

OUR TRAVELLED PARSON.

BY WILL CARLTON. For twenty years and over our good parson had been toiling. To chip the bad insect from our hearts and keep the good from spoiling; But finally he wilted down, and went to looking sickly.

LEAFLETS FROM A SOUTHERN HOME.

The City of Washington—The City of Magnificent Distances—Work on the Capitol Unfinished. The Little Wonders, the Midgets. For the JOURNAL. As there seems to be little of interest occurring within the State of Virginia to chronicle at the present time, at least from our part of it, I thought I would send you a few notes concerning the city of Washington, where it has been my privilege to spend a few days within the past week.

Receipt of Prosperity.

1. Let every youth be taught some useful art and be trained to industry and thrift. 2. Let every young man lay aside and sacredly keep intact a certain proportion of his earnings. 3. Let every youth set out in life with a fixed determination to engage in business for himself, and let him put his determination into practice as early in life as possible.

Equal to the Occasion.

Braggarts are generally easy to be scared. A French shoe-maker fond of boasting that nothing could frighten him, proved an exception to the rule. Two young fellows resolved to put him to the test, so one shammed dead, and the other prevailed upon the shoe-maker to watch the body through the night. Being busy, he took his tools with him and worked beside the corpse. About midnight a cup of black coffee was brought to him to keep him awake, and he was so exhilarated by the draught that he struck up a merry song, still playing his hammer vigorously. Suddenly the would-be corpse arose and said, in sepulchral tones, "When a man is in the presence of death he should not sing."

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Body enjoyment depends upon health, and health depends upon temperance.

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