

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



"OUR BOYS"



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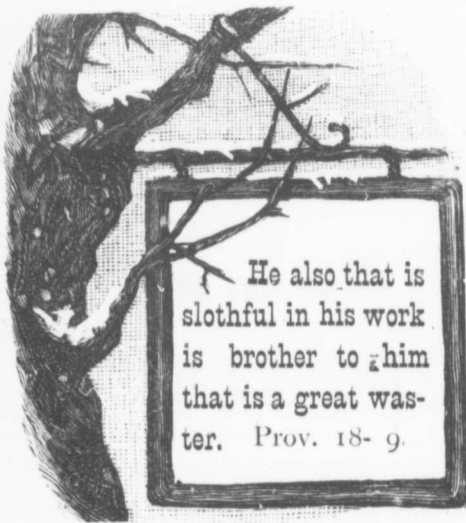
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### BOYS LECTURE COURSE.

THE third lecture of the course was delivered on Friday evening March 23rd., by Mr. James Mc Dunnough. The lecture was entitled 'Foot Prints.' The lecturer had devoted much time to the careful preparation of the lecture, and was rewarded with marked and earnest attention.

The lecture was calculated to encourage the boys, and lead them on in the paths of rectitude.

The next lecture will (D.V.) be delivered on Friday, April 20th, by Mr. J. J. Gartshore. The title is "Some things I saw during a visit to England."

### CORRESPONDENCE.

WE regret that our space will admit of but a few brief extracts from an interesting letter written by Charlie Edwards, and dated "New York, March 5th." He refers to the work of the Brooklyn Boy's Association, and he expresses a hope that the work in that City will be remembered by us in prayer, as they are not unmindful of our work. He says "I had the pleasure of attending the Boy's Bible Class, in connection with the Harlem Branch of the New York Association. This meeting has only lately been started, but it promises a rapid growth in numbers and usefulness."

THE WORD OF OUR GOD SHALL STAND FOR EVER. Isaiah 40. 8.

**NO.**

Would you learn the bravest thing  
That man can ever do?  
Would you be an uncrowned king,  
Absolute and true?  
Would you seek to emulate  
All we learn in story  
Of the moral, just, and great,  
Rich in real glory?  
Would you lose much bitter care  
In your lot below?  
Bravely speak out when and where  
'Tis right to utter "No."  
Learn to speak this little word  
In its proper place.  
Let no timid doubt be heard,  
Clothed with skeptic grace.  
Let thy lips, without disguise,  
Boldly pour it out,  
Though a thousand dulcet lies  
Keep hovering about,  
For be sure your heart would lose  
Future years of woe,  
If your courage could refuse  
The present hour with "No."

**A WARNING.**

**A** BOY who early smokes is rarely known to make a man of much energy of character, and generally lacks physical, muscular, and mental energy. I would particularly warn boys who want to rise in the world, to shun tobacco as a deadly poison. — *A Physician.*

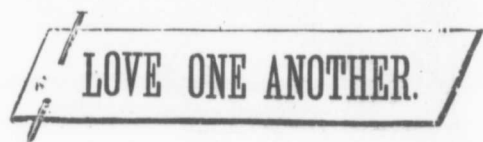
**Jesus said—"Suffer the little children to come unto me."**

**DIME NOVELS.**

**N**OT long ago, a murderer who had taken more than one life, fell into the hands of justice.

While in the court-room about to be tried he was suddenly seized by a mob of furious men, dragged out and hung to the nearest tree in the court-yard. On the night before, he told the reporter that he began his wild and lawless career by reading "blood and thunder novels,"

Will not our young friends, and especially our boys, take warning and touch not such poison.



**BE KIND BOYS.**

**Y**OU are made to be kind boys, generous, noble. If there is a boy in school who is deformed, don't let him know that you notice it. If there is a poor boy with ragged clothes don't talk about rags in his hearing. If there is a lame boy, assign him some part of the game which does not require running. If there is a hungry one, give him part of your dinner. If there is a dull one, help him with his lessons. If there is a bright one, don't envy him. If a boy injures you, and is sorry for it, forgive him. All the school will like you the more for observing these things, but above all will be the inward satisfaction which flows from well-doing.

THE WORLDS WERE FRAMED BY THE WORD OF GOD. Heb. 11. 3.

