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Children's Corner @

> A LITTLE GENTLEMAN. (May St. Nicholas.)

I know a well-bred little boy never says "I can't;" He never says "Don't want to," "You've got to," or "You,

sha'n't;" He never says "I'll tell mamma!" or calls his playmates "mean."

A lad more careful of his speech I'm sure was never seen!

He's never ungrammatical-he never slowly on, while the rest of the commentions "ain't;"

A single word of slang from him would make his mother faint! And now I'll tell you why it is (lest this should seem absurd):

He's now exactly six months old, and cannot speak a word!

A GERMAN FAIRY TALE.

Once upon a time there was a kingdom called Ladoga, and in this kingdom was a mountain, and it was written in an old chronicle that on top of this mountain there was a clothes.' sack of gold which might be claimed by the first true knight who should trust," said the old man, severely. climb the mountain.

And though the knights of Ladoga

tain; sir?" said Adolph, pausing breathlessly beside the old man. "Yes, yes," answered the old man, eagerly. "I have been waiting a long, long while." "Well, lean on me," said Adolph,

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the old man leaned heavily on their camp. Adolph's shoulder, and they walked

Then, just as they reached the

mountain, an old man came hobbling

out from among the trees. "Wait for

me! Wait for me!" he cried, hoarse-

ly, as the knights were hurrying by.

He was feeble and travel-stained and

leaned heavily upon an old staff. But

the knights only looked at him won-

deringly and went on up the moun-

"Do you wish to climb the moun-

pany went gayly on up the mountain branches of Iruit from the neighboring them go; and the June St. Nicholas The time has come when all atand were soon out of sight.

rolled right into the brook at the the cherry tree in their hands. bottom, as if they were in a great Notes and Queries. hurry to get wet.

"Dear! dear!" exclaimed Adolph A LITTLE GIRL'S SUCCESS. sympathetically, as he watched the She was always writing, this little knights scrambling out of the brook, "they have spoiled all their fine

"And improved their manners, "Now, my son," he added, pleas-

antly, "you have rendered me a great column more than outweighed the fine word of it. and the neighboring kingdom who favor. Take this staff, hold it firmly mark for her essay. Home from had nothing else to do and loved ad- in your hand and travel on up the school, she cuddled down in a corner of the library and plied her pencil

venture had made many expeditions mountain." And before Adolph could say a busily till mamma interfered. to the mountain, for some reason or other no one had been able to reach word the old man had disappeared, "My little girl must remember that the top. Some said it was too steep and Adolph, with the staff in his it takes plenty of play and out-door hand and wondering very much at all air to make a good writer," mamma and the rocks were too slippery; some said the trees were two thick, and he had heard and seen hurried on up would explain, buttoning the reluctsome said the wind was too strong. the mountain. So he traveled on and ant little figure into its coat. "Now However, after awhile they all gave on until he had nearly reached the run away out of doors till I call the same modern architectural spirit as greed, cruelty and profligacy, amit up and soon forgot all about it, top of the mountain, when suddenly you, and to-morrow those lines will and, indeed, few believed the story at he came upon a great wall of rock go much better." higher than the King's palace and Only mamma knew Hilda's great and shelter for their little ones, with- Christ and to safeguard the liberty of

all. But about this time the good King steeper than any roof he had ever castle in the air, to have something Lubin, who ruled over Ladoga, finding seen and as smooth as a looking- she wrote and loved so well to write the treasury empty and being greatly glass. Adolph paused in dismay, but printed, really, truly printed in a bird-not more than twenty inches in need of money, bethought him of the staff kept steadily on, drawing magazine or paper. It was mammathe sack of gold, and though he did Adolph gently after it, right up it always is mamma, somehow — who not believe much in the story, he over the steep rock, higher and high- | opened the way.

