

## Children's Department.

### THE LITTLE BIRD.

A little bird with feathers brown  
Sat singing on a tree—  
The song was very soft and low,  
But sweet as it could be.

And all the people passing by  
Looked up to see the bird  
That made the sweetest melody  
That ever they had heard.

But all the bright eyes looked in vain,  
For birdie was so small,  
And with a modest dark-brown coat,  
He made no show at all.

"Why, papa," little Gracie said,  
"Where can this birdie be?  
If I could sing a song like that,  
I'd sit where folks could see."

"I hope my little girl will learn  
A lesson from that bird,  
And try to do what good she can,  
Not to be seen or heard.

"This birdie is content to sit  
Unnoticed by the way,  
And sweetly sing his Maker's praise  
From dawn to close of day.

"So live, my child, all through your  
life,  
That be it short or long,  
Though others may forget your looks,  
They'll not forget your song."

### TRUTH IS MIGHTY.

When Dr. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., announced that his "Favorite Prescription" would positively cure the many diseases and weaknesses peculiar to women, some doubted, and continued to employ the harsh and caustic local treatment. But the mighty truth gradually became acknowledged. Thousands of ladies employed the "Favorite Prescription" and were speedily cured. By druggists.

### THE WOUNDED BIRD.

Henry Berthoud tells in his *Stories of Bird Life* of two swallows who were building their nest of mud and straw, when the female tore her foot with a piece of glass. The male compelled her to enter the nest, and began to utter the most piercing cries. At this signal two other swallows came to the nest, and the female bird put some moist earth upon the wounded foot of the other. Then the two neighbouring birds stayed and helped till the nest was finished, when they returned to their own home. The wounded bird was unable to move about much for several days, but the male bird caught gnats for her and fed her daily from his own beak. What a lesson of kindness and helpfulness this teaches.

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According to the AMERICAN NEWSPAPER CATALOGUE of Edwin Alden & Bro., Cincinnati, Ohio, just published, containing over 800 pages, the total number of Newspapers and Magazines published in the United States and Canada is 18,186; showing an increase over last year of 1,028. Total in the United States 12,179; Canada 1,007. Published as follows: Dailies, 1,227; Tri-Weeklies, 71; Semi-Weeklies, 151; Weeklies, 9,955; Bi-Weeklies, 23; Semi-Monthlies, 237; Monthlies, 1,324; Bi-Monthlies, 12.

BEATTY'S ORGANS FOR \$35.00.—Special attention is called to Mayor Beatty's Parlor Organ advertisement in another column. Any of our readers who are in want of a Cabinet Organ at a reduced price should order at once from the advertisement, as the time is limited to only seven days from date of this paper.

FISK JUBILEE SINGERS.—These world-famed artists announce their fourth Canadian tour in our advertising columns, visiting Toronto, and giving three concerts on September 21, 22 and 23. We heartily commend their entertainment, and recommend our readers to enjoy an evening listening to this gifted company. All who have heard them on former occasions will recall with delight the memories of their sweet melodies, while those who may not have heard them should avail themselves of this opportunity, and listen with pleasure to the sweet and entralling music of these cultured musicians.

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