

[FOR THE CHRISTIAN VISITOR.]

LINES TO MRS. MARIA TODD.

BY MINNA MAY.

Nay I weep not o'er thy broken flower,
The petting on thy hearth,
The first born prattler thou didst clasp
And seek to bind to earth.
E'en like the petals drooping folds,
Beneath the summer's shower,
Thy lovely blossom drooped and died,
And fled thine earthly bower.

The beautiful shadow sleeps beneath
The lily of the field,
A covering meet for one so pure,
An emblematic shield.
The spirit borne on angel wing,
Up rose with joyous flight,
To clasp upon his baby brow,
A crown of holy light.

Then mourn not for thy parted one,
But wrapped in joy give thanks,
That thou posses'd a treasure here,
Meet gift for holy ranks.
A spirit bird in Paradise,
Who strikes in cadence deep
A newly-strung golden harp,
From which glad music leaps.

A jewel bright deep set in Heaven,
The ting palms he wears,
Caress'd by cherub forms he floats,
Thro' the music laden air.
Then grieve not for thy favoured boy,
At morn or noon or eve,
What more would'st thou or could'st thou
ask,
Than know that he's in Heaven.

The Family.

From the Watchman and Reflector.

THE EARLIER THE EASIER.

There are some who tremble and some who sneer at youthful conversions. Knowing the early impressibility of the young heart, they fear that early religious emotions may prove only as "the morning cloud and the early dew." But a proper rational view of this subject can scarcely fail to convince the most sceptical, that the earlier children are converted after they reach the period of personal accountability, the easier is the work wrought. It is a fatal mistake to reason that when the pleasures of life have been exhausted, when growing age shall have dimmed the senses, when the appetites shall have been palled by satiety, it will be easier to devote the heart to God. All experience and all philosophy deny it.

The religious instruction imparted to the young in this age especially in the Sabbath school makes them early familiar with the fundamental truths of the gospel. The prophecy is becoming fulfilled, "There shall be no more an infant of days, for the child shall die an hundred years old." All the knowledge necessary to conversion may be attained in early youth.

In youth the affections are most ardent. It is peculiarly the season of love. The young are capable of the strongest and most self-sacrificing affection. The strongest appeals of Christianity are made to the affections. The only word which sums up the whole of piety is love. Therefore youth is the best season for commencing a life of piety.

In youth the hopes are most bright. Then the future is adorned with the most brilliant and attractive hues—and Christianity presents the most gorgeous scenes in glowing imagery to the imagination to induce a life of piety.

Faith is most confiding in youth. The young are trusting, ready to believe. Religion demands implicit faith; youth most naturally and easily gives it, and is therefore, the best season for commencing a life of piety.

The mind is most docile in youth. As years advance, men become more and more tenacious of their own views and opinions. Entire submission to the teachings of inspiration is necessary to piety, and this is most easily given in early life.

The habits are most yielding in youth. How important then, when they are forming, they should be directed aright.

Youth is most submissive to authority. It is the season of obedience. The unquestioning obedience which God demands is most easily rendered in early life.

The energies of youth are most active. Young hands for labor. Years deaden the energies. Religion requires the exertion of

all our energies to resist evil and to do good. These are most active and most easily diverted to youth.

The judgment in youth is best fitted to appreciate the claims of piety. The judgment of impenitent age, is prejudiced and blinded and warped by sin. One who has long indulged and loved sin, cannot so easily as one more unpolluted mind, them a correct judgment of the guilt of sin. "Can the Ethiopian change his skin or the leopard his spots? then may ye who have been accustomed to do evil, learn to do well."

DISCONTENT.

Children are apt to murmur and complain when every thing does not go exactly right with them; and against this spirit of discontent we wish to warn you now while you are young, as it grows with your growth and strengthens with your strength; and, if there were no sin in so doing, nothing can be more disagreeable and odious than fretting and complaining.

You sit pouting over your slate, and say "These sums won't come right!" Depend upon it, it is *you* who "won't come right," and not the sums. A little girl is sitting on the floor, crying and fretting because her shoes "won't come on." And indeed hardly a day passes in which we do not see some child distressing itself and its parents for nothing, and merely because it indulges in this fretful, discontented spirit.

Few people have every thing they wish or every thing to suit them, and even these are not the happiest persons. They are happiest who are most content with what they have. People do not always think how great a sin they are committing when they repine at the lot in which God has placed them; but the spirit of discontent is the spirit of rebellion, and the heart is disobedient to God, because it will not submit to what he orders.

Do not let us hear you, then, grumble about the weather, or your food, or your clothing, or about anything you are asked to do; for, in the homely rhyme,

"A cheerful spirit gets on quick;
A grumbler in the mud will stick."

Grumbling never helped any one; and, if you will try, the next time you are asked to do a thing which you usually fret over, to do it without fretting, you will see that your complaining has always been a sad hinderance. "Whatsoever thy hand finds to do, do it with thy might," cheerfully, actively, readily; for a half obedience is no obedience at all; and, above all, do not fret.

We must give you, in closing, some beautiful lines of Trench as an illustration of a contented and discontented spirit:—

"Some murmur when their sky is clear
And wholly bright to view,
If one small speck of dark appear
In their great heaven of blue;
And some with thankful love are filled,
If but one streak of light,
One ray of God's great mercy, gild
The darkness of their night."

In palaces are hearts that ask
In discontent and pride,
Why life is such a dreary task,
And all good things denied;
And hearts in poorest huts admire
How love has in their aid
(Love that not ever seems to tire)
Such rich provision made."

[Child's Friend.]

MODESTY.

There is a resistless charm in modest demeanor, which is worth more than all the arts with which designing women seek to captivate the opposite sex. Meretricious attractions may chance to please to-day; but native excellence, with the simple setting of modesty, will delight tomorrow and next day, and so on without interruption. Moreover, the pleasure which we derive from spurious or shallow charms is almost certainly followed by disgust, when we come to see that we have been cheated. The old paradox about "beauty unadorned" has much truth in it, and is very pointedly and prettily rendered in the following epigram:

"As lamps burn silent with unconscious light,
So modest ease in beauty shines more bright,
Unaiming charms with force resistless fall,
And she who means no mischief does it all!"

The Amiable and gifted Jane Taylor, the last time she took up her pen—it was on the day preceding her death—wrote as follows:—

"Oh, my dear friends, if you knew what thoughts I have now you would see, as I do, that the whole business of life is preparation for death."

How much time is spent in preparing to live!
How little in preparing to die!

One who had lived more than fifty years said, as the hand of death was upon him, "I have all my days been getting ready to live, and now I must die."

The MUSIC GRINDERS, with their hand organs and monkeys in uniform, who frequent our cities and towns, sometimes make an almost ineffaceable impressions, upon the young. An instance of this kind is related of a lady in Connecticut, the past summer, who took her little boy with her to church one Sunday. As soon as the organ commenced its strains, the little fellow started up with delight—being at once reminded of the old hand organ in the streets; he looked back to the gallery, he stretched his neck, he got up on the cushions, and raised himself to his very tallest; his mother remonstrated with him, and told him to sit down—but he refused and continued gazing aloft with straining eyes. "Sit down," said his mother, "I won't," he cried so as to be heard by all around, "I want to see the monkey!"

[Lowell Journal.]

MORE CANDOR THAN COURTESY.—A formal, fashionable visitor thus addressed a little girl. "How are you, my dear?" "Very well, I thank you," she replied. The visitor then added, "Now, my dear, you should ask me how I am." The girl simply and honestly replied, "I don't want to know."

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