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# SUNDAY SCHOOL GUARDIAN 

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Train up a Child in the way he should go:

of damàa.
and whon he is old, he will not depart from it.


## From the Sunday School Adyocato.

SABBATH MORNING REFLECTIONS.
'Tis sweet at carly Sabbath dawn To wait before the Lord,
To meditate his ways apon, To read his sacred word.
To thank him for his mercies past, And former vows renes,
That while our mortal being lasts Our service is his due.
To know 'twas on this hallowed morn Our Saviour left the tomb ;
And who are of his Spirit born Exultinessian ito sharsh
'Tis swcet to think that soon will ceasa The seenes of mortal strife, When sorrows shall be lost in peace, And death in cadless life.

Ohapipy hour, when Sabbath's sur Smiles on rebellious mèn;
Put, ah, how sodn their course is run; Ere scarce it has hegun!
Tet hapyy they to whom 'tis given To tread the narrow way:
It lead̀s of an etemal heaven, An endless Sabbath-day-
Brookilyn, 亡. $\check{L}$., Nov. 18.18.

## FORGIVE AND FORGET.

"I forgive the offience, but camnot forget," How often that language I've heard, And felt that forgise, in such company set, Wase rain and meaningless word.
Kiemember'd ofien must canker the heart, And poison the fountrin of love,
They rise like an iceberg to keep us apart Wherever our footsteps may rove.
At least I confess when my heart is made sore, And my feelings indignant I find,
The only true metiod my peace to restore Is to banish the cause from my mind.
I must enel to forget, or I cannot forgive, Howerer.my reason may serive,
For it whispers, if just, the resentment should live While I keep the remembrance alise.
Sid I tarn with resclute will from the thonght Whenerer it enteramy brain,
Till my rpirit enould find the tranquillity sought, Ad no angry etrotions rcmuin.

And I pray that the seal of oblivion thus set
No future remembrance may break, -
'Tis then I forgive, for the fault I forget No longer resentment can wake.

## JOSEPH AN'S IITS BRETHREN.

"It was very naughty of Joseph"s tirothers to use him so badly," said Mary to her fatler. Her mint was full of What she had heard about Juseph, so that she could not soon forget it.
"Yes," replied her father, "they did what was wrong, and this made God angry with them. Do you know what made them do wrong and act so cruelly?"
"It was because Joseph's father loved Lim the best, was it not ?" asked Alfred.
"It was because of this that they first Hism-tan-disite himp hathig yas not the true causo of their bad corduct. I will tell you what it was at the beginning of it all.
s Joseph's brothers had bad, naughty hearts. They did not love God, nor care to do what he told them. They had bad thoughts and wishes. Envy and hatred, and all linds of bad feelings, were in thejraminds; and they had not prayed to God to take away these bad feelings, and to give them good ones instead. So when they saw that their father loved joseph better than themselves, they began at once to hate him. There was nothing good in their minds to put a stop to bad feelings and actions.
"Let me tell you another great truth. Joseph's brothers were nut worse in their hearts than other menn; for all people are born iuto the world with bad hearts. All the sad and naughty things that are done in the word, are dune because all the people wholive in the world are born with hearts ready for sin. My little children were born with such hearts. You are sometimes naughty, are you not, Mary ?"
"Yes, father, sometimes," the little girl whispered.
"But if your heart wore not bad, you would never be naughty; you would never wish to do what you know to be wrong. You would ulvays love to do what you know to be right.
"When we blame others for bad actions, we should not forget that we vurselves of en do what we ought not,
and that we as well as they, were born with hearts ready for sin."-Great Truths in Simile Words.

## THE REST RECOMMENDATION.

Nicholas Biddle, Esq., late President of the Bank of the United States, once dismissed a clork, because the latter refused to write for him on the Sabbath. The young man, with a mother dependent on his exertions, was thus thrown out of employment, hy what so:ne would call an over-aice scruple of conscience. But a few days after, Mr. Bidule being requested to nominate a cashier for another bank, recommended this very individual, and mentioned this incident as proof of his trust-worthiness. "You can trust hime did he, "for he wouldn't work for

## GOLDEN RULE.

Deal with another as you'd have Anothet deal with you;
What jou'ro unwilling to roceise, Be sure you never do.

