

lost soul. Thank God it is not yet too late. You may now accept Jesus. Yet remember, that though you may be young there is a possibility of you being called away before you become much older. Be prepared. Don't trifle, don't put off the offer of the Gospel, lest some day, the door shut and you outside, it may be said, "Too late you cannot enter now!"

Our Young People's Berean Circle.

THE prize offered in our last number has been awarded to Norman Briggs. The answer is as follows:—

- (1.) The middle verse in the Bible is Psalm 118 and the 8th verse.
- (2.) The longest verse in the Bible is Esther the 8th chapter and the 9th verse.
- (3.) The verse which contains the whole alphabet except J is Ezra 7th chapter and 21st verse.
- (4.) The books of the Bible that have no mention of the name of God are Solomon's Song, and Esther.
- (5.) The chapter that has the most frequent repetition of the word "children" is Ezra the 2nd chapter.
- (6.) The word "girl" is mentioned in Zechariah the 8th chapter and 5th verse; the word "girls" is mentioned once, in Joel, the 3rd chapter and the 3rd verse.
- (7.) The chapter where we find Men, Women, Children, Fathers, Wife, Daughter, Servants, Maid, Priests, Levites, Porters, Singers, Horses, Camels, Mules, Asses, Silver, Gold, and Garments, is Ezra the 2nd chapter.

Master Norman, in sending his reply, writes:—

"DEAR MR. S—I have sought for these answers without the aid of anyone, and had a real good time in doing it. It is so good of you to give us such nice exercises in the Word of God."

This is just why we offer these prizes. We want to stir up our young readers to study the Bible, for we know that if they will do so, they will, like our young friend, "have a real good time."

This month we offer a prize of a Bible to the little girl sending us the best Bible acrostic.

Dr. Franklin's Code.

WHEN the famous Dr. Franklin was a boy he drew up the following rules to be observed:

Silence.—Speak not but what may benefit others or yourself; avoid trifling conversation.

Order.—Let all your things have their places; let each part of your business have its time.

Resolution.—Resolve to perform what you ought; perform without fail what you resolve.

Industry.—Lose no time; be always employed in some useful thing, but avoid all unnecessary action.

Sincerity.—Use no hurtful deceit; think innocently and justly; and if you speak, speak accordingly.

Justice.—Wrong no one by doing injuries or omitting the benefits that are your duty.

Moderation.—Avoid extremes, forbear resenting injuries.

Tranquility.—Be not disturbed about trifles, or accidents common or unavoidable.

Humility.—Imitate Jesus Christ.

Cleanliness, Frugality, Temperance.

Any boy or girl adopting and following these rules will come out right.

The Little Light.



LITTLE light for Jesus?

Yes, that I'd like to be;
That some poor wandering sinner
The way to heaven might see.

So, like the watchman's lantern,
I must be trimmed and clean,
That thus the light within me
May everywhere be seen.

'Tis Jesus must be in me.
He only is the Light,
In words and actions shining,
For ever true and bright.

I know that lights are needed
All through this world of sin;
If Jesus would but use me,
Some poor lost soul to win.

I would be very thankful;
And, may be, by-and-by,
He'll let me shine in heaven,
A little star on high.

How Old Must I Be?

"**M**OTHER," a little child once said, "Mother, how old must I be before I can be a Christian?"

And the wise mother answered, "How old will you have to be, darling, before you can love me?"

"Why, mother, I always loved you. I do now, and I always shall," and she kissed her mother; "but you have not told me yet how old I shall have to be?"

The mother made answer with another question: "How old must you be before you can trust yourself wholly to me and my care?"

"I always did," she answered, and kissed her mother again; "but tell what I want to know," and she climbed into her mother's lap and put her arms about her neck.

The mother asked again: "How old will you have to be before you can do what I want you to do?"

Then the child whispered, half guessing what her dear mother meant: "I can now without growing any older."

Then her mother said: "You can be a Christian now, my darling, without waiting to be older. All