### The Coming Man.

A pair of very chubby legs, Encased in scarlet hose : A pair of little chubby bcots, With rather doubtful toes: A little kilt, a little ccat, Cut as a mother can-And lo ! before us stands in state The future's coming man.

His eyes perchance, will read the sters, And search their unknown ways. Perchance the human heart and soul, Will open to their gaze :

Perchance their keen and flashing gland Will be a nations light-Those eyes that now are wistful bent On some big fellow's kite.

Those hands—those little busy hands— So sticky, small and brown, Those hands whose only mission seems To pull all order down-Who knows what hidden strength may b Reserved within their closp, Though now 'tis but a taffy stick, In sturdy hold they grasp.

Ah, blessings on those little hands, Whose work is yet undone! And blessings on those little feet Whose race is yet unian ! And blessings on the little brain Which has not learned to plan! Whate'er the future holds in store, God bless the coming man!

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### ---On the Right Track.

or some pretty cards, and talk to them to do it and he succeeded.

The workhouse was a big brick building where people were placed saw one summer morning, a handchairs or shoes or brooms. Most of with red roses which he had walked these boys had fathers and mothers four miles to bring me, very likely

handsomest lads I have ever seen. His eyes were large and dark, his comhigh, and his whole manner gentlebrightened always as he came, the last one, to bid me good-by. I learn ed from the lady who had charge that his father and mother had died early and that he had been taken into a nice family, and had a good position in a store. He wanted more money than he earned; some of the boys he went with had rich fathers. How should he get it? There were rides to be paid for and cigars.

The proprietor used to send to the post-office for his mail on Sunday, bad example for the young boy under his control. One Sabbath morning when James brought back the mail and sat alone in the office, he opened one letter and that had a bill in it He was somewhat in debt. He had never taken a cent before, but this would not be known, he thought. After a great many doubts and misgivings he put the bill in his pocket and tore up the letter.

In a few days it became known tha such a letter had been sent; the postmaster remembered that he gave lames one with that particular name on the one end of the envelope, and the result was the boy went to the workhouse for a year.

It had been a long weary year. The lood had been poor, the bed hard, the oys about him most of them coarse. and not fond of books as he was, and alas, he was disgraced. One wrong ection had done it. He did not say No to temptation. "Where will you go, James?" I said one Sunday as I was leaving.

"I don't know; nobody would take me, I suppose. I haven't any home. wish I had a mother; may be she would forget me."

"Well, you pray, James, and I will 00, and I'll see if a place can't be

And all that week I went among my est friends. They all said: "We h't dare try a boy who either drinks steals. He can't be trusted."

"But what shall a boy do who is meless, and wants to begin again? any a man steals or cheats and is given. Now do give this boy one al." But they all said : "We must

are a boy who does right."

the next Sabbath. "I prayed for a scheap pamphlet copy of Pope's "Esplace," he said, "and did you get say on Man," and the Bible, from one?"

which was already full.

I asked the Lord to show me a place 'Essay on Man.' for him. When I had almost given up hope a

letter came from a wealthy merchant in a city many miles away, saying "I will try him for your sake, but it's track to get on again."

James was very happy when I told him, and went away to his home among strangers with a gladder heart than he had had for months. The merchant and his family grew very fond of him. He went to church and Sunday school, and the old stain was getting well nigh washed out.

"Hallo, Jim!" said a rough voice one day in the store. Don't you remember me in the old workhouse?" James did remember, but he hoped he would not remain long.

"No place to stay, Jim; out of money and nothing to eat. What's a fellow going to do?"

and his money. The newcomer hung and such others as may have claims on about the store, got James to stay him. In the afternoon he drives out away from Sunday-School to walk and sometimes goes to the races. He I used very often to go out to our with him out into the country, and dines at seven, and this meal, at work-house on Sunday afternoons, finally, for evil gets power over us taking the boys a bushel of red apples | inch by inch, he told James how he | his guests and not to eat, generally had stolen a suit of clothes from the lasts till half-past nine. At ten the about turning over a new leaf and large stock of the merchant, because king, as a rule, goes to the opera, making good men in the world, be- his were shabby, and Mr. T. would where he remains for an hour. At cause a boy can almost always be just never miss them. And by and by he eleven he goes back to his cabinet, what he sets out to be. If he is bound | told him he had taken a few more to get an education he will get it. If articles of clothing, but he must not he is determined to be rich, he usual- tell of him because he was his friend. ly becomes so. If he has made up his | He was going to start a little shop of mind to go to Congress, in seven cases his own. At last James himself asout of ten he will get there. A boy sisted in taking clothes for this new who lived near me had made up his shop. Sin usually is found out. mind to go to college, but he was very James was suspected, the stolen goods poor and used to drive oxen, and were found in his room, and he was plow for a neighbor. He studied sent to the State Prison for two years, Latin with the book before him on a while the one who led him into the sort of framework he had made on the wrong ran away and was never seen plow. His mother washed for a liv- afterward. Prison fare and work ing. By and by he went to college, were trying. I sent him papers and became a noble minister, and I have wrote him occasionally because he had often heard him preach. He willed no mother; but, alas, how hard it was to get on the right track again.

When the two years were over, I who broke the law. It had one part | some boy coming up the walk leading where boys were made to work at to my home with a rosebush covered who were not gentle or lovable. A having only enough money to buy the harsh mother usually nokes a harsh flower and none to pay for his ride. I have never seen him since that June On the front seat was one of the morning, though I have heard that in a Western Territory he has come back to right living. He has plexion as fair as a girl's, his forehead learned by bitter experience what evil associates will do for one, and how if manly. He was perhaps sixteen. He one yields to temptation it is hard to had a sad expression, but his face be trusted again. It is easy to get off the right track; it is very, very hard to get back again .- Congregationalist.

