"Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift."

In the heart of London city, 'Mid the dwellings of the poor, These bright, golden words were uttered, "I have Christ! what want I more?"

By a lonely, dying women, Stretched upon a garret-floor; Having not one earthly comfort, "I have Christ! what want I more?"

He who heard them ran to fetch her Something from the world's great store It was needless -died she, saying, "I have Christ! what want I more?"

But her words will live forever; I repeat them o'er and o'er, God delights to hear me saying : "I have Christ! what want I more?" Oh, my dear, my fellow-sinner!

High and low, and rich and poor, Can you say with deep thanksgiving, "I have Christ! what want I more?"

Look away from earth's attractions, All earth's joys will soon be o'er; Rest not, till each heart exclaimeth, "I have Christ; what want I more?" -M. J. W.

Seizing Opportunities.

BY REV. THEODORE L. CUYLER.

In the margin of the Revised Version, the expression "redeeming the during the winter than during the time" is very accurately rendered summer months. At least, in evan- ters it. He may fancy that he is a foe "buying up the opportunity." The gelical circles there are more who to evil, but in truth, by letting it word time is vague and indefinite. But come to an open confession of faith in dwell in his mind, he becomes its opportunity signifies what we call the the Saviour. At the same time there promoter. The gross injustice he "nick of time," the favorable moment are also more cases of deliberate does to the innocent is but part of the for doing what ought to be done. shall we say rejection of Jesus? or injury. He stirs up resentful feeling, Therefore, such a man as Paul, who simply postponment of acceptance destroys friendship, embitters interwas always a minute-man in duty, ex- | (between which, however, and rejec- course, sows seeds of distrust every horts his fe'low-Christians to seize and tion, there may be little to choose)? where, poisons both his own happisecure their opportunities.

the fate of the battle depends. To powers of body, mind, and spirit. gain these is victory; to lose them is when the metal has grown cold.

most of them. Philip did the same cordial co-operation of others. with the treasurer of Queen Candace dom nor to do the deed of love.

of them when they are susceptible of this truth, and exult and rest in it. spiritual influence. The spectres that of lost opportunities.

Do you want another chance to secure | glory. We should not despair. the prize of everlasting life? You have it now, to-day, this moment. To Our bread upon the waters, sure at last turn towards Christ may be the work In joy to find it after many days." or the act of an instant. Tomorrow Nothing so builds up the soul in nerve is not yours; and if you lose this op- and sinew and immortal beauty, as portunity, what assurance have you does perseverance in righteous serthat the Saviour you have so often re- vice when burdens grow heavy and jected will ever give you another? rewards seem long delayed. Among all the memories that will more tormenting than the memory of lost opportunities.

"Of all sad words uttered by tongue The saddest are these, It might have been.

-0---Courage, Pastor!

At this season of the year come some of the happiest experiences of the Christian minister, and also some of the most trying and discouraging. More souls are reached and saved Furthermore, just because the church ness and that of many others. So worldly affairs. The First Napoleon, awhile ago, and multiplied activities is a very general stigma placed not whose brain always counted for a hun- are being pushed, there are frequent- only upon the suspicious person, but dred thousand men, used to say, ly occurring perplexities, complications, "There is a crisis in almost every bat- oppositions, misunderstandings, etc., tle-a ten or fifteen minutes on which | that tax to the utmost the pastor's

