Young People's Department.

CALENDAR FOR JANUARY 1898

January 1-CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD.

- " 2-2nd Sunday after CHRISTMAS.
- " 6-The EPIPHANY.
- " 9-1st Sunday after the EPIPHANY.
- " 16-2nd Sunday after the EPIPHANY.
- " 23-3rd Sunday after the EPIPHANY.
- " 25-Conversion of St. Paul.
- " 30-4th Sunday after the EPIPHANY.
- Feb. 2-The Purification of St. Mary the Virgin
 - -Presentation of Christ in the Temple.
 - " 6-Septuagesima.
- "The Gentiles shall come unto Thee from the ends of the earth."—Jer. 16:19.
- "My Name shall be great among the Gentiles saith the Lord"—Mat. 1: 2.
- "Arlse, shine, for thy Light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee."- Isaiah 60:1.
- "Now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light."—Ephes. 5:8.

THE TWILIGHT GUILD.

From the Young Christian Soldier.



HE Lawrence children were spending a long summer in the woods. Their father owned a saw-mill on the edge of a great northern forest, and it was impossible for him to supervise its

work for a time; Edith had grown pale and nervous in the winter, so that a change from school was good for her, while Beth and Roy were still too young to lose much by a term's absence, so, in April, all the family except the brother Arthur who was at boarding-school, went to the pleasant country house near the sawmill.

They were really quite alone in this home at Northwood, the nearest houses being four miles away, in the tiny village where the Canadian workmen lived, and to which they went at night by a train which stopped for them at the mill flag-station of the N. W. R. R. which ran through the premises.

The children were delighted with the free-

dom of the country life, and spent happy days in playing about the rushing mountain brook which furnished the mill power; climbing over the sunny, flower-grown hills, and rambling in the safe edge of the forest. Edith directed the other children in the pretty new plays which the woods and stream afforded, until the year at St. Christopher's closed, and Arthur came home, when she gladly gave up her little sway to him.

There was great joy at Northwood when Arthur came; he planned charming new games and, with certain restrictions from his father, led the children on long exploring expeditions in the woods and up the mountain brooks. But while Arthur enjoyed life at Northwood, he missed some of the things to which he had been accustomed at St. Christopher's, and especially the boys' guilds, the Bible-class, the choir practice, and the beautiful Sunday services. He had been confirmed in the school class that spring, and the solemn laying of hands upon his bowed head was very fresh in his memory, while the words of the hymn that was sung on the night of the Bishop's visitation, ran often through his mind:

> "O Jesus, I have promised To serve Thee to the end."

Thinking of all this, he wondered if there ought not to be something of that service even in the summer playdays, and out of these thoughts grew the Twilight Guild.

On the first Sunday after Arthur came to Northwood, as the children were sitting in the library in the late afternoon—Edith and Beth listening eagerly to stories of school-life, and Roy curled up in a deep window-seat, with his favorite "Bible-book,"—Arthur exclaimed, "I say, girls, why don't you have a guild?"

"Why, a guild belongs to a church," said Edith. "You can't have a guild without a church."

"I don't know about that," answered Arthur, "but any way there's the church in our own house, there's all the family."

"But," objected Edith, "guilds work for some one, and there's no one up here in the woods to work for."

"Oh, yes," said Arthur, "there's everybody—almost—to work for. You don't have to see people always to work for them. You