

GOOD-BYE; CHILDREN'S RECORD :

MA'PENNY, for half-penny; pen'orth, for penny-worth, and many other like contractions there are in our good old English tongue; but the best among them all is the one at the head of this little article, "Good-bye," for "God be with ye." When two people say "good-bye" to each other, it is a prayer for each other. We sometimes sing our good-bye, in the words of that good-bye hymn,—"God be with you till we meet again."

Sometimes good-byes are for a little time,—to mother when we start to school in the morning, to teacher or playmate when we leave school in the evening. Sometimes they are for longer. When a boy or girl leaves home to go away among strangers, then there are tender tears with the good-byes, and the father and mother hearts are very sore. They would like to be with their children always, and care for them, but they cannot, and so in saying "good-bye" they ask the Heavenly Father to be with them, though earthly parents cannot. "I cannot be with you, my son, my daughter, but "God be with you."

That beautiful thought takes away much of the sadness, for if God is with our parents and with us when we leave them, He will keep both our parents and us when we are absent one from the other, and by and by He will bring us together again in His happy home, where there is no parting.

Sad that there are "good-byes" said which are forever. No glad meeting again. Why is that? How is that? Where is that? Can you tell?

There is a special "good bye" that I wish to speak of just now. It is "good-bye" to the CHILDREN'S RECORD. Fourteen years ago it was started. For all these years, except one year when it was in other hands, we have had our monthly talk together. The boys and girls who were readers when it started, are now men and women. These monthly visits have been very pleasant ones to the CHILDREN'S RECORD.

It was not so good as it would like to have been, but your welcome was very kindly, and looking back over these years makes a very pleasant memory.

But it was only monthly. Many of you would like a weekly paper. So it has been arranged that the CHILDREN'S RECORD will be transferred to Toronto, where the others of your Sabbath School Helps are published by Mr. Fraser, and

that it will be changed into weekly paper called "The King's Own."

A WONDERFUL CHANGE.

Did you ever see a caterpillar and a butterfly? How different! And yet they are the same. One continues the other. The caterpillar crawls for a time. Then it spins itself a little house, a cocoon, out of which it comes a beautiful butterfly, with pictured wings, soaring high and far.

The CHILDREN'S RECORD has been small and only monthly. Its price, too, was small. It has moved along quietly for fourteen years. Now it is changing to a larger sheet. It will fly abroad with big wings. Pictured wings, too, for it will have more pictures than the CHILDREN'S RECORD. And it will move much more swiftly, for it is coming every week on its big pictured wings.

As the CHILDREN'S RECORD in its new form and new name, goes forth to its new life, may that life be long and useful, may it meet a cordial and ever-growing welcome, and may it help to make its young readers better Britons, better Canadians, better Presbyterians, better workers in Sabbath School and Church, better sons and daughters and brothers and sisters and neighbors and friends, better Christians.

Again to all its young readers the CHILDREN'S RECORD wishes, very earnestly and sincerely,

Good-Bye.

The King's Own

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THE CHILDREN'S RECORD;

Every week.

Freely Illustrated:
A Paper for the Sabbath School.

Beginning with January 1900, the Record, which is now concluding its will appear under the above title and the Committee on Sabbath School Pulpit missionary features which has been so characteristic of the CHILDREN'S RECORD will be continued. The larger space room for illustrations, which will be fully paper will be a word to say to the children and young people on various points, country, home, work and play, our Church and its enterprises in many lands, the Divine Lord and Master, and the privilege of serving Him. The slight increase in price will be far more than made up in the increased bulk and frequency. It will be a WEEKLY instead of a monthly Sabbath School Paper.

Sample Copies are now ready and may be obtained by addressing the Editor and Business Manager

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