

A Poem for Today

MORNING

By Emily Dickinson



Will there really be a morning? Is there such a thing as day? Could I see it from the mountains...

RELIGIOUS THOUGHT.

Gems Gleaned From the Teachings of All Denominations.

The world is civilized just in so far as it has become religious and not one particle beyond.—Rev. Dr. Minot J. Savage, Unitarian, New York.

Educational Value of the Bible.

From the point of educated literature the Bible is simply pre-eminent. It enlightens and enlarges the minds of its readers. It is impossible to be a thorough Biblical student and remain a small souled man.—Rev. F. K. Sanborn, Presbyterian, New Haven, Conn.

Highest Happiness.

The man who has learned the secret of highest happiness is the man who finds joy in the sincere and honest labor of each day. Blessed are the honest hands of toil and happy the man who worships God in daily work.—Rev. N. W. Stroup, Methodist, Cleveland, O.

Real Values in Life.

Men are immortal only as they love God and serve him. The deep questionings of the soul are the real values in life. Men are lovingly remembered in proportion as they help answer these questions by a Christian life and by Christian deeds.—Rev. Dr. W. J. Williamson, Baptist, St. Louis.

Trust and Devotion.

The man who prays earnestly, trusts in God and loves him will manifest that love by devotion to his fellow men, and conversely the man who consecrates himself to his brother men will find the inspiration and motive for this service in the love of God.—Bishop Talbot, Episcopal, Washington.

Greatness.

Social ascendancy, whether accompanied by wealth, intellect or power, does not create greatness. That consists merely in childlike simplicity, candor and docility, and only those who possess such qualities shall enter the kingdom of God.—Rev. H. O'Rourke, S. J., Roman Catholic, New York.

A Fullness of Blessing.

There is a coming morning when God will put into our hands a fullness of blessing, everything that our hearts have ever craved, our shattered hopes will then be all fulfilled; there will be nothing to regret, no unfulfilled promises, no unfulfilled prayers.—Rev. Dr. C. M. Hulse, Methodist, St. Louis.

In Heaven.

In this world we note the succession of time. In the other world we lose track of time. It is an eternity. Here we have a few intimate friends and gaze inertly at the rest of the world. Over there we shall be brought into closer relationship with men.—Rev. W. E. Bentley, Episcopalian, New York.

A Life to Be Lived.

Christianity does not consist in psalm singing or prayer saying or even in churchgoing; it is a life to be lived. He who would do what Christ would have him do for his neighbor in his conversion will work along his own individual lines, doing his neighbor all the good he can.—Rev. J. A. Jaynes, Disciple, Pittsburg.

Mightiest of Nations.

Those nations of today where there is the most of tender care, the most sympathy, pity, love, where the incompetent and the poor and the weak are best cared for, are the mightiest in battle if it comes to war, mightiest in finance, mightiest in manufacture, mightiest in all that goes to make up a strong national life.—Rev. Minot J. Savage, Unitarian, New York.

Bible in the Public Schools.

Intelligence and morality should go together to produce true citizenship, but instead of the Bible its enemies desire to put it out and let the dance take its place. Dancing has no part in the public schools. The buildings were not erected for such a purpose. We have no right to abuse the public confidence and misuse public funds in such a manner. As a strictly business proposition the dance has no place in our public school buildings. Things such as that affect our whole educational system. If any mistake is to be made let us make it on the side of right. The Bible has never done any harm; the dance has done much evil. We can make no mistake if we keep the one in and the other out of our public schools.—Rev. W. W. Bustard, Baptist, Boston.

Education Along Peace Lines.

Instead of teaching so many the art of war, a course of education for the rising generation along lines of peace and of the evils of war, except in extreme cases, might be more profitable as a branch of study in our schools and colleges. As much as we honor the sword of our president which he bore in the battle for his country we honor still more the pen which Roosevelt wielded for the sake of peace between warring nations, for surely the latter was just as brave and patriotic an act as the former, and for it our worthy president will be remembered long after his charge at San Juan hill will have been forgotten. The greatest war of all to be waged is that against evil. War against all kinds of dishonesty, grafting, deceit, wickedness in high places, vice, crime and the like, these are things against which we may all rightly and most vigorously war with might and soul. Satan is marsh-

A PLUCKY DASH.

