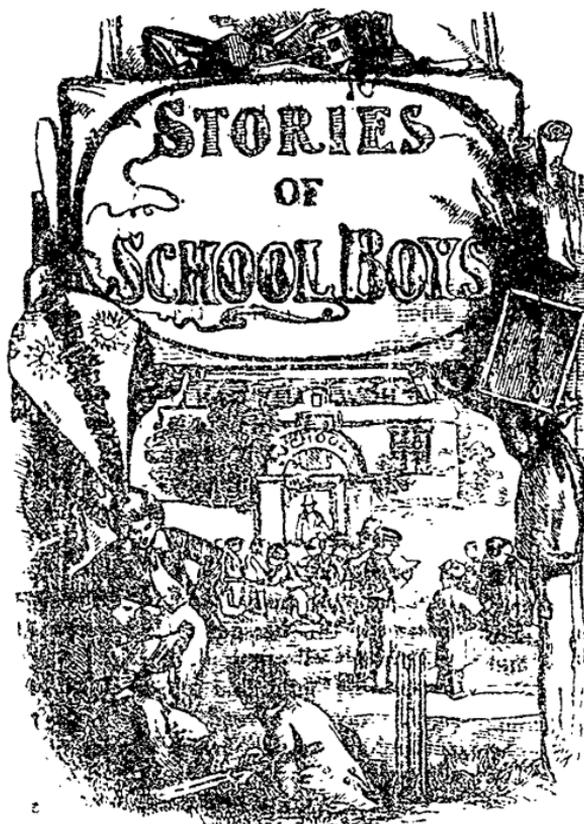




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## REWARD OF PERSEVERANCE.

At the late anniversary of the Sutherland Athenæum, (Eng.), Mr. W. Chambers gave the following brief account of his early straggles :

" I stand before you a self-educated man. My education was that which is supplied at the humble parish schools of Scotland ; and it was only when I went to Edinburgh, a poor boy, that I devoted my evenings, after the labours of the day, to the cultivation of that intellect which the Almighty has given me. From seven or eight in the morning till nine or ten at night was, at my business, as a bookseller's apprentice ; and it was only during hours after these, stolen from sleep, that I could devote myself to study. I assure you I did not read novels ; my attention was directed to physical science and other matters : during that period I taught myself French. I look back to those times with great

pleasure, and am almost sorry I have not to go through the same troubles again. I reaped more pleasure when I had not a sixpence in my pocket, studying in a garret in