

OUR HOME CIRCLE.

TRUST. Let nothing make thee sad or fretful, O thou sweetest friend...

ITS ALL THE LITTLE BOOK.

Something more than a year ago, as the writer was sitting in a railway carriage, a pleasant voice sung out: "Paper, sir; paper, sir; morning paper, lady?"

There was nothing new in the words, nothing new to see a small boy with a package of papers under his arm, but the voice, so low and musical—its clear, pure tones, mellow as a flute, tender as only love and sorrow could make—called up hallowed memories.

"What is your name, my boy?" I asked, as half blind with tears I reached out my hand for a paper. "Johnny" was the last name I did not catch.

"Oh yes; I've been to school a little," said Johnny, glancing out of the window, to see if there was need of haste.

I had a little brother once, whose name was Johnny. He had the same brown hair and tender loving eyes; and perhaps it was on this account I felt very much disposed to throw my arms around Johnny's neck, and to kiss him on his thin cheek.

There was a moment—we were off. I strained my eyes out of the window after Johnny, but I did not see him; and shutting them I dreamed what there was in store for him—not forgetting His love and care for the desolate, tender-voiced boy.

Would that all the Johnnys who sell papers, and fathers that drink, and mothers that weep over the ruins of once happy homes, took to their wretched dwellings the little book that tells of Jesus and His love!

TORPEDO WARFARE.

The weapons used for underwater warfare are called "torpedoes." There are two kinds of torpedoes: those that are anchored in one place and those that swim about in the water.

There are two ways of firing these ground torpedoes: In one there is a wire, carefully protected from the water, leading from the torpedo to the shore.

The swimming torpedoes are of two kinds. One of these swims like a fish, and, if it strikes its nose against the ship, explodes and sinks the vessel by tearing a terrible hole in the bottom.

A GREEK WEDDING IN LONDON.

Last week I was present at an interesting ceremony in the beautiful Greek church at Bayswater, which in itself is a study of Byzantine architecture and elaborate decoration.

THE HORSESHOE A CHRISTIAN SYMBOL.

Many of our readers have seen a horseshoe nailed over the door of some superstitious person, confessedly "to keep the witches out." Perhaps they have not searched for the origin of this custom.

the old painters encircled the head of our Lord. At first it was confined to him, but afterward all inspired men, and even canonized saints, were pictured with the zone of light around the head.

FREED.

Thank God! a spirit in prison Has burst its bars to-day, A winged soul arisen From its chrysalis of clay.

HEREDITARY TRAITS.

Those who are fond of tracing the influences of the intellect and character of parents upon their children may find some corroboration of their theories in the case of Rowland Hill.

RETURN GOOD FOR EVIL.

"I'll pay him back, see if I don't!" exclaimed Tommy as he came running into the house with a flushed and angry face.

bride by the hand, in a sort of procession round the centre table of the church, followed by the bridesmaids and the assistant matron, and by two young men of the party, each holding a large wax candle, about six feet high, lighted, and wreathed with white flowers and satin ribbon.

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which, when he had entered on an enterprise, he carried it through to the end, he inherited from his mother. From her he also inherited a certain stiffness and coldness of manner which did not tell in his favor.

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"I hope you will pay him in a good way," said his mother. Tommy hung his head and said nothing; for he was ashamed to tell just how mean he was going to treat Walter.

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THE S... AFTER... 1.—This... three... disciples... the day... That there... and some... ones, we... but especial... money in... (I Cor. x... appearance... have a full... St. Luke... Magdalen... xx. 11-17)... house... the Church... noted... an... man... Mary... There is... might have... different... writers... Mary... necessarily... Mary... does not... that St. J... that they... as St. J... open... —Mary... turned... the first... having... purpose... and they... ties that... the body... John... said... statement... receiving... went away... of the... minds... (3)... ing alone... sepulchre... she saw... who asked... still reply... attracted... turned... the present... who asked... the angels... ment... mistakes... loss... she... ceived... His... away, and... cation... to... Jesus... had... Him; and... agree... in... believe... he... felt... about... the... angels... or... two... themselves... the case... may... have... soon... after... party... and... by... one... another... heavenly... often... visit... the... mor... and... all... the... joy... 2.—To... the... count... same... two... who... were... xxiv. 13... ly... consid... 3.—To... 43; John... that... of... ed... them... cepting... had... seen... note... the... lay... on... the... to... believe... risen... Christian... the... apos... tles... a... belief... Master... frighten... answer... promise... tive... is... to... until... the... most... of... proofs... 2.—V... what... he... called... Richard... sermon... formative... ary... Soci... virtue... of... this... cha... a... minist... whole... of... this... mission... world... n... tian... m... path... own... spir... his... coun... labours... whether... fined... to... yet... the... in... his... a... great... tion... of... inter... tian... true... Christ... partake... in... w... tion... is... a... so... man... Tetam... that... bay...