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I never knew of the merchant, to whom I referred above, ever giving utterance to idle jokes or levity during business hours. His whole time and attention while in the store seemed to be absorbed in his business duties, and he never seemed to have any time to spare for foolish jesting.

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"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."—*Sel.*

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Some years ago, I sat with my partner in the veranda of our office at luncheon. Our regular guest, a broken legged crow, sat on the window-sill. In the bread-basket was a piece of crust, dried by the land wind as hard as a brick-bat. I threw it to the crow, who pecked at it many times, but found it too hard for his beak. He then evidently sat himself to work to find a remedy for so sad a state of things. He looked at it with his head on one side, then he took another view of it from the other side, then seemed fairly puzzled. All at once a bright thought struck him. He seized the crust, flew to the wash-hand basin in the corner, shook the morsel well for a minute in the water, flew back to his old place on the sill, and gobbled it up the now soft crust triumphantly. If that did not betoken reason, I don't know what could.—*Knowledge.*

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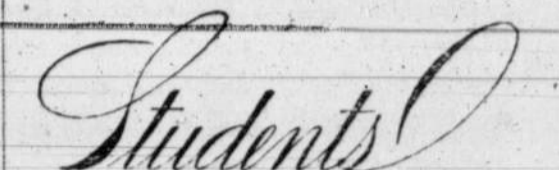
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