

The Children's Page

THE LITTLE BROWN DOG.

Little brown dog with the meek brown eyes, Tell me the boon that most you prize.

FOR THE GIRLS.

Some one has suggested some things that every girl can learn. Not every one can learn to play or sing, or paint, well enough to give pleasure to her friends, but the following "accomplishments" are within everybody's reach.

BOBBY'S PRIZE.

A group of boys were standing one day by a village pond. They were evidently tormenting something in the water and enjoying themselves very much.

And all the boys took to their heels like the cowards that they were. Bob, the squire's bull-dog, came bounding to the scene of action. He hated ragged, naughty boys, and he never saw a knot of them together without considering it was his duty to disperse them.

That was the beginning of the strange friendship between the wee kitten and the big bull-dog. Where Bob went, there pussie was bound to go too.

On the third morning as Cynthia was getting ready for school, mamma said: "How clean your apron is, dear. Why it is fresh enough for you to wear again to-day."

He fed the kitten as his father had told him, than he tied a piece of blue ribbon around her neck and crept out of the loft very quietly with pussie in his arms.

Meanwhile Bob had been dragged most unwillingly to the show. He was accustomed to freedom, and resented the chain by which the coachman led him. Still more did he resent being thrust into a sort of cage, and having numbers of people staring at him.

As for the kitten, she was just bubbling over with delight at having found her big friend and began playing with his tail as if it were a mere reel of cotton.

Cholera morbus, cramps and kindred complaints annually make their appearance at the same time as the hot weather, green fruit, cucumbers, melons, etc., and many persons are debarred from eating these tempting things, but they need not abstain if they have Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Dysentery Cordial and take a few drops in water.

CINTHY'S GINGHAM APRON.

Cinty looked crossly at the fresh gingham apron which mamma took from a drawer. "O, mamma, please can't I give up wearing aprons?"

Her work was much bewildered, and as the morning wore on she felt thoroughly ashamed. Mamma knew best. Of course she did. And what a naughty girl she had been. "I'll tell her all about it as soon as I get home." And she did.

Tribute to a Good Woman.

Amidst the profound sorrow over the death of Grover Cleveland exhibited in every section of our common country, we direct the eyes of our readers to a woman's figure bending over his grave, writes Rev. William P. Cantwell, LL.D., editor of the Monitor of Newark, N.J.

When she left the White House she continued to shun publicity. She devoted herself to her great husband and to the children who bore his name. She lived for them and sought her delight in their company, sharing their joys and helping to bear their sorrows.

And we cannot but feel that woman herself is responsible for the return to paganism, and that she seeks to cover with flowers the fatal pathway that leads to her degradation and debasement.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST

Homestead Regulations

Any even numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba Saskatchewan and Alberta, excepting 8 and 26, not reserved, may be homesteaded by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section of 160 acres, more or less.

Application for entry must be made in person by the applicant at a Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency for the district in which the land is situated. Entry by proxy may, however, be made at any Agency, on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intending homesteader.

The homesteader is required to perform the homestead duties under one of the following plans:

(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years.

(2) A homesteader may, if he so desires, perform the required residence duties by living on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, in the vicinity of his homestead. Joint ownership in land will not meet this requirement.

(3) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of a homesteader has permanent residence on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, in the vicinity of the homestead, or upon a homestead entered for by him in the vicinity, such homesteader may perform his own residence duties by living with the father (or mother).

(4) The term "vicinity" in the two preceding paragraphs is defined as meaning not more than nine miles in a direct line, exclusive of the width of road allowances crossed in the measurement.

(5) A homesteader intending to perform his residence duties in accordance with the above while living with parents or on farming land owned by himself must notify the Agent for the district of such intention.

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her how all the girls here wore them. She says it is a splendid idea to wear them. I do get my dresses so spotted, you see." And Sadie laughed gaily.

The school bell rang just then, and both little girls went at once to their class. Cynthia was much bewildered, and as the morning wore on she felt thoroughly ashamed.

Her home was her kingdom. There she loved and reared her children. The fierce light that beat on the White House never penetrated into the sweet seclusion of her home.

And there is nothing sadder in the midst of all this ruin and confusion than the degradation of womanhood. Woman, under the stress of these unfortunate conditions, is fast falling from her high estate. She is not content to be the mistress of her husband's heart and the queen of his home; she prefers the trivialities which flatter her vanity, or the baser pleasures which accompany sin.

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courted. Loose ideas of marriage are cultivated. There seems, in fact, with many to be a return to the shameful paganism of the distant past. Divorce courts are crowded to shuffle off the bonds, which the twain had vowed over to preserve.

She mastered the art of saying pleasant things. She did not expect too much from her friends.

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