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Poetry.

Builders we are every one,
Of some fabric, good or bad
Standing when the work is done
Where its measure can be had;
Whether wrought by day or night,
In the weof of words and deeds,
Or in thought shut out of sight,
Still the Omnipotent reads.
Needs throughout, and judges too,
All the work of brain and hands
Of the many and the few,
Whether built on rocks or sand;
Holds the plummet and the rule
Tune to every line and part.
Formed within that wondrous school,
Mates of the human heart.
Serving under such an eye,
Boundless in its sweep and glance,
Taking in all orbs and sky,
Works of law instead of chance—
How can any laborer stand
Idle in the market-place,
Doing naught with head or hand,
If he wears an honest face?
Active, earnest thought will lead
Willing hands to some employ
That, like unto the little seed
In the parable of hope and joy,
May reproduce an hundred fold
Of fruits allied to truth and love,
More precious than a mine of gold,
These drippings from the fount above.
Come, then, leggers, rich and poor,
Rusting, lounging evermore,
Help your future to secure,
Help waste place to restore,
Temples ruined and everthrown
Need your efforts to repair,
To uplift the fallen stone
By the dint of toil and prayer!
When at last the curfew sounds
Death's signal to part out the light
That flickers on our earthly rounds,
Thro' shadows sinking into night,
Grant that the morning of our rest
May draw upon you works restored
In every line and part that's best,
With nothing left to be repented.
There is No Unbelief.

There is no unbelief;
Whoever plants a seed beneath the sod,
And waits to see it push away the clod,
Trusts in God.

Whoever says, when clouds are in the sky;
"Be patient, heart! Light breaketh by and by,"
Trusts the Most High.

Whoever sees, 'neath winter's field of snow
The silent harvest of the future grow,
God's power must know.

Whoever lies down on his couch to sleep,
Content to look each sense in slumber deep,
God knows will keep.

Whoever says "To-morrow," "The Unknown,"
"The Future," trusts that power alone
He dares disown.

The heart that looks on when the eyelids close
And dares to live when life has only woes,
God's comfort knows.

There is no unbelief;
And day by day, and night unconsciously,
The heart lives by that faith the lips deny;
God knoweth why.

Miscellaneous.

How to Make Good Time
If you are a merchant and wish to purchase a carriage, patronize your home mechanic.

If you are a farmer patronize your home merchant.

If you are a mechanic, do your business with the people from whom you obtain your employment.

If you are a laborer, spend your money with home tradesmen, and thereby assist in making your town prosperous.

If the business man, the mechanic and tradesman are prosperous, the laborer, the farmer and all others in a community will be benefited.

Do your business in a spirit of reciprocity. Let each vocation try to assist the other, and in this way will a friendly and mutual relation exist which will prove beneficial to all.

Do not purchase articles from abroad which are manufactured at home if you can possibly help it.

A little girl who was sent out to look for eggs came back unsuccessful, and complained "that there were lots of hens standing around doing nothing."

With one hand he held her beautiful golden head above the chilling wave, and with the other called loudly for assistance.

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A Few Hints for the Season.

Seeds should be planted in the spring. Several years of experience have conclusively proven that seeds planted in the fall are certain to have the mumps before January.

Spring is a good time to paper rooms. Most any one of the family can hang wall paper.

The season has arrived when seven or eight stoves can be dispensed with in the average dwelling-house.

Borrow a wheelbarrow, rake, hoe, spade and whatever else you may want through the summer as soon as you can, so that the owners will forget to whom they were lent.

Spring is a good time to crawl under the house and find the missing shears, tins, butcher knives, silver spoons and pail covers.

Some folks take up carpets and beat them in the spring. Others wait until fall and then beat the carpet stores.

Never lend an article you have borrowed, unless you have permission to do so.

Never attempt to draw the attention of the company constantly upon yourself.

Never pass between two persons who are talking together without an apology.

Never enter a room noisily; never fail to close the door after you, and never slam it.

Never forget that if you are faithful in a few things you may be ruler over many.

Never exhibit too great familiarity with a new acquaintance; you may give offense.

Never will a gentleman ally himself with ladies.

Never be guilty of the contemptible meanness of opening a private letter addressed to another.

Never fail to offer the easiest and best seat in the room to an invalid, an elderly person or a lady.

