I might have said a word of cheer Before I let him go. His weary visage haunts me yet; But how could I foreknow That slighted chance would be the last To me in mercy given? My utmost yearnings cannot send That word from earth to heaven.

I might have looked the love I felt; My brother had sore need Of that for which -too shy or proud He lacked the 'speech to plead. But self is near and self is strong, As I was blind that day; He sought within my careless eyes And went, athirst, away.

O word, and look and clasp witheld! O brother-heart. now stilled / Dear life forever out of reach, I might have warmed and filled! Talents misused and seasons lost, O'er which I mourn in vain-A waste as barren to my tears As desert sands to rain.

Two Mothers, Two Methods, Two Men.

BY MARTHA CLARK RANKIN.

In a certain New Eugland town. thirty years ago, there lived two familes whose outward circum two daughters and one son.

have felt that the two homes were always gone against him. radically unlike. The difference was in the mothers, who were directly opposite in character, and, in each case, the mother's influence gave the home its tone.

fearing woman, whose motto was, Do what is right, whether it is easy | live, the contrast of their lives is a were able, whether they felt like it | which may well arrest the attention or not. They were taught that each of mothers everywhere. - Christian day brought duties which must not | Work. be postponed without sufficient reason. They were shown that self-indulgence was weakening and demoralizing, that self-control would has just told me a personal experistrengthen and ennoble their charthat family.

school when they felt like it, and they will laugh at him; dreads to lessons and other duties were put retire to his room lest his wife in a selfish, short-sighted way, but | she never seemed to think of their future and the trouble and unhapiness which they would surely have mains. I can never make another to reap as a result of her careless sowing.

Henry Smith, were ready to begin their business careers at the same time. They secured similar positions in the two banks of the town, beginning at the bottom of the ladder, with a good chance of climbing if their services proved to be of sufficient value. They started upon their new duties in quite different frames of mind, as would the world upside down! naturally oe expected by any one who heard the parting counsels of the two mothers.

Oh, dear! I'm sure you'll have to and it's a shame you couldn't get a every great effort. higher place; this isn't half good enough for you. And I'm afraid temporarily exhausted, the mind you'll get hungry, working all becomes conscious of its own the morning with no chance to get | emptiness, and a panic ensues. out at all. You'd better take I have for a long time thought come right straight home, for there's never, never, never! no use wearing yourself out in that

bank. doesn't so much matter what you least once more! do as how you do it. You must And she does - and so on until dency to master a body arter a expect to get tired. to make mis- the whole setting of eggs lies safely spell, like it did pore Judas, yeh takes, and to find some things hard in the nest.

your success will be assured

To-day Edward Brown and through the next! successful business man. His ad- it in the nest, it will be ready. children help him to make their | Ah, but there is always a last better advice than I did when I | yourself? started out for myself, but it was me easily to follow that advice.

frequently. He owns no house, Charles Gross, in S. S. Times. and there is invariably something wrong about every one they rent. Besides, he says they can't afford stances were so similar as to be the to travel, and they get variety by occasion for frequent comment, moving. One would think they They lived in the same street, in might have variety enough in the also how to gain money: houses of about the same size and frequent changes of business, for, value; there could not have been just as Henry, the boy, thought his more than a hundred dollars differ | place in the bank altogether too ence in their yearly incomes. Each | hard for him, so Henry, the man, family consisted of father, mother, can never find any business that suits him. He is always grumbling to keep it in safely. If you had entered the two that luck is against him and everyhomes you would have noticed that | body down on him. He says there they were about equally well fur- is no reason why he should be poor nished, that the children were and Edward Brown rich when they new money when you can, so that about equally well dressed. Yet, started out even, only somehow Ed | the first using of it will be for the in spite of this, you would soon was always lucky, while things have Lord.

But Elward Brown only says: Poor Henry! he never had any out from week to week, for every bringing up. If he had had such a offering, always with right thoughts home as mine he never could have as to the amount to be given to been such a shiftless inefficient man, each cause. Place this in your Mrs. Brown was an earnest, God- and I am heartily sorry for him.

or hard. Her children were trained constant reminder to mothers of the prayer for a blessing, thus making to go regularly and punctually to power of their influence over their church and school, whenever they children. It is an object lesson

"Too Tired To Try Again."

My friend, the R.v. Y. Pounder, ence that may be of value to others acter. I forgot or I don't feel like | beside preachers. He says that, on it were not acceptable excuses in Sunday night, after he has delivered his second sermon, he sinks Mrs. Smith was an indolent to the lowest possible ebb of physiwoman, who never did anything | cal and mental vitality. He creeps disagreeable if she could possibly home in a state of mortification at get out of it. See let her children his failures, which borders upon have their own way because it was despair; is afraid to meet a member too much trouble to make them of his Official Board; dare not look mind. They went to church and his children in the face for fear off till the last minute and then should tell him that she had overrushed through in a hurry, the heard a trustee saying that one or mother never troubling herself to two more such sermons as those interfere. She loved her children | would empty the church-and the treasury!

