## ALL HALLOWS IN THE WEST.

bat, and it always turns up to her side to begin batting first, but she has hardly any rounders. The game begins very fairly at first, one catches the ball behind the batter, and when they catch it in the first rebounce that counts "out" to the batter, and only three strikes before they run. When the batters are batting it seems that they are always out. One of the girls always hits over the fence and makes lots of rounders, while the other side spend the time in hunting for the ball. The batters get so breathless in running, they give up their batting. Some are so clumsy in catching, so our captains say, "Don't you go to sleep behind there, wake up," then we attend a little more to our work.

The game is very exciting, and we must be careful and see where the ball goes, or we will be beaten to pieces by our friends. We must do what our captains tell us, and I think we should do anything to catch the ball and have our side in again to bat and make rounders. We won the last match. Some players are not good at first, but they get brighter in time, and the captains are pleased with their men and give a cheer now and then if they give a good round and have done well. SUZANNE AND BEATRICE.

## Our Canaan.

Mr. Dorrell preached in one of his sermons about Canaan, how the Israelites took the country and how God helped them.

It has been said that each of us has a "Canaan" to conquer, which means we have bad habits, bad words and bad thoughts to conquer, like the Israelites had to conquer Canaan, as the inhabitants were so bad.

The Israelites crossing the Red Sea is like our Baptism, and their crossing the Jordan our Confirmation; their battle in Canaan is like our battle against sin after our Confirmation. The day before the Israelites crossed the Jordan, Joshua told them to prepare themselves, so we ought to prepare too for any work God is going to do through us.

We must conquer all the little towns as well as the big cities in our Canaan, just as the Israelites had to do. If we let bad habits grow in us the result will be very bad, as well as great sins. Little by little we should try to overcome them all, because we can't get good all in a sudden, and also we can't get bad in a sudden.

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