

conquerable patience, "has waited long, is waiting still". With that Figure at the door in full sight, the hymn's "O lovely attitude!" and "O matchless kindness!" take hold of our hearts with a new force and meaning. "Admit Him", "Admit Him",—how this summons of the hymn rings like a chime of bells, clear and persistent, in our inmost soul. There is invitation, too, in the bells, for the heavenly Stranger would become our Guest, to share with us His own joy. And very solemn warning, too, we cannot but hear; for at last, at last, He will turn away, if we do not bid Him enter. No Guest could ever be so kind and gracious as He who knocks for admission into our hearts. None the less is He a King, who will come only into hearts that obey Him. But He rules by love. He seeks only willing subjects, who serve Him for His own dear sake and, under the impulse of love and loyalty, pray and labor, that He may have for "His empire all mankind".

The Hymn was written by a boy ten years old. His name was Joseph Grigg, born in England nearly two hundred years ago, a mechanic, who afterwards became a minister. Another of his hymns equally well known and loved is, "Jesus, and shall it ever be", Hymn 231, Book of Praise. For well-nigh two centuries these hymns have been sung all over the English speaking world. Hymn 140 is the Supplemental Hymn for the Quarter.

The Knights of the Holy Grail

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The brotherhood of the Knights of the Holy Grail was organized eight years ago. There are three ranks in the order, pages, esquires and knights, for boys 9 to 12 years, 12 to 15 years and 15 to 30 years, respectively.

The knights do not meet with the pages and esquires in their regular meetings. So, apart from one who is overseer, the officers are boys, and the boys conduct the business. In this way they are trained in the proper manner of conducting public meetings. Each meeting is opened by reading of a scripture lesson and prayer.

After the regular business of each meeting is finished, some time is spent in "Good-and-Welfare", when the boys debate on some

subject, have readings, recitations and songs, or listen to a talk on some subject of interest to boys.

As the object of the club is so to develop the whole boy as to make a whole man, the physical is not forgotten, and the boys plan to have football or baseball clubs in summer, and hockey in winter.

Where possible, a summer camp is arranged under the direction of a competent person, when the boys get away where they can make as much noise as they wish.

In Greenwood, B.C., the club kept the boys in the Sunday School during the summer months, and parents felt that their boys were much benefited by the meetings.

To succeed, the club must be led by a manly man, who loves boys enough to work with all his powers to keep them from the evil that is in the world.

Grand Forks, B.C.

The Woman that Prayed with Her Finger

She was sick, desperately sick. Doctors could do nothing for her. Long years of pain lay behind her. Long years of ever-increasing pain stretched hopelessly before her, until death might bring a welcome release from her misery.

But here was a chance. Here was a wonderful Physician of whom great things were reported. They warned her back. They frowned on her and pushed her away. He was a great Rabbi. Even then He was on a momentous errand, a matter of death and life. Very well. When was a woman turned from her purpose by the jeers of a crowd? Her thoughts were swift. "If not a word, then a touch. If not His hand, then His robe." She had heard of mysterious influence passing from Him and healing at a distance. And she would be very near; just behind Him, touching Him.

The healing virtue passed from our Lord into her poor, racked body along the quivering prayer of that stretched-out finger. There was no word, of asking or of giving; only the touch. It was different from any other miracle ever sought or wrought. It was a miracle reduced to its lowest terms, its simplest elements.