

## Children's Page

THE CARELESS DOLL. I took my dolly for a walk. Before we reached the gate

She kicked one little slipper off and soon she lost the mate.

I took my dolly for a ride. It was a windy day. She broke her pretty parasol; her bonnet flew away.

I took my dolly for a sail, and what did dolly do Båt drop her necklace overboard- it him. was her best one, too!

And then, the more I scolded her the more she smiled and smiled. Now, would you take her out again -she's such a naughty child?

A SONG FOR CHRISTMAS TIME. (Tune, "A Little Birdie in a Tree.") Stars shine bright and keen winds

blow; Laughingly children go; Merry bells make tuneful chime At the Christmas time. All the world is happy, Full of love and cheer, Children sing in gladness; Christmas time is here.

Refrain. Stars shine bright and keen winds blow; Laughingly children go Merry bells make tuneful chime At the Christmas time.

Flickering with glancing beam Gay balls thine; candles gleam; Sparkling fruit hengs fair to see On the Christmas tree. Happy, happy voices Raise the songs again;

Hark! the echoes answer Peace, good-will to men.

—Teachers' Magazine

DYING IN HARNESS. Only a fallen horse, stretched

there on the road-Stretched in the broken shafts, and crushed by the heavy load. Only a fallen horse, and a circle of

wondering eyes Watching the cruel teamster goading the beast to rise.

Hold: for his toil is over-no more labor for him; See the poor neck outstretched and

fully rests his head, Thinking, if dumb beasts think, how good it is to be dead.

After the burdened journey, how restful it is to lie With the broken shafts, and the cruel load-waiting only to die;

Watchers, he died in harness-died in the shafts and straps; Fell, and the great load killed him;

one of the day's mishaps; One of the passing wonders marking the city road-

A toiler dying in harness, heedless of call or goad. -John Boyle O'Reilly.

TAME ANIMALS 1 HAVE KNOWN.

(By Nixon Waterman.)

A thick-fleeced lamb came trotting

'Pray, whither now, my lamb," quoth I. "To have," said he, with ne'er a

stop, wool clipped at the ba-ba shop.

I asked the dog: "Why all this din?" Said he: "I'm fashioned outside in, And all my days and nights I've tried My best to get the bark outside."

A hen was cackling loud and long. Said I to her: "How strange your Said she: "'Tis scarce a song;

fact. It's -ust a lay, to be eggs-act."

I asked the cat: "Pray tell me why You love to sing." She blinked her "My purr-puss, sir, as you can see, Is to a-mews myself," said she.

kick The man who whips you with a stick?"

## PUSSY AT SCHOOL.

One morning, when 'twas mild and cool, Miss Pussy Cat ran off to school, To show the children just the way That kittens work and kittens play.

First she washed her face so neat, Then she scrubbed her tiny feet, For kittens are so clean, you know, To school they never dirty go.

Her nails and teeth she polished too, For well this clever kitten knew If mousies went to that same school She'd be in need of every tool.

When once in school she silent sat, Like any model pussy cat. And when she had a word to say She'd gently raise her paw this way.

Her teacher thought her very bright, She studied hard with all her might, And when she said her "A, B, C." Twas a tongue quite new to me.

And when it came her time to read The children had to laugh indeed, For this is just exactly how She spoke our English: "Meouw, meuow, meuow!"

She did not make one bit of noise, Like all the other girls and boys, For when her lessons got too deep Miss Pussy just went off to sleep.

This clever cat nevertheless Waked up the moment 'twas recess. She danced and jumped, and all de-

She was the smartest scholar there, rocky cut in which Dan stood, the peared. -Jeanette R. Murphy, in New World. two massive engines of the freight

PROVING HIS WORTH.

row my name shall be on the pay roll. Father says I can take the train down to the city in the morning, see Mr. Shelton, the superintendent, and ask for a job."

Dan, however, felt less brave and less confidence in himself as he stood next morning before Mr. Shelton and felt the eyes of the "big man" upon

intendent in a g. off voice. "I don't a murderer through carelessness. believe we're in need of any messenger boys right now."

"I don't want a position as messen-

am an operator," straightening up.
"An operator?" laughing incredulnever thank you enough for that af-"Look here, Haskett," he fair at Summit Tunnel." ously. went on, addressing a kindly-faced man who sat writing at a desk across the room. "This is Joe Brewer's boy, from Las Palomas, and he wants 2 job. But he says he's only fifteen,

ability to receive and dispatch mes-"You can try m, sir," returned Dan proudly.

"That's fair," said Shelton, winking at Haskett. "Here, test the young man from Las Palomas."

Haskett, with a smile, seated Dan for the test. He determined to "rush" the youngster and confuse him. Accordingly he called up a division office where there was a first-class operator, and began to dispatch some determination to rid that garden of lished all through the South and has messages. Shelton looked on, a halfamused twinkle in his gray eyes.