thought it would do no harm to try; er, until at last he came to a beauti-"If you will stay out doors all day so he selected a company of the brav- ful country with trees and flowers this lovely Saturday," mamma proest knights in the kingdom, promised and many birds singing. Here the mised Hilda the day she was twelve. them a great reward and sent them staff paused and Adolph looked about "I shall have something to tell and spot almost inaccessible to man, but it, now as we want it," and then in quest of the sack of gold. And him, and there right at his very feet, show you this evening that will please armed with spears and battle axes glittering and gleaming, lay the sack you very much." they started gayly forth, while the of gold. Adolph-seized it eagerly and The something was a certain page as it is long, and has a domed top, soul to learn.

good people of Ladoga flocked to the was about to descend the mountain in the last St. Nicholas. Hilda read as if the feathered architect knew doors and windows shouting hurrah when the most wonderful thing of all it rapturously. Here was a chance for that the arch is the strongest possihappened. The staff seemed to rise in just such little girls as herself. The ble shape. The walls are built of for the brave knights.

And when Adolph, the poor wood- the air, and before Adolph knew St. Nicholas League offered a train- twigs interwoven firmly and filled in And when Adolph, the poor wood- the air, and before Adolph knew St. Nicholas League offered a train-cutier's son, saw the grand company where he was he landed with gold, ing school for girls and boys who marching along with their shining staff and all right at the door of the King's palace. spears and battle axes, he seized his father's old spear, which stood in a father King Lubin saw the sack with rewards of silver and gold is built on a clickle to the least. The house is built on a clickle to the least. The house is built on a clickle to the least. The house is built on a clickle to the least. The house is built on a clickle to the least. The house is built on a clickle to the least. corner of the hut, and ran after them of gold he was so pleased he did not badges and money. It seemed too as fast as he could, while his father know what to do, so he ordered a good to be true. and mother stood looking at him in great feast to be prepared, and every-amazement. The works seemed very long after the little girl's verse, "When School "Come back!" they cried, in alarm; made Adolph Grand Prince of La- Is Done," which mamma thought not pour into the dwelling. would do, were sent off; and one doga "you will be killed." But Adolph was a brave boy And there was great rejoicing could only wait for the important "Have no fear," he answered, and throughout the kingdom. And Adolph number to come. If you ever wanted and is frequently so disguised that it ran on as fast as his short legs could married the beautiful little Princess anything with all your heart, wanted carry him until he overtook the Madda, and they lived in a great pal- it so badly that you thought of it all knights, who, on seeing a short boy ace and were happy ever after, and day every day, and dreamed of it all with an old rusty spear following to this very day the old staff can be night every night, and if you finally them, laughed merrily, but Adolph seen standing in a corner of the pal- had your heart's desire, you will know ace.-New York Tribune. how Hilda felt when St. Nicholas kept right on.

LITTLE VICTORS.

came at last, and there, in black and is a work which no partizan scribbler white, where no one could help see- can discredit; it is candid, scholarly, A curious and pretty custom is ing them, were the verses "When authoritative; and it will undoubtedobserved every year in the city of Hamburg to celebrate a famous vic-came a beautiful silver badge. Papa's which was scattered broadcast in his Hamburg to celebrate a famous viceves shone when Hilda showed it to country and England at the time of tory which was won by the little children more than four hundred years him; and his voice was just a little the Luther celebration. Dr. Gairdner ago. In one of the numerous sieges hoarse when he said he was proud contends that the Reformation was of Hamburg was reduced to the last of his little girl. Papa thought Hilda brought about by "immoral and de-

extremity, when it was suggested that spent far more time in writing verse grading agencies;" he paints "Bluff all the children be sent out unpro- and stories than was good for her; King Hal" in the blackest hues; tected into the camp of the besiegers but he was very proud of a twelve- Foxe, the Reformation martyrologist, as the mute appeal for mercy of the year-old daughter who could win this- is characterized as a falsifier of whom helpless and the innocent. This was tinction among forty thousand of the "the worst is not yet known;" and done. The rough soldiery of the in-vesting army saw with amazement uperhans you can't do it again truth shout Protector work holds the FIRE and MARINE

