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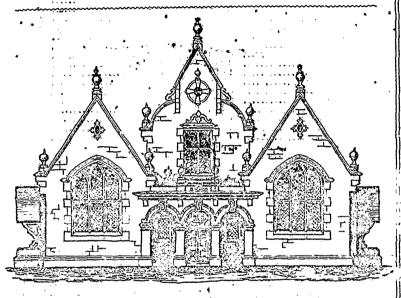
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IMPORTANCE OF SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Rarely are instances to be found of Christians who received instruction in their youth in a Sabbath School being "tossed about by every wind of doctrine." Many persons who neglected in their early days the study of the Scriptures in after life become the victim and sport of all kinds of heresies and visionary theories.

The present number of Ministers in the home work and of Missionaries in the Foreign work who received their first bias in the Sabbath School, and their efficiency and success, as well as their number, tell us how important are Sabbath Schools to the Church. The first Ministers of the day, both in Europe and in America, were taught in Sabbath Schools; there were their consciences alarmed, and there were their minds stored with those truths so valuable to them now in the discharge of their high and holy duties.

Sabbath Schools are important to

the world. Society is improved by the existence and operation of these agencies. The rights and property of others are respected by the young who are instructed in these schools. Virtue is regarded and its precepts practised; vice is shunned and its principles reprobated by the great majority of Sabboth School children. Let one hundred men be indiscriminately selected who had been taught in a Sabbath School when young, and one hundred others who had not been so taught, and we ask, which class is doing most for the world? Which is composed of the best citizens-the best neighbours-the best parents-the best Christians? We will venture to abide by the verdict, well knowing that the result would be a confirmation of the truth uttered, viz: Sabbath Schools are important to the world. Well will it be for the world if the Rulers, Magistrates, Legislators, Judges, and Ministers of the next generation be the Sabbath School children of this.

ABSTRACT REPORTS OF SABBATH SCHOOLS.

APELAIDE STREET, TORONTO.

The formation of classes for bringing the children more immediately under the influence of vital Religion has had a salutary effect upon the school, and will no doubt contribute in a great measure to the prosperity of the Church.

The monthly prayer meetings in the school, as also the Sunday morning prayer meetings, are a pleasing evidence that the Teachers are fully alive to the importance of prayer in the promotion of their work.

The number of Officers and Teachers is 27; number of scholars on the books, about 150; average number in attendance, 120.

TERAULEY STREET, TORONTO.

The Terauley Street School is not in that prosperous condition which your Committee would desire, and unless vigorous efforts are put forth to secure a sufficient number of Teachers, it will have to be abandoned.

The individuals engaged are deserving of all praise for their perseverance in combating with obstacles which are not to be met with in either of the other Schools. They will have their reward!

Number of Teachers, 5; number of Scholars on the books, 71; average number in attendance, 43.

YORKVILLE.

The Yorkville School is in a very prosperous state. The truths taught here have had the effect, during the past year, of inducing many of the children to "remember their Creator in the days of their youth," —a pleasing evidence of the uti-

lity and importance of Sabbath Schools.

Number of Officers and Teachers, 22; number of Scholars on the books, 124; average number in attendance, 90.

BOWES' CHAPEL, TRAFALGAR.

There are in the school connected with this Society seven classesfour of boys, and three of girls; the number of names on the books is seventy; the average number in regular attendance during the whole of the year is thirty-two. The whole number of Scripture verses recited by the boys is 7,403; girls, 8,301,making a total of 15,704. At the commencement of the year, a prize was offered to all who should attend two-thirds of the time; and ten verses, correctly recited, entitled them to the use of the Library. Nineteen have attended the abovestated proportion, and have received a small Bible as the promised reward. Although all have not merited prizes for their regular attendance-some not having commenced at the first of the year-yet all deserve credit for seldom failing to have their lesson.

Although we may not have witnessed any very remarkable answer to the numerous prayers that have been offered to God for the conversion of the youth of our schools, shall we be discouraged and slacken our efforts on that account? No. We are commanded to cast our bread upon the waters; for we shall find it after many days. And he that goeth forth weeping, bearing precious seed, shall come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

THE LITTLE GIRL'S HEART.

