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Sunday Reading

EASTER SUNDAY.

Christ Was Slain on Friday Last But To-day He Liveth.

(CONTRIBUTED TO PROGRESS.) Another Eastertide has dawned: And the world is one year older, Loosed from winter's icy clasp, The flowers are growing bolder.

Steadily struggling out of the ground, They timidly look to God, Scorning to strive at a lower mark, Once they have pierced the sod.

Surely this is a lesson of life, A lesson for every day, To teach us to lock to Him who rose On this blessed Easter Day.

Surely if only for once in awhile, We might cease from our worldly care, And fix our hearts on the heavenly hills-And the God who is ever there.

Christ is Always the Same.

I suppose one would have to have an experience, and a painful experience, of changeableness in themselves or in some one else, to appreciate the comfort in those few words, 'Thou are the same.' Some people have not to go any farther than themselves to have this painful experience of changeableness. I have no doubt some people are more changeable than others, but sooner or later, in one way or other, their will come infinite rest in the thought, 'Thou art the same;' and the soul says, 'Can it be that you love me when I am unloving? Can it be that when I am so stupid and cold I am just as dear to you?' 'Yes, He has not changed. 'Thou are the same.' I met a Daughter once in a Circle, and she was the only one without the cross. I said, 'I miss your cross!' She answered sadly, 'Yes, I have taken it off.' 'Taken it off!' I said, 'what for?' She hesitated a moment, and then with tears in her eyes she answered, 'I have spells once in a while.' 'Spells?' I inquired, 'what kind of spells?' 'Well, I get angry and I am hateful, and then my mother says, 'You are a pretty King's Daughter;' and she continued, 'I had one of those spells this week, and so I took the cross off ' A real feeling of pity swept over me as I looked at the dear girl. I said very gently to her, 'I want you to put on the cross again, and when you have one of those spells (though I do not think you will have any more) I want you to look at the cross, and believe that there is One who loves you, who has infinite patience. And when you believe that, the spell will not come again.' Only through wearing the cross and doing every thing 'In His Name' can you conquer your impatience and learn to be really a daughter of the King .- Margaret Bottome in the Ladies Home Journal.

Christ can Fill Your Soul's Longing.

There is no sadder cry than 'My sister hath left me to serve alone:' serving the Christ as Martha was serving Him when she was actually serving His physicial needs, and yet missing His companionship. Mary had it but Martha had not. She had not even Mary with ber. Ah, we complain because the Mary are not with us, but we may each now have the Christ, as Mary had, and as Saint John had Him. Well, there is the place for each of us; for there is a whole Christ for each one now. 'Christ is all and in all;' now, let me ask you if you ever really tested whether He could fill the longing of your soul. Make it definite to yourself. If the need with you has been a satisfactory love, hear Him say: 'Try Me and prove Me.' Did you' ever ask Him if He could meet the want of your nature - not your sintul nature, but your real nature; the nature He made; the nature that wants some one that can un derstand it; that it can please, and know that it gives satisfaction; that it is loved perfectly as well as loves perfectly? Now your sense of justification and sanctification, and your future glorification, depend upon your having this experience. It is the answer to the cry:

"Give me Thyself, from every boast, From eve y wish set free; Let all I am in Thee be lost, But give Thyself to me."

A Young Man's Greatest Help.

You tell me that many intellectual men around you believe that there is no God. That is no reason why you should get that notion. The man who says there is no God is either one or two things; a knave or a tool. Prove God to yourselt. How? Make of Him a real being, a father, a personal God. Let Him come right into your very life, into your every day. Make Him an actual part of your every action, of your every thought. Feel that he is your God; just yours. That He knows, as He does and as He will soon make evident to you, every wish, every desire of your heart, every thought that comes to you. Go to Him as you would to a living father; talk to Him in quiet; tell

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sweetest notes in pasns of praise for a new | will not have the capacity to appreciate the season. Nature is throwing off her old mercies so bountifully bestowed. Their garb. The trees are budding, the grass is | thoughts are centred on their affections and showing new lite, and soon the wild flowers sufferings; they are moody, despondent, will put on their ds zz'ing dress of beauty morose, and some are hopeless and in

It is to this suffering class that we would speak wor's of hope and comfort. Warnsuch glorious provision for the children of ing would be unnecessary it you fully realized the fact that Paine's Celery Com-Many a thankful prayer will ascend from | pound cures the disease that is now mak-

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It has been truly said by an eminent Canadian press correspondent that "No

aims, your hopes, your desires. Come shall last to make happy the city of God. close to Him. Before long, after He has shown you light a few times, after He has. told you what to do when you did not know yourself, then you will find out for yourself whether there is a God or not. You will have no doubt of Him. He will be to you, as He is to thousands, a living Being, an actuality-One that you know almost as you do your own father, who lives his life before you .- E. W. Bok, in the Ladies Home Journal.

Chri-t is the Fountain of Love.

