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A bad penny always comes back.

A bad workman never finds a good tool.

A barking dog does not bite.

A beautiful woman, by her smiles draws tears from our purse.

A bird in the cage is worth a hundred at large.

A blow from a frying-pan if it does not hurt, smuts.

A burnt child dreads the fire.

A buxom widow must be either married, buried, or shut up in a convent.

A child must creep until it learns to walk.

A clear conscience is a good pillow.

A clock serves to point out the hours, and a woman to make us forget them.

A close mouth catcheth no flies.

A crow is never the whiter for washing herself often.

A fine cage won't feed the bird.

A fool comes always short of his reckoning.

A fool may ask more questions in an hour than a wise man can answer in seven years.

A friend to everybody is a friend to nobody.

A goaded ass must needs trot.

A good fellow lights his candle at both ends.

A good swordsman is never quarrelsome.

A great many pair of shoes are worn out before a man does all he says.

A handful of mother wit is worth a bushel of learning.

A handsome shoe often pinches the foot.

A lass that has many wooers oft fares the worst.

A life of leisure and a life of idleness are the same thing, only different titles.

A little pot is soon hot.

A long tongue is a sign of a short hand.

A man cannot leave his experience or wisdom to his heirs.

A man does not look behind a door unless he has stood there himself.

A man may talk like a wise man and yet act like a fool.

A peasant between two lawyers is like a fish between two cats.

A probable story is the first weapon of calumny.

A rolling stone gathers no moss.

A single conversation across the table with a wise man is better than ten years' mere study of books. Chinese Prov.

A small pack becomes a small pedlar.

A stock once gotten, wealth grows up of its own accord.

A thief thinks every man steals.

A thousand probabilities cannot make one truth.

A willing helper does not wait until he is asked.

A wise man reflects before he speaks a fool speaks, and then reflects on what he has uttered.

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A woman conceals what she knows not.

A woman either loves or hates; there is no medium.

A woman forgives sin in her lover, but never meanness.

A woman that loves to be at the window is like a bunch of grapes on the highway.

A word and a stone once let go cannot be recalled.

Affairs, like salt fish, ought to be a good while soaking.

Age and wedlock bring a man to his nightcap.

All is not gold that glitters.

All's well that ends well.

Always taking out and never putting in soon reaches the bottom.

An empty sack won't stand upright.

Another man's horse and your own spurs outrun the wind.

Apes remain apes though you clothe them in velvet.

As soon as ever God hath a church built for him, the devil gets a tabernacle set up for himself.

As you make your bed so you must lie on it.

At a good pennyworth pause awhile.

At court they sell a good deal of smoke without fire.

At Rome do as Romans do.

Be silent or say something better than silence.

Be ye last to go over a deep river.

Beauty and charity have always a mortal quarrel between them.

Beauty draws more than oxen.

Beauty without virtue is like a rose without scent.

Because I would live quietly in the world,

I hear, and see, and say nothing.

Before you mount look to the girth.

Better ask twice than lose your way once.

Better be the head of a dog than the tail of a lion.

Better be unmannerly than trou blesome

Better come to the latter end of a feast than the beginning of a fray.

Better keep under an old hedge than creep under a new furze bush.

Better to have a dog fawn on you than to bite you.

Between robbing and restoring, men commonly get thirty in a hundred.

Beware equally of a sudden friend and a slow enemy.

Beware of a man that does not talk, and a dog that does not bark.

Beware of a reconciled friend.

Beware of the geese when the fox preaches.

Birds of a feather flock together.

Bring up a raven and he will peck out your eyes.

By yielding, you make all your friends, but if you tell all the truth you know you will get your head broke.

Charity is the chief and most charming beauty.

Chastise a good child, that it may not grow bad, and a bad one that it may not grow worse.

Children and drunken men speak the truth.

Children suck their mothers when they are young, and the fathers when they are old.

Civil, obliging language costs but little, and doth a great deal of good.

Claw me and I'll claw thee.

Confession of faults makes half amends.

Consider well before you tie the knot you never can undo.

Consider well who you are, what you do, whence you came, and whither you are to go.

Constant dropping wears the millstone.

Contempt of a man is the sharpest reproof.

Counsel in wine seldom prospers.

Count not your chickens before they are hatched.