The following dialogue occurred one day between a pious father and his little daughter Every little girl who reads this article, and every other little girl ought to understand what God means when he says, "My son, [or my daughter,] give me thine heart." No little girl can go to heaven till she has given her heart to God. Every little girl who reads this dialogue may suppose, if she pleases, that we have selected and printed it to help her to learn something more about her heart:

'Pa,' said Maria, suddenly, one day after she had been thinking for some time; 'Pa, what does heart mean? When you talk about my heart, I can't think of anything but those gingerbread hearts that we ent.'

'You know, dear, that your heart is not anything that you can see.'

'Oh, yes, pa; I know my heart is not like those, but I want to know what it is like.'

'You know there is something within you which loves and hates; this something is your heart. So when God says, 'give me thine heart,' he means 'love me.'

Pa, it seems as if I wanted to love God, but I don't know how.'

'You know how to love me, don't you ?'

'Oh, yes, pa.'

6 But I never told you to love me.?
6 Oh, but that is very different.?

· Different -how ?

Why, pa, I see you, and know all about you, and you love me.

Do you love nobody that you have never seen, Maria?

· 'I don't know; yes, to be sure,

I love grandpa, and uncle George, and aunt Caroline. But then I have heard you talk about them, pa, and I know that you love them, and they have sent me presents.'

'So I have talked to you about God, and you know that I love Him, and he has made you more presents than any body else in the world.' Besides, you love people sometimes who have never given you anything, and whom none of us have ever seen. Don't you remember little Henry and his Bearer?

"Yes, pa, I love Henry, I am sure."

"You see then it is possible to

love the character of the people whom you have never seen. Now the character of God is infinitely lovely; he deserves to be loved more than all other beings together; and if you love those who have been kind to you, only think what God has done for you. He gave you parents, when you could not take care of yourself; he has given you food and clothing, and health and friends; he has watched over you by night and by day, and when you were sick he made you well; and now, when he comes to you after all

love God who gave them all to me."
"Oh, papa, I will, I do love him," replied Maria, with fervor.

this, and says, 'My daughter, give me thine heart,' you say, 'No, I

can't, I don't know how; I can

love my father and mother, and

brothers and sisters; but I cannot

"Perhaps you think so now, Maria."

"Oh, I shall always love him; I know I shall."
Her father smiled.

"Pa, you cannot see it in my heart; but I do wish to love God who is so good to me. I will try, pa, and love him as long as I live."

JAMES BUDGE JONES.

James Jones was a pious little boy, who feared and loved God when he was very young. so good to us that we ought to love him. He gives us all that we have; he takes care of us night and day; he keeps us from being sick; he sent his Son Jesus Christ to save us from hell; and we cannot love him The thought of these too much. things made little James, when he was about four years old, throw his arms round his father's neck, and kiss him, and say, "I love you, futher, and I love God; and when I go to heaven, I will kiss him too." A little child cannot kiss God, because God is a Spirit, who has not a body as we have ; and little James knew this when he was older. But though he did not at this time krow everything about God, still he could love him for his goodness. loved God, so he loved to think of heaven, where pious children see the Saviour face to face. One day, when he saw a sea-gull rise out of the sea, spread out its wings, and soar up to the sky, "Look, look," he said, "brother William, when I die, I shall fly up to heaven like that bird." But children cannot go to heaven unless they are first fit to go there. Little James could never fly up to heaven, as that sea-gull flew up to the sky, unless he learned to be sorry for his sin, to trust in Christ, to do the will of God, and to pray often for his grace. But all this he learned. When he once forgot to pray in the morning, he could not be quite happy all through the day; and when he was ill, he often begged his father to pray

with him, and said he could not be comfortable without it.