Gen. Ripley Tells of the Heroism of His Handful of Men and Great Victory They Won.

Gen. Ripley, whose recent death removes another well-known figure from the rapidly thinning ranks of the civil war veterans, was one of the earliest among Vermont men to respond to the first call of President Lincoln. His company was the old Rutland Light Guard, and he afterward had a command in the First United States Sharpshooters. In "Vermont Riflemen" the general tells of a bold charge of that gallant company.

A great sovereign once addressed the general of his army thus: "I send you against the enemy with sixty thousand men." "But," protested the general, "there are only fifty thousand." "Ah, but I count you as ten thousand," was the monarch's reply.

In the same spirit each man of company F agreed to call his comrades equal to two. So while their numbers were not large, they counted themselves a strong body, and they dared to make a brave assault on the foe at the Rappahannock.

The enemy, in strong force, was occupying rifle-pits on the opposite



HE STOOD ON THE VERY EDGE OF THE WORKS.

banks, and the union soldiers were sent out to attack them. The sharpshooters were in front, but it was soon found out the enemy could not be driven away by simple rifle work; and the regiment was ordered to make a close attack. The skirmishers went first, followed by the sharpshooters and other companies.

The men had to wade through the open stream, waist-deep, exposed to the full, deliberate fire of the concealed foe. The lines were carefully formed, and at the sound of the bugle the regiment dashed forward into the cold, rapid water and struggled to the opposite shore.

When the bank was reached, the lines were broken and the soldiers banks, and the union soldiers were sent out to attack them. The sharpshooters were in front, but it was soon found out the enemy could not be driven away by simple rifle work; and the regiment was ordered to make a close attack.

scattered in their efforts to escape the hot fire. But the sharpshooters pressed on, firing the skirmish-line. The captain of company F, just promoted to his command, led the way until he stood on the very edge of the works, overlooking the enemy within, of whom he demanded instant and complete surrender.

He was far in advance of his men, and the enemy, at first taken aback by the very boldness of the demand, now seeing him, as they thought, unsupported, refused to surrender, but called to him to give himself up as prisoner. The captain, not at all inclined to yield his sword the very first time of its wearing, called back:

"Some of you men of company F, with guns, come up here!"

Urushed the undaunted sharpshooters, and the whole confederate force of some five hundred men surrendered without delay to the little company, which, from its daring, they supposed to be a host.

California's Historic Flag. Locked up in the vault of one of the banks at Redding, Cal., is a flag that is second in historic importance to Californians only to the Bear flag that is so jealously guarded by Pacific coast pioneers. The flag referred to is the one that Gen. Fremont unfurled from the summit of the Rocky mountains in 1841, when he and his small party were on their way to California before the Mexican war. The banner is the property of P. M. Heardon, managing director of the Bully Bill mine at Delamar. It was given to him a few years ago by Mrs. Fremont herself. It was made by her own hands on the eve of her husband's pathfinding expedition to the west. The flag differs from the ordinary emblem only in the field, on which is wrought a large American eagle, done in embroidery of great delicacy and beauty. About the eagle are clustered the 26 stars that in 1841 represented the states in the union. On the reverse side of the flag is pinned a silk scarf bearing the inscription in golden letters, "Rocky Mountain, 1841." The banner is in a fairly good state of preservation, considering its age.

What Is Wanted. The principal want of many present-day citizens is a want of principle.

Theory and Practice. Doctor (to brother physician)—Yes, sir, the sovereign remedy for all ills is fresh air, and plenty of it. People don't let enough air into their houses. Well, I must hurry off; I'm on an errand.

Brother Physician—Going far. "No; only down to the hardware store to get half-a-mile of weather stripes."—N. Y. Weekly.

Postponed Appreciation. "So you've moved into an old-fashioned house. Don't you miss the conveniences of a flat?" "Yes, indeed! Particularly the convenience of blaming the janitor whenever anything goes wrong."—Detroit Free Press.

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Which? Riche—Look at me! Twenty years ago a poor boy, working like a dog, and now— Look at me! See what I have made of myself. Smarte—Yes, sir. Do you— Is this meant as a warning or an example?—Cassell's. All of Us. "I expect we shall all have a lot of trouble now." "How so?" "Why, in getting used to calling her Mrs. Longworth instead of Alice."—Houston Post.

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