

can do that you are not tired of. Good-night. Come in early on Monday morning and water the plants for me.' So saying, Miss Lauder gathered up her belongings, and teacher and pupil went their ways.

Roger's memory did not fail him, and at a quarter to nine Monday morning he was busy with the flowers, of which he was very careful. During the arithmetic lesson he was engaged in filling the peg bags, putting a certain number of the red and white pegs used in working tables into each bag. He could count fairly well, and this seemed to interest him greatly. Other manual work was found for him. He cut up some old calendars and assorted the numbers from one to thirty, in envelopes, for use in the lowest class. The scissors and Roger, though strangers at first, became fast friends, and cutting out pictures was one of his favorite occupations. With his eagerness in work of this kind his interest in the regular work grew, and slowly he began to do some things 'as well as the other boys.' The pleasure he took in his little successes amply repaid the teacher for her labor. The boy will never be anything but dull; he will never rise to the average; but the months spent with Miss Lauder did more to brighten his poor mind than we thought possible.

This is a true picture, and no fancy sketch. There are other Rogers in our schools, some not quite so bad, others worse. What are you doing for them? They are not altogether hopeless, and they need your patience, sympathy, and help more than any other child in your class. They may be mentally blind in some respects, and yet, in others, see and

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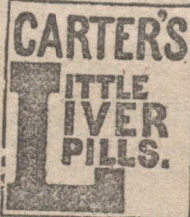
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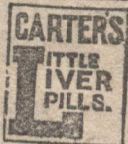
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appreciate as well as anyone. Do not give up until you have found the work that appeals to them, and through which the necessary teaching may be given. It is trying in the extreme to work in a case of this kind. I know well what it means, and have struggled with them just as you have. Still, I never lost a 'dull' pupil, without many regrets that I had not done more for him.—Educational Journal.

The Household.

FRYING DOUGHNUTS.

When frying doughnuts have a large saucepan of hot water near the kettle of fat. As the doughnuts are fried take them out one by one from the fat and dip them for an instant in the hot water before setting aside to cool. This removes the superfluous fat and renders them more digestible. Have the water very hot and pass them through as quickly as possible.

USES FOR MAPLE SUGAR.

Many delicious dishes are made with maple sugar, among them maple mousse. Whip a pint of cream to a stiff mound, with a tablespoonful of powdered sugar, which will help to thicken the cream. Add a cupful of maple syrup, made in the house from pure sugar, and flavor with lemon. Beat well, put in a mould with a sheet of a paraffine paper over the top before the cover is put on, pack in ice, and salt and freeze. Serve in sherbert glasses.

Selected Recipes.

CABINET PUDDING may be made from bits of stale bread, rusk, or cake. Decorate the mould with any dry or preserved fruits then fill with bits of stale cake or bread. If you have a pint and a half mould, beat two eggs; if you have used bread, add four tablespoonfuls of sugar; if cake, omit the sugar; add a pint of milk; pour into the mould over the state material, and soak for five minutes. Cover the mould and steam for one hour. Serve hot with a liquid pudding sauce.

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Religious Notes.

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When Bishop Thoburn went out to India as a missionary thirty-eight years ago, a certain 'wise' European gentleman pointed to a brick pillar and said, 'You might as well undertake to make a Christian out of that pillar as out of these people.' And, behold, to-day, not far from 3,000,000 native Christians in that same peninsula, and among them judges, lawyers, physicians, editors, teachers, men of business, etc., commanding the highest respect and wielding wide influence!—'Missionary Review.'

THE INDIAN CHRISTIAN NEWSPAPER.

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To the question, What have missions accomplished for humanity? Doctor Misset, of Mesburg, Germany, answers: 'Missions have had the most essential part in the abolition of the slave-trade, in the removal of cannibalism and massacre; they mitigate wretchedness and poverty, sickness and famine among the heathen people; they protest against ruining of the heathen natives by the imports of rum and opium; they exalt family life and contend against polygamy and child marriages; and, above all things, they raise even the most degraded people into a wholesome morality. It is no matter of chance that mission work everywhere for degraded humanity has lifted them up, for Christian morality is the religion of perfected humanity.'

Dr. George E. Post, a missionary of long experience in Syria, writes: 'Missions in Turkey are embarrassed by the drain of emigrants more than by all other drawbacks and hindrances. This is a factor against which energetic action is no antidote. Persecution we can bear; opposition we can overcome; stubborn unbelief we can enlighten; stolid indifference we can interest; but what can we do with nothing? Multiplication of a minus quantity only increases the deficit. We have hoped for the reflex influence of the emigrants on their return laden with new ideas and inspirations, but with few exceptions we have had none of these offsets to the loss.'

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