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## WHAT MARY GAVE

Wex the collection is taken up in get bread for both. She could not 1 .. e seen I. Wurch, boess and girls put in money which ${ }^{\text {i }}$ Finurparents have given them for that pur- not effered to attend the dour and look after boed The money is not their gift, but that the kitchen fire while she was away.
af their father and bodter. They have lint las much to dend for pleasure siferiey had before. find bo $I$ once heard tr kind-hearted girl Topmplain that she ad shothing of her wathat she could tiva I will tell jou bon she gave in alize day, and you achit see that she ras mistaken. She aref an hour of whiknt care to ber tidisister, who was istaing teeth. She wala string and a a fooked pin and a d deal of advice絽e little threebas c!d brother whe manted to play in fishing. Shegave edien, the maid, the diecous hour to go fid fisit ber sick ef ibyat home; for filion was a widow, bs laft her child


Good-nigat, good night! the silver tone is ringing, Like a sweet bell that chimes at eventide; And round my neck the childish arms are clinging, With the soft clasp that none can turn aside.

Watch her to-night for me, thou dear Redeemer; Give her thine own best gift of aweet repose; Let angel-guards surround the little dreamer, With folded wings, and eyes that never close.

But this was not all that Mary gave She dressed hersolf acatls and luoked so unght and kind and ubliging that she gavo hur muthor a thrill of pleasure whenever she caught sight of the pleasant face. She wrote a letter to leer father, who was absent on business, in which she gave him all the news he wanted in such a frank, artless way that ho thanked his daughter in his heark Sho gave patient attention to a long, tiresome story from hergrand mother, though she hed heard it many times before. She laughed just at the $r_{\text {tht }}$ htime, and when it onded mado the old lady happy by a good-night kiss. Thus she had givon valuable preseats to six paople in one day; aud yet she had not a penny in the world. She was good; and she gave something of herself to all those who were so happy as to meet her.

Thy blessing maketh rich, nor addeth sorrow:
Thy love can turn life's darkness into day.
Be with my child when she shall wake to-mcrrow, And keep her feet from every evil way.

Then, when the last grey shadows have descended Over the lonely valley still and deep,
Let angels whisper, "Lo! the toil is ended;
Good-night; he giveth his beloved sleop."

## BABY BUY.

HY RFN, T. C BEADK.
Mantive a playthuge, just a toy.
Yet lalf aupremo though tmy, small,
We toss and catch him as a bal-
Uur darling baby bey.
The cat can rob him of his bread-
O. chnming, helpless infancy-

Yet in our littlo family
He is the chief and head.
A rare bufloon, a wit complete,
He makes us merry all diny long
With live short wurds and one wee song,
So simple, yet how sweet!
An orator of matchless akill;
We note eacis look, ench word, each tear,
And lly with mingled love and fear
To do his sovereign will.
$O$, should we, in our rapture wild, Great, gracious, gloriuus Deity, Euthrone our boy instead of thee.
Chastiou us, Iserd, hut spare the child.

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## KAXPPY DAXS:

TORONTO, JULY 9, 1687.

## A JEWEL FOR HEAVEN.

A Lb,iend tell us that an angel was commissioned to go to earth and search for a jonel unknown in luaven. He wandered through the earth and over the ocean, but could find none that be had not seen in his own home. Discouraged, at last he was abuat to take his departure from earth and gu back cmpty-hauled w heaven; lut just at that nownent he met a penicent returning tu his honio in twars. Unzeen, the angel raciucd forth his aing and caught a falling tear. This he bure up to heaven aud presented it before the thrune. God's greeting was, "Behold a jewel rarer than any of carth or Leaven - the tear of a sinuer's repentance!"

## A PROFOUND SECIRET.

"Can you keep a eecrot, Daisy ?" adked Nell Clay of her younger sister.
"Yes, indeed!" replicd Daisy, trying to look digunfied.

Noll bent down and whispered something in Daisy's ear, to which Daisy clapped hands, and cried, " O goody!"
"Remember, it's a profound secret," said sister Nell.

