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Disdain the words to hold,
 Or aught of vengeance take
 On those who with false Arnold,
 Such infamy wrong to make.

Thy self-respect retain,
 Whatever thy foes may do.
 The deed thy conscience should gain,
 The doer, pity true.

Go, be a star my friend;
 Shine holy, high, and calm:
 If vengeance must descend,
 Oh! let the stronger arm

Of Heir who made the sea,
 And the bright stars to shine,
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It is by a succession of determina-
tions by ourselves in regard to ourselves
that life improves us little by little.

Be True to Yourself.

Nothing hurts a man more than to seem small and ignoble in his own eyes. It is the slavish feeling that degrades the slave. A base ambition makes the man that cherishes it base. No one can degrade you but yourself. Slander, satire, falsehood, injustice—these can never rob you of your manhood. Men may lie about you, they may denounce you, they may cherish suspicions manifold, they may make your failings the target of their wit or cruelty—never be alarmed, never swerve an inch from the line your judgment and conscience have marked out for you. They cannot by all their efforts take away your knowledge of yourself, the purity of your motives, the integrity of your character and the generosity of your nature. While those are left, you are, in point of fact, unharmed.

One day you will be pleased with a friend, and the next disappointed in him. It will be so to the end; and you must make up your mind to it, and not quarrel, unless for very grave causes. Your friend, you have found out, is not perfect. Nor are you; and you cannot expect much more than you give. You must look for weakness, foolishness, and vanity in human nature; it is unhappy if you are too sharp in seeing them.

Don't Read this, Boys.

The noble-minded. Our own heart, and not other men's opinions of us, forms our true honor.

Hint to Wives.—Whine at home distills wine abroad.

Days That Are No More
Oh, memories of green and pleasant days;
When happy birds their wood-note sang,
Oh, love that lit the dear familiar face
We buried long ago!
From barren heights their sweetest song
And backward gaze with wistful eye,
As hearts regret, mid snow-drifts of snow,
The summer's sunny skies.
Glad hours that seemed their rainbow,
From some illumined page of fairy lore,
Bright days that never lacked a bright ray,
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"Years dwarf so many of our grandeur,
And dim so many of our lusters."

Years, is this your duty, to dwarf and steal real beauty from our lives? Can you steal God's gifts we so gladly took? You're but playing. Years, you don't, can't do it!

You can turn raven locks to gray, change faces, forms, et cetera, make e'en youth's spirit seem astray, but it's within our hearts.

You can strip trees of leaf, each one of you, and make it seem an endless grief; but spring is true.

Can make souls for the divine, long, as for rest; but grandeur, lusters, all, those souls have blessed.

There's a fresher spring in a better life, where things are plain, without such strife. Years, you'll be there!

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All is not Gold that Glitters.

Appearances are deceitful; remember that and don't get too quickly upon the inferences you draw from them. The person in the shabby coat and hat may be a millionaire; the other, in the latest style of seal-skin overcoat, the clerk who has robbed him.

The handsome women, with the real lace and counterfeit elegance, may be anything but ladies; the plain person, whom you overlook in a crowd, may be a woman of influence and importance.

The most precocious children rarely make great men. A very "solid man" rarely makes a show of his wealth. He who is a great scientist does not publish the fact; nor does a renowned orator feel anxious to "speak his piece" in a parlor sociable.

After a little experience you will know this, and show and flourish will have no effect upon you. Great people, talented people, good people, do not inform you of their fame, their acquirements, or their virtues. Boasters are ever to be doubted, and a flourish of trumpets does not always herald the coming of a king. A good motto to remember, in dealing with men and women, is the time-honored one—"All is not gold that glitters."

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A heart that never forgets
But rare as a rose in December,
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Through sorrow, and change,
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That will cling through good and bad times,
Whose friendship follows us
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"To thine own self be true,
And then it follows, as the night the day,
Thou canst not then be false to any man."

Commit it to memory, girls. It means be true to all the truth within you; to all the little feelers of your being, that are finer, swifter, subtler than thought; to the intuitions that you know are not blunted by either misuse or disuse; to keep them unswerving and fresh, by never disregarding their little teachings; to feel them, to think about them, to profit by them, always; so that you surely may be growing in strength and beauty; and, even though planted among shams, may not be of them. So that you may be living to your highest idea of life; and, girls, let it be a high idea. Don't be dolls, be women. Live and love with your eyes open. Be true to your inmost, you purest, highest selves, when alone, and always, and it follows that you can make no vital mistake. You will have no affinity for the untrue. You will carry with you a subtle power that untruth will not dare invade, though you are beautiful as an angel. It pays to be pure. It pays to be true. Purity and truth go hand in hand. You can't be happy without them, you can't fail of happiness with them.

THE USE OF TEARS.

Be not thy tears too harshly chid,
Repine not at the rising sigh,
Who, if he might, would always bid
The breast be still, the cheek be dry?

How little, of ourselves, we know
Before a grief the heart has felt!
The lessons that we learn of woe
May brace the mind, as well as melt.

The energies too stern for mirth,
The reach of thought, the strength of will,
Mid cloud and tempest have their birth,
Through blight and blast their course fulfil.

Love's perfect triumph never crowned
The hope unchecked by a pang;
The gaudiest wreaths with thorns are bound,
And Sappho wept before she sang.

Tears at each sweet emotion flow;
They wait on Pity's gentle claim,
Upon Ambition's fervid glow,
On Piety's seraphic flame.

'Tis only when it mourns and fears
The loaded spirit feels forgiven;
And through the mist of falling tears
We catch the clearest glimpse of heaven.

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Woe to him who keeps a constant strain,
Upon that fine machinery, the brain,
It will not stand perpetual wear & toil.—
Its wear & tear demands, some drops of oil.

Hot work, but worry makes harbof health.
He who leaves out physical causes in account-
ing for mental & moral states, will usually
come wide of the mark.

