

Children's Department.

THE BIRD WITH A BROKEN WING.

I walked in the woodland meadows,
Where sweet the thrushes sing,
And I found on a bed of mosses,
A bird with a broken wing.
I healed the wound, and each morning
It sang its sweet old strain;
But the bird with the broken pinion
Never soared so high again.

I found a youth, life broken
By sin's seductive art,
And touched with Christ-like pity,
I took him to my heart.
He lived with a noble purpose,
And struggled not in vain,
But the soul with a broken pinion
Never soars so high again.

But the bird with a broken pinion
Kept another from the snare,
And the life that sin had stricken,
Raised another from despair.
Each loss has its compensation,
There were healings for each pain;
But the bird with a broken pinion
Never soars so high again.

THE MISSIONARY POTATO.

It wasn't a very large church, and it wasn't nicely furnished. No carpet on the floor, no frescoing on the walls; just a plain, square, bare, frame building away out in Illinois. To this church came James and Stephen Holt every Sunday of their lives.

On this particular Sunday they stood together over by the square box stove waiting for Sunday-school to commence, and talking about the missionary collection that was to be taken up. It was something new for the poor church; they were used to having collections taken up for them. However, they were coming up in the world, and wanted to begin to give. Not a cent had the Holt boys to give that day.

"Pennies are as scarce at our house as hen's teeth," said Stephen, showing a row of white, even teeth as he spoke. James looked doleful. It was hard on them, he thought, to be the only ones in the class who had nothing to give. He looked grimly around the old church. What should he be spying in one corner under a seat but a potato!

"How in the world did that potato get to church?" he said, nodding his head towards it. "Somebody must have dropped it that day we brought the things here for the poor folks. I say, Stennie, we might give that potato. I suppose it belongs as much to us as to anybody."

Stephen turned and gave a long, thoughtful look at the potato.

"That's an idea!" he said eagerly. "Let's do it!"

James expected to see a roughish look on his face, but his eyes and mouth said, "I'm in earnest!"

"Honor bright?" asked James.

"Yes, honour bright."

"How? Split it in two, and each put a half on the plate?"

"No," said Stephen laughing: "we can't get it ready to give to-day, I guess; but suppose we carry it home and plant it in the nicest spot we can find, and take extra care of it, and give every potato it raises to the missionary cause? There'll be another chance: this isn't the only collection the church will ever take up, and we can sell the potatoes to somebody."

Full of this new plan they went into the class looking less sober than before; and though their faces were rather red when the box was passed to them and they had to shake their heads, they thought of the potato, and looked at each other and laughed.

Somebody must have whispered to the earth and the dew and the sunshine about that potato. You never saw anything like it! "Beats all" said farmer Holt, who was let into the secret. "If

I had a twenty acre lot that would grow potatoes in that fashion, I should make my fortune."

When harvesting came, would you believe that there were forty-one good, sound, splendid potatoes in that hill? Another thing: While the boys were picking them up, they talked over the grand mass meeting for missions that was to be held in the church next Thursday—an all-day meeting. The little church had had a taste of the joy of giving, and was prospering as she had not before. Now for a big meeting, to which speakers from Chicago were coming. James and Stephen had their plans made. The washed the forty-one potatoes carefully, then wrote out in their very best hand this sentence forty-one times:—

"This is a missionary potato; its price is ten cents; it is from the best stock known. It will be sold only to one who is willing to take a pledge that he will plant it in the spring, and give every one of its children to missions. Signed by James Holt and Stephen Holt."

Each shining potato had one of these slips smoothly pasted to its plump side.

Didn't those potatoes go off, though! By three o'clock on Thursday afternoon not one was left, though a gentleman from Chicago offered to give a gold dollar for one of them. Just imagine, if you can, the pleasure with which James and Stephen Holt put each two dollars and five cents into the collection that afternoon. I'm sure I can't describe it to you. But I can assure you of one thing. They each have a missionary garden, and it thrives.

SURE SIGNS.

Solomon said, many centuries ago, "Even a child is known by his doings, whether his work be pure and whether it be right."

When I see a boy slow to go to school, and glad of every excuse to neglect his books, I think it a sign that he will be a dunce.

When I see a boy in haste to spend his every penny as soon as he gets it, I think it is a sign that he will be a spendthrift.

When I see boys and girls often quarrelling, I think it a sign that they will be violent and hateful men and women.

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