"Perhaps you can't do it again, truth about Protestantism for all and then with pity a long procession though," he teased. And Hilda looked who are prepared to receive it. In of little ones, clad in white, come serious. She had won the first prize. our own country the lectures of Dr. cheerfully, "and I will help you." So out of the city and march boldly into She must have more. And she did. W. Hudson Shaw have been quite as How she worked over her verses on destructive of the old-fashioned theor-

The sight melted their hearts. They "When Fields Are Green," till she ies about the origins of the Reformathrew down their arms and, plucking and mamma were satisfied to let tion. \*\*\*

cherry orchards, they gave them to told her that she had won the gold tempts to propagate the Luther myth Then suddenly there was a strange the children to take back to the city badge. And when, six months later, must be abandoned. Hereafter only noise like rocks rolling, and the next as a token of peace. This was a she put all her best into more verses, hopelessly prejudiced or crassly ignormoment the whole company of knights great victory, which has ever since on the Christmastide this time, and any persons will be found to refer to non. S. C. Wood. came rolling and sliding down the been commemorated at Hamburg by they brought her the five dollars the "glorious" Reformation, to quote mountain side like a lot of tenpins, a procession of boys and girls dress- which meant the very highest the St. discredited writers like Foxe or and they never stopped until they ed in white and carrying branches of Nicholas League could offer her and Froude, or to defend characters like that she must turn to a larger field, Henry VIII. and Luther.

she was a very proud and happy four- Now is the time to redouble prayers teen-year-old. To-day this little lass, not yet are already at the breaking of the

fifteen, has seen several of her stories dawn of that blessed day of which and poems printed, and in grown-ups' Our Lord prophesied when He said: Western Hilda-scribbling, nurse and magazines too; and some day she "There shall be one fold and one Phone: Residence Main 2075.

her playmates called it. She wrote in hopes that she may be among those shepherd." Now is the time to cirschool, when sometimes she should who write for the girls and boys of culate as widely as possible among have been working at arithmetic; and St. Nicholas. Do you suppose she outsiders such scholarly books as the then the black mark in the arithmetic will? For this is a true story, every one to which we have referred. Let

> CLEVER LITTLE HAMMER-HEAD.

## (May St. Nicholas.)

very elaborate nests or houses, but true that there was ignorance, supernone seem to have acted with quite stitition, and abuse of power, as well are content with providing warmth was to spread the good odor of

out having any care for themselves; but our bird seems much more civiliz-

ed than that. It is not a very large ly ten feet long, and lays it out in to do for humanity and righteousrooms!

It selects a sheltered ledge of rock things and forget that which is close when possible, sometimes choosing a at hand. To take life "as God gives sometimes building also on the open make the best of it, is the hard lesplain. The structure is half as wide son that life puts before the human

is built on a slightly inclined surface, and the door is placed at the lower end in order that the floods of



The Most Trying Time **For Teachers and Pupils** 

After the Winter's Confinement They Are Pale, Weak and Exhausted and Quite Unfit for the Excessive Mental **Exertion of Examination Time.** 

Early and late teachers and pupils have been bending over their books, contracting their lungs and exhausting nervous energy at an enormous rate, and spring finds them weak, languid and run down. The air of the crowded school room is bad enough at any time, but where the dry air system of heating is used the atmosphere is still further vitiated and seems to entirely lack life and all invigorating qualities.

If your boy or girl is weak, puny or nervous, do not suppose for one moment that the trouble will wear away of itself. It will not. External assistance is necessary if you yet strongly manifested; still it would prevent St. Vitus' dance, epilepsy, paralysis, brain congestion or some dreadful exists, and it is sure to grow. The in a savings bank. form of brain or nerve disease. What is the use of education if the health of the body is truth on many subjects of the highest A poor girl would see in her money to be ruined in getting it? If the health of the children is neglected they can never develop importance now so boldly proclaimed an opportunity to help an invalid into healthy, hopeful, robust men and women.



