Zek'el Brown Unburdens Himself.

The neatest woman in town, Folks say I've got for a wife ; And what folks say is gospel truth This time, you bet your life. Keturah Brown, she beats the world On bakin' bread an' pies, But her best holt is fightin' dirt And circumventin' flies.

Her temper's like her pie-crust, which They're both uncommon short : An'tho' I'm free-and-easy like Sometimes she makes me snort. There ain't no sense in having things So awful all-fired neat, Nor sayin' ev'ry time I step, Now, Zek'el' wipe your feet!"

I cau't sit down in our best room, It is so slick an' spruce; Fact is, most everything we've got's Too good for common use. Though next to Godliness the Book Puts cleanliness, I'm bound To say Keturah's mighty apt To run it in the ground.

There ain't no use in kickin'. I'm Prepared to bear my cross: Some day, perhaps, I'll wear my crown; Keturah she can't boss Things round in heaven. An' since we're

That there no moth nor rust Comes to corrupt, I guess it's safe To say there ain't no dust.

But oh, what will Keturah do Within those pearly gates, If she no longer finds the dirt That she so dearly hates? O'ershadowed heaven itself will be, Engulfed in awful gloom, When my Keturah enters in And can not use a broom. -Portland Transcript.

A Talk to Fathers.

A lass met a friend near his own until his return. After he had kisshome, and they joined company on ed us all around, and heard various their way to business. Before they items of interest, he turned to me had gone far they met a trim nurse- with a smile and said 'How is maid, wheeling a baby carriage in Spright?' and I told him what had for repose. The less work we do which sat a fine six-months old happened. I shall never forget how

"That's a jolly looking little chap," ed me on his knee as he said 'Poor said the gentleman; he hastily glanc- child! That was too bad. If I had ed at his watch, and finding that he been here it never should have haphad a moment to spare, stopped the pened, ' and I sobbed out my grief carriage, and chirruped to the baby, on his breast and was comforted. who smiled genially in response. "I It was a little thing, a mere trifle have a little one at home about this compared to the sorrows of my life; one's age," observed the gentleman but perhaps some of the things to his friend. "By the way," he which we grieve over now, seem continued to the maid, "whose baby quite as trivial to the eyes of Omniis this?"

"Yours sir," responded the nurse ly Father is quick to comfort us. in much astonishment.

Of course the story was too good sponsibility of his children. God to keep, and the faithless friend put | will hold him equally accountable it at once into circulation. The with the mother for them, and if hero of this little anecdote is not, they go astray through any lack of however, the only father in the fatherly care or affection, he will world who is unacquainted with his one day find himself terribly to own children. In the hurry and blame.—Presbyterian. drive of life many a father feels that his duty is well done if he earns the food to put into the children's mouths, and the garments wherewith to clothe them. He has no knowledge of the needs or characteristics of his own children; he is absorbed in other things.

How often are men heard to sav | was speaking to her about making a "I leave the training of my child- public profession of religion. She ren entirely to my wife," or, "I was eighteen years of age, of high never interfere with the discipline; social standing, intelligent, cultivatmy wife attends to all that." Anoth- ed, thoroughly a lady in feeling and er type of father still, assumes in his | manner, and surrounded by all that family the role of the Lord High makes life attractive and pleasant. Executioner.

"If you don't stop that, " says after much thought and prayer she the fond foolish mother, "I will tell had decided to unite with the church your father of you.

In some families there is no threat | before so doing she asked him, in so dreadful, and I have known a the conversation alluded to: "If father tell laughingly, as if it where I join the church, Mr. A., have you a good joke, of the poor scared little any objection to my dancing? I faces which were lifted to his when am very fond of it, and feel very apologizes for doing right. he appeared suddenly among them unwilling to give it up. What do rattan in hand, inquiring if there you think of it?" were "any whippings to be dealt "I will answer your questions by out that afternoon.

Alas, how far away these poor pose there was a large and fashionearthly tathers are from the father- able party or public ball in town and ing too loud not to be overheard, rely ideal which is set forth in the you were invited to it. And suphood of God.

right down to their dollies and their | you think?" should show that he loves them. He sistent. ought to prove this so convincingly

a stant he had the grey-bearded name to the church, wish to be or do strings as a warning! And when now sleep soundly all night on a feath-Then he pushed him away a little be or do?"

and looked him lovingly in the eyes. "I'm awfully glad to see you," said he, "how's mother?"

Il oked them wistfully as they And she never did. walked away together. O, I thought Uniting with the church by a in one sermon." to myself, if there were more fathers public confession of her faith in Just then the auditor was obliged like that, there would be fewer Christ, she lived, and after some to leave the car, but he could not young lives wrecked upon the years died, an exemplary, faithful, help exclaiming to himself, "What treacherous rock of sin, for a father's spiritual Christian, a help to her a sensible woman!" It is to be hoped love will hold a boy when the stern- pastor in every good word and work, that some day this sensible one will est commands and the most rigid and a bright example to all who marry a minister.—Selected. training would be of no avail.

