

Poetry.

I'll go to the Prayer-Meeting: love the place of social prayer; I love its hallowed shrine; I'll go to meet the Saviour there, And claim his promise mine.

THE GOLDEN HOUR. By Moncure D. Conway, author of "The Rejected Stone." Pp. 160. Boston: Ticknor & Fields. Pittsburgh: Robert S. Davis.

For the Young.

The Home Across the River. "Mamma, won't you please tell us a story—just one," pleaded little Harry Seymour, one Sunday evening.

"It is too dark to read, and not quite time to light the gas," and little Clara, climbing up to her favorite seat on mamma's lap, sealed her petition with a kiss.

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of Julia were Protestants. But they were good-natured people, and did not vex each other about religious matters as some people are fond of doing.

Susette and Julie did not often talk about the things they saw or heard at their places of worship; but one day after they had gone together, each with a basket of flowers, and spread them to dry on the green grass of the church-yard, Susette, who was full of admiration of what she had seen and heard, said, "Oh, Julie dear, you should have been at our festival yesterday and have seen and heard what I did. You would have been delighted."

"Indeed!" replied Julie, "Why what did you see and hear? Tell me." And so the conversation went on in this way: Susette—Why we had a grand procession, and grand singing, and priests in grand dresses, and grand candles, which made the grand pictures in the windows look grander still. It was altogether grand!

Julie.—I know your religion is a very grand religion, Susette, for you have told me so before.

S.—Yes, it is. I wish you had been with me yesterday. I wanted you to be there, but I did not like to ask you; and yet I am sorry you did not see such grand sights. You have nothing like them in your religion.

J.—I know we have not. But we have what I like as well.

S.—Have you? What is it? J.—Oh! nothing grand to look at, at all. S.—Well, if there is nothing grand to look at, I think it is a poor, dull religion. What do you do?

J.—As you wish to know, I will tell you. We all go quietly to the little old church and sit down. Then we all join to sing a hymn of praise to God. Then our pastor gives thanks and prays for us all, and then he reads from the Bible, and then he preaches about Jesus, who died to save us from our sins; and then we sing a song of praise to the Saviour, and come away.

S.—And is that all? J.—Yes, that is all the way we have. But the singing, and reading, and praying, are not always alike. They are different every time; but the preaching is always about Jesus.

S.—And nothing about the blessed Virgin? J.—I always pray to her to save us.

S.—I know you do. But we do not. We pray to God, through Jesus Christ. The Testament says that the mother of our Lord was "blessed and highly favored," but it nowhere tells us to pray to her.

for that, but it is felt among the deepest and last things of life, even when he jeers, and scoffs, and strikes.—Monthly Religious Magazine.

Wife vs. Lady. It is certainly not in good taste for a gentleman to speak of his wife as his "lady," or to register their names upon the books of a hotel as "John Smith and lady;" or to ask a "How is your lady?" This is all fashionable vulgarity, and invariably betrays a lack of cultivation.

The Silly Fly. O you little silly fly, There's a spider watching nigh; You will soon be in his snare, Bzzzz without heed or care.

Arabic Politics. A poor Arab was travelling in the desert, when he met with a spring of clear, sweet, sparkling water. Accustomed as he was to brackish wells, to his simple mind it appeared that such water—as this was worthy of a monarch; and filling his leathern bottle from the spring, he determined to go and present it to the caliph himself.

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For the Ladies. Words for Wives. I believe the influence of a wife to be always, for good or evil, very decidedly. There is not a woman living, unless she has forfeited all claim to her husband's respect, but is making her mark-day by day upon his character. We men are foolishly proud, and do not like to let the woman's working influence see; but we know that outside of our business—and sometimes even in it—all our doings are more or less controlled by our wives, and he is a knave who will not honestly own it.

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