## SUDDEN DEATH OF THREE CHILDREN.

The Memphis (Tern.) Eagle mentions the following affecting instance of the sudden death of three little boys, seven or eight years old. They were at play, and not returning home as early as customary, were sought for by their parents, and the hat of ore of them was found at the foot of the bluff near the river by their almost distracted mother.

The father returning again to the spot where the hat was luund, discovered a little hand and arm extending above a pile of fresh dirt, recently fallen from the bluff, which revcaled the awful and heart-rending truth to the agonized parents, that the children were buried alive in the dirt! They were all threc immediately taken out, but were dead! They had evidently been at play under the bank, when it sudden? caved in and buried them. They had been missed about four hours when found, and wero covered wer but slightly with the dirt, their little bodics being not at al! bruised.

## ANTLQUTIES.

Bertha, dnughter of Chaubert, King of tho Franks, was married to Ethelbert, King of Kent. She was herselfa Christian, and on hor marriage it was agreed, that shas shand be allowed to worship God accurding to the rites of hor own religion. Queen Bertha, accordingly, mate use of a church firit builh by tho Romans. 'This sho repaired or robuilt. It has since undergone many changes, but the building is still preserved. It stands a little way out of the city of Canterbury, retains its ancient mane of St. Martin's, and is the oldest of the English Churches, heing upwards of twelve hundred years old!
The oldest deed now preserved in England, is one by which the same King Ethelbort conveyed a portion of land to th 3 church of Ruchester. Ethellhert died in the year 016. Of course the deed must be over twelve humered ycars old!
The oldest Euglish written laws, were those written laws or dereress in the old language, the old Einglish or Saxon tongue, put tirth by the au:hority of Ethelbert with the advice of his wise men. They were ateurwards in part takon by King Aitred into the collection of laws which be made for the Luglish people. And some of them are doubtless in operation in every one of the United States this very duy!

## PERSONAL PIETY.

My son, it thón lookest rons sound comfort on carth, and salvation in heaven, unglue thyself from the world, and the vanities of it ; put thyself upon thy Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ ; leave not till thou findest thyself firmly united to him, so as thou art inecome a lunb of that body whereof ho is head, a sponse of that hus. band, a branch of that stem, a stone laid upon that foundation. Look not, therefore, for any blessing ont of him ; and in, and by, and from him look for all blessings. Let him bo thy life : and wish not to live longer, than thou art quickened by him; find lima, hly widom, rightcousne.ss, sanctification, redemption, thy riches, thy strength, thy glory. Apply unto thyself all that thy Saviour is, or hathdonc. Wonldet thou have the graces of God's Spirit? fetch them from his anointing. Wouldst thou have power against spiritual empmins? fetch it from his sovereignty: Houldst hou have redomption ? fiech in trom his passion.Wouldst thou have absolution? fetch it from his perfect innocence. Freedom Srom the curse ? fetch it from his crnss. Satisfaction? fetch it from his sacrifice. Cleansing from sin? fetch it from his bloud. Mortification? fitch it from his grave. Newness of liice fetch it from his rosurrection. Right to heaven? fetch it from his purchnse. Audienco in all thy suit? fetch it from his intercerssion.Wouldst the havo salvation? fetch it from his session [sitting down] at the right hand of alajesty. Wuuldst thou
have all $?$ fetch it from him who is "ono Lord, one God and Father of all, who is above all, through all, and in all." Eph. iv. 5, 6. And as thy faith shall thus interest thee in Christ, thy Head, so let thy charity unite the to this body, the church, both in earth and heaven. Hold ever an inviolable communion with that holy and blessed fraternity. Sever not thyself from it, either in judgment or affection. Mako account there is not one of God's sninis upon earth but hath a property in thee and thon mayest challonge the same in each of them; so that thou canst not be sensible of their passions; and bo frecly communicative of all thy graces, and all serviceable offices, by examble, admonition, exhortnton, consolation, prayer, beneficence, for the good of that sacred community. And when thou raisest up thine eyes to hoaven, think of that glorious society of blessed saints who are gone before thee, and are thero triumphing, and reigning in eternal and incomprehensible glory; bless God for them, and wish thyself with them; tread in the holy steps, and be ambitious oit that crown of glory and immortality which thou serst shining on their heads.-Dishop Hall.


