REFLECTED RAYS.

Nothing is more becoming to a reasonable person than tolerance of the opinions of others .- [Ex.

It is seldom that meanness of disposition is found associated with high mental attainments .- [Common Sense.

Those who disbelieve in virtue because a man has never been found perfect, might as reasonably deny the sun, because it is not always noon .- [Ex.

for the rising generation.-[Flam- daddy; I'll keep 'em awake." ing Sword.

day, and yet they spend all the fell into a state of coma recently, week in shaving their fellow men; and was declared to be dead. The wicked to blacken their boots on hesitate to black their neighbor's reputation on week-days.-[Beecher.

Men can never understand the fear of everlasting punishment that fills the souls of women and children. The orthodox religion, as drawn from the Bible and expounded by the church, is enough to drive the most imaginative and sensitive natures to despair and death .- [Elizabeth Cady Stanton.

The story of Jesus has the appearance of having been written in the dark. It will not bear criticism as a biography, and as a romance its hero lacks sentiment. Jesus is painted too divine for a man and too human for a god. It remains for the world to make him one or the other, or to admit that he is but the thought of man pictured in words.-[Investigator.

These are troublous times. The trouble is everywhere: in politics, in the social system, in religion. But the storm centre seems to be A. A. ARMSTRONG, PROP. in the region of religion. The fundamental beliefs on which our social system has partly rested are giving way. To replace them before the edifice falls, and at the same time to gain such knowledge as may be attainable of man's estate and destiny, thought must be entirely free.-[Goldwin Smith.

One good man and a kind man 1 Can Sins be Forgiven? said that he believed in the Devil, 2 Does Christianity or Science Promote Civilan actual, living, personal Devil, who was attending to business; and that all the evidence that he needed to convince him of the existence of this devil was furnished by my life and my lectures. He undoubtedly was a good man; and when I read these sermons and these answers, in spite of myself there came into my mind a line from Heinrich Heine: "Christ rode an ass, but now asses ride on Christ .-- [Ingersoll.

Just For Fun.

Little five-year old Mamie had been listening attentively to the story of the massacre of the children at Bethlehem, and after it was finished her mother asked her what she thought of it. "Well," she re- New plied, "I think God was awful selfish to save his own little boy and nobody else's."-[Unity.

It is narrated that a New England preacher the other day was horrified during his sermon by discovering his son in the gallery pelting his hearers in the pews below Apostate Christians are more con- with peanuts. But while the good cerned about leaving the earth on man was preparing a frown of resome star-bound journey than they proof, the young hopeful cried out: are about making the world better "You tend to your preaching

An American soldier who had Some men will not shave on Sun- been ill for a long time with fever and many folks think it is very night preceding the day fixed for his burial he regained conscious-Sunday morning, yet they do not ness and scrambled out of his coffin. Attendants rushed in and stimulants were applied, and the supposed dead man soon recovered. In relating the facts he assured his hearers that when he appeared to be dying the experience was very pleasant, but when he began to recover consciousness he knew that he was not dead because his feet were cold and he was hungry. don't understand what you mean," said a bystander. "Well," replied the man, "I knew if I were in heaven I shouldn't be hungry, and if I were in hell my feet wouldn't be cold."-[Commoner.

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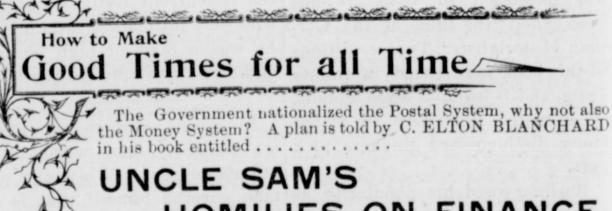
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