It is a morsel of certainty, snatched
from the midst of the uncertainties
of life; it is a sunny moment gleam-
ing out in a cloudy day: & he who has
advanced some way in the higher
age of existence, knows the importance
of husbanding, even, morsels and
moments of enjoyment.

All other swindlers upon earth are nothing
to the self-swindlers, & with such
pretences did I cheat myself.

Inscription in the tomb of Shakspeare.

Good friend, for Jesus' sake, forbear
To dig the dust enclosed here!
Blessed be he that spares these stones,
And curs'd be he that moves my bones.

Sohabed Crane,- would have passed a pleasant life of it, in despite of the devil & all his works, if his hath had not been crossed by a being, that causes more perplexity to mortal man than ghosts, goblins, & the whole race of witches put together, & that was a woman.

If we would achieve success in the great battles of life, we must look back only for incentives to press forward.

What & how great the virtue & the art,
To live on little with a cheerful heart.

He's armed without that's innocent within.

Do good by stealth, & blush to find it fame.

What future bliss He gives thee not to know,
But gives that hope to be thy blessing now,

Order is Heaven's first law, and this comfort,
Some are, and I must be, greater than the rest.

What nothing earthly gives, or can destroy,
The soul's calm sunshine, & the heartfelt joy.

Honor & shame fear no condition rise;
Let well goe past, then all the honor lies.

Gently

She is sleeping,
She has breath'd her last,

Gently

While you are weeping
She to Heaven has passed:

In the cold moist earth, we laid her,
When the frost cast the leaf,
And we wept that one so lovely should
Have a life so brief:

Yet not unmeet it was, that one like

That young friend of ours,
So gentle & so beautiful, should perish
With the flowers. Bryant.

"Never Mind"

"What's the use of always fretting
 At the trials we shall find,
 Ever strewn along our pathway -
 Travel on and never mind."

What is past is past forever;
 Let all fretting be resigned,
 It will never help the matter,-
 Do your best and never mind.

Fate may threaten, clouds may lower,
 Enemies may be combined;
 If your trust in God is steadfast,
We will help you never mind.

"No description of suffering can be imagined by any human mind, which has not been experienced by some human being."

Friendship is a tie stronger than kindred.

"Let me behold my outward self, and look
 Within my spirit as within a book:
 What there is write! Full many a mingled line:-
 Wise, foolish, fair, foul, earthly and divine.
 Some shine out clear; - on some dark ^{fall,} air-blots,
 But the calm eye of mercy readeth all."

There are depths in man
 That go the lengths of lowest Hell, as there are
 Heights that reach highest Heaven; for
 Are not both Heaven and Hell made out
 Of him - made by him, everlasting
 Miracle and mystery that he is:

Carlyle

That which never dies, never grows
 old: 'Tis the heart.

"Eternity! Stupendious thought!
The ever-present, unborn, undecaying,
and dying - the endless chain compass-
ing the life of God - the golden thread
entwining the destinies of the universe.

"Eternity has no gray hairs." -
The flowers fade, the heart withers, man
grows old and dies - the world lies down
in the sepulchre of ages, but time writes
no wrinkles on the brow of Eternity."

"A peace that is based on duty,
The will and the power to think,
Can carry unscathed in beauty
The brave, where the feeble sink.

At need there is help the highest,—
Where the storm is fiercest, there
The courage must still be the highest
To act,—to resist,—to bear."

" 'Tis better to be lowly born,
And range with humble lives in content,
Than to be jerk'd up in a glistening grief,
And wear a golden sorrow."

Live up to the dictates of your own & not to
the dictates of another's conscience.

We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts, not breathes, -
In feelings, not in figures on a dial.
We should count time by heart-throbs. He most lives,
who thinks most; feels the noblest; - acts the best.

Goodness is beauty in its best estate.
Beauty unaccompanied by virtue is
a flower without perfume.

The saddest thing that can befall a soul
Is when it loses faith in God and man.

Lost I those gems.—

Though the world's throne stood empty in my ^{path}
I would go wandering back into my childhood
Searching for them with tears.

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The sweetest, the most clinging effect-
tive is often shaken by the slightest
breath of unkindness, but often
crushed & trampled in the dust, by
the tyranical foot of heartless man.

Offence is often given by act as well as by
word. There are little deeds which some-
times torture a soul almost to madness.

The deepest sorrow that stern fate can bring
In all her catalogue of suffering,
To love, adore, and be beloved again;
To know between you lies a gulf that ever
Your forms, your hopes, your destinies ~~ever~~ ^{ever} apart.

The moist burdens are those that never
meet the eye. The spirit of a man
may sustain his infirmity, but a
weakened spirit who can bear?

There is rapture in strong emotions, that has subdued the strongest; a perilous charm to which the wisest have yielded. What the storm is to our senses — something that raises, appals & lifts up our very being by its sublimity & terror — the strife of the passions is to the soul. They are her elements, from whose conflicts & electric shocks she derives her strength, her greatness, the knowledge that she is. And for this, though they so often blight her fairest hopes, she loves them. It is hard indeed to be ever striving against these rebellious servants — to feel them assunder in the struggle; but sweeter is that bitter contest, than a large, lifeless peace. The danger lies not so much in the chance of final subjection, as in that of learning to love the strife itself. More perilous than the sweetest music is its tumult; more over

endless than are all the delights of the
senses, & far more intoxicating, is its
infinite variety. The cool in her most
blissful repose has nothing ^{to} equal the
luring charm of her delirium.

The former was an old fellow with a wooden leg,
with clothes very much but a cry carelessly patched,
but ~~ashirous~~ poverty, honestly come by, & decently
maintained. His face bore the marks of former
storms, but present fair weather; its furrows had
been worn into an habitual smile, his iron-gray
locks hung about his ears, & he had altogether the
good-humored air of a constitutional philosopher,
who was disposed to take the world as it went.

