A Prayer.

Dear Jesus, let us learn of Thee Our lesson this New Year, Teach us each word, though some may be Spelt through with many a tear; So shall our song of Thee be sweet, Telling of victory won, That we have learned at Jesus' feet, God's will, not ours, be done.

Entering the New Year.

BY S. D. PHELPS. Awake and watch, O heart of mine! While passing o'er this mystic line, Another wave, like those before, Breaks on a new and unknown shore.

Upon its dark and troubled breast Treasures of all the centuries rest. The refluent tide a moment rolls, Laden with memories, deeds, and souls

There changeless all-I turn from these To kindlier zones and calmer seas; The land I touch, of variant form, Is faintly viewed through mist and storm.

Nearer, 'tis vast and wide outspread: It lures with hope, and chills with dread: But faith and zeal shall find the way Opening with beauty day by day. Brighter than all in years gone by

Are lovely prospects waiting nigh; Sweet friends and fields and scenes sublin Greet him who walks with God the time.

To live is Christ; O waves roll on! Ye bring me where my Lord has gone, Where dawns the Year forever new,-The crown of life and heaven in view! -Christian Secretary

The Witness of the Holy Spirit.

BY THEODORE L. CUYLER, D. D.

Some very visionary ideas are current in regard to the doctrine of the Christ and obedience to Christ's comwitness of the Holy Spirit. There are certain emotional people who take the has repented, that he does trust Christ, language of Scripture so literally that and that very imperfectly, is endeavorthey claim that this "witness" came ing to order his life in conformity with connection it is comforting to read the to them in a sudden and startling Christ's teachings. "My peace I give wonderful vision or in a dream, or such peace he has actually found. The even in some cases by an imagined fruits of the Holy Spirit are faith, voice from Heaven. On this extraor- love, joy, meekness and other similar dinary and transient experience they graces. If he finds these graces existare inclined to base their hope that ing-in any good degree-in his own they are the accepted "children of heart and daily life, then he has a God." Does the great Apostle, when strong assurance that he is an accepted ever good you may be, you have he affirms in the magnificent eighth child of God. There is a certain chapter of his Epistle to the Romans agreement between the religion which that "the Spirit himself beareth wit- the Holy Spirit has written on the ness with our spirit that we are the Bible-page and the religion which that children of God," place his main reliance on any such fitful and visionary heart and character. Thus the Spirit experiences? Nay, verily; it was not witnesseth to his soul that he is a upon what might prove a shining and child of God, and this witness gives shifting fog-bank that he rested his him the strength of a solid assurance. everlasting hope, but upon the Rock of Ages. What he did, we should do. The less that we make our daily religious life to depend on transient Christ has done in him and promises emotions, and the more we make it a solid, intelligent principle of faith in next. Christ and the practice of Bible godliness, the better for us. A sensible Christian will seek for the evidence of his being an accepted child of God in the same way that he seeks for evidence in any other great vital problem. He does it in some such methods as the following:

1. In the first place, he is clearly conscious of a certain experience, not lasting for a few happy moments, but years. He knows perfectly well that chapter if he had not actually known he is not the same person that he once | that Jesus Christ lived in him. was, and that a marked change has taken place in his tastes, desires, principles and habitual conduct. He may never have been thrilled by any sudden ecstasy, but can calmly and conscientiously say: "I know whom I have believed and I am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.' I am conscious that I love the Savior who died for me. I do not claim to lead a sinless life, but I do hate and eschew sins that I used to be guilty of. Every mean thing, every selfish or cowardly or wicked thing that I do is my work; and every pure, noble, useful and holy thing which I do to please my Lord and Savior is His work. Once I was totally blind, but now I see. I do not see everything by an infallable perception; yet my eyes have been as he prates glibly about his attainopened to see myself and my needs, ments in holiness, he only unmasks and also to see Jesus Christ as the pardoner of sin and as the omnipotent Friend whom I can trust implicitly. I med to resist the Divine Spirit, and now I desire to be led by that Spirit. He has often led me. He has quieted many a fear. He has inspired me to fast trust in his Master he could face many a noble and holy purpose. He has given me strength to resist many a temptation and to bear many a load cheerfully and to win many a victory. I am perfectly sure that some power out of myself and above myself has been working on me and producing He is responsible for the trust—as long certain spiritual results. Every result must have a cause. Satan could not and would not have made me what I am. My own heart could not and did not change itself. I can only account for all my spiritual experiences by believing that I have been led by the Spirit of God; and my Bible declares

