

decorating; get fungi to study, empty birds' nests to examine, and gather moss for the flower pots and baskets you will need in your house this winter. Hurry, hurry, for winter is hard on your heels.

HALLOW E'EN

Do you know the old legends that began Hallow E'en? To begin with, the proper name is "All Hallow's Even," or the evening before the festival of All Saints. The old idea was that on this night the ghosts of people who were dead came back to earth, and many were the strange tricks they played. In the north of England this night is known as Nutcrack Night. In the old days people were what is known as "superstitious," and when things went wrong they didn't blame themselves but some old witch or bad fairy. And their idea was that Hallow E'en was the night of nights for all bad fairies, old witches and goblins. Now

Hallow E'en only means an excuse for a very pleasant party, with tricks played by ghosts and fairies who are very much alive. For school reading for that day there are several good stories which are contained in a collection called "Good Stories for Great Holidays," Olcott. The stories are: Shippeitaro, Mary Nixon Roulet, Japanese Folk Stories and Fairy Tales; Burg Hills on Fire, Elizabeth W. Grierson, Children's Book of Celtic Stories; The King of the Cats, Rhys; Fairy Gold; The Strange Visitor, Joseph Jacobs, English Fairy Tales; The Benevolent Goblin, Gesta Romanorum, The Phantom Knight of the Vandal Camp.

JACK-O'-LANTERNS

Give to each pupil scissors, paste, and a piece of yellow, red or other colored paper about five by eight inches, or square. Cut from one end of the paper a strip an inch or a half-inch wide by five inches long for the handle of the lantern. Have each pupil write his name on the handle strip of his lantern.

To fold the paper for the lantern, place the large piece on the desk, with the long side from right to left; fold the lower edge over to meet the upper edge, and crease. The crease is next to the worker. The position of the paper must not be changed. Lift the paper with the left hand. With the right cut

through the crease at right angles to about three-fourths of an inch from the edge of the paper. Next, cut a half-inch from the edge of the paper and cut one-fourth of an inch apart. Open. Paste the ends of the paper together. (Pasting together at the top and the bottom is sufficient.)

Next, fasten the strip to one end of the lantern for the handle. The lanterns may be made of white paper or manilla, but the colored paper makes prettier ones. These may be suspended, by means of crooked pins or fasteners, from a wire strung across the room or the top of the blackboard.

CHRISTMAS DREAM (Continued)

Like a flash that bright world vanished, and Effie found herself in a part of the city she had never seen before. It was far away from the gayer places,

where every store was brilliant with lights and full of pretty things, and every house wore a festival air, while people hurried to and fro with merry