Counterfeit coin passes current at night.
Courtesy on one side only lasts not long.

Craft brings nothing home at last.

Credit lost is like a Venice glass broken.

Creditors have better memories than

Crooked logs make straight fires.

Crosses are ladders that lead to heaven.

Deceit is in haste, but honesty can wait a

Deeds are males, and words are females.

Delay is odious, but it makes things sure.

Delays are dangerous.

Desperate cuts have desperate cures.

Despise not a small wound, a poor kinsman, or an humble enemy.

Discretion, or a true judgment of things, is the parent of all virtue.

Do as the friar sayeth, not as he doeth.

Do not all that you can do; spend not all that you have; believe not all that you hear, and tell not all that you know.

Do not divide the spoil till the victory is

Do not make me kiss, and you will not make me sin.

Doing what I ought secures me against

Don't bite till you know whether it is pread or a stone.

Don't go a fishing in a famous stream.

Don't scuffle with the potter, for he makes money by the damage.

Drink wine with pears, and water after figs.

Drinking water neither makes a man sick nor in debt, nor his wife a widow.

Drive thy business, let not that drive thee.

Early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise.

Eat after your own fashion, clothe your-self as others do.

Eating little and speaking little can never do a man hurt.

Eating more than you should at once makes you eat less afterwards.

Empty casks make the most noise.

Enjoy that little you have, while the fool is hunting for more.

Enrich your younger age with virtue's lore.

Even reckoning keeps long friends.

Every ass thinks himself worthy to stand with the king's horses.

Every cask smells of the wine it contains.

Every cock is proud of his own dunghill.

Every ditch is full of after-wit.

Every fool is in love with his own bauble.

Every man hath his cricket in his head, and makes it sing as he pleases.

Every man hath his faults.

Every man is a fool where he has not considered or thought.

Every man is either a fool or a physician at forty.

Every man loves justice at another man's house; nobody cares for it at his own.

Every one can tame a shrew but he who hath her.

Every one has a fool in his sleeve.

Every one has a penny to spend at a new alehouse.

Every one hath enough to do to govern himself well.

Every one is a master and a servant.

Every one should sweep before his own

Every one stretches his legs according to the length of his coverlet.

Every one thinks he hath more than his share of brains.

Every path hath a puddle.

Every sin brings its punishment along with it.

Every sow to her own trough.

Every tub stands on its own bottom.

Everything is good in its season.

Everything may be, except a ditch without a bank.

Evil comes to us by ells and goes away by inches.

Examine not the pedigree nor patrimony of a good man.

Experience and wisdom are the two best fortune tellers.

Experience is the father, and memory the mother of wisdom.

Experience is the mistress of fools.

Experience keeps a dear school, but fools of. will learn in no other.

Experience without learning does more good than learning without experience.

Faint heart never won fair lady.

Fair and safely goes far in a day.

Fair feathers make fair fowls.

Fair flowers do not long remain by the roadside.

Fair words and foul deeds deceive wise men as well as fools.

Fair words butter no parsnips.

Fair words make me look at my purse,

Falsehood is the devil's daughter, and speaks her father's tongue.

Fetters of gold are still fetters, and silken cords pinch.

Few die of hunger, an hundred thousand of surfeits.

Few men are raised in our estimation by being closely examined.

Fiddler's fare-meat, drink and money.

Find money and marriage to rid yourself of an ill daughter.

Fine words will not keep a cat from starving.

Fly the pleasure that will bite to-morrow.

Follow but do not run after good fortune.

Fools and wilful men make the lawyers great.

Fools make feasts, and wise men eat store.

Fools worship mules that carry gold.

Forecast is better than workhard.

Forgive every man's faults except your own.

Fortune knocks once at least at every man's door.

Foxes, when sleeping leave nothing fall into their mouths.

Friends are like fiddle-strings, they must not be screwed too tight.

From snow, whether baked or boiled, you will get nothing but water.

Gaming shows what metal a man is made of.

Gather the rose and leave the thorn be-

Gentility without ability is worse than plain beggary.

Get but a good name and you can lie in bed.

Get what you can, and what you get hold; 'tis the stone that will turn all your lead into gold.

Gifts enter everywhere without a nimble.

Give a clown your finger and he will take your whole hand.

Give a man luck and throw him into the sea.

