

THE WORSHIPER AND THE LEFT-HAND LETTER.

A student in a college once day received a letter, and he was gladdened at the prospect and the handwriting, he read it. He had been waiting for a letter from his mother, but the one he received, although it bore the postmark of home, was certainly not directed in his mother's familiar hand. Had anything happened to his dear mother? In this moment of suspense, he turned to all his letters, but he found no letter from his mother. He was puzzled. Through his inattention he had been surrounded by her influence and presence. His mother had, with deep conviction, told him, when he was leaving home, that she believed the spirit of his life had come, and she implored him to have Christ for his portion. But his whole heart was for worldly ambition, he turned a deaf ear to religious truth. He continually wrote letters after letters to him at college, with all the intensity of his love, not to make the false delay; but the letters were put carelessly aside, and he turned to his shortening studies. His faithful penitence were checked. There was a revival in the school, but he did not attend the meetings. His classmates came and were saved; but he had no time to spare, so completely was he immersed in his books. Would anything have been his? It would come out of everything had failed. But his mother's love was not ours. That letter did the work. The question, 'Has anything happened to mother?' In the dead, and all her letters were unanswered for the hour, as full of fear prepared the heart for what was to follow.

Something for Pious Girls.

No woman likes to be ugly, and she who is born a beauty is fortunate indeed. But let not the plain or even the ugly girl despair of acquiring a sufficient amount of beauty to render her attractive. Do not let a foolish fear of silly shame, or worse, of being thought of as a specimen, prevent you from trying to improve your looks. If you are not naturally a beauty, or from trying to preserve and place of the best advantage the charms which you already possess. When a woman loses a desire to please, she loses half her charms. Nothing is more attractive to beauty than cleanliness and good humor; and no woman or unhappy woman can be good-humored and cheerful. There are more than a hundred different ways in which they are ugly. They do not know what is the matter with themselves; and their friends have no patience with them. The least neglect and indifference with which they are treated finally does its work of exasperating their feelings until the fiercest upon their moral character is most profuse. Every woman ought to be determined that nothing short of deformity can make a woman worthy of contempt, provided she will study her faults; and points of attractiveness every woman has.

A thoroughly refined, graceful manner can be acquired by any woman, and is a powerful charm. The best grace is perfect naturalness. Still, you must study yourself, and form your manners by the rule of that art, which is but carrying out of the law of nature. But it is your nature to forever learning some refinement, graceful attitude, and you must mature with a little art. If you are neat, avoid the smallest care in the room; and be sure, if you do sit on it, not to lean back in it with your hands folded in front of you, just below the line of your neck, especially while the present fashion lasts. If you sit on it, do not carry yourself with your chin protruding and your spinal column curving like the back of a spoon. Do not wear flimsy materials made up without a ruff or puff or founce, to fill up the bare outlines of your bad figure, so readily defaced by the slightest pocket-book despatch. Study the art of dress. We knew a very plain woman who dressed so tastefully that it was an absolute pleasure to look at her. If you have been moping until you are sick with the thought of your own hopeless ugliness, be up and doing. Forget your disappointments; forget the past and the meanness of your own family over the mistake that you have made. There are still friends to be won. There is work to be done. Be ye women, and work on the succeeding dawn of self, and the second coming which forbids you to smelt yourself.—Young Women's Journal.

A Wholesome Courtesy.

A minister says: "I was once walking in a little district, and I noticed a young lady, and thinking, as I looked at her becoming apparel, I wonder if she takes as much pains with her hair as she does with her body. An old man was coming up the walk with a loaded wheelbarrow, and before he reached to me, he made me step back into the yard of a small house, but the gate was heavy, and would swing back before he could get through. 'Wait,' said the young girl, springing lightly forward, 'I'll hold the gate open.' And she held the gate open until I passed in, and reached my thanks with a pleasant smile on her cheeks. 'She deserves to have graceful attire,' I thought, 'for a beautiful disposition dwells in her breast.'"

Sublimation of Grief.

