

berries along the meadow fence, and you may go along with us."

Bessie, Charlie and Walter were alone for the afternoon; their father and mother had gone to the city. Walter was twelve, and Charlie ten. They were both quite large, and were often left alone at home with Bessie, who was nearly nine. They had gone to the barn, and while there they thought they would ride to the top by taking hold of the rope to which the hay fork was attached and pulling each other up.

If their father and mother had been there they would not have been allowed to do this but the children were alone and never thought of danger. Walter had pulled Charlie up several times and then Charlie pulled Walter up. The pulley worked easily and Bessie had been coaxing for a ride so they agreed to give her one if she would hold on tight.

Bessie caught hold of the rope and away she went to the top of the barn.



ONTARIO.

Provincial Loan of \$3,500,000

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO, under the authority of Chapter 8 of the Statutes of Ontario, 1909, invites subscriptions from the public for a loan of \$3,500,000 on bonds of the Province of Ontario, or "Ontario Government Stock."

The bonds will be dated 1st June, 1909, and payable on the 1st June, 1939, in denominations of \$1,000 each, with coupons attached for interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly on the 1st June and 1st December in each year at the office of Provincial Treasurer, Toronto, or at the offices of the Bank of Montreal, in Montreal, Canada, and in New York N.Y. at the holder's option. Bond will be made payable to bearer, and on request will be registered in the office of the provincial Treasurer and endorsed as payable only to the order of certain persons or corporations, and on request of holders will be exchanged for "Ontario Government Stock" at any time.

"Ontario Government Stock" will bear interest from the 1st day of June, 1909, principal payable on the 1st day of June, 1939, and interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum will be paid half-yearly by cheque on the 1st day of June and 1st day of December in each year. "Ontario Government Stock" may be subscribed for in sums of \$50 or multiples thereof and will be transferable in the books of the Treasury Department only by the holder or his attorney in similar manner to transfers of bank stock.

The issue price during the month of June, 1909, will be 102 for each \$100, and after the 30th day of June, 1909, the issue price will be 102 and interest accrued from the 1st June, 1909.

ALL BONDS AND INSCRIBED STOCK ISSUED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE SAID ACT ARE FREE FROM ALL ONTARIO PROVINCIAL TAXES, CHARGES, SUCCESSION DUTY AND IMPOSITIONS WHATSOEVER.

Purchasers of stocks or bonds will be required to send certified cheque with the application, payable to the order of the "Provincial Treasurer of Ontario"

This loan is raised upon the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario, and is chargeable thereupon.

Subscribers should state whether they desire bonds or "Ontario Government Stock."

Example: A subscriber for \$1,000 will have the option of taking either a bond or "Ontario Government Stock." A subscriber for \$750 will be given "Ontario Government Stock," as bonds are only in the denomination of \$1,000.

A. J. MATHESON,

Provincial Treasurer,

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But this time the pulley stuck fast when she reached the top. The boys could not make it work to bring her down and they called to her to drop on the hay beneath. Although she must drop ten or twelve feet they knew it would not hurt her. She did as they told her and called to them that she was all right.

Now came the question as to how she was to be gotten down. The barn was new and no provision had been made as yet for getting into the top. The men who had been putting in hay had gone up and down on this rope and that was where the children got the notion of trying it themselves. They had no ladder long enough to reach to the place where Bessie was and if they had such a ladder the boys could not have managed it by themselves.

"Charlie, you go to Mr. Albert's house and ask him to come and help us and I will stay here with Bessie," said Walter who felt responsible for the whole affair, as he was the oldest. Charlie came back along in a little while and said that there was no one at home at the Albert house.

"Well, we must do something soon," said Walter, "for there is a storm coming, and I heard papa say that it was not safe in a barn full of new hay while it was lightning. Just then they saw Frank Nelson, who lived near them, coming down the road and called to him to come in.

Frank was sixteen years old and being a capable boy he soon thought of a plan to get Bessie down and was carrying it out with the help of the boys.

"Charlie, you and Walter gather up all the short pieces of board you can find, and I will nail them to the upright pieces at the side of the barn." He went up higher and higher, and the boys carried the boards up this ladder to him.

Just as the first clap of thunder was heard Bessie saw Frank's head above the hay. He helped her down the ladder, and they ran to the house in the first downpour. The children's parents came home after the storm and when Mr. Gains saw the substantial ladder Frank had built in the emergency he insisted on paying him the same as a regular carpenter would have charged. The children had enough experience riding on the hay fork, and needed no telling from their parents never to do this again. — Sunday School Times.