### THE LOST JEWEL.



ONE day an elegantly dressed lady while stepping from her carriage, dropped a valuable diamond ring into the gutter, where it speedily was buried in the refuse flowing towards the sewer. She looked in dismay at the foul and turbid stream which covered her treasure. She appealed to a policeman who stood by, and he consented to help in the search, but he soon gave up the task as a hopeless one. But the lady, knowing the value of the lost jewel, determined that she would herself take up the search. She laid aside her silk mantle, took off her kid gloves, pushed back her ruffles and laces, and bared her arm for the work. A crowd soon gathered, and stood looking, some jeering and laughing; but the lady heeding them not continued her search amid the

filth, until she brought up the precious jewel and carried it away in triumph.

Dear boys, do you not see in this, an illustration of the work of our Saviour? There were lost jewels in this world of sin. He knew their value, for they had been made by him. He was desirous that they should be recovered. But by whom is this to be accomplished? The Law, like the policeman, proved ineffectual. Was the search abandoned? No.

“What the Law could not do” God sent his Son to do. Jesus laid aside all the glory of his exalted position, came down into the world, and amid the astonishment of angels in heaven, and the opposition of men upon earth, he continued and completed the work He began.

Boys you are the jewels for whom Jesus sought, and by His Spirit he still is seeking you. He wishes to lift you out of the mire and filth of sin and give you a place with Himself in Glory. Will you let Him do so? That ring had no power to resist the lady, either in her search, or in placing it upon her finger. You however have this power, and it therefore increases your responsibility.

Don't resist any longer! **“Now is the accepted time; behold; now is the day of salvation.”** 2 Corinthians 6. 3.

**COME** TO THE BOY'S  
MEETING,  
SHAFTESBURY HALL,  
Every FRIDAY Evening, at 8 o'clock.  
**ALL WELCOME.**

AS BABES, DESIRE THE SINCERE MILK OF THE WORD. 1 Pet. 2. 2.

WE ARE BORN AGAIN "BY THE WORD OF GOD." 1 Pet. 1. 23.

### A LONG ROAD.

The road of **BY-AND-BYE**,  
leads to the Town of  
**NEVER.**

### POSTAGE STAMPS.

**P**OSTAGE Stamps have been issued all over the world, and it is estimated that there are now more than 6,000 different kinds. Upon them are to be found the effigies of five emperors, eighteen kings, three queens, one grand duke, six princes, one princess and a great number of presidents.

Some of the stamps bear coats of arms and other emblems, as crowns, the papal keys and tiara, anchors, eagles, lions, horses, stars, serpents, beavers, seals, railway trains, horsemen, messengers, etc. The collection preserved in the museum of the Berlin Post Office included, on July 1, 1879, 4,498 specimens of different postage stamps. Of these 2,462 were from Europe, 444 from Asia, 251 from Africa, 1,143 from America, and 201 from Australia.

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Course, will (D.V.)  
be delivered on **FRIDAY**, April 20th.  
at Eight o'clock, P.M. by

**MR. J. J. GARTSBORE.**

Subject, -- "Some things I saw during  
a visit to England."

### PRIZES AWARDED.

**M**ASTER J. D. SPENCE.  
has been awarded the prize  
offered in the March number.

The answer, which is to be found in the 7th chapter of the Book of Ezra, at the 21st verse, is as follows —

*"And I, even I Artaxerxes the king, do make a decree to all the treasurers which are beyond the river, that whatsoever Ezra the priest, the scribe of the law of the God of heaven shall require of you, it be done speedily."*

The peculiarity of the verse lies in the fact that with exception of the letter J, it contains the whole alphabet.

### A BIBLE ENIGMA.

**I** AM composed of 104 letters, distributed over the Alphabet in the following proportions,—

A-11; C-5; D-2; E-7; F-5; G-1; H-8;  
I-10; J-1; L-4; M-3; N-6; O-8; P-1;  
R-4; S-9; T-11; V-1; W-3; Y-2.

To write me as I appear in the Bible, you will require to use 4 Capital letters, 1 period (.) 2 comma's (,) and 1 semi-colon. (;)

Where am I to be found? By whom was I written? To whom was I addressed?

A handsomely illustrated volume is offered as a prize for the first correct answer received. The prize is the gift of Mr. R. Kilgour. Competitors must observe the rules published in our last number. Answers must be sent in not later than Monday, May 7th.

BLESSED ARE THEY THAT HEAR THE WORD OF GOD. L. 1. 11 28.