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The Army of the Lord. the mountains, down the valleys, ver rivers broad, rehing goes the mighty army of the Lord our God. ean unto ocean echoes Loud its battle song, ations hear its tramp resounding, Marching along.

Horus-Marching along, marching along, The army of King Jesus s marching along. word, nor gun its hands are bearing,

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affairs without special injunctions.

you not take for granted that Mr.

Lex, this good lawyer of yours,

would know that you were ill with-

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you are well. Why did you not

assume that he would know you

were ill, without being told. You

Yes, I took beef tea until I was

Did your meat man know you

were ill, without being told, and

send supplies without being asked.

Of course not—we sent and told

Excuse me, Mr. Thoughtless did

stimulating when he began tonic

Oh yes, heordered me to take some

You're right I took it. I was

Now Mr. Thoughtless, did your

druggist know you were ill, without

being told, and send the brandy

Of course he didn't-we told him

Your friends visited you during

Yes, we wrote and telegraphed

and telephoned and told them every

Now, candidly, Mr. Thoughtless,

was not your minister the only

man that you thought would know

Well, Doctor, I thought you

But, my dear Mr. Thoughtless,

don't you think a minister goes to

church to worship God as well as any

other man? Is he worshipping when

taking a census of the absentees?

No my dear sir, I want no con-

fession. I am not a priest. All I

Very well. Good afternoon, Mr.

Good afternoon, Doctor.—Can.

It never pays to take offense

hastily. In most cases none is in-

tended, and if it be taken, the sup-

posed giver feels himself to have

been misunderstood and aggrieved.

In the large majority of other in-

heed to it. Here, of course, there

the offense with dignified tran-

quillity. But to show that one

feels hit, to exhibit vexation, and to

belittle one's self, and to abandon

Self-Possession.

Well, Doctor I confess-

Yes, you did, Doctor.

all right.

Thoughtless.

Presbyterian.

your illness. Did you send word

nourishment combined you know.

so weak that I was glad to take

You took it, I suppose?

without being asked?

and gave the order.

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would miss me out of church.

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schwer nor bugle heard, magic watchword, F A BUI is stirred. e name that welds it brave and strong, THE I 1 the a ts mighty captain, g along. Marching along, etc.

force of hell's opposing, locking up the way, er like a lion charging Both by night and day; But across the fields of error, O'er the walls of wrong, Never flinching, goes that army Marching along. CHORUS-Marching along, etc.

p the mountains, down the valleys, over rivers broad, Arching goes the mighty army Of the Lord our God, and till ev'ry isle and nation Shouts its battle song, Inward, upward, Jesus leading, It shall march along.

HORUS-Marching along, marching along, The army of King Jesus s marching along. J. T. BURGESS in P. Witness.

Dr. Shepherd And His Sick Parishioner.

BY KNOXONIAN.

Dr. Shepherd went out one afternoon to make some pastoral visits. He had not gone far until he met one of his parishioners named Mr. Thoughtless. The appearance of Mr. Thoughtless seemed to indicate that he had been ill. His face was pale, his step feeble, and altogether he looked like a man who was taking his first little walk after a severe sickness.

Good afternoon, Mr. Thoughtless, said the Doctor, I am sorry to see that you are not looking well. Have you been ill?

Yes, replied Mr. Thoughtless, I have been very ill. This is the first time I have been out in three weeks and during all that time you never called to see me.

I am very sorry, indeed, to hear that you have been so poorly, and sorry also that I did not see you. I never heard of your illness. No one told me, and this is the first that I have heard of the matter. Did you send word to me that you were

No, I did not send any word. And why did you not send some one to tell me?

Oh, I thought you would have heard about it.

Of course you sent for the doctor, Mr. Thoughtless, as soon as you

Oh yes, we sent for him right away, and he came to see me every day for two weeks-some days he

came twice. He is your family physician, I sup-

Yes, he has attended our family for many years. We never have any other when we can get him.

No doubt he has quite an interest in your family over and above the fees you pay him. Yes, I am sure he has, Mrs.

Thoughtless has great confidence in him and would never have any other physician. The children are very fond of him. We all like him, and we have every reason to believe he reciprocates. He has stood by us in many a trying hour. He is a skilful physician and good friend.

Now, Mr. Thoughtless why did you not take for granted that such a good family doctor would hear of your illness and come to see you without being sent for, or even told of your sickness?