Give a wise man a hint and he will do the business well enough.

Give every man good words but keep your purse strings close.

Give me an ass that carries me in preference to a horse that throws me.

Give neither counsel nor salt till you are asked for it.

Give no credit to great promisers.

Give the piper a penny to play and two pence to leave off.

Give your friend a fig and your enemy a peach.

Giving begets love, lending as usually lessens it.

Giving much to the poor increases a man's store.

Go early to the market and as late as ever you can to a battle.

Go into the country to hear what news is in town.

Go not to hell for company.

Go not over the water when you cannot see the bottom.

Go not to your doctor for every ail, nor to your lawyer for every quarrel, nor to your pitcher for every thirst.

God deals his wrath by weight, but without weight his mercy.

God hath often a great share in a little house, and but a little share in a great house.

Great men's pand dead men's but not trust to.

God help the fool, quoth Pedley, (an soon weary.

God help the rich, the poor can beg.

God helps them who help themselves.

God keep me from him whom I trust, from him that I trust not I shall keep myself.

God keep me from still water, from that which is rough I will keep myself.

God never sends a drouth but he sends meat.

God send us some wheat of our own when rich men go to dinner.

God sends meat and the devil sends

God's mill grinds slowly, but surely.

God's providence is the surest and best inheritance.

Gold goes in at any gate except that of heaven.

Good and quickly seldom meet.

Good counsel breaks no man's head.

Good courage breaks ill-luck to pieces.

Good deeds live and flourish when all other things are at an end.

Good fortune comes to him who takes care to keep her.

Good harvests make men prodigal, bad ones provident.

Good husbandry is the first step towards riches.

Good looks buy nothing in the market.

Good preachers give their hearers fruit, not flowers.

Good swimmers are drowned at last. Good to sleep in a whole skin. Good wine makes a bad head and a long story.

Good wine needs no crier.

Gossips and frogs drink and talk.

Great cry and little wool, quoth the devil when he sheared his hogs.

Great men's promises, courtier's oaths, and dead men's shoes, a man may look for but not trust to.

Great pain and little gain make a man soon wearv.

Great posts and offices are like ivy on the wall, which makes it look fine, but ruins it.

Great poverty is no fault, but some inconvenience.

Great prosperity and modesty seldom go together.

Great ships require deep waters.

Great talkers are commonly liars.

Great virtue seldom descends.

Handle your tools without mittens.

Handsome apples are sometimes sour.

Happy is he who knows his follies in his youth.

Happy is he who mends of himself without the help of others.

Happy is the man who does all the good he talks of.

Hasty climbers have sudden falls.

Have many acquaintances but few friends.

Have money, and you will have kindred

He buys honey dear who has to lick it off thorns.

He can never speak well who knows not when to hold his peace.

He can want nothing who has God for his friend.

He cannot go wrong when virtue guides. He dances well to whom fortune pipes.

He deserves not the sweet who will not

taste of the sour.

He dies like a beast who has done no good while he lived.

He does something who sets his house on fire: he scares away the rats and warms himself.

He goes not out of his way who goes to a good inn.

He had need rise betimes that would please everybody.

He has lived to little purpose who cannot hope to live after death.

He has not lost all who has one throw to

He hath a great opinion of himself who makes no comparisons with others.

He hath no leisure who useth it not.

He is a fool who cannot be angry, but he is a wise man who will not.

He is a great fool who squanders rather than doth good with his estate.

He is far from a good man who strives not to grow better.

He is fool enough himself who will bray against another ass.

He is master of the world who despises it, and its slave who values it.

He is my friend who grinds at my mill.

He is rich who desires nothing more.

He is rich who is contented.

He is the best scholar who has learned to love well.

He is the better man who comes nearest to the best.

He is the happy man, not who other men | hall. think, but who thinks himself so.

He is the only rich man who understands the use of wealth.

He is the wise man who is the honest man.

He is truly happy who can make others living. happy too.

rid of bad company.

He lives indeed who lives not to himself

He lives long enough who has lived well.

He loses the good of his affections who is not the better for them.

He loseth his thanks who promiseth and delayeth.

He must stoop that has a low door.

He needs say nothing about the score who pays nothing.

He only is bright who shines by himself.

He only is rich enough who has a. hat he desires.

He only is the learned man who knows enough to make him live well.

