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TEMPTATION.

BY REV. PHILIP S. MOXOM. 'Watch and pray that ye enter not into temptation."

the pallid light of a waning moon, then darkly shadowed by massive wall or broad-branching

tion as he knew it, because there was in them opportunity and his great peril. RUBBER AND RUBBER-TWEED COATS so little power of resistance. They had not yet learned to strive against sin and sorrow as he had striven. They were still ignorant and meet are of varying kind and power. Some weak. They fell asleep while he prayed. They fled like frightened sheep when the adversaries came. But the wakening and disciplining The existence and energy of evil spirits seems In the Custom Tailoring Department I am prepared to make up Suits of Clothing of all descriptions, and in the Master's counsel. Then they learned what thrust up into our thoughts out of the darkness it means to be alert of soul, and strenuous, and that underlies consciousness. Some temptations heroically resistant to temptation. The teach-Parties in want of anything in my line had better ings and example that seemed so vain at first

became martyrs and victors.

A BLENDED WARNING AND COMMAND. sayings of Jesus, instead of being antiquated valley of the shadow of death." "I took notice and losing their pertinence to the conditions of that now poor Christian was so confounded that of diminishing they grow in torce and significeived it; just when he was come over against cance. As civilization advances and life becomes | the mouth of the burning pit, one of the wicked | the impressiveness of the circumstances in which | blaspheme him that he loved so much before; they are typical of humanity's condition and supreme struggle with sin, that struggle which supreme struggle with sin, that struggle which continues, and must continue, until sin is finally and forever vanquished. Each soul has some time its own Gethsemane. Each soul has its time its own Gethsemane. Each soul has its own Gethsemane. Each soul has its these mysterious temptations we can avoid. And when we are bidden to shape our course, to choose our business, and that those nearest him were pressed against his business who have are bidden to waiting the disease has effected a lodgment that those nea AT HALL'S BOOK STORE, FREDERICTON. supreme struggle with sin, that struggle which blasphemies came." And each soul is to attain its finished triumph in complete subjection to the awful and blessed will of God. Every life has its moral crises, with a view to experience more fully than any other explanation our reading and our thoughts, with a view to experience more fully than any other explanation our reading and our thoughts, with a view to experience more fully than any other explanation our reading and our thoughts, with a view to experience more fully than any other explanation our reading and our thoughts, with a view to experience more fully than any other explanation our reading and our thoughts, with a view to experience more fully than any other explanation our peculiar tendencies, so that we shall estain in some far future, when they shall find leisure of the shepherd and his knotted staff. The to enjoy each other, to stop and rest side by the only effectual safeguars the epidemic of the shepherd against the epi AT HALL'S BOOK STORE, FREDERICTON. destiny turns. They have a necessary place in fact: temptations come to us that we cannot acdefeat, and so they give a deep solemnity to our part, a self-surrender.

> and ruin. We stand aghast at the catastrophe, when the schooling ends! feeling that all our calculations have been overturned, and all our guides of moral judgment

IMPORTANCE OF THE UNIMPORTANT. seemingly unimportant. True wisdom lies in temptation." as a coral reef is the accumulated product of a million polyps each of which makes its deposit of stone and dies. No man can ignore the and be secure when the time of great trial comes urges to that habit of the soul in daily living

FREDERICTON, N. B. who is exempt from the worst temptations, generous impulses, kindly hearts, low of the special point of this. Of course when temptations when temptations of the special point of this.

TEMPTATIONS INDIVIDUAL. mockery of the trial, the overwhelming fear and similarity between both temptations and the gotten. Their setting gives them, too, an added but will not in any way lessen its force and in the garden. He knew, too, how to conquer have on his, but you must pray. Temptation you. There is no logic so false as that of the you get that fibre and stamina of character temptation, for he conquered it forever in that different sources but it comes to each of you in different forms and from man or a woman who says: "Others do this which enables you to bear the shock and

we cannot account for. They spring upon us bore fruit in good time, and the coward disciples unawares. They are like hidden foes that fire upon us from invisible ambuscades. Every mind has at some time experiences like that which Bunyan has so vividly described in his With the lapse of years and centuries, the account of Christian's journey through "the

the creation and development of character. count for; but they are temptations which need They bring to the soul great opportunities of never prevail. They can be conquered, for spiritual victory and great perils of spiritual every real triumph of temptation over us is, on

Again, some temptations we seek. We put But the crises of life are not separated from ourselves in the way of them, either perversely the ordinary course of life. They do not come and with the intention of indulgence in sin; or to us except as the culmination of experiences purposely because they lie in the pathway of the lonely mountain peak by a path that leads sake of the end; or ignorantly and thoughtlessup the gradual rise of foot-hills, and long, ascend- ly, shutting our eyes to inevitible peril. Thus,

SPRING OVERCOATINGS,
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All of the above goods will be above go the temptations that are peculiar to poverty, ences of temperament and circumstances. Some power.