A Mother's Prayers.

The sweetest sound heard through our earthly home —

The highest ray that gleams from Heaven's dome —

The loveliest flower that e'er from Earth's breast rose —

The purest flame that, quivering, gleams and glows —

We found alone, where kneels a mother mild,
With heart uplifted, praying for her child.

The stream of tears can never cease to flow.
Long as the sun shall shine on us below;
And many angels have been sent by God
To weep the tear-drops wept upon life's road;
But of all tears that flow, the least defiled
Are when a mother prays beside her child.

Because it is to mortal eyes unseen,
Ye call it foolishness, a childish dream,
I'm vain; ye cannot set me of that thought,
over —

That legend, with such heavenly sweetness fraught
That blessed angels have for ages smiled
To see a mother praying for her child.

"And if there be a human tear,
From passion's dross refined and clear,
A tear so limped and so sick,
It would not stain an angel's cheek,
Tis that which pious mothers shed
Upon a dutious daughter's head!"

Leaves have their time to fall,
And flowers to wither at the north wind's breath,
And stars to set; but all,
Thou hast all seasons for thine own, O Death!

O weary hearts! O plumboring eyes!
O drooping souls, whose destinies
Are fraught with fear and pain,
Ye shall be loved again!

No one is so accursed by fate,
No one so utterly desolate,
But some heart, though unknown,
Responsive unto his own.

Responsive — as if, with unseen wings,
An angel touched its quivering strings;
And whispers, in its song,
"Where hast thou been so long?"

Death is the shutting of a flower,
The closing of a mournful hove,
The parting of aortal life,
The hushing of a bounding step,
The dimming of stareye,
The severing of a mystic tie,
The breaking of a brittle thread,
The robbing for a narrow bed,
The bursting of the bonds of sin,
The going out, the entering in,
The ending of a fearful strife,
The dawning of immortal life.

Time has laid his hand
Upon my head gently, not smiting it;
But as a harpist lays his open palm
Upon his harp, to deaden its vibration.

Life merely revolves away from us, but the soul stills shines the same upon another sphere. The faith that invests death with terror is a false one. We pass from one world to another — drop one style of existence for a higher. We enter on a life in which may be realized all which here we have vainly sought for. The soul-longings shall all be fulfilled. Come soon — all of you. I shall be waiting for you. There, and friendship — unsullied & unruffled — without passion or misconception — will give you perpetual happiness.

How sharper than a serpent's tooth it is
To have a thankless child. —

When prayer delights thee heart, then learn
To say, "Soul, now is greatest need that thou
shouldest pray."

Lord, a little tired child
Comes to Thee this day for rest!
Take it - fold it in Thine arms -
Soother its head upon Thy breast.

Much the heart feels over,
Which the lips conceal;
Spirit-converses never
Can the tongue reveal.

Wounds are easy as the wind;
A faithful friend is hard to find.
Shakspere

Let me believe in the Lord-God of Elijah whose providence is entire, ordering the minutest events in human life, and with a father's care arranging it for the greatest possible good. Yes, when storms gather, and my way is dark & drear, with no star to guide, no voice to cheer, my sinking spirit finds refuge in the world-wide sympathies of a Saviour who did not chide Mary for her tears, and cause himself to weep at the grave of his friends.

The footprints of faith are upon the seeming void, but ^{they} fall upon the rock.

Faithfulness is greatness. Who will say that
the modest daisy is not as noble in ^{its} place
as the tallest oak? Nobleness consists in being
what God made & meant us to be, & in doing
what he gives us to do.

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Extract from the Prayer of Agassiz.

So, in life's best hours, we hear
By the spirit's finer ear
His low voice whisper us; thus:
The All-Father heareth us;
Lord his holy ear are pain
With our noisey words and ways.
Not for ~~Him~~, our violence
Storming at the gates of sense,
His the primal language, his.
The eternal silences!

Whittier.

Dancing Parties and Balls. The results of twenty years observation.

There is about the female character a delicate surrounding; - a sort of aureola, its counterparts, in nature, are the fine aroma of choice roses filled with morning dew, and the bloom on the untouched peach, which the slightest handling removes forever; nothing can replace it, and fully two thirds of their attractiveness have gone with it. So I have seen a young girl, fresh & beautiful, enter the society of the ball-room, & she came forth divested of this precious aroma, to the eye that looks for it; to others she seemed the same, yet with a difference undefinable. This was not the end. The change became definite soon. She could not touch pitch, & not be defiled. She could not lose this crowning grace of womanly character, & retain it at

the same time. The promiscuous handling
of the dancer must remove it; - it cannot
fail. There are no exceptions.

The theatre is equally objective.

There have been some superior characters
& superior talent enlisted, in rendering
the stage a most attractive spot to all lover
of historic art, & nobly some of them
have sought to exalt it, & render it a
means of refinement & culture,

Through the natural downward tendency
of human nature, much has crept in
to mar such intent, until now there are
few occasions of this kind during the
progress of which a pure, narrative
young girl, would not blush, even if at-
tended by her father. I hope the time may
come when the ideal theatre may be real-
ized; until then I think no Christian
should sully their name & conscience
by being found within the precincts of a
theatre. I know many feel differently.

and when I hear of their presence, I think there is a want of thought, or a lack of Tenderness of conscience which needs personal attention.

Oh! Rats

Favor.

It is a fortunate thing most of us were born with a tolerable bump of approbationism, else there would have been no society at all.

It is a curious question to ask just how far favor should be sought after. Diverse persons have pronounced it emptiness and vanity, but it occurs very evident that the working of regard lies among the foundations of life. Everyone is seeking in one way or another, the favor of everyone else. And it occurs a noble and beautiful thing.

