

Young Folks.

A SERMON IN RHYME.

If you have a friend worth loving,
Love him. Yes, and let him know
That you love him, ere life's even-
ing,
Tinge his brow with sunset glow.
Why should good words never be said
Of a friend till he is dead?
If you hear a song that thrills you,
Sung by any child of song,
Praise it. Do not let the sing-
er,
Wait deserved praises long.
Why should one who thrills your
heart,
Lack the joy you may impart?
If you hear a prayer that moves
you,
Join it. Do not let the seeker
Bow before his God alone.
Why should not your brother share
The strength of "two or three" in
prayer?
If you see the hot tears falling
From a brother's weeping eyes,
Share them. And by kindly sharing
Own your kinship with the skies.
Why should any one be glad
When a brother's heart is sad?
If a silver laugh goes rippling
Through the sunshine on his face
Share it. 'Tis the wise man's saying—
For both grief and joy a place.
There's health and goodness in the
mirth,
In which an honest laugh has birth,
Your work is made more easy
By a friendly helping hand.
Say so. Speak out bravely and truly,
Ere the darkness veils the land.
Should a brother workman dear
Falter for a word of cheer?
Scatter thus your seeds of kindness,
All enriching as they go—
Leave them. Trust the Harvest Giv-
er.
He will make each seed to grow.
So, until his happy end,
Your life shall never lack a friend.

JAPAN'S FOXES.

In Japan, with its quaint, gentle
people and its quaint, gentler
beliefs, even the foxes are not the same
as they are in other countries. Here
a fox is a plaything, a creature to be
harried and torn to pieces by dogs for
sport. In Japan it is well to address
a fox by the most honorable titles, to
treat him kindly, place food for him,
and be very glad when he goes. For
in Japan foxes have great power, and
it is not well to offend them. Many
are the tales the little people whisper
—whisper for fear the foxes will hear
and take offense—about the deeds of
Izumi the fox.

They are popularly supposed to take
up their abode with those whom they
fancy—and, alas! also with those
whom they do not fancy. And some-
times it is hard to decide which is the
happier. For the foxes must be fed.
And as there are always many in a
family, and they do not visit singly,
much rice must be consumed for them.
Good luck comes to the family, how-
ever, but it is liable to be changed
into the direst ill fortune at any mo-
ment. For the foxes are exceedingly
sensitive, and a word carelessly spoken,
or even a thought, sometimes,
will serve to send them off in a huff,
and then all sorts of misfortunes will
follow. When a man is seized with a
fit in Japan they say "He is afflicted
with foxes," or "He has made an
enemy of the foxes."

Only half of the good done by foxes
is genuine. A story is told of a wo-
man who kept a little shop where rice
was sold. Every night a tall woman
entered the shop, bought some rice,
laid two coins down upon the counter
and left without saying a word. The
woman would place the coins in a
drawer and think no more of them.
One day the woman entered the shop,
bought her rice, but as she turned
back the shopkeeper saw a long white
tail hanging below her dress. She
cried out, and the woman disappeared.
Pushing to the drawer where she had
placed her money, she found the same
coins and some dried leaves. Half of
the money she had received was good;
the other half had been bewitched and
had turned back to dry leaves.

Sometimes houses are to be shunned by
the villagers because it is supposed
that foxes have taken up their abode
therein. Families supposed to be af-
flicted with the friendship of the
foxes are rather left alone by the
rest of the peasants, as it is uncer-
tain when the unwelcome guests
will transfer their affections — and
their presence — to others. And the
villagers do not care to place tempta-
tion in their way. Foxes who have
no foxes are not allowed to marry in-
to those having them, as when the
foxes attach themselves to a family it
acclimates in its affections all its mem-
bers, even to those most remote. One
of the most famous families in Japan
claims its supremacy to be due to the
good influence of the foxes who have
lived up their abode in that family.

