

For the Month

Memory Gems

If we do not plant knowledge when young, it will give us no shade when we are old.—Lord Chesterfield.

Just as is bent the little twig.
So will the tree be when grown big.

Summer or winter, day or night,
The woods are ever a new delight.

Kind hearts are the gardens,
Kind thoughts are the roots,
Kind words are the blossoms,
Kind deeds are the fruits.

Consider the lilies of the field how they grow,
They toil not, neither do they spin;
And yet I say unto you that Solomon in all his glory
Was not arrayed like one of these:

We can never be too careful
What the seed our hands shall sow;
Love from love is sure to ripen,
Hate from hate is sure to grow.
Seed of good or ill we scatter
Heedlessly along our way,
But a glad or grievous fruitage,
Waits us on the harvest day.

God is waking his tiniest messengers
to praise Him, and to carry sweetness
into all the world.

PROGRAMME.

Preparatory—

1. The schoolhouse should be cleaned for the occasion. On a table in one corner the exhibits prepared by pupils should be arranged (see below). The boards should be decorated with mottoes (see below). Flowers and leaves should be arranged in becoming fashion on the desk and on the windows. Window plants are very desirable. Branches or wreaths of evergreens; twigs of pussy-willows, etc., properly arranged will be helpful. Bouquets of flowers, sprays and sprigs may be worn by teachers and children and presented to visitors.

2. By arrangement with the trustees the grounds should be ready for the planting. The teacher shall arrange with one person to do the plowing, another to bring the trees, another to bring water, etc. The children will bring the necessary spades and shovels, hammers and nails. Everything to the smallest detail must be foreseen and arranged for.

In the School Room—

1. Scripture reading.
2. Choruses—junior and senior.
3. Solos—children and adults.
4. Memory games, singly and in concert.
5. Recitations.
6. Essay.
7. A school exhibition.
8. A voting contest—"My Favorite Tree."
9. A fancy drill.
10. The building of a canoe—from Hiawatha—by a class of children.

Outside—

1. Planting trees.
2. Laying out flower-beds and planting flowers.
3. Fixing fences and grounds.
4. May-pole dance.
5. Basket pic-nic.