No one knows the full burdens of a defeat." What is true of military en- | Christian pastor save him who is or counters, is certainly true in the moral has been a pastor himself. Brother conflicts of life. There are pivot-occa- A-may think he understands them, sions on which the greatest interests and Sister B- may be positive that are hinged. Strike when the iron is nothing is hidden from her perception. hot; ten minutes of sharp strokes then | But even those who stand nearest the are worth days of tiresome hammering pastor, Deacons C- and D-, do not know. And, finally, much is undis-The children of light ought to be as covered to the very wife of his bosom, wise in serving their Master, as the because it is not of a nature to be dischildren of this world are in serving coverable to any other being in human self or Mammon. The great Apostle, shape. One may put his finger very or there may be but slight foundation, whose common-sense was as conspicu- near the focus of a powerful burning or it may be entirely a figment of the ous as his zeal, urges upon his brethren, glass without experiencing much of a imagination. In any case, he, per-"As we have therefore opportunity, sensation, but to put it exactly in the haps, cannot avoid, in the first let us do god unto all men." Paul focus is-a revelation. The pastor instance, the entrance of the suspicnever lost his chance; he always struck | stands at the focus of things, and the | ion into his own mind, and it may be when the iron was hot. In the prison burden (if he is a true pastor) that well that he cannot. His own interof Philippi, a chance was given him to rests on him, only God knows. They est and the cause of justice might direct an awakened sinner to the who merely hear the sermons, witness otherwise both suffer. Being there, Saviour; at Lystra a chance was given | the pastoral calls, and note the other | however, the question immediately him to heal a cripple, and thus arrest external features of the preacher's arises, What shall he do with it? There the eyes and hearts of the multitude; work, may think they know all-but are three paths open to him and to in the presence of Felix and of Agrip- they know little. There is no more every one who suspects another of pa he was permitted to speak the right responsible or difficult work on earth wrong-doing. He may test the sus word at the right moment to two lord- than that of a shepherd of souls; and ly sinners on their tribunals. He there is no man who more needs the seized the opportunities and made the sympathetic consideration and the these methods is the most common,

when he fell in with him on the road | would be of real encouragement to | disposition. To retain the suspicion, to Gaza. They both copied their the praying, toiling, anxious pastors to let it rankle in the mind even slight divine Master, who never let slip the that are among our readers. No ly, is both unjust and unwise, and opportunity to utter the word of wis- temptation is more frequent and when to this we add the very common terrible to many than the temptation habit of confiding these unprovoked This is the secret of success with the to conclude that they are accomplish- doubts and fears to a third party the most efficient winners of souls. Hewit- ing little or nothing. Here and there injury is multiplied. son, the zealous Scotch minister, pass- a gleam of light upon the pathway es a poor womin, who in her doorway gives them cheer; but the obduracy is holding her infant in her arms; he of the impenitent, the coldness of pleasantly accosts her and says to her, | backsliders, troubles in the church or "I hope that your soul is equally safe | parish - these and other things somein the arms of Jesus." His friend, times combine to dishearten them and Most likely we are mistaken, and, in tures contain "some things hard to be Robert Murray McCheyne, passing almost to paralyze faith. They ought any case, we could never profitably understood." This we believe, though through an iron furnace door, "My not to produce such effects. They search into the matter. Our trust in some people seem to have no difficulty friend, does that terrible flame remind exist as inherent in the present na- our friend, or our own self-respect, in finding out the Almighty to perfecyou of anything?" Such words in ture of the world. They are among should lead us to put away such tion. The more ignorant they are season, kindly spoken, strike and the very things that preachers are thoughts, to abandon such suspicions. the easier it seems to be. But passing stick. Thousands of souls have been called to meet and, under God, over- Some one has, perhaps, dropped a poi- this, some of us find more things hard converted by single sentences, uttered | come. He is not much of a warrior | sonous word of scandal into our ears. | to be practiced, than there are hard to at the right nick of time. That model | whose heart becomes as water when | Let us banish it from our thoughts | be understood. Among the former-Christian worker, Harlan Page, was he sees the face of the foe. Then is with scorn. Circumstances may tend and a wonderful stumbling-block for on the lookout for opportunities; he | the time to be courageous and confimade it a rule never to hold a corver- | dent. And what if the foe is detersation with any one without saying mined and stubborn? Paul's exultsomething to profit their souls, and he ant cry, "I can do all things in Him that some one has committed a fault us in a very summary way, and to never did it in a rude or impertinent that strengtheneth me! shows the which, however, does not concern us make us feel very limpey, when we are way either. It was no wonder that spirit that should be regnant in every in the least, and in which we are not flattering ourselves that we have been he was able to identify over one hun- preacher's heart. "God is not undred cases of conversions wrought by righteous to forget your work and the the idea of an unwelcome intruder. such times that there ought to be exhis faithful instrumentality. The Ley- labor of love which ye shewed towards In one of these two ways every sus- ceptional cases, in which we could be den jar of his godly zeal emitted a his name." The one prolonged, spark to every one with whom he emphatic, unequivocal assurance of as a warning it has a mission to per- able people. It does seem very hard came in contact. I fear that we pas- the Bible is this: God notes and form, it will do its work; if it is an un- to be patient with the impenetrable tors and Sunday-school teachers are makes somehow effective every word worthy or an idle conjecture, it will self-conceit of those, who in assuming not always as alert as we ought to be and act of faithful service. It is a be dismissed. In either case it will what God should not do, in speaking the word in season to the cause that inevitably reaches some pass away, as all suspicions are meant claim a wisdom superior to that of the parishoner or the scholar whom God legitimate effect for good. Let every to do. As transient guests of the mind, Omniscient; the self-righteous folk,