But, meantime, the rich man has his tempta- good and the beautiful, but they are full of pas- tion is felt and recognized we must resist. At tions, such as are peculiar to a condition of sion. In that direction lies their supreme least all are agreed that we ought to resist. But wealth, and he envies the poor man his immundanger. They are never tempted to be cruel, how many fall who mean to resist, simply ity from similar trials. Each of us is prone to or deceitful, but they are constantly tempted to because they are not prompt in resistance. They think his own lot the hardest. But there is a be lustful. Other men are susceptible to avar-dally with temptation. But when we are conevery state of life is the possibility of character. money, and money getting is to them a business heart by the inspiration of the Holy Ghost. centre of trade and travel—an island of verdure Did Jesus speak these words in the garden of The resources of divine strength are as near to full of perils. They do not know it perhaps, sider and argue. Safety lies in instant action. Faith is, therefore, "of the operation of God," in the desert: "a presidential capital" with mar-Did Jesus speak these words in the garden of The resources of divine strength are as near to the foot state of the poor man as to the rich. There is no intion with that tragic place they might ever after that by their very association with marked their hearts hard as flint. Take it by the throat as you would a deadly foe Opinions respecting spiritual matters firmly thirty centuries. It was near Damascus that

that wounds a fellow-creature sometimes past no dalliance with evil. It is useless that you and is rejected at imminent peril. We have in and is rejected at imminent peril. We have in still "county" these "with the multitude of their shadowed by massive wall or broad-branching olive, the wonderful discourse of Jesus which the disciples as yet but dimly understood, the lonely vigil in the garden, the Master's with-lonely vigil in the garden, the Wall was a strict of truth-speaking. He exaggerates easily. It is but mockery for you to post sentinely the wall was vigil in the sacred Scriptures authority v drawal and mysterious agony, the flashing lights are therefore necessian as each individual is the direction of spiked your gaps, and specific concerning the kind it was given to man to have but one paradise and clamorous voices of the imprompts police and clamorous voices cannot take without grave peril. Your neigh- stoutly resist, then watching is in vain. nrgency—as if something of the agony that value to you. You must watch in different bor can drink a glass of wine and suffer no harm. But, watching intelligently and purposefully wrung the praying lips of Christ clung to his ways and directions from those which command You cannot, for you will not stop with one glass. the vigilance of your neighbor, but you must Your friend can go to the theatre, perhaps, and prise. Your daily life is a preparation for trial, He knew what it was to be tempted. Per-haps will have a different purport and emphasis on your lips from what it will haps the last and highest temptation of all came have on his but you must need to be tempted. Per-haps and emphasis on your lips from what it will have an his but you must need to the theatre, perhaps, and keep his moral sense true and clear. You can which, when it comes, finds you ready and not. The spell of the stage seizes and possesses strong. Steadily resisting forseen temptation,

cry, "Not my will but thine be done." But different sources, but it comes to each, and in and that; therefore I can do the same." Many strain of temptations that are sudden and unexthose who were with him knew little of tempta- the struggle with it each finds both his great. a young man has gone to the devil, beguiled by pected. such sophistry, for sophistry it is. Learn then your individual weaknesses and dangers, and I have said much about watching, not because true faith, though "chosen of God and precious," "silk of gold" murmur and sparkle in the wilddirect your course with an eye to them. He is it is more important than praying, but because is "disallowed to men." It is the essential erness of the Syrian gardens.—Exchange. not watchful who does not watch himself. Do we neglect to watch, often, when we do not element in the salvation of the Gospel of temptations seek us, as if there were a diabolical nothing because others do it. There is many a neglect in form at least, to pray. We must inchrist. intention in the influences that surround us. ruined man and woman in this city to-day be-

do things with impunity which a neighbor cannot do without fatal risk. Remember the law of God who is able to deliver unto the uttermost.

