

## SUNBEAMS.

When the great round sun above us,  
In the ages long gone by,  
Glowing in his dazzling brightness,  
First began his course on high.  
His great heart was filled with pity,  
When this vision met his sight,—  
Worlds on worlds, above, beneath him,  
Wrapped in dense and cheerless night.

So he marshalled forth an army  
Of young workers, brave and strong,  
Sent them on a glorious mission,  
Bade them labor hard and long.  
And this host of tiny sunbeams  
Through the years and years gone by  
Have been fighting gloom and darkness,  
Giving gladness, light and joy.

We are oftentimes called sunbeams,  
(All unworthy of the name),  
Yet we've learned we have a mission,  
And to fill it is our aim.  
We have learned of other countries,  
Far across the surging wave,  
Where are millions of dear children  
Whom our Saviour died to save.

Yet those lands are wrapped in shadows,  
Deeper, darker than the night;  
And a cry comes wasted to us,  
"Send, oh, send the gospel light!"  
Will you help us, Christian workers?  
Blessed so richly with the light,  
To be shining, cheering sunbeams,  
For those countries veiled in night?

—MARY MILLER MCKINNEY.

## PROFESSOR DRUMMOND'S CONVERSION.

That children can and do apprehend the essentials of salvation, and are adopted into the divine family, receives fresh demonstration in almost every season of religious awakening. The possibilities of child conversion have been illustrated many times, but perhaps never more forcibly than in the case of the late Professor Drummond, of whom the Rev. E. P. Hammond, writing to "The Examiner," says:

"In the spring of 1860 I received a letter from Peter Drummond, founder of the well known Drummond Tract Society, inviting me to come from Dunfermline, where I was holding meetings to his residence in Stirling.

The day after my arrival his parlors were filled with a company of children that I might tell them the story of Jesus and His love. Some of his nieces and nephews were there, and among them little Henry Drummond, who listened with tearful eyes as I explained how Christ loved us and gave Himself for us.

When Professor Drummond was in this country a few years ago, he told the students in Amherst College that it was in that meeting in Stirling that he experienced a change of heart, and began to live the new life "which is by the faith of the Son of God,

who loved us and gave himself for us."

He was a believer in the conversion of children. No doubt one reason was that he had in early life seen the simplicity of the way of salvation through Christ's sufferings and death on the cross for us.—*N. Y. Adv.*

## COMPOSITION ON JONAH.

Composition of a little African girl (who was taught in a Mission school.)

"History, as you know teaches what is happen in the past event. Geography where the thing has happened at. History tells us that Adam was the first man that was created, and geography shows us where the garden of Eden is, which continent, which division.

History tells us that Adam was the first man that was created and while he was sleeping, God took out one of his ribs and made Eve. After a while Eve went out to walk among the trees of the garden of Eden. Conversation took place between her and the devil, the devil told her to eat some kind of fruit which God had told her and Adam not to eat. She took it and ate it, and also took some for her husband. When Adam saw it, he did not take no time to ask her where she got it from.

History, geography and the earth, just do to go together. One tells about this, one tells about that, and so forth. Histories are interesting to read, indeed they are. It tells us about the whale. The whale is the largest animal in the sea. Whales is spoken of in the bible. God had sent Jonah to Ninevah to preach to the people about their sins. Jonah refused to go. He went into a ship with some people. He just went in there to hide from God, but God caused a storm to take place and the ships went from this way to that way. The people was afraid indeed and began to cast lots and the lot fell upon him so they up and throwed him into the sea. While he was going to the bottom of the sea he met with this animal, so the whale said: "My friend, where are you going?" Jonah answered and said unto him, "I have disobeyed my God and I am trying to hide from his face." The whale said "You ought to be ashamed of yourself. Don't you know that neither you or I can hide from His face?" Jonah said, "Oh whale, I am so afraid, I do not know what I am doing or saying." The whale said the idea of your running away from God, you got to bear the consequence, that's all I got to say." Jonah said "Whale, I think you had better swallow me because there is no use in talking." The whale said "Jonah put your head in my mouth and get ready for your life." At the same time he did swallow him up. Jonah thought the whale's body was his end, therefore Jonah offers up a prayer for his sins. If he should die before he gets the shore, if it was God's will to carry his soul to Heaven. The whale did not rest day after day or night after night.

After three days the whale went to shore and vomited up Jonah."

"Jonah was like a drowned rat."

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