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| " ' Um guess um know where findum <br> Captin. <br> Then his comrade gently lifted me into their canoe, and, after tying mine astern, resumed their paddling. The sense of safety was so great, the confi- dence which the stalwart men inspired dence which the stalwart men inspired was so muin, but this timo for joy. The Indians, thinking that perhaps I feared harm at their hands, tried to re-assure me. <br> " / Pappose all right. Big John no hurtum pappose,' said one; and the other rejoined <br> 'Soon findum Captin: Pretty soon water not run so fast, then Captin stopum raft. <br> I told them that I was not afraid, but am sure that they did not believe me ; for they kept up their protestations of goodwill until I grew calm again. <br> After an hour of sharp paddling, Big John pointed ahead with his pad. dle, and said <br> " 'There Captin.' <br> "I looked. There, sure enough were some people on the bank; and in a few minutes we were near enough for me to recognize father, whose tall, erect form could be distinguished anywhere. <br> 'Mother ! mother? I called, or rather shrieked. <br> "They heard me, and rushed close to the water as the Indians steered to the shore, Tom wading out, so as to be the first to greet me. He lifted me from the canoe as aoon as it was near enough, for he was a strong fellow, though only sixteon, and, carrying me to the bank, gave me into mother's arms. How they all laughed and cried over me! To the Indians the performance was inexplicable-for tears under any circumstances, especially on an occasion of joy, were to them unaccountable ; but they showed the sort of men they were when father offered to pay them for saving me, for they re- fused any roward except a fig of tobacco. <br> "We were, of course, much troubled as to the probable fate of Duke; for he Was a greater hero in our eyes now than ever, although we did not fully ap- preciate how much $\mathrm{I}^{+}$owed to him. The worst that any of us supposed likely to have happened, after we had talked for a little while and I had explained how I had spent the night, Was that I would have had to remain in the tree until father and Tom could have reached me, which would have been some time during the day; for they had already borrowed a canoe from a settler and were about starting in search of me when they saw the Indians coming. We did not know then how narrow my escape from death had been ; but when, after a few days, the water went down and we returned to what had been our home, we saw that a great mass of drift stuff had been carried down right across our farm, had overtarned the barn, and | piled up against the row of willows, not distinguish which of them had afforded me a refuge. The people who lived above us, and were much less exposed to dnnger, fold us that the "jam" had passed down shortly after sunrise, so that if the Duke had not come to my aid, I would have inevitably been crushed to death or been drowned. <br> As for Duke, he proved ablo to take care of himself, and some weeks later we got him home safe and sound."Canada Presbyterian. <br> parsox belkley's adyick. <br> a then btoby of the last cestuny. <br> The church at Pelham Center was in trouble. Deacon Joslyn had given up coming to afternoon service. He thought he was too feeble to endure the long strain of two services. The minister thought otherwise, and regarded the deacon's absence as a direct affront. The church had begun to take sides in the matter, and a serious divisides in the matter, and a serious divi- sion had resulted. Achsah Joslyn, the deacon's pretty daughter, had left the "singers" seata" on account of the trouble, and had taken her especial friends with her. Everything was at sixes and sevens, and collateral difficulties had sprung up in the train of the original ones, ,until theichurch at Pelham Center was in danger of dissolution. <br> A meeting of the congregation resulted in nothing, except that a committee was appointed to consult Parson Bulkley, of Chichester. " He is a sage counselor," said Deacon Truesdell. "He is the one to tell us what to do." <br> So fervent prayer was offered for the success of the committee, and they rode away to Chichester to lay their case before the wise and venerable pastor of that parish. It was especially requested that he give his advice in Writing and send it as soon as he could. It so happened that Mr. Bulkley had a farm in a distant part of the town, which he had let to a tenant over whom ho kept a sharp lookout, and to whom, from time to time, he sent good counsel as to the farm work. At just this juncture he happened to be forwarding a letter to his tenant as well as one to the Pelham church. <br> In due time the Pelham people were convened to hear Parson Bulkley's letter. Deacon Truesdell, who was the moderator of the meeting, broke the seal with great impressiveness, and glanced down the page. Then he glanced down the page, looked around in a bewildered way, mopped his forehead, and applied hiniself again to the letter. The deacon was a scholar ; so the people, though was a scholar ; they could not help seeing that, he was puzzled, felt a comfortable assurance that he would somehow got through it. "This letter," began the sorely em- <br> "This