

tained? By the earnest, sincere effort of some interested soul in connection with the Sunday-school. These may be found even in a class of seemingly small children, who may be appointed to select and lead off the hymns for the next Sunday's service. We call to mind a teacher of a dozen bright, intelligent and, as a natural consequence, mischievous boys, who, by dint of perseverance, won for her class the title of "choir boys." Her method was to invite one, two or perhaps all of her class to visit her home after day-school hours, or to meet her at the church, which was centrally located. With all her enthusiasm she taught the boys some rhythmic, catching, pleasant tune she had discovered in their hymn book previously. With her encouraging words for their praiseworthy efforts, she led them on till in a wonderfully short time they were successful in completely mastering the whole hymn. This number was then handed to the leader of the Sunday-school to be sung the next Sunday. It is needless to say the boys led off in the new song lustily and heartily, to the amazement and delight of the school, who were at first unfamiliar with the song.

A voluntary of a farewell or closing hymn prepared by classes alternately chosen is a very pleasant and beneficial method of dismissal, after the last prayer or Mizpah benediction. Alternate verse singing by the different classes, who have been previously notified, is another aid to interested efforts in song service.

All children who can speak distinctly can sing to a certain extent. It may not be like the warbling tunes of the nightingale, nor like the deep, voluminous peal of an organ; but their voices may be trained in time and tune to respond heartily to the joyousness in their hearts, for we must not aim to have arial or fugue or recitative introduced into our Sunday-school singing, which must be universal as well as whole-souled, intelligent and intelligible; for should not all God's children share in God's praise?

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THE TREASURY OF RELIGIOUS THOUGHT for November is adorned with a likeness of Rev. P. S. Hulbert, D. D., of Oak Park, Chicago, and a picture of the church of which he has recently become pastor. In place of the usual sermon, Dr. Hulbert gives us his Statement of Belief, which, in terse and striking language, at once defines the author's position and defends the faith. This is followed by eight full sketches and synopses of sermons. An interesting collection from a Cambridge lecture by the Bishop of Ripon fills out the strictly homiletical side of the magazine. In "Applied Christianity" the editor gives the second part of his illustrated account of the McAll Mission in France. Another illustrated article, on the Roman Catholic Church, is the

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