Daisy ran off to school, feeling very important, and overtook Coung Travers on the way.
" 0 Conuy," she said, "I know something arful nice!"
"What is it ?" asked Conny, opening her cyes very wide.
"Oh, I musn't tell," said Daisy, screwing up her lips. Sister Nell tod me this moming. It's a profound secret."
"Uh, my!" said Conny. "Can't you just tell me?"
"Nell xouldn't like it."
"She wouldn't mind me," pleaded Conny.
"Won't you never, never, never sell?" whispered Daisy.
"Never, 's long as I live!"
"Honest and true?"
"Truer'n steel!" declared Conny.
"Well, Sarah Boli's father is going to give her a piano for her birthday to-morrow, but they wouldn't have her know it for anything until she comes home and finds it in the parlour."
"How splendid!" exclaimed Conny.
"It's a profound secret," said Daisy.
A fow days later, Mrs. Bell called upon Mrs. Clay.
"I suppcse Sarah was surprised and delighted about the piano,"' said the latter.
"She was delighted enough," was the reply. "But she wasn't a bit surprised. She heard it at school."
"That Conny Travers must have told," said Daisy indignantly, after Mrs. Boll had gone home.
"But who told Conny?" asked Nell.
" I did, but I didn't s'pose she'd be mean enough to tell."
"And I didn't think you would," replied Nell.
"Well, children," said Mrs. Clay, "it's an old saying that 'if you can't keep your own secret, nobody elso will keep it for sua." If you will remember this it will save you a good deal of trouble."
"There's an older sentence that $I$ like much better," said sweet Aunt Pace from her window. "Set a watch, $O$ Iord, before my month, keep the door of my lips."The Myytlle.

## OBSERVE THE BIRTHDAYS

Let the birthdays of each member of family be always remembered when ? comes. Let there be something a littles of the ordinary routine in the arrangere of the tablo; cookies fashioned as Jotrs likes them best; ono of Frank's favour flum-puddıngs, or Julia's special likité loaf of ginger-cake; or a wonderful let: pie, such as only mamma can make.
Then there must be presents; sometis people may think they cannot be affort: but reflect. The little one needs sho: dresses, aprons, and many other things.
Purchase one or more for the birthd It will seem just as much a present tol as though she were not obliged to have

Next come school books and story bout a set of furs and a pair of skates (should birthday occur in the winter), a pret little dinner basket, or, if the parents c afford it, a little gold band for one of ( white fingers, a necklace, a watch witt shining chain, or the pony that has bs wished for so long.
Encourage the little ones in giving each other, and remember fatner's : mother's birthday too, and, believe me, will be bread cast on the waters; the di will only be a few ere some returns, there will be a never-failing supply as lo as you and your children live.-Mend Baptist.

## ONE DROP OF EVIL.

"I Do not see why you will not let play with Will Hunt," pouted Walter Kr "I know he does not elvays miud ! mother, and smokes cheap cigars and pif and once in a while swears, just a ht But I have been brought up better ti that. He will not hurt me. I should tt: you could trast me. I might do him sc: good."
"Walter," said his mother, "take $t$ glass of pura water and put just one drof ink in it."
"Oh, mother! who would have thor one drop would blacken a whole glass so
"Yes, it has changed the colour of whole, has it not? It is a shame to that. Just put a drop of clear water in and restore its purity."
"Why, mother, you are laughing at 5 Not one drop, nor a dezen, nar fifty, wlil that."
"No, my son; and therefore I cannot low one drop of Will Hunt's evil nature? mingle with your careful training, ma drops of which will make no impression him."-From Jurenile Magazine.


THE CORNSTALI'S LESSON.
by mis. Christine chaplin brush.
ONE single grain of corn took root
Beside the garden walk;
*Oh! let it stay," said little May,
|"I want it for my stalk."
And there it grew until the leaves
Waved in the summer light;
All day it rocked the beby ear,
And wrapped it warm at night.
And then the yellow corn-silk cameA skein of silken thread -
It was as pretty as the hair Upon the baby's head.

Alas! one time, in idle mood,
May puiled the silk away, And then forgot her treasured stalk For many a summer day.

At last she said, " I'm sare my corn Iv ripe enough to eat;

In oven rows the kernels lie, All white, and juicy swoet."
Ah! me, they all were black and dry,
Wore withored long ayo;
"What was the naughty corn about," She eaid, "to cheat me sol"

She did not guess the silken threads Were slender pipes to lead
The food the tasselled blossom shook
To each small kernel's need.
The roork her foolish fingers wrought Was shorter than a breath;
Yet every milky keruel then
Begau to starve to death!
So list, my little children all, This simple lesson heed:
That many a grief and sin has come
From one small thoughtless deed.