Well, I-I-I-thought it was the right thing to send for

But if you assume that your minister can know without being told, why not assume too that your the most effectual method of keepdoctor can know without being told? Well, it didn't just strike me in

that way. Now, Mr. Thoughtless, I don't wish to worry you, for I see you are weak, but when you are strong enough, we will talk this matter over. There are a few more points

of the Christian, slow to wrath and I would like to discuss with you. Oh, go on Doctor, I can talk it out new. I haven't talked much some time and I am rather glad to than self possession .- Congregationhave a talk about something besides alist. sickness and those horrible medicines I have been taking.

Well, let me ask, did you send

well to arrange my affairs. A come upon it, and though the hot as it may, and from whatever source to endure "as seeing him who is man doesn't die any the sooner for sun of trial may try to consume it, the follower of Christ should learn invisible.' The most charming

an old friend of yours, I suppose? __ Talmage.

Well I should think he was. He The Skeptical Shoemaker.

has been my lawyer during the "I have read," said the shoewhole of my business life. He won maker, "a good deal about the some big suits for me some years heathen gods, and I believe the acago. Splendid lawyer, Mr. Lex. count of Christ is taken from some What he does not know about law of the heathen writings or other." is not worth knowing. There are not many lawyers in this country

that can get the start of Mr. Lex. He's a firm friend of yours, I Indeed be is. I don't think he would care to bring an action of much time, and arrive more quickly upon you with their steady light. any kind against me. I pay him big fees, and he attends to my

"Well," said he, "out with it, other side. and let us see if I can answer; Now, Mr. Thoughtless, why did can say something about."

adviser, your tried friend; he has charge of your affairs and advises would be the state of society?" ly enough, he would think that

should be a happy brotherhood intold your lawyer. Why did you

Well all that I can say is, it did I suppose that you had some beef tea, Mr. Thoughtless, when

got a chalk this time against me."

"Well, my next question is this: Suppose all men were infidels, what then would be the state of London friend to visit him and see his and the world?"

the doctor give you anything At length he said: "You certain of his house. When he found that brandy and milk—stimulant and by have beaten me, for I never be this was the garden he was society. I now see that where the said to him: "Despise not my Christian builds up the infidel pulls garden; for though it is not very down. I thank you; I shall think long nor very wide, it is wondrous

The sequel was that he was fully Look up! persuaded in his own mind to give up all his infidel companions, and follow the Lord Jesus Christ. But the change did not stop here. When first the reader called he had sat on an old dirty chair, with a number of half-starved children sitting in their rags on the floor around him neglected and uncared for; now they have removed to a better home in a cleaner street. Within, all is cheerful and happy. The father, no longer faithless, delights in the company of his wife and children, all of whom are neatly dressed; and his chief happiness is to read and speak to them of the things which belong to their everlasting peace.-H. L. Hastings.

Anger In Correction.

Plato said to his servant, "I would beat thee, but that I am angry." It would be well if we all had more of this practical Platonic ask is, that you treat your pastor philosophy in our every-day life, in as fairly as you do your doctor, our homes, in our business, in our your lawyer, your meat man, your churches, in all things, under all druggist, and your friends that you circumstances. "The discretion of expect to visit you. Did I not a man defereth his anger; and it is visit you faithfully when you had his glory to pass over a transgrestrouble in the house once before? sion." (Prov. 19:11) "Prudence" (so it reads in the margin) is never Well, now my friend, I wish you more needed than in moments of to let me know in future when passion. Power and prudence join there is sickness or trouble of any hands in helping him who controls kind in the family. Will you do his passion. "He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; Yes I will; Doctor, and I'll go and he that ruleth his spirit than right home now and explain all to he that taketh a city." We often my family. The women are a little pound the very things in our chilriled, you know, but I can put them dren that they have either inherited from us or faithfully copied from our example. Plato was right. Let us be right.

BITTERNESS.—The effect upon the bodily health of the mind harassed by bitterness and anger is to propagate derangements and infirmities. The appetite lessens, digestion is impaired, and then follow other functional disorders. The nervous without principle of one sort or system suffers from continual mental irritability, and hysteria, no other than a determination to stances also,—those in which it is headache and other painful affections live a shiftless, careless life. Bemore or less seriously offered,-it often owe their origin to this presaid, "An irritable and fractious are exceptions which a proper self. temper, whether due to an active respect will not fail to note; but temperament or other causes, becomes, necessarily, the instrument! ing the peace, and at the same time of his own punishment. And it of rebuking the offender, is to treat furthermore poisons the happiness of all within the circle of its in fluence. To so many occasions of bad-principled, it is the safest to annoyance, to so many petty vexa start with well-defined good printions are we all, even the most for- ciples-never with no principles. for the time not merely the attitude | tunate of us, exposed, that the happiness of the naturally irritable man quick to forgive, but even that of must be continually encountering the mere man of the world, in obstacles, and his health consequentwhom nothing is more essential ly be ever liable to injury."-Journul of Health.