The most perfect character that ever lived, found favor, we are told, not only with God, but with man also. It is the secret of many of the happiest developments of our own life. In America it seems more necessary to seek favor, than in the countries of Europe, where the conditions of society are more fixed, and each one's place more strictly defined. Our extreme republicanism, that renders everyone the maker of his or her own fortune,

brings this element into large proportion amongst us. There are some who gain favor without effort. They are the flattery among human beings. Approval does not usually come without effort. Those who bend all their energies in this direction are generally successful for a time; the assumed smile and the patronizing voice go a long way with them; adroitness and management win the game that straightforwardness & truth without the smile & the patronage, repeatedly loose. Many a true heart has bitterly felt this unfitness. But however one may scorn the means, one may not less learn a lesson from the thing scorned. It does not do simply to have the heart right, warm and full of kindly feeling, - but some effort must be made to make it known. Favor is not spontaneous, it must be won. It is a pleasant thing to have favor; to feel that one has a place in other's regard;

that someone is glad because one lives, and
is what one is. To have the perfect confidence
of childhood is a happy portion.

Children are not deceived even, by a show of
extreme, affected regard. If we are truthful
ourselves, are love truth, and find it with un-
erring accuracy. Pure and unfeigned love,
shines radiant from our faces, & is the magnet
which, draws true friends to us. Their favor is
won by our loving them. The pure & unfeigned
love of Christ, is the magnet that draws us to Him.
And this is the secret of all the approval in the
world best worth having. To gain the favor of
others in order to make them happier; better
to reach their hearts; to bestow upon them what
is good in us, & to receive ourselves what is
good in them; - this is the only motive mo-
tive of success. No one can move another
unless one be somewhat in favor of that other.
It is walking against tremendous odds to
appeal to others in any way where a pre-
judice exists against me; - but so long as

the world remains as it is, so long aught our action to conform to its requirements; and society has declared that the way to success, in the very present purpose, is through the favor of those whom success serves.

But first, & above all things else, let us humbly, and, sincerely, seek our "Heavenly Father's" favor & approval, in all things; & then trust him for the results, for He has promised us, that he will see, that we have all the approval we need.

Love is a talent - Love is man's foolishness and God's wisdom.

Hugo

The soul is the only bird, that sustains its cage. Man's body is at once his burden & his temptation, he drags it along & yields to it.

We are never done with conscience; Choose your course by it, Babbos; choose your course by it, Cato. It is bottomless, being God.

Patriotism of justice & goodness do not belong to vulgar motives. An awakening of conscience is greatness of soul.

Commotion, & fury, & clamor belong only to undisciplined character. Who ever heard of the General of an army becoming panic-stricken and demoralized?

He leaves that to the common soldiers.

The more a man denies himself the more
he shall obtain from God. — Horace.

Les Misérables, Hugo.

This book from one end to the other is the deepest analysis of the human heart of anything that I have ever read.

It is a march from evil to good, from infamy to justice, from the false to the true, from night to day, from appetite to conscience, from rottenness to life, from brutality to duty, from Hell to Heaven, from nothingness to God.

Starting point: motten; goal; the God. Hydropia at the beginning, Angel at the end.

Jean Valjean tried harder to resolve all the evil in his nature into love, & succeeded better than any other character in history. The good Bishop M. Myriel did not ask Valjean's name only if he had an affliction, he said he knew his name before asking — it was — my brother. Jobblinze.

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Say - & perhaps thou mayst not err,
To sound the depths of ocean eaux,
Where long - long - and late, the marine
Impels his bark o'er unknown waves;
But think not with thine utmost art,
So fathom all thy brother's heart:
There is an evil, & a good,
In every soul, unknown to thee -
A darker, or a brighter mood,
Than ought thine eye can ever see.
Words, actions, faintly mask the whole,
That lies within a human soul.
Perhaps thy sterner mind condemns
Some brother mind, that seasons less,
The tide of woes slowly stems,
In pain, in love - in weariness.
Thou call'st him weak; - he may be so;
What made him weak, thou canst not know.

Perhaps their spirits calm repose,
 Our evil dream hath come to spout, +
 A firm, resistless front it shows,
 Amid the passions fiercest-boil!
 'Tis well - enjoy & bless thy lot,
 Still pitying him who shares it not.
 The pure, the holy - their prechance,
 About thy path have still been seen;
 Nor could the feet a step advance,
 But thou their pious aid hath been:
 Oh, happy is that better state!
 Yet pray for hearts more desolate.

There is a power
 Unseen, that rules the illimitable world;
 That guides its motions, from the brightest star
 To the least dust of this air-taunting world.

How noble is that mind that,
Penderends without haughtiness,
Communiets without arrogance, and is,
Familiar without coarseness.

Oh! for the union of soul & sympathy, that
is so essential to happy domestic life,
and the mental food that is only found
in being associated with a strong in-
tellectual man. People who snarl, throw
about themselves a lord, that may
prove a pleasant girding of strength,
or a chain whose poisoned links, wear
& eat the life and there is no agony like it.

There is a certain untroubled serenity
in truth & justice, — There is a felt & native
dignity in honor, — there is a quiet &
secure resting-place in gentleness &
humility, — there is we shall not say a
proud, but at least a triumphant com-
placency in all the virtues of self-command,
there is a cheerfulness to the spirit in the
temperance of the body, — there is in purity
such a peace as well ^{as} transparent beauty
& loveliness, that it is like breathing in the
third heavens, instead of this world's
gross & troubled atmosphere,
when under the guardianship of strictest
delicacy, the heart becomes that hallowed
abode, in which no wrong or tainted
imagination is permitted to dwell.

Prayer is the best prescription for a -
"Wounded spirit."

Pleasure is to a woman what the sun is to
the flower: If moderately enjoyed, it beautifies,
it refreshes, it improves; if immoderately,
it withers, deteriorates, and destroys.

