

# Everyman's Hut

"The soft, sweet summer was warm and glowing,  
Bright were the blossoms on every bough:  
I trusted Him when the roses were blooming;  
I trust Him now . . .

"Small were my faith should it weakly falter  
Now that the roses have ceased to blow;  
Frail were the trust that now should alter,  
Doubting His love when storm clouds grow."

The Christian walks by faith and not by sight. His faith is anchored in One outside himself and yet One who lives in the Christian. There is a verse which says

"It is easy enough to be pleasant,  
When life goes along like a song,  
But the man worth while,  
Is the man with a smile,  
When everything goes dead wrong."

And that should characterise every real Christian—the ability to go on steadfastly in spite of adverse circumstances day by day, with his faith fixed in a God who will not permit anything to happen but what is for his good, secure and content in the knowledge that the things of this life are for a little while only, whether they be good or evil, but after this life he will be with Christ throughout eternity.—"The perfect Friend, Who knows the worst about us but who loves us just the same." In the past two years or perhaps a little longer we have seen world events moving with a swiftness which would have been thought unbelievable a generation ago. Pacts and agreements made and broken, peoples and nations subjugated, unexpected collapses and equally as unexpected recoveries and resistance—now here, now there—till one is forced to the conclusion, that a power greater than man's is contrasting and guiding the course of events. The power of evil, centred in Satan, making the tremendous bid to oust God and His Christ, only to find more than his match in that One who says to the mighty ocean "Hitherto

shalt thou come and no further, and here shalt thy proud waves be stayed." Let us then ensure that we are on His side—the winning side.

We are glad to report that the boys are making a home at the Hut, and that an increasing number of Christians are finding it a place of fellowship and source of spiritual strength. On Sunday evening Mr. Les Taylor spoke to a large number of attentive listeners on the conversion of Saul, urging them to make sure of being ready to meet God by coming to Christ and receiving Him unto their hearts and lives.

"I told my wife that my patience was exhausted," said a man in court, "and she just laughed at me." He had evidently forgotten it was Adolf's theme song.

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