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A Word to Sunday Teachers.

I WONDER if he remembers—
That good old man in heaven—
The class in the old red school-house
Known as the "Noisy Seven."

I wonder if he remembers
How restless we used to be,
Or thinks we forget the lessons
Of Christ and Gethsemane.

I wish I could tell the story
As he used to tell it then;
I'm sure that, with heaven's blessing
I could reach the hearts of men.

That voice, so touchingly tender,
Comes down to me through the years—
A pathos which seemed to mingle
His own with the Saviour's tears.

I often wish I could tell him—
Though we caused him so much pain
By our thoughtless boyish frolic—
His lessons were not in vain.

I'd like to tell him how Harry, The merriest one of all, From the bloody field of Shiloh Went home at the Master's call.

I'd like to tell him how Stephen, So brimming with mirth and fun, Now tells the heathen of China The tale of the Crucified One.

I'd like to tell him how Joseph, And Philip, and Jack, and Jay, Are honoured among the churches, The foremost men of their day. I'd like, yes, I'd like to tell him, What his lesson did for me, And how I'm trying to follow That Christ of Gethsemane.

Perhaps he knows it already,
For Harry has told, may be,
That we all are coming—coming
Through Christ of Gethsemane.

How many beside, I know not,
Will gather at last in heaven,
The fruit of that faithful sowing;
But the sheaves are surely seven.

The Cedars of Lebanon.

The Cedar is a type of the Christian—being evergreen, beautiful, aromatic, wide-spreading, and having many uses. The famous cedars of Lebanon range. The grove is at the very upper part of the valley, 6,500 feet above the sea. There are about 400 trees, about a dozen of these are very old, the largest 63 feet in girth and 70 feet high. It is thought to have attained the age of 2000 years. These are probably descendants of the very trees that were used in the construction of Solomon's Temple.

THE graduates in class '88 of the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle, in thirty-eight different assemblies, number over 4,000 this year. Reading circles are established in Russia, Turkey, France, China, Japan, India, Egypt, Africa, Brazil, Mexico, and almost every other country.