All over Japan you will see images
of the foxes—old gray foxes, with their
eyes chipped and their ears broken
off; older foxes still, with a growth
of moss on their backs; sly, alert foxes
with noses perked smartly in air,
eat foxes and little foxes, sages and
fools, all kinds and degrees—show-
ing the prevalence of this belief in
the land of the wisteria and the fan,
it also showing in what respect the
fox is held in the esteem of the people.

It is curious to note that in all coun-
tries the fox, above all other animals,
has been considered to exert great in-
fluence and power. All nations have
gods of which the cunning and in-
telligence of the fox is the theme.

MISNOMERS.

Mrs. Brown—Our language is full of
misnomers. For instance, I met a man
who was a perfect bear, and they
call him a civil engineer.
Mrs. Smith—Yes, but that's not so
outrageous as the man they call a 'tell-
in-a-bank. He won't tell you any-
thing. I asked one the other day how
much money my husband had on de-
bit, and he just laughed at me.

All Men Prize
Muscle and
Strength.PAINE'S CELERY COMPOUND
Builds Up the Weak and
Broken-down.It Has Special Elements That
Purify and Enrich the Blood.It Quickly Expels Disease
Germs from the System.Heaven's grandest and most glorious crea-
tion is the man who is physically perfect—
blessed with nerves, brawny muscle and
fullness of strength.Half-sick, weakly and broken down men
make their homes unhappy and miserable,
and as citizens they are, frankly speaking,
of small value.To be useful to society and our country,
and to become fit temples worthy of our
great Creator, the weakly, sick and diseased
should use every endeavor to acquire health
and strength.Heaven, always kind to those who are
willing to help themselves, has given to
failing and ailing men Paine's Celery Com-
pound, the greatest and grandest of health-
giving medicines.Millions are now using Paine's Celery
Compound with mighty and happy results.
High encomiums and thankful letters come
from physicians, lawyers, clerics, bank-
ers, legislators, business men, mechanics and
farmers who have been made well and
strong after months and years of sickness.Try it, ye men who are honestly seeking
after health! Disappointed in the past by
worthless pills, nervines, sarsaparillas and
concoctions, you will have cause to thank
Heaven for Paine's Celery Compound. The
good results that follow the use of one
bottle are wonderful and convincing."Hiram Hardacre says that a hired man
nowadays ain't with his salt." "Hiram
was a hired man wunst, himself, wasn't he?"
"Yes; I remember when he worked for a
close-fisted old chap that said he wasn't
with his salt."

"Sooner Die Than Suffer."

IS THE PAIN-RACKED RHEUMATIC CUR-
RE—SOUTH AMERICAN RHEUMATIC CURE—
NIMBLES THE SWOLLEN STIFF JOINTS—GIVE
NEW LIFE—NEW HOPE—CURES PERMA-
NENTLY.J. H. Garrett, of Liverpool, N. S., "I
was a great sufferer for years from acute
rheumatism. Was unable to walk or put
my feet under me. I tried everything
recommended, and was treated by best
physicians, but relief was in vain. I was
recommended to try South American Rheu-
matic Cure. I procured a bottle; when half
of it was taken I had great relief. A few
bottles cured me. I claim to-day it is the
only remedy that will cure rheumatism."For sale by J. E. Richards and E. A.
Caughell.He—Won't you 'low me to escort yo' home
Miss Black? I 'tink yo' am too good a
chub memba to keep up a quarrel. She
—Hu! I don't 'tink yo' am much ob a
chub memba. I done sor yo' sleepin'
t'roo de sermon. He—Wa'al, I was dream-
ing ob yo'.

