

THE CHILDREN'S PORTION.

The Editor of this department to his readers, greeting:

MY DEAR YOUNG FRIENDS,—How many of you will I have as readers and helpers, I wonder? At least 1,000 copies are to be circulated monthly, so probably 6,000 bright eyes will see in print and read what I am now writing, and that number will be increased largely before long, I hope, by your efforts. From what follows you can hardly form an idea of what will fill this part of the Magazine in future numbers, because I wish you yourselves to supply me with enough matter. As the chairman at a meeting is not expected to say much but merely introduce speakers, so I desire to have little or nothing to do but arrange for the printer what you will forward to me.

The Holy Spirit not only makes us good, but makes us long to do good, and among my—say 3,000—young readers I hope to hear from many who, like myself, would desire to be useful, and to receive from them for publication what they think will interest and benefit one another, and this from a higher motive than merely to see their names or their compositions and selections in print. What is wanted is reading that will, by God's blessing, tend to make us know the Word of God—Christ and the Scriptures—more clearly, love them more ardently, and obey them more faithfully. Anecdotes, Poetry, Enigmas, Inquiries, &c., of such a nature as to cause us to study the Bible, encourage temperance, and promote purity of heart and life, sent by you, I will have far more pleasure in publishing than if selected by myself. Any incident happening in your locality, which would be a lesson to others of us, or any good story you may read or hear which pleased you, send on for the benefit of others.

It is not yours but you—not your money but your good—we seek. If, however, more money be received than the publishing costs, what is over will be used to enlarge and improve the Advocate. In that case neither editor nor publisher will gain pecuniarily by the publication, but there will be, it is hoped, funds sufficient in some way to obtain prizes, not only to those who furnish the best answers to questions, but to those also who aid most in sending what will appear in "the children's portion." A good deal can be written on a one cent postal card. In writing state your age. Anything intended for the next number should be received by the middle of the month, and addressed to

Your sincere well-wisher,

ED. JUNIOR,

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GOD AND THE CHILDREN.

God, in Holy Scripture, gives a very important place to children. When He brings His people out of Egypt, He remembers especially the little ones. In all the laws and statutes which He gave through His