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In view of the many failures of individuals, firms and institutions growing out of speculations in various directions outside of the legitimate vocations of each, makes the old quotation that "the shoemaker should stick to his last" very applicable just now.

THE Pittsburgh clergymen, Protestant and Catholic, sent out circulars at the close of last week stating that the subject of the city's cleanliness would be the theme upon which they would speak to their hearers on Sunday.

THE New York World opines that the effort of Oliver Summer Teal to make the "no treat" rule fashionable should receive every possible encouragement.

SEVERAL boom cities in the West have collapsed financially of late. Some of these that were no larger than our small boroughs in the East have bloated after block of magnificent business buildings and huge hotels built after the style of Chicago and Denver.

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BE CAREFUL, O MY SON!

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You carry away a boy's true heart And a strength through love attained; Oh, bring us back in its place, my son, A manhood all unstained!

You are going away from home and friends— From a mother's loving care, From a father's counsel wisely given, From a hearth of praise and prayer.

Going away to the gay, bright scenes That will fire your bounding heart— That will tempt perhaps your untired feet From the hearth of home and care.

"Whatever we sow we shall reap," my son, Be it grain or seed, be it bread or sin, Be it laurel wreaths or thorns of pain, Then scatter the goodly seed— Mrs. M. A. Kistler in New York Ledger.

HIS OPPORTUNITY.

There was one sentence that Deacon Chandler had never omitted from his prayers since he was converted and began to pray in the little wooden church on the hill. It was this, "Send to thy servant, O Lord, some great opportunity for doing good."

Strange as it may seem, his prayers had never been answered. The seasons rolled around with their accustomed regularity and brought increase to his flock and plenty to his stomach, but as yet nothing of unusual had happened.

One night Deacon Chandler entered his home with a stern look on his face that boded no good for whoever the culprit might be. His wife looked up from her sewing as he entered.

"Well, sir?" was Deacon Chandler's greeting. "Well?" came in insolent tones from the boy, who remained standing. "You are found out."

"There is no need if you have found me out," replied the boy defiantly. "Perhaps you would like me to tell. Are you proud that you and your gang have been detected stealing fruit from Mr. Dean's orchard, and that unless I settle you will be arrested?"

"I shall settle to save your brothers and sisters from disgrace, but from this night you are no son of mine. I disown you. A slight pang or two over the boy's face as he opened his lips to reply. "All right, father. If you had dealt more gently with me, I might have been a different boy now. I own that I took the apples and helped to burn the gates. But there, I've burst out suddenly, what does it matter? I won't stay to disgrace the family any longer. I've been ready to go for some time."

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often breathed out to his Heavenly Father when he was an unmerciful—nay, even cruel parent. How he had prayed for an opportunity of doing good and when it came it was necessary, then, it every day.

"I will." And she was satisfied. To those who wish to learn all things are plain, and Deacon Chandler traced by you, by constant effort, to a small western city. Of the fact that he was there he became convinced, but could learn nothing more.

"I am a stranger here, sir," he began. "Can you tell me where I can find Thomas Chandler?" "Yes, sir," answered the brick clerk. "Then he turned to a boy who stood near and said, 'Go and find Mr. Chandler.'"

"Come, father," and he led the old man away to a private parlor and closed the door. "Don't you know me, father? I should know you anywhere."

"God bless her, Tom," he heartily responded his father. Then after a pause, "Can you forgive me, my son, for my harshness?" "There is no more for me to forgive than you," returned his son. "I have lived all these years to learn, and I think I may safely say now that I am an honest man. This house is mine—by God's will, I mean in the future to be an honor and not a disgrace to the old home."

There was no room for doubt. A well-dressed young man was peering in from one of the big dry goods stores with ever an anxious, eager glance in the direction of the entrance, apparently waiting for some one who had gone inside.

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