

The Dawning Day.

BY J. A. EDGERTON.

How bright, how sweet, this world would be

And is this nothing but a dream?

No. I will not believe it. No. God still is reigning, brother.

The morn is rising soft and bright.

A Sudden Transformation.

On a bitter cold night in January ten years ago (I was then one of the college secretaries of the Young Men's Christian Association) I was due at B-University at 7 o'clock.

I went into the room and sat down. Truthfully I did not expect to see any of the boys.

My name is William Rearson.

Born in the southern part of Texas, his father died when he was six months old.

Some of the things he told me you can easily imagine when I tell you that the next morning he showed me the pillar, down which he slid, after the faculty were asleep.

It is simple truth when I say I never looked into the face of a more complete wreck of young manhood.

Then I proceeded to show him the hard battle side of the Christian life.

Then I proceeded to show him the more he shook his head, and said: "I don't care what it costs, I have got to have it."

As I began to open my Bible he said: "You can't talk to me like you talk to the other fellows."

On questioning, I found he did not seem to have any comprehension of what Christ had done for him.

I can never forget with what a disappointed look he said: "I can't see that that means anything."

I said: "Take out the him and who and put your own full name and read it again."

He began: "God so loved William Rearson—; It seemed to stun him, and he stopped."

With that a look he said: "It looks as though it might mean something—now."

Through that verse I pointed him to Calvary. And then I said: "We'll pray—you pray."

We knelt, I waited for him to begin. But he didn't begin.

for John 3:16. After he found it, he put his index finger upon it, and, closing his eyes prayed.

Oh, Lord, I am too rotten for you to look upon, but you say in this place where I have my finger, that if I come you'll take me, and—

I have just found out what John 3:16 means.

William Rearson is now the general secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association in one of our American cities.

Truly, if any man be in Christ he is a new creature.—Rev. E. E. Helms, in the Epworth Herald.

Mrs. Swift and Mrs. Thrift.

BY MRS. W. S. FARLEY.

Well, for goodness, sake, what kept you so late? exclaimed Mrs. Swift as Mrs. Biddy O'Conner made her appearance a half hour late.

Poor Biddy was nervous too, because of her mistress's greeting.

Oh, ma, where did you get all these things?

Oh, ma, jolly and chicken. Who gave 'em to you, ma?

An angel! An angel!

The Christ-life

A boy sat at a window, with a small oval mirror in his hand.

It was a weary forenoon. Biddy's head as well as her heart ached long before the washing was done.

I hope you'll get the clothes all ironed this afternoon, she said.

The Swifts were not yet through dinner when Biddy went home.

No, Biddy rejoined. I must be going to the sick childer. I'll not be a waitin' any longer.

There were no further objections by Mrs. Swift, so poor Biddy went home, the smell of fragrant coffee and boiled beefsteak tantalizing her all the way home.

Good morning, she said with a smile, I'm glad to see you.

I am sorry the children are sick, said Mrs. Thrift; what's the matter Biddy?

I don't jest know, she said, they be ailin' for this four or five days, an' all night long they be callin' man'ma.

Perhaps you ought not to have left them, said Mrs. Thrift. Who is with the children?

I had to leave 'em. Somebody's got to earn something. My sister Norah's there while I be gone.

Mrs. Thrift kept no regular servant, except a young girl, who

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.

Mrs. Thrift began to gather up the breakfast things. There was a nice thin piece of boiled ham on the platter and a slice of toast in the covered dish.

Biddy's heart gave a great bound it was sweet to the tired creature to be thought of. The hot, fragrant coffee, with loaf sugar and cream, toned her up, so did the delicious ham and the cream toast.

When Biddy went home she carried a basket in which was a glass of lemon jelly, a pair of chicken soup, and other delicacies.

Oh, ma, jolly and chicken. Who gave 'em to you, ma?

Biddy laughed, but tears were rolling down her cheeks.

Well, said she, they call her Mrs. Thrift, but in my heart, bless her, I call her an angel.—N. Y. Observer.

The Christ-life

A Cure For a Bad Temper.

When Robert Hall was a boy he had a very bad temper.

As we climb the hill of Christian experience, we see the ever-growing horizon of the ocean of divine tenderness; and we become ashamed even to mention the pool of our love that lies far away in the vale beneath.—F. B. Meyer.

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I Cannot Feel Saved.

Martin Luther, in one of his conflicts with the Devil, was asked by the arch enemy if he felt his sins forgiven.

So with you, dear reader. You must believe in God's love to you as revealed at the Cross of Calvary, and then you will feel happy, because you may know you are saved.

A dear old Christian, on hearing persons speaking of their feelings, used to say, "Feelings! feelings! Don't bother yourself about your feelings. I just stick to the old truth that Christ died for me, and He is my surety right on to eternity; and I'll stick to that like a limpet to the rock."

Be my feelings what they will, Jesus is my Saviour still.

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Grow in Grace.

I cannot but believe that the reason for the standard of Christian life being so low is that we are living on stale manna.

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When You Eat

Do you have a feeling of undue fullness in the stomach, belchings, or sour or bitter risings? These are but a few of the symptoms of the diseased stomach.

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In the Clutch of Consumption.



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