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Fisherman's Prayer.

BY MRS. FRANK A. BRECK.

"Keep me, my God, My boat is so small and thy ocean so wide.; -Breton Fisherman's Prayer'

Keep me, O Father, in danger I ride, "My boat is so small and thy ocean so

wide !" S ill I am safe if with Thee I abide -Keep me-be near me to save !

Darkness is around me-my peril is great ! Well dost Thou know of my desperate strait-

Thou hast compassion-Thy power I await Speak to the treacherous wave !

Thou who didst walk upon Galilee's crest, Hushing the billows to silence and rest, Still Thou art pitiful; grant my request. Save me from danger to-day !

Those that go down in their ships to the

They have Thy promise a Refuge to be; Now do I plead it, believing in Thee; Save me in mercy, I pray!

Speak to the waters and they shall be still Speak to the winds that blow stormy and chill;

Speak to my heart; let me rest in Thy will; Make the wild tempest to cease !

Keep me, my Father, whatever betide; My boat is so small, and thy ocean so wide; Thou art my Pilot, my Helper. my Guide; Lead me to havens of peace ! -Chris. Intelligencer.

> ----The Successor.

I'm so sorry, said Margaret your pastor. His life has been as derstanding, she would have little Whitney, and in that one little truly a martyrdom as was the peace of any sort. sentence she voiced the sentiment death of any saint of old. He of all who belonged to or attended gave his life, when it was young, to conceive of a skeleton in that home. Oakville church. home mission work, and for thirty

the church and its congregation and West a work that only God who have made their home with her

Would that they might have seen him that afternoon in his room, and could have heard the husky voice whisper: Oh, Lord, thy will be done. If one who had not known her long. this be not the place for me, do It is plain to see that hers has been

man of strength and energy, not

one who was so evidently worn out

mid-week prayer-meeting at which

of that day, came the letter that

It was from their former pastor,

almost hear the ring of his beloved

I am more glad than I can ex-

press, it said, to hear that poor old

Nelson had been sent to you; for

The letter came to E'der Whit-

there is thus given to you an op

candidate was not to be called.

changed it all.

voice

Thou lead me on. Surely they a carc-free life, thus far. could not have bardened their | The long-time f iend of the one

hearts against the man who put regarded as so fortunate was silent his future so trustingly into his a moment and then said. Living next door to Mrs. Brown, Lord's hand's; and though he had

seen in the faces of the people, in] as you do, you will learn sooner or spite of their pity, something that | later that she is the reverse of careforbade him to hope that this (free; indeed, I cannot recall one of might be the haven for which he my circle of friends who would have longed, yet still trusted that God a better excuse for wearing an unwould provide for him. smiling face than she.

No further mention was made of It seemed as if the young people had voiced the sentiments of the this subject until, several months entire congregation. They pitied later, the same woman chanced to the broken-down old minister, but be speaking of Mrs. Brown, and they were not willing to call him to then the now old neighbor said of the vacant pulpit. They wanted a her :

If It Be Possible.

What a sunny face Mrs. Brown

always wears! was the remark of

I have no reason to change my first opinion of her. True, she with much previous serving. It seems to have little time to call her was really decided, before the own, but she is quite neighborly, and is always bright and suppy.

What is the subject of her con the vote was to be taken, that this versation, usually? was the evasive And then, on the very morning answer.

Why, her mind seems to run on the Bible continually ; she is unlike any one I ever saw, in that respect and in its sentences they could It does not matter whether the subjuct under discussion is servants or health, she is sure to wind up will what seems to lie nearest her heart I think she takes a text of Scripture as a guide for each day.

I know she does, was the rejoin. portunity of a lifetime to do God's der, and I know, too, that if it were work in accepting this man for not for the peace that passeth un-

Why you surprise me! I cannot Has Mrs. Brown never told you It was a small country place and years has been doing in the North anything of her aged maiden aunts,

Don't get discouraged. Whoever gained anything by drawing down the corners of his mouth when a cloud came over the sun, or letting his heart drop into his shoes like a lead weight when misfortune came upon him ? Why, man, if the world knocks you down and jostles past you in the race, don's sit whining under people's feet, but get up, ru: your elbows and begin again. There are some people who even to look at, is worse than a dose of camobile tea ! What if you do get a little puz-

zled on the dollar-and cent question. Others beside you have stood in exactly the same spot and struggled bravely out of it, and you are neither halt, lame nor blind, that you can not do likewise. The weather may be dark and rainy very well, laugh between the drops, and think cheerily of the blue sky and sunshine that will surely come to morrow. Business may be dull ; make the best of what you have, and look forward to something more hop ful. If you fall down, dou't lament over your braises, but be thankful that no bones are broken If you can't afford roast beef and plum pudding, eat your codfish joyfully, and bless your stars for the indigestion and dyspepsia you there by escape. The moment you begin to groan over your troubles, and count up the calamities you may as well throw yourself over the docks and be done with it! The luckiest fellow in the world might have woes enough, if he would set himself to hunting them up. They are like small particles of dust-you do not

see them without close inspection. Don't get discouraged, wife ! Life is not long enough to spend in inPeople Who Help the Prayer-Meeting,