The worst disease-Dyspepsia
The Best Cure—K.D C

that 'as many as are led by the Spirit | spirit; and I am persuaded that neither of God, they are the sons of God." | death nor life, principalities or powers, Of this actual experience, no one can | things present or things to come, shall outwit me or rob me.

covering the true meaning and realiz- | Lord ! ing the happy assurance of this "witness of the Spirit." Our Bible is God's book, inspired by the Holy Spirit; and this book is the charter of Christianity. describes the nature of the religion which he came to teach. It defines what it is to be a follower of Christ. It photographs the Christian character. The Holy Spirit, in this holy Book, of God, then I have a witness of the description of Christianity agrees with | safeguards for days to come. that Divine Spirit's work on my heart Suppose we take a silver dollar to

the United States Mint and compare it with the die in that mint. We discover that they correspond to each other. There is the eagle and there are the stars on the die, and the same it the requisites of the Christian character-repentance of sin, faith in mandments. He is conscious that he manner; it was revealed to them in a unto you," is Christ's promise; and same spirit has inscribed on his own Instead of resting on a transient emoto do for him in this world and in the

The great Apostle tells us that he had the witness of the Spirit that he was an adopted and accepted child of God. The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus had delivered him from the dominion of sin and death. There was an inward conviction and an outward conduct; the two corresponded with each other. They both corresponded to the Spirit's description of no question but life is a combat. true Christianity. Paul never could Since the time of Christ it has been for months and perhaps for many long have written this magnific nt eighth decreed that certain forms of tribula-

When the tree produces the leaves of the peach and the fruit of the peach we are sure that it is a peach tree. When a man feels the love of Jesus in his soul and strives to obey the commandments of Jesus in his daily life, he has the divine witness that he is in Christ. While in Christ he is safe safe for time and all eternity. There is no condemnation to him; for to such as he the Lord Jesus Christ has said I give unto them eternal life, and they shall never perish, neither shall any one pluck them out of my hand. A true Christian has a right to claim the witness of the Holy Spirit. But when a shallow dissembler who practices secret frauds and impurities, who cheats his creditors, and for a pretense makes long prayers-when such his own hypocrisy.

It is the right and the privilege of the genuine child of God to possess the assurance of Christ's perfect love and perpetual protection. Old Latimer used to say that when he had this steda lion; when he lost it, he was ready to run into a mousehole. Why should a redeemed follower of Christ ever worry himself sick with wretched doubts and insulting fears? If I have put myeverlasting all in Christ's hands, as I leave it wholly with Him. If I check my trunk to Philadelphia it belongs to the baggage-master until I get there. Surely I ought to have as And in spite of old sorrow and older strong a faith that my immortal, blood bought soul is forever safe in the keeping of the omnipotent Son of God. His spirit beareth witness with my

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be able to separate me from the love 2. There is a second method of dis- of God which is in Christ Jesus our

Thoughts for the New Year.

Doubtless most conscientious persons begin the new year with sincere It not only reveals Jesus Christ, but | longing to make it a more correct and profitable one than the last. Perhaps numerous resolves are made, which, his commandments, and tells us just | could they be but carried out, great satisfaction and progress both in the family and in private life would result. It is seldom realized, however, until describes what regeneration is, and the subject is seriously considered how how it is produced, and what are the | much is owing to mistakes of the past evidences and fruits of it. Now if I for real advance in godly living: then find that my character and conduct it becomes plain that it is only the correspond in any good degree with part of wisdom to strive to profit this Bible portraiture of a true child from past failures, to rise superior to past defeat, and to see the mistakes of Spirit in my favor. The Spirit's past days as so many warnings and