Never neglect to perform the commission which has been entrusted to you; you must not forget.

Never enter a room filled with people without a slight bow to the general company when first entering.

Never fail to answer an invitation, either personally or by letter, within a week after the invitation is received.

Never accept of favors and hospitalities without rendering an exchange of civilities when opportunity offers.

Never fail to tell the truth. If truthful, you get your reward, you will get your punishment if you deceive.

Never borrow money and neglect to pay. If you do, you will soon be known as a person of no business integrity.

Never write to another asking for information or a favor of any kind, without enclosing a postage stamp for a reply.

Never fail to say kind and encouraging words to those whom you meet in distress. Your kindness may lift them out of their despair.

Never refuse to receive an apology. You may not revive friendship, but courtesy will require, when an apology is offered, that you accept it.

Never examine cards in the card basket. While they may be exposed in the drawing room, you are not expected to turn them over unless invited to do so.

Never should a lady accept of expensive gifts at the hands of a gentleman not related or engaged to her. Gifts of flowers, books, music or confectionary may be accepted.

Never insult another by harsh words when applied to for a favor. Kind words do not cost much, and yet they may carry untold happiness to the one to whom they are spoken.

Important Rules of Conduct.

Never exaggerate. Never point at another. Never betray a confidence. Never wantonly frighten others.

Never leave home with unkind words. Never neglect to call upon your friends.

Never laugh at the misfortunes of others. Never give a promise that you do not feel full.

Never send a present hoping for one in return. Never fail to be punctual at the time appointed.

Never make yourself the hero of your own story. Never fail to give a polite answer to a civil question.

Never question a servant or child about family matters. Never read letters which you may find addressed to others.

Never fail if a gentleman, of being civil and polite to ladies. Never refer to a gift you have made or favor you have made.

Never look over the shoulder of another who is reading or writing. Never appear to notice a scar, deformity, of defect or any one present.

Never arrest the attention of an acquaintance by a touch. Speak to him.

Never answer questions in general company that have been put to others.

Never, when traveling abroad, be over boastful in praise of your own country.

Never call a new acquaintance by the Christian name unless requested to do so.

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Editor Bagshot's Assistant.

Colonel Bagshot runs a weekly newspaper called the "Union," up in Choc-lunk. Recently the colonel was called away to New York on business, leaving the "Union" in the hands of an assistant who had been in his employ some time.

Now the colonel knew that said assistant had the cheek of a brass statue, and the audacity of a New England fly, both indispensable attributes of the newspaper man; but still, after being in the city about a week he began to grow uneasy, and telegraphed to Choc-lunk:—"How's things?"

Back came the answer from the "Union's" whilom editor:—"Bully! Circulation of the old thing's gone up a thousand. Been getting up a red-hot paper, and there's a gang outside that are weeping because they can't hoist the shingles off the roof and knock the whole concern to thunder. Stay away as long as you like."

Bagshot didn't waste a moment after receiving this encouraging dispatch.

He started home in the first train, and reached Choc-lunk before night.

The first man that struck him was the ticket agent.

"Look here, colonel!" he cried, excitedly, "I've a darned good notion to punch your head; you bronzefaced old liar."

"Why?" asked Bagshot.

"Read that!" and the ticket agent shoved a crumpled "Union" into his hands.

There was a paragraph, marked as follows:—"Railroad News.—The handily-logged idiot who robs the railroad company at this village has purchased a new pocket knife. More knocking down from the cash drawer."

Bagshot bit his lip.

"Bill," said he, "that's a calumny, and I'll see it righted in our next. It's my cussed assistant's work."

"I don't care whose work it is," growled the agent, "but if it ain't contradicted, somebody's got to die; that's all."

Bagshot didn't reply, but sailed down the street to the "Union" office.

He had not gone half a block before he collided with Deacon Marsh.

The deacon seized him by the shoulder and exclaimed:—"What do you mean, Bagshot, by inserting that scandalous untrue item about me?"

"Didn't insert any item," replied the colonel.

"Don't sneak out of it in that way," You know you did. Why I just cut out of the "Union"—listen!"

"Religious Intelligence.—That whited sepulchre, Deacon Marsh, was noticed, last Saturday night, trying to open the coal-holes in front of his residence with his night key. The deacon was full as a goat, and couldn't tell moonshine from green cheese."

