

Song Service in Sunday Schools.

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(Concluded.)

When we can find nothing but agreeable, soul-stirring, perfect-harmonized song, the product of choir training, then, and not till then, may we begin to lose heart over the training of young voices in the Sunday service of song. It may be the work of the superintendent, whose whole desire is to see the school prosper and improve spiritually. But we hear the voice reply, "I am no musician; what can I do?" Just sing. Sing intelligibly; sing the words as if coming from the deep recesses of the heart; sing that joy as if adoringly offering your heart's devotion and gratitude to a personal Redeemer. Sing that prayer as if bowing lowly and humbly in His presence. Sing that Gospel call as though save that soul from falling over the awful brink into eternal banishment; and the children will be imitators then, as they always are, and when superintendent and teacher "stand up for Jesus" by their song efforts, the children's voices will ring out clearly and brightly, not to the time of a double long metre with a minced and mumbled jargon of unintelligible language, which so often characterizes our song service in the Sunday-school.

Bring out that restless pupil, and invite him to help you in making the singing cheerful. The teacher may individually bring his classes up to a high standard as singers by being thoroughly aroused and in earnest, to give due praise as part of worship, by raising his voice in song with sincerity and a realizing sense of that which he sings, for as he should teach the Gospel truths with the spirit and with the understanding, so should that not less important part of service to God be rendered, acceptably "with the Spirit and with the understanding," for if he pray in an unknown tongue, the spirit prayeth, but the understanding is unfruitful. "What is it then? I will pray with the spirit and I will pray with the understanding also. I will sing with the spirit and I will sing with the understanding also." 1 Cor. xiv. 15. "How is it then, brethren? when ye come together, every one of you hath a psalm, hath a doctrine, hath an interpretation, let all things be done unto edifying." 1 Cor. xiv. 26.

If song is attractive, intelligent, and heartily rendered, it cannot fail in its result, effectual benefit, for the power of song is unlimited. Who has not heard the effect of singing upon the animal

creation? The hot-headed, swearing farmer is transformed into the psalm-singing, Christian deacon, and behold his stubborn oxen, accustomed to usage brutal, surprise their owner by docility and obedience at the sound of the Doxology's mellow strains.

After seven unsuccessful attempts, with frightful loss, the inspiring martial strains of the Marsellaise hymn won for the French soldiers the storming of the Malakoff, which the Russians strove in vain to hold against their enemies.

Shall not the children be won for Christ, against the snares of evil, by the God-commanding, soul-ennobling power of song? The arm of God is not shortened nor His ears closed against His own promises in this dispensation of glorious Gospel light. Hence the children's service of song should be grander than ever David sang, nobler and more exultant than that of Moses, more joyous than that of Solomon. "I will sing unto the Lord, because He hath dealt bountifully with me." Then when officer, teacher and taught shall meet around the throne of God to sing the universal song of Moses and the Lamb, their hearts and voices shall be in sweet and harmonious accord in the universal service of the Celestial Tabernacle, where the only offering shall be, not of prayer nor of exhortation, nor expounding of Scriptures, but the continuous song of "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain," and "Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts."

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illness, and when a cough—at first incipient, but afterwards almost constant, especially at nights,—set in, doctors were summoned and everything that loving, tender care and medical skill could do was resorted to in order to save the affectionate wife and mother,



Joking their mother on her Appetite.

whose days appeared to be numbered. Her appetite was almost completely gone. Food was partaken of without relish, and Mrs. Strickland was unable to do even the ordinary, lighter work of the household. She became greatly emaciated and in order to partake of even the most dainty nourishment a stimulant had at first to be administered. While this gloom hung over the home and the mother sorrowfully thought of how soon she would have to say farewell to her young family, she was induced by a friend to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Though utterly discouraged, and almost disgusted with medicine she yielded more in a friendly way than in a hopeful spirit. After using the pills for a short time, a gleam of hope, a wish to get well again took possession of her and the treatment was cheerfully continued. It was no false feeling but a genuine effort nature was making to re-assert itself, and before many boxes were used the family were joking their mother on her appetite, her disappearing cough, and the fright she had given them. The use of Pink Pills was continued for some time longer, and now Mrs. Strickland's elastic step and general, excellent health would lead you to imagine that you were gazing upon a different woman, not one who had been snatched from the very jaws of death. She was never in better health and spirits, and, no matter what others say, she is firm in her belief that Pink Pills saved her life and restored her to her wonted health and strength.

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