

Children's Department.

The Secret.

We all know how children, as well as grown people, and especially little girls, are curious to find out a secret where there is a suspicion of one. Lucy Mitchell in this was not above the weakness of her sex.

"Do you know, mamma," she exclaimed one day, "I am sure Mina has a secret!"

Mina Harrison was the child of Mrs. Mitchell's sister, who had lately come on a visit to Lucy.

"Why do you think so, my dear?" replied Mrs. Mitchell, smiling; "I never met a more truthful or candid child than Mina."

"I don't know," returned Lucy, shaking her wise little head. "I often see her smiling, as if at something only known to herself, and once when I asked her what she was thinking about she would not tell; no, not for anything."

"I dare say you are right," said Mrs. Mitchell, after a pause. "I think Mina has a secret; suppose we ask her."

"No, not for the world!" exclaimed Lucy. Then as curiosity got the better of her alarm, she added, "very well; do."

In a few minutes Mina entered the room without being summoned, when her aunt said to her,—

"Come here, dear. Lucy thinks you have a secret which you keep from her. She says you seem to enjoy it very much, and would not disclose your thoughts when asked; probably feeling they at least were your own."

Mina looked surprised, but after a moment's reflection, said: "I don't think I should have been ashamed to tell them, aunt. I was speaking to my best friend, and hearing Him speak to me."

Mrs. Mitchell took her niece's hand in hers.

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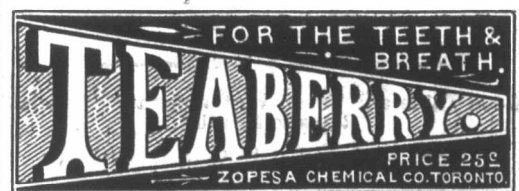
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And the little girl answered, "An agreement between two parties."

"That is—?" questioned her aunt. The answer was very low but steady.

"Between God and me."

"You have heard the secret," said Mrs. Mitchell to Lucy; "may you, my darling, learn it by heart. May God show you His covenant with His Son for your eternal safety and joy."

The Sparrow-Hawk.

The sparrow-hawk does not bear the best of characters; indeed, one writer says it is "the wildest, most intractable, most ungrateful, and most temper-trying of all birds." But though some may speak so hardly of it, it is well known to be most courageous, and when once trained is very valuable to the falconer.

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A True Tale of a Cat.

One summer a party of ladies who were staying at Windermere, England, went for a long drive in a carriage hired from a hotel near. They drove round by Rydal and Grassmere, and then got out to walk up a steep hill, one lady being in front with a favorite dog. There was no house or habitation of any sort in view, and to her surprise, a pretty half-grown kitten came from a marshy place on the road, and went up to the dog, rubbing against it with every appearance of friendliness. When the rest of the party came up, they all got into the carriage again, and when they were seated the kitten jumped in after them. They then drove to Grassmere Hotel, where they had tea, the kitten following them in and lying down by the dog. After

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