

MY OWN-FRESIDE

Oh, may the yearnings fond and sweet,
That bid my thoughts be all of thee,
Thus ever guide my wandering feet
To thy heart-soothing sanctuary!
Whate'er my future years may be,
Let joy or grief my fate betide,
Be still an Eden bright to me,
My own—my own fireside!

Thus I lived in a land of imagination. I considered the common realities of life as stale, and, consequently my mind was unfit for occupation the next day.

"The frequenter of the theatre soon becomes thrown into indecent society, and it follows, as a natural consequence, that the gin palace is as often frequented as the theatre. As one morbid desire soon rouses another, it not unfrequently happens that the stimulant of liquor excites a desire for indecent conversation with the female sex, and hence all the other evils will follow in their train. May the youth that is undisciplined take warning, and never go *inside a theatre* as, if he does, it will inevitably be his fall sooner or later.

"The expense is another item of no small value in connection with the theatre. The first visit so fascinates the youthful mind, as to render him unfit to break the yoke with which he is attached, so that he will make great sacrifices in order to obtain means for the satisfying of his sinful desires, and, in my opinion, in many cases leads to theft.

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'she would not fail' of walking still far- the

The same gentleman wrote: "My onions sold 900 bushels of a first rate article, at forty for seventy-five cents a bushel." "The carrots on the west side of his field were no better, as we could sell, than those on the east side. The value of the crop on the whole acre must have been \$212.50; and the owners of onions brought him, at twenty cents a bushel, \$675, making on the two acres of onions and one of carrots, \$887.50. The cost of cultivating was undoubtedly less than is requisite for small crops; but on hearing his statement, knowing him as we do to be a most reliable man, we think

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