CANADIAN NORTHERN ONTARIO ESTABLISHES VERY FAST SERVICE TO MUSKOKA.

It is no longer an ordeal to get up to Muskoka; the "Lake Shore Express" leaving 10 a.m. brings passengers to their destination early in the afternoon, reaching points on Lake Muskoka and Lake Joseph before three in the afternoon, and covering most Lake Rosseau points between four and five hours earlier than any other route. There are many notable features about this service. Information will be given at Canadian Northern Ticket Office, corner King and Toronto Streets, and Union Station.

CANDY OR CHINA?

"Oh, I do hate to wash dishes!" sighed Elva Forrest as she lifted the breakfast plates and cups from the rinsing water.

"Mrs. Bassett says Kitty likes it," replied Mrs. Forrest.

"Well, I should," Elva said, "if we had as pretty china as the Bassetts have. When I was over there to tea I wiped the dishes for Kitty, and they were so lovely—all violets and lilies-of-the-valley and tiny gilt bands. I don't wonder Kitty likes to wash such dishes."

Elva hoped her mother would say: "Well, we'll have some new ones"; but instead she only asked: "How much money did Uncle Mart give you, last night, for candy?"

"Fifteen cents," the little girl answered, "for a quarter of a pound of those chocolates with nuts inside."

"I saw some very pretty cream pitchers at Conklin's the other day for only fifteen cents," Mrs. Forrest remarked.

For a minute Elva did not seem to see any connection between the cream pitcher and her candy money; then her face grew bright, and she said "Oh!"

Her mother smiled. "I think you are eating almost too much candy nowadays, and if you wish to spend any of your money for china, instead of chocolates I am very willing, and I am sure Uncle Mart won't care."

"I will!" cried Elva. "Oh, that will be lovely! Uncle gives me lots, and I'd a great deal rather have some pretty dishes to wash, and go without the candy. I'll take the fifteen cents and go right down and get that little pitcher this afternoon. May I?"

The candy money came in quite plentifully, for Uncle Mart and Aunt Judith were generous with their little niece, and Elva's pieces of pretty china made her heart glad. Every week she added something to her store, or saved the money over to be added to her next gift, in order to buy a larger or more costly dish.

"I never see you eating candy nowadays," Uncle Mart said one evening. "Do you give it away, or eat it up in secret—which is it?"

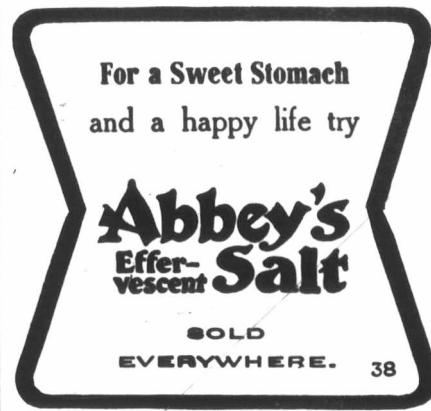
Elva laughed. "I haven't bought any candy for a long time," she said.

"Well, well, what do you spend your money for? Or are you getting to be a miser?"

"I'm buying pretty china, so I will have something besides ugly white dishes to wash"; and then she confided to him her plan.

"Good idea!" Uncle Mart decided; and after that Elva noticed that his little gifts of dimes and nickels came oftener than before.

Weeks before mamma's birthday Elva began to save up her money, and then one morning she and Uncle Mart went down town together. They visited several crockery shops before the two could be wholly satisfied, but when they went home the young uncle carried a



queer-shaped package, and Elva's little purse was quite empty.

The next day Mrs. Forrest found beside her plate at breakfast a beautiful china nut dish, with two little squirrels as handles. Mamma was delighted, and said, it was just such a dish as she had long wanted.

"And just think," exclaimed Elva, "what if I had eaten it up?"

—Southern Churchman.

Is your Back the Weak Point?

Does it play out first when you have steady work to do.

Look for other indications that the kidneys are to blame and obtain cure by using Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills.

Many a man finds that his back is his weakest point and does not know why.

He cannot do heavy work and even light work, if continuous, leads to an aching back.

Under these circumstances you can be pretty sure that the kidneys are weak and disordered and that the back pains are really kidney pains.

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