

WHEN I SEE THE BLOOD, I WILL PASS OVER YOU.—Exodus xii. 13.

THE SWEARER REPROVED BY A CHILD.

SOME little children were sitting one day on the steps of a door, singing, as they often do, some of their favorite hymns. They were suddenly surprised by a half-drunken man, who came up to them, and, uttering an oath, said, "Does your master teach you nothing but singing those foolish hymns?" "Yes, sir," said a sharp little fellow, six years of age, "he tells us it is wicked to swear." The poor worthless man seemed ashamed of his conduct, and passed on without further remark.

BE FAITHFUL.

BOYS, let your honor be as true in the dark as in the light. A trader went into a shop during the absence of the master, who was well-known to be very keen in his dealings. The trader, with a wink, said to the apprentice, "Now, Johnnie, give me extra good measure; your master isn't in, you know, and I'll make it all right with you." The apprentice looked proudly up, saying, "I beg to tell you, sir, that my Master is always in."

Let us thus never think of drawing down the curtains or locking the door against God. Let us remember, "Thou God seest me," and be honorable as if His angels stood visibly before us.

BE NOT DECEIVED.

BUSINESS MAXIMS FOR BOYS.

ATTEND carefully to details.

Best things are difficult to get.

Cultivate promptness, order and regularity.

Do not seek a quarrel where there is an opportunity of escaping.

Endure trials patiently.

Fight life's battles bravely.

Give when you can, but give from principle, not because it is fashionable.

He who follows two hares is sure to catch neither.

Injure no one's reputation or business.

Join hands only with the virtuous.

Keeep your mind from evil thoughts.

Learn to think and act for yourself.

Make new friends.

Never try to appear what you are not.

Observe good manners.

Pay your debts promptly.

Question no man's veracity without cause.

Respect your word as you would your bond.

Say "No" firmly and respectfully when necessary.

Touch not, taste not, handle not, the cup which intoxicates.

Use your own brains rather than those of others.

Virtue, not pedigree, is a sign of nobility.

Watch ye, stand fast in the faith,

Xpect opposition and be ready to meet it.

Youth is the best period for the forming of good habits.

Zeal for the cause of God will ever be helpful to your own happiness and advancement.

THOU HAST REDEEMED US TO GOD BY THY BLOOD.—Revelation v. 9.