Mrs. George F. Brisbin, Lake Street, Peterboro', Ont., states :---"One of my children, a boy of about fifteen years, did not have good health for a year or more. He seemed to have no energy, was weak and languid and suffered from nervousness. The doctors said that he was growing too fast, but we became alarmed about him, and began using Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. It was not long until we noticed a great change in his condition. His appetite improved, he had a better color and soon became stronger and healthier. He is still using the Nerve Food, and we are per-fectly confident that he is improving right along under this treatment."

Mrs. T. Dalzell, 21 Charles Street, Kingston, Ont., states :-"One of my children suffered very much with headache, caused no doubt from over-study and a run-down condition of the nervous system. These attacks of headache were very trying on her, and I noticed that she was gradually growing weaker and more nervous. About two months ago I got her a box of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, and since she has been using this prepar-ation we are more than pleased with the improvement which has been made in her health. She looks one hundred per cent. better, her nerves are steadier, she is not bothered with headaches and is gradually increasing in flesh and weight."

## Dr. Chase's Nerve

effective blood and nerve restorative to be found in nature. Not only is it the most satis- no longer necessary for Catholic con- and meaner despite his acquisitions, factory spring medicine obtainable, but it is especially suited to the use of children because of its gentle and natural action on the system. Note your increase in weight while using it. to refer to the portraits of him pre- generous man more generous, a mag-

50 cents a box, 6 boxes for \$2.50; at all dealers or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Toronto. To protect you against imitations the portrait and signature of Dr. A. W. Chase, the famous receip: book author, are on every box of his remedies.

De We will forfeit \$500.00 if these testimonials are not genuine.

rain which fall in that country may The doorway is the smallest opening possible for the bird to enter,

is easy matter to discover it, even reveals one's real character like monthough you may have first seen. the bird dart through it.

The outer doorway opens into a shows his true mettle by the way he small ante-chamber, which leads uses it-by the way he saves it or through a small entrance into a larg- the manner in which he spends it, er room, which in its turn opens by says one of the wise counsellors of a doorway into a spacious apartment "Success." raised one step above the floor of the

other chambers and carpeted with vealer of personal history. It brings soft leaves and velvety moss. In the out all one's weaknesses. It indicates last and choicest apartment the his wise or foolish spending or wise mother bird lays from three to five or foolish saving; it reveals his real snow-white eggs; and there the little character. birds first peep forth from their If you should give a thousand dol-

## STEPS TOWARD CHRISTIAN **RE-UNION**

(From The Ave Maria.)

The terms in which many non-Catholic writers and speakers now refer to the so-called Reformation not only mark an epoch in the progress of historical scholarship, but manifest a handicapped brother or sister. Andisposition on the part of outsiders other would see in his thousand a to hear the voice of the Church and ions.

by not a few Protestant leaders will ter

doubtless have much prejudice to encounter, but it must prevail soon or late. It is a blessed thing that at long last descendants of the Reformers are found to characterize the to help others. To one it would great revolt of the sixteenth century mean a chance to secure precious, as a calamity to Christendom.

Some years ago the learned "Athenaeum," reviewing an historical portrait of Luther, remarked: "That the ing of money simply emphasizes his ordinary account of the Reformation characteristics. Ir makes a small man and Luther to be found in the works smaller, a hard man harder, a mean of a certain class of Protestant the- man meaner. A boy who is naturally ologians is purely mythical is a fact grasping and mean, if he wishes to indoubtedly known to those histori- be a power in the world, must dis-

cal students who have investigated cipline himself by systematically helpthe period at fitst hand; they sigh ing others in some way or his life over Carlyle's 'Hero-Worship' and will become marbleized and he will laugh at Mr. Froude.". Meantime the be of no earthly use to the communiumber of these historical students ty in which he lives. In fact, he will contains in concentrated form the very essence of the most has so greatly increased that it is make every foot of the land poorer troversialists to paint Luther as the even if they mount into millions. everse of an apostle; they have only On the other hand, money makes a

sented by trustworthy Protestant nanimous man more magnanimous. Instead of cheapening the land, historians.

