

BOYS AND GIRLS - a Pause in the Day's Occupation.

JACK AND THE CLOCK. "Why is that I am like the clock?" Said laughing Jack to me. "Because I have two hands and a face. As anyone can see."

THE BLACK MOTHER'S LULLABY - One Little Lamb.

I'm a little sheep mos' too black to see. So de hire-man-shepherd can't never find me. When I'm wrop around wid he dark er de night, And de odder sheep shine in de dusk so white--

But de Master come singin' adown dat way To see of His sheep airy one gone astray: And He says, "I wants nairy one los', you know."

NAMED SAINTS.

Des a little black sheep am me! Den de Master look all around, and he say, "I'm missin' of one"--He speak des dat-away.

BERT'S GOOD SENSE.

The day was very warm, with a strong wind blowing from the southwest that seemed like the breath from an oven, and which brought with it whirling clouds of dust.

"That's all right," Clare answered confidently. "I've handled boats in some pretty bad weather, and never had an accident yet."

FOR CHILDREN - MEDICINE FOR MOTHERS

Tablets will promptly all the minor ailments of young children. Indigestion, worms, teething break up colds, prevent cure simple fever.

Advertisement for Surprise Soap, featuring an illustration of a girl and text: "Surprise is stamped on every cake of Surprise Soap. It's there so you can't be deceived."

Some nodded, and one or two looked uncertain. Bert Hawley shook his head decidedly. "Oh, Bert!" Clare cried, "you're not going to back out, are you. Why, I don't believe there's any danger."

Bert's stand decided the others who had been doubtful, so that the little sail boat, as it moved away from the pier, carried only a part of the picnickers.

"I think you showed good sense," the old man said to Bert. "And I liked what you said about taking your sister into danger. There are a good many folks that never think of that."

TELESCOPE LESSON.

Uncle Jack was stretched in the Morris chair, reading. He looked up to nod pleasantly when Anna came in, and then lapsed into his book again, but Frances dropped her sewing and greeted her sister with a fire of questions.

"That's funny," interrupted Frances in astonishment. "Julie likes her ever so much. She was telling me yesterday how kind she is to the slow girls, and what a nice way she has."

"Did you like her? Julie called there and said she was a dear--so bright and cordial."

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A Funeral Sermon.

They had laid the dead man ready to be lowered into the grave. The speaker approached the tomb and addressed the mourners in these words: "Whatever be the social task that we have accomplished; whether we have experienced the cruel gnawings of misery or enjoyed the sweet carresses of wealth; whether we have lived in soft ease or struggled with hard toil, we all fall one after another at the fixed hour into the material nothing to which Death leads us."

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no longer believe in God. Man is animated matter in life; in death in-animated matter; that is all! Let those who trifle with the school system yet existing in Great Britain ask themselves whether the people of this country will permit their children to be taught that men are matter with warm breath in it--a thing more? Yet that is the aim of secular education.--Liverpool Times.

The merits of Bickel's Anti-Consumptive Syrup as a sure remedy for coughs and colds are attested by scores who know its power in giving almost instant relief when the throat is sore with coughing and the whole pulmonary region disordered in consequence.

The Irish Priesthood.

Mr. Stephen Gwynn, the Protestant member of Parliament for Catholic Galway, is finding The Spectator of London, somewhat difficult to please. As pointed out, a Spectator reviewer had asserted that it could not be said of the Irish priesthood that they advanced the worldly prosperity of their people.

"But Uncle Jack, suppose you really don't like the people?" "Letter keep still, then. Other folks may like them if you do not prejudice them by speaking. Besides, there is another kind of 'scope' that brings out beauties we never would see without it."

New Strength For the Spring.

In the spring your system needs toning up. In the spring to be healthy and strong you must have new blood, just as the trees must have new sap. Nature demands it and nature's laws are inexorable.

Without new blood you will feel weak and languid. You may have twinges of rheumatism, or the sharp, stabbing pains of neuralgia, there may be disfiguring pimples or eruptions of the skin, a tired feeling in the morning, and a variable appetite. These are some of the signs that the blood is out of order, that the long, trying months of indoor winter life have told upon you.

Nature Needs Assistance in Making New Health-Giving Blood.

There is a Protestant clergyman in Ireland who would not agree that the example cited in my first letter is one to be honored and, if possible imitated. To the letter is appended the following characteristic editorial note: "If the essential object is to help the peasantry, there can be no objection, but rather the reverse, to clerical aid for nascent industries. If the object is to enrich the Church, then clerical trading is, in our opinion, most dangerous. By that fault fell the Jesuits. Their trading on a vast scale in the eighteenth century spread a moral and spiritual petrification through the order. Only through poverty did it regain its spiritual power. The Church was not founded to make money, but to conduct the cure of souls, and when she takes to money-making she will be sure in the end to lose influence. We are no enemies of the Roman Church in Ireland or elsewhere, but we are not going to be silenced on a matter of grave public interest, or to impose silence on others, because Mr. Gwynn threatens us by implication with an accusation of being intolerant and credulous priest-haters."

Italian Catholics Aroused.

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by the Communal Council, such a vote declaring explicitly that the Romans were opposed to religious teaching being obligatory in the elementary schools, have demanded from the government and from the Parliament the maintenance of the law obliging the Commune to provide that religious instruction be efficaciously imparted in the primary schools, in homage to the religious sentiments of the majority of the Italian people.

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