

Children's Page

GOOD HUNTING.

Table-leg jungle is dark and still, And lions and tigers on Sofa Hill, But I'm never a bit afraid. My dog, I know, is a trusty brute,

But I hunted 'em all away; There's elephants hiding there now instead-

They're perfectly safe to-day. Chair.

. If I was like nurse or like baby Sis, What never has fired a gun,

Bear.

They'd both of 'em cry and run. the Savid But I'll stalk him down and I'll bad men.

shoot him through, And I'll make him into a Teddy stew. -Burges Johnson, in Everybody's.

THE STORY OF THE THREE LITTLE PIGS.

"Little Pig, Little Pig, let me come green spire towards the stars. in!

To which the pig answered: "No, no, by the Hair on my Chinny-Chin-Chin!"

This made the wolf angry and he "Then I'll huff, and I'll puff, and I'll

blow your house in!" So he huffed, and he puffed, and he blew his house in and ate up the little pig.

The second little pig met a man with a bundle of wood and said: "Please, man, give me that wood to build me r house," which the man did, and he built his house with it.

Then along came the wolf and said: "Little Pig, Little Pig, let me come

"No, no, by the Hair on my Chin-ny-Chin-Chin!"

"Then I'll huff and I'll puff and I'll blow your house in!" So he huffed and he puffed, and he puffed, and he huffed, and at last he from Germany spread all over the

The third little pig met a man with celebration. load of bricks and said: "Please man, give me those bricks to build a house with"; so the man gave him the bricks and he built his house with them. Then the wolf came, as he did to the other little pigs, and said: "Little Pig, Little Pig, let me come

"No, no, by the Hair on my Chin-ny-Chin-Chin!"

Then I'll huff, and I'll puff, and I'll blow your house in!"

Well, he huffed, and he puffed, and he huffed and he puffed, and he puffed, and he huffed; but he could not get the house down. When he found that he could not with all his huffing and his puffing blow the house down, he said: "Little Pig, I know where there is a nice field of turnips." "Where?" said the little pig.

"Oh, in Mr. Smith's home field; and if you will be ready to-morrow morning, I will call for you, and we will go together and get some for dinner. Very well," said the little pig, "I will be ready. What time do you

mean to go?" "Oh, at 6 o'clock."

Well, the little pig got up at 5 and got the turnips before the wolf came (which he did about 6) and said: "Little Pig, are you ready?" little pig said, "Ready? I have been and come back again, and got a nice potful for dinner.

The wolf felt very angry at this, but thought that he would be up to the little pig somehow or other, so be said: "Little Pig, I know where there is a nice apple tree."
"Where?" said the pig.

"Down at Merry-Garden," replied the wolf, "and if you will not deceive me I will come for you at 5 o'clock to-morrow and we will go together used. and get some apples."

Well, the little pig bustled up the he is poor. next morning at 4 o'clock, and went off for the apples, hoping to get back which he would not repeat to his celebrated case. One day while But he had mother. before the wolf came further to go, and had to climb a tree, so that just as he was getting down from it he saw the wolf coming, which, as you may suppose, frightened him very much. When the wolf came up he said: "What, are you here before me? Are they nice apples?" "Yes, very," said the lit-"I will throw you down tle pig. one" and he threw it so far that while the wolf was going to pick it up, the little pig jumped down and ran home.

The next day the wolf came again and said to the little pig: "Little

glad to go; what time will you be

ready?" "At 3," said the wolf.

time, as usual, and got to the fair idea that because some one else has and bought a butter churn, which he stooped to a low contemption act was going home with when he saw you must, too, is not worthy of a the wolf coming.

So he got into the churn to hide and one else has done to put you out of by so doing turned it over, and it harmony with your best self. "Getrolled down the hill with the pig in ting even" hurts you a hundred it, which frightened the wolf so much times more than it hurts anyone else.

that he ran home. Then the wolf was very angry, indeed, and declared that he would get been many pil's put upon the market down the chimney after him. When and pressed , he hung on a pot full of water and so much favor as Parmelee's Vegetmade up a blazing fire, and as the able Pills. Widespread use of them wolf was coming down took off the has attested their great value, and cover and in fell the wolf. So the they need no further advertisement little pig put on the cover again in than this. Having firmly established an instant, boiled the wolf and ate themselves in public esteem, they now him for supper, and lived happy ever rank without a peer in the list of afterward.

