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## The Home.

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BY IDA M. DENNISON.

God bless the boys!—yes, all the boys. Wherever they may be; The boy with noble thoughts and clean, The boy with manly form and mien, The boy whose mother is his queen— His future we can see. God bless the boys, the mothers' joys, Wherever they may be.

God bless the boys, the worthy boys, Whoever they may be; The boys who dwell in marble halls, The boys who live in tottering walls Are darkened off by drunken brawls— Oh, fervently pray we, God bless the boys whom sin decoys, Whoever they may be!

God bless the boys, the noble boys, Wherever they may be; Tho' human nature in them dwell, Yet search reveals a heart as well, A heart that noble deeds could tell Of love and sympathy.

God bless the boys, the noble boys, Wherever they may be. God bless the boys, the jolly boys, Whosever they may be; How dull would be this mundane sphere Without the boys that we have here; We all should die of blues, I fear, For want of fun and glee; God bless the boys with all their noise, Whosever they may be.

—Standard.

### A Fortune.

One day a man was walking along the street, and he was sad at heart. Business was dull. He had set his desire upon a horse that cost a thousand dollars, and he had only eight hundred with which to buy it. There were other things, to be sure, that might be bought with \$800, but he did not want those; so he was sorrowful, and thought the world a bad place.

As he walked he saw a child running toward him. It was a strange child; but when he looked at it its face lightened like sunshine and broke into smiles. The child held out its closed hand.

"Guess what I have!" it cried gleefully. "Something fine, I am sure," said the man, pleasantly.

The child nodded and drew nearer, then opened its hand.

"Look!" it said; and the street rang with its happy laughter.

The man looked, and in the child's hand lay a penny.

"Hurrah!" said the child.

"Hurrah!" said the man.

Then they parted, and the child went and bought a stick of candy and saw all the world red and white in stripes.

The man went and put his \$800 in the savings bank, all but 50 cents; and with the 50 cents he bought a brown hobby-horse with white spots for his own little boy; and the little boy saw all the world brown with white spots.

"Is this the horse you wanted so bad to buy, father?" asked the little boy.

"Is this the horse I have bought," said the father.

"Hurrah!" said the little boy.

"Hurrah!" said the man.

And he saw that the world was a good place, after all.—St. Nicholas.

### A Touching Scene.

It is always charming to see children manifest tender affection toward their parents, and this is still more pleasing when the "children" are themselves men and women.

The writer remembers being on a railroad train several years ago when directly in front of him sat a kindly-looking,

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snowy-haired old man evidently unaccustomed to traveling, and as manifestly in his "second childhood." He was very talkative, and he told me all about the journey he was taking.

"I'm going out to Iowa to see my son Jimmy and my daughter Nelly. Just think!—I ain't seen either o' them children for most six years, and if they ain't tickled to see me I'll be mistaken. An' this train seems to fairly drag. I get so impatient ev'ry time it stops at a station! Wish it'd keep right on an' never stop until we git to K—; that's where Jimmy an' Nelly live."

He began gathering up his few belongings when we were still an hour's ride from his destination.

"I want to be all ready to git right off when we stop," he said. "Jimmy and Nelly" both be at the depot to meet me, although they live nine miles out in the country, and there ain't no need o' both o' them comin'. But they'll both be there—you see if they ain't."

When we reached K—the excited old man started to leave the car in eager haste, but the train had not yet come to a standstill when a great, bearded giant of a man fully fifty years of age hurried into the car.

"Jimmy!" called out the old man eagerly. "Here I am Jimmy!"

"Father!" cried the son, and he took the little old man right into his arms and hugged him, while tears stood in the eyes of both.

A stout, plainly-clad middle-aged woman appeared at the car door and cried out:

"Father!"

Then she turned and called to some one on the platform, "Here he is! Here's father!"

"Nelly—my girl!" said the old man.

The son and daughter both had an arm around the father as he left the car. On the platform were seven or eight grandchildren of from five to twenty years of age. "Here's your gran'pa!" said "Nelly" joyfully; and a great hugging and kissing time ensued.

Of course the passengers in the car and the bystanders on the platform smiled, but I think that most of them agreed with a lady on the car who said:

"It is a beautiful sight to see an old man loved and revered by his children and grandchildren; and I only wish that such exhibitions of affection were more common."—Selected.

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There is a growing tendency among mothers, which is as valuable as it is significant, to regard the sickness of their children as something almost in the light of a disgrace. With the great advance in the knowledge of the important part diet plays upon development and disease, mothers have discovered that it is possible to keep a family of children through a winter without a single cold, to counteract hereditary tendencies, and to regulate retarded or one-sided development—all by proper diet. Tonsillitis, the "sore throat" which used to be a familiar and rather accepted malady of a family of children, is now known to be often almost always, traceable to a disordered stomach, and numerous other ills to be prevented by care in eating are recognized. Women's clubs are turning their attention more and more to these matters, and "Nutritive Values," "The Science of Food," and "Medicinal Diet," are more and more often in some form the subject of carefully prepared and eagerly discussed papers.

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"Do you want a boy?" he asked of the magnate of the office, standing before him, cap in hand. "Nobody wants a boy," replied the magnate. "Do you need a boy?" asked the applicant, nowise abashed. "Nobody needs a boy." The boy would not give up. "Well, say, mister," he inquired, "do you have to have a boy?" The magnate collapsed. "I'm sorry to say we do," he said; "and I guess you're about what we 'have to have.'"—Deacon's Advocate.

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Second Quarter

Lesson X.—June 6, James

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GOLDEN TRE

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