

The BOYS of To-day, are the YOUNG MEN of To-morrow.



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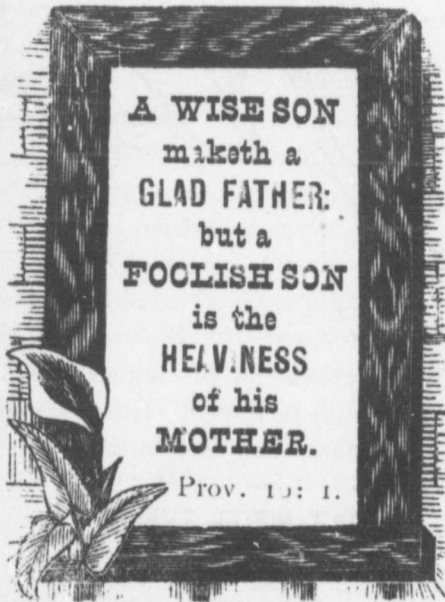
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BOY'S LECTURE COURSE.

WE know that our boys will be pleased to learn that the next lecture is to be delivered by Rev. Dyson Hague, who was the first Chairman of our Boy's Committee.

The subject chosen is one in which all are interested, and we therefore expect to see a large gathering on the evening of the 25th. Tickets will be issued at the meeting on the 18th.

The lecture delivered on the 20th of April by Mr. J. J. Gartshore was one well calculated to interest and instruct.

The attendance was good, and it is evident that the efforts of the Committee, and the kind services of those who have assisted, are being appreciated, and we have reasons for expecting that much lasting benefit will result therefrom.

BOYS LECTURE COURSE.

The Fifth Lecture of the Course, will (p.v.) be delivered on FRIDAY, May 25th. at Eight o'clock, P.M. by

REV. DYSON HAGUE,

SUBJECT: -- "Success, and HOW TO GET IT."

JESUS THAT GREAT SHEPHERD OF THE SHEEP. Heb. 13: 20.

MAKE YOUR MOTHER HAPPY.

Children, make your mother happy ;
Make her sing instead of sigh ;
For the mournful hour of parting
May be very, very nigh.

Children, make your mother happy.
Many griefs has she to bear ;
And she wearies 'neath her burdens ;
Can you not those burdens share ?

Children, make your mother happy ;
Prompt obedience cheers the heart ;
While a wilful disobedience
Pierces like a poisoned dart.

Children, make your mother happy ;
On her brow the lines of care
Deepen daily, don't you see them ?
While your own are smooth and fair.

Children, make your mother happy ;
For beneath the coffin lid
All too soon, her face, so saint-like,
Shall forevermore be hid.

TRUE COURAGE.

THE bravest boys are not always those who are ready to fight. Here is the story of one who showed true courage when provoked by his comrades.

A poor boy was attending school one day, with a large patch on the knee of his trousers. A school-mate made fun of him for this, and called him names.

"Why don't you fight him?" cried one of the boys. "I'd give it to him if he called me so."

"Oh," said the boy, "you don't suppose I'm ashamed of the patch, do you?"

Why, I'm glad I've a good mother to keep me out of rags. I'm proud of the patch for her sake."

That boy had the courage that would make him successful in the battle of life.

NOVEL ALPHABETIC ARRANGEMENT.



On the above, all the letters of the Alphabet may be traced. It also shows their dependence on each other.

DON'T WRITE THERE!

DON'T write there," said one boy to another, who was writing with a diamond pin on a pane of glass in the window of a hotel.

"Why?" said he.

"Because you can't rub it out."

Boys, remember that you cannot rub sin out. You may make an error in arithmetic, and rub away all the marks with a sponge. But a mark upon the

soul cleaves to it. We cannot rub it out.

There is but One who can remove sin. Only Jesus can save from its guilt and power. If we believe in him, He will wash away all our sins.

BOOKS.



BEFORE first made books in Babylon, where they fashioned them out of clay, and baked them like bricks. And ever since that period, men have been engaged in making books, until the accumulated knowledge of ages has reached dimensions that are simply stupendous. Thirteen hundred years ago there were but nine books in all England. They were the treasures of the monks of Canterbury, and they were the germ of the first English library. There are now over a million and a quarter books in the library of the British Museum.

But above all the books that ever were written, *one* stands alone. Well did the Greeks call it *Ho Biblos*. It is *the Book*. All others will pass away, but the Word of the Lord "endureth for ever."

JONATHAN EDWARDS when a boy, wrote in his journal, "Resolved to live with all my might, while I do live."



YOU, ME, OR ANYBODY ELSE.

ONE day a gentleman entered into conversation with a farm labourer, regarding his eternal interests. The man was very ignorant, and it was difficult to make him understand the simplest truths presented.

As they parted, the gentleman handed him a Testament, and said, "Get some person to read to you at the place I have marked."

About half an hour afterwards the man observed a boy passing homeward from school, so he called him over and asked him to read the chapter for him.

It was the 3rd chapter of John which had been marked. As the boy read, he was listened to with deep interest, but when he reached the 16th verse, the man stopped him, saying "What does that word *whosoever* mean?"

"I don't know, unless it means *you*,

me, or anybody else."

"Well," said the man, "why did'nt you read it that way at first? I can understand that easy enough. Now, read that verse over again, and put them words in instead of the long one."

The boy then read "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that **you, me; or anybody else** believing in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

At once the man thanked God for such a gift. The love was so wonderful, and those words made it so plain that it was for him.

Boys, have you learned that this wonderful love is for **YOU**? Remember, God so loved the **Boys** that he gave **JESUS**, that **Any boy** believing in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

A GOOD RESOLUTION.



MAN looking up from sawing his wood, saw his little son turning two boys out of the yard. "See here; what are you about George?" said he.

"I am turning two swearers out of the yard, father," said George. "I said I would not play with swearers, and I won't."

It would be well if every boy would take the same bold stand.



THE BIBLE ENIGMA.

CO correct answer having as yet been given to the Bible Enigma published in our last issue, we shall wait another month, in hope that some one of our readers may succeed in their search, and thereby secure the handsome volume offered by Mr. R. Kilgour.

Answers must be sent in by Friday June 1st.

DURING the absence of our Chairman, Mr. Findlay, (now on a business trip to Manitoba,) the Boy's meetings will be conducted by Messrs. Northey, and Walker.

Mr Findlay has promised to make notes by the way, and on his return will tell the boys about what he saw in the Prairie Province.

COME TO THE BOY'S MEETING.

SHAFTESBURY HALL,

Every FRIDAY Evening, at 8 o'clock.