#### OUR BOYS AND GIRLS.

Don't Let Mother Do It. Daughter, don't let mother do it!
Do not let her slave and toil,
While you sit a useless idler.
Fearing your soft hands to soil.
Don't you see the heavy burdens
Daily she is wont to bear,
Bring the lines upon her forehead,
Sprinkle sliver in her hair?

Daughter, don't let mother do it?
In not let ber bake and broil
Through the long, bright summer hours
Shar with her the heavy toil.
See let eye has lost its brightness
Faded from the cheek the glow;
And the step that once was buoyant
Now is teeble, tired and slow.

Danghter, don't let mother do it:
You will never, never know
What were home without a mother
Till that mother lieth low—
Low beneath the budding dasises,
Free from care and earthly pain;
To the home so sad without her,
Never to return again.

Every Boy May be a Gentleman. Let no boy think he can make a gentleman by the clothes he wears, by the horse he rides, the stick he carries, the horse he rides, the stick he carries, the dog that trots after him, the house he lives in, or the money he spends. Not one of all these do it—and yet he was be a gentleman. He every boy may be a gentleman. He may wear an old hat, cheap clothes, live in a poor house, and spend but little money. But how? By being true, manly, and honorable. By keeping himself neat and respectable. By being civil and courteous. By respecting himself and others. By doing the best he knows how, and finally, and above all, by fearing God and keeping His commandments.

#### Little Things.

When I meet you anywhere, boyson the street, in the cars, on the boat, at your homes, or at school, I see great many things to admire. You are earnest, you are merry, you are full of happy life, you are quick at your lessons, you are patriotic, you are brave, and are ready to study out all the great and curious things in this wonderful world of ours. But very often I find one great thing lacking in You are not quite gentlemanly you. There are so many little ac tions which help to make a true gentleman, and which I do not see in you. Sometimes when mother and sister omes into the room where you are sit ting in the most comfortable chair, you do not jump up and say: "Take this or "Sit here, Annie, seat, mother,' but you sit still and enjoy yourself. Sometimes you push past your mother or sister in the doorway from one room to another, instead of stepping aside politely for them to pass first. Sometimes you say "the governor," or "the in speaking of your father, and when he comes in at night you forget to say "Good evening, sir." Some-times when mother has been shopping, and passes you on the corner carrying a parcel, you do not step up and say: "Let me carry that for you, and say: "Let me carry that for you, mother," but keep on playing with the other boys. Sometimes when mother for you. or sister is doing something for you, you will call out, "Come, hurry up!" just as if you were speaking to one of your boy companions. Sometimes when you are rushing out to play, and meet a lady friend of mother's coming in at the door, you do not lift your cap from your head, nor wait a moment until she has passed in.

Such "little things," do you say? Yes to be sure; but it is these very little acts—these gentle acts—which make gentlemen. I think the word gentledo you say man is a beautiful word. First, manand that means everything brave, strong and noble, and then gentleand that means full of these little, kind thoughtful acts of which I have been speaking.

An Unselfish Pig. A writer in Nature Notes gives this

interesting account of a little pig that

was not at all hoggish:

'I must record a pleasing and amusing trait in the character of a young sow, now the mother of a numerous family, toward her own mothersince deceased - in the autumn of last year. The two sows fed in a meadow divided from the fruit garden by a wire fence, rather dilapidated; there were holes in it, through which the younger and smaller animal could creep, but not sufficiently large to en the mother to do likewise. My gardeners informed me that they saw the young one repeatedly pass through the fence, and return with an apple or pear in her mouth, which she laid at the feet of her respected mother."

#### A Touching Incident.

The still form of a little boy lay in a coffin surrounded by mourning friends. A mason came into the room and asked to look at the lovely face. You wonder that I care so much," he said as the tears rolled down his cheeks; "but your boy was a mes-senger of God to me. One time I was coming down by a long ladder from a very high roof, and found your little boy close beside me when I reached the ground. He looked up in my face with a childish wonder, and asked frankly, 'Weren't you afraid of falling when you were up so high?' and before I had time to answer, he said Ah, I know why you were not afraid -you had said your prayers this morning before you went to work.' I had not prayed, but I never forgot to pray from that day to this, and by God's blessing I never will.

same sum. Get fine linen cambric, the quality that costs about \$1.80 a yard. One third of a yard will make three handkerchiefs. Cut them eleven inches square.

