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The sleepy stars are blinking,
The drowsy daisies nod,
The dew-drops bright glistening
All o'er the grassy sod;
The pretty poppies dreaming
In silken robes white and red,
With violets in velvet
Out in their bordered bed.

In downy nests, the birdlings
Have long since ceased to sing;
The little chicks are cuddled
Under their mother's wing,
While puss, with her two babies,
Is curled upon the rug,
And Jip has sought, contented,
His corner, warm and snug.

Two blue eyes slowly closing,
And droops a curly head;
And yet, says baby Willie,
"Taint time to do to bed."
We'll take him on a journey,
Over to dreamland bright;
So bring his pretty garments
And dress him all in white.

Now here's the car to take him,
That rocks us to and fro;
In mamma's arms pressed closely
How safe and fast he'll go!
He's almost there—the borders
Of dreamland dawn in sight—
Now—to and fro—more slowly—
He's there! One kiss—good night!

Why the Little Boy was Born Deaf and Dumb.

Once a minister paid a visit to a deaf and dumb asylum in London, for the purpose of examining the children in the knowledge they possessed of divine truth.

A little boy on this occasion was asked in writing, "Who made the world?"

The boy took up the chalk and wrote underneath the question, "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth."

The minister then inquired, in a similar manner, "Why did Jesus Christ come into the world?"

A smile of delight and gratitude rested on the countenance of the little fellow as he wrote, "This a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners."

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"Never," said an eye-witness, "shall I forget the look of resignation and chastened sorrow which sat on his countenance as he took up the chalk and wrote, 'Even so, Father, for so it seemeth good in Thy sight.'"

These are truly beautiful answers, especially the last. Many of us, I fear, think much more of our tiny troubles than did that dear boy of his one great trouble, of not being able to join in conversation with those around and hear what is said.

Oh! let us remember that nothing happens by chance of those who can call God their Father, and if trouble fall to our lot, say like the deaf and dumb boy, "for so it seemeth good in thy sight."

One's vocation is never some far off possibility; it is always the simple round of duties that the passing hour brings. Some one has pictured the days as coming to us with faces veiled; but when they have passed beyond our recall, the draped figures become radiant, and the gifts we rejected are seen to be treasures fit for kings' palaces. No day is commonplace if only we had eyes to see its splendour. There is no duty that comes to our hand but brings to us the possibility of kingly service.

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