OUR BOYS AND GIRLS.

BETTY, THE BORROWER.

BY CARROLL WATSON RANKIN. Betty Biglow would easily have taken the prize, had one been offered at the Misses Gordons' Finishing School, for being the girl with the School, for penng the girl with the prettiest manners and the sweetest disposition. Everybody, from the eldest and crossest Miss Gordon down to the youngest of the day students, but she had one down. loved Betty, but she had one deplor able failing. Although her wardrobe was extensive, her room the prettiest in the building, and her allowance of pocket money ample, she was a per-

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sistent borrower.
"O1," she would cry, darting into some other girl's room on the way to chapel, "do lend me a handkerchief! I've forgotten mine;" or "D) let me take a hat-pin! I haven't one to my name!" or "Please lend me some gloves. I don't want to go back to my

room for mine.

If Batty had ever returned anything it wouldn't have so bad; but she was careless, and seldom gave the hand. kerchief or the hat pin or the gloves a

second thought.

Her particular chum, Helen Brad bury, tried in a gentle way to make her see the error of her ways. Batty declared that she already saw them and that she repented and would reform, but in the same breath she begged Helen to lend her a couple of

postage stamps. "Betty," said Helen, "you are in-

corrigible. "I'm afraid I am," laughed Betty, "but I'm just as willing to lend as I am to borrow"—which was quite

The next day half a dozen girls gathered in Helen's room when Betty

burst in upon them.

"O, Helen," she cried, "do lend
me your belt! It is time for my music lesson, and I can't find mine So Helen reluctantly unfastened her belt, and Betty darted off with it.

" I think," said Margaret Brown, "it is simply abominable the way

Betty borrows things!"

Betty borrows things!"

It's more 'abominable the way she

doesn't bring them back," said Ruth.
"She borrowed my umbrella a
month ago," said Madge Roberts,
"and she hasn't returned it yet."
"She never will," said Helen.
"The only way I ever manage to get
any thing back is by making a daily
raid on her room. I must waylay her
in the hall when she has finished her
lesson and demand my belt, or I shall lesson and demand my belt, or I shall be obliged to go down to tea without

"She's the dearest thing I ever saw," said Madge, "except for that one unfortunate habit. I do wish we could break her of it without hurting her feelings. She's so generous her-"Girls," interrupted Mollie Peters.

"I have an idea!"

"Girls," echoed Madge, "Mollie has an idea!"

Silence! I have the window sill, said Mollie, rapping on the glass.
"This meeting will please come to order. Girls, let's give Betty Biglow a lesson. There are thirty eight of us in this establishment. Let's start in to morrow morning and borrow every thing Betty has. As Madge says, she's the soul of generosity, and would lend us the paper off her wall if we were to ask for it, and she could get it off."

"We'll do it!" shouted the girls.
"And we'll do it so thoroughly,"

the point.' "Helen," said Mollie, down and tell all the girls in the west dormitory; and Margaret you tell the third floor girls, and I'll go to all the rooms along this corridor. Be sure to tell Mildred Slater. She is Betty's pet victim, and will be glad of an opportunity to retaliate."

Indeed, Mildred was so very glad that she rose at 4 o'clock the next morning and tiptoed across to Betty's room. "O, Batty," said the white-robed figure, "do you happen to have any kindling and some matches? I have a farey for a greate fire this morn. have a fancy for a grate fire this morn-

ing."
"Why, yes," said Batty, sleepily,
but isn't it a little early? What time is it, anyway?"
Mildred made no reply; she was too

busily engaged in gathering up every match and all the kindling.

At 445 Mollie Peters crawled reluctantly out of her warm bed and stole reluctantly out of her warm bed and stole along the corridor to Batty's

"O, Betty," said she, stifling a yawn, "will you lend me your chafing dish and your bottle of alcohol? I have an idea that I should like some scrambled eggs for breakfast. By the way, if you don't mind, you might lend me the eggs, too. I know you got some vesterday.

"Just help yourself," said Betty, ob-

world.-Porter.

it necessary to borrow some article of wearing apparel during the day, and all was done so naturally, and so much all was done so naturally, and so much after Betty's own careless fashion, that she suspected no plot.

