

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

"Let no man despise thy youth"—I Timothy 4-12

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INCREASE OUR FAITH . . .

Oh for a faith that will not shrink,
Though pressed by every foe;
That will not tremble on the brink
Of any earthly woe:

That will not murmur or complain
Beneath the chastening rod;
But in the hour of grief or pain
Will lean upon its God:

A faith that shines more bright and clear
When tempests rage without;
That when in danger knows no fear,
In darkness feels no doubt.

A faith that keeps the narrow way
Till life's last spark is fled,
And with a pure and heavenly ray
Lights up the dying bed.

Lord, give us such a faith as this,
And then, whate'er may come,
We'll taste, e'en here, the hallowed bliss
Of our eternal home!

—W. H. Bathurst.

THE TREE OF KNOWLEDGE

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The Bible contains 3,566,480 letters, 773,692 words, 31,173 verses, 1,189 chapters, and 66 books. The longest chapter is the 119th Psalm; the shortest and middle chapter is the 117th Psalm. The middle verse is the 8th verse of Psalm 118. The longest name is in Isaiah 8. The word 'and' occurs 46,277 times. The word 'Jehovah' 6,855 times. The 37th chapter of Isaiah and the 19th chapter of II Kings are alike. The longest verse is the 9th of the 8th chapter of Esther; the shortest verse is the 35th verse of the 11th chapter of St. John. In the 21st verse of the 7th chapter of Ezra is the entire alphabet. The finest piece of reading is the 26th chapter of Acts. The name of God is not mentioned in the Book of Esther. The Bible is filled with the wisdom, knowledge, holiness and love of God.

SELF-DENIAL FUND

Miss Phyllis Mullen.....\$ 5.20
Miss Elaine Jensen..... 10.40
Mr. Moses Hillman..... 3.00

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The art of conversation consists as much in listening politely as in talking agreeably.—Atwell.

BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE

"We are building for the future
In the early days of youth;
We have laid a firm foundation
On the cornerstone of Truth.

"Fair and beautiful the vision
Of the building that shall be,
Rising from these low beginnings
Far into Eternity.

"But without the Master Builder
Walls must crumble and decay,
And our building fall in ruins,
Blocking all our heavenly way.

"Teach us, Lord, Thy plan and purpose,
So that we may build aright;
And the house that we are building
May be pleasing in Thy sight.

"Give us grace that we may ever
Seek and follow out Thy plan,
Work not for ourselves, but others,
Building for our fellow man."

Westchester, N. S.

Dear Friends of Crusader Group:

In reply to the request of our leader, we would like to give a report of our Crusaders at Westchester.

We have our services Friday evenings at 7 o'clock, and can always depend on a number of faithful ones with several extras.

We have been taking up various forms of study, such as, the Ten Commandments, great Bible characters, Bible events, etc., and it certainly is wonderful what these young people know of the Bible. We also purchased some "memory help" booklets and in a very short time several of them had memorized the whole book. The attendance is better in summer as most of the children have quite a distance to come. Our average attendance is from 12 to 15 and we have had as high as 32.

Offerings are good. During the past year we have contributed to Myra Crowell's passage fund, painting the parsonage, purchasing hymn books, etc.

A number professed to get saved in our meetings this spring. As a whole we have a fine group and enjoy working with them, and trust that the seed sown will bring forth a good harvest.

Yours in the work,

ZORA M. CANN

"I wish I were a boy again in old camp meeting times,
To hear old-fashioned people sing their hallelujah rhymes,
And see the mourners at the bench, the pilgrims kneeling round,
Awaiting for the Holy Ghost to show the Saviour found."

In the Ogalala Light, published by Indians for Indians, we find a recipe for success which we commend to the white man: "Keep your head cool—your feet warm—your mind busy. Don't worry over trifles. Plan your work ahead and then stick to it—rain or shine. Don't waste sympathy on yourself. If you are a gem, some one will find you."

TRUTH AND FALSEHOOD

Honest people may be and often are deceived. Truth and falsehood sometimes look so much alike that the one may be taken for the other. They are alike in two respects:

1. The more superficial the investigation, the greater their seeming similarity.
2. The more thorough the investigation, the more certainly the true nature of each appears.—Sel.

COMPENSATION

Think a moment. Possibly the ultimate outcome of some bitter trial or disappointment is that you are privileged to go to some friend, clasp his cold hand in your warm, friendly one, and say to him, "I've been through this very thing. I know how you feel, and I want you to know that I know, and that I feel for you at this time." I hold that if a disappointment no matter how bitter, should culminate in that way, you could not feel much ingratitude for the disappointment. Wouldn't that episode serve as more than ample bitterness? It would, if you love your compensation for all the hardship and Master and your brother man.—Selected.

WEDDED VIRTUES

Most virtues, like most human beings must be happily married to be at their best.

Allowed to live alone they so easily lose their loveliness.

Courage is a masculine virtue, strong and stunning: but he is able to be led astray by the courtesan Cruelty, unless he is unfalteringly faithful to his true love, Gentleness.

And Gentleness must be loyal, too; otherwise she may be easily seduced by the wiles of Weakness.

Discipline weds Miss Liberty, and their children, Joy and Peace, rise up to call them blessed.

Patience is often wooed by the ne'er-do-well Apathy; Persistency too frequently flirts with Stubbornness. But Persistency and Patience were made for each other, and if they but wed, they shall live happily ever after.

So Reverence must be won from Superstition, and Wisdom freed from Egotism, that they may wed each other, and from that noble union Humility, Awe, and Wonder may be born to bless the earth.

Most beautiful of all the weddings of the virtues is the ceremony uniting Loyalty and Love. This marriage inevitably is made in heaven, for somehow these twain seem so unpretentiously intimate with God.—Dr. Henry H. Crane.

"One effect of smoking tobacco is to lessen connection between the nerve centers and the outside world. Smoking does have a soothing effect; but it abolishes care and anxiety, not by making the user stronger to meet them, but by making him care less. 'The action of any narcotic is to break down the sense of moral responsibility.'—Sel

Man's inhumanity to man makes countless thousands mourn.—Burns.