

The voice of God resounds in your soul, as the voice of the sea was fancied to resound in that shell. Pray that you may hear not only the sound, but His voice calling you by name, as when He said, "Samuel, Samuel." Pray that you may hear Him whispering in your ears the secret which is for yourself alone.—From "*Bible Children*," by Rev. J. Wells, M. A.

HOW TO TREAT BROTHERS.

Girls, be kind to your brothers. Don't be afraid you will spoil them by shewing them plenty of sisterly attention. They are tiresome chaps sometimes, consequential and overbearing, treating their sisters like inferior beings. But never mind that, girls; carry with you two bears—bear and forbear. The consequential age generally passes off with the growth of the incipient moustache, and when real manhood dawns upon them, they will realize how gentle and kind their sisters have been. Make home pleasant to them; let them see and feel you enjoy their company sometimes equally as well as that of some other girl's brother. If you sing or play the piano, do your best for brother Will or Bob, or whatever his name may be, and reward him with a smile when he turns over your music or gives up his seat to you, just as you would any other gentleman. Lay aside your work or book to have a pleasant chat or innocent game with your brother; draw out of him with whom and where he spends his evenings outside of the family circle. Encourage him to speak of his associates. A sister has often more influence than a parent. If he can confide in his sister regarding his friends and amusements, you need have no fear how he spends his time away from you. Let him see you take an interest in his studies or his business. When he asks you to sew on a button or mend his glove, don't put on an aggrieved air; do it cheerfully, willingly. He will reward you in his secret heart with wealth of brotherly love, though he may not shew it, for some think it unmanly to display affection. Treat his friends with politeness even if they are not your style. Throw all the safeguards you possibly can around your young brothers, by sisterly kindness and forbearance. Try to make *home* the happiest and dearest place on earth.

JOHN NEWTON'S TWO HEAPS.

"I see in the world," said good old John Newton nearly a hundred years ago, "two heaps, one of misery, the other of happiness. It is but little I can do to take from the one heap and add to the other, but let me do what I can. If a child has lost a halfpenny, and if by giving it another, I can wipe away its tears, I feel that I am doing something. I would gladly do a greater thing if I could, but let me do this little thing." In all this, John Newton was just following his Master, who "went about doing good." Let us all seek to have the same spirit in us.