

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



"OUR BOYS"



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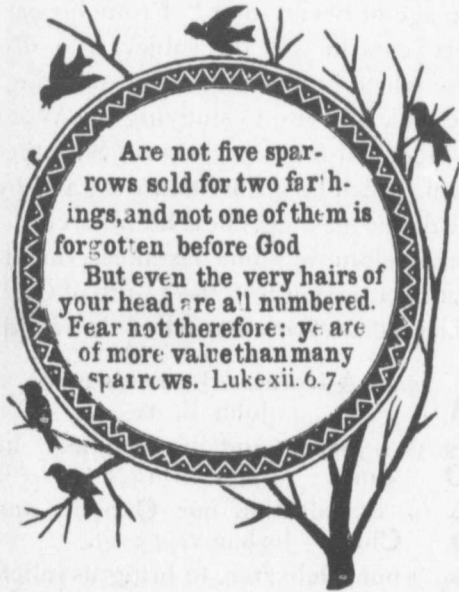
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Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God

But even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not therefore: ye are of more value than many sparrows. Lukexii. 6. 7

NEWS FROM A FRIEND.

WE have received a letter from Mr. C. Edwards, the former Chairman of our Boy's Committee. Our boys will be pleased to learn that their old (?) leader is prospering, and is as usual, taking an interest in the welfare of Boys. He writes

as follows,—“I have been at the Y. M. C. A. of New York, and also that of Brooklyn. The Boys work at Brooklyn is larger and more aggressive than that of New York, the latter taking the form of a Boys Bible Class for selected boys only. \* \* \* New York is a place where everybody works hard, and I assure you that no one works harder than Satan himself, for he takes great delight in leading the Young Men and Boys of this great city into the many diabolical traps, and dens of vice he has with malicious cunning, provided for their ruin.

Oh sir! try and keep the boys of Toronto at home, or at least until they have formed Christian principles and habits, which are alone able to keep them from yielding to the abounding temptations of this great city.” BOYS! REMEMBER THESE WORDS.

BOYS' LECTURE COURSE.

The Second Lecture

will (D. V.) be delivered on FRIDAY evening, Feb. 16th. at 8 o'clock.

Subject: — “History in Bronze.”

HONOUR THY FATHER AND THY MOTHER.

## MY SON, KNOW THOU THE GOD OF THY FATHER.

### WIDE-AWAKE BOYS.

**W**E have lately heard of a novel association that has been formed in Philadelphia. It is called the "Boys' Silk Culture Association of the United States." There are three of them associated, all school-boys about fifteen years of age. All these boys go to school, and devote their leisure hours to silk. They organized and rented premises in May, 1881, obtained eggs from all quarters, and during the season raised 10,000 worms.

The boys made all the necessary fixtures, trays, etc., and also invented an improved reel. They obtained permits to forage the parks for mulberry leaves until they could make other arrangements for silk-worm food. The season was successful; they reeled all their own silk and several lots from other parties.

The season of 1882 was started with a stock of over 200,000 eggs of French, Japanese, and native silk-worms, and their cocoonery is equipped for raising 100,000 worms. The business is growing and popular.

Perhaps some of our enterprising young readers may get a hint from the above, as to how they may commence a useful and profitable business.—*Illustrated Christian Weekly.*

### FINDING A PLACE TO PRAY.

**D**R. Milne, afterwards the famous missionary in China, when a lad, after leaving home, was situated in an ungodly family, so he used to re-

tire to a sheepcot, and there, surrounded by the sheep, he knelt on a piece of turf which he kept and carried for that purpose, spending many an hour there, even in the cold of winter, in communion with his God.

### TITLES OF CHRIST.

**T**HE author of the following Alphabetical verses on the titles of our Lord Jesus Christ, was John Stewart Gillies, who died in 1870, at the age of twenty-four. From his earliest years he was the subject of a disease which produced intense suffering. He took pleasure in studying the Word of God, and forming chains of Scripture truth, which he got written out; and by the divine blessing, these humble efforts were helpful in some instances, in directing attention to "the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

**A** is an **A**dvocate—Jesus his name.  
1 John ii. 1.  
**B** is a **B**abe, and in weakness he came. Luke ii. 12,  
**C**'s of salvation our **C**aptain and Chief. Joshua v. 13-15.  
**D**'s our **D**eliverer, to bring us relief. Psalm lxx. 5.  
**E**'s the **E**ternal, the Ancient of Days. Deut. xxxiii, 27. Dan. vii. 9.  
**F** is the **F**aithful, all worthy of praise, 1 Thess. v. 24. Rev. v. 9.  
**G** is our **G**od and our **G**uide from the fall. Jeremiah iii. 4.  
**H** is the **H**ighest and **H**oliest of all. Luke vi. 35.  
**I** is the **I**nnocent **V**ictim who bled. 1 Peter iii. 18.