The busy business man who reguarly attends it ; the people, young and old, who sit in the front seats ; the gray-baired old saint who comes with a smiling face and always has something to say of the love of Christ; the timid people who can

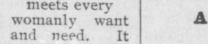
Christ ; the young people who testify ! promptly, utter short prayers, and sing sweetly; the jolly soul who cannot speak or pray or sing without increasing the spiritual sunshine, and who is not afraid to make his hearers laugh once in a waire; the social people who welcome trangers and do not hurry away when the meeting is closed; the

It's all very well for the minister to preach from the text, Remember Lot's wife, said an overworked, discourrged matron; but I wish he would now give us an encouraging, sermon upon the wife's lot.



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It was this desire and need of daughter, and recruit his failing wider fields that brought the health. He is a wonderful man, sorry condition to the little flock. with a wonderful record in Heaven A call came to the active young I am sure, and as I said it is you pastor inviting him to take charge opportunity, even more than his. I of a large church in a near-by have no doubt what your decision manufacturing town. He saw at will be. once the larger field of work that He had no doubt of their awaited and needed him, and acdecision ! cepted, in spite of the protests of Neither had they, before the the people. letter came, but now it was all in

You will find another who will such a different light that they fill the place as well, perhaps better, hardly knew what to think. Not than I have done, he said, when their benefit-not what would they spoke of their regret that he please them most-but their opporwas to leave them. And then he tunity-the opportunity of a lifeadded, with a look of solemn con- time-to do God's work. viction in his face :

they could not answer that. family. Margaret's eyes were

The first Sabbath that saw a shining before he was through, and stranger in the pulpit was a shock when he read the last sentence she hood, and I well know that grace te them all. Not only did they sprang up excitedly. realize more keenly than before I'm so ashamed of what I said peaceful a life in the midst of so telegraph line. A few such storms what they had lost, but when the to the girls last Sabbath, about much to annoy. I tell you this that will destroy it altogether. candidate rose and stood before hoping they would send us a better you may the better appreciate your them to announce the opening man, she said, I'm going to vote good neighbor. hymn, their first feeling was one of for this one and I hope every one disappointment in him. All that else will too. May I tell the girls the recent pastor was, this man about the letter? was not He was old, but it was Certainly. I'm afraid we were

not so much age as over-work and all inclined to think only of ou ill-health that showed in his thin, own needs, and not at all of the farrowed face and stooping figure. minister's said her father thought-His voice was weak and husky, and fully. before the service was over, a cough | Margaret made a very enthusitold of weakened lungs that needed astic advocate, and before the rest and watchful care.

I think it's mean, said Bessie people of the church and a good for her to hide it, and tried to Harris, walking home after service many of the older ones knew the with a number of other girls; the story of the candidate and were idea of sending us a man like that enlisted on his side. More con- neighbors soon found themselves Let love reign in your soul, and the as a possible future pastor ! It sciences were aroused at the prayermakes me feel queer just to look at meeting when Mr. Whitney rose him, and that voice and dreadful and read the letter, and when the the higher life and how to attain to coughvote was taken after the meeting 1t.

Hush, Bess, interposed one of the result was unanimously in the girls in a rather shocked tone, favor of the Rev. Mr. Nelson. it's a shame to speak so about the It is quite needless to say that [Mrs. Brown. I think when I have poor man. I felt sorry for him the call was accepted, after the reached heaven and feasted my eyes when he was preaching, he looked minister had thanked God for this on the King in His beauty, I shall answer to his prayers and needs. so feeble.

corresponded in size-both were can appreciate or reward. He lost since her mother died, some ten

Ob, yes, she often mentions them, and I have sometimes wondered that she did not invite me to go up to their rooms. I am sure she would, if she knew how I love old ladies.

You would find nothing in them to love, I assure you, for two more unlovely old ladies never lived. They are both as helpless as babies, and the most fault-finding creatures I ever saw. Mrs. Brown is always sweet and gentle with them, but her only reward is a continual nagging, Such a life would land me in an insane asylum.

