

Interesting Items.

"THE WORLD OWES ME A LIVING."

It's no such thing! It's you who are in debt; you who owe the world, and because you have allowed the debt to accumulate from day to day, from year to year, while you have been attending to your own selfish pleasures, you say now that the world owes you a living.

Nonsense! fudge! stuff! You haven't even the merit of originality to redeem your character, for an old crazy man, a hermit, uttered that folly, years and years ago.

Prove, if you can, that the world owes you anything. What have you ever done for the world? You count your life the most precious of all your possessions, don't you. Well, what have you paid for that?

You count the knowledge you possess of great value, I suppose. Have you paid its full value for the little item of useful knowledge that saves your life every day? If so, to whom did you pay it?

Man, woman, child. Idling away God's precious gifts of time and opportunity, dare not say the world owes you anything, for it is you who owe the world.

If you care to know how to pay the debts you owe, go to the Sacred Book, and there you will find written as plainly as can be the duties you have left undone, and the responsibilities resting upon every one of us. And never again let me hear you repeat the insane words of the crazy hermit, who was so spiteful toward the world that he had abused as to declare that it owed him a living.

As long as there are faithful men and women in the world who are laboring to pay the debt they owe, you'll not be allowed to starve, but you needn't claim their protection as your right, nor your due. They know that they are not paying you what the world owes you; instead of that they are endeavoring to pay a part of their great debt by bestowing charity upon others.

It's not too late to commence the payment of your debt. Seek out the poor and relieve their wants. Comfort the sorrowing, and bring joy to sad hearts, and you will be astonished to find how fast the balance will accumulate in your favor; until at last the final payment will have been made, and the debt of Nature canceled. Then we begin to live. SWEETBRIER.

Deceiving Children.

Dr. B. was called to visit a sick boy, twelve years of age. As he entered the house the mother took him aside and told him she could not get her boy to take any medicine except she deceived him.

"Well, then," said Dr. B., "I shall not give him any. He is old enough to be reasoned with."

He went to the boy, and after an examination, said to him:

"My little man, you are very sick, and must take some medicine. It will taste badly, and make you feel badly for a little while, and then I expect it will make you feel better."

The doctor prepared the medicine, and the boy took it like a man, without any resistance; and he would take from his mother anything that the physician had prescribed, but would take nothing else from her. She had so often deceived him, and told him it was good, when she gave medicines, that he would not trust to anything she said.

Honesty with children, as well as with all others, and in all circumstances, is the best policy.

A BAD HABIT.—There are people who never stop to think that a careless act is too often instrumental in entailing pain and suffering. For instance, some of our merchants are in the habit occasionally of throwing upon the sidewalk any useless stuff which is not actually an impediment to pedestrians. Here is a case in point. A merchant recently threw out of his store several pieces of bent and useless wire; a lady passing struck her foot against a jagged point of this wire, which, penetrating her shoe, entered one of her toes, inflicting an ugly wound, which has confined her to her room for over a week. Of course, the merchant "meant no harm," but a little care and decent respect for the comfort of others invariably saves trouble and suffering.

Fun and Fancy.

—The fellow who took it coolly brought it back slightly heated.

—The first thing a man takes to in life is milk—the last is his hair.

—The tobacco chewer is said to be like a goose in a Dutch oven—always on a spit.

—A man in New Orleans is so upright in all his dealings, that he won't sit down to eat his meals.

—Poor paymasters should learn wisdom from the mosquito, who always settles his bill, the moment he finds you.

—An advertising doctor lately added a Nota Bene, that no letter would be opened unless it contained a one pound note.

—Why is a restless sleeper like a lawyer? Because he lies on one side, and turns and lies on the other.

—A yankee, according to the latest authority, sees aqueducts in bubbling springs, buildings in stones, and cash in everything.

—What one of the planets is supposed to have the most specie? The moon; because she is continually changing quarters.

—Another relic of the classic ages was found in Vermont lately, being a dog's collar, supposed to have belonged to Julius Caesar, from the fact of having his name engraved upon it!

—To make your trousers last, you must instruct your tailor, when he builds you a suit of clothes, to make your coat and waistcoat first, by which means he will make your trousers last.

—Bannister, coming into a coffee-house one cold and stormy night, said that he never saw such a wind. "Saw such a wind!" replied a friend, "What was it like?" "Like!" answered Charles. "Like to blow my hat off!"

—"If a naughty girl would hurt you, you would forgive her, like a good girl, wouldn't you?" asked a teacher of a little girl. "Yes, ma'am," replied the child, "if I couldn't catch her."

—There is a man in the West who has moved so often that whenever a covered wagon comes near his house, his chickens all march up and fall on their backs and cross their legs, ready to be tied and carried to the next stopping place.

—"Mother sent me to ask you to come and take tea with her this evening," said a little girl to her neighbor. "Did she say at what time?" "No ma'am; she only said she would ask you, and then the thing would be off her mind."

—Dean Swift hearing of a carpenter falling through the scaffolding of a house which he was engaged in repairing, dryly remarked, that he liked to see a mechanic go through his work promptly.

—A gentleman who spoke of having been struck by a lady's beauty, was advised to kiss the rod.

—"Do you like fish balls, Mr. Wiggins?" Mr. Wiggins, hesitatingly, "I really don't know, Miss, I never recollect attending one."

—An editor in Iowa has become so hollow from depending upon the printing business alone for bread, that he proposes to sell himself for a stove pipe, at three cents a foot.

—"I tell you, said a warm friend of a newly elected senator, to an old sober-sided politician, "your party may say what you please, but you cannot deny that Mr. C—— is a sound man."

"That's what we're afraid of; it's our opinion," said old bees wax, "that he's all sound."

—"What would you take," said a chap lately to a waggish friend, "to read the speeches which have been delivered in Congress during the last winter?"

"What would I take?" responded the wag.

"Yes."

"I'd take about two years."

—A Paisley manufacturer having by accident got a cut across his nose, having no court-plaster at hand stuck on his unfortunate proboscis one of his gum tickets, on which was the usual intimation "Warranted 350 yards long."

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