

For the Sabbath Recorder. THE WIDOW'S SON RESTORED. BY V. A. WEBSTER.

St. Luke 7: 11. Once in Nain, there dwelt a low widow, Alike with her only idolized son.

It was a humble cottage, On the suburbs facing the valley, Embowered in roses, and fruitful vines; And the beautiful cottage,

Was open to the wind and rain, And the fragrance of roses filled the room; Festoons of jasmine,

Woven by his fair hand's native, Scarce shook their tiny leaves, as still the hour,

When Nature sank to rest, As infant tenderly, Earth was gay, Dame Beauty smiled, as loveliness lit up

Each well remembered spot, Exclaiming, "Happy, oh, very happy!" The pale cheeks of many youngsters

Fill sweetly with joy and gladness, While ever and anon, the timbre's note Came from afar on the evening breeze,

And sweetest wafted through the air, Swelled the harmonious melody, Where youths in amorous pleasure led the dance,

Or Syrian Levite there, With eye upturned, chanted his evening hymn, Which, as it swept the concave of the sky,

Beyond all limit rose, Through the fragrant air, Earth's happiness of soul, and sang it o'er,

With far surpassing tone, The Hebrews sang in circumcised west, Squared, but curious hum, 'twixt earth

And heaven, No sigh they shadow'd through, A twilight of his bliss, or all below;

Yet, oh, low vain, how maddening, This loneliness of joy, as they went, Though fast the scene, and pleasure

Relieved, Death becked not e'er there to come, And chill the feeble cry, Of all the noble souls who met that night,

The fairest, brightest, and best gem was gone: He lay upon his pillow, And by his latter end, he grasped with pain;

Parched with fever's fever, consuming flame, Hour by hour his brain grew wild, The balmy of death brought him no relief;

Kind offers were done in vain to dispel; His mother's sigh laid hopes, As moths will, to the woe, When Death stands by to cut the brittle thread,

That binds the soul to earth, Nor heathen for one of Judah's maids, The dearest idol of the young man's heart,

Set by its curls and wavy, O agony of soul, so strong and deep, He knew no sovereign balm his ill could heal!

Death marked his day, Nor voice, nor agony could shake Death's hold, O limbs, to them of all in life most dear, Death's presence came, And in the hush, there came a voice that said,

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little dusty room of his father's house into another which is fairer and larger, light some and glorious, and daisy and daffodil, and crocus, and pansy, and tulip, and all the beauties of the season.

OUR TRACT SOCIETY AND ITS OBJECT.

Read before the Women's Sabbath Tract Society of Utica, N.Y., at their public session on the evening after the Sabbath, Jan. 20th, 1875, forwarded for publication, by request.

LIFE AND DEATH.

There has been a great deal said about life and death, and the effect our ideas of them have on our religious belief. It is generally believed that death means the cessation of existence, which, in my opinion, is false.

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servants! Oh that our people would awake more generally, and take hold with strong hands and willing hearts of the work that is before us. Sluggish inactivity and disobedience insure death as a denomination.

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thing as robbing God, though some may think this a bold assertion. Hear his own words: "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me."

"LOST FOR WANT OF A WORD." "Lost for want of a word" is a familiar saying, and is often used to describe a person who has been misled or deceived by a single word.

HINTS FOR THE PRAYER MEETING. In the Annual Record of the College Street Church, New Haven, we find these suggestions, from the pen of the pastor, Rev. James W. Hubbell, we presume:

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THE TENDRENESS OF GRANT.

There is one family that will never forget our President, despite these tendencies of political parties or partisans. The story we give was furnished at by one who knows the truth, and as it has never been printed before, it is an exciting fact that General Grant has a heart, at all events.

WHY THY WIFE TO WAR.—A certain king sent to another king, saying, "Send me a blue pig with a black tail, for I have not one." The other replied: "I have not got one, and if I had—"

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port with the glory of that world to which she has gone to be an inhabitant.

Such words from one so well and favorably known, and concerning one whom none knew but to love, will surely be cherished by the readers of the Recorder. They evince such deep and abiding hope, such peaceful confidence in God, that all who read must be helped. The very tears which they evoke glow with the glory of the faith which gave them birth.

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The Bible Service.

CONDUCTED BY REV. L. A. PLATS. INTERNATIONAL LESSONS, 1875. SECOND QUARTER.—REV. A. E. MAIN. LESSON XIX.—RUTH AND NAOMI. For Sabbath Day, May 8.

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Miscellaneous.

PUSH-IN THE CORNER. Two little hands hid two rosy cheeks. Two tiny feet hid two white socks. Darling is laughing and shouting with glee.

WHITNER THOU GOEST, KE. To what ether land the footsteps of her mothering hand might lead her, she should go.

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