She loaned skirts, waists, shoes, hairpins, towels, bedclothes, unnerwear, books and writing materials with such daitohtin readiness that the with such delightful readiness that the

conspirators all had compunctions. She even expressed her pleasure in being able to assist her friends. School hours were over at 4 o'clock.
When Betty returned to her room at that hour, she found it stripped of

everything portable.
"Well, Madge has evidently taken
me at my word!" said Betty. "If
she is going to have such an elaborate entertainment as all that, I must dress

herself, stripped the pretty room of its

adornments, and later in the day car-ried off even the rugs and most of the

furniture. Apparently, too, almost every girl in the establishment found

up a little for it." Betty removed her school waist and skirt, and dropped them upon the bare iron bed. Then she took the pins the glittering mass of curls about her shoulders. Her back was turned to the door, or she might have noticed that it was opened softly. Mollie, on her hands and knees, pulled the garher than the should be some benefit yourself. Don't her hands and knees, pulled the garher than the should be some benefit yourself. out of her abundant hair, and shook the glittering mass of curls about her shoulders. Her back was turned to her hands and knees, pulled the gar-ments from the bed to the floor, and vanished with them without making

Betty looked for her hair brush, but remembering that she had loaned it to Nellie Warwick, twisted up her rebellious locks as well as she could without its aid. When she turned to wash her face, she could find no soap and no

towel.

"Really," said Betty. "this is embarassing. Now I think of it, I've been a regular department store all day long and I seem to be about sold.

"Hurry up, slow poke!" called a voice from the hall "Madge wants you

to help receive the guests."

When Betty went to the closet for her gown, she found that the closet contained absolutely nothing but a row of empty hooks and a small lump

of soft coal.
"Well," said Betty. "I like this! I knew I had been lending things all day, but I didn't realize I had been so lavish. I'll have to wear my school

dress, after all."
When she found that even the school dress, thanks to Mollie, had disappear ed, it flashed upon her that she was

ed, it flashed upon her that she was the victim of a practical joke.

"Well," she said, "that settles it! Of course, I can't go to a fudge party in a lump of coal and a tooth brush, and that seems to be about all I have left. But I wouder why they borrowed—" Suddenly a hot flush spread over her chear.

"Rorrowed! That's over her cheek. "Borrowed!

it. They's been paying me back in my own coin, but I don't think it's a a bit nice of them." There was a catch in Betty's voice, and her brown eyes filled with tears. She reached for a handkerchief, but found the drawer empty.
"I can't even cry," said she, for

lornly, wiping her eyes on a scrap of pink ribbon, "but I want to dreadfully. I remember now that every girl who has passed my door to day has borrowed a handkerchief. I hate to cry on my green slik petticoat, but I'm afraid I'll have to."

I'm afraid I'll have to "
Sie was, however, a plucky young person, and when she had had an uncomfortable little cry among the green silk ruffl is of her skirt, she discovered that she was not utterly crushed after

The fight for salvation is a daily and hourly warfare. The world, one's own flesh, and the devil are against had managed to print with the bit of coal the words:

The fight for salvation is a daily and hourly warfare. The world, one's own flesh, and the devil are against him. They tempt him at every turn. Christ is his one defense. Christ is found in Communion. "And we'll do it so that will see all.
said Helen, "that even Betty will see all.
Fifteen minutes later a small lump of

coal the words:
"Help! Help! B. B." "Let's go to the rescue, girls," said the way of frequent Communion."

Madge. "Somebody run and find a dress for destitute Betty."
"Here are her slippers," said Helen,
stepping out of them.
"Here's her belt," said Mollie, tak-

ing it off.
"Here's her ribbon collar," said "I'll run up stairs and get

Mabel.

my own."
"Batter take her a handerchief," said Mildred. "She'll need one, or I don't know Betty."
"Take a towel, toe," said Madge, " so that the poor dear can wash her

A relief committee, composed of sympathetic Helen, marched off with a large bundle, and Betty's immediate necessities were relieved. A few minutes later, properly clothed and in a fairly cheerful frame of mind, she made her appearance at the fudge There was nothing about her party. There was nothing days to indicate that her borrowing days were over, but they were. The lesson

had gone home.
"I guess," said Betty to Helen,
when they were talking it over afterward, "that I needed the lesson, but just the same it gave me a bad quarter of an hour. I think I must be cured,

CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN. for all that, both may be overruled to

As a spring can never rise higher than its source, so one can never at-

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he can. Absolute confidence in one's ability to succeed is an indispensable

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ties may arise, no matter how much harder than you anticipated your work may be, do not waver or turn back. Stand firm by your choice. Remember that there are times in every car-

eer when the thorns are more plentiful

than the roses. It is at such seasons

that your manhood must assert itself,

that the strength of your purpose must

be proved. Do not, however dark or

discouraging the outlook, admit the

possibility of defeat. Set your face

toward your goal, and stoutly affirm

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cumstances, and conditions will soon improve. This very domination in thought, this assumption of power, this affirmation of belief in your ability

to succeed, the mental attitude which claims success on the highest plane as an inalienable birthright, will

strengthen the whole nature, and give

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A happy face may and often does conceal an aching, weary heart.