A Preacher's Nerve

WILL BREAK UNDER THE STRAIN OF INDIGES-
TION—HERE'S THE TESTIMONY OF THE
PREACHER AND HIS WIFE—BACKSLIDERS
FROM GOOD HEALTH RECLAIMED BY THE
POWER OF THE GREAT SOUTH AMERICAN
NERVINE.Rev. W. S. Barker, of Peterboro, says:—
"I was greatly afflicted with indigestion
and nervous prostration, and my wife was
all run down and suffering much from gen-
eral debility, and we heartily join hands in
giving testimony to the great relief and
curative powers of South American Nervine.
Splendid results followed the taking of the
first bottle, and a few bottles have cured us
both, and we cheerfully recommend it to our
fellow-sufferers."Sold by J. E. Richards and E. A.
Caughell.Kathryn—I wonder what makes the
leaves of the trees turn red in the fall?
Zaneta—Probably blushing at their bare
limbs.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The
famous
signature
of
Dr. H. Fletcher
is on
every
wrapper"Tommy," said the teacher, "you are a
very good boy. You haven't missed a day
at school this term. You never play sick on
school days, I know." "No, ma'am,"
returned Tommy. "I never d d that but
once, and I'll never do it again, because
while I ain't very fond of school, I like it a
great sight better'n I do castor oil."Children Cry for
CASTORIA.

BULLER'S THIRD START MADE

No News to Be Given Out Until
Ladysmith is Relieved.The Relief of the beleaguered Town May
Happen Any Time Now—British Route
Is By Way of Acton Homes—Ladys-
mith Heliographs That the Garrison
Was Cheered on Saturday by Hearing
Buller's Guns Again.London, Feb. 5. — (4.30 a.m.)—
Although there is no actual confirma-
tion of the report that Gen. Buller
has recrossed the Tugela on a third
desperate attempt to relieve Ladys-
mith, it is known that the War Of-
fice has received several South Afri-
can despatches which have not yet
been published, and if the advance
is an actual fact, the secret is being
well kept.British Movement Noted.
Berlin, Feb. 5. — A special de-
patch from the seat of war via Brus-
sels says Gen. Joubert has received
intelligence of a movement by the
British in the direction of Honger's
Spruit.THINKS BULLER HAS THE ROAD.
He should reach Ladysmith This Week
Joubert Off the Field.London, Feb. 5. — The Pietermar-
itzburg correspondent of the Daily
Mail, telegraphing yesterday, says:
"General Buller has undoubtedly se-
cured the road to Ladysmith and
should reach his objective this week.
It is believed that the object of the
Boers in occupying Ngutu, Zululand,
is to secure the road from Dundee to
Vryheid in case of retreat."Joubert is reported to have
learned from a reliable source
that Gen. Buller was seriously in-
jured by a shell in the fight at Wil-
low Grange, and that he will never
be able to command again on horse-
back. My informant says that he
has in fact retired from the field.
"The Boers admit that the attack
on Ladysmith was a serious blunder,
and would not have occurred if Gen.
Joubert had been in command."
Gen. Meyer a coward."Gen. Lucas Meyer played the coward
at Ladysmith and sheltered himself
in a Red Cross wagon, shamming
sickness. He has been unable to face
the Boers since, and they threaten to
shoot him."

BOERS LOST HEAVILY.

Casualties in Recent Engagements 1,100
Killed and 600 Wounded.Sterk's Spruit, Jan. 29. — Com-
mandant Olivier of the Orange Free
State, in a speech to the Boers at
Ladysmith, said that his men were
almost surrounded at Stormberg, and
unless recruits were forthcoming he
would be compelled to abandon the
position.It is admitted that in the recent
fight at Ladysmith the Boers lost
1,100 killed and 600 wounded.

GEN. BULLER IS MARCHING NORTH.

He Will Give Out no Definite News Till
Ladysmith is Relieved.Durban, Feb. 4. — Gen. Buller
crossed the Tugela River Friday night
and is marching on Ladysmith. No
definite news will be permitted to go
out until Ladysmith is relieved.More Guns For General Buller.
A number of guns have been sent
from here to Gen. Buller's forces in
Northern Natal.

A British Flying Column.

A flying column, which was de-
patched hence early in December, has
reached North Zululand. The ostensi-
ble object of this movement was to
check Boer cattle raiders. It is be-
lieved now, however, that this col-
umn really intends to harass the
Boer lines of communication above
Ladysmith.

Joubert is a Fugitive, but Impassive.

Durban, Wednesday, Jan. 21. —
Buller personally supervised the be-
liefment of the army across the Tug-
ela. He then returned to his old
headquarters at Spearman's camp,
looking much fagged, but impassive.