In the history of those who, because they are strong, deciding the facilities apprehend it to be "the gift of God," through provided for its rapid extension. In the history are strong to those who, because they are strong to the strong to the

could. James says: "My brethren, count it most acustomed thus to pray will most swiftly human life, take on a larger meaning. Instead he did not know his own voice; and thus I perbut by "temptations" he means not simply en- crisis of a great moral struggle. life as well as his words are still modern, for done it: but he had not the discretion either to in the line of its suggestion (Local property of the suggestion (Local property) avoid temptations—to utter the prayer and live beyond a sudden bend in the road, a flock of present buds and blossoms. they are typical of humanity's condition and stop his ears or to know from whence those to which we must look. It is no use own strife and agony in the lists of temptation.

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startling clearness. Others form companionships that a little forethought would show to be blunt their conscience or stimulate their pasthrough which we have passed, as one reaches some worthy enterprise, taking the risk for the sions, and form habits of thinking that lay their

for the one transcendent hour when the whole It is a hard school, a stern school, with difficult Many an army has been ruined by rashness, not into temptation."—Standard. meaning of our life is concentrated in a single lessons made imperative by many scourgings; and many a soul, too. Foolhardiness is not determinative moral act. We hear often of but, as Carlyle said, "Fools will learn in no courage. Keep out of danger then, when you sudden falls. A man who has stood high in the other," and at some time in our lives most of us can. "Go not in the way of the ungodly." world's esteem takes a swift plunge into infamy are foels. Happy is the man who is not a fool Watch your tendencies. Guard your hearts. "Keep thy heart with all diligence," says the So, if we truly watch, we must look in as well tion in regard to the material, and inferences for more of them —Mrs. Stowe. have been thrown into inextricable confusion. Now, in view of the fact that life is full of as out, and take account of what we can bear. relating to the Scripture story of Pharaoh and A sense of helplessness and paralyzing uncer- temptations, which, in some form, come to And as we look in let us not forget that many his host. tainty sweeps over us as if what has happened every one of us, I wish to consider with you the temptations seek no broader sphere than the There are remains of sixty-nine at Dashour Tickets to all Points in the United States | were utterly anomalous, without either appreci- instruction which the text contains for us on secret chambers of our hearts. We need to ob- and Sakkara, of divers forms—one being built able cause or rational explanation. But our the attitude that we should all assume and main- serve what companionships, created by imagina- in five distinct terraces—and of every size; from confusion is the result of ignorance. There are tain toward temptation is too, we are cherishing there. Keep habitual the merest cairn of stones, loosely heaped tobuilding falls in a moment. It seemed fair and growing subjection to the evil and the base. of the households which we carry within us? sleep.

pered mortar. The building was doomed long sin through conquest of sin in the grace and and feelings? The successful fight against some of these may have been among the labors have been made to explore its ruins; but unconvinced that in the end it is the solid reading before it fell. In every life the ordinary daily power of Christ. The power that saves us is temptation begins in the chambers of the Israelites to which Josephus alluded when, til this last expedition of Mr. Rassam's the vast that pays. before it fell. In every life the ordinary daily experiences, the daily habits, the daily habits, the daily habits, the daily now of Christ. The power that saves us is temptation begins in the chambers of the heart, from him; but let it ever be remembered that and the first victory is the expulsion of evil that the divine power works in us through the inthe great crises—that issue in permanent victory strumentation of our own choice and endeavors. In this connection a thought of great practi-God worketh in us both to will and to do, there cal value sugests itself. It is the security from land banks to keep off inundations; nay, the beginning beauty the land to do, there call value sugests itself. It is the security from land banks to keep off inundations; nay, the fore must we, and can we, work out our own many temptations which is found in right ac. erecting of fanatical pyramids." Scientific men having been uncovered beneath the shadow of youth upon good reading matter. salvation. It is as our Saviour that Christ bids tivity. Every worthy occupation is a moral are able in these old bricks to distinguish barley the great mound, upon a kind of flat form lead-How great, then, is the importance of the us "watch and pray that we enter not into safeguard. The buildings were evidently part subjects may be a little dull, but only persevere to evil enticements as the lazy man. When One pyramid at Dashour has been especially of the great temple of Nebo, which formed the and you will find a growing relish for them. living the best possible in each moment as it comes. Completed character is the result of unnumbered accretions of habit and principle, unnumbered accretions of habit and principle, access to temptation. Idleness breeds mischief like the text.

