CHRIST, THE LIGHT CHILD

God wanted him where his little ones meet, Said the children up in heaven; He shall play with us in the golden street, He has grown too fair, he has grown too sweet For the earth we used to live in. He needs the sunshine, this dear, little boy, That shines this side of the realms of joy, Said the children up in heaven.

So the King called down from the angels' dome,

Said the children up in heaven;
"My little darling, arise and come
To the place prepared in thy Father's home,
The home that My children live in;"
Let us go and watch at the gates of joy,
Ready to welcome the new little boy,
Said the children up in heaven.

Far down on the earth do you hear them weep,

Said the children up in heaven,
For the dear little boy has gone to sleep!
The shadows fall and the night-clouds creep
O'er the earth we used to live in;
But we'll go and open the gates of joy,
Oh! why do they weep for their dear little
boy?

Said the children up in heaven.

Fly with him quickly, Oh! angels dear,
See! He is coming! Look there! Look there!
At the jasper light on his sunny hair,
Where the veiling clouds are riven.
Ah! hush, hush, hush, all the swift wings
furl.

For the King Himself, at the gates of joy, Is taking his hand, dear, tired, little boy, And is leading him into heaven.

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Rev. J. M. Duncan's name now appears on the title page of the Primary Quarterly as Associate Editor. The Editor is glad to introduce him to its readers, as a friend and helper. Miss Violet Robinson continues to prepare the Lesson Retold, the Questions on the Lesson, and the little illustrative story. This is now Miss Robinson's fourth year in the Primary Quarterly and her work is evidently much valued, as we judge by the many kind words said of it and the steady and rapid increase in circulation.

Yes, still Christ. Last Quarter it was THE Power of the Christ who rose from the grave. and from His throne in heaven gives strength to His servants, and brings wicked and obstinate people to become His humble and loving followers. This Quarter it is Christ THE LIGHT. We shall meet a new friend, Saul, of Tarsus, who at first is anything but a friend of either Christ or His people, but led to change all his ways because the light from Christ fell upon him. And we shall find our old friend Peter, too, and others going on strange errands and doing things they never thought they should or could have done, because they walked in the light which Christ shed about them. And we shall hear of people to whom Christ's light came for the first time, rejoicing and glad because they had seen it.

We have in the twelve lessons of the Quarter:

- 1. The light shining into Saul's heart and making it all pure and glad.
- The light shown forth by such disciples as Peter and Æneas and Dorcas.
- 3. The light shining upon Cornelius and his household, who had been anxiously seeking it.
- 4. The light making Peter's path plain, when he was perplexed and puzzled.
- The light drawing new multitudes at Antioch.
- The light making Peter's prison house bright as day.
- The light spread by Christians who had been scattered by persecution.
 - 8. The light received by the wise.
 - 9. The light rejected by the foolish.
- 10. God's faithful servant led by the light to know God's will.
- 11. The light borne from one continent to another.
 - 12. The light an armor against sin.
 - "THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD IS JESUS."