He only truly lives who lives in reace.

He plays well that wins.

He that believes he has a great many friends must try but few of them.

He that borrows must pay again with shame or loss.

He that by the plough would thrive himself must either hold or drive.

He that doth the kindness has the greatest pleasure of the two.

He that handles thorns will prick his

He that has children all his morsels are not his own.

He that has little is the less dirty.

He that has many irons in the fire some of them will burn.

He that has no head needs no hat.

He that hears much and speaks none at all, shall be welcome both in tower and

He that is afraid of leaves must not come

He that is afraid of wounds must not come near the battle.

He that is born of a hen must scrape for a

He that kills a man when he is drunk He keeps his road well enough who gets | must be hanged when he is sober.

> He that lies down with dogs must rise up with fleas.

> He that lives in hope dances without ? minstrel.

He that makes a good war has peace.

He that makes himself an ass must not take it ill if men ride him.

He that makes himself a sheep will be eaten by a wolf.

He that pelts every barking dog must | He who converses with nobody knows pick up a great many stones.

He that pries into every cloud may be stricken with a thunderbolt.

He that reckons without his host must reckon again.

He that runs fastest gets over most ground.

He that shows his purse longs to be rid of

He that speaks me fair and loves me not. I will speak him fair, but trust him not.

He that strikes with his sword will be beaten with a scabbard.

He that strikes with the tongue must ward with his head.

He that tells his wife news is but newly doth a greater to himself. married.

He that waits for a dead man's shoes may physician. go long enough barefoot.

He that was born under a three halfpenny planet shall never be worth two pence.

He that will eat the kernel must crack the shell.

He that will have no trouble in this world must not be born in it.

He that will meddle with all things may go and shoe the gosling.

He that will not have peace, God gives him war.

He that will revenge every affront, either falls from a good post or never gets up to

He that will steal an egg will steal an ox.

He that will not go over the stile must be thrust through the gate.

He that would hang his dog gives out first that he is mad.

He that would live long must sometimes change his course of life.

He who abandons his poor kindred God forsakes him.

He who amends his faults puts himself under God's protection.

He who buys by the penny keeps his own house and other men's too.

He who cannot hold his peace will never live at ease.

nothing.

He who defers his charities till his death is rather liberal of another man's than of his own.

He who depends wholly on another s providing for him, has but an ill breakfast and a worse supper.

He who does his own business does not soil his fingers.

He who does not look forward finds himself behind other men.

He who does the injury never forgives the injured man.

He who doth a kindness to a good man

He who eats but one dish never wants a

He who fears death lives not.

He who fears God is the true wise man.

He who gets doth much, but he who keeps doth more.

He who gives all before he dies will need a great deal of patience.

He who gives alms makes the very best use of his money.

He who gives fair words feeds you with an empty spoon.

He who goes far from home to get a wife either means to cheat or be cheated.

He who has an ill-name is half hanged.

He who has gold has fear, who has none

He who has good health is a rich man and does not know it.

He who has good health is young, and he is rich who has no debts.

He who has horns in his bosom needs not put them upon his head.

He who has most patience best enjoys the

He who has no children knows Let what love means.

He who has the longest sword is always thought to be in the right.

He who has thriven may sleep till eleven.

on the frontier, or a vineyard near the high- can never want something to do. way never wants a quarrel.

Be who hath a mouth of his own should and he who hates you may make you laugh. not bid another man blow.

cheap.

He who hath children hath neither kindred nor friends.

He who hath lost shame is lost to all vir-

He who hath no ill fortune is tired out dren marries four thieves. with good.

He who hath nothing knows nothing, and | what will vex him. he who knows nothing is nobody.

He who hath servants hath enemies that the devil's martyr. he cannot well be without.

He who is about to marry should consider spins gold. how it is with his neighbors.

He who is an ass, and takes himself to leisure. be a stag, when he comes to leap the ditch finds his mistake.

He who is employed is tempted by one devil, he who is idle by an hundred.

He who is lucky (or rich), passes for a wise man.

He who is not handsome at twenty, nor strong at thirty, nor rich at forty, nor wise at fifty, will never be handsome, strong, rich, nor wise.

He who is to give an account of himself and others must know himself and them.

He who keeps company with great men is the last at the table and the first at any his face. toil or danger.

