

The Century.

There was no tread of martial feet. No sound of gun, no clash of sword.

Our guest is silent; his veiled face Prophesies nothing where he stands.

O, Century, what hast thou brought? Life more abundant, love more strong?

Alh, Century, thou wilt not tell Thy secrets yet, and men must wait;

Grave, silent, masterful! We take How solemnly our way we make

Sleeping Hearts.

Old Farmer Pettigrew was driving along the pike toward the county town.

There's that young Evans walking, he said to himself; he's dressed up like he's goin' to catch the train.

Go in' up the road, Bob? he said, as he passed the younger man; I'm bound for the burg.

I was going down by train, but don't mind riding behind your grays, laughed the other.

So 'tain't two wagon loads, was the retort. He liked Bob Evans because he joked and laughed.

What'll your load be? he asked Bob, as he had mud flew under the horses' feet.

Not much weight, laughed his companion. Christmas gifts. This is the time when a little money buys a lot of things to warm the heart.

Sho! said Farmer Pettigrew, when you're old as I am, you won't be spending money for Christmas.

That you would, said Evans, heartily, and it would make good old Aunt Pettigrew feel ten years younger.

Now, Bob! exclaimed the old man, sir you in earnest?

Never was more so. She is often lonesome since your daughter moved West.

What are you going to get Addie?

Me? O, I've been planning for months. A new dress for one.

I never did give anything 'cept a little candy to the children on Christmas.

About the middle of the afternoon Bob Evans hurried into the big dry goods store.

Bob was so glad, he stopped to help in the selection, and then went on his way.

Say, Bob, I bought a cheer, too; and a gold comb, and candy, and I'm kind of 'shamed to give them to her.

Bob shook the old man's hand. I'm glad I came with you.

But he did not introduce the subject when Bob went over the next week.

Well, when I laid 'em out Christmas mornin' by her bed, Bob, I jest stepped out.

Bob's eyes grew misty. Well, he said.

I went in then, an' she riz up an' kin' to me, an' she said Pa, and kissed me, fur the first time in ten years.

A Beautiful Home Life.

A temperance speaker relates a bit of experience that is as interesting as it is suggestive.

At a crossing a bright-faced boy stood waiting for the ladies to pass, and lifted his cap with a courteous gesture.

The hostess leaned from the carriage with a pleasant greeting, and the gray cap covered the brown curls again as they drove on.

As they approached the home, they overtook a young girl of about fourteen and a middle-aged man, walking briskly.

This is our home; that is my husband. And you have another guest, or is the young lady a caller?

That is our Margaret, our eldest child. She and her father are great chums.

That evening, at the daintily appointed tea-table, the youngest child, a bashful girl of seven or eight years, had the misfortune to drop and break a fragile piece of china.

But even as she thought, with perfect courtesy the mother spoke the same conventional words of reassurance which she would have used had the honored guest broken the cup.

The speaker was charmed. That evening, walking with another white ribboner, she could not resist saying, Your president seems wonderfully blist in her children.

Yes, but she has anxieties as well as the rest of us, was the unexpected reply.

Unidentified. Attention to, and recognition of opportunity is one of the secrets of success in any calling.

Be wise and accept Christ as your Saviour—the only Saviour of men.

Cultivate within you the mind that was in Christ Jesus.

Discard discord and discouragement; God reigns.

Entire submission to the divine will is the secret of true happiness.

More of Christ, more knowledge of his will concerning us, and more willingness to do his will, are things most essential now.

No task is burdensome if it is performed willingly and as unto the Lord.

Obedience to the commandments, cheerfully rendered, makes man really, with God.

Patience, meekness, charity are Christian graces worthy of special recognition and cultivation.

Remember, he never fails who always does his best.

Unbroken communion with the Lord is possible to you, to all.

Victory over the world, the flesh and the devil is achieved through and by that faith which implies being prompt in the discharge of duty.

Whatsoever comes keep on smiling. Let not the sun go down on your wrath.

Xerxes had a great army at his back, but he failed. But no one doing battle for the Lord fails in the end.

Youth, early manhood, mature life, old age, all given to God in service—and then an eternity of bliss with him in heaven.

Zeal and devotion are essential characteristics in the life of all who are truly triumphant Christians.

Will you always continue to be ashamed out of your eternal happiness by the short-lived laughter of fools?

But perhaps you say, Youth is no time for palm singing and gloom. It is the time for merriment.

Ah! I will tell you what is a gloomy thing. It is a gloomy sight to see a son or daughter setting out on the perilous voyage of life without chart or compass.

You admit the fact of these brief suggestions, and say, I ought to be a Christian; I mean to be a Christian; but there is time enough yet.

Nothing simplifies life like obedience. We sometimes think we are beset by problems, that life is a very difficult and complicated affair.

There is no success in all this world which is so to be dreaded as the success of getting away from God's purpose for us.

A PHYSICIAN is not always at hand. Guard yourself against sudden coughs and colds by keeping a bottle of Pain-Killer in the house.

There are cases of consumption so far advanced that Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup will not give relief.

If your stomach is weak it should have help. Hood's Sarsaparilla gives strength to the stomach and cures dyspepsia and indigestion.

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with tears, and a soul confessed its wandering from God.

I thought, since you looked like an Irishman, you might be a Catholic, perhaps, said Mr. Gibbud, apologetically.

Then Mr. Gibbud leaned his head up against the car window, and they closed their eyes, and in the blessed communion of the saints they drew near to God.

Now it will go to go on radio the Spirit Filled Life.—C. E. World.

Every son, when he goes away from home, carries with him the honor of the home to which he belongs, and he may either change or dissipate it.

are glorifying in his honor. On the field of battle this has often been the inspiration of courage, and in the battle of life in a city like this there are multitudes doing their best, living laborious days, shaking off the temper, and keeping straight in the middle of the narrow way.

There is no alcohol in the "Discovery" and it is free from opium, cocaine, and all other narcotics.

Some dealers may offer a substitute as "just as good" as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery.

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When a laxative is required use Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Laxative.

A Physician, who has a decided vein of humor in his make-up, tells the following story of the miraculous healing powers of a thermometer.

I had an Irish woman for a patient many years, said the doctor. She is now dead. I once pulled her through a lingering attack of typhoid, taking her temperature from time to time by having her hold a thermometer under her tongue.

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Seeking the Gospel. The story is told of a poor Chinaman from the city of Ningpo, who came to a Christian missionary in Canton to ask for baptism.

I have never heard the Gospel, said the man; but I have seen it. What do you mean? asked the missionary, puzzled by the man's statement, yet seeing that he was perfectly sincere.

I used to live in Ningpo, said the Chinaman, and my neighbor there was a man even poorer than I, who smoked opium, and had a very bad temper.

He spent everything for opium, and his family nearly starved. But one day he listened to a missionary, and soon the Gospel came into his heart.

He stopped buying opium, and he became kind and gentle to all. I watched him day by day, and saw him becoming like a different man, with a face shining with happiness.

I have never heard the Gospel, but I have seen it in him, and I have been thinking about it ever since.

When I saw you here I thought I would come and ask you to give me the Gospel, for I want to be a different man, too.

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