

THE TRUTH BEFORE THE PRIZE.

I have heard of a boy who lost a prize at school by choosing the truth. But it was a prize nobly lost. His opportunities to learn had been fewer than most of the boys, and he knew that he could not hope to win a prize unless it were for writing. So Willie tried with all his might to get the special prize for that. When the distribution day came the chairman said, as he held up two copy-books: "It would be hard to say which of these two books is the best; but for one copy in Willie's book, which is superior to every other, and also better than any copy in the other book, Willie therefore gains the prize."

"Please, sir, may I see that copy!" said Willie, with hope and fear in his heart. Then, as he glanced at the page and handed the book back, he said: "Please, sir, that is not my copy. It was written by an upper-class boy, who took my book by mistake one day."

Willie lost the prize, and some of the lads laughed at him, but the brave boy said: "I have chosen the truth rather than gain a prize wrongfully, for the truth is better than gold."—*Northwestern Christian Advocate.*

HOW A BOY SUNK A CHURCH.

She had long been moored to a post in a Liverpool dock, and had been set apart for worship as early as the year 1827.

An earnest man made application to the Lords of the Admiralty, and an old frigate which had been engaged in action many times, carrying twenty-eight guns, was given for the purpose.

Under the deck of this old ship the gospel of the grace of God had been preached to seamen and landsmen. She was under the care of an old sailor who was sexton and ship-keeper; every Sunday morning he let down the gangway and opened the bow-port and rung the bell for service. During the week he had the general oversight of the ship, and one daily claim on his attention was

the pump. The old ship was somewhat leaky, but a few strokes of the pump-handle would cause the pump to "suck," which meant no more water in the well. But both ship and ship-keeper grew old, and the daily duty of the pump was confided to the nephew of the old keeper who did his duty well for a time, when he slackened for some reason, either the water increased or he grew indolent; at length, one morning, the dock-master discovered that the church had gone to the bottom.

Prompt action was necessary, a steam pump was brought alongside and the church was pumped out, when she was moored and gently taken out of dock and up the river. She was laid on the "land" and her timber and planks were sold to make posts and fences for the farmers.

In that boy's memory there is a mark, and not a pleasant one; by his neglect he sunk the church. Boys! do your duty and have a pleasant memory. H. I. M.

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He that planteth the ear, shall He not hear? He that formed the eye, shall He not see?—The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and His ears are open unto their prayers.

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