THE LITTLE SCHOOL GIRLS.
"I would not have made up -with Susan Gray, if I had been you, Ella," sitid Alice Jones to her companion, as they walked along together from school one evening.
Ella Roberts and Susan Gray went to the same school, and had always been good friends until recently, when Susan had done or said something at which E:lla took oftence, and they had not spoken for several days.

Alice continued, "I You know she of fended you, Blla, and ever since your quarrel, she has been talling to the cther girls about you."
An expression of anger rested for a moment on Ella`s countenance, as Alice made this last remark, but it passed away as she replied,
"l am sorry Susan had talked about me, but indecd, I have not felt happy since I have been angry with Susan, yet 1 was determined not to speak first, when last night, as 1 Enelt down and was repenting, "Our Father," just as I came to that part, "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against
us," something seemed to whisper, Do you do so, Eila? if not you ought not to say that. After I lay down in bed, I tried to think about overyihing else, but Susan would come into my mind; and I thought all over our quarrel, and found I was to blame some too. I wished we were only friends again : and at last I resolved I would go to Susan to-day, and tell her how sorry I was we got angry with each other. This morning when I awoke 1 did not feel quite so willing to speak to Susan, but then 1 remembered mother always tells me when Idon't feel like doing right, I ought to kneel down and ask God to help me to do so. When I had done this, I was quite anxious for school time to arrive. Just as I came to the school door 1 met Susan, and I held out my hand to her, saying, Let's be good friends again, Susan. She appeared unwilling at first, but soon gave me her hand, and said she hoped we would never quarrel again.
"And now, Alice, don't you think I acted just right to speak to Susan?"
And who of my young friends will say that Ella did not act just right? Have any of you quarrelled with your schochmates? If so, do as Ella did. You will feel much happier than to indulge in bitter feelings against them. I will give you a text, which I wish all little school girls to remember. It is, "Be lindily affectioned one to another."—Christian Öbserver.

## 'THE LITtLE RAGGED BOY.

It was some time ago stated by a gentleman at a public meeting, that a friend of his being in Utrecht, formed an intimacy with a magistrate of that city ; but he had never heard anything of his origin till one day, be:ng at the magistrate's house, surrounded by elegance and comfort of every kind, the magistrate, said to him: "You see me now, Sir, surrounded by everything that can promoto happiness and comfort in my old age ; but perhaps you never heard what I was once."
"No," said my friend, "I never did."
"Then," said he, "I will inform you to what I ove all my present comforts. I was once a ragged, bare-footed boy, running about on errands in the streets of this city, of which I am now a magistrate, until one day a gentleman, who it seems had noticed me beforesnid to me: "My boy, I have often soenty ou thus wandering about the streets; I wonder you like it ; why don't you try to get some situation ?" I replied, "Sir, I don't know how." "Can you read?" "No, Sir. "Would you wish to learn 7 if you will, I'll teach you."
"He took the boy home, and taught him his letters; the boy seemed very grateful to his lind teacher, and continued to come till he was able to read. "Now," said the gentleman, "I'll teach you the commandments of God, and I hope you will endeavour to keep them."
"Yes," said he, " that I will." "I hope
you will," said tho gontleman, "but I am afraid you are very blind."
The boy, thinking he meant this literally, put his fingers to his eyes, "No Sir," snid he, "I can see very well, and 1 will learn the commandments, and keep them too."
"Don't be loo confident," said the gentleman. However he taught him the commandmants, and told him, he must make them the rule of his life. Every evening the boy examined his conduct by the commandments, and every evening he found himselfuneasy. The more he compared himself with the commandments of God, the more he found of his own deficiency in keeping th m , till he prayed to God to have mercy on him. and give him grace to keep his commandments ; and having adopted these principles his conduct was reformed, his practices were honest, he was placed in a situation of trust, and gradually rose from one thing to another, till, from the degrading situation in which he had lieen, he was raised to be a magistrate of the city.-London Teacher's Offering.