On Monday morning his terror has vanished, but his despair resermon. I cannot think of another thing to talk about. My head is It so happened that the two as empty as a last year's bird nest. young men, Edward Brown and No-I can never make another

Tuesday—he feels that he must Wednesday—he believes that he

Thursday—he begins to try. Friday—he sees a prospect

Saturday—He thinks he has

produced a sermon that will turn An individual experience that

possesses many elements of the universal-I should think. If I know anything about the

work too hard, said Mrs Smith, laws of life, a reaction sets in after

All the vital powers having been

something to eat in your pocket that the ramarks which are de-And now don't let them impose livered from the edge of a nest by upon you. You'd better find an old hen who had just laid an out the first thing just what egg have been misunderstood. Most you'll be expected to do, and then people regard them as exclamations a six month 'for I larned he wuz if they ask you to do anything else, of triumph. To my ear, they are decidedly near an' close. W'y, it's you can just say that wasn't in the the utterances of despair. I heard be'n a mortal struggle fur me to agreement. And if you don't like her saying, as plainly as the hen get properly clothed in these fortythe place, or you have to work too language permits, I've done it this seven years o' wedded life-many the Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd. hard, or you get tired, you'd better time; but I can never do it again- times I've envied servant gals their

And yet, at about the same hour Mrs. Brown said: Remember, cauti usly up to the nest with an together 'ith my thrift, hes made my son, that beginnings are always ever-increasing confidence that, him forehanded—sum say he's rich! important, and try to do your best given a fair chance, she can perfrom the start. You know it form this noble function of life at is a terrible failin', a besett'n sin,

and disagreeable. Make up your Learn a lesson from the old But Father Jed wan't never mind to this at the outset and you brown Leghorn hen! How many sparin' o'one thing, an' thet wuz won't get discouraged. Don't be bread winners will go home from his time spent a prayin'. W'y his afraid to do a little extra work their stores and offices and shops at grace at table was longer'n t'other

your employer that he won't know stood off my creditors, or my critics | the pore, benighted heathen; yet | how to get along without you, then or the disease that is destroying me he seemed to think God could do this month; but I cannot hold out fur 'em 'thout eny o' his help, or

similar in appearance. One has a tone; the wonderful machine will large comfortable house on the go grinding on, and make another allus tells 'em at his money must go of whiskey. finest resident street. He is presi egg, or another dress, or another for hum missions. dent of the bank, and has attained | picture, or another sermon; and

vice is widely sought, his judge- You have your work to do. God ment highly prized. He is a great has cut it out for you. He will the longest while with the Lord, citizens. His attractive wife and for you to-morrow. It will come.

home a centre of enjoyment for one, you say. Yes, to be sure; but Mr. Brown about his career, and comes, your work will be done, and ask him to what he attributes his then you can depart. No one else my mother. No one could have blame you. Why should you blame

Perhaps there is another function. the years of careful training that | After we have placed all our eggs preceded which made it possible for | in the nest, we may be permitted somehow and somewhere to brood Henry Smith and his family move over them and hatch them out .-

Systematic Benevolence.

A little plan to enable each one to carry out a system of giving, and

On receiving any portion of your income, at once take out a certain part (one tenth or more, as you best can), and have a box marked The Lord's money, to be used in charity,

Get the money in different sums, small and larger, to have for the various ways of giving. Try to get

You will find true joy in keeping such a box, enabling you to take giving your offering with an inward it golden money in his sight. Looking out first for the Lord, giving him one-tenth, you may be sure he will look out for you, blessing your your needs, as he did with the

widow's cruse of oil. Try it! For children and others having use them as you please. no income, trade with a little money, even with ten or twenty five cents. With ten cents a little girl bought one yard of bed-ticking, made it into iron-holders, which, sold for five cents each, netted sixty cents.

Money may be gained by selling lowers or vegetables raised from seed; from gathering fruit, nuts, or eggs, or making toys, fancy articles, garments, or whatever can best be

To make the plan continuous, after trading divide the money into three parts, one third for the Lord, one-third for further trading, one-

This plan has been tried in classes and schools in order to collect money to help build churches, pay off church debts, etc.

