

The Children's Page

"OUT OF THE MOUTH OF BABES" Little Jesus, wast Thou say...

Didst Thou kneel at night to pray, And didst Thou join Thy hands, this way?

And didst Thou feel quite good in bed, Kissed, and sweet, and Thy prayers said?

And did Thy Mother at the night Kiss Thee, and fold the clothes in right?

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A MAGIC GARDEN. Gertrude and Fanny played on one side of the fence...

Jessie and Alice had a set of paper dolls that came from the city. They were beautiful dolls...

Gertrude and Fanny liked their dolls very much, and they had lots of fun making clothes for them...

"They always have nicer things than we do," said Gertrude one day. "Yes," said Fanny...

"I just wish we could astonish them," they were not jealous or cross over the matter...

It was not long after that that Gertrude and Fanny received a letter from a cousin who lived several miles away...

"Wouldn't you like a bunch of violets?" asked Gertrude handing a few through the fence...

"Why, yes," answered Jessie, in a somewhat surprised tone; and then she stopped in greater surprise...

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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST Homestead Regulations

Any even numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta, excepting 8 and 20, not reserved, may be homesteaded by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age...

Application for entry must be made in person by the applicant at a Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency for the district in which the land is situated. Entry by proxy may, however, be made at an Agency on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intending homesteader.

The homesteader is required to perform the homestead duties under one of the following plans: (1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years.

(2) A homesteader may, if he so desires, perform the required residence duties by living on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, in the vicinity of his homestead. Joint ownership in land will not meet this requirement.

(3) If the father (or mother, if the 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 homesteader 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 his intention. Six months' notice in writing must be given to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa, of intention to apply for patent.

W. W. CORY, Deputy of the Minister of the Interior. N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

not help thinking how many, many times her father had traveled backward and forward over the same route, and always with his eyes open for the slightest thing that might possibly cause an accident.

"I must be on the lookout, too," Margaret said to herself; and the next moment gave a cry of alarm as the top of the curve was reached, she looked down at the unexpected sight which met her eyes on the other side.

Here, indeed, was that which threatened delay, if not danger, to the Durango train. A rock and mud slide had come down from Summit Hill and stopped square on the railroad track.

Margaret hurriedly drew near the scene; here the rails were covered with a soft slush of mud and water, thirty feet or more long and several feet deep. At first Margaret thought it would be impossible for her to gain the other side, and Summit station, but she knew that her father would have recognized no such word as fail in a like situation, and neither would she.

Struggling and staggering, finding a foothold on this piece of rock or that, Margaret persevered till, mud stained from head to foot, she at last reached the other side. The remainder of the way to the station a second and lesser curve, was then traversed, and a report of the slide conveyed to Peter Noonan. In a very short time a gang of men were at work, while the flagged train waited.

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When the Snow Falls. A girl who had borrowed an older sister's locket without the formality of asking permission, wore it to a friend's. She put it into her purse on her way home, that it might not attract attention as she entered the store. When she stole upstairs to restore the borrowed locket to its customary place, she found that her purse was missing.

There was nothing to connect her with the disappearance of the gold locket, unless she had been honest enough to make a frank and full confession. And this she could not bring herself to do. The mystery was discussed in the household for weeks, and at length was accepted as one of the problems for which there is no solution. And the girl who had sometimes considered confessing her fault, at last dismissed the idea from her mind.

The winter passed and the spring grew near. One day the delivery man, coming up the walk, stooped and picked up a small object which the melting snow had left partially uncovered. "Any of you folks lost a purse?" he asked.

The girl who had opened the door for him looked hard at the little object, much the worse for lying under the snow all winter.

"Why, it's Esther's purse!" she cried. "I didn't know you had lost your purse, Esther." She opened it and her gold locket dropped into her hand. The mystery was plain. The girl who had deliber-

ated confession had put it off too long. Now her wrongdoing in borrowing her sister's locket, and the far greater wrong of concealing its loss, was glaringly revealed.

This is not a rare instance. No wrong can be concealed forever. "Murder will out," says the old proverb, and that is not the only sin which comes to the surface. Our wrongdoings may be hidden for so long that

we shall be lulled into a false security, but sooner or later, in this world as a rule, but surely in the next, "every hidden thing shall be made known." Do not wait for the melting snow to leave to bare the proofs of your guilt. Do not wait for the passing years to expose your sin and the false part you have played so long. No fault is so great that concealment does not make it worse.

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