His fear of God made him love to If his father told him to do right. do anything, he did it. If he was not told to speak of anything which he heard, he never spoke of it. If he was sent with any message, he took care to say nothing but what he was told to say; and he was never known by his father to tell one lie. The longer he lived, the more he loved God: and at last he had such joy in God as very few older Christians have; which made him say to his parents, "I am so happy, I know not what to do; God has done so much for me: the day of my death will be happier than the day of my birth: God loves me and has pardoned all my sins: who would have thought that God would have been so kind to such a little boy as I am! I am happy, I am very happy!" And so he passed away into glory to be with Jesus Christ, in whom he trusted, when he was only nine years and nine days old.—Noel's Infant Piety.

THE CONNECTICUT SAILOR BOY.

The Cornelia was a good ship, said one of the West India chaplains of the American Seamen's Friend Society, but at one time we feared she was on her last voyage. We were but a few days out from New York, when a severe storm of five days' continuance overtook us. Like a noble charger between two contending armies, did the ship quiver in all her joints and struggle to escape from the fury of the winds and the waves. At the height of the storm I must tell you of a feat of a Connecticut sailor boy.

He was literally a boy, and far better for thumbing Webster's Spelling Book, than furling a sail in a

storm. But his mother was a widow, and where could the boy earn a living for himself and mother better than at sea? The ship was rolling fearfully; twice I saw the captain lose his centre of gravity—though he kept his temper pretty well-. and measure his length on the deck. Some of the rigging got foul at the mainmast head, and it was necessary that some one should go up and rectify it. It was a perilous job. was standing near the mate and heard him order that boy aloft to do He lifted his cap and glanced at the swinging mast, the boiling wrathful sea, and at the steady determined countenance of the mate. He hesitated in silence a moment. then, rushing across the deck, he pitched down into the forecastle. Perhaps he was gone two minutes, when he returned, laid his hands on the ratlins, and went up with a will. My eye followed him till my head was dizzy, when I turned and remonstrated with the mate for sending him aloft. He could not come down alive! Why did you send him?

"I did it," replied the mate, "to save life. We've sometimes lost men overboard, but never a boy. See how he holds like a squirrel. He is more careful. He'll come down safe, I h-o-p-e."

Again I looked, till a tear dimmed my eye, and I was compelled to to turn away expecting every moment to catch a glimpse of his last fall.

In about fifteen or twenty minutes, having finished the job, he came down, and straightening himself up with the conscious pride of having performed a manly act, he walked aft with a smile on his countenance.

In the course of the day I took occasion to speak with him, and ask him why he hesitated when ordered aloft? Why he went down into the forecastle?

"I went sir," said the boy, to pray."

"Do you pray?

"Yes, sir; I thought I might not come down alive and I went to commit my soul to God."

"Where did you learn to pray?"
"At home; my mother wanted
me to go to the Sabbath School,
and my teacher urged me to pray

to God to keep me, and I do."
"What was that you had in your

jacket pocket?"

"My Testament, which my teacher gave me. I thought if I did perish I would have the Word of God close to my heart." — Seaman's Magazine.

LITTLE BELLA, THE ORPHAN.

Among the lambs of Christ's flock, many, we trust, will be found gathered from the Orphan Schools of Benares. The Rev. W. Smith, who has lately returned from that city, relates the following of one of them. Little Bella became seriously ill—so ill, that she was for a day or two insensible. While she was in this state, her little choolfellows, gathered beside her bea, rured out their hearts in prayer to God, that he would restore her, if it pleased him, to health, or take her to dwell with him. They had scarcely risen from prayer, when, to their surprise, she suddenly revived. Little Bella called for a Bible; and, on its being brought to her, selected a chapter, which she requested her schoolfellows to read to her. They did so; and then taking the book herself, she in her turp beautifully read a few verses to them. Then, bidding them kneel down, and putting herself into a praying posture as well as she could in her reak state, she offered up a prayer with them in her

own simple language. She concluded, and her schoolfellows rose from their knees; but little Bella moved not: she remained just as she was in her praying position. They looked at her; but still she remained motionless. Her spirit was no longer there: it had fled, to be for ever, we trust, with her Saviour. Happy child, who didst breathe away thy soul in prayer to Heaven!