"Now that's nice, ain't it, saying that I was intoxicated Saturday night, when I went to bed at seven with a raging toothache?"

"It's that reckless fool whom I left in charge," growled the colonel. "I'll make it all right, Marsh," and Bagshot scurried on again, only to be confronted by Major Blim.

"Colonel!" uttered Blim, in his deepest voice, "this is villainous! It's my intention, sir, to call you out and about you through the heart."

What the deuce do you mean by publishing this note in the "Union"?"

"Military Settings.—Major Blim, the tattered old beggar, who hid in an oyster barrel during the battle of Bull Run, wears a wig. He ought to be shot in the back with a baked apple."

"I can't help it, Blim," said Bagshot, wiping his forehead. "It's all owing to that young devil in the office. He has made a red-hot paper. Just wait, major and I'll fix things."

Then Bagshot started again. By the postoffice old Parker grabbed him.

"Oh, you unfeeling ghoul!" wailed Parker, "you ought to be rode rail. The idea of making fun of my poor, dead child!"

"How!"

"How! Have you the cheek to ask how? Maybe you didn't shove this into "Union," did you, you heartless hypocrite!"

The Tree Toad.

On the trunk of the maple-tree, Down by the road, Singly hid in its crack, Sits the little tree toad.

Such a comical chap, Just the size of your thumb, But he makes as much noise As a life and drum.

For he shouts and he sings With loud, mocking glee, "Oh, where is the boy Who will first find me?"

You may look up and down, And all the tree around, But the smart little fellow Is not to be found.

You will search him high and low, And all a day long, But toads, safe hidden, Still sings the same song.

Of—"Deary me! A lucky boy he Who catches a toad On a maple tree."

For toads is brown, And so is the tree, And the browns are alike As browns can be,

Sometimes he is light, And sometimes dark, And his coat is rough Like a bit of the bark.

Thus snug in his crack, It is hard, you see, For a boy to tell The toad from the tree.

So he sits and sings While the children play, And he cries aloud, In a teasing way:

"How plucky and lucky That boy will be Who first finds a toad On a maple tree."

Tribute to a Mother.

Children look in those eyes, listen to that dear voice, notice the feeling of even a single touch that is bestowed upon you by her gentle hand! Make much of it while you have that most precious of all gifts, a loving mother.

Read the unfeeling love of those eyes; the kind anxiety of that tone and look, how ever slight your pain. In after life you may have friends—fond, dear friends—but never will you have again the inexpressible love and gentleness lavished upon you, which none but a gentle mother bestows.

Often do I sigh, in my struggles with the dark, uncaring world, for the sweet, deep security I felt, when, of an evening, nestled in her bosom, I listened to some quiet tale, suitable to my age, read in her tender, untiring voice.

Never can I forget her sweet glance cast upon me when I appeared asleep; never her kiss of peace at night. Years have passed away since we laid her beside my father in the old church-yard; and still her voice whispers from the grave, and her watches over me, as I visit spots long since hallowed to the memory of my mother.

Buy a Home.

Hon. George Bristow gave good advice in a speech on the subject of "Home." He said every man should own his home if he can.

That philosophy which tells a man to drift over this uncertain life without a home of his own, is wrong. The man who owns his own home is like a ship out in the open sea—at the hazard of the storm.

A man who owns his home is like the ship that has arrived in port and is moored in a safe harbor. One man should no more be content to live in a home that is not his own—if he can build one—than one bird should take the risk of hatching in another one's nest; and, for my own cottage than to hire a palace. I would say to every man, buy a home if you can, and own it. If a wind-fall has come to you buy a home with it. If you have laid up money enough by toil, buy a home. If you have made money in stocks buy a home. Do not let anybody tempt you to put all your earnings back into the pool. Take out enough to buy a home and buy it. Put the rest back if you must; but buy the home first. Buy it and sell it not.

Then the roses that bloom there are yours; the clematis and jasmine that climb upon the porch belong to you. You have planted them and seen them grow. When you are at work upon them, you are working for yourselves, not for others. If there are children, there are flowers within the house and without.

The Man who unexpectedly sat down on some warm glue, thinks that there is more than one way of getting stuck.

Flattery is like cologne water, to be sniffed at, not swallowed.

Old officers of the army are like little boys; they hate to retire.

White hair is the flag of truce under which old age parleys with death.

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