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I hope my little "Tots" have enjoyed "The Eagle's Nest," of which the second chapter is now given. Next week the story for them will be another very pretty one - "Going with the Stream;" also, for the bigger brothers and sisters, a charming story - "Was He a Coward?"

I would remind our young readers to look out for September, when we hope to announce a few of the good things in store for the autumn evenings. We shall all be coming home again soon with new life for work, and a new enjoyment for play. Meantime, when you have been holiday-making, THE YOUNG CANADIAN has been working like a Trojan to have lots of nice things ready for you.

SUCCESS, AND HOW TO ATTAIN IT.

Leave off wishing and go to working. If an obstacle appears in your pathway either remove it or surmount it. Have you need of a well-filled purse? Do not wait for the expected legacy of some wealthy relation, but engage in some honorable avocation; in other words, go to work and earn it, and be not too fastidious as to the kind of work, so only it is legitimate and honourable, and is honestly conducted. If your neighbour has set you an example of well-doing profit by it; do as well as he has done, and then do better. Never be satisfied with accomplishing just what someone else has accomplished. Do you desire the nation's honour? Be worthy of it. It is better to be worthy of it, though you never receive it, than to receive it unworthily. Have an aim in life, worthy of a life-long effort, and then make a life-long effort not only to attain it, but to achieve still nobler successes. Never appear to be what you are not. Be satisfied with being yourself, but be not satisfied with yourself till you have made yourself everything that is pure, true, worthy and honourable. Be such skilful artisans in the building of your greatest life achievement, character, that it, too, shall be a glorious success, and that it may be truthfully said of you that your life has not been a failure.

MAKE HOME HAPPY.

Don't shut up your house lest the sun should fade your carpets, nor your hearts lest a merry laugh should shake down some of the musty old cobwebs there. If you want to ruin your sons, let them think that all mirth and social enjoyment must be left on the threshold without when they come home at night.

When once a home is regarded as only a place to eat, drink, and sleep in, the work is begun that ends in disappointment. Young people must have fun and relaxation somewhere. If they don't find it at their own hearthstone, it will be sought at other and less profitable places.

Therefore, let the fire burn brightly at night, and make the homestead delightful with all those little arts that parents so perfectly understand.

Don't repress the buoyant spirit of your children. Half an hour of merriment around the firelight of a home blots out many a care and annoyance during the day, and the best safeguard they can take with them into the world is the unseen influence of a bright little domestic circle.

Put home first and foremost; for there will come a time when the home circle will be broken; when you will "long for a touch of a vanished hand and the sound of a voice that is still," and when your greatest pleasure will be in remembering that you did all in your power to put a song under every burden; to make each other happy.

A PLEA FOR OUR MOTHERS.

Many mothers are labouring with hand and brain almost incessantly, day after day and year after year, to supply the oft-returning wants of their families; no other class lead such lives of daily sacrifice as do our patient, plodding mothers. They anticipate all our wants and needs, come and go at our slightest wish, with untiring love and interest in all that concerns us from early infancy until they sink beneath the burdens and cares of this life. From force of habit brought about by the tender devotion of their hearts, they are always thinking and doing for others. Yet in many homes no one seems to think of the mother's comfort, or that she can have any need for relaxation.

This much-needed rest the mother will always protest against taking so long as she feels that any of the family need her care and labour; but her future health, and in many cases her life, depend upon a few years of rest, rest! physical and mental. Who will say she has not earned it? Can you let the time slip quietly by and do nothing while the life of one you dearly love is slowly wearing away in a tread-mill-round which seems a daily necessity to the family?

Arouse yourselves; see to it that your mother gives up her cares entirely for a time, even though your comforts are lessened. Send her to visit a sister or some dear friend, and make her stay a good long time—six weeks or more! When she returns see that some one is installed to share the burdens that have always fallen upon mother. Take her out to ride often. Encourage her to take walks and call on her neighbours and friends. If she has long regretted that she was always too weary to make the effort to attend church and prayer meeting, see that she has a day of absolute rest preparatory, and then offer to accompany her. Make her feel young again by your thoughtful care; she has done much for you!