THE CHRISTMAS TREE.

A vast deal of interesting legend There's snakes in the Carpet Glade has gathered around the feature of the Christmas celebration known as the Christmas tree. The famous minstrel Walfrom von Eschenbach de-And I've got a gun that'll really scribes in his songs the custom of welcoming guests with branches ornamented with burning candles. Once there was Indians under the bed, Scandinavia there is an old myth of mysterious lights seen flaming during the Christmas season in the branches of trees that no wind could extinguish. There is a French romance Cause I'm near the cavern of Easy- of the thirteenth century in which the hero finds a gigantic tree, the And I scent the track of a Teddy branches of which are illumined with burning candles, some erect, some turned downward, and on the top the vision of a child with a halo around his head. The knight asks for an I guess I wouldn't be as brave as explanation and is informed that the tree represents mankind, the child the Saviour and the candles good and

The old German legend ascribes the idea of the Christmas tree to St. Winfrid. One day, after speaking to those whom he had converted to Christianity, he hewed down a auge oak which had formerly been an object of Druid worship. The legend goes on: "Then the sole wonder in pig with three little pigs, and as she Winfrid's life came to pass, for ac had not enough to keep them she sent the bright blade circled above his them out to seek their fortunes. The head and the flakes of wood flew from first that went off met a man with a the deepening gash in the body of bundle of straw and said to him, the tree, a whirling wind passed "Please, man, give me that straw to over the forest. It gripped the oak build me a house"; which the man in its foundations. Backward it fell did, and the little pig built a house like a tower, groaning as it split with it. Presently a wolf came asunder in four pieces. But just bealong and knocked at the door and hind it, and unharmed by the ruin, stood a young fir tree pointing a 'Winfrid let the axe drop and

turned to speak to the people. "This little tree, a young child of the forest, shall be your holy tree to-night. It is the wood of peace, for your houses are built of the fir. It is the sign of an endless life, for its leaves are ever green. See how it points upward to heaven. Let this be called the tree of the Christ-child. Gather about it, not in the wild wood but in your own homes. There it will shelter no deeds of blood, but loving gifts and rites of kindness."

The historic records of the Christmas tree can be traced back to the sixteenth century. It appeared in Strassburg in the middle ages. From a manuscript published by a Strassburg writer in 1608 it becomes evident that the Christmas tree was a regular feature of the Christmas season along the Rhine. It maintained its distinctive place for over two hundred years in that region, and blew the house down, and then he ate world until to-day it is found everywhere as a feature of the Christmas

It was introduced into Munich in 1830 by Queen Caroline, and became about the same time popular among the Magyar aristocracy of Hungary. It was introduced into Paris in 1840 by the Duchess Helen of Orleans, who 26th, at the Condlon homestead, four fish with good results. He did so, had one in the Tuileries. It was miles from Stayner. Mrs. Condlon and the process was one of the most also taken up by the Empress Eu- was 86 years of age, and came to brilliant displays of skill ever witgenie, but did not become popular at Nottawasago Township from West- nessed at the bar. Poor Mr. Macfirst among the French people because of its German origin. The marriage of Queen Victoria to a German prince led to the introduction of the Christmas tree into England, although in the older records there is like the Christmas tree in the Christmas pageant given in honor of Henry

Now all over the world the Christmas tree is one of the prominent features of the Christmas celebrations, and even in Paris, which held out for such a long time against the custom. fifty thousand trees are sold each for the children during the Christmas season, and no doubt the custom has spread all over the world because of the general recognition of the special place which children hold in the Christmas celebration.

WHAT A BOY CAN DO.

Be frank. Be polite. Be prompt. Be obliging. Obey his parents. Keep himself tidy. Keep out of bad company. Never laugh at a coarse joke. Be kind to his brothers and sisters.

Never make fun of another because Never tell or listen to a story

A Prime Dressing for Wounds. -In some factories and workshops carbolic acid is kept for use in cauterizing wounds and cuts sustained by the Far better to keep on workmen. hand a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Eclec- course you will cross-examine him!" tric Oil. It is just as quick in action and does not scar the skin or burn the flesh. There is no other Oil ! that has its curative qualities.

"GETTING EVEN."

