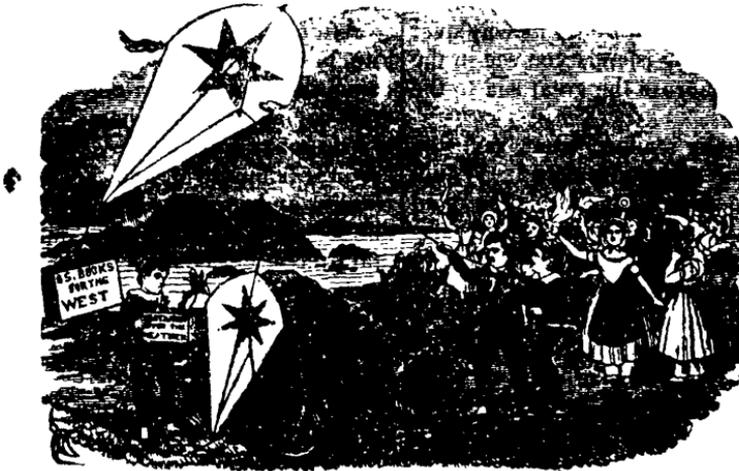


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The Gospel Kite.

The Committee of the Canada Sunday School Union, have to return their sincere thanks for the kindness of the Rev. Mr. Bullard, Secretary of the Massachusetts Sabbath School Union, for the use, in exchange for an equal number of their cuts, of some of the illustrations used by that society. The above is the first we introduce; our readers will observe that the story which follows it is intended for readers in the United States. Of course, while we wish all success to our brethren in that country, we must not forget that we have a work to do in Canada, and that all we can do is too little for the thousands that are uncared for here. Our readers will be able of themselves, to apply the lesson intended to be conveyed by the narrative:—

A boy in Connecticut, eleven years of age, was one day very busily engaged in his play.—And who does not love to witness the joyful sports and hear the merry laugh of glad-hearted children? Of course, we do not mean to intimate that any one would be pleased to see and hear these things on

the *Sabbath*, in the house of God and in the Sabbath school, &c! But on suitable occasions, it is delightful to behold the joy and pleasure with which children enter into their various amusements.

Well, the amusement in which this lad was so busily occupied, was that of making a little *kite*. But, while his hands were actively engaged in his play, his thoughts were towards the benighted heathen, and he was studying ways to send them relief. By and by he looked up to his father and said, very seriously,

“Father, I wish I had a string to my kite that would reach clear to the heathen.”

“Why, my son,” said the father, “what would you do with it if you had?”

“I would send the gospel to them,” quickly replied the boy.

“How *could* you do that?” inquired the father.