## MY SON, HEAR THE INSTRUCTION OF THY FATHER.

MY SON, FORSAKE NOT THE LAW OF THY MOTHER.

**J** is the **J**udge of the quick and the dead. Acts x. 42.  
**K** is our **K**ing—let our hearts be His throne. Matthew xxi. 5.  
**L** is our **L**awgiver—serve him alone. James iv. 12.  
**M**'s the **M**essiah, by prophets foretold. John i. 41-46; iv. 25.  
**N** is the **N**eedful One, precious as gold. Luke x. 42.  
**O**'s the **O**mnipotent—make him thy stay. Revelation xix. 6.  
**P** is the **P**ortion that ne'er shall decay. Psalm lxxiii. 26.  
**Q** is the **Q**ueen, the bride of our Lord. Psalm xlv. 9.  
**R**'s the **R**edeemer—O! love you his Word. Isaiah xli. 14.  
**S** is **S**alvation from hell and from Sin. Psalm lxii. 1-2.  
**T** is the **T**ruth—let Him rule us within. John i. 14.  
**U**'s the **U**nspeakable gift of our God. 2 Corinthians ix. 15.  
**V** is the **V**ine—how refreshing its load! John xv. 5.  
**W**'s the **W**ay to the Father on high. John xiv. 6.  
**X** our **X**ample to live and to die. 1 Peter ii. 21.  
**Y** is His **Y**oke, which is easy to bear. Matthew xi. 29-30.  
**Z** is the **Z**eal for the house of His care. John ii. 17.

ALPHA and OMEGA, trust of our heart. Revelation xxii. 13.  
Our BROTHER, our PROPHET, our HIGH PRIEST thou art. Hebrews ii. 17.

GOD IS LOVE

MY SON, DESPISE NOT THY MOTHER WHEN SHE IS OLD,

STOPPING THE PLOUGH TO CATCH  
A MOUSE.



**P**ERHAPS some of our Boys have read a work by Rev. Chas. H. Spurgeon, entitled "John Ploughman's Talks. If so, they will remember the story which the above picture illustrates.

Speaking of men who have a great work to do, and which requires all their energies, yet are leaving it undone while they are squabbling over trifles, he compares them to the foolish farmer in the picture. There's not much profit in such a course. Think of a man and a boy and four horses standing still for the sake of a mouse!

Boys! don't waste time over trifles. Attend to the chief things first. Accept God's offer of salvation. If you are occupied with anything short of this, you are engaged with trifles.

A WISE SON MAKETH A GLAD FATHER.

OUR PRIZE COLUMN.

**I**N future all answers must bear a foot note to the following effect,—"These answers are the result of personal search."

Answers to be sent in before Monday March 5th. The prize will be a History of the Bible.

A BIBLE ENIGMA.

I am composed of 89 letters.—

My 8, 39, 73, 56, is the son of one who lived very near to God.

My 76, 5, 85, 11, 4, one of Israel's High Priests.

My 32, 60, 77, a country into which one of Israel's future leaders had fled.

My 59, 22, 89, 46, a word of rare occurrence in the Bible.

My 7, 65, 1, 33, 55, the father of the seventh King of Edom.

My 53, 76, 87, 52, 26, is what a prophet said would cover a mighty city.

My 67, 25, 69, 35, the former name of an Apostle.

My 61, 44, 16, 50, 3, 28, 42, 82,, 70, 26, was a conceited man.

My 88, 24, 41, 67, a month in which a great work was completed.

My 38, 30, 80, 79, the grand-father of a King.

My 72, 68, 85, 24, a man who built a city on a strange foundation.

My 57, 9, a heathen priest.

My 75, 64, 23, 84, 36, a place named in connection with the desolation of Moab.

My 14, 2, 18, 43, 31, 10, 76, 81, 19, 26, one whose presence gave pleasure to a Christian worker.

My 6, 47, 17, 7, 40 a nation whose King was deceived by a Patriarch.

My 12, 78, 74, something which abides fire.

My 48, 54, 62, something a captive refused to do.

My 20, 64, 27, 21, 49, a home exercise.

My 74, 80, 45, 7, 71, the father of one who led a nation into sin.

My 34, 13, 60, 29, something an army was forbidden to touch throughout a whole day.

My 15, 66, 78, 25, 58, a position given to a Merarite, although it was not his by birthright.

My 10, 80, 37, 51, 33, a King of Egypt.

My 83, 41, 3, 77, 22, 26, 63, what a prophet said should be done to a weapon of war.

My whole expresses a wonderful result arising from a wonderful source.

PRIZES AWARDED.

**M**ASTER BECKET, of No. 50, Queen Street (W) has been awarded the prize offered in our last issue.

REMEMBER

THAT A

BOY'S

MEETING

IS HELD EVERY

FRIDAY EVENING,

at EIGHT o'clock.

In Parlour "B" SHAFTESBURY HALL.

DO THIS NOW MY SON, AND DELIVER THYSELF.