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And silence its repinings that have bowed it go forward with untiring zeal.

to the dust. We may not see the purpose why our hearts are pierced and riven,

And pitieth our infirmities, though others may first mother as bad as possible."

was not tried, Oh, let us then be patient? be meek, and murmur not, Though clouds, and gloom, and shadow, surround our earthly lot;

And when the heart repineth, think of that a crown!

We know that life hath mysteries; for God hath not designed To shed his great omniscience on the lowly And when the soul is ransomed, and the fount

The mind shall grasp infinity, and all will be Then let us place the anchor of our confidence

and trust On the might of the Creator, the Omnipotent Whose will we may not question, nor the hid-

Yet rest in the assurance that "He doeth all things well."

The world is full of suffering—along the mournful air,
The notes of sad complaining are ringing everywhere,
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For the heart hath not a sorrow by which He all the idle stories you hear. We cannot suppose not tried. pose our dear father, who loves his children so well, would bring to our home a mother whom he did not believe would, as far as possible, supply the place of the precious one we

Who meekly bore and suffered, to win for us tears. Not so with Helen-she was too much

ness, and your steadfast attendance upon every means of grace, you can inspire them with courage, spirit, and strength of mind. You and co-operation, your concurrence in their decisions, and your support when opposition would be made against the enforcements of the truth and order of God's house, embolden and animate their hearts, and inspirit them to go forward with untiring zeal.

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This life is full of trial, yet we know that one above

Looks ever down upon us with a sympathizing

"No—we never shall be happy again; that I am sure of," said the pouting Helen to her sister, some five years older than herself. "I can never love a stepmother, I know. Every body says they are tyrannical and disagree-body says they are tyrannical a her children.

Hindrances to Mental Culture.

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The Widows and Fatherless.

BY REV. DR HUMPHREY.

And now, what, after all, does the carping criticism of this chapter amount to? Little as it is in itself, it absolutely vanishes; it is felt that the Christ thus portrayed cannot be the right interpertation of the history; in the face spend a social hour with her. I was surprised ity will not forget them; men still wonder at the "gracious words which proceeded out of Christ's mouth," and persist in saying, "Never man spake like this man." The last the chamber. A flood of team for the chamber. the radiance which shines from the person of only child of his mother looking so ghastly

altered her circumstances! The prop on wrong, the gentleness with which he rebuked which she learned has fallen; her fondest hopes are crushed; her heart is even more desolate than her house. She has friends, perhapt, and they feel for her; but they have families of their own to care for, and there are those around who are ready to take adhelping her. Unused to managing her little property, if any be left her, and to making necessary family purchases, she is easily overtying if she has herself alone to provide for. How much more when, as is not seldom the ease, she is left with a family of young which she learned has fallen; her fondest it, and the love with which he forgave it; the whom he did not believe would, as far as possible, supply the place of the precious one we lost."

There are three things which usually present young men from enlarging their hearts by mental culture: 1st. Frivolous idleness.—2d. Self-conceit. 3d. Too low a standard of ears. Not so with Helen—she was too much ears. Not so with Helen—she was too much ears. Not so with Helen—she was too much ears. When she was too much ears in devent young men from enlarging their hearts by mental culture: 1st. Frivolous idleness.—2d. Self-conceit. 3d. Too low a standard of excellence.

In regard to the first, how many minutes are wasted in idleness, which, if carefully her heart sinks within her; and we, when we bury her husband, who was their stay and support, can't see what is to become of her and her fore the infidel can prevent the influence of these compositions, and dwell upon this alone, it is no wonder that the heart sinks within her; and we, when we bury her husband, who was their stay and support, can't see what is to become of her and her fore the infidel can prevent the influence of these compositions, and the ease, she is left with a family of young the ease, she is left with a family of young the ease, she is left with a family of young children, with very scanty means, or without any property at all. When she thinks of her destitute and almost friendless condition, and dwell upon this alone, it is no wonder that the her heart sinks within her; and we, when we bury her husband, who was their stay and support, the case, she is left with a family of young children, with very scanty means, or without any property at all. When she thinks of her destitute and almost friendless condition, and dwell upon this alone, it is no wonder that the ease, she is left with a family of young children, with very scanty means, or without any property at all. When she the her are three things which usually prethe case, she is left with a family of young children, with very scanty means, or without any property at all.

There are thre are wasted in idleness, which, if carefully be offer emotions. "What need of attempting to supply her place, Mary! I am sure that for three years you have been a nice, careful housekeeper; and I have heard papa say that he knew you tried to be a companion to him, and a mother to the younger children, as far as you were able."

"Yes, Helen, it is my greatest happiness to fael hat our dear father, in his desolation, has turned to his children for comfort and society; but we know that something more is wanted by the mind of a person of his age, than the companionship of children; and you cannot but remember how many solitary hours our father has passed, when we have been en ince. Elihu Burritt, inspead of talking a day of the came and to but remember how many solitary hours our father has passed, when we have been en ince. Elihu Burritt, inspead of talking in your neighbor, son't get an ey promise, fail to the the fast be impossible, at least the good must cease to exist be being and when the have ceeded. Yes, before the findleds can prevent men from thinking as they take to be themselves a world with every tried to be a companion to him, and a mother to the younger children, as far as you were able."

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and again to herself " Why did I let him go?" she removed the dinner untasted. The day emous assault on our blessed Redeemer, Mr. wore away, and she prepared the evening meal with unwonted care, for Henry would soon be home, and she would have an inviting My own little ones were laid to rest, the

cares of the day were over, and knowing the loneliness of Mrs. P., for she was our next door neighbor, I took my work and went in to scenes with which the abounds, but of which ty. Voices, in the chamber above alarmed time somewhat relieved her choking agony, as she pointed me to the bed. There lay the on, but so soaked with mud it was with difficulty they were removed; his clothes too were

Neglected Members.

In most churches we find members who feel coldly toward their brethren, because they have not received what they considered due attention. They have been slighted.—In city churches, we frequently hear individuals say,