### Poetry.

HAVE YOU NOT A WORD FOR JESUS BY FRANCIS RIDLEY HAVERGAL.

"O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall show forth thy praise."—Psalm ii. 15. Have you not a word for Jesus-not a word to say for him?

He is listening through the chorus of the burning seraphim ! He is listening; does he hear you speaking of th

things of earth, Only of its passing pleasure, selfish sorrow, empty mirth ?

He has spoken words of blessing, pardon, peace and love to you,

Glorious hopes and gracious comfort, strong and tender, sweet and true ;

Does he hear you telling others something of hi love untold, Overflowings of thanksgiving for his mercies mani-

Have you not a word for Jesus? Will the world his praise proclaim? Who shall speak if ye are silent? ye who know and

love his name. You, whom he hath called and chosen his own witnesses to be.

Will you tell your gracious Master, "Lord we cannot speak for thee ?" "Cannot!" though he has forgiven, making scarled

white as snow ! "Cannot!" though his grace abounding is your freely promised aid!

" Cannot !" though he stands beside you, though he says, "Be not afraid!"

Have you not a word for Jesus? Some, perchance, while ye are dumb. Wait and weary for your message, hoping you will

bid them "come;" Never telling hidden sorrows, lingering just out side the door, Longing for your hand to lead them into rest for

evermore. Yours may be the joy and honor his redeemed ones to bring,

Jewels for the coronation of your coming Lord and King. Will you cast away the gladness thus your Master's joy to share,

All because a word for Jesus seems too much for | gle up, you to dare?

What shall be our word for Jesus? Master give it day by day; Ever as the need arises teach thy children what to

Give us holy love and patience; grant us deep humility,

That of self we may be emptied, and our hearts h full of thee : Give us zeal and faith and fervor, make us winning,

make us wise. Single-hearted, strong and fearless-Thou hast

called us we will rise. Let the might of thy good spirit go with every lov-

ing word, And by hearts prepared and opened be our message always heard.

Yes, we have a word for Jesus! Living echoes we will be

gracious "Come to Me." Jesus, Master! yes, we love thee, and to prove our love would lay

Fruit of lips, which thou wilt open at thy blessed feet to-day. Many an effort it may cost us, many a heart beat,

But thou knowest and wilt strengthen, and thy aloud, a moment after. help is always near. Give us grace to follow fully, vanquishing our never succeeds it gives me something to think

many a fear,

faithless shame, Feebly it may be, but truly, witnessing for thy dear name.

Yes, we have a word for Jesus! we will bravely speak for thee, And thy bold and faithful soldiers, Saviour, we

would henceforth be : In thy name set up our banners, while thine own shall wave above

With thy crimson name of Mercy, and thy golden name of Love.

Help us lovingly to labor, looking for thy present Looking for thy promised blessing through the

brightening "little while." Words for thee in weakness spoken thou wilt here accept and own,

And confess them in thy glory when we see thee on thy throne.

## The Fireside.

PLODDING TOM.

"Tom Dunn, do you know your lesson yet?" The question, uttered in an irritated tone, came from a young man who had been reading a newspaper, waiting for the tardy boy of the class. "N-no, sir ; don't believe I do, quite," was the hesitating reply. "Are you aware what time it is?"

"One o'clock, sir;" said young Dunn.

He knew that well enough. Had not his eyes lingered on the tardy hands of the old mocn-faced clock, and thence gone roving out through the window to where the fields were sleeping in the noon-day haze? And then he was so hungry. "Tom, come here. I can't understand what makes you so stupid?" said the master; and taking the book, he proceeded to review hastily point after

"Do you understand this ?" he asked, "and this,

Tom's brow lightened. He was more pleased with himself that things looked clearer, and certain doubts vanished, and his hearty "Oh, thank you, sir !" made the teacher smile. "You are very slow, Dunn, very slow. I don't

think I ever saw a fellow just like you; but I guess what you learn you learn.' That was just it. What Tom Dunn knew, he

knew thoroughly. "Well, if here isn't Tom, just as dinner is done!"