Do not waste any time trying to match for the ablest cross-examiner. contented man. Pig, there is a fair at Shanklin this "get even" with some one who has afternoon; will you go?" wronged you. It is impossible to emwronged you. It is impossible to em-"Oh, yes," said the pig, "I will be ploy a single hour to worse advant-Some one has truly said that 'getting even" is an idea of revenge found only in the philosophy of fools So the little pig went off before the Truer words were never uttered. This moment's consideration by high-mind-Then he could not tell what to do. ed men. Do not allow what some

A Pill That is Prized.-There have on public attention, but the little pig saw what he was about none has endured so long or met with standard vegetable preparations.

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\$32,353,934.97 \$33,524,891.58 Mr. George Hay having announced his desire to retire from the presidency, a resolution was unanimously passed thanking him for his long and faithful services as Director, Vice-President and President. The former Directors were re-elected, and at a meeting of the new Board, Mr. David Maclaren was elected President, and the Hon. George Bryson, Vice-President for the ensuing year.

GEORGE BURN, General Manager.

family being one of the few Catholic Simon though in the older records there is always a consistent and a description of a feature somewhat faithful Catholic, beloved by Catholic He had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had seized his chance and made I am still obliged to say Mass and given the had sei families amongst the early settlers. and Protestant alike for her fine qua- use of it. lities of mind and heart.

The funeral was attended by large gathering of old neighbors and friends, Mass being celebrated by Rev. Father Ryan, and the body was interred in Mount St. Patrick Cemetery, which is on the Condlon farm on the site of the original home of year. It is the center of attraction the Condlons. May she rest in peace.

Made Use of His Chance

Opportunity may come through lucky accident, but genius shows in seeing and using it. The Rt. Hon. H. H. Asquith, now Prime Minister of Great Britain, was bound to distinguish himself sooner or later, even though he first became noted through what seemed mere chance. Mr. Stead, in the Review of Reviews, tells of this piece of "luck" which paved the war to fortune.

Mr. Asquith was the junior counsel Take the part of those who are ill to Sir Charles Russell, afterwards How many parishes have a young Father Gray. Catholic Mission Lord Chief Justice as Lord Russell of Killowen, in the famour Parnell Commission. For nine months he was immersed in the intricacies of that snatching a hasty lunch, Sir Charles told Asquith that he would have to cross-examine the next witness

tired. You will do it well enough." It was no use to protest. Asquith was dismayed. He was totally unprepared. MacDonald was supposed of contention. to be a shrewd, intelligent Scotchman, who would prove more than a

Death of Mrs. Condlon, Stayner | When Mr. Asquith rose in the court he was at his wit's end. By good fortune, he put a question which was Mrs. Teresa Condlon, an old and answered by the witness in a su-respected resident of Nottawasago premely silly fashion. Mr. Asquith Township, passed away on November saw at once that he could play his meath, Ireland, in 1834, her father, Donald was turned inside out, and John Bertles, being one of the origin-al settlers of this section, and her which he gained the title of "Simple

Three Catholic Items of Interest

average young Canadian is that between his leaving school and his marriage, says the True Voice. There does not seem to be statistics of any sort by which an estimate could be made of the number of young men who continue to lead a good life in conform.ty with religious precepts from their boyhood to their wedding day. How many of them lose their faith and become more or less corrupt in their morals during that period? How many of these thus lost to posterity altogether? How many of them would not have gone astray had there been some adequate provision furnishing them with innocent pastime and supplementary instruction to fit them for the battle of life? It is this query which is the most important one to make. men's society?

Pills That Have Benefited Thousremedy in the treatment of indigestion and all derangements of the picture of the Sacred Heart and St. Anthstomach. liver and kidneys, Parme-"This is most absurd!" exclaimed lief to thousands when other specifics the astonished junior. "Mr. MacDon- have failed. Innumerable testimonald is the next witness, and he is ials can be produced to establish the one of the most important. Of truth of this assertion. Once tried, they will be found superior to all oth-"No," replied Sir Charles. "I am er pills in the treatment of the ail ments for which they are prescribed

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father is deceased) of a homesteader has permanent residence on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, in the vicinity of the homestead or upon a homestead entered for by him in the vicinity, such somesteader may perform his own residence duties by living with the father (or mother.) (4) The term "vicinity" in the two preceding paragraphs 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. Six months' notice in writing must be given to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa, of intention to apply for patent.

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