Mrs. Smith states that she has many times overheard these little orphan girls, when engaged in prayer together, putting up their petitions for the kind people in England who cared for their souls, and sent them out the Gospel. Thus does these poor children, out of the gratitude of their hearts, render the best return they can. And indeed what better return could they make? What richer reward could we obtain, for any little offerings we may be able to give to God, than these poor orphans' prayers ?- Juvenile Instructor.

TO BOYS AND GIRLS.

Never tell a whole lie, or half a lie, or a quarter of a lie, or any part of a lie. Many boys, who know well enough what a sneaking, wicked thing it is to tell a lie, will yet twist the truth, or deceive a little bit. This is about as bad-and a good deal more cowardly than a plump falsehood. If a boy does something wrong, either through ignorance, carelessness, or accident—and then tells one-half truth, and one-half lie about it—he might almost as well have told the whole untruth, that he did'nt do it at all. Now see how the spirited, manly, true-hearted, clear-tongued boy will do, after an error: he resolutely determines to cknowledge it, without being afraid of any body's anger—to tell it just

as it was. I never in my life knew any one to be injured by telling the truth in this way; but I have seen many a boy, and man, too, who was looked upon with contempt, and thought poorly of, because he would tell sneaking lies, or half lies, or quarter lies. The worst sort of untruths—those which are deliberately made up—stories about people—or little stories magnified into big ones -prove the teller of them to be a most worthless, impure and mean The liar is indeed despicaperson. ble both to God and good men. the other hand, nothing is more beautiful than a strictly truth-telling young person-one who never varies from the truth, who is open, candid, and above deceit. To become so, a boy should strive hard should determine to become so-and he will become so. Besides, it is so easy always to speak the truth—and so very hard to arrange a plausible falsehood-which even then will in all likelihood be found out nineteer. times out of twenty.

DID HE DIE FOR ME?

A little child sat quetly on its mother's lap. Its soft blue eyes were looking earnestly into the face which was beaming with love and tenderness for the cherished darling. The maternal lips were busy with a story. The tones of the voice were low and serious, for the tale was one of mingled sadness and joy. Sometimes they scarce rose above a whisper, but the listening babe caught every sound. The crimson deepened on its little cheek, as the story went on increasing in deep interest. Tears gathered in its earnest eyes, and a low sob broke into the stillness as its mother concluded. moment, and the ruby lips parted, and in tones made tremulous by eagerness, the child inquired,

Did He die for mc. mamma.

'Yes, my child, for you-for all.'

'May I love him always, mam-

ma, and dearly too?

· Yes, my darling, it was to "in your love that He left his bright and beautiful home.

'And He will love me, mamma, I know He will. He died for me. When may I see Ilim in his other home?

When your spirit leaves this world, my darling.

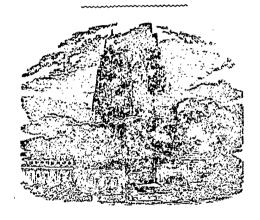
· My spirit,' murmured the child.

'Yes, your spirit; that part of you which thinks and knows and loves. If you love Him here, you will go to live with him in heaven.'

And I may love Him here. How glad you have made me dear mamma.

And the mother bowed her head and prayed silently and carnestly that her babe might love the Saviour. -Reaper.

HISTORY. BIBLE



TOWER OF BABEL.

Here our young renders have a picture of the great tower of Babel. After the flood, the descendents of Noah determined to erect a city, and in it a building of such stupendous height as should be the wonder of the world. Their principal motives in doing this were, to keep themselves together in one body, that by their united strength and counsels, so as the world increased, they might bring others under their subjection, and thereby become masters of the universe.

The idea of the intended tower gave them the most singular satisfaction, and the novelty of the design induced them to enter upon its construction with the greatest alacrity. One inconvenience, however, arose, of which they were not apprized, namely, there being no stone in the country wherewith to build it. But this defect was soon supplied by the nature of the soil, which being clayey, they soon converted into bricks, and cemented them together with a pitchy substance, called bitumen, the country

producing that article in great abundance.

