

varied, and completely won that lady's heart.

I never saw such a child, she remarked one night to Mr. Campbell. Gertrude was so fidgety and impatient to-day because it took some time to match my embroidery silks; and Minnie, who must have been very wearied with dress-makers—young children do so dislike that kind of thing, and she looked really pale—offered so prettily to take the trouble off my hands, and to match everything for me if I would trust her, that I could scarcely help kissing the child in the shop.

A tender light flashed into Mr. Campbell's eyes. Always my little "White Rose!" he murmured to himself.

Weeks passed on. It might have been that the old hall had never known the silence of hushed children's voices, as the long dead echoes of children's pattering feet now started into life again.

The little girls accompanied the Squire in his daily rides, for he had purchased a pair of ponies that were the admiration of the stable-clan. Gertrude was timid, and it was very pretty, as well as rather amusing, the Squire thought, to see Minnie's rather old-fashioned care of her, and to hear her instructions, as if she had been accustomed to the saddle all her little life.

Might have ridden to hounds! he said to Madam, with admiration, and pleased little laughs. Gad! she shall, too!

Minnie's character developed rapidly, or seemed to them to do so. Without any affectation, or, what Madam detested, forward precociousness, she would talk of domestic matters, and of subjects belonging to the higher ranges of interest and thought, in a way that was far beyond her years, and yet, with it all, she was lovingly thought of as "such a child," through the whole household.

Mr. Campbell went for a time to an estate of his in Warwickshire, but not one week passed without a long letter coming to Minnie, and each one was to her a priceless treasure; a something, as was said in an age long gone by, good and useful, of which we say in our hearts, Destroy it not, for a blessing is in it.

All visitors noted and commented upon the brightness which the child had brought to the old hall, and the Squire's pet name for her, Sunbeam, was that by which she came to be generally known, and, indeed, nearly always addressed, the servants generally speaking of her as Miss Sunny.

(To be continued.)

In all lives there is a crisis in the formation of character. It comes from many causes, and from some which on the surface are apparently trivial. But the result is the same; a sudden revelation to ourselves of our secret purposes, and a recognition of our perhaps long-shadowed, but now masterful convictions.—Beaconsfield.

MANY of our cares are but a morbid way of looking at our privi-

leges. We let our blessings get mouldy, and then call them curses.

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On August 23rd—Elljah Forshay Rushton Almira Rushton, his wife; Angus Bradford and William Bedford, their children. Amos William Trider, adult; Jos. Boss Trider, adult; James Brown Storey.

On Sept. 30th—Cora Maud Stevenson; Henrietta Whittle.

On Oct. 11th—Mary Christina Thompson; Robinson Aubrey Langille; Henry Harvey, Lilly May, Frederick Patterson, William Elwood, Clarence Edgar, Chas. Elliott, children of Charles and Melinda Card; Thomas, Frank, Adolph, Edward, Irving and Gracie Dell, children of Thos. and Margaret Tower.

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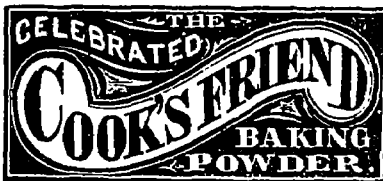
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