A poor country Sabbath school is told of, with no library, no papers, which could only keep up the school tember 1. At Christmas sixtyseven dollars were brought in as the Kempis. result of this plan, enabling them to buy a fine library; and, best of all, the school was kept open every Sunday in the year. This plan has given good results to each and every one trying it, having their

own offering at all times. Do not defraud yourself in not having a Lord's money-box. It system of systematic benevolence, helping along each good cause all pleasure in the giving, and laying ! up treasures in the Lord's bank, where moth and rust do not corrupt, nor thieves break through to steal. (See Mal. 3:10)—M. P. H., in Sunday School World.

Jedediah's Prayers.

I hedn't be'n Father Jed's bride

Of course, he's grow'd more'n the next day, she slides slowly and more savin' every year, an' this,

Beleeve it's claimed that averice as it were, 'cause o' its amazin' ten- use Hali's Hair Renewer.

money. When the contribution Tenessee when I was there-a to donate for furrin missions, he march, a man offered him a drink

Bit when he gits tu praying fur more than local reputation as a when it comes time for you to lay the pore, he's the most elekant an' gifted. If 'twas a very cold an' stormy spell of weather, he'd wrashelp to his pastor in the church, give you the eggs! Do not worry implorin' him to pervide 'em plenty and one of the town's most valued about the one that will be expected of vittels and sich. Then the good Lord answers them fervent petitions -ho, ho, - in a way Jed'd surely object to, ef he knowd about it; many. If you were to talk with not until God wills it. When it fur I'm the humble instrument in ans'erin' 'em, an, tween you and me. I've allus felt it pleasanter, success, his answer would be: To will blame you. God will not enough sight on't, then to do the prayin'!

Ye see, I goes right off to the store room, an' fills baskets and bags plum full of meat, taters, flour, apples, an' sich, then unbeknownst to Father Jed, I'd send 'em to the Widder Jones, crippled Dan Brown, an' t'others we knowd to be most needy. Egg an' butter money, which I sumtimes claim, often goes in this way. No! mercy on ye, I'm too sharp to let him find out about it, so he never dreams how soon, an' how often, his prayers air ans'ered! Right thankful am I I've be'n

able to do it; fur, es I said afore, it's lots pleasanter, more to my likin', then to be doin' so much prayin'. But some must hev the gift o' prayer, an' sum' the gift o' work! Now, I'm thinkin' ef I give cheerfully the product o' my labor to the pore, in all concience I'm lendin' to the Lord, an' ans'erin' Father Jed's beseechin' prayers in the bargain; a-killin' two birds 'ith one stun ye know !- Selected.

Put Out Your Tongue.

Dr. Gill, the commentator, wore Lord's money pocket book, to have a gown, and one of the women of In the town where these two men ready when you go to his house, his church complained about the great length of the bands.

Well, said the doctor, clip them to suit yourself. This the lady did.

Now, said the doctor, you have something about you which is a nine-tenths, making it suffice for deal too long, also. It causes me no end of trouble. Well, said she, here are the scissors:

Come then, said he, put out your

The result is not known, but an

abbreviation of this sort would save many a church squabble, and the surgical operation wouldn't be confined altogether to the sisters.

How to Conquer Temptations.

Many by endeavoring to fly from temptations have fallen precipitately into them; for it is not by flight, but by patience and humility, that we become superior to all our enemies. He who only declines the outward occasion, and strives not to eradicate the inward princi ple, is so far from conquest that the CLOTHING, temptation will recur sooner and with greater violence, and he will feel the conflict still more severe. It is by gradual advances rather than impetuous efforts that victory six months of the year. Three is obtained; rather by patient sufferdollars, in five-cent pieces, were ing that looks up to God for support, given around to trade upon, Sep- than by impatient solicitude and rigorous austerity. — Thomas

Welcome New Scholars. - Give a new scholar a welcome. Be on the lookout for him. Don't let him come in and experience the misery of not knowing where to go or what to do If he waits long, he will like'y turn away, and you won't get him again. Therefore, enables you ever to have a right have some one appointed to be on the watch for newcomers. Make then instantly feel at home. Do you can, bringing to yourself true not be in too much of a hurry to assign them to classes. Find out about them first by questioning, and in this way make up your mind where they should go. It will make considerable difference in the behavior of a scholar if upon first coming in he is received in a way to excite his gratitude.

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The Teetotaler.

There was a soldier down in Henry Smith are still living in the My dear fellow you are tired box comes 'round fur hum missions, great, strong hearty fellow, who ame town, but their homes are no now. Go to sleep. Nature is not his sympathies air all fur furrin was a teetotaler. One day, when longer side by side, nor at all dead yet. She will recover her missions, and when he's called 'pon the "army was going on a long I am a teetotaler was the reply.

Never mind that. You're in the army now; besides, you need some stimulant to help you on this long Taking out a pocket Bible, he

held it up before the face of his tempter, and said:

This is all the stimulant I want. -Moody.