I shall follow the simple natural divisions of habit and mind and heart are pre-empted by the text.

Acropolis of the city of Borsippa, of which the honest industry there is comparatively little and buy solid books.—S. S. Gem. That is a command to be awake and alert; to as a tropical soil breeds vegetation. But of all like that when the Israelites gathered stubble lon, was founded certainly as early as the year live morally with our eyes open and our minds activities, none are so powerfully helpful to the instead of straw. An old wall of precisely B. C. 2750, when the shrine was restored by intent on living well. As we study this word avoidance of temptation as those which have similar bricks was found at Heliopolis, five miles Khammuragas, a Kassite king, an inscription that she never visited a strange place without little tests of character which each day brings, in relation to the whole text, it seems to break their spring in an unselfish interest in the good below Cairo—each brick bearing the Cartouche recording such a work of restoration being preplanting trees. With equal thoughtfulness she and be secure when the time of great trial comes upon him. So the counsel of Jesus: "Watch and pray that we enter not into temptation," is and pray that we enter not into temptation," is and pray that we enter not into temptation," is and pray that we enter not into temptation, and it would seem to be the Pharaoh of the Exodus; a supposed to be the Pharaoh of the Exodus; and pray that ye enter not into temptation," is not for the exceptional hours of life, save as it proposition to which the monumental hierotham that this fashion became hereditary, for Elization to the chambers, the chief being a large banqueting that this fashion became hereditary, for Elizations. These are (1) tearn, (2) avoid, (3) resist. Thus the course that our thoughts will take is strong expulsive power in generous action. It proposition to which the monumental hierotham that this fashion became hereditary, for Elizations that this fashion became hereditary, for Elizations that the same time get that this fashion became hereditary, for Elizations that the same time get that clearly indicated.

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The same to assume toward dangers. When Christ says "Watch," he is wital church is continually making opportunity seen. The same to assume toward dangers. When Christ says "Watch," he is wital church is continually making opportunity seen. THE SUBSCRIBER is now showing a most complete bids us be wakeful and prayerful, reminding us that eternal vigilance is the price of victors. Sea. that eternal vigilance is the price of victory in life's conflict.

TEMPTATION A COMMON EXPERIENCE.

Life is full of temptations. They come to life is full of temptations both end abruptly, without life is full of temptations. They come to life is full of temptations both end abruptly, without life is full of temptations both end abruptly, without life is full of temptations both end abruptly, without life is full of temptations both end abruptly, without life is full of temptations both end abruptly, without life is full of temptations both end abruptly, without life is full of temptations are life to do that which life is full of temptations are life to do that which life is full of temptations are life to do that which life is full of the continuation of the work which, life is full of temptations. They come to life is full of temptations are life to do that the trustees of the British Museum land to whatever evil might befall to do that which will be hoped that the trustees of the British Museum land to whatever evil might befall to do that which will be hoped that the trustees of the British Museum land to do that which will be hoped that the trustees of the British Museum land to do that which will be hoped that the trustees of the British Museum land to do that which will be hoped that the trustees of the British Museum land to do that which will be hoped that the trustees of the British Museum land to do that which will be hoped that the trustees of the British Museum land to do that which will be hoped that the trustees of the British Museum land to do that which will be hoped that the trustees of the British Museum land to do that which will be hoped that the trustees of the British Museum land to do that the trustees of the British Museum land to the subremance of the and the continuation of th

and he thinks enviously of the rich man as one men are weak on the fleshy side. They have 3. Resist. It may seem unnecessary to make There is food for reflection in the Arab pro-

wonderful adjustment of conditions to moral ice. They are comparatively free from fleshly fronted with enticement to evil, deliberation is the kaliedoscope, varying at every turn. Faith the Tigris and Euphrates. Damascus remains discipline in the economy of Providence. In sins, but they have an instinctive greed for high treason against God. is a principle of grace wrought in the willing what it was before the days of Abraham, a

have a deeper impressiveness? That solemn You have your trial, and it is individual, be- lies big who seeks your life. Smite it as you would a held while we are in an unregenerate state are Saul of Tarsus saw the light above the brighthave a deeper impressiveness? That solemn I on have your trial, and it is individual, benight, that succession of strange events—the cause it is for you. Out of it you may come lies his weakness. He lacks self control. He wrong. Whoever will not change his opinions ness of the san; the street which is called Strait, in supper at which bread, and wine became sacrastrong and triumphant. More than that no is like a tinder-box, ready to burst into flame at Satan. Instant decision saves many a man on any account is a fool. The very best opinions which it was said "he prayed," still runs mental and symbolical with an eternal significance, the walk from the city across the brook