"Prachery", says that if you wish to make
an Englishman respect you, you
must treat him with insolence.
Their characteristic is "selfishness".

It seems that life is all a snarl,
On selfish thoughts alone employed;
That length of days is not a good
unless their use be understood.

Life! dost thou not know,
 that life can only be abated by those evil
 deeds forbidden by the great master of life?
 The ~~wit~~ ^{image} of the Great-Spirit has surely
 vanished from thy degraded soul, or thou
 wouldest know that man cannot touch life!
 Life is wrought but the image of the Great-
 Spirit - and he hath most of it, who sends
 it back again true and unbroken, like the
 perfect image of the clear heavens, in the
 still lake.

Words are wind, and feelings are
 only natural swellings of the heart,
 but acts are living things, like
 facts they are stubborn and ever-
 lasting, and good deeds are foot-
 steps in the ladder which leads
 to heaven.

If you love knowledge, you need never be lonely.

The Enemy leaves a shining mark.

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O beautiful dove;
Naught can bind thee,
If thou were not love:
Thou wouldst not be free,

Said Lamartine, "To put up with the
world humbly, is more beautiful than
to control it."

Said the "Glorious One." "Him that over-
cometh, will I give to sit down ^{with} me upon
My Throne".

—We can have true tranquility of spirit,
whether in work or retirement, only through
a heart that looks trustfully to God as a recon-
ciled friend.

X "Love" +

Love is no trifling thing; it is one of the strongest feelings of man's noblest nature & being. Is it a wonder that it comes as a golden "Aurora with morning dew upon her locks resplendent with promise of sunlit day"? To the heart it makes all things new. It is a proton, at times, assuming all shapes, but has ^{one} only object. "It comes like a fierce tyrant or a weak Lamb." It is playful, yet full of earnest will. It is the substance of life's romance. It is life itself. Without it life would be dull indeed. It stirs up many an embittered strife & also quiets the raging heart. It has sweetened many bitter cups of agony. It throws its light over the earth like a Christian halo. It is the soprano of nature, & its trembling symphonies wake the echo of unknown pleasures in the throbbing heart. It chants in the festive hall, and plays the requiem over the anaides lonely & quiet resting place. Oh, Love, thou art wild & terrible. Thou rulest in calm & in storm. Thou art everywhere - in the lordly palace & in the lonely cottage. Thou art amid the din of battle, & weeping over

the loved & lost of earth. Thou canst make us angels
of light or fiends of hell.

There is an aching loneliness in many a
brother's heart which one love might soothify —

Discretion is the perfection of reason.

Man's greatest wisdom is to know his failings.

Ignorance is always pleased with its-self.

Deceit discovers a little mind.

Mistrust is the mother of safety.

Compassion.

Compassion is an emotion of which we ought never to be ashamed. Graceful, particularly in youth is the tear of sympathy and the heart that melts at the tale of woe. We should not permit ease and indulgence to contract our affections and wrap us up in a selfish enjoyment, but we should accustom ourselves to think of the distress of human life, of the solitary cottage, the dying parent, and weeping orphan!

Trifles light as air,
Are, to the jealous, confirmations strong
As proofs of holy wit.

Never forget a kindness.

"Love is the law of nature." All things
brighten and you are beautified through it.
What should we do without the great infinite
love that wraps us round like a mantle, that
takes us from earth to Heaven, or even mere
earthly love?

Love is a great mystery.
It is easy to remember the time of
its discovery, but wise indeed, are
they who can tell the hour & moment
of its birth.

Love is no agent of decay; it is the world's
disinfectant and preserver.

He that will not be counseled cannot be helped.

Reality never tries to shine.

Surf through some certain strainers well,
^{refined} & gentle love, and charms all woman-kind,

"Kindred Spirits."

Drops from the ocean of eternity,
 Rays from the centre of unfaulning light;
 Shines that human eye can never see,
 Are Spirits, — yet they dwell near human sight,
 But as the shattered magnets fragments still,
 Through far apart, will to each other turn,
 So, in the heart imprisoned, spirits will
 To meet their fellow spirits vainly burn; —
 And yet not vainly! If the drops shall pass
 Through drops of human sorrow undefiled,—
 If the eternal ray that heavenly was,
 To no false earthly fire be reconciled;
 The drops shall singe with its native main,
 The ray shall meet its kindred says again.

Who noble ends by noble means obtains,
 Or, failing, smiles in exiles or in chains,
 Like good Cæsarius let him sigh, or bleed,
 Like Socrates, that man is great indeed.

God has to train strong, cratic souls in a hard school; because they will not learn in no other. They may be led by love - but they are often disciplined by sorrow; and it is only - through that love & sorrow, that reconciled so - the above & below.

No treasures nor pleasures
Can make us happy long:

Physicians can hardly help acquiring a knowledge of human nature. There come to us when suffering has left ajar the doors of our hearts - our real life. When our strict & visiting costume are laid aside, and we appear ourselves.

Life's Balm.

"God over all!" Now the tired heart falls back upon this, like a babe on its mother's breast. No rebuff there! ah! were we not so childishly impatient, were we willing to ^{wait} His time, instead of demanding our own imperative now? Could we sleep sweetly & trust Him for the waking. Be the sky light or cloudy, could we only trust. Ah! many a hard lesson must we learn, many a rebellious tear choke down, making a despairing "why hast thou forsaken me" stile, ere we can learn that sweet, tranquil lesson - "God over all".

Human life is all disciplinary. if we could read it right.

"Love is a great mysterious power.
Many waters cannot quench it;" yet
this mysterious power, can be subdued
in the heart of a Christian: Its gushing
waters can be restrained - pent up.

It is Jesus light that shows us in hours of
heath searching, the hidden cancer of
selfish purpose.

