

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

MY SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORK.

Of the sisters who were associated with me in Sabbath-school work I have many pleasant recollections, especially as the years went by, and my own standing in the school became more defined and established.

As far as I know, there are but two of our female teachers now living; one is still a member of the Wesleyan Methodist Church; of the other I cannot here speak.

Little and unknown here, probably; despised and contemned often; but there! in the presence of the King, acknowledged and honored and rewarded, not according to their success but their faithfulness!

"Once they were mourners here below, And poured out cries and tears; They wept hard as we do now, With sobs and sighs and fears."

It would scarcely be wise to begin to write of my scholars, even if I only mentioned those with whom I began. I do not for a moment suppose anybody else saw my girls with the same affectionate appreciation that I did; even the most troublesome had qualities which gained my love; indeed, I am not quite sure whether they did not get the warmest places in my heart from the fact that I was compelled to think about them, and pray for them, and study their dispositions.

Once I called at a cottage to enquire for one of my scholars, who had been absent, for one or two Sundays only, and to my dismay I found she was that day to be buried.

"Are you her teacher?" asked the mother.

"Yes," I replied. "I wish I had known of her illness."

"She said you would come," said the mother; "but I did not know how to get at you."

"Yes," added the father, "but tell the lady what the child said of Jesus."

"She said, 'Teacher told me Jesus blessed all the naughty children as well as the good, so I think he will take care of poor little Ellen.'"

"Dear child! surely she is among the—"

"Children, whose sins are all forgiven, A holy, happy band."

Of my first scholars there are still some remaining, though many have "fallen asleep." Of those whom I can trace, some are active members in the Church of Christ.

They were the scholars—they are the teachers. Mothers of families bringing up their children in the fear of the Lord, and to take the places of those who drop out of the ranks.

Some have cast in their lot with other sections of the "One Church," but they are on the Master's side.

Some have wandered far astray, but may even yet hear the voice of Jesus bidding them come unto Him and find rest to their souls.

And most grateful am I now for all those who have departed this life in sure and certain hope of a joyful resurrection, for only through the abounding grace of Christ did they accept the offers of mercy, and rest their guilty souls on his atoning sacrifice. And now what of myself? I am an old maid, it is true!

"I have no babes to hold me here, But children more securely dear For mine I humbly claim, Better than daughters or than sons, Temple-divine of living stones, Inscathed with Jesus' name."

Hallelujah! I am still the Lord's! Surely "goodness and mercy" have been shown me in abundance, and never more so than in these last days of much personal affliction and family bereavement.

I am "to the margin come, and I expect to die," but no, to fall asleep is not to die, but to enter into life. So—

"be the nightwatch long, And sore the chattering rod; Thou art my health! my sin! my song! My glory and my God!"

—Lillie Montfort in W. M. S. S. Magazine.

REMEDY FOR DIPHTHERIA.

A recent copy of the Paris Figaro contained a report made to the French Academy of Medicine by Dr. Delteil. Dr. Delteil said that the vapors of tar and turpentine would dissolve the fibrinous exudations which choke up the throat in diphtheria.

smoke with pleasure. The fibrinous membrane is loosened, and the patient coughs up microbicides. These when caught in a glass, may be seen to dissolve in the smoke. In the course of three days afterward the patient entirely recovers."

EGGS BY WEIGHT.

There is from twenty to thirty per cent. difference in the weight of the egg; yet the custom is almost universal in the Eastern markets of selling them by the dozen, at a uniform price. Even ducks' eggs, which are much larger, and by some regarded as richer, bring no more than the smallest hen's eggs of not half the weight.

USEFUL HINTS.

Salt around the roots of blackberries is said to be a cure for rust.

Beet, parsnip, onion, and dandelion seed are said to be among those which must be used when fresh, while cucumber and squash seed are better when old.

An Ohio farmer says he cured his horses of coughing by using oil of tar and camphor gum. He put in all the camphor gum the tar would cut, and gave a teaspoonful on the tongue three times a day after feeding.

The Lancet informs a correspondent that "the possibility, nay the certainty in many cases, of flies being a medium of infection, especially in warm climates, has been repeatedly pointed out, though perhaps the fact is not sufficiently borne in mind."

To clean japanned waiers rub on with a sponge a little white soap and some warm water, and wash quite clean. Never use hot water as it will cause the japan to peel. Wipe dry, sprinkle a little flour over it; let it rest awhile, and then rub it with a soft piece of old silk.

A lady physician in New York writes that badly fitting corsets and broken steels produce great suffering among poor girls. And Dr. Wier speaks of a hospital case where a woman's liver was almost cut in two by wearing skirts tight around her waist with worn out corsets.

Spruce butter tubs are the best; hemlock makes a sweet tub; acids from the oak color the butter and injure its appearance; white ash gives the butter a strong flavor if kept long, and increases the liability to mold; maple smells and cracks badly. Soak all tubs four to six days in brine before using.

The London Lancet tells how to cure a bone lesion. As soon as it is felt put directly over the spot a fly blister the size of your thumb nail. Let it remain for six hours, at the expiration of which time directly under the surface of the blister may be seen the feign, which can instantly be taken out with the point of a needle.

Fish, almost more than anything else, is improved by slow cooking; especially is this true when the fish is boiled. If cooked rapidly it will fall apart, and will neither taste nor look so well. The great point insisted upon by scientific cooks of the present day is this of taking abundant time to prepare food, and the fact that nothing is gained by rapid boiling.

One of the most convenient articles to be used in a sick room is a sand bag. Get some clean, fine sand; dry it thoroughly in a kettle on the stove; make a bag about eight inches square of flannel, fill it with dry sand, sew the opening carefully together, and cover the bag with cotton or linen cloth. This will prevent the sand from sifting out, and will also enable you to sit on the bag quickly by placing it in the oven, or even on top of the stove. After once using this you will never again attempt to warm the feet or hands of a sick person with a bottle of hot water or a brick. The sand holds the heat a long time, and the bag can be tucked up to the back without hurting the invalid.

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