

CHILDREN'S CORNER. AS GOOD AS MONEY.

Blessed is he that considereth the poor. We can "consider" them, even when it is impossible for us to give them any thing.

A young lady had gone out to take a walk. She forgot to take her purse with her, and had no money in her pocket.

"Please, miss, will you buy something from my basket?" said the little girl, showing a variety of book-marks, watch-cases, needle books, etc.

"I am sorry I can't buy any thing to-day," said the young lady. I haven't any money with me. Your things look very pretty." She stopped a moment, and spoke a few kind words to the little girl, and then, as she passed, she said again, "I'm very sorry I can't buy any thing from you to-day."

"O miss," said the little girl, "you've done me just as much good as if you had. Most persons that I meet say, 'Get away with you!' but you have spoken kindly to me, and I feel a heap better."—Youth's Companion.

THE ANGRY FATHER.

Theon was one day reading the Holy Scriptures, when he suddenly closed the book, and looked thoughtful and gloomy.

Hillel perceived this, and said to the youth: "What aileth thee? Why is thy countenance troubled?"

Theon answered: "In some places the Scriptures speak of the wrath of God, and in others he is called Love. This appears to me strange and inconsistent."

The teacher calmly replied: "Should they not speak to man in human language? Is it not equally strange that they should attribute a human form to the Most High?"

"By no means," answered the youth, "that is figurative—but wrath—"

Hillel interrupted him, and said: "Listen to my story. There lived in Alexandria two fathers, wealthy merchants, who had two sons of the same age, and they sent them to Ephesus, on business connected with their traffic. Both these young men had been thoroughly instructed in the religion of their fathers."

"When they had sojourned for some time at Ephesus, they were dazzled by the splendor and treasures of the city, and yielded to the allurements which beset them, they forsook the path of their fathers, and turned aside to idolatry and worshipped in the temple of Diana."

"A friend at Ephesus wrote of this to Cleon, one of the two fathers at Alexandria. When Cleon had read the letter, he was troubled in his heart, and he was wroth with the youths. Thereupon he went to the other father, and told him of the apostasy of their sons, and of his grief thereat."

"But the other father laughed, and said: 'If business do but prosper with my son, I shall give myself little concern about his religion.'

"Then Cleon turned from him, and was still more wroth."

"Now which of these two fathers," said Hillel to the youth, "dost thou consider as the wiser and better?"

"He who was wroth," again answered the youth.

"Was Cleon wroth with his son?" asked Hillel.

And Hillel replied: "Not with his son, but with his backsliding and apostasy."

"And what," asked the teacher, "thinkest thou is the cause of such displeasure against evil?"

"The sacred love of truth," answered the disciple.

"Behold, then, my son," said the old man, "if thou canst now think divinely of that which is divine, the human expression will no longer offend thee.—From the German."

Pope Pius has \$6,000,000 deposited in the Bank of Italy. He can probably keep the wolf from the door while he lives.

Bishop Simpson is editing an "Encyclopedia of Methodism."

The venerable Dr. Ryerson, is engaged upon a work on the early history of the New World and its colonisers

GIVE GOD A CENT.

BY MRS. SADIE J. CANNON.

Henry Morgan was very fond of pennies; or rather he was fond of the candy, sugar-kisses, and apples, that the pennies made possible. Boys five years old are very apt to have a sweet tooth, and it often lasts throughout youth without being much impaired, although the doctors keep telling them that so much sweet is not good for the teeth. Henry wanted a penny every day, and many days he wanted two or three, and being an only child he was apt to get them, although the family finances were very low and the pennies were carefully counted.

One day he saw his mother open a letter containing a bank-bill. "O mamma! Where did that come from?" he inquired, his eyes wide open in astonishment. Mrs. Morgan glanced over the letter, and explained that it was a present from a much loved aunt, and was to be used in defraying expenses to visit her in her home. Henry was delighted, and when he next asked for a penny his mother advised him to save his pennies to go to Aunties. He consented very willingly, and denied himself his usual amount of candy and nuts gladly. In a few days he took advanced ground, and began to watch the family expenditures closely. If his mother bought any thing he was sure to inquire:

"Is that Auntie's money? Can we go to Auntie's now?"

He objected to five cents worth of peanuts, one Saturday evening, while his mother laughingly hoped he would not become miserly. The next day, at Church, when the collection was being taken up, Henry leaned against his mother and asked for a penny to put in the basket. Now it so happened that Mrs. Morgan had forgotten her money-book—as is too often the case with ladies when they go to Church—and she told him so.

"What made you forget it?" he persisted.

In order to quiet him she said: "Save all the money to go to Auntie's." The basket was very near. The tears came into Henry's eyes, as he leaned over against his mother a second time and said earnestly:

"Give God a cent, anyway, if we can't go."

It is quite possible to be economical and to be generous. Our children can be taught to be both.

Many of my readers need to watch the corners and count the pennies. Let them work and save, but let them not cheat God out of his share. "Duty before pleasure" should be the watchword in giving. I trust all the boys who read this will resolve to "give God a cent, anyway, if we can't go."

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