On one make a narrow hemstitched hem one fourth of an inch wide, and sew around it narrow Valenciennes lace three-eights of an inch wide. On another make a half inch hem stitched hem, and sew on lace a little less than

Cut the third handkerchief an inch and a half smaller than the others on each side, round off the corners and make a hem so narrow that it will look like a cord. Around this sew an insertion an inch wide, and on the insertion lace nearly an inch wide.

If you can, stamp your initials in small script letters in the corner of each handkerchief and embroider them with the finest white embroidering cotton that you can get. Use No. 200 cotton and No 10, "betweens" needles for the hemstitching and No. 100 cotton to sew

#### Things To Learn.

There are some things I would like our boys and girls to learn. I think they will be happier if they attend to them. Here they are :

Learn to laugh. A good laugh is better than medicine. Learn how to tell a story. A well-told story is welcome as a sunbeam in

Learn to keep your troubles to your-The world is too busy to care for your ills and sorrows. Learn to stop croaking. If you can

not see any good in the world, keep the bad to yourself.

Learn to hide your pains and aches under a pleasant smile. No one cares whether you have earache, headache

or rheumatism. Learn to be happy. Don't cry. Tears will do well enough in novels and on the stage, but they are out of place in real life.

Learn to meet your friends with a smile. The goodhumored boy or girl is always welcome, but the dyspeptic, or hypochondriac is not wanted anywhere, and is a nuisance as well.

Celie's Rainy Day.

"Thank you, Miss Celie," said old Granny Higgins, putting away in her empty cupboard the dumplings little Celie had brought for her dinner. I'm afraid that you had a warm walk, miss, along the lane."

"O1, no, granny," said the little irl. "I wish it was warm; I wish it girl. was hot, granny, 'cause I'm going to a picnic to-morrow, and I don't want it to rain, but it looks a little cloudy.

"Does it, Miss Celle?" asked the old woman, eagerly. "The Lord be thanked! The ground is very dry, deary, and all my little garden, that I have worked over and tired my poor back with planting and weeding, is drying up. I have been praying for drying up. a drop of rain to day, for it is not yet too late.

The old woman washed and dried Celie's china plate, and then hastened out to her doorstep to watch the clouds. But little Celie went home much cast down. Would it be right for her to pray for a dry day, or even to wish for it, while poor old granny's garden was drying up and all her work going for

nothing ? "Celie," said her mother at tea time, "you must butter your biscuits to-night, so you won't be so hurried in the

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"I don't expect to go to the picnic, mother," said Celie, with a sigh.
"Why not?"
"Well, mother," answered the little girl hesitatingly, "you see, Granny Higgins says her garden is just drying up, and she is praying for rain. She is awfully poor, mother, and she has worked so hard at her garden. I guess I'll have to pray for rain, too; don't you I'll have to pray for rain, too; don't you

think so, mother !" Mother looked as if she was thinking very hard, but she didn't say what it was; and the next day, when Celie opened her eyes and her ears, the soft, busy raindrops were pattering on the

So the little girl missed her picnic, but somehow it was a very happy day; and all her life Celie will feel that her heavenly Father is nearer to her because He sent her that rainy day.

### THE MARCH HOME via ROME.

In this country converts to the faith enter, as it were, a new and unknown country; in Europe, and especially in England, there is nothing unfamiliar to those who enter the Church. It is like the returning of the lost heir to his father's house. The signs of the old home are all about, the guideposts leading to its portals stand in the way as they have stood for centuries. wonder that the attraction to follow that way proves an irresistible one when the minds of English non Catholics once get set in that direction, and that the procession grows and grows as it travels onwards home to Rome. The Bishop of Salford recently said:
"In 1778 the number of Catholics in
England was nearer fifty than sixty
thousand. To-day there are a milion
and a bell of Catholics in Position and a half of Catholics in England In Lancashire there are at the present time thirty times as many Catholics as there were in all the seven northern countries a little more than a century ago. Every year there are two thou sand converts to Catholicity in Lan-cashire alone."

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#### CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN.