CHRISTIAN CHARACTER.—If you the product of a friendly heart, it itualize his tastes, how it will enlarge want to have a stalwart Christian | will be of great value to you. If it his visions of spiritual things, how for your legal advisea during your character, plant it right out of is from an enemy, it may reveal to it will clarify, simplify, and intensify doors in the great field of Christian | you that which you could never have | his faith, how it will make invisible Yes, I thought it might be as usefulness, and though storms may learned from your friends. Come things real to him, and enable him having his business in proper shape, it will thrive until it becomes a to stand fire patiently. It is the book in this world, beyond all comgreat tree, in which the fowls of fire that purifies as well as tries the parison, is the Bible to one who Mr. Lex, your legal adviser, is heaven may have their habitation. metal. Stand fire, brethren, as oft- studies it enough to see its charms. 40 Lockman Street, Halifax, N. S. en as needed.—Telescope.

Look Up.

In crossing a rushing stream do not look down. Everything there is swirl, and change and roar. Your head grows dizzy; your heart grows sick; your eyes burn and turn and "Will you abide by your own grow dim. You fall. There is decision on two questions which I nothing stable to make your foot will put to you?" said the Bible- firm and bring you peace. Look reader. "If so, I will freely do the up. If it is day the blue same. I will abide by your own sky is quiet and sure. If it is night answers; by doing so we shall save the serene stars smile quietly down You are soon over safely on the

In crossing Time's raging flood there are but few things but what on the narrow foot-log of the years, do not look to the past. Your feet "Well, my friend," replied the will slip. Do not look down to the reader, "my first question is: Sup- changing, fretting, boiling feelings, pose all men were Christians accord- passions and desires in your own ing to the account given to us in the heart-you will grow dizzy and fall. gospels concerning Christ, what There is no steady bank, no firm rock there to fix your eyes upon. He remained silent for some time Look up. The sky is blue and the in deep thought, and then was con- stars are bright and shine with a strained to say: "Well, if all men steady glow. Look to Jesus. Our were really Christians in practice help is in Him. Take your weary as well as theory, of course we eyes from off the changing waters and swirling floods. Lift them up to "the hills from whence cometh "I promised you," said the my help." Think less of self and reader, "that I would abide by more of Christ. All attempts to your answer; will you do the walk over safely to Eternity without Him who is "the Way, the "O yes," he readily replied; "no Truth and the Life," will be in vain. man can deny the goodness of the We slip, we fall, we are swallowed system in practice. But now for up in the floods—we are lest forthe other question; perhaps I shall ever. Look up, not down. Look get on better with that. You have forward, not behind. The outlook to the skies is ever open and brings sweetest rest.

An ancient philosopher asked a garden. When his friend came he He seemed still more perplexed, found the philosopher walking in a and remained a long time silent. little high-walled space in the rear fore saw the two effects upon disappointed. But the philosopher of what has passed this afternoon." high." It reached to the skies.

The Bell And The Flute.

A modern nove ist tells us of a great bell which was made to vibrate by the note of a slender flute. The flute had no influence upon the bell except when a certain note was sounded; then the great mass of

metal breathed a responsive sigh. So it is only when our wills are n accord with God's will that we experience an answer to our prayers and the feeble human cry seems to elicit a divine response. There is a pre-established harmony between the voice of the shepherd and the heart of the sheep. "If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will and it shall be done unto you."

of apples that she had for sale. A rough sailor ran against her and upset her basket, and stood back, expecting to hear her scold fright fully; but she stooped down and picked up the apples, and said: God forgive you, my son, as I do. The sailor saw the meanness of what he had done, and felt in his pocket for his money, and insisted that she should take it all. Though she was black he called her mother, and said: "Forgive me, mother I will never do anything so mean again." Ah! there is a power in a forgiving spirit to overcome all hardness. There is no way of conquering men like that of bestowing upon them your pardon, whether they will accept it or not .- Western

PRINCIPLE. — An unprincipled man is, really, a no-principled man, But no one can go very far in life another-even if the principle be cause one who is willing to start usually is the wiser course to pay no judicial influence. As has been with no principles is pretty sure to drift into bad principles, we come to lose sight of the original difference between having bad principles and having no principles; and so we call the bad man unprincipled, and the unprincipled man bad. If you would avoid the risk of becoming S. S. Times.

> No one is or can be aware, until he has actually tested the matter by experience, how much the devout study of the Bible will do for his Do NOT SHUN CRITICISM. If it is soul, how it will modify and spir--The Independent.

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