As the artificers were numerous, the work was carried on with great expedition, and in a short time the walls were raised to a great height. But the Almighty, being dissatisfied with their proceedings, thought proper to interpose, and totally put an end to their ambitious project; so that this first attempt of their vanity became only a monument of their folly and weakness.

Though the descendents of Noah were at this time exceedingly numerous, yet they all spoke one language. In order, therefore, to render their undertaking ineffectual. and to lessen the towering hopes of these aspiring mortals, the Almighty formed the resolution of confounding their language. In consequence of this, a universal jargon suddenly took place, and the different dialects caused such a distraction of thought, that, incapable of understanding or making known to each other their respective ideas, they were thrown into the utmost disorder. By this awful stroke of divine justice they were not only deprived of prosecuting their intended plan, but of agreeable intercourse.

Thus did the Almighty not only defeat the designs of those ambitious people, but likewise accomplished his own, by having the world more generally inhabited than it otherwise would have been. The spot on which they had begun to erect their tower was, from the judgment that attended so rash an undertaking, called Babel.

EXPOSITION OF PROV. XXXI. 6.

Among the inquiries addressed to Major Noah, we find the following, together with his answer: "Was it ever the practice of the Jewish law to make malefactors drunk before execution?"

"No; but they gave the condemned a cup of wine, in which there was frankincense, to render them insensible to pain; and the compassionate ladies of Jerusalem provided this draught a their own expense. The custom is founded on the Proverbs of Solomon, xxxi. 6: 'Give strong drink to him that is ready to perish, and wire to those that be of heavy heart.'"

"THE RIVER KISHON."

Judges v. 21.

It is not easy to determine to which of the streams, whose confluence forms the Kishon, we should assign the distinction of forming the principal source of that river. It commonly takes first a westerly course, and 'hen turns to the northwest, running parallel to the range of Mount Carmel, till it discharges its waters into the bay of Acre. lts course is very winding, and its length may be estimated at about thirty miles. In its progress from Tabor towards Carmel, it receives other brooks, as large as itself, which greatly increase the volume of the confluent stream. The Kishon, however, like most of the other rivers of the country, is an inconsiderable brook during the greater part of the year; but in the rainy months, the greater part of the waters which are collected in the range of Carmel are discharged by a variety of small torrents into this channel; which being insufficient for such augmentation, the current overflows its banks, and carries away everything within its reach.—Pictorial Bible.

SKETCHES OF NATURAL HISTORY.



SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY IN CAMELS.

The Camels with which I traversed this part of the desert were very different in their ways and habits from those which you get on They were a frequented route. never led. There was not the slightest sign of a track in this part of the desert, but the camels never failed to chose the right line. the direction taken at starting, they knew, I suppose, the point (some encampment) for which to make. There is always a leading camel, (generally, I believe, the eldest,) that marches foremost, and determines the path for the whole party. If it happens that no one of the camels has been accustomed to lead the others, there is very great difficulty in making a start. force your beast forward for a moment, he will contrive to wheel and draw back, at the same time looking at one of the other camels, with an expression and gesture exactly equivalent to you, take the lead. The responsibility of finding the way is evidently assumed very unwillingly. After some time, however, it becomes understood that one of the beasts has reluctantly consented to take the lead, and he accordingly advances for that purpose. minute or two he goes on with much indecision, taking first one line and then another; but soon, by aid of some mysterious sense, he discover the true direction, and follows 1 steadily from morning to night.— When once the leadership is established, you cannot, by any persuasion, and can scarcely by any force induce a junior camel to walk one single step in advance of the chosen guide.— Traces of Travel.

THE WAY DOMESTIC ANIMALS COLLECT THEIR FOOD.