It is a serious error to ignore ou and life. Each one testifies to the mistakes, yet it is not wise either to think or to make too much of them. There is sound advice in these words from Hugh White: "When you make a mistake, don't look back at it too long; take the reason of the thing into your mind, and then look forward. Mistakes are lessons of wisdom; eagle and stars are stamped on the the past can not be changed; the dollar. We feel sure therefore that | future is yet in your power." And from that dollar came out of that mint and | Henry Ward Beecher: "The best from that die. So a child of God opens lessons a man ever learns are from his the Bible which the Holy Spirit in- | mistakes." Here, in both cases, let spired and gave to him. He reads in it be noticed, mistakes are spoken of

Many conscientious persons are too hard on themselves, seeming to think they might and should have avoided the errors into which, being but mortal. they have unwarily fallen. In this words of St. Augustine, one of the earliest writers of the Christian era "Beware of despairing about your self, because you are commanded to put your trust in God, and not in yourself." And later, Ruskin, with outspoken, truthful philosophy, but with marked leniency, writes: "Howfaults; however dull you may be, you can find what some of them are; and however slight they may be, you had better make some-not too painful, but patient- effort to get quit of them. Sensible, consistent advice!

There is a kind of semi-melancholic inclination sometimes indulged in, which in time becomes a tiresome habit, of forever disparaging one's self, tion, or a devout rapture, he founds dwelling with doleful remorse over his everlasting hope on what Jesus faults and failings it would be far braver and more sensible to set persistently and perseveringly to strive to overcome.

says, "Don't look back at it too long." And after the reason of the thing has been taken into the mind sufficiently, the wholesome course is to look forward, not with dread or misgiving, but with hope and courage. There is tion shall be the portion of all his followers, and everything which partakes either of trial or of discipline may be regarded as a portion or a phase of the promised tribulation.

But it has been noticed that mistakes are regarded as lessons. The object of a lesson is to teach some thing. No lesson worthy the name can be learned without some study. No lesson is worth studying that has in it nothing of value or profit for the student. The apostle tells his brethren | pilgrim, is journeying to some royal to count it all joy when they fall into city, where he has not a single frienddivers temptations. Does not this 'o welcome his arrival or offer him the clearly teach that yielding to evil pas. shelter of a roof. A poor and humble sons or influences may lead us to pilgrim am I; but, God be thanked! learning thoroughly the cause of the I know of One who long ago prepared downfall, to stronger safety for future for me a place Hence it is that as I time? So what use to worry over pass the milestones each in succession what was inevitable? Gird on new becomes an altar, on which I present strength as the New Year dawns; use oblations of gratitude and praise. There the needed discipline of past short- are many, I am aware, to whom the comings and mistakes as beacon lights, thought of the flight of time is dispiritif need be, to warn the soul off the ing. For me I feel that He hath not dangerous rock where past good resolves have been wrecked and engulfed. There has after all, no temptation overcome any one but is common to all. Everything in the Bible and in nature points to the necessity of constantly renewed efforts in the right direction, despite the failures in the past. The invariable command of the Scriptures is to go on and go forward. No one is required to go alone. The great Master who sets each life task is always ready to guide, instruct, and cheer, and every lesson well learned

is so much advance toward heaven. "Every day is a fresh beginning;

And trouble forecasted, and possible Take heart with the day and begin again.'

C. Relieves Distress K. D. C. CURES MIDNIGHT DYSPERSIA. DYSPEPSIA.

Covet Earnestly the Best.

