

Aftermath

BY S. B. MC MANUS.

I. When this brief, hurried life is done to you and me, And day and night shall be as only one—

II. Above our resting place when grass is matted deep, And dim as legend grown the carved epitaph,

III. Shall some one gently say, 'Twas he who blest my life; He helped to help me on to better thought and deed,

IV. Shall some one kindly say, His life was not in vain, Unless 'tis vain to help some struggling soul.

V. We need not stop to guess, or halt to rea on why This act or that be right, if it be only bright,

VI. The good we do lives on and on and never dies, No fragment of a kindness turns to mold,

VII. Our hands may empty be,—but grieve not thus nor cry, Though all our harvests halt and tarry in the year,

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Grand Harbour Society.

Grand Harbour Y. P. S. C. E. A long time has passed since any report from the Grand Harbour Society has been given. The society is still doing its work, although the attendance is not as large, as we would like; but as the busy season is over now, we are hoping for a better attendance.

A Missionary Concert was held on the 1st of November, which was very interesting. It consisted of reading, recitations, dialogues, and music. As our last business meeting, the following officers were elected: President, G. ant L. D. kin, Vice President, Lloyd C. Dakin; Re-

ording Sec'y, Mrs. A. H. McLeod; Corresponding Sec'y, Sadie D. Dakin; Treasurer, Alice G. Foster. Our pastor Rev. A. H. McLeod, suggested that, as he could only be with the church once on Sunday, the Society take charge of the church prayer meeting one Sunday in each month. This suggestion was accepted and we feel that it will be, not only a benefit to our Society, but a help to the church.

We have decided to hold a Christian Endeavour Social once a week during the winter. We feel that there is not enough social intercourse between the members, and by these socials the Active Members may be drawn closer together and do better work for the Master, and also that the Associate members may become more interested. It is our desire to do better work this year, than we have in the past, that we may see many of our young people who are now out of the ark of safety brought to Jesus.

SADIED. DAKIN, Cor. Sec'y.

Letter From Miss Hartley.

My DEAR FRIENDS,— An appeal has just come to me from a member of our Press Committee, and mortified that I should have to be asked for a contribution to the Column that has always held such a large place in my interest, I hasten to respond.

The months since we parted at League have been so full of work and have sped so rapidly that seems scarcely possible that almost half of our year is gone, and we are standing with eager, anxious feet on the very threshold of 1902. May it bring to us each a broader vision of, and greater love for, the work of the Master.

Requests come to me quite often from my friends saying in substance, "Tell us of your work," and if I could give in this letter the faintest suggestion of the days so full of happy work, I would be glad, but I fear my pen is not equal to the task. I can say however that I am very happy in my work; that I enjoy every hour of study, and am trying to put my opportunities to the very best use.

My work for this year is divided between Bates College, and Cobb Divinity School, and the pleasure of my life here is by no means impaired by the familiar faces that are sprinkled among the many strange ones. For Bates is a Free Baptist College, and Cobb our only F. B. Divinity School, and many New Brunswickers find their way to gain an education under their hospitable roofs. And very kind has Bates been to me. I shall always remember with gratitude the many many concessions the faculty as a whole, have made to me, in allowing me to choose, indiscreetly these subjects that I feel will be most helpful to me in my later life, and work.

Some of you may have met Professor Anthony, as twice has he represented the Free Baptists of the U. S. at our Conference, and to you no description is needed. To those who have not had this privilege I can only say that he is a man well educated, in the highest, deepest, broadest sense of that much abused word. A man of broad and liberal views, yet withal so tender, so sympathetic, and spiritual, with so much of the Christ-life and spirit always in evidence, that his mere presence in the class-room cannot fail to be an inspiration to better, nobler, more unselfish living. With Prof. Anthony I have studied this last term the Life of Christ, as given in Matthew, and truly He has been made to live again His life of beautiful ministration in at least one heart. That the spirit of those lessons may become a part of my life is my prayer.

In the College one of my courses has been Church History,—the growth and development of the Christian Church, and here again I have been greatly blessed in my instructor, Dr. Veditz, though an American, has spent much of his life abroad studying in both France and Germany. He is a noted criminologist, and the study of human nature,—especially in its baser aspects, coupled with that of the best means of raising the baser to the nobler is his undoubted speciality. The theory he has worked out with remarkable success, but practise in his sight ever exceeds theory.

This brings me to the Social Settlement work. Lewiston is a factory town, and a good per centage of its population are foreigners. The mill and factory operatives are almost wholly foreigners,—French, Italians, Swedes, and so on. These people live together in the South End, in a condition that is indescribable in its utter ignorance and disregard of all that, to us, makes life attractive. Here children live grown up and die, with no more education or knowledge of the outside world than they can give in the

factories, where as a matter of course they go, when about ten years old, to earn their living. Down in this abyss of hopelessness and helplessness the Social Settlement is planted, and here a Christian woman lives in her chosen home, a bright and shining light amid the darkness. Her house is not only open at all hours for the giving of help and counsel to all who ask it, but in a large neat room at one end classes of all sorts, are held daily for the benefit of any and all who will come. Classes in Cooking, Sewing, Reading, God House keeping, Kindergarten etc., and Mother's Clubs, Natural History Club, Young Men's and Young Women's Reading Clubs, Debating Clubs, and a host of others, presided from all over the city, meet at their appointed times, and do their part toward the reformation that is so surely coming over the South End. Some of the College Students take a deep interest in the work of the settlement, and no time do I enjoy more than the Sunday afternoons I devote down there, to my class of girls. When you are praying for the needy ones in the far-off field, won't you remember too these erring street-girls of mine, and ask that in some way I may visit them and help them to see and find another life.

