

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS.

MUSSENTOUCHIT.

He lives in mamma's basket, and his name is Mussentouchit. 'Mussentouchit, Mussentouchit,' is what the people say.

And Mussentouchit often hides in mamma's box of buttons. Where many tempting treasures are always stowed away.

And Mussentouchit creeps away in mamma's bureau drawers. Amongst pretty rosy ribbons and laces white and fair.

And when the little creeper delves and finds what you believe it is—that Mussentouchit's there.

And he's shut between the cases of papa's watch, now truly. For last night baby heard him, ticking, ticking o'er and o'er.

And when he reached to clutch it, 'Mussentouchit, Mussentouchit,' cried papa, as he set the wondering baby on the floor.

And Mussentouchit's skulking behind the big piano, And he's always found on duty beside the silver vase.

And if baby's eyes are prying into mamma's eyes, and spying. Why the first thing he will come to will be Mussentouchit's face.

Now who is Mussentouchit, and what's his business, tell me, Why can he never see him? If anyone knows, please, tell me.

I should really like to ask it—as he sneaks from box to basket, And why we always find him where'er the baby goes.

—Maude Morrison Huey, in Good Housekeeping.

OUR THOUGHTLESS GIRLS.

Too many of our young girls seem to take life too easy, and prove of little or no benefit to the household at large. They forget that mother needs assistance from time to time in doing the many duties peculiar to the home.

HOW DO YOU TREAT YOUR SISTER?—It is the easiest thing in the world for a boy to be polite to some other fellow's sister. Then why is it some of them find it so hard to remember to be equally courteous to their own sisters?

THE STRANGE GHOST.—In a college recently, strange noises were heard every night for a considerable time. At last the news spread among the students that the place was haunted.

ARMOR PLATED BOYS.—It is very important in these days of evil, that there should be armor-plated boys. A boy needs to be iron-clad on:

1. His lips—against the first taste of liquor. 2. His ears—against evil sentiments.

PHICHLESSNESS OF CHARACTER.—Boys, and even young men, do not appreciate high value of character—though they may think they do.

BICYCLISTS, young or old, should carry a bottle of Pain-Killer in their saddle bags. It cures cuts and wounds with wonderful quickness.

OUR FARMERS' COLUMN.

BARN BUILDING.—A Michigan correspondent to the "Country Gentleman" thus deals with the question—

THE RIGHT SORT OF A BOY.—A boy once applied for a situation, says the Cincinnati "Enquirer."

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.—When our boys and girls finish their education they think that there is nothing more to learn.

THE BEST should be your aim when buying medicine. Get Hood's Sarsaparilla and have the best medicine MONEY CAN BUY.

THE TRUE WITNESS AND CATHOLIC CHRONICLE

but our boys and girls should give some heed to the proper use of their own tongue, and on every occasion speak and write it correctly.

fast passing into history. We have also read of, and many of us have seen, the Shawver plank frame. We have two large barns of this kind in our neighborhood.

These classes of barns are much stronger, lighter and cheaper than the regular timber frame. Why are they stronger? It has been found that if you take a stick of square timber, rip it in two lengthwise in the middle, change ends with one of the pieces, and firmly spike them together, it will stand more strain than it would before being ripped.

Now we have had the timber frame with large and small timber, the balloon frame and the plank frame. But I have never seen anything yet written about the pole-frame barn.

THE PATENTS cover a process of separating the pith from the stalk, which makes it possible for them to pay \$3 a ton for the stalks, and produce a raw material which is worth 17 cents a pound or \$340 a ton.

Naturally every sick person to whom help is promised, will ask, "has the remedy been successful? Whom has it helped?"

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ST. PATRICK'S SOCIETY.—Established March 6th, 1856, incorporated 1863, revised 1864. Meets in St. Patrick's Hall, 92 St. Alexander street, first Monday of the month.

LADIES' AUXILIARY to the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Division No. 1.—Meets in St. Patrick's Hall, 92 St. Alexander Street, on the first Sunday, at 4 p.m., and third Thursday, at 8 p.m., of each month.

A.O.H.—DIVISION NO. 2.—Meets in lower vestry of St. Gabriel's Church corner Centre and Laprairie streets, on the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month, at 8 p.m.

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C.M.B.A. OF CANADA, BRANCH 96. (Organized, 13th November, 1883.)—Branch 25 meets at St. Patrick's Hall, 92 St. Alexander Street, on every Monday of each month.

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ST. ANN'S YOUNG MEN'S SOCIETY organized 1885.—Meets in its hall, 157 Ottawa street, on the first Sunday of each month, at 8.30 p.m.

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