"And every bit of the pudding gone," said Oscar,

the next oldest brother. "I made sure you'd stay

" Poor boy!" sighed his mother; "he always seems to be behind in everything. Ever since he was a baby he has been slow.' Tom sat down, however, and ate the scraps con-

tentedly. It had always been his lot to eat scraps. Nobody seemed to think that Tom would care. "I don't know what we shall do with that boy," Mr. Dunn often said, when talking over the prospects of their children. "Charlie inclines to the law, and Oscar will be a doctor; but what ability has Tom for anything? He is slow and plodding,

so little ambitious, that I am discouraged when I think of his future." " Poor Tom !" said Mrs. Dunn, half sighing, halflaughing; "he is the black sheep of the family. When he was a little fellow, I used to be often

startled by the owl-like wisdom of his face. I never thought then that it was dullness. He can't help it. His motions are slow, his mind is slow, but I hope he will make his way in the world." Tom was the butt of the whole family, but it did'nt seem to anger him at all. He knew he was

slow. Charley could play brilliantly, sing a song with excellent effect, play any game well. Oscar, his younger brother, was famous for his hand grasped a bunch of white lilac which grew compositions and his power of elocution. All the near the gate of his father's mansion. The next

"Going to the theatre to-night !" asked a well- stings ! it stings !" dressed young man of Tom, as they left a store to- What made it sting? It was a bright, beautiful, one of the clerks in Tolman & Tolman's great es- childs hand? I will tell you.

tablishment, and so slow and so undemonstrative that the other clerks were always chaffing him. He that were in his pocket, and said :

"Have you ever been?" queried the other. Tom looked at him in his usual deliberate way, and replied, "No." "Then you don't know anything of life." "Then I don't want to," responded Tom. "By the way, where are you boarding?" asked

his friend, pulling on a pair of very tight gloves. Tom never wore gloves. 'At Glen's in Holbrook street," said Tom. "Oh, you're slow. Why, that's 'way down town." pay four dollars a week. Good evening.

"The meanest fellow I ever saw," muttered Dick Dalton, as he planted his fancy cane, as heavily as its fragilty would permit, on the sidewalk. Tom gained his boarding-house, a tall, rusty look- wine stung him.

ng tenement, in the fourth story of which was his room. It was a very desolate looking apartment, and ate it. or, save in the coldest weather, Tom never had a

There were three shelves, full of excellent books, and on a table at the side of the room stood something that looked like a wooden arm-chair. then felt so stung that she could not sleep. Bits of pine, a few tools, and a paper filled with

saw dust, kept them company. Of course Tom got but frugal meals in this place. The Bible says, "The soul that sinneth, it shall A widow and her daughter kept the house, letting | die.' nearly all the rooms to lodgers; but Tom's quiet way and pleasant face had won an entrance to their table for a small consideration.

Tom ran upstairs as soon as he reached the house. He never ran up stairs in any other place, but there things have very sharp stings, and be careful not to At 8.00 A. M., (Express) for Halifax, Pictou, Point Du was an attraction there which was better than the touch, taste or handle such things. - Young Reaper

amusements to which his fellow-clerks devoted No sooner had he seated himself at the table.

presented himself, dressed in the height of fashion, handsome, and even imposing in his appearance. "Well, Tom, so these are your lodgings, my boy,"

you just come from home?"

"Yes, and everything is going on about the same,

sidelong glance upon the ivory cane, the kid gloves, and the gold chain. "Oh, so-so. Of course it has taken a great deal

of money to furnish my office.' "I thought father advanced you \$500?" said

"So he did. The old gentleman was very good to mortgage the property—for I suppose you are informed of the fact—but things are so horribly ex-

"What things?" asked Tom dryly.

"Everything-all things. To get b days, a fellow must make a show." "And so you smoke ten-cent cigars, give suppers now and then, treat your companions, and frequent the theatre," said Tom.

"Oh! your blood's water, Tom; and besides your position is different from mine. Things are expected from me. I must go into society. By-Of thine own sweet words of blessing, of thy and-by I ahall get a case that will pay me richly nals name three noted battles. for all these sacrifices." "Sacrifices!" repeated Tom, in a tone that made

Charley's blood run faster; so that he said to himself, with the addition of an oath-"The same old slow boy, with no more brains

"You are still at the machine, I see," he said "Oh, yes; it costs next to nothing; and if it

"You don't say that you ever think?" was the the sarcastic response. "Well, now and then," was the slow rejoinder.

Charley rose, sauntered back and forth for a few noments, and then stood still, his handsome face "I say, Tom, can't you lend me ten dollars? I'm absolutely out of cash."

