declare the mail open. After the letters have been given out and read, the Endeavorers should be called to order and the public reading should begin.—C. E. World.

A Good Business Meeting.

Have it on a week-day evening, if you can, although this religious business is not inappropriate to the Lord's Day. If it is held in connection with the regular meeting, take ample time for it. Save business for it, and have some delightful new plan to suggest. Study variety, so that no two successive meetings shall be conducted in the same way. Plan this in your Executive Committee meeting. At one time have a meeting in connection with a social. At another time have parts of the reports in rhyme. At other times have debates or essays on Christian Endeavor themes, or prayers, or appropriate hymns following each report. Save time for suggestions for each committee by some one outside the committee. Appoint Endeavorers to start these suggestions for each committee.—End. Herald.

Society Cumberers.

Committees that "report progress" their progress being like the crab's.

Presidents that put motions, but never move things themselves.

Corresponding secretaries that do not correspond.

Treasurers that wine over delinquents, but never send them a notification

Leaders that have nothing more to do with the meeting after it has been "thrown open."

Endeavorers who read a hasty verse of the Bible at night, mumble the Lord's prayer, call for a hymn at the meeting, and are not ashamed to call themselves Endeavorers.

Character Counts.

A jeweller in a Western town recently found a precious treasure in a peculiar place. His home coffee-mill was broken, and he took it apart to find what was the trouble He discovered that it had been wrecked by the action of a stone of some sort that had even cut its way into the metal of the grinders. He took the stone to his jewelry store, and, putting it under a microscope, discovered that it was a large diamond of the blue tint variety, and worth about two hundred dollars. It is thought that the diamond got mixed up with the coffee when the grain was screened in South Africa, where the coffee was raised. The diamond was about the size of a coffee grain and had the same dull color.

What a striking illustration of the value of reality, over the sham and pretense! The diamond was plain and unpretentious, but being a diamond, wherever it was found, no matter how humble the circumstances or associations, it was a precious treasure. So true character will ever come to its own in the end. It may be neglected and forgotten for a while, but genuine manhood and womanhood, however humble their associations, will make themselves felt, and God will honor them in His own good time.—Homiletic Review.

Thankful for Mother.

Mother looks just as young as she did when you saw her, and better than ever, said a young man, in answer to my question as to the welfare of his mother. It had been many years since I had looked into that mother's face, for we had drifted in different directions, but I remember her as a young mother with a family of little children, and I had noted her sweet devotion to their interests, and her patient ways in her daily ministrations to them in the home. I had not seen this mother's boy since he was her little cavalier in a far-off town in the West. I had congratulated her on having a boy so thoughtful of little things that make a mother's daily routine so much happier and lighter. I was glad to find that with the growth into manhood he had still kept up the beautiful way of thinking all the while of something to help and cheer his mother.

I see that mother gets a vacation every year before I take mine, he added, with a bright smile on his face. This year she has been East to visit her old home and the friends she knew when she was a little girl, and it had done her lots of good.

The same mother's boy as ever, I said. What a blessing you must be to her! She has thanked God very often for giving her such a son, I know.

I've thanked God many a time for giving me such a mother, he rejoined. It is a great blessing to a boy to have a good mother such as I have, and I want to do all I can for her, because she has done so much for me.

That is the secret of her looking so young and being better than ever, I thought. There are many, many children in the world, and most of them love their mothers very dearly, without doubt, but they are not thoughtful of them. They take it as a matter of course that mother should do for them, even if she is weary, and they often try her and vex her in many ways, instead of making the days of her toil and care easier and happier for her.

By cultivating this beautiful characteristic in childhood of being thoughtful of mother, the boy will not neglect his mother when he goes out into the world to make a place for himself. The interests of mother will always be in his mind. He will not forget the little attentions that make her so happy, or the small gifts that come just at an opportune time. I wish I had done so and so for my mother, but I never thought of it, said a young man after his mother had passed away. He loved his mother, but he was not thoughtful of her until it was too late.