He who keeps good men's company may very well bear the charge.

He who keeps his first innocency escapes a thousand sins.

He who knows nothing is confident in everything.

He who leaves the high road for a bypath thinks to gain ground and loses it.

He who lives disorderly one year does not enjoy himself for five years after.

He who lives wickedly always lives in fear.

He who hath a handsome wife or a castle | He who loves to employ himself well

He who loves you will make you ween.

He who makes more of you than he used He who hath an ill cause let him sell it to do either would cheat you or needs you.

> He who makes other men afraid of his wit, had need be afraid of their memories.

> He who marries a widow will have a dead man's head often thrown in his dish.

> He who marries a widow and three chil-

He who peeps through a hole may see

He who perishes in a needless danger is

He who plows his land and breeds cattle

He who resolves suddenly repents at

He who resolves to amend hath God on

He who reveals his secret makes him-

He who saves his dinner will have the more for his supper.

He who seeks trouble never misses it.

He who serves the public has but a scurvy

He who serves the public obliges nobody. He who sows his lands trusts in God.

He who spits against heaven it falls on

He who stays in the middle of a valley will never get over the hills.

He who studies his content wants it most.

He who stumbles and falls not mends his

He who tells all the truth he knows must lie in the streets.

He who throws away his estate with his hands goes afterwards to pick it up on his

He who trifles away his time perceives not death which stands upon his shoulders.

He who troubles not himself with other men's business gets peace and ease thereby

He who trusts nobody is never deceived. |

He who understands most is other men's moster

He who will avenge every affront means not to live long.

He who will be his own master often has a fool for his scholar.

He who will deceive the fox must rise betimes.

He who will have a good revenge let him leave it to God.

He who will make a door of gold, must knock in a nail every day.

He who will not be counselled cannot be helped.

He who will stop every man's mouth must have a great deal of meal.

He who will venture nothing must not get on horseback.

He who would avoid the sun must avoid the occasion of it.

He who would be rich in one year is hanged at six months' end.

He who would be well spoken of himself must not speak ill of others.

He who would cheat the devil must rise early in the morning.

He who would have a hare for breakfast must hunt over night.

He who would have a mule without faults must keep none.

He who would thrive must ask leave of his wife.

He whose house is tiled with glass must not throw stones at his neighbors'.

Health is better than wealth.

Heaven is not to be had by men's barely hat over his eyes. wishing for it.

Home is home be it ever so homely.

Honor and profit will not keep, both in one sack.

Honor buys no beef in the market.

Hunger is the best sauce.

I am no river, but can go back when there is reason for it.

I defy all fetters though they were made of gold.

I heard one say so is half a lie.

I left him I knew for him who was greatly praised, and had reason to repent it.

I lost my reputation by speaking ill of others and being worse spoken of.

I went a fool to the court and returned an

I will keep no more cats than will catch

I will not change a cottage in possession for a kingdom in reversion.

Idle brains are the devil's workhouses.

Idleness always envies industry.

Idleness is the mother of vice, the stepmother to all virtues.

Idleness turns the edge of wit.

If a good man thrives all thrive with him.

If a man would know what he is let him anger his neighbors.

If all fools wore white caps we should look like a flock of geese.

If every man will mend one we shall all be mended.

If folly were pain we should have great crying out in every house.

If I had revenged every wrong, I had not worn my shirt so long.

If it were not for hope the heart would break.

If Jack's in love he's no judge of Jill's beauty.

If pride were a deadly disease how many would be now in their graves?

If the best man's faults were written on his forehead it would make him pull his

If the brain sows not corn it plants this-

If the mother had never been in the oven she would not have looked for the daughter

If the sky falls we shall catch larks.

If three know it all the world will know

If things were to be done twice all would

If thou do ill the joy fades, not the pain, if well, the pain fades the joy remains.

If wise men never erred it would be hard his hearing lack. with the fool.

If you cannot bite never show your teeth.

If you love me, John, your deeds will tell me so.

If you trust before you try you may repent before you die.

If you want to know what a dollar is worth try and borrow one.

If you will not hear reason she will surely rap your knuckles.

If you would be as happy as a king, consider not the few that are before you, but the many that come behind you.

If you would be pope you must think of nothing else.

If you would have a thing kept secret, never tell it to any one; and if you would not have a thing known of you, never do

If you would live in health be old betimes.

