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South's Corner.

THE RED CRAVATS.

On a certain evening, about the year 1780, when the celebrated King of Prussia, whom they call Frederic the Great, was governing his country in peace...

Treuhert means "True-heart." Wellie is "Love-the-world," and also "Dear-to-the-world." Fritz is a familiar abbreviation of the name "Frederic."

mother's side, but my father was a Roman, an what's more, sir, I'll not let on to the priest any thing about it in confession...

from end to end. If it be not a whole cloud, what do you call it? C.—"Dispersed," "parts of a cloud." T.—"What do we see between the parts? C.—Blue sky. T.—And what besides? C.—The sun peeping through. T.—Yes, the sun peeping through. We have heavy clouds scattered through the sky...

C.—That the plants may grow the better? T.—Yes; but can you tell me another reason? What does he want for them when winter is approaching? C.—Warmth. T.—Does he take them from sheltered places and put them into a field? C.—No. T.—No knows that the winter is approaching, and he provides for the young and tender plants by putting them under cover, or in places of shelter.

anon opened up by the flickering silver. And thus it waxed and waned till about 30m, the troubled sky settled to its wonted rest. Whence sprang all this gorgeous display of phantasmagoric beauty? A few centuries ago, and our ancestors would have seen armies, and traced lines of battle in the aerial diorama.

THE HORRORS OF FAMINE.

A tale of what took place in Ireland last year.

"If the Priest," said I, "really believes that masses, anointings, and such things, can save a soul from hell, is he not guilty of a great sin in not doing all in his power to save a sinner from everlasting perdition?"

A TUESDAY AFTERNOON AT THE HOME AND COLONIAL SCHOOLS, GRAY'S INN ROAD, LONDON.

SKETCH OF A LESSON GIVEN TO THE CHILDREN OF THE JUVENILE SCHOOL.—THE MONTH OF OCTOBER.

1.—General appearance of Nature.

Weather in the beginning of the month sometimes calm and mild; sometimes the gales, which blow during the latter part of September, continue through the first week of October; heavy clouds, with bright gleams of sunshine, are seen throughout the day.

2.—Signs of Winter.

1. The days become perceptibly shorter, and the mornings and evenings become gradually more chilly, requiring change of clothing.

2. Vegetation begins to lose its colour;

some leaves of trees and shrubs begin to fall, and those which remain assume an almost endless variety of colour in their progress from green to brown. At a season of the year does nature present us with so many changes. This change of the leaves is chiefly owing to the gradual decay of the sap, which leaves them dry.

3. The gradual disappearance of insects,

and swallows, and other summer birds, together with the silence of the song-birds, though the song of the robin and the black-bird is still heard.

4. Flocks of water-fowls, and other winter birds,

of passage, now return, driven from northern climates by the cold, and in search of food. Of these are the duck, the woodcock, the snipe, and others; the latter feeds in soft, marshy places; the former are found in lakes and ponds.

5. Ploughing and sowing wheat.

6. Gathering in potatoes, turnips, beets.

7. Transplanting, collecting the remaining fruits, &c., &c.

8. Felling timber.

The superintendent explained that this lesson was on the calendar for October; it differed from the other lessons in being an examination rather than a lesson. The object here was to make the children observe the changes which took place in the weather, and in the animal and vegetable world.

Teacher.—What sort of weather have we generally during the month of October? Children.—Changeable.

T.—When is the weather most settled? C.—In summer and winter. T.—What is the difference between summer and winter? C.—It is warm in summer, and cold in winter.

T.—But does it pass at once from warm to cold? C.—It is gradual. T.—Which month of the autumn is October? C.—The second. T.—What difference would you expect to find between the weather in July and in October? C.—It would be much the warmest in July. T.—Yes. October and January would be about midway between summer and winter.

But suppose we take the beginning of October, what sort of weather do we find then? C.—Mild. T.—Do you remember what the mornings are in September? C.—Chilly.

T.—You remember that there are two periods of the year somewhat different from the rest.

Generally speaking, it is mild in October; but towards the end what is it? C.—Cold. T.—Yes, it is rather cold.

What is the appearance generally, if we go out into the country, and look at the sky? C.—The sky is hazy, and the clouds are black, and hide the sun. T.—Is it so always? C.—No. T.—What difference is there, generally speaking, between the clouds in October, considering the month as a whole, and such as we have to-day? C.—They are brighter and clearer in October. T.—What sort of a cloud is this which we have to-day? C.—A stratus cloud. T.—Yes; what they call in the books a stratus cloud covering the sky

THE SILVER CHAIR.

On Saturday a silver chair (as we have mentioned on a former occasion) was presented to Mr. Hertzfeld, the Mayor of Liverpool, in compliance with an ancient custom, if not a statutory law, of the borough, when the birth of a child blessed the year of mayoralty.

THE NEW ELECTRIC LIGHT.

On Monday evening, the 20th of October, we visited the Hanover-square Concert Rooms to behold this new light; and certainly were amazed at this additional triumph of science.

METEOROLOGICAL PHENOMENA.

On the evening of Friday last, the 17th current, from 10h. 15m. to oh. 30m. of the 18th, the sky presented one of the most brilliant exhibitions of what is commonly, but very inaccurately termed the Aurora Borealis, commencing with a dim arch of light, elevated about 15°, and resting on a base of about 40°.

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