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The North Star. CHATHAM, N. B., JANUARY 22, 1881. J. E. COLLINS, Editor.

THE STORY OF BASILIUS VALENTINE AND HIS SON. [STEELE in the Spectator]

A very agreeable friend of mine, the other day, carrying me in his coach into the country to dinner, fell into discourse concerning the "care of parents due to their children, and the piety of children towards their parents."

"I will not be confident in what century, or under what reign it happened, that this want of mutual confidence and right understanding between father and son was fatal to the family of the Valentines in Germany."

"Basilius Valentine was a person who had arrived at the utmost perfection in the hermetic art, and initiated his son Alexandrinus in the same mysteries; but, as you know they are not to be attained but by the painful, the pious, the elastic, and pure of heart, Basilius did not open to him, because of his youth, and the deviations too natural to it, the greatest secrets of which he was master, as well knowing that the operation would fail in the hands of a man so liable to errors in life as Alexandrinus.

"Believing, from a certain indisposition of mind as well as body, his dissolution was drawing nigh, he called Alexandrinus to him, as he lay on a couch, over against which his son was seated, and prepared by sending out servants one after another, and admonition to examine that no one overheard them, he revealed the most important of his secrets - the solemnity and language - I can adept. 'My son,' said he, 'many have been the watchings, long the incubations, constant the labors of thy father, not only to gain a great and plentiful estate, to his posterity, but also to take care that he should have no posterity. Be not amazed my child; I do not mean that thou shalt be taken from me, but that I will never leave thee, and I consequently cannot be said to have posterity. Observe, my dear son, this small phial and this little gallipot - in this an unguent, in the other a liquor. In these, my child, are collected such powers, as shall revive the spring of life when they are yet but just ceased, and give new strength, new spirits, and, in a word, wholly restore all the organs and senses of the human body to as great a duration as it had before enjoyed from the day of its birth to the day of the application of these my medicines. But, my beloved son, care must be taken to apply them within ten hours after the breath is out of the body, while yet the clay is warm with its late life, and yet capable of resuscitation. I find my frame grown crazy with perpetual toil and meditation, and I compare you, as soon as I am dead, I appoint me with this unguent; and when you see me begin to move, pour into my lips this ineffable liquor, else the force of the operation will be inefficacious. By this means you will give me life as I gave you, and we will from that hour mutually by assistance the authority of having bestowed life on each other, live as brethren, and prepare new medicines against such another period of time as will demand another application of the

same restoratives." In a few days after these wonderful ingredients were delivered to Alexandrinus, Basilius departed this life. But such was the pious sorrow of the son at the loss of so excellent a father, and the first transport of grief had so wholly disabled him from all manner of business, that he never thought of his medicines till the time to which his father had limited their efficacy was expired. To tell the truth, Alexandrinus was a man of wit and pleasure, and considered his father had lived out his natural time; his life was long and uniform; suited to the regularity of it; but that he himself, poor sinner, wanted a new life, to repent of a very bad one with which he had lived; and in the examination of his heart, resolved to go on as he had with this natural being of his, but revert very faithfully, and spend very piously the life to which he should be restored by application of these restoratives, when time should come to his own person.

It has been observed, that Providence frequently punishes the self-love of men, who would do immediately for their own offspring, with children very much below their characters and qualifications; insomuch that they only transmit their names to be borne by those who give daily proofs of the vanity of the labor and ambition of their progenitors.

"It happened thus in the family of Basilius; for Alexandrinus began to enjoy his ample fortune in all the extremities of his household expense, furniture, and insolent equipage; and this he pursued till the day of his own departure began, as he grew sensible, to approach. As Basilius was punished with a son very unlike him, Alexandrinus was visited by one of his own disposition. It is natural that men should be suspicious; and Alexandrinus, besides that jealousy, had proofs of the vicious disposition of son Renatus, for that was his name.

"Alexandrinus, as I have observed, having very good reason for thinking it unsafe to trust the real secret of his phial and gallipot to any man living, projected to make sure work, and hope for his success depending from the avarice, not the bounty of his benefactor.

"With this thought he called Renatus to his bed-side, and bespoke him in the most pathetic gesture and accent. 'As much, my son, as you have been addicted to vanity and pleasure, as I also have been before you, you nor I could escape the fate or the good effects of the profound knowledge of our progenitor, the renowned Basilius. His symbol is very well known in the philosophic world; and I shall never forget the venerable air of his countenance, when he let me into the profound mysteries of the smaragdine tables of Hermes. 'It is true,' said he, 'and far removed from all colour of deceit; that which is inferior is like that which is superior, by which are acquired and perfected all the miracles of a certain work. The father is the sun, the mother the moon, the wind is the woman, the earth is the nurse of it, and mother of all perfection. All this must be received with modesty and wisdom.' The chymical people carry, in all their jargon, a whimsical sort of piety which is ordinary with great lovers of money, and is no more but deceiving themselves, that their regularity and strictness of manners for the ends of this world have some affinity to the innocence of heart which must recommend them to the next. Renatus wondered to hear his father talk so like an adept, and with such a mixture of piety; while Alexandrinus, observing his attention fixed, proceeded: 'This phial, child, and this little earthen pot, will add to thy estate so much as to make thee the richest man in the German Empire. I am going to my long home, but shall not return to common dust.' Then he resumed a countenance of avarice, and told him that if within an hour after his death he appointed his whole body, and poured down his throat that liquor Basilius, the corpse, would be converted into pure gold. I will not pretend to describe to you the great tenderness that passed between these two extraordinary persons; but if the father recommended the care of his body with vehemence and affection, the son was not behind in professing that he would not eat the least bit of him but upon the utmost extremity, or to provide for his younger brothers and sisters.

"Well, Alexandrinus died, and the heir of his body could not forbear, in the wantonness of his heart, to measure the length and breadth of his beloved father, and cast up the ensuing value before he proceeded to operations. When he knew the immense amount of his gains, he began the work; but, lo! when he had appointed the corpse all over, and began to apply the liquor, the boy started, and Renatus, in a fright, broke the phial.