## TRIFLES.

" Think nought a trifle, though small it appear; Suall sands the mountain, moments make the year,
And trifles life. Your care to triffes give,
Else you mny die erc you have learned to live."

## HAlL-STORMS IN SOUTH AMERICA.

We were told a fact, which I would not have credited, if' I had not had partly occular proof of it; namely, that during the previous night, hail as large as sniall apples, and extremely hard, had fallen with such violence as to kill the greater number of the wild animals. One of the men had already found thirteen deer lying dead, and I saw their fresh findes. Another of the party, a few minutes after my arrival, brought in seven-more. Now I well know that oneman without dogs could hardly have killed seven deer in a weck. The men believed they had scen about fifteen dead ostriches (part of one of which we had for dinner,) and they said that several were running about evidently blind in one eye. Numbers of smaller birds, as duclis, hawks, and patridges, were killed. I sav one of the latter with a black mark on its back, as if it had been struck with a paving-stone. A fence of thistle stalks round the hovel was nearly broken down, and-my informer, putting his head out to see what was the matter received a severe cut, and now wore a bandage. The storm was said to have been of limited extent; we certainly saw from our last night's bivouac a dente cloud and lightning in this direction. It is marvellous how such strong animals as deer could thus have been killed; but I have no doubt, from the evidence I have given, that the story is not in the least exaggerated. ${ }^{*}$

- Darmisis Journat of angage Round the World.



## MEMORY AND GRATITLDE OF THE HORSE.

A curious circunstance caune under the personal notice of Colonel Hamilton Sinith, at once proving both the memory and attachment of the horse. The colonel had a charger in his pnssession for two years, which he lett with the army, but which was brought back and sold in London. About three years afterwards the colonel chanced to travel up to town, and at a relay, on getting out of the mail, the off-wheel horse attracted his attention ; on going near to cxamine it with more care he foumd the nuimal recognizing him, and testifying its satisfaction by rubbing his head against him, and making every moment a little stamp with his forefeet, to the surprise of the coachman, who asked if the horse was not an old acquaintance. It was,-it was his own old charger!

A lady remarkable for benevolenec to the brute creation, observed from her garden gate one day a miscrable horse, with the shoulder raw and bleeding, attempting to graze on an open spot adjacent. Having, by means of some bread, coaved the poor animal to the gate, she thon managed, wilh some assistance, to civer the wound with adbesive plaster spread on a picce ot soft leather. The man to whom the animal belonged (one of those ignorant and careless beings who are indifferent to the sufferings of any but themselves) shortly afterwards led the horse away. The next day, however, the horse made his appearance again at the gate, over which he put his head and gently neighed. On looking at him it was found that the plaster was removed, either by the animal's master or by the rubbing of the ill-made collar in which he worked. The plaster was renewed. The third day he appeared again, requiring the same attention, which he solicited in a similar manner. After this the plaster was allowed to remain, and the horse recovered ; but ever after, whenever it saw its benefactress, It would immediately approach her, and by voice and action testify its sense of her kindness and notice. This anecdote, for the truth of which we can personally testify, proves how sensible the horse is of human treatment, and how grateful for benefits bestowed. Considerate trentment and every care are duc to an animal from whose services man derives such important benefits; but too often
 perform, not only towards his fellowman, but towards those domestic animals which Providence has intrusted to liim for hisis welfare.

> ciristian rinion.
> Why thonld we duller by the way?
> Why should diessentions come?
> We hope to spend un endless day
> In one eternal home.

## HELP ONE ANOTHER.

A traveller, who was crossing over the Alps, was overtaken by a snow-storm at the top of a high mountain. The cold became intense. The air was thick with sleet, and the piercing wind seomed to ponctrate into his bones. Still the traveller, for a time, struggled on. But at last his limbs were quite benumbed, a heavy drowsiness began to creep over him, his feet almost refused to move, and he lay down on the show to give way to that fatal sleep, which is the last stage of extreme cold, and from which he would certainly never have waked up again in this world.

