

## THE "TRY COMPANY."

A MANUFACTURER was travelling on a railway in company with a gentlemen, his wife, and a little boy of some five or six years of age. The little fellow had a parcel in his hand, and was trying, apparently in vain, to unloose the knot in the string, when the stranger took out his knife and offered to cut the knot, saying, "You can't open it." The child immediately said, "Please, sir, father does not allow me to say *I can't*—I belong to the '*Try Company*.'"

The manufacturer was delighted with the remark, and watched the little member of the Try Company, until he finished his task.

We should have fewer dunces in schools, and many more clever, industrious youths and men in the land, if parents would teach their children not to say, "I can't," but train them up as members of the *Try Company*.

Whenever I see a boy or girl diligently learning some difficult lesson, I say to myself, "There's a member of the *Try Company*."

Whenever I see a child of naturally irritable temper striving to repress the stirrings of anger, keeping the mouth shut lest the tongue should utter unguarded words, I say to myself, "There's a member of the *Try Company*."

When I see a kind and loving sister shewing kindness to her little brother, and lessening the daily duties and trials of her mother, I say, "There's a good member of the *Try Company*."

Whenever I see a Sabbath school teacher regularly at his post at the appointed time, and greeting his class with a smile, I say to myself, "There's a member of the *Try Company*."

Dear reader! are you a member of the *Try Company*?—*American S. S. Visitor.*

## DEGRADATION OF THE JEWS.

The Rev. Dr. Miles of Glasgow, at a late meeting of the Society for the conversion of Israel, observed as follows:—

"I have seen Jews in many parts of the world, and they are still, in some places, a 'byeword.' About six years ago, when in Barbary, a country inhabited by a large number of Jews, I visited Tetuan, a city which contains a population of 60,000 persons, of whom no less than 40,000 are Jews, under the dominion of the Moors. These Jews are not ground