Have Christ! What Want I More? strove with you; it will not be be- neath us midway across the abyss of ing to deal rightly with each separate infirmities and shortcomings, and by praying for and receiving strength to cause you never had the chance to be- death. Beyond doubt God means suspicion as it arises. Instead of cour- praying for and receiving strength to come a follower of Christ; it will be that we shall walk-perhaps for con- ageously testing it, or firmly resisting become "perfect and entire, wanting be the result of flinging away all the siderable distances by faith, and not it, they have permitted the constant nothing;" by letting "patience have precious opportunities for your own by sight. This, however, is not say- presence of one suspicion after another her perfect work." There is room for salvation. He that is often reproved | ing that he does not in some way re- until they cloud the mind, darken the | its working in too many of us. We and often invited and often almost ward righteousness all along. Within thoughts, and fill the heart with dis- scold too much. - Near York Evangelist. persuaded to accept Christ, and yet us, and within others, we may feel trust and bitterness. But he who deals hardens his heart, "shall suddenly be sure, all the time is building the intelligently and faithfully with his suscut off, and that without remedy." beautiful and eternal temple of His picions, mastering them, and never suf-

"Nor fear to cast

"I never knew a man good for any haunt the world of woe, none will be thing," says a celebrated Scottish writer, "who, when he had got a piece of work to do did not know how to stick to it." Weakness of purpose, lack of perseverance, is bad enough indeed in material affairs it is fatal to success in spiritual undertakings .- Morning Star.

----What to do With Suspicions.

There are few things more productive of evil in society than a suspicious disposition. He who is always on the watch for wrong-doing actually fos-This is the secret of success in services are more fully attended than manifest are these results that there upon all suspicion itseif. "If its continual presence be so baneful, let us banish it altogether," say many social well-wishers. A little deeper reflection, however, would show that this utter extermination of suspicion is neither possible nor desirable; for as long as there is evil in the world there must be the fear of evil, and a sus picion in its first formation is but a fear, a doubt, an uncertainty in the mind, based upon more or less reasonable grounds. A man, for example, suspects some one in his employ for unfaithfulness. He may have strong cause for the suspicion, picion, he may quench it, or he may cherish and retain it. The last of and this it is that works so much evil We wish we could say a word that and gradually develops the suspicious

There are many suspicions that need crushing in the bud. We fancy our friend is cool to us; we imagine some one has slighted us; we suspect our neighbor of having spoken iil of us.

fering them to master him, will never sink into the miserable and miserygiving condition that every one must occupy who has a suspicious character. -The Moravian.

Persevering Prayer.

turning home he spoke about it to his | piety upon the people? wife, and they agreed to pray for the | It will change the whole style of town. After some time the idea oc- study and preaching. It will shelve curred to the old porter to tell this or burn a hundred or more of your him, 'Say then Samuel, do you know the least harm." It will stop you would convert you." "Really? But care whether they need reconciling. It some one else." "What for," said the give us more of present and perfect pray for some one, and we have de- and empty altars and empty prayercided that it shall be for you. The rooms. It will fill saint and sinner sooner you are converted the better it with new-found joys. will be."