Just at that moment, he saw another poor traveller coming up along the road. The mhaply inan seemed to be, if possible, even in a worse condition than himself. For he, too, could searcely move; all his powers were frozen, and all appeared to be just on that point to die.
When he saw this poor man, the traveller, who was just going to lio down to sleep, made a grent effort. He roused himself up, and he crawled, for he wils scarcely able to walk, to his dying fellow-sufficrer.

He took his hands into his own and tried to warn them. He chafed his temples; the rubled his feet; he applied fricton to his body. And all the timic he spoke cheering words into his ear and tried to conafire thim.
As he did thus, the dying man began to revive, his powers were restored, and he frlt able to go forward. But this was not all; for his kind benefnctor too wes recovered by the efforts which he had made to save his friend,--the exertion of rubbing made the blood to circulate again in his own body. He grew warm by trying to warm the other. His drowsiness went ofl; he no longer wished to sleep; his limbs returned again to their proper force, and the two travellers went on their way together, happy and congratulating one anuther on their escape.

Soon the snow-storm passed away; the mountain was crossed, and they reached their homes in safety.

If you feel your heart cold towards Gol and your soul almost ready to per-i-h, try to do something which may help: another soul to lifie nud make his heart glad; and you will ofien find it the best way to warm and restore and gludden your own.-Missionary Magazine.

## SIMPLE FAITIT.

A story is told of a child in Missouri who was lost in the woods. In giving an account of his wanderings ho simply says, "it grew very dark, and I aske God to take care of little Johnny, a: then I went to sleep."

## NABB.ATI SCHOOL IIYMN.

Trar.-Christmas Dav.
To the Sunday Schonl were geinge,
And Gol's love our hearte icriluwing,
And to whom all faver"e owme: In the blest Sablath orhous.

Cnnnus.-W'e'se a band of rhaldren, Wrire a band of chhilraz, We're a band of chadrese, Of the Sabliati ectiool.
tlere she trutha of iaspiration leong read with admiration. And with souls of adorntinn, In the blest Sabbath school.

Cronus.-Were a band of childien, \&e.
Here the words of life are lenreing, And nur youthful hentes are hurming With Christ's iove, to whom we're turning In the blest Sabbath .echerl.
Cronus.-Wa're a bind of chaldren, \&e.
Tere the plan of trim alvaim
ls enjoyrd with admiration,
And with souls of nelnation
In the bleat Sabbath + thom.
Cuonus.-We're a lisnd oi children, \&e.
Yea, the prospect is most cherring, And the children most endearing, When we see the thenvenwardsteering In the blest Snbbath school. With our band of teachere With our band of teachere, With our band of teachera, Aud wath parents at their side.
When eur dags on enrth are ended, May rur hearts hy love cemented, And in Christ der all contented
In the same s.abatn sebonel.
Wall our bathi at bearlaers, With our latad of tesehere, Wili nur band of teachers. And un: parentsthare the rame. - Mrrile.


For the Sunday Selinot Guarilan.
UNCLE HENRY'S TALES
my grandmamas fireside. No. 1.

> HENRY MLSGROVE. CHAP. 1.

Mr. Masgrnve was an Irish gentleman, the only sinn of a wealthy nnd infuential member of society; he also had many opportunities himself of becoming an erinent man; but he had early intbibed an unfortunate habit of drinking spiritous liquors, from the extravagant manner in which he had been brought up, which prowd itself a sure preventive in him to his suceess in after life. Neverthaless, in every other respect he was a gentleman, and to all appearance a

