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## BUDS AND BLOSSOMS.

**G**OD'S hand has made each flower that  
springs,  
Each leaf upon the tree ;  
He guides the bird on gladsome wings,  
And little busy bee.

Much more His love and care provide  
For us who think and speak ;  
For whom the blessed Saviour died,  
So gentle and so meek.

And those who, in life's early spring,  
Their hearts to Jesus give,  
Shall find it is a blessed thing  
Beneath His smile to live.

Jesus will guide them with His love  
Through all their days below,  
Then take them to the land above  
Where fadeless blossoms grow.

## I AM GOING TO JESUS.

**K**ATIE drew the bed-clothes  
round her little sister and  
left her alone. Annie had  
been ill for a long time, and she often  
grew weary lying there, and wanted  
something to look at, for she was only  
seven years old. So slipping out of  
bed, she glanced round the room, and  
seeing a paper on the table, she took  
it up and began to read. It was

about a wicked man who did not believe  
in God, and when he died, he said, "I'm  
going, I'm going, I know not where!" He  
did not believe in the home, nor in the  
things that God has prepared for those that  
love Him. The child did believe, so she

softly repeated his words, altering them to suit herself: "I'm going, I'm going, I *do* know where! I'm going to Jesus; His home I shall share."

Reader, where are you going ?

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## The Sunbeam.

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### A TOUCHING SCENE IN A STREET-CAR.

**A** LADY entered a street-car in one of our cities recently, leading a little girl perhaps four years old. The mother sat down and lifted the little one to the seat beside her. The child was nibbling at a bit of cake or sugar, and now and then turned her face, full of childish love, up to her mother and murmured some almost unintelligible words of affection.

Opposite to mother and child sat another younger lady, who often smelled a fresh rose which she held. The innocent little one before her attracted her attention, and the natural kindness of the sympathetic woman-heart prompted her to at once offer the fragrant flower to the little budding lily opposite. So she leaned a bit forward and spoke: "Baby want the posy?"

But the child seemed not to hear. Perhaps it was the noise of the moving car that prevented. Then she spoke a little louder, and held the flower forward temptingly: "Baby may have the posy."

The mother heard, for she looked toward the other lady and smiled; and, oh! such a look of heart-felt gratitude, of motherly love, yet heavily saddened with an expressive tinge of sorrow, is seldom seen.

Still the lady pressed upon the little one acceptance of the flower. "Baby take the rose," said she, holding it almost to the child's hands.

And now it seemed she was heard, for the blue eyes turned full upon her would-

be patron; and then in a moment she strangely drew back and turned her eyes appealingly toward her mother's face. The lady with the flower showed her bewilderment in her look, while a pained expression flitted across the face of the mother, who leaned forward and whispered these words: "My darling is blind!"

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### INO AND UNO.

**I**NO and Uno are two little boys  
Who always are ready to fight,  
Because each will boast  
That he knows the most,  
And the other one cannot be right.

Ino and Uno went into the woods,  
Quite certain of knowing the way:  
"I am right! You are wrong!"  
'They said, going along,  
And they didn't get out till next day!

Ino and Uno rose up with the lark,  
To angle awhile in the brook,  
But by contrary signs  
They entangled their lines,  
And brought nothing home to the cook!

Ino and Uno went out on the lake,  
And oh, they got dreadfully wet!  
While discussion prevailed  
They carelessly sailed,  
And the boat they were in was upset!

Though each is entitled opinions to have,  
They need not be foolishly strong;  
And to quarrel and fight  
Over what we think right,  
Is, You know, and I know, quite wrong!

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### TRAINING THE EYE.

You can train the eye to see all the bright places in your life, and so slip over the hard ones with surprising ease. You can also train the eye to rest on the gloomy spots, in utter forgetfulness of all that is bright and beautiful.



LEARN TO ENDURE.—(See next page.)

LEARN TO ENDURE.

**L**OOK ! what a face  
 For a *hero* to wear,  
 For one who has all  
 Of life's trial's to bear.

What will he do  
 When the *real* sorrows come ?  
 When he loses his health,  
 Or his friends, or his home ?

How will he conquer  
 In actual strife ?  
 If he wimpers like this,  
 For a cut with a knife ?

CHILD'S HYMN.

**I** AM a little child,  
 And Jesus cares for me,  
 For even me He wants  
 His little child to be.

Jesus would take me up,  
 And keep me on His knee,  
 And fold me in His arms,  
 His little child to be.

And I will go to Him,  
 And I will let Him see,  
 How glad I am to come,  
 His little child to be.

And I will stay with Him,  
 For Jesus wishes me,  
 Though I grow big and old,  
 His little child to be.

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LESSON NOTES.

A.D. 28.] LESSON IV. [April 25.  
 CONFESSION AND CROSS-BEARING; or, Christ the  
 Rewarder.

*Matt. 16. 13-28. Commit to memory verses 24-28.*  
**THE LESSON STORY.**

Once Jesus was with his disciples at a place far in the north of Palestine, near where the River Jordan begins, called Cesarea Philippi. [See if you can find it on the map.] He asked the disciples, "Whom do people say that I am?" They said, "Some say that you are John the Baptist; some, that you are the prophet Elijah, come back to earth; some say that you are Jeremiah, or some other prophet risen again from death." Jesus asked again, "Whom do you say that I am?" Peter answered at once, "The Christ, the Son of God." Jesus spoke a blessing upon Peter, and said that this truth which he had spoken should stand as a rock on which his Church should be built, and that Peter himself should have power to rule in that Church. But Jesus said to his disciples that the time was not yet come when this great truth should be preached: That first he must suffer trials and death from his enemies, and afterward rise from his grave. Then Peter took Jesus aside and told him that such things should not come to him; but Jesus rebuked Peter, and said, "Your words are not those of God, but of the world."

A.D. 28.] LESSON V. [May 2.  
 THE TRANSFIGURATION; or, The Glorious Saviour.

*Matt. 17. 1-18. Commit to memory verses 1-5.*  
**THE LESSON STORY,**

About a week after the events of the last lesson Jesus was with three of his disciples, on a very high mountain, at prayer. Suddenly a glorious change came upon him. His garments seemed as white as snow, and his face shone brighter than the sun. At the same moment the forms of two great prophets appeared by his side, talking with him. One was Moses, the great giver of the law, whom God buried at Mount Nebo; the other was Elijah, who had gone up to heaven without dying. The three disciples were full of wonder, and Peter said to Jesus, "Let us stay here and build tents for worship, for you, for Moses, and for Elijah." Just then a bright cloud covered them all, and a voice was heard, saying, "This is my beloved Son, hear ye him." The disciples fell on their faces in fear; but Jesus said, "Arise, and be not afraid." Then they looked up, and all the vision had gone; Jesus stood alone before them. While they walked down the mountain, Jesus told them not to speak of what they had seen until he had risen from the dead.