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Woodstock Society.

As requested by our Cor. Sec. of the League to report how the different societies kept their week of prayer and self denial, we report. At our meeting on April 4th the different self denials were brought in, and read by two of our members. I give a few of them:—

"One joint of a fishing rod, \$1.00." "Denied myself something I wanted very much, and thus was enabled to give the dollar; also flowers for Easter 10 cents \$1.10."

"This is only a single dollar, won by hard work, steady and true, I know it cannot do wonderful deeds, but is willing the small to do. Perhaps with many others it may go across the sea. And carry to them the story Of what Christ has done for me."

"Pray the blessing of God our Father To go with these offerings we bring, And through them may the Holy Spirit Teach some one of Christ to sing. May souls who are now in darkness Be taught to do their part, Give loving service unto the Lord A ministry from the heart."

"Denied myself a muslin dress, \$3.00

"Here's my self-denial offering, 'Tis only a dollar I know, But it will help my India sisters With their load of sorrow and woe, Help them to learn of the Saviour, And to prize a Father's love To seek for sins forgiven, And to hope for rest above."

"Saved 25 cents by putting cheap lace on my wrapper."

"I love peppermint, Yes I do, Conscience said I must not eat them, But give the 10 cents to you."

Our contribution amounted to 10.93.

L. M. VINCE, Cor. Secy.

Common Sense in Electing Officers.

Young people need other qualifications beside uprightness of character and sincerity of purpose before they are elected to office in the young people's societies. There is too much responsibility connected with these positions to make it wise to bestow them simply as marks of respect or appreciation.

The young man who knows nothing of parliamentary law is not well fitted to be president, even though he may be a zealous worker. The girl who cannot write a legible hand nor spell correctly is hardly the one to elect as your secretary although she may be one of the most loyal members of the society. A total ignorance of business methods is a poor qualification for a treasurer. You would hardly elect an organist who could not tell one note from another, no matter how high a respect you might have for him personally. And there are as common sense reasons which should decide the fitness of any officer for his place.

On the other hand, it must not be supposed that those who are unfit for one position of responsibility are unfit for any. The girl who cannot spell may do good work along some line where questions of penmanship and orthography do not arise. And the young man whose ignorance of parliamentary law unfit him to act as president may be the best person in the whole membership to serve on certain important committees. The society which makes the most of its resources must take it for granted that there is a place for every body. Moreover it must not overlook the fact that results are likely to be unsatisfactory unless each person is placed in the niche to which he is fitted.—Young People's Weekly.

For Social Committee.

A Home Evening.—In all cities many young men and women call a boarding-house "home." While many

associate with, the quicker you seek other company the better. It is right never to deceive either friend or foe. Your friend ought to have something better than deception from you in return for friendship rendered. Be frank and open in your dealings with others. Look every man and woman square in the face. When you cannot do so, say so, and they will think more of you than before.

When Lincoln and Beecher Played Together.

During the year 1862, the hopes of the North were at their lowest ebb. It was in that year that the second battle of Bull Run had been fought and lost, McClellan was entrenched before Richmond, and the strength and resources of the nation seemed to have been fruitlessly wasted. Henry Ward Beecher was then in Brooklyn, and was perhaps more prominently associated with the cause of the North at that time than any other minister of the gospel. He had preached and lectured and fought its battles in pulpit and press all over the country, had ransomed slaves from his pulpit, and his convictions and feelings were everywhere known.

Late one evening, a stranger called as his home and asked to see him. Mr. Beecher was working alone in his study, as was his usual custom, and this stranger refused to send up his name, and came muffled in a military cloak which completely hid his face. Mrs. Beecher's suspicions were aroused, and she was very unwilling that he should have the interview which he requested, especially as Mr. Beecher's life had been frequently threatened by sympathizers with the South. The latter, however, insisted that his visitor be shown up. Accordingly, the stranger entered, the doors were shut, and for hours the wife below could hear their voices and their feet pattering as they paced back and forth. Finally, toward midnight, the mysterious visitor went out, still muffled in his cloak, so that it was impossible to gain any idea of his features.