The very best opinions and triumphant. More than that no is the a tinder-ook, ready to outst into haine at the control of the city across the brook of the city across the brook over he yields and is undone. Let me lift a schievement for every one, whatever may be his fellows, but temptation comes and instantly he over he yields and is undone. Let me lift a Bible does not teach opinions, but truth, and as it did a thousand years ago; there is still the healing. There is a man who is weak in the watch unless you fight when the enemy comes. the sacred Scriptures authoritative instruction still "occupy" these "with the multitude of their

the oath springs into thought if it does not get And now some one asks: "Is all this that doubt, sickening into despair, that oppressed tempted to make the general teachings and into speech. Some are susceptible to stimulants. You have told us fairly involved in the command the disciples as the strange drama hastened to warnings of Christ personally applicable to each the disciples as the strange drama hastened to warnings of Christ personally applicable to each the sight of alcohol brings temptation. And to watch?" Yes; for if you learn not your its close in the crucifixion. Al! this is inseparits close in the crucifixion. Al! this is inseparably associated with these words, "Watch and pray that ye enter not into temptation." They have such a setting that they can prove be for have such a setting that they can prove be for have such a setting that they can prove be for have such a setting that they can prove be for have such a setting that they can prove be for have such a setting that they can prove be for have such a setting that they can prove be for have such a setting that they can prove be for have such a setting that they can prove be for have such a setting that they can prove be for have such a setting that they can prove be for have such a setting that they can prove be for have such a setting that they can prove be for have such as the development of moral character. The tendencies and susceptibilities on this side or that. Now, it is vastly importing that they can prove be for have such as the control of the command, "Watch and pray," and the delicious apricot of Portugal why should you watch? And if, when temptation from horizon to horizon. To treat cotton and silk, with vines and flowers raised up Remember, some men can take risks which you tion comes upon you, you do not instantly and

eating meat cause my brother to offend, I will weaknesses the subject of confession and prayer. to deceive.—The Rev. John Scarlett. No one is so secure as he who knows his frail-2. Avoid. We cannot avoid all temptation. ties, and knowing them, bring them often with ! am not sure that it would be best for us if we earnest petition before God. The lips that are

Remember that there is no magical deliver- The bitterest tears shed over graves are for ploy should be used at once, and of strength ance out of the conditions of temptations. But, words left unsaid and deeds left undone. "She These are hints which should be reduced to harmful, Multitudes indulge in pleasures that if your thoughts are of God, and your hearts never knew how I loved her." "He never are full of his Spirit, you will have a strength knew what he was to me." "I always meant practice without delay. - London Lancet. hearts open to the assaults of powerful tempta-a security which few temptations will beat in vain, to make more of our friendship." "I did not a security which few temptations will ever know what he was to me till he was gone."

ing stretches of mountain side. The great tempo those who seek chiefly for present pleasure court Hence safety for many lies in a persistent Take these words, then, for a rule and guide death shoots backward at us from the door of ations that make the turning points in our temptation. All who have a serious purpose in avoidance of numerous forms of trial. It is of conduct when to-morrow comes with its fresh the sepulcher. career are the resultants of innumerable minor life run the gauntlet of a thousand seductions to temptation. All our experiences are related. How much more we might make of our family the formula of the forgotten, but it is true, that courage is contacts with evil and its fresh trials of moral tried and character is disciplined by avoidance purpose. Take them and use them, and in their life, of our friendships, if every secret thought The triffing sin that we commit to-day has a aim, rush headlong into snares and dangers. of some temptations as really as by conquest use you will find a constant inspiration and of love blossomed into a deed! We are not it must eat, and eat good, wholesome food, and vital connection with the moral trial of to- Experience teaches us our peculiar weaknesses, of others. Such avoidance is brave as well as courses of abiding power. They are Christ now speaking merely of personal caresses, not too much of it at a time. morrow on which hinges our destiny. The if we are prudent enough to give any heed to wise. It is a braver thing to evade an enemy words, with the memories of Gethsemane clingthousand commonplace hours are preparation experience, hence, it is called the school of life. Watch and pray that ye enter affection. Many are endowed with a delicacy, the power to digest. The child that is fed on