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There are no sorrows which tear the soul like the inner, secret sorrows of the heart, but when one is capable of feeling them, what is the shield of life which can shelter one from them?

The graves of the heart are far deeper & colder than Mother Earth.— our dead we bury in hope, but for love, severed, grieved, & uninterpreted — for that there is no resurrection.

"Of lover's memory"

They call her beautiful, it may be so:
 All that I know is, that when she leaves me ^{dreams}
 Rise up, & visions of some glory passed,
 Encompasses me; & I remember soon,
 How planet-struck I was when she was by;
 Although I then said nothing.

Poor moon-struck fellow

I ever you have had a romantic or unromantic,
a calculating or uncalculating friend-
ship, - a boundless worship & belief in
some hero or heroine of your soul, - if ever
you have so loved, that all the cold prudence,
all selfish worldly considerations, have
given down like ditt-wood before a river,
flooded with new rain from Heaven, so
that you almost & even forgot yourself &
were ready to cast your whole being into the
chasm of distance, as an offering before the
feet of another & all for nothing, - if you
awoke bitterly, to find after pleasure gone,
still give thanks to God, that you have had
one glimpse of Heaven. Rejoice that the no-
blest capability of your eternal inheritance
has been made known to you. Treasures it
as the highest honor of your being, that ever
you could so feel, - that so divine a guest,
as love, ever possessed your soul.
The door now shut will open again, if not
on earth, treasure up the Heavenly germ

of the lost love, refresh it daily with the many beautiful remembrances & when at last the Heavenly-gates shall be left ajar, the two spiritual germs will unite into one beautiful angelic form for ever and ever.

"What to live for."

Live for those that love you,
For those that know you true,
For the Heaven that smiles above you,
And awaits your coming too.

For the wrongs that need resistance,
For the good that needs assistance,
For the future in the distance,
And the good that you can do.

Forgiveness is the perfume which the flower sends forth, to bless the foot that crushes it.

Go bury thy sorrow,
The world hath its share;
Go bury it deeply,
Go hide it with care,
Go think of it calmly,
When curtain'd by night,
Go tell it to Jesus,
Then all will be right.

Go tell it to Jesus,
He knoweth thy grief;
Go tell it to Jesus,
We'll send the relief,
Go gather the sunshine,
He sheds on the way;
We'll lighten thy burden,
Go, weary ones, pray.

Hearts growing a-weary,
With heavier woe,
How droop' mid the darkness,
Go comfort them, go!

Go bury thy sorrow,
 Let others be blest,
 Go give them the sunshine,
 Tell Jesus the rest.

Bliss

There is purpose in pain,
 Otherwise it were devilish. I trust in my soul
 That the great Master hand, which sweeps over
 The whole —
 Of this deep harp of life, if at moments it stretch
 To shrill tension, some one wailing voice, means
 to fetch —
 Its response the truest, most stringent & smart
 Its pathos the purest, from out the wrung heart,
 Those faculties placid, it may be, if less
 Sharply strung, Sharply smitten, had failed
 Just the one note the great final harmony needs.

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Love is a great stimulant, the most intoxicating of all, & is a miracle itself... But love is not a trifle. It is the one great necessity of the human heart - as necessary to its fullness and content as food is to that of the body. There is only one stimulant that never fails, & yet never intoxicates - duty.

God has never made us hungry when he had no food to give us.

Our love for high and holy friends draws us up to their nobility.

We should always grace our ambition ^{with} humility.

Society tends to turn down luxuriantly sprouting self-conceit, so that it shall not by its rankness, choke the ^{better} productions of our hearts.

Rebulous pride is the most sinful & most common attendant upon our earthly distress. It is the maintaining & magnifying our own claims & rights to the sacrifice of others. Its opposite is meekness of spirit which feels our own unworthiness & patiently endures reproof, & commits itself to God. This pride is very different from dignified self-respect. That is guarding of our character & soul from real degradation of sin. Pride will submit to any secret or common to avoid outward exposure to the contempt of others. Self-respect will do no wrong, however secret, because God whom we love & fear always sees.

It is precious seed that is trodden into our hearts by the foot of pain - and the garnering of after years is blessed, but how can we know this when the anguish is upon us.

Suggestions by - Bishop Andrews.

What right has anyone to be "to serious a companion!"

Culture.

Partial culture runs to the ornate; -
extreme culture to simplicity.

Mankind.

The question is not in how many facts
a man knows, but how much of a
fact he is himself:

Character worth.

We should accept our friends upon a
general estimate. Particulars in
character & conduct should be
overlooked.

Continued
Nature & Art.

The art of being interesting is largely the art of being real; of being without art.

Sights.

In seasons when our energies flag & our ambition fails us, a rebuff is a blessing, by rousing us from inaction, & stirring us to a more vigorous effort to make good our pretensions.

+ "Mean Men".

If a man is mean by nature, & he attempts to disguise the smallness of his soul, he only adds to his contemptible trait of meanness, the still more despicable vice of hypocrisy & presenting to us a fine illustration of the vast capabilities of nature.

The life of action is nobler than the life of thought.

A woman is self governed when she keeps within the sphere marked out by the ineluctable decrees of nature. It is not self government at the ballot-box which renders the race the masterpiece of the Divine hand, but self government in the domestic circle. That woman may be said to enjoy this privilege, when in the language of Pope, she is—"Mistress of herself tho' chima
fall, Who never answers till a husband calls,
And tho' she rules him, over shadows she rules."

Great minds are charitable to their bittest enemies and can sympathise with the feelings of their fellow creatures. It is only the narrow minded who make no allowance for the faults of others.

—The world has had enough of charities.
It wants respect and consideration.—C. D.