Christian. In travelling through tho western part of Ireland he became ncquainted with Miss Davis, tho eldest daughter of a wealthy farmer, who resind in that part of the country. During his stay at her father's residenco they hecame very much attached to each other; and her tather perceiving this, and having a linowledge of the wealth and influence of Mr. Musgrove's father, made no objection to their union, and they were in consequence married very shortly after. About a ycar after this took placo little Harry, the hero of our psesent narrative, was born, while his parents still resided in Ireland. We will pass over the first nine years of Harry's cxistence, as nothing of importance occurred during this period, except the natural decline of his mother's fortune and of his father's prospect, which together ended in their leaving Ireland to suck subsistence in a foreign country, all in consequence of that gricvous habit which 1 have before mentioned; and this is the epoch at which my story commences. All Mr. M.'s property, which had long before been mortgaged, was now disposed of on account of their mability to liquidate the debts for which it was thus mortgaged; but not only was their land squandered away, but Mrs. M.:s furtune, amounting to about one thousaud pounds, was also well nigh exhausted; and in this state of their aff fuirs, almost amounting to penury, they thought of embarking for America. It caused them many a deep drawn sigh beforn they decided on leaving their home, which proved to be for erer. But Mr. M. thought liy this means he would finally avert the many slights and jeers which he received from his friends, who feared that, in consequence of his addiction to liquor he would be a perpetual burden upon them. Foor Mrs M. saw that there was no alternative for her -she must either go to America or be for ever separated from her husband. At length they embarked from Dublin, in the carly part of the year, for Quebec, in the Province of Lower Canada. On the day of their departure from home, the poorer classes of the town in which they resided flocked round the door as though some kind benefactress had embarked on eternity; and they were now present to accompany her remains to the grave: every heart secmed full, and many a deep drawn sigh was heard, accompanied with the expression, "Och, and we'll feel the want of her, poor body, when she's gone; when we're lying sick and foeble, and not able to rise from our beds, we'll not have her to comfort us from the blessed word of God ;" and finishing the sentence with sobs their hearts seemed to dissolve into tears, whick rolled heavily down their checks. And truly they were justified in grieving for the ${ }^{4}$ 筑parture of Mirs. M., for she had been their ${ }^{\prime}$ greatest solace in the time of trouble. Shie had been early instructed by her Pastor, (who was a most worthy character,) in her duty to-
wards God, and in her duty towards her neighbour, and sho profited greatly by his instruction. She therefore took a great pleasure in soothing the bitter pangs of afliction with words of comfort from that blessed book, and at the same time she found it a most favourablo opportunity of imprering all instruction in iner power to the poor and needy. Many a hearty wish wasuttered for their safoty; and as the poor old women watched them until their oyes grew dim, they fell upon their knees, and there invoked the blessing of God Almighty upon the sorrowing wayfarers, thus illustrating the gratefulness of an Irish heart. They had not gone far on their voyage when Mrs. M., boing unaccustomed to the giddy molions of a ship, took very ill and was in consequence confined to her berth, and Mr. M. being obliged to devote all his attention to her care little Harry was left more to himsolf than he would otherwise have been. But Mr. Jones, the second mate of the ship, seemed from their arrival on board to have taken a great liking for Harry. Mr. Jones was an Irishman in the prime of life, possessed of $n$ heurt abounding with benevolence, and he was one who had the fear of God continually before his eyes. Harry was now nearly nine years old, and his mother who had been very particular with regard to his education and morals was very cautious in regard to the company he kept, therefore, when she heard that Harry had talien a fancy to Mr. Jones she was much grieved, for she had nlways been led to form so bad an opinion of sailors in general tlat she at once gave it as her opinion that Mr. Jones would corrupt her only son's morals, and requested her husband to check the intamncy between them at once; but Harry soon removed that impression from her mind by coming up to her bed-side and giving her a description of Mr. Jones, and told her Mr. Jones' kindness to him in explaining everything which he asked him about. "And mamma," said Harry, " he asked me if I said my prayers every night and every morning," and when I told him I did and that you taught me to say them, he patted me on the head and said I was a good little gentleman and that I ought to love such a good mamma very much." Although Mrs. M. expressed surprise at what seemed to her such an extraordinary occurrence, still might her eyes be seen to fill with tears of gratitude when she felt her own prostrate condition and her inability to reward Mr. Jones, should he have felt disposed to accept any reward for his lindness, and she uttered a silent prayer that the blessing of heayen might be poured dotwn abundantly on them both. In the meantime Harry asked his mamma's permis. sion who readily consented that he should go on deck, as it was a beautiful day, to hear a story which Mr. Jones promised to relate to him; and it is one which I have no doubt will interest you all, as it is Mr. Jones' own history.