STORIES FROM PYRAMIDS

every soul. No man is exempt from trial what- character. Not all are tempted alike. Not all speech and unselfish deeds. He is persuading this man's actions both end abruptly, without nish results far exceeding the dreams of archives many be his significant trial what-

CONCERNING FAITH.

God. True faith does not rest on opinions, for Tyre and Sidon have crumbled on the shore : it has Christ for its "author and finisher." Baalbec is a ruin; Palmyra is a ruined desert; the operation of God," is the only condition of Isaiah," "the head of Syria." our conversion. "Without it it is impossible From Damuscus came the damson, our blue any portion of the Scriptures with unbelief will on a smooth bright ground; the damask rose, forbid the exercise of saving faith. The separating of faith from love, purity, and works is misleading. Faith is at the foundation of all world over for its keen edge and elasticity, the that is praiseworthy in the Christian character. secret of whose manufacture was lost when They that say they believe, and have not love, Tamerlane carried the artist into Persia; and nor purity, nor good works, do greatly err. All that beautiful art of inlaying wood and steel the fruits of the Spirit are the production of a with gold and silver, a kind of moasic, engravliving faith. There is no prayer that is effectual, ing and sculpture united—called damaskeening no growth in grace without faith. Christ is fol—with which boxes, bureaus and swords are lowed by faith. And all Chistian testimony ornamented. It is still a city of flowers and that is acceptable to God is given by faith. The bright waters; the streams of Lebanon and the

cause of a failure to keep the solid ground of that does not lean upon God. We need to culthere is more than one faith that saves. We In view of a possible, but we may still hope, tivate the habit of praying with special reference hear such expressions as these: "The Presby- not very probable, invasion of cholera, it may I may be permitted to throw in a word of to temptation. It is not enough that we pray terian faith, the Baptist faith, the Methodist be worth while to ask ourselves, seriously and warning to those who, because they are strong, when the agony of strife is upon us. Let us faith." Now, there is but one Lord, one Faith, urgently, in what condition will that formidable charity so nobly expressed in Paul's words: "If But we should habitually make our special grace, are visionary and carnal and calculated of previous epidemics there can be no doubt we

REPRESSION.

How many live a stingy and niggardly life in ticements to evil, but also other forms of trial; Then, again, prayer is more than petition; it live with those they love dearly, whom a few to be seen whether medicine, as a healing art, regard to their richest inward treasures! They cance. As civilization advances and life becomes the mouth of the burning pit, one of the wicked and then he goes on to show that trials develop is also communion and companionship with more words and deeds expressive of this love patience, and patience, when it is perfect, reveals to be seen whether medicine, as a healing art, whom a reverse love words and deeds expressive of this love has discovered any new remedy, or learnt to appear to the mouth of the burning pit, one of the wicked and then he goes on to show that trials develop is also communion and companionship with him and would make so much happier, richer and better. cance. As civilization advances and lite becomes more complex, temptations, or trials of temper and character, multiply. If there was need the to bid disciples "watch and pray," even more is there need now for a re-utterance of more is there need now for a re-utterance of the total many thing that he met to bid disciples and the need now for a re-utterance of the ore, as drill and discipline are to an army.

The defence of the dath of the balling pa, one But the trials that develop character will A friend who was once a missionary in Asia, live a barren, chilly life, side by side, busy, its dealings with the germs of disease, ought to come without our seeking. Let Providence told me the following: One day, traveling over anxious, preoccupied. letting their love go by as be able to grapple instantly and successfully these words were spoken. The facts of Jesus' yet if he could have helped it he would not have these words were spoken. The facts of Jesus' yet if he could have helped it he would not have a desolate stretch of course, a last year's growth, with no with cholers. In a primary sense it is the

Many people are guilty of criminal error in scene was a parable. Our pathway in life treasures which lie idle and unused. Alas! these respects. Some men go into a certain is infested by wolfish temptations, and the place time flies and death steals on, and we reiterate to late they may be some men go into a certain is infested by wolfish temptations, and the place time flies and death steals on, and we reiterate to late they may be kind of business, knowing that they do it at the risk of moral degradation, or remain in it when the knowledge of the risk has come to them in thither, the man was gone."