At first Dan's pen staggered and floundered over the words, then it steadied down into the swinging 'copy' of an old-timer. He forgot that he was being tested. He thought that he was back with his father at Las Palomas, copying for practice. Whom I was spending some weeks had hired for the summer, and only that day the farmer had said to me:

"I never saw a boy take so much pride in his work as Louis does. The Catholic Church among the rank and file of the people in the States. There are hundreds

so even and well-spaced. When he looked up from the test, it was to meet a pleasant smile in Mr. and a promise. the words of the superintendent. "My lives of whole train loads of people on the patient eyes grow dim.
See, on the friendly stones how peace'See, or the friendl

much, so I could help the folks at home," said Dan.

"It'll get there some day, my boy" returned the superintendent. "Don't be near two boys who had each been worry. Only wait till you're older." have to meet his parents and acknowledge defeat.

The train was being run by a 'plains' crew, compelled to take the replied. a washout beyond Las Palomas. They were unsociable and grumpy, and Dan out in life determined that he will found it impossible to get up friendly relations with them. At Placitas, a track. Slouchy work will not pass mountain "helper" was added, and muster in these days. If you

Palomas. All the way up the mountain Dan following the passenger train within the ten-minute limit. One moment the freight would be in plain sight, the next hidden by some jutting point

the road. the boy. Then his attention was at- them. tracted by the familiar sound of his father's sending. As he started to GAMES FOR WINTER EVENINGS. cured by this truly marvellous remreboard the train these words caught Here are a few games that do not your own family need not know you utes in Summit tunnel, account of thinking: of that tunnel. At times it would be "Alas! I must be lashed," said she, comparatively dry; at others, dripping "So I can give whipped cream, you wet—these conditions having no conweather. The report, however, gave him no uneasiness until they passed the last station on that side of the tunnel without being notified of the condition before them. He began to nel when the rails were slippery and your right foot. another train was following. mentioned the matter to the conduc-

tor, only to be stared at coolly. "My son," said the conductor scornfully, "I ran trains before you were born.

After that Dan sat in silence, but he was very watchful. He could not help noticing that the passenger was losing time, and the freight, while staying strictly within her time, was gaining on them slowly. Added to his uneasiness, he saw that night was rapidly closing in upon them. He watched the headlights of the freight flitting like a madcap will-o'-thewisp in the pass behind them. He spoke to the brakeman about his fears.

"My smart kid," retorted the brakeman, "I can protect the rear of this train without any instructions from you."

Dan walked back to the rear coach and stood on the platform outside to hide his flushed tace. They were almost at the tunnel's mouth. "If I don't do it, there will be a terrible accident," he said. "I know Preston will never blame me for being too

The next second the boy grasped red light just inside the coach and quickly swung himself off the slowly moving train, which soon shot into

the blackness of the tunnel. With a great roar that filled the

bore swiftly toward him. A few wild swings of the lantern brought an answer from Preston, who reversthe engines and brought them to a panting stop just without the tunnel. "Hello, Dan!" he cried. 'What is the trouble, my lad?" "No. 3 will hardly make it through the tunnel without stalling so

flagged you," replied Dan. At that instant the brakeman of the passenger staggered out of the tun-As Dan Brewer skipped away from nel, nearly choked with smoke. the telegraph office, his face radiant "Thank God!" he cried, grasping with anticipation, he said: "To-mor-Preston's hand. Stopped just in time to save us. We're working with a lame engine, and are stalled in the

> "My boy," said Preston, patting Dan on the arm, "vour carefulness has saved the lives of many people to-night.

"Yes," said the brakeman huskily. "and there's a dear old lady up the road who will thank you a thousand "Want a job, eh?" asked the super- times for keeping her son from being Two days after Dan received a mes-

sage from Mr. Shelton. It was "You are on our pay roll now. Asger, sir," answered Dan, flushing. "I sume your duties as assistant operator at Las Palomas at once. We can

THE BOY AND HIS WORK.

"Don't that look just fine?" It was no vain conceit that made 2 job. But he says he's only fifteen, a certain boy say these words one and I think he must overestimate his day last summer. His blue eyes were shining with honest pride because of A new day is dawning for Cathothe perfectness and trimness of the licity in the South. The consecrasmall garden he had finished weeding tion of the noble Cathedral in Richand hoeing. Three days before the garden had been completely overrun with weeds and grass. Some of the grass had been of the variety called "wiregrass," and if you have ever tried to bee out or will up grass of witnessed the Catholic Church in all tried to hoe out or pull up grass of this kind you know as well as that boy knew, that it is mighty hard grass to tackle. But this boy had tackled it with his teeth set and a Archbishop Glennon, has been pubevery spear of it, and it had dis- been read by thousands who have appeared root and branch. He was never known anything that was good parentage whom the farmer with whom I was spending some weeks had

Hadn't he often copied Haskett by the world. He is not only so very of counties in the States of North the hour, just for practice? He had industrious, but he is so thorough. Carolina, South Carolina, and of always liked Haskett's Morse, it was Everything I give him to do is done Georgia, that have not a single just as well as it is possible to do Catholic and there are thousands of

Give me a boy noted for being inshelton's eyes. His hopes, however, dustrious and who takes so much honest and manly pride in his work aggerated, but when it is coupled with a coupled with the words of the superintendent. "My that rothing has been expected by the words of the superintendent." the words of the superintendent. "My that nothing but perfection will suit with a statement of figures it will boy, you are all right," he said, "but him and I shall feel that I am safe in not seem so much out of the way. In I couldn't put the responsibility of the prophesying a successful future for North Carolina the population is that boy.