The experience of a dear friend.
 My youth had been calm as an ice-bound sea, over which sweeps breezes sweet through chill, but that knows neither the storm nor the sunshine of the ardent south. And now the storm had suddenly wakened, & from northern winter, I flamed to the glowing tropics. I thought not of love or passion, of bliss or torment; I felt like one seized by foaming rapids, & such a bound human hen, with the sound of the rushing torrent ever in my ears. I calmed to a force that would not be resisted.

"Let it" I thought, my heart beating with fearless delight; "I care not whether it sends me; let the cold ice cast me adrift, or bear me safely on — I care not — this is to lose."

—There is a foolish corner even in the brain
of the sage.—Aristotle.

Woman's Character.

Illustrious Compliments to Woman.

There are but two fine things in the world," says Malherbe, "woman and roses." Dressing exclaims, "Woman is the masterpiece of the universe." Bourdon says, "The pearl is the image of purity, but woman is purer than the pearl." Thackeray writes, "A good woman is the loveliest flower that blooms under heaven." Balzac says, "Even the errors of woman spring from her faith in the good." Voltaire declares, "All the reasoning of men are not worth one sentiment of woman." Lamartine asserts that "woman have more heart and imagination than men." Otway exclaims, "O woman! lovely woman; nature made thee to temper man, we had been brutes without you." To which Mark Twain adds, "But for you we should be nothing, for we should not be here". —*Scrap Book*.

When are they Prettiest?

A wife looks prettier, if she did but know it, in her neat morning dress of calico, than in an incongruous pile of finery, which she dignifies with the title of full dress. Many an unmarried female first wins the heart of her future husband in some simple, unpretended attire, if consulted about which, she would pronounce too cheap except for ordinary wear, but which by accident is suitable to her figure, face and carriage, idealize her youth wonderfully. If the sex would study taste in dress more, and care less for costliness, they would have no reason to regret it. A foolish and silly man is not worth marrying, and a sensible man will surely judge you advantageously in exact ratio to the plainness and simplicity of your dress.

WORLD'S END.
Brother even, she has been so lifted and shielded. But, if a man's honor be gone, it makes a stronger love in woman to put her back on the broken, rotten weak.

In these days, when there is too much of a disposition on the part of young men to speak, perhaps heedlessly, in a light way of ladies, especially young ladies, the following criticism is opportune: Never make assertions about a lady that you think to be untrue, or allusions that she herself would blush to hear. When you meet with men who do not scruple to use a woman's name in a reckless manner, shun them; they are the very worst members of the community; men lost to every sense of honor, every feeling of humanity. Many a good and worthy woman's character has been forever ruined and her heart broken by a lie, manufactured by some villain and repeated when it should not have been, and in presence of those whose little judgment could not deter them from circulating the foul and bragging report. A slander is soon propagated, and the smallest thing derogatory of a woman's character will fly on the wings of the wind and magnify as it circulates, until its monstrous weight crushes the poor unconscious victim. Respect the name of woman. Your mothers and sisters are women, and as you would have their fair name untarnished and their lives unembittered by the slanderous bitter tongue, heed the ill your own words may bring upon the mother, the sister or the wife of some fellow creature.

TRUE LOVE NEVER KEEPS MEMORY
Ambition's cold, bare heights, when we
know that the wings of Peace,

About a Mother.

How touching is this tribute of Hon. Thos. H. Benton to his mother's influence: "My mother asked me never to use tobacco; I have never touched it from that time to the present day. She asked me never to gamble; and I never gambled; I cannot tell who is losing in games that are being played. She admonished me, too, against hard drinking; and whatever capacity for endurance I have at present, and whatever usefulness I have, I attribute to having complied with her pious and correct wishes. When I was seven years of age, she asked me not to drink and then I made resolution of total abstinence; and ~~then~~ I have adhered to it through all times, and what I may owe to my mother."

Even to the world ~~now~~ it is more valuable
to and to the close
fortune to be rich
that an ostrich could
live and fade about
up their children
clover and worn out
and concealed cells
he said it to

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(in business a long way back to health & active life! It would be shorter & brighter the other way.)

Difficulties are meant to throw to us Divine assistance. Man's extremity is God's opportunity. Only let us stick up to the difficulty; God will then, not before, either help us through or make a way for our escape.

AMBITION'S cold, bare heights, when we know that the wings of Peace, full of blessing, hover over the convenient places of the Valley, where the streams run with music, and the castle stand in fragrant fields, in the dream-hush of Autumn's morniness and beauty!

It is strange that much of the sin and crime is done under the stars, that seem to look down like the tender eyes of a mother. It is to be wondered at that sometimes these shining eyes are turned away and hidden by the clouds, as a woman hides her face with her veil from beholding unclean things?

It seems as if life might be made true and perfect if, from the infinite expressions of love around us, we could find the guiding hand of truth, and believe by the impress that God, in a thousand forms is reaching out to our blind and yearning needs.

Everything in Nature is a voice of God calling to our souls. Every stirring leaf is the beckoning of a loving hand; every morsel of a day, a book of wisdom.

As the world stands, a strong man may take a stronger lover in woman, to put her soul's wealth on the broken, rotten wreck, when there are strong, true ships ready to sail to the other side.

The angels are beautiful because they are good; and there is no true enduring beauty that is not the sunning of goodness through the soul's face and form.

Mary a man whose years have been dull, Christ called the poor, weakly despaired fishermen to do His work, when the world, perhaps low and craggy, when love comes to him, feels great noble impulses springing in his soul until his life is true and beautiful. How many know the gnawing discontent waiting, means waiting—not hesitating moment, then going away.

He who sees the fresh gladness of Nature, and lets the greenness of her joy come into his heart, cannot wish for or believe in death; for the withering of a blossom but a step toward the glory of a flower.