Why does she not take them to some home for the aged, if they do not appreciate what she does for them ? It seems a shame for so lovable a woman to devote her life to so thankless a task.

That is what I have often suggested, but it is met by, It is my Christ the righteous.-Hattress H. cross, and Christ is giving me grace Shick. to bear it. But it breaks my heart

that such loving care is only met by I am called. I must go, and ney, and he read it aloud to his fault-finding. I understand the situation perfectly, as I have known the family intimately since my girlalone enables my friend to lead so |

> calling in anger to help you off the A few days after the foregoing stage. The Christian should not conversation Mrs. Brown rapped at allow the devil to kindle the fire of her neighbor's door. saying : anger in his soul.

I wanted to run away fromeverything, for a little while, so I have inflicted myself upon you.

The one thus greeted made some thank God that the fire is out. But laughing rejoinder, but she saw at a on going up in the apartments above glance that the cross was pressing so you will find the walls and ceilings heavily upon the one who had so dingy and the room offensive with evening meeting all the young long borne it that it was an effort the odor of smoke. Many a soul-house is in bad con-

divert her by bringing up one topic dition to-day because of the fire of after another. But as usual these anger that recently burned there. talking on the subject which even demon of anger will find no place .----Christians are inclined to avoid-Guide to Holiness.

What a wonderful inspiration Paul is! among other things said itous about the preservation of rank than those who have no rank at all.

not rest until I have seen the one

flaming your eyes and reddening your nose because the pudding won't bake, and your husband says the shirt you worked over so long sets like a meal-bag. Make another pudding, begin the shirt anew. Don't feel down in the mouth be cause du t will settle and clothes will wear out and crockery get broken. Be ng a woman does not procure you an exemption from care and trouble any more than your husband. Take things as they come, good and bad together, and when. ever you feel inclined to cry, just change your mind and laugh. Keep the horrors at arm's length, and never turn a blessing round to see whether it has a dark side to it Always take it for granted that things are blessings, unless they prove false. Preachers, don't get discouraged, even though some one robs you of the honor justly due you ; there is One that will give you the honor justly due you-Jesus

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A storm of passion will disorder

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There are no persons more solic-

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Yes, he does, joined in another They-the new pastor and his who, next to my Saviour, helped me girl, I felt sorry for him too. I daughter-were soon settled in to fight a good fight. But if life's couldn's listen to the sermon or their new home and work. Daughter darkest day looms up before me, I enjoy the service a bit, for I kept and congregation united, with un- shall first thank him for the words, thinking all the time how hard it spoken, sympathetic understanding. If it be possible. must be for him, when he is evi- in keeping all burdens off the nardently worn out. row, bent shoulders of the pastor.

I should think a minister would He was cared for in a way that he retire when he gets unable to do had never known in all his hard his work. We surely can't call working life, by the entire con- sigh. such a man to be our paster, said gregation; and it was all done in Flora MacIntyre, severely. a way that made it seem the per-

Of course not. I suppose they fectly natural and proper way to day, in the thickest of the fight, sent him first in hopes of getting | treat a minister. him settled and off their hands. In less than a year they had as great and good a man as Paul When they find we won't call him, their reward. Under their care knew from experience that there maybe they will send us something and kindness the pastor grew well were people with whom it was imbetter, said little May Clyde with and strong once more, and almost possible to live in peace at all times, a wise nod of her head.

I hope so, said Margaret de- that he had become a real leader, possible, as much as lieth in you. This medicine cures coughs, colds, sidedly as she opened the home and in his ringing tones and shin- live peaceably with all men, I will inflammation of the lungs and all gate and bade the rest good-bye. ing eyes they caught the thrill of not be overcome by what is beyond They did not mean to be harsh in that zeal that had driven him on my control.-Zion's Herald. their judgment-these bright, in the past, even to the gates of happy young people-Christians all death. And never was the Oakand members of the church for ville church in a stronger, healthier which they were so anxious to se-more flourishing condition than it tow OIL on hand. Nothing like it for stiffness and soreness of the muscles, ure a good pastor. They did not became under the charge of the sprains bruises, cuts, etc. A clean restores its natural color and beauty, dream how cruel they were, in this successor.-The American M sser- preparation, will not stain clothing. frees the scalp of dandruff, tetter, and summary disposal of the candidate. ger.

Why, it is strange that of all his wonderful words you should single out those, was the unthinking comment, as Mrs. Brown ended with a

I shall likely think so, too, when I clasp the immortal hand, but tothose words are my salvation ; for if before they realized it they found and so left the loophcle, if it be Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup.

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