letter," began the sorely em- barrassed muderator, " is couched in | such peeuliar terms that wo may need to take considerable thought before we arrive at our excellent brother's precise meaning. Let us pray for light upon the subject." he subject. <br> Acoordingly a lengthy prayer was of fered, after which the goot deacon road as followe: "You witl sce to the fences that they be built high and strung, and you will také eepecial care of the old black bull," <br> This mystical advice fell tike so much Sanskrit upon the listening ears of the congregation. Suddenly a diecerning brother arose and announced earnestly that the parson had probed the matter to its depths, and had suggested just the remedy needed. <br> Do you not see that the advice to repair the fences means that we should take good heed in the almission and government of our members! We must guard the church by our Master's laws, and keep out strange cattle from the fold. In a particular manner should we set a watchful guard over the devil -for what else can Parson Bulkley mean by the old black bull It is he that has done so much harm of late." <br> It is recorded that this interpretation was perfeetly satisfactory to the Pelham church, and that their animosities speedily subsided. Deacon Joslyn came to both services each Sunday, as had been his wont, and Miss Achsah again warbled in the choir. Of what the church's letter, there is, unfortinately, no tradition-Congregutimalist <br> THK NEW YORK FREE KINDERGARTEN AND ITS WORK. <br> Last March the first kindergarten was opened at 351 Enst Fifty third Street, near First Arenuc, and was successfil from the first. This fall it reopened, while a second school has been begun in Sixty third Street, and its support assumed by the Associated Alumnee of the Normal College, after whom the school is named. The Kindergarten Association expect to open a third school soon. The first kindergarten has sixty children enrolled, and has been obliged to turn away others because it had no room for them. <br> At nine o'dock each morning a troop of little children may be seen hurrying Some are brought by their careful mothers, while many a three or four year old trudges along unwatched save older. They gather in a large room on the ground-floor-a vacant store, in reality-and through its large double south, the sun comes streaming in. An engraving oocupies the most pro-minent- place, whilo a few colored plates of birds and-flowers, frameless, and bits of paper-weaving and pasting, the children's, own work, help to | brighten the white walls. A piano atands at one side, and every now and then a little one steals up, and cautious. Iy touches the keys, and listens with delightyd face to the beautiful sound. The two teachers and their helper weloome ear h chil!! with a pleasath word. The faces are bright and eager, and in nearly ovecy cand have heon mase shinamoothly brushed. Prondly they walk in and give their teachers the penny that the parents have Gruted to them. This litle sum is syent for the laright paper and materials which the chilldren use, but its payment io not compalagry, and many a chill comes datly willowt it. Bet in most fustancen the parnts prefor to send it, while the teacliens encourage the prautice, for the lenson of honor and reeponsibility which it teaches the childron. <br> The kindergartecr's me raing talk is perhaps her best work, formhe striven to adapt it to ench ehild, and to tench him to open his eyes to the world around him. Very few the these children know that there in a moon or stars. Whether the sun shines or not, whether there are leaves on the treas, he knows not. The different days of him as the fact that he has a right and left hand. The social educition, too, is of great value. 'To get his way by foree has been the only way of dealing force has been the only way of dealing known. Here in the kindergaten he learns to live peaceably and happily with others, to protect the weaker, to he is taught that God, the creator of all, is his merciful and loving Father. <br> When her three hours' teaching is over, the kindergartaer's work is not yet finished. She supplements her teaching by visiting the parents, learateaching by visiting the parents, learn- ing from them mach that throws light on the character of her charges, and trying to interest the mothers so that that they may aid and not undo her influenco. One of the most encouraring points of her work is frequently finding that the dullest, most inatten- tive child has carried his lesson home, tive child has carried whis teason lome, and that in a feeblu way the tiny seeds of good are struggling to grow. kindergartens has been assumed by individuals and organizations, the association in each case taking the barden and eare of the school, which is named after its supporter. It in greatly to be wished that such a fashion might become popular in New York. The sum needed for the support of a kindergarten is $\$ 1800$, which is small in comparison with the incalculable monal, social and intellectual training of children, who, taken from homes often untidy, and unheallihy, spend half their day amid refined surroundings under sympathetie intelligent tenching.-Harper's Bazar. |
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