

THE TONGUE.

"The boneless tongue, so small and weak, Can crash and kill," declares the Greek. "The tongue destroys a greater horde," The Turk asserts, "than does the sword."

PERSEVERANCE IN PRAYER.

Whatever is worth doing at all is worth doing well. Prayer is worth doing. It ought to be done well. Time is of the essence of praying well. God does not measure our prayers by the clock, but if we pray successfully the hands of the clock will have changed places in a marked way while we have been in our closet.

retire to some solitary place and devote whole days to this holy business. The men who have impressed the world for God, and through whom God has come into the world by mighty and saving power, have been men of marvelous persistence in prayer.

MANLINESS IN RELIGION.

The pure, high, broad manliness of Jesus is your model; a manliness at once modest and aggressive, serene and earnest, tender and fearless, gentle and powerful, full of sympathy, and full of searching thoroughness in dealing with sinners. We need more such manliness in the pulpit; it is the secret of power; it is the soul of eloquence.

THE RIGHT KIND.

This is certainly an age of deception and shame in which the minds of the people are misled and diverted, and all kinds of substitutes are brought before the public. The subject of holiness in our day is certainly suffering because something else has come along and has assumed the term of holiness.

a person gets the experience of holiness he receives wonderful light on the state of things around him. He grieves over sin and sinners in and out of the church. Has a love for God and the church such as he has never had before.

TROUBLES THAT NEVER COME.

The story is told of a lady who for a time kept a list of impending troubles. It was a relief to see them down in black and white. Some months later, in looking over the list, she was surprised to find that nine tenths of these troubles had never materialized.

A WORD TO GIRLS.

A pure and natural girlhood, guarded and directed by a wise and godly mother is one of the choicest gifts of God. Pure associations are essential to a pure character. When mother says, "I cannot let you have rough or impure companions," you are to thank her for her care, and give good heed to her counsel.

brother, we are set to pondering the words: "Ye are of your Father, the devil." If these words may be justly applied to any human being what right has that human being to say: "Our Father which art in heaven."

CRAZY SUE.

"Oh, look, there goes Crazy Sue. Isn't she funny? She imagines every little boy she sees looks like her little Willie. You know he was an awful drunkard, and was sent to the State prison and died there. I guess she has had lots of trouble."

CONDEMNED "IN THE HOUSE OF HIS FRIENDS."

When the saloon receives such an unqualified condemnation from such papers as Boufort's Wine and Spirit Circular, it is pitiable to see ministers of the gospel, among whom are counted doctors of divinity and even bishops, making excuses for it, and thousands of professed Christians regularly voting with the political parties that keep it legalized.

"It is generally on a prominent street and it is usually run by a sport who cares only for the almighty dollar. From this resort the drunken man starts reeling to his home; at this resort the local fights are indulged in. It is a stench in the nostrils of society and a disgrace to the wine and spirit trade."