The very best that we can covet is the fallness of the Holy Spirit. With Spirit is love, joy, peace, long sufferness, temperance; not one thing is strong Christian character. Why are the majority of Christians so deficient sees but little to distinguish them from others? Plainly because they are not filled, according to the measure of their right and privilege, with the Holy Spirit. O, for a quickened desire in every heart to possess in fullness this best gift! He does not leave us entirely; if He should, we would be in utter darkness, and lose all consciousness of God from our lives. But we grieve Him so deeply by indifference, and by coveting other things His gifts, that He cannot be the guide, counselor, and comforter that He would. He takes of the things of Christ and shows them unto us. Why from sin become so dim and colorless that we are rarely moved to tears at the thought of His sufferings for us? Why do we not enter more deeply into the fellowship of His sufferings when we see sin in ourselves, and the awful sin of the world which "lieth in wickedness?" Why are we contentyes, even happy-to spend money lavishly upon ourselves, and withhold that which is meet from the various agencies which are at work for the world's salvation? For while the church is giving more largely than ever, we must remember that she possesses more, and our benevolence is measured not so much by what we

give as by what we keep for ourselves. with the experience of our own hearts, there is but one conclusion to reach. Love, joy, peace, long suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness temperance-O rare and blessed fruitage! How happy the heart in which it flourishes! how barren the soul in earnestly" these best things they surely are given us. If we care more for them than we care for ease or wealth which we naturally covet, we may have them without measure. "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your heavenly Father

Let others quail at the milestones It should be noticed that the advice which stand by the wayside and tell quoted does not counsel the ignorance | the passing pilgrim how small a portion of a past mistake, but judiciously of his journey is still before him, compared with that which lies behind. For my part, I can behold them without dismay-nay, I hail them as I pass depended upon for all pulmonary with joy. To me such a milestone is every New Year's Day. My looks are all the oftener directed homeward; and my pace quickens. Does it not even wing the feet of the fainting traveler to behold the towers of his native city rising above the mist, and appearing every moment more and more brightly

No doubt we must be sure about the place to which the way is conducting us. He who has found upon earth the city of his affections, and who with every onward step is only advancing toward a mist, may well look upon New Year's Day as a day of sorrow. Well may it be a dark and gloomy day t) the man who, as a poor and humble given the spirit of fear, but of power.

He keeps his homeward path. -Dr. A. Tholuck.

Random Readings.

Devotion, like fire, goeth upward.

God tries, but he also gives strength to stand the test.

D C. Restores the Stomach

the Spirit come all spiritual gifts and for us; whereof we are glad." spiritual power. The fruit of the ing, gentleness, goodness, faith, meek- better than to have a stained soul and lacking here to make a lovely and in these traits that the critical world more than we covet His presence and world, for it has its pleasures in God "To know the Lord." That is a does our view of Jesus as our Saviour less. It is not by searching thou canst

Comparing the fruit of the Spirit

If the hair is falling out and turning give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him ?"

New Year's Day.

Whoe'er has washed his sins and guilt In Jesus' blood away, And to Him cleaves like loving child Still closer day by day.

With spirit undismayed will meet The lowering future's wrath; Though floods may fall and tempests beat.

Discretion in speech is more than eloquence.-Lord Bacon.

To Healthy Action.

God's promises always go beyond our expectations.

"The Lord hath done great things

A pure heart at the end of life and a lowly mission well accomplished are a wrecked destiny .- J. R. Miller.

Small things cease to be small when their effects are mighty.-John Dam-

Life, like the water of the sea, freshens only when it ascends towards heaven .-- Richter.

We can not be sure that we are on the right side, unless we are sure that the Lord is on our side.

The fuel of the divine word and the breath of prayer and praise must feed the flame of devotion.

While you live right nothing goes wrong. A soul at peace with God cannot be greatly disturbed by the and its blessings from God. - Jackson.

bold aim for my infinite soul, and yet my soul will be satisfied with nothing find out God; it is by following him. -Dr. Matheson. The only joy we have on earth is to love God and to know that God loves

us. Oh! when I think that there are some who will die without having tasted even for an hour the happiness of loving God !- Vianney.

O Lord, who art as a shadow of a great rock in a weary land, who beholdest thy weak creatures weary of labor, weary of pleasure, weary of hope deferred, weary of self; in thine abundant compassion and unutterable tenderness, bring us, I pray thee, unto thy rest !- Christina G. Rossetti.

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