

Family Circle.

For the American Presbyterian. STAND UP FOR JESUS. The following lines were written by a Sabbath School scholar...

Stand up for Jesus—send the word To earth's remotest bound, Till all the nations of the world Are joyful in the sound.

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The falling health of her mother rendering it necessary that, from that time, other hands than those most gentle ones should minister to the wants of Alice, a pleasant home had been provided for her mother in the family of a near relative...

Nurse, Katie, and Maggie were already preparing tea, and I was just beginning to think that Alice was taking a great white to come, when I heard the sweet tones of her voice just outside the door...

The winsome helplessness of the child, her happy, rounded face, in strong contrast to the sorrow expressed by the little mourning dress; the deep thought and quiet firm resolution shown in the compressed lips of my dear grandpa...

Dear little readers—this is but a little sketch of those who have loved and been loved by the sweetest son on earth! Should you at some future day care to take another peep at our "bird's nest," and see how much the nestlings enjoy the balmy breeze of the summer time...

THE RAINY DAY. The bright blue sky was obscured by clouds of a dark, heavy, leaden hue. The northeast wind blew chill and disagreeable, and the rain was falling in torrents...

"Yes, but I don't think it is right," interrupted Alice. "I can't help but hate it when the pretty, bright sun shines nice and warm, and I run about in the garden and in the field, and never get tired. I can chase the butterflies, play with my lamb, and gather flowers, and O so many things I love to do..."

"Now listen to what I say, disoriented little Sophie, and then see if a rainy day was not ordained for a good purpose by the All-wise Creator and Upholder of the universe. You love to see the sun shine, and you love to see the birds sing, and you love to see the flowers bloom...

and it is finding fault with God's actions to complain at every turn of a man's life. One industrious man is so anxious to learn that he devours what is set before him without reflection, and has never made his own what he has read...

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A CAPITAL TRICK THAT ENDED WELL. Here is a good story which we have just heard. A young man (a brother to "Sly Boots" perhaps, for like her he enjoyed a good joke), was studying in college. One afternoon he walked out with one of his instructors to the office of a lawyer...

Miscellaneous. Mr. Smith, the biographer of George Stephenson, has written a book called Self-Help, in which he has collected a wonderful number of stories showing how men got on in the world. The literary merit of the work is very great, and authors have so successfully surmounted the difficulty of writing in a plain, simple, and interesting style...

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at any rate, the least to be spared—the citizens of an old state. The men who are content to stand the prizes of life so that they keep up the standard of cultivation to the highest point—who never bow to the mob, who sacrifice their fortunes if truth requires it, who dare not only to think on high subjects, but to proclaim what they think, who try to arrive at definite conclusions on the weightiest matters of life, and to discontinue the vague idiosyncrasies of thought that so often take the place of definite conclusions—are the greatest benefactors of mankind. We reserve our reverence for such men, and derive from their conduct indirect hints for life which shape our conduct in our best moments. They enable the struggling lot of humanity, and if they have no adequate reward in this life, they have one approximately adequate in the quality of the minds over which they exercise influence, and in the depth of the influence they exercise.

THE OLDEST PAINTING IN THE WORLD. When Napoleon asked a painter for what he was painting, he replied: "For immortality, sire!" "But how long will a painting last?" inquired the Emperor. "Three or four hundred years, if preserved with care, and with accidents happy," said the painter. "And that is what you call immortality," said the Emperor, bitterly. "We were reminded of this the other day on seeing the statement that the oldest painting in the world is a Madonna and child, painted A. D. 866. The oldest in England is said to be the portrait of Charley in a panel in the early part of the fourteenth century. Such is the immortality of the artist. How insignificant, when compared with that which awaits the Christian!

HOW TO GROW PEACHES EVERY YEAR. The following, by a correspondent of the Ohio Cultivator, is worth a trial by all lovers of delicious fruit: It is a fact, which is proved by the willow plum stock. The tree partakes of the nature of the plum, being hardy, and will never winter-killed, and putting out late in the spring, will never be injured by the frosts, and it is a certain preventive against the workings of the peach grub, while the natural lifetime of the tree is beyond that of our own; so you may depend upon peaches every year, and for a long period of time, without the destructive and discouraging influences attending the growth of the common peach. They can be obtained from fifty to seventy-five cents per tree, and you had better pay five times the amount than not to obtain them, to be certain of peaches every year. Try it, and our word for it, you will be satisfied with the result."

THE BIBLE AND THE NATIONS.—There are 2,500 different languages and dialects spoken by mankind. The Bible, up to this time, has been translated into 150 only. When shall all men read in their own tongue, of the wonderful works of God?

THE ITALIANS.—E. G. Delavan, writing to the Baltimore Atlas, under date of January 10, speaking of the affairs of Italy, says:—"As far as my observation has enabled me to form an opinion, the Italians are an industrious and quiet people, and one of the best governed in the world. It is each principal produces the same commodities, (having about the same climate), and quantities sufficient to supply the wants of his own country, and to furnish the surplus for exportation. They are not so much given to foreign trade as we are. There is in fact little dependence upon another—nothing that binds them together socially, politically or commercially."

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