The years went by, the war was finished, the President had suffered martyrdom at his post, and it was not until shortly before Mr. Beecher's death, over twenty years later, that it was known that the mysterious stranger who had called on the stormy winter night was Abraham Lincoln. The stress and strain of those days and nights of struggle, with all the responsibilities and sorrows of a nation fighting for its life thrust upon him, had broken down his strength, and for a time undermined even his courage. He had traveled alone in disguise, and at night, from Washington to Brooklyn, to gain the sympathy and help of one whom he knew was a man of God, engaged in the same great battles and the Watcher over the right, until they had received the help which he had promised to those who seek his aid. Whatever were the convictions and religious belief of Abraham Lincoln there is no doubt that he believed in prayer and made that the source of his strength.—Samuel Scoville, Jr., in Sunday School Times.

What is Right and What is Wrong.

BY GEORGE R. SCOTT.

It is somewhat difficult to make up our minds as to what is right and what is wrong.

How can we best settle such matters is a question not so easily solved as some may think.

After having lived many years and gone through much experience, I have come to the conclusion that one way to settle some of the questions is to ask myself what I would have thought about it when a boy. As we grow older our hearts become harder, and with age come technicalities and a disposition to look upon questions through the telescopes of availability.

What was right yesterday is right to-day and will be so to-morrow.

An excuse for not doing right does not make what was done right. It is always best to be honest and own up when you have done wrong. If a person persists in making excuses for doing what he should not do it will not take him long to get into a condition that will almost cause him to be unable to distinguish between what is right and what is wrong.

It is right never to tell a lie; if you cannot tell the truth about a matter you can keep silent.

It is right never to get drunk. If you feel that you cannot withstand the temptations of those you

associate with, the quicker you seek other company the better.

It is right never to deceive either friend or foe. Your friend ought to have something better than deception from you in return for friendship rendered. Be frank and open in your dealings with others. Look every man and woman square in the face. When you cannot do so, say so, and they will think more of you than before.

It is right to love your neighbor as yourself. The excuse that some give that they have no love and therefore have no love to bestow on others is a wicked excuse. Our business is to be filled with love, like our Master, and if we are short of love it is our own fault.

It is right that we should treat those who have not been as fortunate as we have been in the accumulation of wealth or wisdom with great respect. From those to whom much has been given much is expected.

It is right that parents should treat their children as if they had some sort of feeling. To whip a child in anger is wrong; to chastise a child in love is right, if the circumstances demand it.

It is right for children to honor their parents under all circumstances. Only last week a little girl was brought before a Police Justice in Brooklyn to testify against one of her parents. The little one asked the judge if he would please excuse her, and the judge promptly responded Yes, my dear. There was hardly a dry eye in that courtroom. Why? Simply because a little girl would not tell a lie and did not want to dishonor one of her parents.

It is right to love God with all your heart and have no other god but Him. You must not dispute that duty for an instant; for if you do you might as well, with your own lips, call aloud for God's displeasure to fall upon you.

It is right to obey the commandments of God without asking what will be the consequences if you obey them. His commandments were given to you and me for our good and if they are followed out only good will be the result.

It is right to hate sin from the dawn of the morning until the last hour of the night. What is sin can be easily settled by a few moments of silent prayer. What you do not want to think is sin is not so easily settled.

It is right to shun the Devil at all times and under all circumstances. Who is the Devil? Read the Scriptures and you will find out all about him. He is the one who bothered Job, and who has kept on troubling the human race ever since. The same Devil that dwelt in the heart of the man who murdered President McKinley was in the heart of Cain when he killed his brother Abel.

It is right to so live that nobody will want you to die. A good and useful person is wanted here more than in Heaven. Such an one is only taken away to be rewarded when his work here is done.

It is right to keep in view what is required of you as a thinking responsible being. Animals do not have to do any thinking; and if you do no thinking you are not much better than they are.

It is right to look with displeasure upon others when they are good, and it is also right to look with displeasure upon others when they are bad and refuse to be good.

It is not right to be a judge of the motives of others. You do not know the inside thoughts of others or the reasons why they have come to certain conclusions that do not come up to your standard. Only God can search the thoughts of men and women; and you are only human like the rest of your race.

It is right to set a good example by abstaining from the least appearance of sin. There are many things that you might do that it is best for you not to do. You must take into consideration what may be the effect upon others of your actions.

What is wrong is that which is not right. Wrong stings the heart when the heart is softened by the indwelling of Christ. Wrong makes itself felt the same as right does. You cannot serve two masters—Right and Wrong. You must love one and hate the other.

If you do right, righteousness will be your portion. If you do wrong, remorse will surely overtake you.

There is light enough given us by the Holy Spirit to direct us in making up our minds as to what is best to do. If you want a light to light up your pathway through life, you can have all the light you want by asking God for it.—Sabbath Reading.

