Youths.

A FAIRY STORY.

Once, many years ago, two little children lived in a wood. Their mother called them to her side one day and told them she was going away to heaven, and charged them to love each other and see that the porridge was always hot for the father when he came home at night. The father was a wood cutter and worked all day chopping the tress, which were dragged away when the snow came, to dragged awaw when the snow came, to be made into big ships. One sad day he fell under one of the big trees and came home no more. The little ones waited and watched for bim until there was no more meai. Then they said, "We will go further into the wood and find mother." She had told them that heaven was a lovely place, where no one was ever hungry or cold and they were often both. So they set out hand in hand, asking every person and thing often both. So they set out hand in hand, asking every person and thing they met to tell them the way, but no one could tell. The birds flew about them, but they said, "Heaven is higher than the tallest trees; one must have wings." The busy bees buzzed near, but they said, "It is the large field far away, where we gather our sweetest honey," and the brown toad said, with a wink of his left eye, "It is where no boys are ever seen." This made the little boy hang his head, for he too had poked at toads with sharp sticks. A little green lizard stopped to look, but he knew nothing better than to stretch himself out and change color. So he did what he could, and showed them how he could be now green, now them how he could be now green, now blue, but the children were weary, and too sad to look long at him. Now they sat down to rest. Their supper was berries and a drink from the blue forest stream. The sun was low, but now and then his rays burst through the trees, making silver paths of light up, up, so high. They thought those shining paths must lead to heaven and mother, but no one could tell them how to climb, and they wandered on. Soon a storm arose, the rain beat upon their heads, the wind tore through the branches and parted them, until they fell down with cries of pain. A funny little old man stood in the door of a funny little old house, rub bing his chubby little old hands, and laughing at the storm, but when he heard the children's cries, he hurried to put on his storm-coat. Then he drew upon his head his little red wishing cap, which could carry him wherever he which could carry him whelever he wished to go, and away he flew and found them in a trice. He snatched them up in his arms, and with a "Ho, ho, ho! away we go," flew away home in no time. His good little wife soon had them dry and warm, then she fed them with goat's milk and pigeon's eggs, and cuddled them to sleep in her own warm bed. What became of them after? Well, the little old man and his wife were goblins, with humped up backs and large heads, and soft, small feet, and they changed them into fairies, and they lived in the flowers, and had "cradles made of walnut shells, with violet leaves for beds, and pink rose petals for covers.

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The Transfer books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st of May next, both days inclusive.

17th to the Sist of May 2011, clusive.

The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Banking house of the institution, in Montreal, on Wednesday, the 20th day of June next. The chair to be taken at One o'clock p.m.

By order of the Board,

A. DE MARTIGNY, Managing Director,