If young men had wit, and old men strength enough, everything might be well

Ignorance and prosperity make men bold and confident.

Ignorance is better than pride with greater knowledge.

Ill gotten goods seldom prosper.

Ill luck is worse than found money.

Improve rather by other men's errors than find fault with them.

In a calm sea every man is a pilot.

In a thousand pounds of law there is not an ounce of love.

In all contentions put a bridle on your tongue.

In an hundred years' time princes are peasants, and in an hundred and ten peasants are princes.

In governing others, you must do what you can do, not all you would do.

In prosperity we need moderation, in adversity, patience.

In silence there is many a good morsel.

In trust is treason.

In vain doth the mill clack if the miller

In war, hunting and love, you have a thousand sorrows for every joy or pleasure.

Ingratitude is the mother of pride.

Industry is fortune's right hand and frugality is her left.

Industry makes a gallant man and breaks ill-fortune.

It is a bad cause that none dare speak in.

It is a bad house that hath not a poor man in it.

It is a good horse that never stumbles, and a good wife that never grumbles.

It is a mark of great proficiency to bear easily the failings of other men.

It's a sad house where the hen crows louder than the cock.

It is a wise child that knows its own fa-

It is an ill bird that betrays its own nest.

It is an ill dog that is not worth the whistling.

It is as good to be in the dark as without

It is better it should be said, here he ran away, than, here he was slain.

It is better to be condemned by a college of physicians than by one judge.

It is better to give one shilling than to lend twenty.

It is better to keep out of a quarrel than to make it up afterwards.

It is better to please a fool than to anger

It is cruelty to the innocent not to punish the guilty.

It is easy to bowl down hill.

It is good fishing in troubled waters.

It is good to know our friend's feelings, out not to publish them.

It is hard to share an egg.

It is horribly dangerous to sleep near the gates of hell.

It is merry in the hall when heads wag | Keep your mouth shut and your eyes

It is money that makes the mare go.

It is more noble to make yourself great than to be born so.

It is more painful to do nothing than something.

It is never a bad day that hath a good

It is no child's play when the old woman

It is not a sign of humility to declaim against pride.

It is not easy to straighten in the oak the crook that grows in the sapling.

It is not lost that comes at last.

It is the ordinary way of the world to keep folly at the helm and wisdom under the hatches.

It is time to set in when the oven comes to the dough.

It is too late to spare when the bottom is bare.

It is truth which makes a man angry.

Jealousy is a pain that eagerly seeks what causes pain.

Jests are seldom good the first time but the second distasteful.

Joy is like the ague: one good day between two bad ones.

Judge not a book by its cover.

Judge not a ship as she lieth on the stocks.

Judge not men or things at first sight.

Justice often leans to the side where the purse pulls.

Keep aloof from all quarrels; be neither a witness nor a party.

Keep counsel thyself first.

Keep good company and you shall be of the number.

Keep good men company, and fall not out with the bad.

Keep money when you are young that you may have it when you are old.

Keep out of a hasty man's way for a while; out of a sullen man's way all the days of your life.

Keep yourself from the anger of a great man, from the tumult of a mob, from fools in a narrow way, from a man that is marked, from a widow that has been thrice married. from the wind that comes in at a hole, and from a reconciled enemy.

Keep your shop and your shop will keep

Keep your sword between you and the strength of a clown.

Keep your thoughts to yourself; let your mien be free and open.

Kind words and few are woman's orna-

Kindle not the fire that you cannot ex-

Knavery may serve a turn, but honesty is best at the long-run.

Knowledge is worth nothing unless we do the good we know.

Land was never lost for want of an heir.

Large trees give more shade than fruit.

Late repentance is seldom worth much.

Laws catch flies but let hornets go free.

Lawyers' gowns are lined with the wilfulness of their clients. Lawyers' houses are built on the heads of

Laziness travels so slow that poverty soon

overtakes it.

Learn wisdom by the folly of others.

Learning procures respect to good fortune and helps the bad.

Leave a dog and a great talker in the middle of the street.

Leave your son a good reputation and an employment.

Let every man praise the bridge he goes

Let every tub stand on its own bottom.

Let nothing affright you but sin.

Let them laugh that win.

Let us be friends and put out the devil's