Worms affect a child's health too seriously to neglect. Sometimes they cause convulsions and death. If you suspect them to be present, give Dr. Low's Pleasant Worm Syrup, which destroys the worms without injuring the child. Price 25c.

Victory and Defeat: Defeat and Victory.

There are victories which lead to defeats; there are defeats which pave the way for greater victories.

King Saul achieved a great victory over Agag and the Amalekites, but it ultimately led to his ruin. Why? Because he did not obey the voice of the Lord.

King Solomon's marvelous success in enriching and adorning Jerusalem led to the rending of the kingdom under Rehoboam, and even his own son went down under a cloud because of his extravagant luxuries and vices.

Hannibal's great victory at Cannae led to his overthrow, because he wintered his army luxuriously in that city, reeking in vice and debauchery.

Napoleon, inflamed with an ambition to conquer and rule all Europe, an ambition the result of his victories at Austerlitz and Jena, planned campaigns which culminated in Waterloo and his death on St. Helena.

On the other hand, there are defeats which only pave the way for greater triumphs.

Moses' rejection at the court of Pharaoh opened the way for the miraculous passage of the Red Sea; and the adverse report of the ten spies and the lack of faith on the part of the people made necessary the forty years' sojourn in the wilderness—the very thing essential to molding that rebellious, self-willed people into an indestructible brotherhood and an enduring theocracy.

The defeat of the three Hebrew children before Nebuchadnezzar, and of Daniel before Darius, made possible their miraculous deliverance, the spreading abroad of the glory of the God of the Hebrews, and the immortalizing of the names of those four conscientious heroes.

The Name of Jesus.

It is a serious thing to call over the name of Jesus in prayer, in exhortation, or in preaching. There is record of a certain sorcerer who undertook this on one occasion. He said to the unclean spirits, I adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth. The evil spirits said, Jesus we know and Paul we know; but who you? The sorcerer was defeated and barely escaped with his life. Jesus is no sorcerer. He did not come to promote sorcery. The sorcerer did not know Jesus. The name of Jesus was on his lips, but not in his heart. One cannot juggle with the name of Jesus. Do we not often call over this holy name with idle mind and careless heart? Do we not sometimes preach, pray, and work in the name of Jesus without any good results? The blind do not see. The deaf do not hear. The dumb do not sing. Unclean spirits do not cast out. The dead sleep on. Why is it so? It is not because the name of Jesus has lost its power, but because the life of Jesus is not in those who preach and pray. It is a great sin to make promises and raise expectations in the name of Jesus which are not to be fulfilled. When we go out to fight against the evils of this world with the name of Jesus inscribed on our banners, and return from the fight defeated, with our banners trailing in the dust, we are verily guilty of great sin. Take the name of Jesus with you, but take it in your heart, and not in your mouth alone.

Useless.

A cumberer need not be inactive. A serpent is more of a cumberer of the ground than a snail.

A man who is useless in the kingdom of God may console himself by thinking that at any rate he does no harm; but every dead weight holds back the wheels.

Many a useless man thinks himself exceedingly useful. The question is whether we are doing what Christ has a use for.

Never think yourself untalented if you know how to obey.—Daily Companion.

Milburn's Sterling Headache Powders contain neither morphine nor opium. They promptly cure Sick Headache, Neuralgia, Headache, Headache of Grippes, Headache of delicate ladies and Headache from any cause whatever. Price 10c and 25c.

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The Captain Inside

"Mother," asked Freddie the other day, "did you know there was a little captain inside of me? Grandfather asked me what I meant to be when I grew to be a man and I told him a soldier. I meant to stand up straight, hold my head up and look right ahead. Then he said I was two boys, one outside and one inside, and unless the inside boy stood straight, held up his head and looked the right way, I never could be a true soldier at all. The inside boy has to drill the outside one and be the captain."—Sunbeam.

Hope is a bait that covers any hook.—B. n. Jenson.

True humility does good and is silent.—James Ellis.

Music washes away from the soul the dust of every-day life.—Auerbach.

The largest cavern in the world is the Mammoth Cave in Kentucky.

A Sudden Twinge

Of pain is generally the first warning of an attack of rheumatism. It feels as if the disease were in the bones or muscles, but the real cause of rheumatism is found in impure blood. In order to cure rheumatism the blood must be cleansed of the poisonous impurities which are the cause of the disease.

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