Salvation is conditioned upon our being willing to receive it through Christ. There is nothing against which

the Bible warns us that is not a way to death. God can say things to the poor

that He cannot even hint at to the rich.—Ram's Horn.

"If any one present knows of any just cause or impediment, why these two persons should not be joined together in holy matrimony, let him now speak." That is the challenge of the old marriage

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interest of health and happiness. Thousands of happy maidens who to marriage as happiness, have found it a blight to the body, a martyrdom to the mind. The irregular and painful periods of maidenhood were looked upon as a part of the common lot of woman, and so, neglected. Wife-

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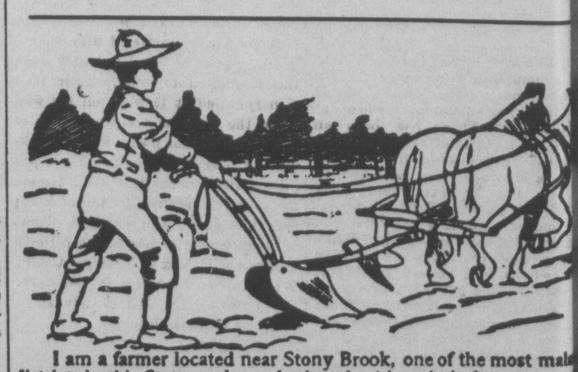
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districts in this State, and was bothered with malaria for years, at so I could not work, and was always very constipated as well. years I had malaria so bad in the spring, when engaged in plot great deal to alleviate neuralgia and that I could do nothing but shake. I must have taken about a of quinine pills besides dozens of other remedies, but never obt and quickly cure. Manufactured by any permanent benefit. Last fall, in peach time, I had a most se attack of chills and then commenced to take Ripans Tabules, u friend's advice, and the first box made me all right and I have "What's in a name ?' Everythir g. been without them since. I take one Tabule each morning and when you come to medicine. When and sometimes when I feel more than usually exhausted I take the you get Hood's Sarsaparilla you get a day. They have kept my stomach sweet, my bowels regular have not had the least touch of malaria nor splitting headache Baldness is often preceded or accom- commenced using them. I know also that I sleep better and wal panied by grayness of the hair. To more refreshed than formerly. I don't know how many compl prevent both baldness and grayness, Ripans Tabules will help, but I do know they will cure any one condition I was and I would not be without them at any price There are so many cough medicines honestly consider them the cheapest-priced medicine in the work in the market, that it is sometimes they are also the most beneficial and the most convenient to d fficulty to tell which to buy; but if I am twenty-seven years of age and have worked hard all my life we had a cough, a cold or any affliction same as most farmers, both early and late and in all kinds of west of the throat or lungs, we would try and I have never enjoyed such good health as I have since last fall Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup. and I have never enjoyed such good health as I have since last in Those who have us d it think it far fact, my neighbors have all remarked my improved condition and afraid to do a little extra work when you can accommodate by so doing, and do your best always. If you can make yourself so useful to moan to their sad here, I have spend a good half hour prayin' fur syrup.

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didn't think, you he went away; ar livin' there alone se his wife she di had people of her e carried in the l the fires, too, to tell the truth, was be didn't do

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n't 'cause he didn

fore the rain.

to hustle now, I thinkin', to at la he might of been thoughtful in th while the wear buidens all away we went and heard the poor old soul stood and looke they pushed the old hands! I did set there an if he conldn't heart'd break-

ad kind of got suffered fer his s a lot of kinds good book tells concernin' which be in doubt, there's one sin th man who doesn be held to strict goes across the e wrong that's other's want of

as much as th the victim of a At the Brea Mamma! Wher put them in et, dear. Ma

akfast,' called ing-room. ll be late to don't leave wled Jack, hu e strings dangl Jamma was disc

ee cups.

Hominy, Jack? dear !' I don' i's we always h Papa likes hom ns,' explained rt the storm. Might have ' k, his voice uthful of the d Is there gride manded presen This is ironing ildn't fry cakes What else is sh

Jack! Papa m his paper. few moments, asantly on. It looks like t rm, papa said ops on the pa d better go to weather.' Yes, the gade to day,' 'Oh, need I ained Jack. "

ar 'em a day t. Need I? 'Oh, yes, des rough all the d you have a 'I think it's other big bbers like be ots all on. I there!' with 'Jack, leave her sternly. bbers withou and apol ur rudeness. oking at man eals are spoil I have to whi But the whi

> e another ic lk of it to-r lkily back. Good morni g into the dir 'Morning !' Vhat's this, E ou learned ye eal? I want 'We had it member: bu -morrow.'

s temper wor

'That won't way his sauce ish-balls ? Ut 'I thought amma, anxio 'Plenty of ave you men valyn?

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I'll do it