The things we thirst for are varied. One thirsts for wealth, another for knowledge, another for love, but whatever we thirst for if we can see deeply enough, that for which we thirst is in Christ for us. He is unspeakable riches. In Him are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. If we seek love He is the fountain of love. He is the love of the universe. "If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink." In Christ dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead hodily. We have a person to go to, and the human need is for a person. There is a lack felt in most Christians. They thems-lves teel it, and others feel it " are not filled -a lack of fulln with God. I do not say there is nothing of God in them. I only say that they are not filled, and many look hungry and thirsty, and so many "strive with earthly toys to fil an empty mind;" and especialty is this thirst felt on the line of love. So tew people are filled with love, the love that passeth all understanding.

Womanly Beauty.

I believe in the gymnasium. No, I do not believe in the dance. It may; develop some muscles in the body, but it develops talse muscles in the soul. Health of soul brings the highest and deepest beauty. Our bodies give expression to the real lite of the soul. Hate, anger, jealously, impurity, stinginess, trivolity, drunkenness and despair tell in the face, walk and action and destroy beauty. Love, kindness, peace, jov, purity, generosity, patience and hope find expression here also also, and whatever the features where these dwell is the house of beauty. Soul beauty wears. Some girls with blue eyes and golden hair seem very beautiful at first, but lacking this deeper beauty it soon fades, while the plain girl who possesses it grows more beautiful as you know her better. Beauty, like that of the fair Helen or Poppaes will soon fade, but the | nobler examples than Thomas Hughes and

Him your worries, your troutles, your beauty of the soul, where Christ dwells,

The Merchantman and bis Pearl.

The kingdom of heaven is strictly business. It is significant that Christ's kingdom is not likened to a warrior, or a poet, or a philosopher, or a slave, but to a business man. God's saving a man is not turning him into a righteous machine, but developing him into a righteous son. Jesus' view of his work was as of a business. At the start he said, 'I must be about my father's business;' at the close, 'It is finished.' The banana peddler handles personally his goods. Mr. Armour sits in his office surrounded by papers and clerks, while his trains and ships are at the other end, of the earth. So the little man lives by [sight, the big man by faith, and religious faith is simply business sense carried to perfection, reaching to eternity Enterprise and boldness, not caution and fear, are the foundstions of religion.

God's Word Like a Hammer.

Words of Jesus are mighty warriors. How they strike in the oration of Patrick Henry for human liberty and in John Milton in his "Paradise Lost;" in the Declaration of Independence created by Thomas Jefferson, on the equality of mankind, bringing out the scriptural fact, "God hath made of one blood" all nations to dwell on all the face of the earth;" in the awful hammer blows of brave old Gladstone in behalf of Ireland, "that the best and surest foundation we can find to build on is the foundation afforded by the affections and convictions and will of man, which is in accord with the song of the angels, the first Christmas night, "On earth peace and good will toward man."

Self Discovery.

To know oneself is a great accomplishment. We make many blunders, both ludicrous and painful, because we do not know our powers, capabilities, faults and weaknesses. There will be no self improvement until we are conscious that we need improvement. If all were satisfied with our present attainments, this would be a dead world.

Ckristian Manhood.

It is eminently manly to be a Christian. If the contrary should be believed, alas for our young men! Jesus Christ was above all in Christian manhood. He has followers today in all walks of life. What

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Bishop Brooks? Tuese two, perhaps more than others, showed that to be Christians meant that one was a man in every sense of the word. There is a loud call in everyday lite for men of conviction. We need men of high ideals, and it is Christianity that gives perfection. You may be the greatest scholar in the world, but without Christ you will find the world is hardly worth living in.

The Bigher Christian Life.

Now let us look at one form or kind o thirst. Of course, it is only another word for love. The thirst for companionshipperfect companionship. God only knows that thirst, and no need does Christ more emphatically promise to meet.

I believe the need of the human heart is all contained in the two little words 'mine and thine,' but the fullness of these words, the utterness, the abandonment there is in them is what we want; then we have what we call a full salvation. Then we know the meaning of what we sing :

"As by the light of opening day The stars are all concealed, So earthly pleasures fa le a way When Jesus is revealed."

A Perfect Law of Liberty.

A man attains to a perfect law of liberty when his impulses coincide with his convictions. The law of his conscience has become the impulse of his life. Duty is no longer a task he must do, nor even a conviction he must obey. It is something to which his heart itself instinctively responds. He needs no rules and no restraint tor the spirit within him is a surer guide than any rules that can be imposed.

The Church Must Ever Advance.

The very genius of Christianity is enlargement and conquest. There must ever be an eager reaching out to the things that are before. The individual must never be content with present attainments, The church must never be satisfied with what it has already accomplished. There is such a thing as a holy unrest'that should prevade the church.

Fairly Caught.

Listeners, it is said, hear no good of themselves, and there is another form of eavesdropping to which a similar remark might apply. A young man who had been sent by a newspaper to report the proceedings of a political meeting in a neighboring town was occupying his time while on the journey by writing a letter in shorthand to a brother reporter at home. Having finished the body of the letter, he proceeded to add a postscript as follows:

P. S A rather pretty young woman, by the way, is sitting on the seat directly behind me. She seems considerably interested in what I am doing, and I believe she is an s'enographer herself, and has read every word I have written-

'Sir ! exclaimed the young woman, interrupting him indignantly. Then she turned a fiery red and looked the other

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