Moman's Mork.

Obn-lucted by Mrs. B. M. Brown and Miss Jessie L. Agnew Brerythin Intended for this column hould be sent to Mrs. B. M. Brown, Ridgetown,

A thoughtful writer has said : "There are some people who will not answer Christ's call unless He makes the path, in which they persist in treading, full of thorns." When we look Into our own hearts and consider our waywardness, we most admit that this is true. He who made us knows best what wo need. He knows just how much of sunshine we can bear, and covers our pathway with shadows only for our good. It is well when we can say :-

Wheresoe'er my feet have awerved His chastening turned me back.

I am glad to be able to say, definitely, that Sister Jessie II. Brown will be with us.in our Convention in June. We cannot better show our appreciation of her kindness in coming than by greeting her with the largest meeting we have yet held. No sister in the Province ought to miss the opportunity of hearing her, if they can possibly be there. She is no stranger to us. Her aweet songs have brought many hearts into harmonious touch with her own. Allow me to give here one of my favorites which was published in the Standard some years ago :--

TUMBING HEAVENWARD. In the west there glows the fire, Of the dead day's funeral pyre, Work is past; Has this sunset found me higher Than the last?

Has the upward pathway clearer? Has Thy Word of promise dearer To me grown? Have I climbed, O Father, nearce To Thy throne !

Let me bravely meet the morrow, Bravely bear its pain and sorrow, Lord, I pray; Strength from Thine I fain would borrow, For the way.

Lot some echo of the singing, Through Thy temple's arches ringing, Reach my ear, To my fainting spirit bringing Blessod cheer,

Let the perfumed breezes blowing,
From the plains where palms are growing,
Cool my brow;
Let the peace of heaven, deep flowing,
Fill me now.

Nearer let each day's declining, Nearer, Father, let each shining Sunset grand, Bring me to Thy tressure-shrining, Suprise land.

S. M. Brown.

One Woman's Work.

FORTY OR FIFTY SALOONS WIPED OUT.

A good temperance act was enacted by the last Congress in prohibiting the sale of liquor within one mile of the present. There was one dollar and Soldiers' Home. It now turns out that | ninety cents collected. The meetings this was accomplished by the quiet effort of a lady. When the bill was best wishes from "Helping Hands." introduced into Congress the ealoon men paid little attention to it, but some mysterious force pushed the bill through committee after committee, one house after the other, and finally it became a law. That mysterious force was Mrs. Kate Chase, the daughter of the late Chief Justice Chase. Then the District Commissioners decided the prohibited district was all that torritory lying within one mile of the border of the Soldier's Home grounds. This included a part of the city and all of two new suburbs lying near Edge wood. Forty or fifty saloons in all are wiped out of existence, including the objectionable groggeries near Mrs. Chaso's home, as well as ten or fifteen more which would soon have been started in the new suburbs .- Christian at Work.

SPRING CLEANING.

Bo particular every Spring to clean he house, but never mind cleansing the blood until some troublesome discase takes hold of you. This is poor policy

Whildren's Work.

Mrs. Jas Ledlard, Supt., Owen Sound, Ont., to whom communications for this department should be addressed.

We Are Little Sowers.

We are little sowers, sowing every day, Seeds of good and ovil, all along one

Sowing on the mountains, in the fortile plain, Sowing by the wayside, good and evil

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night

We are little sowers, in the field of sin, May we sow for Jesus, and some bro ther win

From the fields of darkness, back into the light, Ero the shadows comoth that betoken

Seeds of love and kinduces everywhere

wo 201 If we are but faithful in the work we do Christ at last will crown us with the good and true.

DEAR CHILDREN. - You will be nearly as glad as I was to know that I have animals and more especially of birds. [might be repeated, that he forbade all heard from Dr. Macklin. He says : They are made out of a very strong kite flying in his province t "The contribution you sent arrived kind of paper called kozu, made from rafely not long since, and I shall uso a woody fibre, not injured by rain or ; it as you decided. I shall try and snow. choose a boy that will deserve the help of the children of Ontario. Do not boys I might use this money on, but I paper. think they are not suitable. We can tell better when our school is opened in a few months. It is harder than you might think to secure the proper boy. He must be bright and intelligent, of good, studious habits, and one who is either a Christian or likely to become one. Pray that we may be guided in this matter." It would have even as high as ten dollars. been pleasanter, perhaps, to have known that the matter was settled, but we must be patient a little longer," and in the meanwhile we can do as story of the Crosx" J. E. L.

