

MISCELLANEOUS.

"LUCK."

BY REV. W. M. STATHAM.

What's that you say, Alfred, "Some fellows never get on, because they never get a chance, and other fellows are always having jolly good luck?"

I tell you what it is, my dear fellow, you are mightily mistaken about this same luck. If you take the trouble to study human life, you will find that God helps those who help themselves.

Life is not like a game of whist, where you don't know what will turn up trumps, for duty, faithfully followed, always turns up a good trump, and always holds a good hand.

You would think it lucky, perhaps, Alfred, if some distant relative left you a large fortune, or if some plenty-crowned merchant gave you his mercantile business and belongings.

Place a man in the foremost position of the forum, let the audience all turn attention to his presence, but is he an orator? Clothe him with professional robes, and put him in the academic chair, but can he teach?

Good luck may raise a man to a false position, but it does not keep him there; or, even if it does do that, it makes him ridiculous wherever he is.

Luck! Does a man ever learn navigation by luck? or water-color drawing? or the way to be happy? Certainly not! Character, culture, a good conscience, and a good name—those are not the gifts of your "jolly good luck."

And in value, for it is evident that they do. Some persons find a hundred gates open, to ten in other folks' lives. And, probably, these very persons would tell you that their difficulty lay in choosing amid these varieties.

When Peter the Great learnt ship-building, he did not believe in luck; and when Pallas found out the art of pottery, he did not worship luck; and Paganini did not play the violin by luck!

There is a large class, especially at the present day, of youths who are "loungers;" and one wonders, as one looks at them, what the world wants with them at all.

Luck! I warn you, Alfred, to look at the results of this same belief in luck. It often means sweepstakes and gambling, and a sulky sort of belief that you are a more valuable article than you are.

We have to remember, after all, that to do God's will—to render faithful service in our day and generation, and, above all, to be true men and women, valiant for purity, integrity, and right to be unselfish and brave, to be thankful and contented, to be ready for the everlasting rest hereafter—these constitute the aims of every worthy spirit.

PASS IT THIS WAY MR. BROWN. Mr. Brown kept boarders. Around Mr. Brown's tea table sat Mr. Brown, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Andrews, the village milliner, and Mr. Hadley a flour, feed and lumber merchant.

Mr. Brown took out of his pocket-book a ten dollar note, and handed it to Mrs. Brown saying: "Here, my dear, are ten dollars towards the twenty I promised you. Mrs. Brown handed it to Mrs. Andrews the milliner, saying, "that pays for my new bonnet." Mrs. Andrews said to Mr. Jordan as she handed him the note, "that will pay you for your work on my counter."

Mr. Jordan handed it to Mr. Hadley, the flour, feed and lumber merchant, requesting him to give him credit for that amount on his lumber bill. Mr. Hadley gave the note back to Mr. Brown, saying, "that pays ten dollars on my board."

A PHILOSOPHER'S QUESTION.—When Pyrrhus, King of Epirus, was making preparations to wage war against Rome, Cineas, a wise and good man, asked him what were the expectations as to the result of his career upon which he was about to enter.

When you reflect that at picnic one hundred years ago it was the custom for the girls to stand up in a row and let the men kiss them all good-bye, all this enthusiasm about national progress seems to be a grave mistake.

Historical Sketch of Servia.

By referring to John's family at last it will be seen that Servia is only about one-third the area of Pennsylvania, and in population it numbers less than New York City, and Brooklyn.

For nearly three centuries Servia was subject to Turkey, but a part was transferred to Austria at the close of the Turko-Austrian war in 1718. In 1739, at the peace of Belgrade, Turkey again assumed sway over the Serbs and subjected them to great oppression.

The Servian National assembly, soon after this occurrence, elected Prince Milan ruler, when only fourteen years of age. During his minority the country was ruled by a regency. In August 1872, the Prince obtained his majority, and in 1875 married Princess Natalie, daughter of Col. Kisehko, a Russian officer.

The United States Senate did well to unanimously adopt a joint resolution offered by Mr. Sherman, of Ohio, taking Almighty God, in the name of the people, for his safe guidance through the century just closed.

SHORT HORNS FOR CANADA.—A Canadian firm has recently purchased Bow Park farm, near Toronto, Canada, at the head of which firm is the Hon. George Brown.

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