In the meantime the poor drunkard | mence at once.—Standard. grew worse. At last his wife abandoned him, after being one day more maltreated than usual, and his land- there is no integrity there can be no lord turned him out, because he did confidence; and where there is no connot pay his rent. In this state of fidence there can be no unanimity. things he came to find the porter and Three German robbers having acquirsaid to him, "Listen, my dear, pray ed, by various atrocities, what no more for me; that does me no amounted to very valuable booty they good; on the contrary, I become agreed to divide the spoil, and to reworse every day. I cannot get the tire from so dangerous a vocationidea out of my head that some one When the day which they had apasks God to convert me; this idea pointed for this purpose arrived, one follows me night and day, and in of them was despatched to a neighorder to free myself from it, I drink boring town to purchase provisions the more." 'That makes no differ- for a last carousal. The other two ence," replied the imperturbable secretly agreed to murder him on his porter. "The pastor has told us to return, that they might each come in pray for some one, and we pray! You for a whole half of the plunder, inwill be in hell or in heaven before we stead of only a third-They did so. shall stop recommending you to the But the murdered man was a closer grace of God."

his companion what he had said to the the provisions that he might get the unfortunate man, the worthy woman | whole of the spoil. This triumvirate replied, "Ah, well, I will tell you what we must do. I will prepare him instance that nothing is so blind and a place to sleep, we will also give him | suicidal as the selfishness of vice. something to eat, until he may be able to gain his living, -and all this on the condition, that he promises us not to drink any more."

of grace divine, a sober and true Chris tian. Remember that "Prayer offered things, -for g eat promises are made to prayer by Him who is the truth.-LeFidele Messager.

Patience With the Faults of Others.

An apostle tells us that the Scrip. to cast suspicion on one whom we may its size—is the injunction, "Be patient honor; let us continue to trust him in toward all men." It always comes in our heart of hearts. We may fear to take the starch of self-conceit out of called upon to interfere; let us expel growing in grace. It does seem at picion may be rightly dealt with. If allowed to kick foolish and unreasonpues within our reach, or in laying hold heart leap to the acknowledgement of they may be useful in establishing the who think they do their whole duty, innocence which should be brought to and hold a large stock of righteousness It is sometimes the weakness of light, or in proving the guilt which in reserve; the stolid people, who are we ought most to dread are the ghosts pastors and churches to demand im- should be purged away. But as per- unmoved by our unanswerable argu- ing of the school for its scholars, each mediate and large external results, manent inmates of the mind, their in- ments; the censorious people; the Nor is it only to God's people that when God intends such as are remote fluence is most pernicious. Suffered people who habitually shrink Christian fails there, he is not faithful to his the solem admonition comes to "buy or unseen. Surely that is a weak and to remain, they rankle and fester, duties; the officious people, who wish up their opportunity;" it bears just as unworthy faith that is forever seeking People are not naturally suspicious, as to do everything - how often these is not enough to be faithful to one's strongly upon the unconverted. My after a "sign." It is a candle that is sometimes supposed. They have overtax our patience! We can learn fellow-teachers, to one's superintenfriend, if you are finally lost, it will flickers and goes out in a dark place. brought themselves into this unwhole- to be "patient with all men," only by dent, and to one's school, in order to

Try It once

"I have no talent for revival work. Never mind whether you have or not. Will you, with some regularity, or seekers of pardon and purity to come to the altar, to come into the inquiryroom, to come privately to talk to you about their present deep religious It is related that Spurgeon preach questions and experiences? Perhaps ing one day in his church, recommend- you will find that a little of that kind ed to each of his hearers to pray for a of close, practical, hand-to-hand, heartparticular person until that one was to-heart work will develop talents in converted. This exhortation made a you that you do not now think you strong impression upon an old porter possess? Will; ou begin at the very who was found in the assembly. Re- first opportunity to press personal

most incorrigible drunkard in the your sermonizing and reading and poor drunkard what they were doing sermons. It will, at least, lead you to for him. The first time that he saw take Bishop Waugh's advice: "Preach him pass, he called him and said to your 'big sermons' where they will do what my old women and me have from preaching your doubts. It will agreed to do?' 'Certainly not," re- save you the trouble of "reconciling blied the drunkard, quite astonished. religion with science" before a lot of 'Ah well, we pray every day that God | people who do not know or specially this is quite useless for me," said the | will give us a rest on Kant and Darwin poor man, "I advise you to pray for and evolution and baboons, and will porter. "The pastor has told us to salvation. It will fill your empty pews

