

Thou shalt be called by a NEW name.
Isaiah lxii. 2.

"DON'T GIVE UP, BUT TRY."

A GENTLEMAN travelling in the northern part of Ireland heard the voices of children, and paused to listen. Finding the sound proceeded from a small building used as a school-house, he drew near. As the door was open, he entered and listened to the words the boys were spelling.

One little fellow stood apart, looking sad and dispirited.

"Why does that boy stand there?" asked the gentleman.

"Oh, he is good for nothing," replied the teacher. "There's nothing in him. I can make nothing of him. He is the most stupid boy in the school."

The gentleman was surprised at this answer. He saw that the teacher was so stern and rough that the younger and more timid were very nearly crushed. He said a few words to them, and then placing his hand on the brow of the little fellow who stood there, he said, "One of these days you may be a finescholar. Don't give up but try, my boy, try."

The boy's soul was aroused. A new purpose was formed. From that hour he became studious and ambitious to excel. And he did become a fine scholar, a great and good man, beloved and honored, and the author of a well-known commentary on the Bible. It was Dr. Adam Clarke.

The secret of his success is worth knowing: "Don't give up, but try, my boy."

A PUZZLE.

Think of a number. Multiply it by nine. Is the product two figures? If so, add them together. Multiply the sum by ten. Add ten. The result is one hundred.

THE USE OF THE TONGUE.

"GOD made the tongue; and, since He never makes anything in vain, we may be sure He made it for some good purpose. What is its good purpose?" Thus spoke a teacher, one day in her class.

"He made it that we may pray with it," answered one boy.

"To sing with," said another.

"To talk to people with," said a third.

"To recite our lessons with," replied another.

"Yes; and I will tell you what He did *not* make it for. He did not make it for us to scold with, to lie with, or to swear with. He did not mean that we should say unkind, or foolish, or impatient words with it. Now think, every time you use your tongues, if you are using them in the way which pleases God. Do good with your tongues, and not evil. It is one of the most important members in the whole body, although it is so small. Serve God every day."

HARRY'S LANTERN.

SOME time ago, one Christmas Eve, Harry was sent on an errand. After giving him his message, his mother said, "Be sure you take the lantern with you, Harry." "What do I want with the lantern?" asked the boy: "know the way fast enough." But very soon Harry found he was mistaken. First he stumbled into a hole, than he fell into a ditch, returning covered with mud and bruises. The lantern would have saved him from all this. How foolish he was not to have taken it! But what shall be said of those who refuse to take God's Word as the lamp unto their feet, and the light to their path? Are they not still more foolish?

Behold, I make all things NEW.

Rev. xxi. 5.