## PERSONAL TESTIMONY.

A young Cbristian traveiler found himself in a ccmmercial room one night, where, the party being Jarge and merry, it was proposed that each gentleman present should give a song. Many of the usual charecier on such occasions were sung. It canse to the turn of our soung friend, who excused himself on the ples that he kuew no songs they would care to hear. In delision a gentieman present asked if he could not give them one of Sankey's hymns, and several others cried out that they would join in the chorus. He decided to take them at their word, and choosing oue of the well-known hymns, with its simple gespel teaching, and with a silent prayer that God would use it for his giory, he sang as perhaps he never sang before. All present joined in the chorus. Before its ciose these wero moist eyes and troubled hearts. The spirit of jollity ard fun was gone, but the Spirit of God was there. Several gathered around ovr young friend thanking him for his song. He retired to rest, grateful for grace given.

He had not been long in his bed-noom when he heard a knock at the door. It was opered by a young iraveller who requested permission to come in. He was in deep trouble. The song had brought back to his memory ihe strains he lad heard a deceased mother sing. He knew his life had not been right, and the inquiry had been upon his lips, "What must I do to be saved?" He was pointeà to Christ, and retired with a brighter hope. Scarcely had this inquirer left than another knock was
heard nt the bed-room door. This time it whe an elderly traveller. The song romindod him of lost peaco and jos. II was a backslider, and the ringer had tho joy of poisting another sinner back to a loving Saviour. It was aearly two oclock leforo he could lie down, but it was with heartfelt joy and gratitude to him who had thas honoured his personal testimony for Christ.

## WIIICH WILL YOU CHOOSF?

Some little children were in the schoolroom talking.
Snid Sue Langdon, "I wish I had a new dress all silk and velve', like Amy John's. It's lovely!"
"I wish I had a bag full of money," said her brother I'om, "and I'd buy it for you; and lots of things for myself too."
" Hooks, and sleds, and tools, and everything," put in little Johnny, So all were telling what they wanted most. One girl in the group said nothing, till the question was put right to her. Then sho answered softly, "I'd rather have a cleau heart. Mamma says that's worth more than silver and gold and diamonds, and we can get it by just asking for it."

The little girl was right in her choice, and right in her thuught as to how it could be obtained. Of all the blessed things Jesus said we could have, none is more precious than this. "Blessed are tho pure in heart, for they shall see Gud."

## BIBLE GUESSING STORY.

ONCE there were two boys who were very warm friends. Ono of them was a king's son. The other had been a shepberd-boy, but he had fought a great battle, and had come to live at the king's house. He had also been anointed with oil, showing that some day he was to be king.

The man who was king then did not like the shepherd-boy. He was afraid that the people would love him more than they loved himself. So he tried hard to kill him. But God took care of him; for he had a great work for him to do.
But the king's hatred did not turn away his son's love for the shepherd-boy. It made him love him all the more. He knew that his friend would be king instead of himself some day, but he did not get angry because of this. Ho also warned him of danger and did all he could to help him. Can you tell the names of these friends?
There is a better friend than oither of these. He is a king, but he laid aside his kingly dress and suffered shame and pain and death for ua. He even offers to make us kngs and prests. Lo gou know who this friend is?-Selected.

## THE LOST DREAM.

1 Found our baby one evening, With her eses all full of tears, Grioving, I thought, o'er dolly, Or perhaps somo childish fears.
"What is it, littlo Blue-oges ?"
I asked hor with a amilo,
"I've lost my dream," she answered.
"I'm thiuking all the while.
"'Twas so much nicer, Aunty, Tana any you've ever told, Full of angols, and flowers and fairics, And palaces all of gold.
" I'm thinking of it always, But I can't romember yet,
And I s'pose the nicest, Aunty, I always shall forget."
Ah 1 dear little blue-eged baby, We all must lose our dreams;
And just the "losing" of them Is harder than it seems.

We strive hard to remenber,
We only catch a gleam;
The best and grandest of it Is always in a dream.
-The Goldon Rule

## GOD'S MESSENGER.

Into a very elegant palace car entered a weary-faced, poorly dressed woman with threo little children, one a baby in arms. A look of joy crept into her face as she sat down in one of the luxarious chairs. But it was quickly dispelled as she was asked rudely to "start her boota."

A smile of amusement was seen on several faces as the frightened group harried out to enter one of the common cars. Upon one soung face, however, there was a look which shamed the countenances of the others.
"Auntie," said the boy to the lady beside him, " I'm going to carry my basket of fruit and this box of sandwiches to the poor woman in the next car. You are willing, of course."
He spoke eagerly, but she answered: "Don't be foolish, dear; you may need them yourself, and perhaps the woman is an imposter."
"No, I'll not need them," he answered, decidedly, but in a very lorp tone. "You know 1 had a hearty breakfast, and I don"t need a lanch. The momen looke hangry, auntie, and so tired too, with those three Lutle babies clinging to der. Ill be back in a minute, suntio. I know mother woulda't like it if I didn't speak a kind
(word to the 'loast of there' when 1 meet them."
The worldly aunt brushed a tear from her eges after the boy left her, and said, audibly, "Just like his mother."