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Interest on deposits received from 6 counts to \$6,000 dollars.
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is the most elusive
of all mammals.

calling to our souls, "Wait, wait, while we make ready;—while we lay aside beckoning of a loving hand;—every minute of a day;—a book of wisdom, As the world stands, a strong man may raise up a woman, whatever be her name or fateful past, and stand between her and the world's cry. From the Prison and the Brothel even, she has been so lifted and aided. But, if a man's honor be gone, it takes a stronger love in woman to put her soul's wealth on the broken, rotten wreck, when there are strong, true ships ready to sail to the other side.

The angels are beautiful because they are good; and there is no true, enduring beauty through that is not the shining of goodness through the soul's face and form.

Many a man whose years have been dull, perhaps low and evil; when love comes to him, feels great, noble impulses springing in his soul, until his life is true and beautiful. Waiting means waiting,—not hesitating a moment, then going away. Christ called the poor, weakly despaired fishermen to do His work, when the world's life hung trembling in the balance, and the great and strong stood on every side.

How many know little gnawing discontent of souls that are like unknown goms in a dull setting of lead, passed by as worthless, and left to be soiled and hidden in the gadding-hope of life?

He who sees the fresh gladness of Nature, and lets the greenness of her joy come into his heart, cannot wish for, or believe in death; for the withering of a blossom is but a step toward the glory of the fruit-

Temper Read.

No trait of character is more valuable than the possession of a good temper. None can never be made happy without it. It is like flowers that spring up in our pathway deriving and cheering us. Kind words and looks are the outward demonstrations. Patience and forbearance are the sentinels within. Strive to acquire and retain a sweet temper. It is more valuable than gold - it captivates more than beauty and to the close of life it retains its freshness and beauty.

The reason why we have so many crosses, trials, wrongs & pains, is evident. We have not one to many for the successful culture of our faith. This if we can learn it, is the most difficult & the most distinctively Christian of all attainments.

Read this,

When the Sun Goes Down.

When the sun goes down, and the shadows creep,
You'll stand at the window and watch and weep,
And sigh with longing that is all in vain,
To see the well-beloved face again.

Never again while earth shall stand,
Will you feel the clasp of his strong young hand;
Never again on your listening ear
Will sound the voice you valued so dear.

Never, no never, 'tis bitterly true,
He will never come in this world to you;
For the grave has hidden the casket fair,
And the soul—his soul,—it is not there.

The shadows shall darken, the quiet grow deep,
And in the twilight you'll sit and weep,
And your heart shall ache with its bitter grief,
And burning tear-drops bring little relief.

List! here is a balm that has soothed my pain,
And stanched my tears when they fell like rain,
That strengthened my heart and brightened my way,—
'Tis the sweet assurance we'll meet some day.

When the life day ends, and the life work's done,
There will be a meeting before the Throne,
Whose joy and gladness shall far out-weigh
The burden of sorrow I have to-day.

So when the shadows of evening grow deep,
And you sit in the quiet, and think and weep,
Let this sweet thought in your bosom dwell—
He's safe with Jesus and all is well.

Written for Merton's Mother, by Georgina Cook.

Good bye, ah yes, but not forever,
We'll meet where the angels dwell,
Where songs of joy rise up forever,
And no one ever shall say farewell.

In Memory
OF
Merton H. Marsh,

Who died October 13, 1895. Aged 18 yrs., 5 mo.
At Emergency Hospital, Evanston, Illinois.

No sleep so sweet, so free from care,
So free from trace of pain;
No more to wake, this earth to roam,
Or sail the sea or main.

The voice that once had gladdened us,
Is silent now and still;
Amongst our friends a vacant place,
Which no one else can fill.

Our hearts were sad as we beheld
The form of one we love;
But ah, his soul has fled away,
And is at home, above.

It made us think of by-gone days,
A few short months before;
How little then we ever thought,
On earth we'd meet no more.

Those days of yore, as dearest friends,
We worked from day to day,
In sowing seed of Gospel truth
Along the sinner's way.

But as the all-wise hand of God
Had parted us below,
We humbly say, "Thy will be done,
Thou doest well, we know."

Some loving friends who prized the one
Who now had passed away,
Had brought some roses, half in bloom,
Arranged in bright array.

An emblem true, of blooming youth,
All clothed in beauty rare;
As God seen fit to pluck this one
For his bouquet 'up there.'

In Rose Hill chapel, there we heard,
The sermon preached that day;
From there we went out to the grave
Where Merton's body lay.

And there upon that lonely spot,
The loving form was laid;
Just close beside, a little grove
Affording pleasant shade.

A little mound now marks the spot,
Of this our loving friend;
O may we live that we may meet
When time on earth shall end.

—Wm A. Bixler.

Grand Junction, Mich., Nov. 23, 1895.

"What is Charity?"

We can hardly define it intelligibly, because it belongs to our emotional nature; to our feelings & yet is to be controlled by our intellect! It is perhaps the noblest dervivation of which we are capable: yet how difficult it is to teach what it ought to be! Charity is the spirit of forgiveness, by which we overlook or annihilate defects in others, even when these cause us trouble or pain. Charity is also the willingness, & unselfishness, which makes us ready to assist each other in moments of need. Charity is also the entire forgetting of all deeds rendered at such moments & also the willingness to accept such deeds when needed. Charity is besides an intellectual faculty requiring an almost imperceptible discretion in its exercise towards those who in education or in natural gifts stand below us!

Therefore Charity would imply these many qualities. Consideration of the position & condition of others, patience with the intellectual deficiencies of others, kindness in case of need, sympathy, but also that reserve which never becomes meddling, inquisitive, prying into the secret matters of others, & this applies not only to our

friends, but to all with whom we come in contact, — & this is gross virtuous or vicious - completely out of our dependent upon us. Sympathy with others at least blessedly when they are in sorrow & misfortune, but involves in few cases heart, that to the base of the spine here, there is still no such thing as sympathy. It is a strong conscience! You have a sense not now of antagonistic traits. Conscience as a bulwark against passions, passions against opposition, forbids forward movement.