The horse, when feeding on natural herbage, grasps the blades with his lips, by which it is conducted between the incisors, or front teeth. These he employs for the double purpose of holding and detaching the grass, the latter action being assisted by a twitch of the head. The ox uses the tongue to collect That organ being so dihis food. rected as to encircle a small bundle of grass, which is placed by it between the incisor teeth, and an elastic pad opposite to them in the upper jaw-between these, the herbage is pressed and partly cut, its complete severance being effected by tearing. The sheep gathers his food in a similar manner as the horse, but is enabled to hring his cutting teeth much nearer to the roots of the plants, in consequence of the upper lip being partially cleft. For his upper lip is thin, and is susceptible of considerable mobility; while that of the ox is thick, hairless, with a very limited action.

SEAFARING EAGLE.

A Scotch paper relates that while the ship Alexander, of Dundee, was on her homeward voyage lately from Calcutta to London, Mr. Latto, the chief mate, while on duty one evening, caught a large eagle in the rigging, which he kept two days, and then proposed to Captain Inglis to let him loose, with a leather circlet round his neck, stating his capture, the Alexander's name, and latitude and longitute. The bird was accordingly liberated in 10° south latitude, and 70° east longi-

tude, and was soon out of sight. Very shortly afterwards he alighted in the shrouds of a whaler, upwards of 2200 miles from the spot where the Alexander dismissed him. The intelligence was brought to London by the ship Belize, of London, who spoke the whaler.

TEMPERANCE.



A JUDICIOUS ANSWER.

A little boy, walking out with his father in a certain city, saw the name Cider-alley, posted up on the corner of a street. Said he, "Look, father! what a name! Cider-alley!"

"Well, my son," said the father, "suppose some one should offer you a glass of cider, what would you do with it?"

with it?"
"I would take it," said he, "and

'Here I pledge perpetual hate To all that can intoxicate;'

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and then throw it on the ground, and break it all to pieces."—S. S. Advocate.

TEMPERANCE IN PITTSBURGH.

The Pittsburgh Commercial Journal, of February 26, says:—An order from a wealthy company about to embark in distilling whiskey, was received by one of our steam-engine manufacturers, to supply the necessary apparatus. They refused to fill the order for such purposes, when an application was made to others engaged in the copper and sheet iron business, but with no better success—all refused to be instrumental in the manufacture of ardent spirits. This speaks well for the temperance of those engaged in this branch of the Pittsburgh trade.

SAD EXPERIENCES.

Mr. Potter, of Yale College, in a temperance address lately, at New-Haven, said:—

"My heart bleeds as I remember the fate of three of my early companions who started in life with myself. One of them possessed one of the finest mathematical minds I ever He could take the ledger and go up with three columns at a time with perfect ease. He was the first man in America that beat the Automaton chess player, and he told me that he had every move in his head before he entered the room. That man fills a drunkard's grave. Another, who was an excellent accountant, and could command almost any salary, met the same melancholy fate. Another, possessing the same brilliant capacities, has gone down-not to the grave, perhaps, but he has sunk clear out of sight amid the mire and filth of intemperance.

THE MISCELLANY.

THE BEST POPE.

Bridget, the servant-girl, is a very strong Catholic. Once she was doing some little thing for a small boy in the family where she lived. "That is not right," said the boy.

"Well, then, show me how to do it. If you instruct the ignorant," said she, laughingly, "you will

have absolution."

"But, Bridget," said the mother, who was near, "how can you get absolution? Your Pope has run away!".

The poor girl looked confounded for a moment, and then said, "Well, ma'am, God is the best Pope: he

hasn't run away."

Let us all remember that "God hasn't run away," and that God our Saviour only has power to "give absolution" or to forgive sin on earth.—Wellspring.

LYING IN BED.

No piece of indolence hurts the health more than the custom of lying in bed too long in the morning. This is the general practice in great towns. The inhabitants of cities seldom rise before eight or nine o'clock; but the morning is the best time for exercise, while the stomach is emply, and the body refreshed with sleep. Besides, the morning braces and strengthens the nerves, and in some measure answers the purpose of a cold bath.

LUTHER AND THE BIRDS.