GOING VIA ACTON HOMES.

Durban Despatch Says Buller is Ex-
pected to reach Ladysmith by Night.London, Feb. 5. — A special de-
patch from Durban, dated Sunday,
and referring to Gen. Buller's re-
crossing the Tugela in his advance
upon Ladysmith, says: "It is prob-
able that Gen. Buller crossed at a
spot above the Tugela's mouth, and
that, leaving the enemy to the right,
he is marching to Acton Homes,
whence the road to Ladysmith runs
almost due east through a fairly open
country. It is expected here that
he will reach Ladysmith to-morrow
(Monday) night."

Kruger is Seen Making Peace.

London, Feb. 3. — A heliograph
message, sent from Ladysmith yester-
day, reported all well. It was also
said that President Kruger of the
Transvaal and President Steyn of
the Orange Free State visited the
languished town for the purpose of
making peace between the troops of
the Transvaal and Free State. It
was said that there were grave dis-
sentiments between the Transvaal and
Free State forces in regard to the
prosecution of the war. The result
of the visit of the two presidents is
not known.

Deaths at Ladysmith.

The War Office announces that
there were 13 deaths from disease
at Ladysmith on Wednesday and
Thursday.

Buller's Guns Are Heard.

Ladysmith, Feb. 4. — (By heli-
ograph from Signal Hill.) — The gar-
rison was cheered by hearing Gen.
Buller's guns yesterday. The result
of the engagement is not known.The Boers are again massing near
Ladysmith, also moving another gun
toward Surprise Hill. We are quite

One Dose

Tells the story. When your head
aches, and you feel bilious, consti-
pated, and out of tune, with your
stomach sour and no appetite, just
buy a package of

Hood's Pills

And take a dose, from 1 to 4 pills.
You will be surprised at how easily
they will do their work, cure your
headache and biliousness, rouse the
liver and make you feel happy again.
25 cents. Sold by all medicine dealers.ready for them if they contemplate
another attack.Where the Boers Are.
Gen. Buller's guns have been heard
again. Otherwise it is very quiet.
We are awaiting further news of
his progress. There have been no
further developments here. Very few
Boers remain in northern Natal. The
majority are concentrated south
and west. The health of the garri-
son is improved.

BOERS ARE RAIDING ZULULAND.

Attacked the Ngutu Magistracy and
Captured the Magistrate.Head Laager, Ladysmith, Feb. 2. —
With the exception of desultory shots
from Long Tom, everything is quiet.
Boers, with artillery from the Vry-
heid district, attacked the Ngutu
Magistracy, Zululand, Jan. 31, and
captured the magistrate and 11 white
and 34 colored police, their horses,
340 rifles and much ammunition.
The prisoners were sent to Pretoria.

BOERS BLOW UP RAILWAYS.

Used Dynamite 2,000 Yards North of the
British at Modder River.Modder River, Feb. 3. — The Boers
yesterday were busy destroying the
railway between here and Lange-
baan, from a point 2,000 yards from
the British advanced position. Thirty-
three explosions were heard, and
undoubtedly the line and several miles
were wrecked for a considerable distance.

At Modder River on Friday.

Modder River, Feb. 3. — A strong
cavalry and artillery reconnaissance
was made to-day of the Boer position
to the westward of Modder River
Station. The balloonist saw a con-
siderable number of Boers trekking
towards Jacobsdal. The British shell
fire directed at the Boers was in-
effective, owing to the prevalence of
a dust storm.

Fired on Bethune's Infantry.

Spearman's Camp, Saturday, Feb.
3. — The Boers fired from the hills
on several squadrons of Bethune's
mounted infantry, who were recon-
noitering. They continued to set
fire to the left of Mount Alice in
order to destroy the cover of the Brit-
ish troops and to enable the Boers to
see the advance.

RUSHED A BOER KOTJE.