My mother felt that this was just,

Spright over as soon as he came

home. In a short time he came

neighbor drowned him forthwith.

did not complain before any one,

but my little pillow was wet every

night with tears for my lost comrade.

he caught me in his arms, and plac-

potence, yet none the less our heaven-

A father cannot shirk the re-

"If I Join The Church May I

Dance?

Such was the question of Mary

W., addressed to her pastor as he

Having been hopefully converted,

of which Mr. A. was pastor. But

another," said her pastor. "Sup-

as you entered the room you found

any objection to my dancing?

knew her. With this brief narrative in view, Said a middle aged woman to me, "I have known what the text 'Like | three thoughts are suggested for as a father pitieth his children, so serious and prayerful consideration:

the Lord pitieth them that fear 1. As to all worldly amusements, rush and whirl of life to realize the Him, meant ever since I was ten if you have the least doubt as to full meaning of this word! We years old. At that time I had a your conduct-if there is the least express our sympathy for our felkitten, a pretty little creature which conflict between inclination and low-being by thought, word or I loved as a little girl with all my duty-30 in prayer to the Saviour, action, and, in the expression of this heart. But alas! one spring morn- and ask him what you ought to do, sympathy, should not overlook any, ing Spright stole a young chicken and then act as you believe he would whether child or adult, for all need severe, deep-seated coughs like this

came to our house at once, very not best to err on the right side, and considering matters from a angry, and demanded that the cat and rather keep too far from the dollar-and-cent standpoint.

should be killed; but I begged for world than to go too near it? Spright's life so pathetically that he | 3. Is it not right for you in this, that are easily offended. If you see promised to spare him if he sinned as in all other things, to take such a member at fault, go and speak this. no more. In a few days, however, a course that, if all were to imitate kindly to him about it instead of the cat was seen lurking near the your example, it would make the telling every member of the fault. coop, and soon made off with anoth- Church a holy and spiritual and The well to-do need sympathy as er chicken. The neighbor gave useful Church, and give you, person- much as the needy, for each one life as soon as it should appear. Selected.

and promised that I should bring Mr. Burdette on Church-going. shop or pay-office.

This is the way in which Robert J. Burdette disposes of the "young purring up to me, and I had to take man's" reason for not attending the dear little fellow up in my arms and carry him to his doom. The

So you are not going to church this morning, my son?

Ah, yes; I see. "The music is not good; "that's a pity; that's what My father was from home at the you go to church for, to hear the music. And the less we pay, the time, and I carried my trouble alone better music we demand.

"And the pews are not comfortable;" that's too bad—the Sabbath is a day of rest, and we go to church clamour for on Sunday.

"The church is so far away; it is too far to walk, and you detest riding in a street-car, and they're always crowded on Sunday." That is indeed distressing; sometimes when I think how much farther away heaven is than the church, and that there are no conveyances on the road of any description, I wonder how some of us are going to get there.

"And the sermon is so long, al. to be regretted. I would regret on your daily life. them more sincerely, my boy, did I not know that you will often squeeze one or more souls, and see how God into a stuffed street car with a hun- will change them. dred other men, breathing an infor two miles, then pay fifty cents | them. for the privilege of sitting on a "If I join the Church, have you a dozen misfit norns right in your us." very ears, and come home to talk | Pray for a revival in your comthe rest of the family into a state of munity, and mark results .- The aural paralysis about the "dandiest Ambassador. game you ever saw played on that

> ing away from church does? It then to repress the hasty word? develops a habit of lying. There

She Should Marry A Minister.

