

## Children's Department.

### Kindness in a Street Car

One warm, spring morning, a poor woman entered a heavily-laden downtown cable car, in one of our Western cities. Besides her large market basket, she had two small children, hardly more than babies. A glance at her care-worn face and the shabby, although clean, attire, of herself and the children, told, at a glance, of many a struggle with poverty.

She was evidently on her way to market, and having no one to leave the babies with at home, had been forced to take them with her. Perhaps this had been the case before, for with a glance at the "rules and regulations"—all fares five cents cash, and only infants in arms free—she put her basket on the floor in front of her, and took both the children in her arms for the long, weary ride.

Shortly afterward there entered the car two daintily-dressed school girls, as fresh as the June morning itself.

Their merry faces sent a thrill of pleasure to the hearts of the other passengers, so much of youth's buoyancy and happiness did they seem to bring with them.

They found seats next to the poor woman, and after a minute or two, the one nearest said to her: "Let me hold the little boy for you," at the same time transferring the warm little bundle of humanity from the over-crowded mother's lap to her own.

The words were spoken so gently, and accompanied by a smile so winning, that the little fellow made no objection but was happy and contented all the ride, especially when a rosy-cheeked apple from the pretty lunch-basket found its way into his tiny hands.

The woman's grateful "Thank you!" as she left the car, showed that not only were the weary arms rested, but the heart cheered, by the little act of thoughtfulness.



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"What made you do that, Ruth?" asked her companion.

"See how he has mussed your nice clean dress. It would have been so much easier to have paid his fare, and let him have a seat."

"Yes," said Ruth, "it would have been easier, but I don't think it would have been so kind."

"God bless her!" exclaimed an old gentleman with white hair and gold-rimmed spectacles, as the corner was reached where the girls got off to go to school; "God bless her, and may she long live to make the world brighter and better by her kind acts."

#### The Obedient Boy.

I read a very pretty story the other day about a little boy who was sailing a boat with a playmate a good deal larger than he was.

The boat had sailed a good ways out in the pond, and the big boy said: "Go in, Jim, and get her. It isn't over your ankles, and I've been in after her every time."

"I daren't," said Jim. "I'll carry her all the way home for you, but I

can't go in there; she told me I musn't dare to."

"Who's she?"

"My mother," replied Jim, rather softly.

"Your mother! Why I thought she was dead," said the big boy.

"That was before she died. Eddie and I used to come here and sail our boats, and she never let us come unless we had strings enough to haul in with. I ain't afraid, you know I'm not; only she didn't want me to, and I can't do it."

Wasn't that a beautiful spirit that made little Jim obedient to his mother even after she was dead?

#### A Girl's Best Friend.

Remember that the best friend, the best confidante, is your mother. Have no friend with whom she is not acquainted. Make her interested in what you are doing, and if the trials of her life are many, just remember that to gain sympathy you must give it. Make yourself your mother's companion and friend, then she will

be yours. Do nothing that you conceal from her, and never believe for a minute that when you have really made her understand, she will not care what interests you. Mother isn't so very much older than you after all—it hasn't been such a long time since she enjoyed just what you do, since life seemed as full of brightness as does yours, since she made as many inquiries and tried to think out as many problems as you do, and once you two can meet on this common ground, be sure that you will have nobody who will as thoroughly sympathize with you as does your mother.

Never, my dear girl, permit yourself to say or write this again; try first to find out if the fault is not with you, and take as much care to cultivate the friendship of your mother as you would that of a stranger, and be very sure that it is a thousand times much better worth having.

That it is a friendship upon which you may always rely, and that it will be that most marvelous of all friendships, one where the thought of you will be first and always.