

The Children's Page

STORY THAT WON PRIZE.

The following is the story that won a prize in the Young People's Circle of the Globe...

It was just three weeks before Christmas, and Ella's little heart was sad...

"Oh, if I could win the \$100 prize Squire Manly gives for the best spelling paper I would give it to mother..."

While she was washing the dishes she kept repeating her spelling 'A-t-t-h-m-e-t-i-c, spells arithmetic...'...

At last the day the result was to be known arrived, and as it was the Christmas holidays...

Ella is still going to school. Rita Heron, 281 Church, 11 years old. (Certified.)

PAULINE'S LOST RING.

"Mamma! Mamma!" screamed Pauline, rushing into the sitting-room. "Some one stole my ring that grandma gave me!"

"I am sure that I didn't," said the little girl. "Somebody took it out of the box in my room."

"When did you have it last?" asked Mrs. Gray. "I put it in the box last night when I went to bed, and I didn't wear it to-day..."

"You surely must have lost it, Pauline. Think carefully where you have been this morning, and what you have been doing..."

"Maybe I did put it on this morning," said Pauline at last. "I was not out of the yard, though, for most of the time I was in the kitchen with Rhoda..."

"I don't know where you lost it, Pauline. I only took it off once in a while to see how it would look..."

"And then you lost it," said her mother. "I am very sorry."

Pauline had almost forgotten about her lost ring, but one day she saw a little girl at Sunday school with it on...

Pauline could hardly wait till her mother could hear the strange story.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST Homestead Regulations

Any even numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, excepting 8 and 26, not reserved, may be homesteaded by any person who is the sole head of a family...

Application for entry must be made in person by the applicant at a Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency for the District in which the land is situated...

The homesteader is required to perform the homestead duties under one of the following plans: (1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years...

(2) A homesteader may, if he so desires, perform the required residence duties by living on residence land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent...

(3) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of a homesteader has permanent residence on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent...

(4) The term "vicinity" is defined as meaning not more than nine miles in a direct line, exclusive of the width of road allowances crossed in the measurement...

(5) A homesteader intending to perform his residence duties in accordance with the above while living with parents or on farming land owned by himself must notify the Agent for the district of such intention...

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4. In the Drawing-room.—Take your seat after ladies and elders. Do not take your napkin up in a bunch in your hand. Eat as fast or slow as others, and finish the course when they do. Do not ask to be excused before the others unless the reason is imperative.—The American Boy.

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It is impossible for one who never goes wrong, nor makes a mistake, nor commits a blunder, to know just how to be sorry for an erring one. We must stumble ourselves before we can really judge of the hardships of a rough road and the frailty of weary feet. True character is first tender, then hopeful, and afterwards reformatory.

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