The mother craves the love and attention of her boys, even if they have grown to manhood—to her they are her very own, just as surely as when they were little children in the home nest.—Christian Work.

POOR CONSOLATION —Dr. G.—— a well-known professor in a theological seminary, relates the following story of his early days in the ministry.

In company with a brother pastor he went to attend the annual meeting of synod in a neighboring city. The day was cold and wet, and the journey across country long and wearisome. The two young men, however, bore it bravely, consoling themselves by the thought of the good warm supper which awaited them in the home to which they had been assigned for entertainment.

They arrived at their destination a little later than the customary hour for tea, and their hostess gave them a very cordial reception.

Have you taken tea? she asked with great solicitude.

No, they replied, visions of hot coffee, warm rolls, fried chicken, and other delicacies looming up before their hungry eyes, we have not.

Well, then, she replied, we'll have an early breakfast!

CARING FOR WHAT THE WORLD SAYS.—Why will you keep caring for what the world says? Try, oh, try, to be no longer a slave to it! You can have little idea of the comfort of freedom from it—it is bliss.

All the caring for what people say is from pride. Hoist your flag, and abide by it. In an infinitely short space of time all secret things will be divulged. Therefore, if you are misjudged, why trouble yourself to put yourself right? You have no idea what a great deal of trouble it saves you.

Roll your burden on God, and He will make straight your mistakes He will set you right with those with whom you have set yourself wrong.

Here I am, a lump of clay; Thou art the potter. Mould me as Thou in Thy wisdom wilt. Never mind my cries. Cut my life off—so be it; prolong it—so be it. Just as Thou wilt, but I rely on Thy unchanging guidance during the trial. Oh, the comfort which comes from this!—General Gordon.

A MOTHER'S OPINION.

Mrs. J. Snelling, Underwood, Ont., says that she has used Dr. Low's Pleasant Worm Syrup in her family for the past eight years, and she knows of nothing so good for children who suffer from worms.

There are so many cough medicines in the market, that it is sometimes difficult to tell what to buy; but if we had a cough, a cold or any afflictions of the throat or lungs, we would try Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup. Those who have used it think it is far ahead of all other preparations recommended for such complaints. The little folks like it as it is as pleasant as syrup.

When the hair has fallen out, leaving the head bald, if the scalp is not shiny, here is a chance of regaining the hair by using Hall's Hair Renewer.

If you don't feel quite well, try a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla It is a wonderful tonic and invigorator. It will help you.

WHAT MADE US QUIT IT?—Said a father to us, speaking of his little son, There was a time when I made up my mind that inasmuch as sometimes I had unction and liberty in family worship and sometimes I didn't, that I would only hold it when I felt moved especially by the Spirit to do so. So night came and we went to bed without it. My little Joe was then but little past two. But he seemed restless and uneasy. At length he turned over to me and, putting his arms around my neck, his baby voice lisped Papa? What is it, my son? We used to say Our Father, didn't we! Yes, dear, go to sleep. A pause. Again, Papa, came the lisping tone, what made us quit it?

You may be sure, said the father it was the last time we went to bed without family prayer.

Parents how is it? Do your little ones expect you to nightly call upon Our Father for his blessing? If not, God pity them and you! Read Deuteronomy 6: 7.

As the rain cometh down from heaven, so does God's word come down to you. It passes through your heart and lips as it goes on the errand of life. In the healing of your own soul you have the surest pledge that the power which is working through you can give life to others also.—Rev John C. Gibson.

DONT! WOMEN.

Don't write to a woman, when the roof leaks. Write to a carpenter. Don't write to a woman when the water pipe bursts. Write to a plumber. Don't write to a woman when you are sick, write to a doctor. But why such superfluous advice? Simply to call attention to the fact that "women" who are not qualified physicians offer medical advice, in advertisements worded in such a deceptive manner that you are apt to overlook the important fact that the woman is not a physician.

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