"I never lend," said Tom. Charley's breath grew short and quick. Some nsulting speech was on the end of his tongue, for he felt both rage and contempt; but Tom, rising quietly, went to a desk and lifted the lid. " If five dollars will do you any good you are welcome to them," he said. "They are all I have

"Tom, you're a good fellow!" gasped Charley, his tongue yet hot with the words he had intended

Tom went once or twice to his brother's office, and did not like it. "Why should the young lawyer spend a hundred dollars in pictures ?" he asked himself indignantly; "and why does he keep the company of such men as I have met there?" One day Tom received a letter from his brother

"DEAR OLD TOM: I expect I shall have to leave college. Things are going wrong at home. I don't suppose any one has told you. They seem to think you have all you can do to take care of yourself; and so you have, I suppose. Charley has been an awful weight upon father, and this year the crops have all failed, and father is disabled rom work by rheumatism. I don't care much about myself; I only studied medicine to please father, and should rather be almost anything else "I think I could write for the newspapers. Can't you get me a place in some store? and I could write evenings, and live with you. Think it over for I'm about sure father is going to lose all his property. Charley plays billiards, and I'm afraid cards. Write me as soon as you can what can be

Tom wrote in less than a week. His employer wanted an under salesman. Then he set himself to work to look carefully into his father's affairs Everything there was going to ruin. The farm was to be sold; his father and mother were nearly

heart-broken, and no one thought for a moment of looking to him. But nevertheless he laid his plans. To pay the nortgage was quite impossible, but he hired some comfortable rooms in the old house where he stayed, sold what could be sold from the stock of the farm, had the necessary furniture brought to town, and astalled his father and mother in a comfortable

home. The months passed. The old folks learned to depend upon him, and his sister found a situation as book-keeper. One day a gentleman called upon Tom, and was invited into his room. "You've been at work fifteen years on this machine you say?" remarked

the gentleman when he had examined it. The speaker was a business man, whose favor was almost equal to a fortune. "Yes, sir," said Tom, quietly; "I was always a

"Well, you've plodded to some purpose," was the answer. "I am very sure there's money enough in it to make you a rich man."

Tom grew very red, and the room seemed to go round for a moment. "Thank you," he made reply. "I should like to be rich for the sake of others." And so, eventually, plodding Tom won the race. and became the practical, efficient, prosperous man of the family. - Companion.

IT STINGS.

gether. This was four years later, and Tom was and sweet smelling flower. How could it hurt the accurately, you will be doing exceedingly well.

A busy little bee, in search of a dinner, had just oushed his nose in among the lilac blossoms, and thought for a moment, rattled a few loose coins | was sucking the nectar from it most heartily when Sammy's fat hand disturbed him; so, being vexed with the child, he stung him. That's how Sammy's

hand came to be stung. Sammy's mother washed the wound with hartshorn, and when the pain was gone she said, Sammy, my dear, let this teach you that many pretty things have very sharp stings.'

Let every child take note of this: "Many pretty things have very sharp stings." It may save them from being stung if they keep this truth in mind. Sin often makes itself appear very pretty. A boy once went to a circus because the borses were pretty "That's why I board there," said Tom. "I only and their riders gay, but he learned to swear there, and thus that pretty thing-the circus-stung

Another boy once thought wine a pretty thing; he drank it, and learned to be a drunkard. Thus

A girl once took a luscious pear from a basket

"Have you eaten one?" asked her mother, Fearing she would not get another if she said Yes," she replied "No," got another pear, and Thus you see that sin, however pretty it looks,

tings. It stings sharply, too. It stings fatally. If you let ain sting you, nothing can heal the wound but the blood of Jesus. If you feel the smart of the sting go to Jesus with it, and he will cure it. After that, never forget that many pretty

A MUSTARD PLASTER. -- How many people are there who really know how to make a mustard plas and taken up a screw, than some one knocked at the ter? Not one in a hundred at the most, perhaps, door. At the low "come in," his eldest brother and yet mustard plasters are used in every family, and physicians prescribe the application. The ordinary way is to mix the mustard with water, tempering it with a little flour. Such a plaster as said the young man. "Not much style, I must this makes is abominable. Before it has half done its work it begins to blister the patient and leaves "Not, much," said Tom, cheerfully. "Have him finally with a flayed, painful spot, after producing far less effect in a beneficial way then was intended. Now a mustard plaster should never Father is mightily pleased that I have got my shin- blister at all. If a blister is wanted, there are other plasters far better than mustard plasters. "And are you prospering?" asked Tom, with a Then use no water, but mix the mustard with the white of an egg, and the result will be a plaster which will "draw" but will not produce a blister on the skin of an infant, no matter how long it is allowed to remain on the part.

