YOUNG MAN.



OES the following call to mind any scene in your past life? What about the last verse? Will you meet her there?

MOTHER'S GOOD-BYE.

Sit down by the side of your mother, my boy, You have only a moment I know: But you'll stay till give you my parting advice; 'Ils all that I have to bestow.

You leave us to seek for employment, my boy, By the world you have yet to be tried; But in all the temptations and struggles you meet, May your heart in the Saviour confide.

You'll find in your satchel a Bible, my boy,
'Tis the book of others the best;
It will teach you to live, it will help you to die,
And lead to the gates of the blest.

I gave you to God in your cradle, my boy. I have taught you the best that I know; And as long as his mercy permits me to live, I shall never cease praying for you.

Your father is coming to bid you good-bye; Oh, how lonely and sad we shall be; But when far from the scenes of your childhood and youth

You'll think of your father and me.

I want you to feel every word I have said, For it comes from the depths of my love, And my boy, if we never behold you on earth, Will you promise to meet us above?

SINS BLOTTED OUT.



NCE a little boy was much puzzled about sins being blot ted out, and said, "I cannot think what becomes of all the

sins God forgives, mother."
"Why, Charlie, can you tell me where are all the figures you wrote on

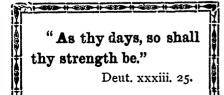
your slate yesterday?"
"I washed them all out, mother,"

"And where are they, then?"

"Why, they are nowhere; they are gone," said Charlie.

Just so it is with the believer's sins they are gone; blotted out; "remembered no more."

"As far as the east is from the west, so far hath He removed our transgressions from us."



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BIBLE CLASS

EVERY MONDAY EVENING.

AT 8 O'CLOCK.

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MODESTY FALSELY SO CALLED.



, WELL," you say, there are some who are modest and very retiring." Ah, indeed! Have you ever noticed who

those wonderfully "modest and retiring" brethren are? Have you noticed them in their contact with the world in their business relation in life? How "modest and retiring" that dear brother is when you step into his place of business, when the room is crowded with customers! Does he now take a back seat? No; you see him worry and work, trying to crowd the work of an hour into twenty minutes. He is intensely "Modest," do you say? in earnest now. Why, here he is surrounded by the very people who sat with him in church last night, and who have wondered again and again at his activity in business-his deadness in the work of the Lord. You know he hardly ever stays for the after meetings, and when he does it is not hard to see that he has no heart in it. "Modest?" Yes; so modest he can hardly say a word for the Master. But so modest though he be, he will talk for a half hour to-morrow before twice as many people, with his heart full of earnestness, for a dollar or two of the world.

Well, then, don't excuse him any more on the ground of modesty.—
Selected.

"ALMOST."

"Almost thou persuadest me." "Thou art not far from the Kingdom."

So near the door-and the door stood wide!

Close to the port—but not inside!
Near to the fold—yet not within!
Almost resolved to give up sin!
Almost persuaded to count the cost!

Almost a Christian—and yet lost!