

6. What will be done with the bad servant?
He will be punished.

In all my work and all my play
I would be true to thee,
And when thou comest for thine own,
Dear Lord, remember me!



A KIND THOUGHT,

From a lady's porch, the other day, I saw a number of birds come down and alight on the edge of a large bucket of water by the well.

Some of them drank and then flew away, but others threw water over themselves and then sat there preening their feathers and chirping happily.

Then came two dogs, which took a drink and ran away. Afterwards I saw a cat come up to the bucket and then a chicken.

"Are all these pets of yours?" I asked.

"O, no," said the lady, "but we always keep that bucket well filled, and all the tired thirsty birds and animals in the neighbourhood come to it, and seem very thankful for a drink and a bath."

WHICH ROAD?

Suppose two lines of railroad ran between the same places. On one there is an accident every day, sometimes many accidents in a day, and the other has never lost a passenger. Even if it cost a good deal more money, would you not want to travel on the safe road? Now upon one of two roads every boy and girl must start out: the not-touching-liquor road, and the drinking-only-a-little road. One of these roads passes through a more and more sorry-looking country, and it has wrecked more people than we know numbers enough to count. No harm, but much good, has come to every passenger who has travelled the other road. Wouldn't it be foolish to choose the drinking-only-a-little road because sometimes a passenger gets safely over? And would you care to be that one safe passenger, and know that some one else chose that road because you did, and came to grief?