

THINGS WHICH ARE GOD'S.

"Render, therefore, unto Cæsar the things which be Cæsar's and unto God the things which be God's."—Luke xx. 25.

When the people of Switzerland were subject to the Austrians, a proud governor placed his cap on a pole and commanded the captive race to bow before it. William Tell refused to obey, saying calmly that his knee should bow to God and God alone. "My life," he said, "is in the Austrian's hand, my conscience is my own." So when we are required to give to Cæsar what belongs to God, we are bound to refuse.

LITTLE THINGS.

"He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much."—Luke xvi. 10.

When you read how Kate Douglas thrust her arm through the bolt grooves of the door, and let the murderers break it while her king had time to hide; or how the pilot of Lake Eric stood upon the burning deck, and steered the crew safe to the jetty, and then fell dead among the crackling flames; or how the Russian serf, to save his master and his master's children, sprang out from the sledge among the wolves that howled after them through the winter snow—whose soul is so leaden that it does not thrill with admiration at deeds like these? But think you that these brave men and women sprang, as it were, full-sized into their heroic stature? Show now, in little things, of what stuff you are made, and you will not then be unprepared if God should ever require of you the hero's courage or the martyr's faith.

THE RIGHT MOTIVE.

"If thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door."—Genesis iv. 7.

In the Revised Version this verse reads: "If thou doest well shall not that fallen countenance be lifted up; but if thou doest not well, if you make your sacrifice, having all the time envious and unworthy thoughts, sin is practically on

you, so ready is it to make its spring, it is you that it desires to have; master if you do not mean to be mastered by it." Watch the trend of the mind. Before Judas, who kept the bag, betrayed Jesus, he had many a time betrayed Him in thought.

DANGER OF CONTACT.

"Be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing."—2 Cor. vi. 17.

The plague in the East, spite of all we can do, tends steadily to spread. And no wonder, when the habits and prejudices of the people are taken into account. For instance, up till comparatively recently the scourge was unknown. —for the time being, at all events—in Kashmir. Then a single imported case was discovered, but was successfully isolated. Eight days afterwards, however, one of the guards of the segregation camp was attacked. He had stolen into the tent where the dead body of the first plague victim was laid out for burial, and had secretly biten off with his teeth the ring-finger of the corpse, in order to obtain possession of a silver geewaw, worth, perhaps, eightpence. Although his body, like that of the first man, was buried in quicklime, fresh cases occurred soon afterwards among his relatives, owing to his remains being secretly exhumed and brought to his home for reburial. Some fourteen hundred deaths have been recorded, so far, and the disease continues to flourish.

ENVY OVER-RULED.

"It was not you . . . but God."—Genesis xlv. 8.

It is said that President Roosevelt had political enemies who endeavoured to prevent his advancement by electing him Vice-President, an almost hopeless position from which to become President. Contrary to expectations, it led directly to the highest position in America. So Joseph, in the pit, as slave, and in prison, was but stepping up to the fulfilment of the dreams which so troubled and vexed his brothers.

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TRAINING HOME TERRITORY.

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