Often we remark about certain persons: "How happy they appear!"

They are always good-natured, and their cup of joy must be full. Still at the same time, a turbulent sea of sadness and despair may be raging within and without all is glossed by apparent serenity and happiness. They are serenity and happiness. They are fighting life's battle nobly, courageously and giving a noble example to be followed. Even though our bur-dens are heavy and discouragements many, we yet should strive to make others happy and a smiling face will do wonders for those about us.

Don' be a Knocker. If your neighbor is prosperous, let him prosper. Don't grunt, growl or grumble. Say a good word for him, and let it go at that. Don't be a

some fellow has a little more sense and sand than you have.

Do a little hustling yourself. Don't Do a little hustling yourself. Don't be a knocker. If you can say a good word, say it like a prince. If you are full of bile and disposed to say something mean, keep your mouth shut. Don't be a knocker. No man ever got rich or happy minding everybed,'s business but his own. No man ever helped himself permanently by knocking his neighbor down. Give up a kind word. Give it literally. It won't cost word. Give it literally. It won't cost you a cent, and may want one yourself some day. Some had thousands one year and the next year they were without the price of a shave. So don't be a knecker. You can't afford it. If you want to throw something at somebody, just throw your patronage this

way. But don't throw brickbats or mud. Don't be a knocker. You will get there just the same. To Stay Good.

We have the following from the Inermountain Catholic: A young man said yesterday to his

"I went to confession on Saturday. When I came out of church I felt as if a load had been lifted off my heart. I walked along as if on air."

No doubt he had made a good confession and had experienced the peace that comes to the soul with the state of grace. Why should he not keep that happines? Why should he return to

The only way to stay pure and chartable is to go to Communion often. If that young man does not receive the sacraments again until next Easter he will most probably fall into his old ways and his condition will be worse that before. Confession will be still

more difficult to make. The devil will have him further in subjection like captive slave.

The best way to be good is to stay good. Once that the soul has had life restored to it by penance it needs frequent food to give it strength to re-

sist temptation, and that spiritual food comes through prayer and Communion.
It is easy to go to confession when
one has little or nothing to tell. Once a month is not too often.

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vere in virtue he has only one way-

Well Done.

To do anything well, there should be a sound mind and a healthy body. There have been men who were perhaps never well, never for an hour en joyed good health, and yet they lived to purpose, for their deeds are this day exerting a happifying influence on mankind. William the Conqueror was a wheezing asthmatic all his days.
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ceaseless as it was severe. Baxter had an infirmity of constitution, and, from early youth to the grave, labored un-der bodily disease and wearing pains. No doubt the sufferings of these men aided in moulding their characters to a form which the age required. The most we can say of these cases, is that their diseased condition was overruled, and good was brought out of it.

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BADLY RUN DOWN.

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THE EXPERIENCE OF THOMAS CADA, OF ESSEX CO, - NERVES SEEMED SHAT-TERED AND HE FELT UNFITTED TO

STAND HARD WORK From the Review, Windsor, Ont.

Mr. Thomas Cada, of Pike Creek, a small village in Essex county, is known to almost everyone in that section. He is a son of Mr. John Cada, mill owner, and a prominent politician in his locality. A representative of the Windsor Review, who had known that some time previously. From the Review, Windsor, Ont. had known that some time previously Mr. Cada was in poor health, recently met him looking anything but an luvalid, and naturally asked what had restored him to health. "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills," promptly replied Mr. Cada. When asked if he would give the particulars for publication Cada said "certainly, if you think it worth while; but there is nothing very wonderful about my case. I was simply badly run down; my nerves seemed to be all shattered, and I was and reaffirm your confidence in your ability to succeed. This keeping oneunable to stand hard work. In fact work of any kind left me badly used self up to the success standard, and up. There did not seem to be any maintaining, in all its dignity and organic trouble, it was just a case of integrity, one's self sufficiency to acbeing run down and worn out. I felt myself gradually getting worse, how-ever, and I began taking medicine. tried several advertised remedies, Never permit anyone or anything but they did not help me indeed some of them did me more harm than good. to undermine your self-confidence. Never admit to yourself, even in thought, that there may be a possibil-ity of your failure. This constant affirmation, this persistent dwelling Just then I read of a case much like mine cured by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I purchased a upon the possible, or plus, phase of success, and never admitting the negafew boxes. Very soon I noticed a decided improvement in my condition tive, will tend to strengthen, to ren-der impregnable, the great purpose and in the course of a few weeks I was feeling my old time self. I can now eat heartily, do a good day's work the one unwavering aim, which brings victory.

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