About five minutes later, as a lady passed the mother and the three children, she saw a protty sight-the tamily feasting as perhaps they never had before. The dainty saudwiches were eagerly enten, the templing fruit-basket stood open.
The oldest child, with her mouth filled with bread and butter, said, "Was the pretty boy an angel, mamma?"
" No," answered the mother, as a grateiul look brightened her faded eges, "not now; but he will be on the other side, bless his dear heart !"

And we, too, saic, "Bless his heart!"

## A BIT OF LOGIC.

luveus lay at full length on the sofa, and puffed a cigar, back parlour though it was; and when Mr. Parser reminded him of it, he said there were no ladies present, and puffed away. Between the puffs he talked:
"There is one argument against Foreign Mission work which is nnanswerable: the country cannot afford it. Two millions and a half of money taken out this jear and sent to the cannibals or somerwhere else. No country can stand such a drain as that upon it with everything else it bas to do Foreign Miseicns are ruinously expensive."
The two young sisters of Rufus, Katie and Nannie, stood on the piazza and laughed.
"O Rufus!" said Kate, " you won't take a prize in college for logic $\mathrm{I}^{\prime} \mathrm{m}$ sure."
"What do you mean, little monkey? And what do you know about logic ?"
"More than you do, I should think. Just imagine the country not being able to afford two millions and a half for Missions, when just a few years ago it paid over four millions for Havana cigars. Have you thought of that, Rufus?"
"And I wonder how much champagne is a bottle?" chimed in Nannie. "How much is it, Rufus? You know about ten million bottles are used every year. And O: why, Rufus, don't you know that we spend about six millions for dogs: Something besides Foreign Kissons might be given up to save money, I should think."
"Where did you two grow so wise? Whare did you get all those absurd items?"
"We got them at the Mission Band;
Kate is Secretary, and I'm Treasurer, and these figures were all in the dialogue that Dr. Stephens wrote for us to recite. If you choose to call what he says absurd, I sur.
poso you can"; but he is a graduate in College, and a 'Thecological Seminary beis' I mean to tell bim that yon think : millions and a half for Foreign Missis will ruin the country; I want to hear laugh." And then the two girls laugl merrily.
"You needn't tell him anything abe it," said Rufus, sharply. After the ran away he added thoughtfully:
"How fast giris grow up. I thow theso two were children, and here they ${ }^{\text {F }}$ with the Mission Bands, and their $h^{4}$ words about 'Sccretaries and Treasuren
"And their embarrassing facts abd moncy," interrupted Mr. Parker. "The girls bave the best of the argument, Rufuf and then he, too, laughen.-The Pansy.

THE BABY IN TEE STGRM
after a great wind-storm in Texas storm that carried of roofs of houses, in trees out of the ground, and did a greatd of damago-some men atarted out to set anybody was hurt. This is what one them tells: It was near night, and 94 dark in the woods, when they heard a c Thes stopped to look about and list They heard the cry again and then they some dark thing up in a tree. "It's a p" ther," said one. "Stand off ; I will shy it." "No; stop," said another ; "it is . a panther, I will climb up and see what is." Up he went; and what do you this he found lodged in the tree? A crade of a dear little baby in it. The wind blown down the baby's home. It had a ried off baby, cradle and all. The crel was caught by the branch of a high tis. Then the wind blew against it so hard the cradle was wedged in a crotch of tree. It was so fast that the men had saw amay the boughs to get it down. Th was the dear baby, all safe and somit in its cradle nest. You may be sure bath. mamma was glad enough to find the lit one, as she did the next day.-Examinet?

## THE GOOD-NIGET KISS.

Whatever cares may trouble your mit give the dear child a warm good-night $\frac{1}{3}$ as the little treasure goes to its pillow. memory of this in the stormy years of certain future, may be like Bethleher star to the weary, travelling shephens and looming up in the heart will rise sweet memory of mamma's and papa's goy night kiss. Never send the little ones bed with a scold; possibly before morn. you may regret the hast: reprimand. the little bud before it goes to sleep : part for the night with a tribute of love.