"If I were a minister's wife, said a lady in the car, who was talkports a writer in the Tribune, "you Bible. And how can they illustrate pose you had accepted the invitation, may rest assured I should take an to a child anything of the Father- and that going at rather a late hour, interest—an active interest—in my husband's work. I should say to A father ought to be friendly all engaged in the dance, and that him, 'Richard, if you want to do with his children; he ought to be in- you saw me, your pastor, taking well next Sunday, preach short! If, sick headache, purifies the blood and terested in every interest of theirs, part in it, and leading it what would you want your congregation to grow will not fail when used. I heartily larger and larger, preach short! If recommend it to all warting a pure bats and ball. Nothing which con- A look of surprise, almost of as- you want to draw them to this medicine. cerns them should be too trivial for | tonishment, passed over her face as | church, that church, and the other, his notice. A father ought not she frankly said, "I should think preach short! Always preach short! only to love his children, but he it very strange and greatly incon- But, Richard, have something to say, always! Condense, condense, "Well," replied Mr. A., if danc- and condense, and ther have an air that whatever happens, they can ing is right and a good thing, why about you as if time were worth free from cold, till at last she got never doubt their father's affection should not I enjoy it as well as you? something and you could not afford very severe cold and cough. She re And if in its influence and ten- to lose a minute of it." If on a solved to try Hagyard's Pectora I was waiting at a railway station | dencies it is wrong and evil, why | Sunday morning he seemed to be in | Balsam, and, on so doing, found it did for a friend one Christmas Eve, should you engage in it or wish it an extra amiable mood, I would her more good than any other medi when I noticed a tall,, fine looking | more than I? A minister is but a | venture to say, 'Richard, dear, don't | man of perhaps fifty years, who was man trying to do good to men. And be all day in giving out your notices! pacing up and dewn the platform, there are not two standards, one for Don't blink over them and clear evidently waiting for the same train him and another for the members your throat, and go poking along that I was. As the train glided in of his church; not two rules of through them as if you had never to the station his eyes scanned the Christian living, one for you and seen them before and were ponder- tonics and a most perfect nervine, are cars till they alighted upon a hand- another for him. If he is to be ing them in your mind as you call some lad of about eighteen, who spiritual and set a holy example, attention to them! Don't, I beg of . was also gazing eagerly at the crowd. and to come out from the world and you, Richard, read them straight "Here I am Tom," cried the be separate, and shun worldly forward and then say them all over amusements why are not you? And again backwards! There is nothing Co., N. Y. writes:-" I obtained im-The boy's face glowed, and he if such amusements are right and so tiresome!' I am not sure but mediate relief from the use of Dr. 16 Prince William St., St. John, and Queen St. Fredericton, N. B sprang from the platform almost power for you as a follower of the some Sunday I should say, Richard, Thomas' Eclectric Oil. I have had before the cars had stopped moving. Something of the least bit tedious to- obliged to sit up all night for ten or Father!" said he; and in an in ... hy should you, or any mem- day I, shall fuss with my bonnet- twelve nights in succession. I can by the shoulders and kissed him. what you would not like to see him you say "In conclusion," don't, for er bed, which I had not been able to pity's sake, go on until you reach a do previous to using the Oil."

She thought a moment seriously, | "Finally," and after that "One 66 and then said: "It is all plain to word more," or "Just another me now. I will never dance again." thought !" I do think it is such a mistake to try to tell all one knows

SYMPATHY.

How seldom do we stop in the belonging to a neighbor, and ate t approve if he were present with you. it in some way. The world at large before the man could rescue it. He 2 If there is the least doubt, is it has fallen into the habit of seeing be subjected to. It is for these long-

> Practise brotherly love with those was, will do well to make a note of

chase, of course, but the cat hid. So ally, the highest and best influence has his duties, temptations, affections, affections he came over and demanded the cat's as a devoted and faithful Christian? tions and trials, and we should feel a superior. for each other in twenty ways that G. G. GREEN, Sole Man'fr, Woodbury, N.J. Permanent and Transient Boarders Achave nothing to do with the work-

between the husband and wife, each entering into the joys or disappointments of the other. A lack f this will cause an estrangement that is apt to be life-long.

Children have their difficulties, and a smile or kind word will bring sunshine to their sky. In training children have enough compassion to distinguish whether the child's action is done through ignorance or disobedience.

Remember the new family that has moved into your midst, and make them feel at home among

The young man that lacks moral courage, the one that feels he must do as the Romans do when among the Romans, must be looked after and helped to do the right.

Let us cultivate more sympathy for our fellow-men, and thus follow the steps of our blessed Teacher .-E. A. Knibb.

Try it for a Month.

Pray three times daily for a ways." All these things are indeed month, and note the general effect

Pray daily for the salvation of

Pray for those who despitefully cense of whisky, beer and tobacco, use and abuse you, and observe how and hang on a strap by your eyelids fervently you will learn to love

Pray for a pure heart, for a sancrough plank in the broiling sun for tified nature; "for this is the will two hours longer, while in the in- of God, even your sanctification," tervals of the game a scratch band "and if we ask anything according will blow discordant thunder out of to his will, we know that he heareth

THE HASTY WORD.—Is there one Ah, my boy, you see what stay- of us who does not need now and

It springs to the lips in moments isn't one man in a hundred who of impatience or of weariness, and, could go on the witness stand and almost ere we are aware of it, the give, under oath, the same reasons hasty word has passed their gatefor not going to church that he gives | way, and, like an arrow tipped to his family every Sunday morning. with venom, has wounded the heart My son, if you didn't think you of child, friend or servant. Too late ought to go, you wouldn't make any it is regretted, but even the act of excuses for not going. No man begging pardon does not fully undo its evil effect.

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