It is well for our young men to remember that it requires more than one key to open the door of success. Sobriety alone can not unlock the portal, but it is one of the keys. Of what use is honesty and ability without the strength of will to control the passions and appentes that, given free rein, will drag us forward to destruction?

#### Self Control

The importance of gaining control over one's nerves is seldom realized until an accident of some kind demonstrates the value of coolness in an em ergency. Nothing is gained by nervous excitement or activity in a time of sudden alarm : on the contrary, that s the time above all others when it is desirable that the mind should be cool the wits collected. In very many cases, as when a shot is fired or a shell bursts, the danger has passed before the sound of the shot is heard, and there is therefore no reason for start ing or moving, and even where the noise is a warning of impending danger no movement can be intelli-gently made until the source of the noise has been ascertained. Men, as a rule, have no more courage women, but their nervous organizations are under better control, and therefore suffer less from shock and can take better care of themselves their nerves, so that they are able to go about their duties without paying any attention to the noises about them. A body of men under self-control is capable of discipline, and discipline counts

for a great deal in moments of danger. In one story of an accident at sea we read that through the coolness of officers and crew all the imperiled lives were saved; in another, that because of excitement and disorder hundreds were lost. In the one case self control is exhibited, accompanied by discipline, in the other hysterical excitement and absence of all order.

It is easy to school one's self to coolness if attention is given to the matter, and on the other hand it is quite as easy to shatter one's nervous organization by giving way to excitement. a man-of-war under proper discipline there is no more excitement visible, even during a battle, than a target practice. Each man has a duty to perform, and attends to that to the exclu sion of all other matters. A seaman trained to his work having discovered a fire aboard ship, does not shout an alarm, but reports to his superior officer in a commonplace tone of voice, as he would report anything else. It is this self control on the part of officers and men that makes a well organized navy so efficient as a fighting force. Every thing that is to be done is done quick ly, but without excitement; the nerves are kept under control, and, though the strain may be very great, the nervous organization suffers less than if per-

mitted to become excited. Few of us have to go to battle or to meet the dangers of shipwreck, but it is nevertheless worth while to get control of ourselves, so that we may meet any disturbing condition, without undue excitement in the full possession of our faculties and with such cool judgment as will enable us to determine on the instant what had best be done. Wild alarm, hysterical excitement, movement without purpose is likely to aggravate the dangers one seeks to avoid. But it is in times of danger that one needs all his faculties about him, and therefore the need of cultivating self-control.

Taking as a sort of text the witty words of Holmes: "Put not your trust in money, but put your money in trust," Mr. R. A. White, President of this to say on

#### A Young Man's Savings.

Penuriousness is a vice. A miser is a social evil. The stingy man is a public enemy. He who takes and never gives takes from the general wealth. A few people need to be taught how to spend money. They are adepts in hearding. But the majority need to learn the gospel of thrift. best kind of saving is by using properly. That is, saving by legitimate investments where every dollar saved and invested brings interest by virtue of use, benefits the saver and performs at the same time its functions in the world's economic system. Such saving is legitimate, invaluable.

Few feel the force of this in early years. The average young man is full of wants, the most of them unnecessary. All that is earned, be it great or small, is scattered. The balance at the end of the year is often on the wrong side of the ledger. The value of early habits of saving is that it is the beginning of possible wealth. There is a sentiment. al tendency to decry the possession of riches. "Money is the root of all evil," Ray some, "therefore remain poor."
The abuse of money is an evil. Money properly used is never an evil. Money means beneficent alms, good books, music, art, travel, education, refinement, if used for its highest possible ends.

Beecher said, truly: "Wealth created without spot or blemish is an honest man's peerage and to be proud of it is his right."