Oh, do try it once! Will you? Com-

THE SELFISHNESS OF VICE.—Where calculator even than his assassins, for When the old man had related to he had previously poisoned a part of were found dead together !-- a single

A Sin. - All recognize the sin of the man who wantonly puts an end to his life. But is not one guilty of a similar Thus the drunkard was sheltered iniquity when he wastes the hours and and cared for, and soon his good days appointed to him to live? The friends had the joy of seeing the fruit doctrine that it is a man's duty to of their prayers, for the poor sinner, | complete the existence which God has rejected by all, became by the power assigned him involves the doctrine that he should make the most of that "appointed time." Sloth is akin to with faith, has great efficacy." Let us suicide; it is a casting away of the oppersevere then in prayer, let us pray portunities of life. God places us here without ceasing, and we shall see great on earth to do good, and just so far as we neglect our opportunities of usefulness we sin against the God who created us the same as if we shortened our days. Let each man, therefore, do more than merely exist till death comes-let him make every hour of his life of the highest value. - Inquirer.

> The religion of Jesus Christ manifests itself in two ways. It shows itself in purity of life, keeping those who possess it "unspotted from the world"; it goes out in goodwill and follows:corresponding deeds to help the needy--" visiting the widow and the statement of the character of religion pure and undefiled," self-examination is suggested. "Let every man examine himself" in the light of the divine word, remembering the account that all must give at the time appointed.

Duties To All,

Each teacher in a Sunday-school has a duty to the school as a whole, as well as a duty to his particular scholars. The school does not belong to him, but he does belong to the school. In the opening and closing exercises, in the teachers' weekly meeting for lesson study, in the united planning and doteacher has a place and a part. If he duties as a teacher in that school. not be because the Blessed Spirit never It is a rotten plank that breaks be- some and unhappy condition by fail- coming to a consciousness of our own bea really good Sunday-school teacher. Fredericton, Aug. 22.

otice of Sale.

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contained in a certain Indenture of Mortgage, bearing date the twenty-eighth day of July in the yea of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, and Registered in Book 83 of the York County Records, pages 341 to 544, and made beeven occasionally, give an invitation to tween the said John L. Morgan, therein described as of the Parish of Southampton, in the County of York and Province of New Brunswick, Farmer, of the first part. and George H. Vanwart, of the Parish of Queensbury, in the County of York and Province of New Bounswie, Farmer, of the second part, there will for the purpose of s ti fying the moneys secured by said Mortgage, default havin, b en made in payment the eof, be sold as Public Auction at Phoenix Square, in the city of Free ericton, on Saturday, the second day of March next, at twelve o'cl ck, noon, the Lands and Premises mentimed and described in said Indenture, as follows: "All that cert in lot, piece or parcel of Land. situate, lying and being in the Parish of Southampton, in the County of York and Province of New Brurswick, and bounded as follows, to wis: Beginning in the Easterly angle of Lot number eight, heated to one James List in, on the South-westerly side of the Woodstock Road (so-called) thence running by the magnet South 50 deg. West one hundred chains of four poles each, thence south 20 deg. ca t ten chains and twenty links to lot number ten, deeded to one Aaron Grant. A D., 1875 thence North 50 deg. East one hundred chains to the Woodsteck Road above-named and thence along the same North 20 deg. "West ten chains and twenty links to the place of beginning, known as Lot number nine, on the South-west side of the Woodstock Road in Millville, and containing one hundred acres a little more or less"-together with the buildings and improvements thereon and rights, privileges and appurtenances to same belonging. Dated the twenty-fourth day of Janu ry,

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