

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS.

The Little Artist.

In a volume of reminiscences recently published it is related that at an exhibition of the Royal Academy considerable notice was attracted by the picture of a magnificent dog, chained to its kennel and carried away by a flood. A gentleman hurried off to the painter to make an offer for it; he rang at the door of a small garden. When the wicket was opened he saw a boy playing with a hoop with some other little fellows. He inquired of the children: "Does Mr. Landseer live here?" "Yes," replied one of the boys. "When may I speak to him?" "Now, if you like; I am Mr. Landseer."

mediately the letters would fly from the book, and spell out the word for the pupil. Bobby was greatly entertained. "Oh, how I wish I could take some of these text-books back with me! Are not the children very happy here with such easy lessons?" "Oh, my, no!" answered the teacher, "they are always crying because there is never anything hard to do, no lessons to learn and no problems to be solved. They can't enjoy their play even, for the reason that they haven't worked first."

ter on business for yourself never indorse for others. It is dishonest. All your resources and all your credit are the sacred property of the men who have trusted you. If you wish to help another, give him all the cash you can spare; never indorse. It is dishonest. A Good Man's Influence. We forget that this great, humming world of work is but a school; and when a boy leaves school the personal recollection of him fades with the going of the boys who knew him. Let him distinguish himself, however, and proudly his name is spoken by the new generations who sit at the old desks! To the man himself, in the great struggles of the world, and with the deeper insight and wider vision that come with the struggles, it is almost matter of indifference whether he is remembered or forgotten; new duties claim his thought, new tasks demand his strength, a new future broadens before him. It is the little community, however, among those whom he never knew, the thought of his large and growing life, once part of the little school life, is a continual inspiration. So, in the larger school of life, the just and the noble survive in conscious recollection and in the sublimer memory which perpetuates all good and true living by making it part of that body of moral and intellectual influence which is the final evidence and product of civilization. It is sweet to live, after one has gone, in the secret thoughts and affections of friends; but there is a touch of the divine and the eternal in the power to live forever in the spirit and character of a world made better by our living in it. The good and true are our living in. —Hamilton W. Mabie.

though many of our young men have not the dress, the manners or the elegant leisure of that type, they are, nevertheless, susceptible of classification with it by reason of like intellectual characteristics.—Catholic Citizen. Why He Couldn't Get Work. The boy in search of a job turned up at supper-time at his sister's house, looking rather disconsolate. "I didn't get nothing to do," he said, shortly. "I don't wonder, if you used that kind of grammar," said his sister. "That wasn't it; I had my own party grammar all right; 'twas something else, and I'll tell Jim about it after supper. You'd spring the 'I told you so' game on me, and make me tired."

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MISUNDERSTOOD CATHOLIC DOCTRINES.

Sacred Heart Review. It is a satisfaction to find the Literary Digest (July 7) giving a comparatively clear and accurate account of Catholic doctrines often misunderstood and misrepresented. We quote as follows: "Many writers, even in the religious press, constantly refer to the dogma of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary as though it were interchangeable with the doctrine of the Virgin Birth of Christ, though as a matter of fact it has no connection with the latter. The dogma of Papal infallibility is likewise frequently taken to mean Papal impeccability, a doctrine repudiated by the Roman Catholic Church, which admits not only that a Pope may sin, but that he may be in intellectual error, even hereby, in his ordinary writings; at the same time it teaches, however, that he is, as above stated, miraculously guarded from error when, as universal teacher, he formally defines a doctrine as binding upon the faith of all Christians." The dogma of the Blessed Virgin's Immaculate Conception has, however, a bearing upon the doctrine concerning our Divine Lord's birth of a virgin mother, since it is abhorrent to Catholics to imagine that any, even the least taint of original sin, much less of actual, even for one moment sullied her who was to stand in the closest human relationship to the Redeemer of the world and to the Eternal Son of God.

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