"Father isn't strong any more, and in the boy who takes pride in his —that is for every 300 people one I wanted my name on the pay roll so work, who feels that it is a reflection meets he may meet one Catholic. In on his character to be lazy and who likes to put an "A one" mark on all that he does. I remember that I once happened to

given a certain task to do. I do not Catholics.

good enough Good for Joe! The boy who sets have gan. The summit was capped by a get rid of them just as soon as poslofty mountain pierced by a long tun-nel. Two-thirds of the way through tation of being a "slouch" and he is Waters has been giving missions with this tunnel was a sharp grade, and a goner. No man wants a "slouch' just a short space farther on they around, and no man with a particle pitched down a steep incline into Pas of honest, manly pride will be a person of that description. Pride in one's work, no matter what that watched the "double-header" freight to success in life.

A Sure Cure for Headache.-Bilious headache, to which women are more priests. As a sign of his interest in subject than men, becomes so acute only to appear in some open space of in some subjects that they are utter- open the ministry of the newly consely prostrated. The stomach refuses crated Cathedral with a great Mis-At Resetta, halfway up the moun- food, and there is a constant and dis- sion to non-Catholics. They will untain, the passenger train stopped for tressing effort to free the stomach doubtedly win many converts to the Dan ran out to the little from bile which has become unduly Church. telegraph office, and as he stood there secreted there. Parmelee's Vegetable listening to the click of the instru- Pills are a speedy alterative and in ment the freight engine pushed around neutralizing the effects of the intrudthe curve and Bob Preston, the en- ing bile relieves the pressure on the gineer, waved a friendly greeting to nerves which cause the headachel Try

I asked the cow: "Why don't you his attention. "Delayed twenty min- require any apparatus and very little are using the treatment.

slippery rails." Dan knew the tricks Try to stand for five minutes without moving and with your eyes blindcomparatively dry; at others, dripping folded. Get up out of a chair without bending your body forward or putting nection with outside affairs of the your foot back under the chair. You will be very clever if you can do it. Lav a match across the nail of your middle finger and try to break it by pressing upon it with the first and third fingers of the same hand.

Stand with your left foot, shoulder feel uneasy. He had heard every and the left side of your head touchtrain crew say they feared the tun- ing the wall and try to kick with

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it. He never gives anything a lick the citizens who have never seen a Catholic Church or heard a Catholic aggerated, but when it is coupled with a statement of figures it will about a million and a half and all There is something fine and manly told their are not 5,000 Catholics South Carolina the proportion is a trifle higher, but outside of Charles ton in the west stretch of 32,000 square miles, there are scarcely 3,200

It was with a deep disappoint- know how long they had been work- Richmond has had its day of Church ment that Dan took a seat in the ing on it, but presently I heard one splendor on Thanksgiving, and all the train and started for home. He would of them say to the other: "There, Joe, that will do. It looks turned out to do the visiting prelates honor. The munificence of Mrs. Ryan Jos. MURPHY, Ontario Agent, 'No, it isn't," the boy called Joe erecting the splendid Cathedral gave "I'm not going to leave occasion for the glorification of the run over the mountains on account of mine until it looks a good deal better material side but following right than it looks now. I'm no slouch." the heels of this calchystical is the the heels of this celebration is the opening of a great mission for non-Catholics by the Virginia Apostolate. Rev. T. E. Water, a graduate of the Apostolic Mission House, and the heavy climb to the summit be slouchy tendencies, boys, you'd better Rev. J. Van Inglegem, constitute the regularly organized Apostolate

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communicate your beautiful letter to all my colleagues of the French Episcopate.

I beg of your Eminence to be the interpreter of our deep gratitude to our venerable brothers, their Lordships and archbishops and bishops of Ireland, and to accept the homage of my profound veneration.

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HOMESTEAD DUTIES: A settler who has been granted an entry for a home-stead is required to perform the condi-tions connected therewith under one of the following plans:

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Bow to the Prettiest

Oh, "Forfeits" is the greatest fun! My grandpa said that every-one Must play, because 'twas Christmas night-I heard one cousin told to bite

About six inches of the poker!

I ran to see if it would choke her;

But no, sir; with the poker near Her face she stooped and bit my ear! And I'd a lot of things to do; To "bow before the prettiest." Who Could that be? I looked around But no one prettier I found Than my own ma; so I bowed Quite low to ber, and said out loud. I think you are the prettiest one,

Then to the wirriest, on one knee I had to kneel. What might that be, I didn't know; but I'd heard tell Of "mother-wit," so thinks I, "Well, I'll kneel to mother." So I knelt, Before her; and she said she felt Quite complimented. Father smiled And whispered, "Good for you, my

And father whispered,

Then, let me see—c the rest Was "Miss the one that you love

best!' Of course I didn't have to think About who that was. Quick as wink I kissed my mother. 'Oh, I do Love you the best," I shouted. Whew! How they all laughed! I don't see

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