With the birds of his native country. Martin Luther had established a strict intimacy, watching, smiling, and thus sweetly moralizing over their habits: "That little fellow," he said of a bird going to roost,

"has chosen his shelter, and is quietly rocking himself to sleep, without a care for to-morrow's lodging, calmly holding by his little twig, and leaving God to think for him."

Children, in all your situations you must do the same. Discharge your duty, and leave God to think for you.

DENOMINATIONS-THEIR MUTUAL TREATMENT.

Rowland Hill once said, "That the wolves should bark at the sheep is very natural, but that the sheep should bark at each other is too bad." Some one replied to him, "It is only a constitutional cough that the sheep have got." To which he instantly retorted, "Then its a proof they're rotten, sir."—Alliance and Visitor.

PROFANITY REBUKED.

Howard the philanthropist was seen significantly to button up his coat in the neighborhood of a printing office where he heard coarse profanity. "I always do this," he remarked, "when I hear swearing. One who can take God's name in vain, can also steal or do anything else bad."

BEAUTIFUL REPLY.

A deaf and dumb person being asked "What is forgiveness?" took a pencil and wrote a reply, containing a volume of the most exquisite poetry, as well as deep truth, in these few words:—"It is the odour which flowers yield when trampled upon."

MOCKING BIRD AND CROWS.

Some one has observed, that the mocking-bird is on the best terms with the nighting ale and good singers, but is detested by crows, though he imitates the one as faithfully as the other. There is a moral here.

POETRY.



From Neal's Saturday Gazette.

LITTLE CHILDREN, LOVE ONE ANOTHER.

BY FANNIE.

A little girl, with a happy look,
Sat slowly reading a ponderous book,
All bound with velvet, and edged with gold;
And its weight was more than the child could hold.
Yet dearly she loved to ponder it o'er,
And every day she prized it more;
For it said—and she looked at her smiling mother—It said, "Little children, love one another."

She thought it was beautiful in the book,
And the lesson home to her heart she took;
She walked on her way with a trusting grace,
And a dove-like look in her meek young face,
Which said, just as plain as words could-say,
The Holy Bible 1 must obey;
So, mamma, I'll be kind to my darling brother,
For "little children must love each other."

I am sorry he's naughty, and will not play, But I'll love him still; for I think the way To make him gentle and kind to me, Will be better shown, if I let him see I strive to do what I think is right; And thus, when we kneel in prayer to-night, I will clasp my arms about my brother, And say, "Little children, love one another."

The little girl did as her Bible taught,
And pleasant indeed was the change it wrought;
For the boy looked up in glad surprise,
To meet the light of her loving eyes;
His heart was full, and he could not speak,
But he pressed a kiss on his sister's cheek;
And God looked down on the happy mother
Whose "little children loved each other."

THE CHILD'S MORNING HYMN.

The morning bright,
With rosy light,
Hath waked me from my sleep;
Father, I own,
Thy love alone,
Thy little one doth keep.

All through the day
I humbly pray
Be thou my guard and guide;
My sins forgive,
And let me live,
Blest Jesus, near Thy side.

O make Thy rest
Within my breast,
Great Spirit of all grace;
Make me like Thee,
Then I shall be
Prepared to see Thy face.

CHILD'S EVENING PRAYER.

'Tis time to go to bed,
And shut my weary eyes;
But first I'll thank, for daily bread,
My Father in the skies.

I fear that I this day
Have not obey'd my God;
Blest Saviour, pardon me, I pray,
And wash me in thy blood.

I now am very young,
But as I older grow,
I hope to praise thee with my tongue,
And more of thee to know.

IDLENESS LEADS TO WRONG.

There is nothing worse than idleness, For making children bad: 'Tis sure to lead them to distress, And much that's very sad.

QUESTION AND ANSWER.

What have we to do with thee Jesus, thou Son of God? Matt. viii. 29.

To love thee, O, our Saviour!
To worship thee, O, our Creator!
To serve thee, O, our Master!
To follow thee, O, our Leader!
To learn of thee, O, our Teacher!
To thank thee, O, our Preserver!
To fear thee, O, our Judge!

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