Wealth is created legitimately by persistent saving of something out of whatever income we have. Speculating on margins where every dollar won for us is a dollar lost for some other man is a legalized form of robbery. But the man who saves something out of what he honestly earns, invests it legitimately or leaves it in trust with

others in his saving. Every young man ought to save something for the possible out-of-work time; ought to save something for the possible marry-

ing time.
The habit of small savings ought to be cultivated. "Take care of the pennies and the pounds will take care of themselves." A dollar a week is fifty-two dollars per year. In ten years five hundred and twenty dollars, with interest added, a few hundred more Enough to tide over many days of sick ness, or lack of employment. lar per week is scarcely missed, requires but little sacrifice of even the young man or woman on a meagre

salary The habit of saving and its accumulations give a certain dignity and confidence to their possessor. A man stands an inch taller in his boots when he has a growing bank account, even if it's not large. He is a property-

When his small savings go at last into a house or lot or into a few shares of sound stock in some concern that is a public benefit he takes added interest in civic well-being. He votes with a consciousness that he, too, has something at stake. He wants clean streets, sanitary conditions, good water supply. All this enchances the value of his small holdings. Until a man is master of a few dollars in lands or stocks he lacks an element of complete in emergencies. In the army and navy men acquire complete control of is a propertyless class who having The sense of independence fostered

by having something ahead is a still deeper reason for practicing economy and cultivating habits of small sav ings. The man who is always broke," always in debt, always deings. vising ways and means to dodge the fellow he has borrowed a few dollars of, never escapes the feeling of selfcontempt which palsies his powers and kills his ambitions. The man with a little cash buys cheaper, is more respected, stands a better chance in life in every way than the spendthrift. Save something, however small the

alary. Begin to save early.
Some young men who start out in life seeking to get the most pay for the least work, find themselves at the rear of the procession when they finally

take stock of their career. In other youths, who have all the world before them, think that the right policy is to see how little they can do for the wages they get, let them profit by the experience of their predecessors and benefit by the lessons contained in this article.

#### Measured Zeal.

Some men are interested in the work presented to their hands and think of nothing else while they are doing it. They are really zealous, and partly be-cause of their zeal they accomplish more or better work than those who are indifferent or who have in their minds at all times the question of pay or remuneration. The latter, sensibly or insensibly, measure the amount of zeal they exhibit by the promised pay. If they are to be liberally paid, they enter upon their work with enthusiasm, not because they love their work or have any sentimental desire to accomplish good results, but because they are interested in their pay. On the other hand, if they are to be poorly paid they are dispirited and in that condition are not qualified to do good work or much of it. The workman who measures his

effort by his pay justifies himself by declaring that he has dealt honestly by work for \$1 and that it would be unfair if for that pay he should do more than \$1's worth. All this is true in a the Chicago Penny Savings System, has narrow sense, but the mistake made by the man who measures his zeal is considering only present pay. Where the labor for which he has been engaged is what is known as piece work, that is perhaps the only thing to be considered, though even where the pay is directly measured by the amount of work done the employee should for his own sake, as well as for the benefit of his employer, exhibit a zeal not meas ured by pay alone and try to improve his product or make it the best in the market. Where the pay is not by the piece any attempt by the employee to measure his zeal according to his pay is an injury to both himself and his employer. It makes him an arbitrary judge of the amount of work to be done in a day or a week, limits his usefulness and frequently leads to his discharge, for the employer also measures in a rough way the pay allowed by the work performed, and where the pay is fixed gets rid as soon as possible of the employee who does not appear

to him to earn it. The true policy for any employee is to disregard present pay and, looking to the future, to do his alloted task to the best of his ability. He will thus earn if he does not get promotion. zeal may help his employer's business so that the latter can afford to pay more for his services, or it may open the door to advancement. In nearly all cases the employer will recognize the value of the services of a man whose zeal is not measured by his pay: it is to his interest to do so. In the rare cases where an employer is so shortsighted as not to recognize and reward faithful service, the employee who has done his full duty can seek employ-ment elsewhere. He will have established a reputation which will procure him a new situation, and he will have acquired such thorough knowledge of his business as will recommend him at once to a new employer.

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upon a trade or business career can

easily verify the truth of these obser-

vations and should take them as guides

for their own conduct. For a young

man present pay is a matter of little

importance compared with the oppor-

tunity to establish a reputation for

honesty, zeal and industry. He should not, therefore, so much as think of

measuring his zeal by his pay, but de-

vote all his energies to the well-doing

in his power to promote the interests of

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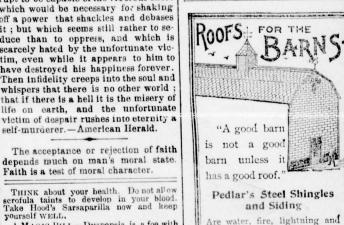
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