And so my days and weeks are very full, and "Time," never lets me catch so much as a glimpse of his "leaden wings", and before we realize it I will be planning again for our League—our ninth annual session. Has half our year's work been done? Have we accomplished half we planned on when we thought over our year's work last August? If so, we have done well. If not we have no time to spare. Let us see to it that each of us is doing our very best,—not only "our Share," but our very most and best. Then all will be well.

And now before I close, let me wish to every one in our League, to every worker in our Societies and every friend of our cause, the very best possible New Year. A year full of improved opportunities, appreciated blessings, and higher and nobler aspirations. Your friend, GERTRUDE HARTLEY. 247 College St. Lewiston Me., Jan. 11, '02.

"DON'T TELL HER."—One day when auntie was out of the room Charlie and Frankie tipped over a bottle of ink which stood on her desk. Don't tell her, whispered Charlie; we will shut the door and run away and she'll never know who did it. But we ought to tell her, urged Frank, and say that we are sorry. No, don't tell; it's ever so much easier not to, said Charlie.

I'm going to tell her this very minute, before it gets any harder, said brave little Frankie. When he had found auntie and told her she hastened to her room and wiped up the ink, and she put some salts of lemon on the ugly spots that it had made on the carpet. I'm so glad you told me at once, she said, for had it dried in it would have ruined my carpet and desk. Now, I don't think it will show at all.

It's just like God forgiving us, isn't it? asked Frankie. If we tell him about our sins right away, and tell him we are sorry, and ask him to forgive us, he does; and we are happy again.

Criticising the New Preacher.

Here and there there are men, and here and there there are women, who think it would be a very serious abridgment of their inalienable and constitutional rights in a free country if they did not criticise their new preacher—as they criticised and wounded and drove out their last preacher. They hold this as their birthright, their eternal franchise, and lawful and unimpeachable prerogative, to criticise their preacher. Yes, how could such persons utilize their intellectual powers if it were not for their criticising of their preacher. They do not use their intellectual powers in planning how they may help their preacher, in praying for him, in giving him and others discriminating appreciation of his efforts. Yes, they found fault with Jesus for blessing the little children. They found fault with Him, for allowing the woman whose soul he had snatched from the burning pit of hell to break the spikenard and weep over his feet and wipe them with the tresses of her hair. And faultfinders will continue till the end of the world.

What is faultfinding? Why, faultfinding is one form of intense egotism, of inordinate vanity; it is the eruption of those who know so much better how to do anything than the one who is doing it. Take notice—the chronic faultfinder is conceited, vain, self-important, and

if any such have a companion—he cannot have a real friend—it is because comparison is vitiated with the same infirmity, or because he is one through fear. Gossip faultfinding, criticism, polite slander, backbiting—they must exist, we suppose, just as horse-flies must exist. But, oh, how wretched is the soul of the gossip and the faultfinder! What spotted beasts and snakes are in that soul! He is to be pitied. He will continue to do harm in every little charge, and every big charge; and because of him the new pastor will have his influence paralyzed and his heart stung, and his wife and children enraged at the very name of Christianity. That is all right—the panther likes to see its victim wince and turn and bleed. But may heaven's mercy fall on every charge where such an experience is before the new preacher!

A hint faultfinder; go on, criticise your pastor, if you will, but pray for him and for his wife and for his children first. Perhaps you will then, after all, keep the cork in the acid bottle. Oh, what a means of grace it would be to yourself, and what a benediction to the charge, if only it could turn out that way? Love your new preacher. He loves you and would save you. Pray for him. Welcome his wife. Pray for Zion.—Central Christian Advocate.

No Room for Me.

An incident that is sad but heroic is recorded in connection with the terrible disaster which resulted in the loss of the torpedo-boat destroyer Cobra, and it led to a common sailor. Fighting his way through the waves he reached the dingy—the only hope of escape. It was already crowded dangerously. Even as those in her stretched their arms to draw him aboard, he saw their position. Another man abroad, and the boat would perhaps be swamped. Never mind, mates, there's no room for me, was his simple, heroic expression of love to the others. No bands of music or processions of welcome, or pages of newspaper report will ever add the noise of parade of glory to his life. But the nameless and noiseless heroes are not forgotten where the book of remembrance is written under the sleepless eye.

Begin Now.

Sometimes children think they can't do any good until they grow to be men and women. If you should say to your little right hand, "I am not going to use you now, while you are small; I'm going to wait and save all your strength till I grow up, and then I will use you a great deal." do you know what would happen? Why, the hand that hung at your side would not grow; it would get weak and small that when you became a man you couldn't use it at all. Something like that happens to our hearts when we think we can put off loving God and doing good until we grow up. We must begin now to do what little we can if we wish to be strong when we grow up.—Sunbeam.

As a man thou has nothing to commend thee to thyself, but that only by which thou art a man, that is by what thou choosest and refusest.—Taylor.

I would give my right hand, said John B. Gough if I could but forget that which I have learned in evil society; if I could tear from my remembrance the scenes which I have witnessed, the transactions that have taken place before me.

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It is a common mistake to suppose that the only man who is in danger of avariciousness is the rich man. A poor man may be as greedy of his little as a wealthy individual is of his much. A beggar may grasp his dime with as tight a clutch as the millionaire his bunch of stocks. Greed is a thing of the soul, a thing of the inner man. Its measure is not the size of the outward possession, but the spirit of the interior life.—New York Observer.

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