DEAR MRS. LEDIARD,-The "Helping Hands," of Erin, are becoming more interested in the work. The girls are busily engaged in making a quilt, while the boys are saving their money to buy the batten. During the last quarter there were five new members, making thirty-five in all at have been very fairly attended. With M. E MoMillan, Sec.

Erin, March 80.

DEAR MRS. LEDIARD, -Our band of Cheerful Givers" is increasing all the time, and as our members are increasing in numbers so is our interest in the work.

At the last meeting of the quarter wo re elected our officers of the previous one. The fees for the quarter amounted to one dollar and seventy-LULU SMITH, Sec. seven cents.

Wiarton.

The "Golden Links" and other members of the Sunday school of Owen Sound held an cutertainment on the ovening of Easter Mouday. The house was well filled with an interested and delighted audience. "Hope's Messongere," in the form of white-robed, fairhaired girls, told the grand old story of the Resurrection in song and recitation, and their carnest voices and bright faces lent an added reality to its wonwhen by using Burlock Blood Bitters derful truths. The house was beautithe blood will be thoroughly cleansed, the fully decorated, and all the details of although there is as much excitement the officers of the band.

Japanese Kite Flying.

BY TOZO ORNO.

most charming season of the year, of falcons and the one with strongest Many beautiful birds are singing in the cord and most favorable wind usually trees and bushes, and groon grasses outs under the other, severing its cord carpet the ground. The breezes of and leaving it to glide off out of sight, the South Pacific are sending health it may be, or off to sea. and sweet music throughout the flowery | This skill is shown in choosing the islands of Japan. I can imagine while moment to bring your kite to the I am telling the story of Japanese attack and requires something of the children, that they are, at the present | practice of a yachtsman. season, enjoying the pleasure of flying | their kites, on the other side of the both of legs and arms, in running and globe; for the spring is the best season | managing the cord. for that amusement. At some time! There was one province, however, during Decomber in every year there where in feudal times, that is fifteen are markets in every town in Jupan years ago or more, kite flying was pro-We are little sowers, let us strive to which are opened especially for the hibited. The Japanese tradition told custom to present the children with the Caetle of Shiro, and stole the kites on New Year's day.

This paper is arranged in exact! shape of natural birds, the wings being be in too much hurry. There are made with a still lighter and stronger

ribs to which the wings are bound by silk twine in such a way that on rising in the air the wings and long tail feathers expand like those of a real

Some of them are both beautiful and expensive, costing three or four or

Japanese children wait with longing for the time to come when they can fly-their kites in the ercen fields. It is generally early in March when the Dr. Macklin says, "pray that he may southern breezes begin to blow, which be guided in his choice of a boy who are so favorable for this sport. At will soon be able to teach others the this season great companies of children gather together in the fields or school grounds, and many kite-birds are flying and making a whizzing and whirring music in the air.

Then there are the kite-battles which give great pleasure to children. Even grown-up people take part in these kite-battles.

When a favorable day comes the people of the town go to the soldiers' parade ground and watch the battles between different kites.

There are kites representing such birds as eagles and hawks, others made like the dragons and heroes of ancient Japanese history, and sometimes the devil himself is represented as taking part in the fray.

All classes in the sport; in the days of the Dimio's or fuedal nobility, these barons used to look on and applaud the successful contestants, presenting them with gifts of silk cloth and golden badges as rewards for their ckill. The young ladies, too, take part as spectators and add their bright smiles as an incitement to the winner.

Indeed the ladies often present the prizes thomsolvas and thus these kito lattles resemble in no slight degree the tournaments of the middle ages in Europe. In other respects they resemble the races of modern times in America, for there is much betting on the different kites, although this is now prohibited by law.

Sometimes local feeling is brought into the contest when the kites of two ueighboring villages are fixing together over neutral ground.

There is nothing serious or blood thirsty arising out of these encounters body strengthened, and future suffering the evening spoke volumes in praise of over them as over a Cauadian election. The children of course share this

excitement and are intensely interested in the game.

The way in which it is played is this: The kites are worked so as to The spring time in Japan is the pounce on each other after the manner

Much physical exercise is obtained,

purpose of selling the New Year's us that there was once upon a time a presents; among which the kite is a very clover man who made a very principal one, as it is the Japanese large kite and flew on it to the top of golden scales of the gramps that There are many kinds of kites adorned the roof. The Baron of which are made to he form of fishes, Shiro was so fearful that this theft

Sunday School Workers.

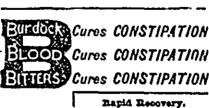
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