Retreated Before British Horse—A New
Zealand Mounted.Rensburg, Saturday, Feb. 3. — The
New Zealanders, Remington's Guides
and a squadron of Life Guards made
a sweep of several miles along the
hills adjacent to the British right
bank. One kopje occupied by Boers
was rushed, the Boers clearing out
after a slight resistance. One New
Zealand was wounded. Small parties
in the distance retreated whenever
British horse appeared.

Pretorius Loses His Gun.

Cape Town, Feb. 4. — Correspond-
ence has been exchanged between Lord
Roberts and the Commandant-General
of the Boer forces at Pretoria regard-
ing the release of Commandant Pretorius,
whose leg has been amputated.Lord Roberts says he does not
wish to detail so gallant a soldier,
and asks where he shall send him.
The reply to this communication
states that Commandant Pretorius
wishes to thank Lord Roberts
for his kindness and asks him to send
him to Gen. Methuen, stating that
Gen. Cronje will then arrange for his
conveyance home.

BOERS LIE AS WELL AS FIGHT.

The Fake Story Told Publicly by the Lan-
dorst of New Bethel.Modder River, Saturday, Feb. 3. —
The Landrost at New Bethel, read
publicly on Jan. 26, the following
telegram, which he said had just
been received: "Lord Roberts is a
prisoner. Gen. Buller has been killed.
Nine thousand British have been
killed and 7,000 captured. The Brit-
ish also lost 48 guns last Saturday."

Ladysmith, Feb. 4.

The War Office has received the following from Lord
Roberts, dated Cape Town, Feb. 4:
"Making well on Jan. 17. Trenches
extended towards enemy's big gun
battery, causing it to be vacated.
Enemy now pushing back on north-
ern, southern and western sides, all
out of rifle fire. Otherwise no change
in situation."

TEN THOUSAND MORE MEN.

City of Vancouver Passes Resolutions
Calling on Canada to Offer a Third
Mounted Contingent.Toronto, Feb. 4. — The following
telegram was received by Mayor Mac-
donald last Saturday night:Vancouver, B.C., Feb. 3. —
The Mayor of Toronto: A large and en-
thusiastic meeting of the citizens of Van-
couver was held to-night, when strong res-
olutions were passed, urging the Dominion
Government to offer the citizens of Van-
couver another ten thousand mounted in-
fantry, as a further Canadian contingent for
South Africa, and asking the Mayor to
present and simultaneous action of every city,
municipality and Board of Trade in Canada.
If approved, will call a public meeting
of your citizens and at once pass similar
resolutions, telegraphing copies to Premier
Laurier and your own representatives in the
Dominion Parliament, urging immediate ac-
tion. Signed James F. Gordon, Mayor of
the city of Vancouver.The Mayor will bring up the mes-
sage at the next meeting of the Council.

Great Wave of Patriotism.

Rossland, B.C., Feb. 5. — A mass
meeting will be held Wednesday toback up the offer of 10,000 men
for South Africa, and consolidate
Rossland's efforts for the patriotic
and other war funds. Nearly \$8,000
has been raised so far, and more is
to come.

Victoria Backs It Up.

Victoria, B.C., Feb. 5. — In re-
sponse to the suggestion from Van-
couver for joint action in the request
to the Dominion Government to of-
fer ten thousand men for service in
South Africa, the Board of Trade
held a meeting on Friday night and
decided to do everything possible to
further the suggestion. A public
meeting of citizens in further sup-
port of the proposal will be held at
an early date.

McGill University Graduates to Go.

Montreal, Feb. 5. — Major George
Cameron of the Royal Scots has al-
ready been notified of the allotment
of a lieutenant's commission to him
in Strathcona's Horse, and it is now
understood that Dr. Barclay, son of
the Rev. Dr. Barclay, of St. Paul's
Church, assistant surgeon of the same
regiment, is likely to get one of
the medical appointments. It ap-
pears that Lord Strathcona ex-
pressed the wish that the medical ap-
pointments in the corps should go to
graduates of McGill University,
who have passed through the Royal
Victoria Hospital.

A Tiff Between Officers.

