

**"Aid Yourself, and God Will Aid You."**

"Aid yourself, and God will aid you,"  
Is a saying that I hold  
Should be written not in letters  
Wrought of silver or of gold,  
But upon our hearts be graven,  
A command from God in Heaven.  
'Tis the law of him who made you—  
Aid yourself, and God will aid you.

Aid yourself—who will not labor  
All his wants in life to gain,  
But relies upon his neighbor,  
Finds that he relies in vain.  
Till you've done your utmost, never  
Ask a helping hand, nor ever  
Let the toilful man upbraid you—  
Aid yourself, and God will aid you.

Aid yourself—you know the fable  
Of the wheel sunk in the road;  
How the carter was not able  
By his prayers to move the load  
Till, urged by some more wise beholder,  
He moved the wheel with lusty shoulder.  
Do your own work—your Maker bade you—  
Aid yourself, and God will aid you.

It is well to help a brother  
Or a sister when in need,  
But believe me, there's another  
Not-to-be-forgotten creed.  
Better lore did never science  
Teach to man than self-reliance.  
'Tis the law of Him who made you—  
Aid yourself, and God will aid you.

Aid yourself—be not like ivy  
Clinging still to wall or tree,  
That can only rise by striving  
For support unceasingly.  
Rather be the oak, maintaining,  
Heart and branches self-sustaining;  
For this "the Great Task-Master" made  
you—  
Aid yourself, and God will aid you.  
*J. F. Waller, in Cassell's Magazine.*

God may cast down, but He will never  
cast off true believers.

The tree of the cross being cast into  
the waters of affliction, has rendered  
them wholesome and medicinal.

There is a hell, believe it, so that you  
may avoid it. There is a heaven, believe  
it, so that you may obtain it.

Make the best use of what you have,  
and they you may look to the Lord with  
confidence for more.

In the path of duty, God promises his  
special protection; he will keep us safe  
and bless us.

If the disposition is good, the acts will  
be so too, though one may not be able to  
do all desired.

Sin is a tyrant, and its servants are  
slaves. There is no escape from the do-  
minion of sin but the participation in the  
grace of the gospel.

A man cannot be a prosperous Christian  
without settled seasons of prayer. Op-  
portunistic to pray will be found when the  
heart is intent on the exercise.

This wish falls often warm upon my  
heart—that I may learn nothing here that  
I cannot continue in the other world; that  
I may do nothing here but deeds that  
will bear fruits in heaven.

When we speak of disobedience we  
should always speak of faith first. Faith  
is the first and fundamental act of obedi-  
ence. Faith is the mainspring of obedi-  
ence.

What wretched things are wealth and  
pomp, state and power, which will not  
permit brothers to dwell together in love,  
as they ought, and as, but for one or the  
other of these disturbers of human  
quiet, they would.

Many a Christian trusts Christ to carry  
him through the valley of the shadow of  
death, who does not rely upon Him to  
take him through the dread to-morrow.  
If you are Christ's you have no right to  
worry. He is a safe pilot. You can trust  
Him in the shallow, quiet river, as well as  
in the sea beyond.

Afflictions are sent to stir up prayer.  
If they have that effect, and we pray more  
and pray better than before, we may hope  
that God will hear our prayers and give  
ear to our cry; for the prayer which by  
his providence he gives occasion for, and  
which by His Spirit of grace He indicates,

shall not return void, through Christ's  
satisfaction for sin.

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**Text Book Uniformity.**  
RESULT WHERE BOOKS HAVE TO  
STAND ON THEIR OWN MERIT.

At a Convention of School Directors, of  
Centre County, held a Bellefonte, Decem-  
ber 26, 1878, pursuant to the call of H.  
Meyer, Esq., County Superintendent, for  
the purpose of considering the propriety  
of taking measures to secure a uniformity  
of the text-books used in the schools of  
said county, the following action was  
taken, over fifty directors being present  
and nearly all the district in the county  
being represented:

**COPY OF MINUTES.**  
Upon motion of C. P. Stonerod, of Snow  
Shoe township, the following preamble and  
resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS: Great expense and waste are  
frequently incurred by the present and con-  
stantly changing variety of text-books used in  
the common schools of Centre county, there-  
fore, be it

Resolved, By the representative directors  
here in session, that a system of text-books,  
suitable, complete and uniform, be adopted in  
accordance with the laws of the State,  
throughout the county.

Upon motion of J. C. P. Jones, the follow-  
ing plan was adopted with but one dissenting  
vote, to carry into effect the following pre-  
amble and resolutions:

First. The various publishing houses to  
send samples of their books to each schol-  
board in the county for examination and to  
submit therewith the lowest exchange, intri-  
ductory and wholesale prices, and the length  
of time they will guarantee to furnish them  
at said price.

Second. No agent of any publishing house  
to be permitted to do any work in the county,  
to be either general or local agent, beyond  
sending his books and terms as above stated.  
Any house or agent violating this under-  
standing, their books to be counted out of the  
contest.

Third. The several school boards of the  
county, after examination of the various  
books which may have been submitted, to  
hold a meeting at which each director shall  
make out a list of the books which he prefers  
to have adopted in the county, and send it to  
Henry Meyer, Esq., County Superintendent, at  
Rebersburg, Pa., prior to the first day of  
June, 1879, who shall make several  
statements so sent, and the books up-  
on the various branches having the highest  
number of votes or preference shall be the  
series recommended for county uniformity.

The County Superintendent, after having  
made the above canvass as above, to send the  
result of the same to each of the papers in the  
county for publication.

W. C. HEINLE, Chairman.

J. C. P. JONES, Secretary.  
The following is the result of the votes  
of the Directors of Centre county, Pa., on  
the uniformity of Text-books in said  
county, with the number of votes cast for  
each book, under the foregoing plan and  
resolutions:

READERS.	No. vote. for each
New Graded.....	74
Independent.....	20
Appleton's.....	17
New American.....	12
SPELLERS.	
Swinton's.....	83
New American.....	6
Independent.....	23
Appleton's.....	1
Patterson's.....	1
Sander's Union.....	1
Raub's.....	1
GEOGRAPHIES.	
Swinton's.....	100
Colton's.....	14
Mitchell's.....	10
Independent.....	1
Monteith's.....	5
HISTORIES.	
Swinton's.....	63
Redpath's.....	5
Barnes' Brief.....	7
Butler's.....	1
Quackenbos'.....	1
Watson's.....	6
WRITTEN ARITHMETIC.	
Robinson's Shorter Course.....	57
Greenleaf's.....	14
Brook's.....	22
Gilne's.....	22
Boff's.....	12
Nrook's Union.....	3
Mew American.....	4
MENTAL ARITHMETIC.	
Milne's.....	7
Greenleaf's.....	4
ALGEBRA.	
Robinson's.....	56
Greenleaf's.....	1
COPY BOOKS.	
Spencerian.....	69
Appleton's.....	30
Ellsworth's.....	10
GRAMMARS.	
Kerl's.....	72
Swinton's.....	17
Clark's Brief.....	15
Bullion's.....	1
Harvey's.....	20
Quackenbos'.....	3
Fewsmith's.....	1
LANGUAGE LESSONS.	
Kerl's.....	5
Clark's.....	1
Harvey's.....	5
Morton's.....	5
BOOK-KEEPING.	
Bryant & Stratton's.....	44
Folsom's.....	6
Smith's.....	6
CIVIL GOVERNMENT.	
Townsend's.....	..