> Gough gives this illustration to show the differnce there is between nourishment and stimulants: They tell us alcohol is food, that is not true There is no food in in it. Suppose a man should sit down on a hornet's nest; it would stimulate him, sure ; but it would not nourish him much."

> > PUZZLE DEPARTMENT.

EDITED BY ELLSWORTH, P. O. BOX 242, LOWELL, MASS. Contributions and answers respectfully solicited. 800.—HISTORICAL TRIPLE ACROSTIC. Dress; detention in port; a workman, transosed; a geograpical name; a motion in music; relating to the morning. Primals, centrals and fi-

> 801.—STAR DIAMOND. \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

A consonant; before; a bird; to increase; vowel. Anagance. 802,—Dropped Letters. -t-l-n -a-c-s -r-s-e-t. -r-d- g-e-h --e-o-e --e-t-u-t--o-

1 -o-e -h-m -h-t -o-e --n- t-o-e -h-: -e-k -e -a-ls-a-l -i-d -e. W. B. F. 803.—CHARADE. My first doth mean tight and splendid; My last an adjective you'll find to be ;

My whole by a nation is owned,

Whose dominion is from sea to sea. 804.—Numerical Enigma. I am composed of 12 letters. My 3, 7, 6 is to dart suddenly. My 6, 7, 8 is a large, deep vessel. My 10, 11, 12, 8 is to be obliged. My 3, 7, 12, 8 is a piece of timber. My 1, 5, 12, 8 is an army. My 9, 2 is a city of Bible land.

My whole is a large animal. Cape Id., N. S. EMMA I. S. 805.—Conundrum. What part of an animal is his elegy?

Brooklyn, N. S. 806.—Square Puzzle.

A useful article; an animal; a priest; a garment

807.—Cross-Word Enigma. My first is in rain, but not in snow ; My second is in high, but not in low; My third is in slow, but not in fast ; My fourth is in drink, but not in glass ; My fifth is two, but not in three; My sixth is in drone, but not in bee; ly seventh is in table, but not in chair : My eighth is in then, but not in there My ninth is in road, but not in path ; My tenth is in board, but not in lath My eleventh is in rob, but not in steal My twelfth is in noise, but not in peal; Now find my whole, and it will be A kind of shrub, as you will see.

Prince William. 808.—LETTER PUZZLE Take two N's, two I's, two G's, One H, one L, and one T, One A, and also one E; Put them together, and spell The name of a bird for me.

BOB-O-LINK. (Answers in three weeks.) Answers to Puzzles of August 15th. 769. - Thermopylæ.

770 - Lovely filies lie in Lee's lonely lane HER 771.-HERON

ROB 772.—NECTAR ECLAT CLAN TAN 773.—Remember the poor. Watch and pray.

Swear not at all. Every knee shall bow. 774. -BONMOT

TARGET 775.—Proverbs, xxvi, 18. 776. - Whip-poor-will. 777.-HILKIAH NAAMAN NASHONN A BAN A HEZEKIAH

CHAT WITH CONTRIBUTORS. To Be Solved .- Ed. gives us the benefit of his studies in history in No. 800. Everything the puzzle tells is well worth knowing; and the stories of the three noted battles should be often read. Bertha follows, with a very good diamond. W. B. F.'s "How pretty!" cried little Sam, as his little fat dropped letters promise to disclose some very wise sayings when the blanks are filled correctly. It will not be very easy to guess what X. F. means in his puzzle. You will have to study it ! Emma's rest excelled, outstripped him, and yet he plodded moment the child's face grew red with terror, and of praise for her conundrum. A. M. contributes a enigma is first-rate; and Greta comes in for a share he dashed the lilac to the ground, shricking, "It good square; and J. R. V.'s cross-word is sufficienty long to attract the eye. Bob-o-Link's letter puzzle closes the column. This gives you enough to Until next week, adieu.

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