

Poetry.

The Bible.

Study it carefully, Think of it prayerfully, Deep in thy heart let it pure precept dwell!

Accept the glad tidings, The warnings and chidings, Found in this volume of heavenly lore;

With fervent devotion, And thankful emotion, Hear the blest welcome, respond to the call!

May this message of love From the Tribune above To all nations and kindreds be given,

A Sainly Girl in a Garret.

The Rev. Dr. Samuel Manning, Secretary to the Religious Tract Society, London, preached not long ago on "Looking unto Jesus," and he forcibly showed that the aim of the Society, in each of the sixteen millions of tracts issued every year, was to point men to Jesus as the author and finisher of faith.

"Some years ago I stood by the sick bed of a young woman racked by a cruel disease, which was dragging her to her grave. She was lying in a poor chamber, and was dependent upon the charity of the church for her support in her last days.

"At last she came to the hour of death. 'Mary,' said her visitor, 'how is it with you now?' Her reply deserves to be remembered: 'Once thought,' she said, 'that I should rise above my starting-point, that I should get beyond it. I do not think so now, sir. I must leave off where I began—at the feet of Christ.' Then she murmured:

"A guilty, weak, and worthless worm On Thy kind arms I fall; Be Thou my strength and righteousness, My Jesus and my all."

Then her eyes closed in that sleep which men call death, but as I stood there I knew it to be but the awakening into the higher and diviner life. So it is with all of us; we begin with Christ when we begin to live, and we end with Christ when this mortal life is over, for He is the author and the finisher of our faith."

God's Sparrows.

A Christian woman was visiting among the poor in London one cold winter's day. She was trying to open the door of a third story in a wretched-looking house, when she heard a little voice inside say, "Pull the string up high."

"Do you take care of yourself, little ones?" said the woman. "No, ma'am; God takes care of us," replied the elder of the children.

"You have no fire on this cold day. Are you not very cold?" "Oh! when we are very cold we creep under the quilt, and I put my arms round Tommy, and he puts his arms round me, and then we say, 'Now I lay me down to sleep; I'll sing my Maker's praise—and then we get warm,'" said the little girl.

"And what do you have to eat, pray?" asked the visitor. "When granny comes home she brings us something. Granny says we are God's Sparrows, and He has enough for us; and so we say, 'Our Father, and daily bread' every day. God is our Father."

Tears came into the eyes of this good woman. She had sometimes felt afraid that she might be left to starve; but these little "sparrows," perched alone in that cold upper room, taught her a sweet lesson of trust in the power of God which she felt that she could not forget.

Witchcraft in Alaska.

A missionary of the Presbyterian Church, who has been working in the Alaska Territory for the last two years, reports that witchcraft is very prevalent among the Indians. About the time he went among them an old woman at Sitka was accused by a "medicine-man" of bewitching one of his patients whom he had failed to cure.

To escape torture and death she confessed she was a witch, and, according to the custom of the people, was set free in that character. But her own son and daughter had such a superstitious horror of her as a witch, that they murdered her, and then they were themselves put to death by their tribe for the murder. Thus three lives were horribly sacrificed through this wicked superstition.

Prince of Wales' Home.

A writer thus describes the country house of the Prince of Wales at Sandringham, which is a model of comfort:

The large hall which you enter on arriving is fitted up as a dining room, with a pianoforte, easy-chairs, and two large writing tables. Behind the piano are a quantity of toys for the children to amuse themselves with at the "children's hour" after tea.

Here at five o'clock the tea table is placed in the centre of the hall, and is presided over by the Princess in the loveliest of tea-gowns.

It is a pretty sight to see her surrounded by her three little girls, who look like tiny fairies and who run about to put "papa's" letters in the large pillar post-box at one end of the hall. They are generally four or five large dogs to add to the circle.

At Christmas the hall looks like a large bazaar, being then filled with the most costly and beautiful tables, with a large Christmas-tree in the centre and objects all around the sides of the hall full of presents for the household and visitors.

Their royal highnesses arrange these presents all themselves, and no one is permitted to enter till the evening.

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