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IN THE FACE OF DANGER.

An old proverb runs thus: Before going to war say a prayer; before going to sea say two prayers; before marrying say three prayers.--*The Monthly Messenger.*

A TOAST TO LAUGHTER.

A Southern country editor--the presiding genius of the "Intelligencer", of Anderson, South Carolina has written a toast to laughter:

Here's to laughter, the sunshine of the soul, the happiness of the heart, the leaven of youth, the privilege of purity, the echo of innocence, the treasure of the humble, the health of the poor, the bead on the cup of pleasure; it dispels dejection, banishes blues and mangles melancholy, for it's the foe of woe and the destroyer of depression, the enemy of grief; it is what makes kings envy the innocent; it's the sheen on the silver of smiles; the ripple on the waters of delight; the glint on the gold of gladness; without it humor would be dumb, wit would wither, dimples would disappear and smiles would shrivel, for it's the glow of a clean conscience, the voice of a pure soul, the birth cry of mirth, the swan song of sadness.--*Ibid.*

A SAFETY VALVE.

An officer had disobeyed or failed to comprehend an order.

"I believe I'll sit down," said Secretary Stanton, "and give that man a piece of my mind."

"Do so," said Lincoln, "write him now, while you have it on your mind. Make it sharp. Cut him all up."

Stanton did not need a second invitation. It was a bone crusher that he read to the President.

"That's right," said Lincoln. "That's a good one."

"Whom can I send it by?" mused the Secretary.

"Send it!" replied Lincoln; "send it! Why, don't send it at all. Tear it up. You have freed your mind on the subject and that is all that is necessary. Tear it up. You never want to send such letters. I never do."--*Ibid.*

"I heard," says the Holy Name Journal, "the other day of a young fellow who discovered quite unexpectedly that swearing does not 'pay' says a writer in an exchange. He was engaged to a young lady, to whom he was much attached. All was going merrily as a marriage bell, when one day, the girl heard her lover swearing at an old servant in her father's house. From that day she took an aversion to him and broke off the engagement. 'I am truly sorry,' she said to him, 'but my husband must be a gentleman, and gentlemen don't swear.' Here was a knock on the knuckles coming from a most unexpected quarter. Truly, swearing, produces more kicks than half-pence. 'What does the devil pay you for swearing?' said a gentleman to one whom he heard using profane language. 'He does not pay me anything,' was the reply. 'Well you work cheaply, to lay aside the character of a gentleman to inflict so much pain on your friends and civil people, and to risk losing your soul, and all for nothing! You certainly do your work cheaply--very cheaply indeed.'--*Ibid.*

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Christiansted, St. Croix, V. I. of U. S. A., August 22nd 1919.

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