# The Boy Webster.

Obstacles become industry's stepping-stones. Of the hindrances that seemed to hold back Daniel Webster from the education and the place of influence which he desired, the Youth's Companion says;

The childhood of Daniel Webster did not show the man. He was a civing baby and a pale, weak, sickly boy, the slimmest child in the family; but at manhood he had a large, stately frame, massive head and an iron constitution. The change had been effected by working on his father's farm, indulging in outdoor sports, and living a frugal, temperate life.

So robust and large was his body and so impressive was his walk that the coal-heavers of London paused in their work to stare at him as he passed

Sydney Smith liked him to "a steam engine in trousers," adding he is "a living lie, because no man on earth could be as great as he looked.' Carlyle called him "a parliamentary Hercules," whom "one could incline

at sight to back against the world.' Perhaps the greatest physical compliment he ever received was that paid to his mountain of a head. When Thorwaldsen, the Danish sculptor, saw Webster's bust in Power's studio in Rome, he exclaimed: "Oh, a design for Jupiter, 1 see!"

With difficulty he was made to be-American.

popular notion that man is the crea- in boiling water in the proportion of ture of circumstances. He, on the one tablespoonful to each egg. Put contrary, made circumstances his a bit of butter in the pan, let it

after his death, said: rupted, and from his own lips I learn- and then add pepper and salt to taste ed that Webster's struggle for an edu- and roll. Omelettes made in this way cation was from his early childhood are said to be very digestible, as there 368 pages, price one dollar. Mailed, postag to his thirtieth year. Every step in is no hard, soggy layer at the bottom. paid, on receipt of price. Contains a car ful compilation from the American News which he met with a lion's heart, and beating the eggs too much. The with a lion's courage overthrew.

His face brightened as he saw me on There were a copy of Watt's Hymns, is reached injures it.

which he first learned to read, to-How could I tell him no, and he gether with an occasional almanac. without a shelter save my own home, He used to say that at the age of fourteen he could recite the whole of the

" He entered Dartmouth College in 1797, but was desperately poor. A friend sent a recipe while at college for greasing his boots. He wrote back and thanked him very politely. 'But,' hard for a boy who gets off the right he added, 'my boots need other doctoring, for they not only admit water, but even peas and gravel stones."

# A Hard Working King.

A newspaper writer, speaking of the King of Italy, says that Humbert is a tireless worker, and then gives the following as the daily routine of that monarch: "When at Rome," says the writer, "he rises very often before six, and sets to work in his cabinet. At seven he eats a high breakfast, and then until nine he busies himself with his correspondence. This duty accomplished, he makes such calls as the Edited by C. E. BLACK,day's demands require, lunches at So James shared his bed with him one, and later receives his ministers which the king is present to entertain and until one, when he retires, is busy with his afternoon correspondence.

"At Manza, near Milan, where he resides during the summer months, he follows a slightly less arduous routine. At Manza work claims his attention until eleven every morning, when he lunches with his family and a few invited guests. After lunch he entertains his male guests or takes them for a row upon the water. Then he works until the hour of the afternoon drive. Tea is served at five, and after this meal the king talks, smokes and play billiards with his guests. Shortly after midnight the household

This reminds us forcibly of the reply of the small boy, who was ask 1 if he worked hard at anything.

"Yes," he said, "very haid. What with three meals a day, and the games I have to play, I'm just tired out when night comes."-Harpe'r Young

# Too Busy to Pray.

Jesus appears to have devoted himself specially to prayer, at times when his life was unusually full of work and | together. excitement. His was a very busy life; there were nearly always " many coming and going" about him. Sometimes, however, there was such a congestion of thronging objects that he had scarcely time to eat. But even then he found time to pray. Indeed, these appear to have been with him seasons of more prolonged prayer than usual. Thus we read: "So much him, and great multitudes came toof their infirmities; but he withdrew tirely cured me and I can heartily himself into the wilderness and recommend it to all as the best medi

Many in our day know what this congestion of occupation is-they are swept off their feet with their engagements, and can scarcely find time to eat. We make this a reason for not praying. Is there any doubt which is the better course? Many of the wisest have in this respect done as Jesus did. When Luther had a specially busy and exciting day, he allowed himself a longer time than usual for prayer beforehand. A wise man once said he of Wild Strawberry. was too busy to be in a hurry. He meant that if he allowed himself to become hurried he could not do all he had to do. There is nothing like possession. When the dust of business so fills your room that it threatens cleanse it out with comfort and expedition. - Jas. Stalker.

A DELICIOUS OMELETTE. - A delicilieve that it was the head of an ous omelette can be made by beating the eggs until the whites and Webster's early life contradicts the yelks are blended, and then stirring ereatures. One of his friends, writing get piping hot, and then pour Apply to THE HENRY BILL PUBLISH. in the mixture. Shake the pan "His school time was much inter- briskly over the fire while cooking,

## A Twisted Christian.

A gentleman in New York recently said to another: "Is Mr. L. a Chrisian?" He replied: "Well, yes; Godward he is all right, but manward he is just a little twisted." How many really good people lay themselves open to this description! They do not carry out their Christian principles so as to be void of offence. Their life is not lived up to their faith. In small things they dishonor God. In some of their common-life dealings they do not carry out their principles among their fellow-men. We are afraid the "little twist" is more or less seen in us all. Alas! twists of temper, twists of inconsistency, society twists, business twists, home twists! May God set us upright, and give us in our daily life a straight backbone, so that we may walk upright among our fellow-men on our way to heaven !- The Quiver.

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