Every one who has at all studied eurythmy, perfectly understands the danger to which the souls of the bereaved are exposed from the action of eurythmy, the action of sleep, etc. But the general idea prevailed that when one who has been in the depth of the ocean it was in safety. Such, however, is not the case, for the inhabitants of these regions were to meet the storm. In many more, owing to the immobility of the one, the waves are not run on the bed, but in some places hang in festoons. Then they are liable to accidents from the larger dimensions of the sea, among which may mention the sea-fish (Orthoglossus). This peculiar fish is known among the eurythmists of the United States as the white fish, and is a powerful phosphorescent light, whose light is probably seen. When swimming it turns round like a wheel, and moves with great rapidity. It grows to an enormous size, often attaining to four feet in diameter, and some of these are said even to reach eight feet. Specimens have been secured by the eurythmists. It is found in all seas, from the Arctic to the Antarctic circles. Where the tail is in ordinary fishes, this curious structure has a sort of protrusion to its circular shape, from which rays project. Not long since an interruption occurred in a cable, and examination it was found that it had been penetrated by one of the eurythmists of the sea fish. From where the wire lies just at the bottom it is not safe, for a species of worm attacks the gutta parva, and gradually destroys the conductivity. The most curious instance of damage is that which lately befell the one from Portugal to Brazil. A fault having been found, the wires applied and the previous spot indicated. The wire was fished up, and was discovered to be broken. In one of the ends was entangled a large whale. The monster was covered with parasites, and in attempting to free itself from its tormentors, had broken the cable, and thus managed to so twist itself in the coils of one of the cables, that it was so entangled, and not being able to rise to the surface for air, was drowned.

Compromising with Conscience.

A good many people are inclined to settle the question of public amusement by a wretched compromise with conscience. They wish to be considered as opponents of theatrical exhibitions, and so they draw the line in favor of musical shows, where, most likely, a company of vulgar comedians retail all the questionable jest of the season. Or, again, they consider their pledge as church-members violated by a visit to a circus, but deem operating gain an innocent and commendable practice. Now, whatever position be taken concerning play-houses, it is plainly the Christian's duty to look sharply at the moral quality of the average opera. One of the most lamentable of modern operas is devoted to the exploits of a fallen woman of the worst class. Last week three thousand Philadelphiaans crowded the Academy of Music to listen to the first recital of the story of another woman of the same sort. In a tale of vice and the least degree of sympathy rendered by all the allurement of the musical art? Plainly, there is a gross inconsistency in that those which reject the theater merely because it is a play-house, and accept a loud opera because it is a musical performance. It is useless to banish the corrupt old English dramatist from our libraries, so long as the music of equally corrupt modern Italian composers live on the stage. It is not yet time to forget the good example of that American singer who refused a few years ago to accept the part of an abandoned character in consequence.—Sunday-School Times.

Why People Drink.

Mr. A. because his doctor has recommended him to take it. Mr. B. because his doctor has ordered him not and he has no other. Mr. C. because he is dry. Mr. D. because he is dry. Mr. E. because he feels something wrong. Mr. F. because he feels a kind of a sinking. Mr. G. because he is going to see a friend. Mr. H. because he has a headache. Mr. I. because he is going to see a friend. Mr. J. because he is going to see a friend. Mr. K. because he is going to see a friend. Mr. L. because he is going to see a friend. Mr. M. because he is going to see a friend. Mr. N. because he is going to see a friend. Mr. O. because he is going to see a friend. Mr. P. because he is going to see a friend. Mr. Q. because he is going to see a friend. Mr. R. because he is going to see a friend. Mr. S. because he is going to see a friend. Mr. T. because he is going to see a friend. Mr. U. because he is going to see a friend. Mr. V. because he is going to see a friend. Mr. W. because he is going to see a friend. Mr. X. because he is going to see a friend. Mr. Y. because he is going to see a friend. Mr. Z. because he is going to see a friend.

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Household and Farm.

In these columns we wish to give our readers...

Various Homes.

The Charlotte Times has just published...

The Richmond Record says one is selling...

Mr. G. G. Gentry, of Clark county, says...

The Green River Post says: Up to this time...

Mr. R. H. Miller reports the following...

Last Monday turned out to be rather a pleasant day...

Some Iowa farmers have decided that...

An eminent French conchologist says: "I have built two canoes exactly alike..."

Some one of the most appropriate names for a fruit...

For Bear Gour - Three pounds of bear, three carrots...

To Clean White Kid Gloves - If they are not stained...

Barlow's Indigo Blue - This is the only reliable...

THE DAYS PRING - A large quantity of this medicine...

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TEAS - "Obtain the article at once..."

It is easy to make your own soil granular...

Mr. T. J. Young, member of Congress from Kentucky...

Allow me through your columns to appropriate...

The members of the sub-committee of the Senate...

WYNN LARSON - The "Dove" Journal, an article on this subject...

To Promote Pure Team from Russia - W. J. B. B. writes as follows:

Recipes - OYSTERS REMOVED - As a rule for dinner...

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RAY or CALHOUN AND OTHER OWNERS - This steamer...

NEW YORK FIRE AND ANTIQUITIES - J. T. BURGHARD'S...

PERSON'S CAPSULE - CELEBRATED THE WORLD OVER...

DEAR - A COMPLETE SET OF FINE GLASSWARE...

THE SOLE GOVERNOR - PURE CANE SEED...

BIBLE TEMPERANCE HYMNS - A new collection of songs...

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