

BIRTH.
At Sorel, P.Q., Oct. 12, the wife of the Rev. E. Benoit, of a son.

A LESSON FROM LITTLE THINGS.

Small things and feeble things may be very wise, while larger and stronger ones may be foolish. An ostrich is one of the largest birds, yet in some ways a sparrow, a swallow, or even a humming-bird is more sensible. Solomon tells us that "the ants are a people not strong, yet they prepare their food in summer." They "gather it in the harvest," he says. That is the very time to gather it.

Children may not be very strong, but if they lay by a store of good things while they are young, while it is easy to learn, and when they have plenty of time to gather what will be needed by and by, then they are wise, which is really better than being strong. There are the coneys of Bible-times, animals not as large as a cat and quite likely to be eaten up by stronger animals. They were "feeble folk," we are told, yet they made their houses in the rocks. They were as safe then, as if they were strong. Even weakness is a blessing if it drives to a sure refuge. Let no one say, "I can't go to Jesus; I am so weak." Let him go because he is weak.

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Yours respectfully,
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HOW TO BE HAPPY.

The way to be happy is to be a real, thoroughgoing, true-hearted Christian. Scripture declares it; experience proves it. The converted man, the believer in Christ, the child of God, he, and he alone, is happy.

The true Christian is happy because his conscience is at peace. That mysterious witness for God which is so mercifully placed within us is fully satisfied and at rest.

The true Christian is happy because he can look behind him and before him; he can look within him and around him, and feel, "All is well." He can think calmly on his past life, and, however many and great his sins, take comfort in the thought that they are all forgiven. The righteousness of Christ covers all, as Noah's flood overtopped the highest hills. He can think calmly about things to come, and yet not be afraid. He can think calmly about the holy God whose eyes are on all his ways, and feel, "He is my Father, my reconciled Father in Christ Jesus. I am weak; I am unprofitable; yet in Christ he regards me as his dear child, and is well pleased."

The true Christian is happy because he has sources of happiness entirely independent of this world. He has something which cannot be affected by sickness and by deaths, by private losses and by public calamities—the

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peace of God which passeth all understanding. He has a hope laid up for him in heaven. He has a treasure which moth and rust cannot corrupt. He has a house which can never be taken down. His loved ones may be taken from him, and he may be left alone. His earthly plans may be crossed. His health may fail. But all this time he has a portion which nothing can hurt. He has one Friend that never dies. He has possessions beyond the grave of which nothing can deprive him.

The true Christian is happy because he is in his right position. All the powers of his being are directed to right ends. His affections are not set on things below, but on things above. His will is not bent on self-indulgence, but is submissive to the will of God. His mind is not absorbed in perishable trifles, it desires useful employment. It enjoys the luxury of doing good. The things of the soul come first, and the things of the world second. The true Christian has found out his place. He has laid aside his pride and self will. He sits at the feet of Jesus and learns of Him.—Selected.

GOING TO SCHOOL IN ALASKA

To be obliged to walk a mile to school, says W. S. Harwood in the "Outlook," is sometimes considered a hardship in the more sparsely settled portions of the States, but one family traveled three hundred miles from the Arctic region so that they could attend the school on the northern side of Norton Sound, while two grown-up girls and their mother went a hundred miles to Kadiak to attend a school which they had heard was going to be opened there. They reached the place six months before the teacher arrived, and waited for him.

In the recent report of the Rev. Sheldon Jackson, representative of the Government among these Indians,

the work in the schools is described in these words:

"The teachers began their school work by learning the Eskimo names of the most important things in daily use and training their pupils in the English equivalents. From words they proceeded to phrases, and from phrases to sentences, teaching them to translate the Eskimo into English, and vice versa. They gradually added English letters and numbers, together with some elementary geography and arithmetic. Although they had a combined experience of thirteen years in the States, the teachers declare that they never had more quick-witted, intelligent pupils than these wild children. At the beginning of the school year only a few could count ten in a blundering fashion, and nine-tenths of the pupils knew practically no English whatever. At the close of the first school year they had a good working vocabulary, knew something of geography and map-drawing, understood thoroughly the decimal basis of our numbers, could count up to one-thousand, work examples in simple addition, write and read simple English words, and carry on a conversation in English on every-day practical matters. The pupils showed a remarkable desire to learn for learning's sake."

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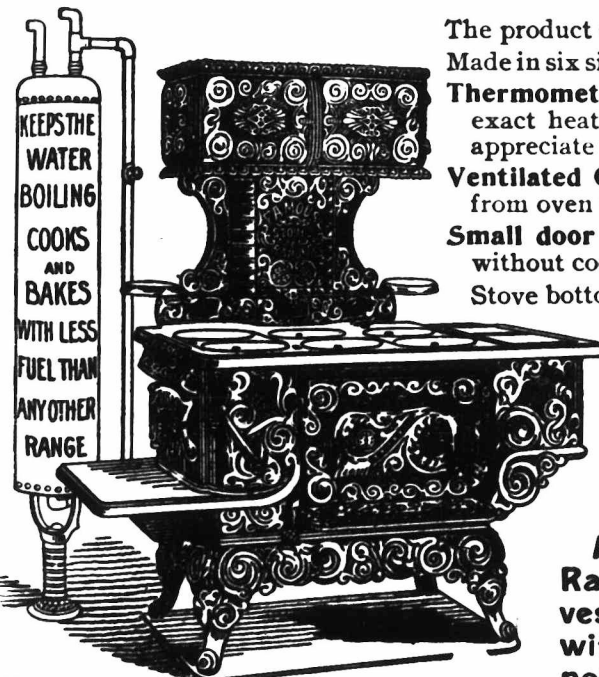
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