

A weekly newspaper published every week for the young people of the Maple City.

All essays in the April competition must be in by Saturday, April 30th. The subject for the essay must be chosen by the pupil and 25 per cent. of the marks will be given for the choice of subject.

The Drawing Contest announced elsewhere will no doubt interest a great number of the pupils of the schools both in the city and country. A great many readers of the "Junior" have asked on several occasions for a drawing contest.

Two handsome prizes have been set up for competition by A. P. Kishine, and the two prize-winning drawings will be reproduced in The Planet Junior.

The complete drawings must be in test" Planet Junior

SAME BIRTHDAY

ARE VERY CARELESS

JUNIOR DRAWING CONTEST

A. J. McKishnie, Superintendent of the Scranton Correspondence School Agencies of this district, has communicated his intention of offering through THE PLANET JUNIOR, two very valuable prizes for a drawing contest.

Mr. McKishnie is an artist of no mean ability himself and takes great interest in drawing of all kinds, especially that of young artists.

...A SICKMAN...

Written for The Planet Junior
by Olive Edwards, Harwich
and Awarded Honorable
Mention by The
Judges.

The Springs

Written for The Planet Junior
Rhoda Conibear, Chatham,
and Awarded Honorable
Mention by the
Judges.

HIS OWN WORTH

A year ago a manufacturer hired a boy. For months there was nothing noticeable about the boy, except his Monthly, except that he never took his eyes off the machine he was running. A few weeks ago the manufacturer looked up from his work to see the boy standing beside the desk.

"What do you want?"

"What are you getting?"

"Two dollars a week."

"Well, how much do you think you are worth?"

"Four dollars."

"You think so, do you?"

"Yes, sir. As I've been thinking so for three weeks, but I've been to blame. I haven't had time to spend it. You about it."

The boy got the "raise."

ANSWERED THE FOOL

The ignorance of many people about the habits and capacities of the blind is illustrated by a question which a man once asked Helen Keller. Although he was a student at an American college, he was so ignorant of the subject that he asked her if she could tell him a "bright" boy who was a pupil of one of the earliest institutions for the blind, says Fanny Crosby, in her "Life Story." She was forced by the foolish questions asked by visitors whom he had to escort about the school.

The climax came when he asked her to tell him the name of the dining hall. "Dinam," exclaimed a wondering "Dinam," to you blind folks ever manage to see the way to your mouth?"

"Well, ma'am," replied the boy solemnly, "each of us hitches one end of a string to his tongue and the other end to his nose. It follows."

Short Stories

SOMETHING TO INTEREST THE BOYS AND GIRLS.

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CHILD STORY.

Two lurchers were playing in front of a dwelling on the upper west side, and the owner of the property was sitting on the steps of the little house and watching them.

"There goes our landlord!" said the larger of the little lurchers.

"No, he is," replied the other.

"He isn't," repeated the assailer.

"Well he is," the lurcher said so, and the smaller lurcher was about to make known his opinion.

"The Lord lives up in the sky!" said "Dicks" another kind of a "lord."

"That's another kind of a 'lord,'" said the larger lad.

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A SENSE OF HUMOR

Gen. Baden-Powell, of the British army, can use both hands with equal dexterity. During the South African war, he was captured by the Boers, and, as a result of grief, Durham had the tendency to write to him, and, knowing that he was something of an artist, asked him for a "tiny drawing which she could put into her scrapbook." Her first drawing was a picture of a Boer soldier, receiving an answer, and her delight can be imagined when a letter was received from the defender of Mafeking: it contained a picture of a saratow, clad in a white shirt, and, with his arms raised, shouting "Up with the British!" on a chair at a table, a mass of correspondence around him, writing busily with his left hand. Beneath it was written: "This above is a portrait of my dear friend, the General, busy to draw you a picture."

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Some years ago a naval exhibition was held in London, one feature of which was a model of the Victory. In the cockpit was a group of the fighting hero, with his friends around him. On the deck was a brass plate

OUR JOHNNY

When Johnny is playing out-doors with the boys, He is bright as a brand-new penny; in running and jumping and making a lot of noise.

He is seldom outdone by any, But in learning his lessons in school, He isn't smart.

He isn't considered no clever; He has frequently landed at the foot of his class.

At the head of it "charity four." He can catch an idea as well as the rest.

RUSSIAN PRIESTS AND THEIR

A white Russian priest must be unmarried, but he cannot marry a second time. If his wife dies, he must enter a monastery. Hence the Christians tell many stories of the extraordinary means to which the priest resorts in guarding the health of his wives. If the priest's consort sneezes, a mild panic ensues in the household.—The World's Work.

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Korean girls are fond of playing see-saw. A bag full of sand about foot in thickness is placed on the ground. Across this is placed a plank and stretched along it at proper height for the children to grasp and steady themselves by a rope. The young Koreans do not sit down as English or American girls would do, but stand erect at the ends of the plank. One girl

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Little Elmer had accompanied his father to church one morning, and the minister discovered from the text "Why halt ye between two opinions?" Upon returning home his mother asked if he remembered the text. "I can't remember the exact words," replied Elmer, "but it was something about a halt between two opinions."

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CHINESE.

There are words in the Chinese language which have as many as 40 different meanings.

home for dinner, a

"And what," said her father, "you and I make?"

Bessie studied a minute and then said, "Sweethearts."

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wives than birds,

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