

remember, "Cursed be he that doeth the work of the Lord negligently."

Keep these hints in your Bible. It will do you no good merely to read them, but the practice of them will help your prayer-meeting and make you a "workman that needeth not to be ashamed."

A WELL OF LIVING WATER.

Dr. John G. Paton, who for forty years has been a missionary to the South Sea Islands, has been relating many of his experiences. One of the most interesting is the story of the well he dug, and the effect on the natives. These heathen, it must be remembered, were on a small island where no fresh water was accessible. All they had to depend upon for supporting life was rain, and during the dry season they drank the milk of the cocoanuts—as long as it lasted. When the "rain-god" delayed his answers to their prayers, there was much suffering. After examining the ground carefully, Dr. Paton believed a well might be sunk that would yield fresh water. With much prayerful thought, and many misgivings lest the water, if he found any, should prove to be salt, Dr. Paton chose a spot, and began to dig. The savages supposed he was crazy. His unheard-of way of searching for water aroused their superstitious fears. All he could persuade or hire native hands to do was to pull a windlass rope and draw up the loosened earth as he sank the well deeper and deeper. He dug the earth with his own hands. After going down thirty feet he struck a spring. Hesitatingly he tasted it. It was pure, fresh water. The effect was magical. The man who had been disbeliever and jeered at was now a "prophet." He had said he would go down into the ground to "find rain;" and now the people believed that all he told them about Jehovah and Jesus Christ was true. Then follows a wonderful story of success; of the destruction of idols, the building of a church, the establishment of schools, the framing of a code of enlightened laws, the transformation of a tribe of cannibals into a well-ordered community.—*Selected.*

WHY EDISON QUIT SUNDAY WORK.

Until quite recently it was the practice of Mr. Edison, the world-famous electrician, to work in his laboratory on Sundays, owing to the fact that several of his inventions required immediate attention. But he has suspended that practice from a motive that would do credit to any father.

An interesting episode occurred in his laboratory one Sunday morning.

Mrs. Edison and little Theodore came down on their way to the Baptist church at Llewellyn, N. J. Theodore went into the building with his father and began his usual experiments.

"You mustn't work on Sunday, Teddy," said Mr. Edison, addressing his son.

"You work on Sunday," was the lad's prompt response, as he poured a lot of green fluid out of a bottle into a tall jar. But he remembered that his mother had disapproved of his father's Sunday labors.

Mr. and Mrs. Edison looked at each other significantly. The father immediately left off his Sunday work.

To the young Christ brings the gospel of inspiration; to the old, the gospel of consolation.—*James Stalker.*

A NOBLE EXAMPLE.

An old man for many years swept the street in front of the Houses of Parliament in London. One day he was not seen at his usual work, and when the city missionary inquired for him, he found him in a little garret room, sick on his miserable bed. The only other piece of furniture was an old chair. "I presume," said the missionary, "you are very lonesome. Did anyone visit you?" "O, yes," replied the old man, "several people have been here, among them Mr. Gladstone." "Mr. Gladstone!" answered the missionary in surprise, "what did he have to say to you?" "Oh," replied the sick man, he sat there on the old chair, and read to me from the Bible."

What a noble, truly Christian deed on the part of the great statesman, to visit a poor street-sweeper in his room in a garret and comfort him with the Word of God! Here the saying of Christ applies: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me."—*The Lutheran Witness.*

NO HALF-PRICE TICKETS.

"Well, I cannot understand why a man who has tried to lead a good, moral life should not stand a better chance of heaven than a wicked one," said a lady, a few days ago, in a conversation with others about the matter of salvation.

"Simply for this cause," answered one: "Suppose you and I wanted to attend a lecture where the admission is a dollar; you have half a dollar and I have nothing. Which would stand the better chance of admission?"

"Neither."
"Just so. But now suppose a kind, rich person, who saw our perplexity, presented a ticket of admission to each of us at his own expense, what then?"
"Well, then, we could both go in alike; that is clear."

Thus, when the Saviour saw our perplexity, he came, he died, and thus obtained eternal redemption for us, and now he offers you and me a free ticket. Only take good care that your half a dollar does not make you proud enough to refuse the free ticket, and so be refused admittance at last.

CHRIST'S USE OF LITTLE THINGS.

Christ never despises little things. The poor widow's coppers were estimated by him as worth more than many large offerings of rich men. "She hath cast in more than they all." Her two mites were not worth much to Cæsar or to Caiaphas, but Christ had need of them.

The emperor could afford to reward the man that added a new province to the empire. The King of kings does not fail to reward him who gives a cup of cold water. Moreover, he made conquests with his "little ones" that Cæsar could not make with his legions. What he did, he does.

The log church built by the mountaineers may witness a greater work than a temple that is the pride and boast of a city. The shepherd lad with only a sling was more than a match for the enemy who had terrified all Israel. He trusted himself in God's hands, and God used him.

Religion should make us happy, but only as it makes us holy.—*T. Calvin McClelland.*

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