"And I," said another boy, "thought of a poor old woman whose eyes were too dim to read. I went to her house every day and read a chapter to her from the Bible. It seems to give her a great I cannot tell how deal of comfort. she thanked me."

A third boy said, "I was walking along the street, wondering what I could A gentleman called me and asked me to hold his horse. I did so. He gave me five cents. I have brought it to put into the missionary box."

"I was walking with my eyes open and my hands ready, as you told us," said the fourth boy, "when I saw a litcrying because he had lost some pennies. I found them, and he dried up his tears and ran off feeling very happy."

A fifth boy said: "I saw my mother was very tired one day. The baby was cross, and mother looked sick and sad. I asked mother to put the baby in my little waggon. She did so, and I gave him a grand ride round the garden. If you had only heard him crow, and seen him clap his hands, teacher, it would have done you good; and oh! how much brighter mother looked when I took the baby indoors again."-Rev. Dr. Newton.

## MARY'S PRAYER.

Dear God, bless my two little eyes. and make them twinkle happy. my two ears, and help them hear my mother call me. Bless my two lips, and make them speak kind and true. Bless my two hands, and make them good and not touch what they mustn't. Bless my two feet, and make them go where they ought to. Bless my heart, and make it love Jesus, and my mother and father, and Georgie, and everybody. Please let ugly sin never get hold of me -never, never. For Christ's sake. Amen."

This is a dear little girl's prayer. And Mary "believes it," Bridget says. That means. I suppose, that she does not just "say" it in her mother's lap, and think no more about it, but that she strives

pleased, that I mean to keep on doing it with all her heart to become all that she asks God to make her.—Child's Paper.

# MINISTERS' CHILDREN.

A correspondent of Zion's Herald, in alluding to the charge so frequently brought against the children of ministers and "authorities" in the church, that they are always the worst, gives the following statistics:-"It is stated that in Connecticut, out of 930 children over fifteen years of age, in ministers' and deacons' families, only 20 turned out badly. In Massachusetts, out of 433 of these families, of 1,598 children of this age, only 20 became dissipated. I would like to ask business men if this is not a small loss in comparison with their business. I reckon that the raising of ministers' and deacons' children is the safest and most profitable business on this round earth.

## LITTLE THINGS.

Little words are the sweetest to hear: little charities fly farthest, and stay longest on the wing; little lakes are the stillest, little hearts the fullest, and little farms the best tilled. Little books are the most read, and little songs the dearest loved. And when nature would make anything especially rare and beautiful, she makes it little-little pearls, little diamonds, little dews.

In small things, says Spurgeon, lie the crucibles and the touchstones. Any hypocrite will come to the Sabbath worship; but it is not every hypocrite that will attend prayer meetings, or read the Bible in secret, or speak privately of the things of God to the saints.

By taking revenge, a man is even with his enemy; but in passing over it, he is superior.—Lord Bacon.

### UNIFORM LESSONS.

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