Such words are the poisoned arrows which cruel

a fastidiousness of physical organization, which | candies, jellies, preserves, pies and other dainties shrinks away from too much of these, repelled | becomes weak and sickly looks and little observances, thoughtfulness, a child can scarcely relish anything else. We watchful little attentions, which speak of love, have much to do with forming our tastes. How In the Gentleman's Magazine is an article on which make it manifest, and there is scarce a often we hear people say they are real fond of wise man, "for out of it are the issues of life." the Pyramids, furnishing some curious informa- family that might not be richer in heart wealth some things they did not like before.

THE RUINS OF BABYLON.

no sudden falls. If we knew the secret history a trial of moral character. Always it has the thinking clean, and there will be no evil thought gether, over the tomb of the poor; gradually where others had failed. No ruin amid the their younger years in reading the chaffy, foolish Sole Agent for Wilcox & White's celebrated Organs, acknowledged to be the cheapest in the market. War- see that out of sight of men were a multitude of stronger as the "Birm of their younger years in reading the chaffy, foolish stories of novel writers. Just as children are stronger years in reading the chaffy, foolish their younger years in reading the chaffy, foolish stories of novel writers. Just as children are stronger years in reading the chaffy, foolish their younger years in reading the chaffy, foolish stories of novel writers. Just as children are stronger years in reading the chaffy, foolish stories of novel writers. Just as children are stronger years in reading the chaffy, foolish stories of novel writers. Just as children are stronger years in reading the chaffy, foolish stories of novel writers. Just as children are stronger years in reading the chaffy, foolish stories of novel writers. Just as children are stronger years in reading the chaffy, foolish stories of novel writers. see that out of sight of men were a multitude of gradual preparations for the final disaster. A set of the ruins of Babylon and on the other hand, of developed moral to ripen into evil deed. Once the Saviour said at a children are stories of novel writers. Just as children are stories of novel writers. Jus the west of the ruins of Babylon, and on the matter. And just as the tastes of the body strong outwardly, but beneath the foundation The whole worth and glory of man's life is in- And do not those words mean in part, that our may be changed by persistent effort so the taste strong outwardly, but beneath the foundation stones was treacherons quicksand. In those may be the invisible, impalpable baked in the sun, and are far more recent works toes may be the invisible, impalpable baked in the sun, and are far more recent works toes may be the invisible, impalpable baked in the sun, and are far more recent works toes may be changed by persistent effort so the taste to the forces of evil that get lodgment in our thoughts than the giants at Gizeh. It is supposed that travellers have visited it, and many attempts have been made to explore its ruins; but up. similar to those found in the Egyptian temple height delicacy of feature, complexion, and in It is said that the Egyptians religiously avoid. at Tel El Yahoudeh and Khorsahad. It is to sweet hilarity and charm of happy temper, her

> Bovee says :-- Words of praise, indeed, are ware. almost as necessary to warm a child into a genial Religion gives part of its reward in hand, the life as acts of kindness and affection. Judi- present comfort of having done our duty, and

THE OLDEST CITY IN THE WORLD.

Man's natural inclinations turn away from Damascus is the oldest city in the world.

world would never have received such a Bible in this world," is to-day what Julian called the as we now have. The true faith, which is "of "eye of the East," as it was in the time of

may trace the record of progressive limitation and repression by sanitary improvements. The time has now arrived when with all our light and knowledge, we ought to have no great dread of cholera. It is, in a very special sense, a perfeetly controllable infection; we do not say that

READING.

Reading is to the mimd what eating is to the

and overpowered. But there are words and There is such a thing as cating dainties until

Their tastes were changed by keeping on

tasting or trying to eat. If the mind is to grow it must have good wholsome reading matter.

Once in a while we come across persons who It would seem to have been Mr. Rassam's are light and trifling in their minds. They can

Idleness, deceitfulness, forgetfulness of God, neglect of prayer, and running with the wicked, are links of Satan's chains. Of all of these, be-

heaven can give. — Tillotson.