Major Williams Threatened to Send Ma-
jor Borden to the Barracks.Halifax, Feb. 5. — Major Wil-
liams of the Mounted Rifles and Ma-
jor Borden, son of the Minister of
Militia, had some hot words near
the barracks on Saturday, when Ma-
jor Williams said that if Major Bor-
den made any further remarks he
would order him to the barracks. The
interesting scene is being much dis-
cussed in military circles.

230 Offer at Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, Feb. 5. — Col. Rutan,
D.O.C. reports that he has already
received about 200 applications for
places on Strathcona's force. Capt.
Mackie's appointment as recruiting
officer is practically assured. Lieut.
Falls of Oak Lake will recruit for
his section of the country. Col. Steele
has gone west.

The Milwaukee at Halifax.

Halifax, Feb. 5. — The trooper Mil-
waukee arrived from New Orleans at
7 o'clock last evening.The steamer Milwaukee is detained
at quarantine. It is said that the
authorities desire to make a thor-
ough examination before she is al-
lowed to come up to her berth.Trooper Lambkin's horse fell on
the street Saturday and Lambkin had
bones in his arm and leg fractured.
He is in the military hospital.

C.P.R. Employees Will Contribute.

Montreal, Feb. 5. — A meeting of
C.P.R. employees was held Saturday
evening at the Windsor Depot in or-
der to take practical steps to con-
tribute in a substantial way to the
Patriotic Fund for the assistance of
the Canadian soldiers in South Africa
and their families. It was proposed
that if the donors' names should be
given, and as there are about 30,000
employees, it would mean something
in the neighborhood of \$20,000. It
was decided to form a strong com-
mittee for the collection of sub-
scriptions. A number of contribu-
tions have already been received. It
is reported also that the G.T.R. men
are starting movements of a similar
nature.

MASSEY-HARRIS STRIKE.

Eighty of the Men Refused to Return
to Work on Saturday—Failure of a
Hamilton Private Bank.T. B. Steacy, a prominent Brock-
ville man, is dead.The C. P. R. will do \$100,000
worth of ballasting across the prairie
in the spring.The Rossland, B.C., local board of
health has issued a proclamation di-
recting that all the inhabitants of the
town be forthwith vaccinated as a
preventative of the smallpox epidem-
ic in the States to the south.The Stinson Bank, the only private
banking institution in Hamilton, has
suspended payment. The bank was
incorporated in 1847. The liabilities
are not known, but it is hoped that
the depositors will be paid in full.Eighty moulders refused to return
to work at the Massey-Harris Co. in
Toronto on Saturday. They object
to unskilled men being put to work
on machines to turn out wheels. The
International Union has stepped in.

Newfoundland Will Comply.

St. John's, Nfld., Feb. 5. — In de-
ference to the desire of the British
Government, the Newfoundland Legisla-
ture will meet in special session on
Feb. 15 to renew the Anglo-French
modus vivendi respecting the treaty
shore.

Wild with Piles..

A Torturing Disease for which Dr.
Chase's Ointment is a Positive Cure."I was wild with piles when I began to
use Dr. Chase's Ointment. It has com-
pletely cured me."This is the substance of scores and
hundreds of letters received at these offices
from every nook and corner of Canada.If you could only look over these letters
you would be sure to find the evidence of
your friends and neighbors. You could
not then be skeptical of the merits of Dr.
Chase's Ointment, the only guaranteed cure
for piles.Ask your neighbor about it; ask your druggist
or dealer what he knows about Dr. Chase's
Ointment. If you prefer, send a two-cent stamp
to the offices to pay postage on a free sample,
which will be sent by return mail if you mention
this paper.Dr. Chase's Ointment has never yet been
known to fail to cure piles. It will not fail
your case. It matters not what kind of piles
you have or of how long standing, if you use Dr.
Chase's Ointment freely and regularly it will
cure you.For women suffering from itching, Dr. Chase's
Ointment is a prompt relief. It also cures
itching of the face, eczema, salt rheum and
all itching skin diseases. It is of inestimable
value in every home. 60c. a box, at all dealers,
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