Taronto, October 16ih, 1648,


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TORONTO, NOVEMBER, 1848.

## WALSE GODS OF TIIE HEATMEN.

Our youthful readers have heard a great deal about the iduls of the heathen, their nature and number. But it will perhaps surprise them to hear of a tomple containing not less than eighty thousand deities. Mr. Ingalls, on his return from the liemmee Mountains, visited the old city where the Kings of Arracan have reigned for several hundred years. Having visited this ancient abode of royulty, he says,-"Among the ruins of this ancient city, one stands preeminent, the temple of eighty thousand gods. Before I visited it, I questioned whether so many idols could be collected in one building. Athens, in the proudest days of her idolatry, boasted only half as many. I entered the court fronting this idol house, and was soon convinced that the estimate of eighty thousand iduls had not been exaror gerated. This court was twenty-five paces square; of hewn stone and brick. Here were idols piled on idols, row above row ; but broken and scattered in every direction, though as large as life and of the hardest stone. The spoiler had been there and done his work. This court fronts the strange idol temple. Here were arched halls of hewn stone, on three sides lined with idols; hut attempt a description I cannot. I walked through some of these dark, desolate halls, and found that the bat had made it its home; and the noise and scent of this filthy inhabitant could but remind us of the doom of idols in the book of inspiration."

## BO SOMETHING FOR THE MISSION CAUSE.

It is really surprising how much little fulks, as well as big ones; and poor folks as well as rich ones, can do, when they set themsolves about it, for the holy cause of Missions. There is not a little boy or girl that reads this paper but can do something Only set about it, and you will be able to give something at the approaching Missionary. Meetings. Let me tell you what a poor old woman did in England. She was well known to be very needy indeed; and
could hardly get a living at all; bit she offered to subscribe a penny n-week to the missionary fund. "Surely you," snid oue, "are too poor for to do this." She replied, "I spin so many hanks of yarn for a maintenance; I will spin one more, and that will be a penny for the sociaty." Well might the Rev. R. Whatson, who related the circumstance, say, "I would rather see that hank suspended in the poor woman's cottage, a token of her zeal for the triumph of the Gospel, than military trophies in the halls of heroes, tise proud memorials of vietories obtained over the physical strength of men."

## A LITALE BOY PRAYING FOR IIIS MOTHER.

We find in an exchange, the following touching and expressive illustration of the utility of Sabbath Schools. - A little boy, taught in a Sabbath School, praying for his dying mother! $O$, how many little boys and girls have reason to thank God for Sabbath Schools! A Gentleman was not long since called upon to visic a dying female. On entering the humble cottage where she resided, he heard, in the adjoining room, an infant voice. He listened, and found it was the child of the poor dying woman engaged in prayer.
"O Lord, bless my poor mother," said the little boy, "and prepare her to die. O God, I thank thee that I have been sent to a Sabbath School, and there have been taught to read my Bible, and there learned that when my father and mother forsake me, thou wilt take me up. This comforts me, now that my poor mother is going to leave me: may it comfort her, and may she go to heaven, and may I go there too, and pity my poor dear motber, and help me to say, Thy will be done."

He ceased and the visitor opening the door, approached the bedside of this poor woman,
"Your child has been praying with you?:
" Yes," said she, making an effort to rise, "he is a dear child. Thank God he has been sent to a Sunday School. I cannot read myself, but he has read that blessed book, the Bible, to me, and I hope I have reason to bless God for it. Yes, I have heard from him that I am a sinner ; I have heard from him of Jesus Christ ; and I do, as a poor sinner, put my trust in him ; I hope he has forgiven me. I am going to dic, but I am not afraid; my dear child has been the means of saving my soul. O , how thanliful I am that he was sent to a Sunday Sciool !".

## JOND ANNUAL ENAMINATION of the <br> ORO SABBATH SCHOOL.

Ono, Nov. 3, 1848.

To the Editor of the S'unday School Guardian. Rer. Sm,-Kinowing that you are always gratified at crery success nttending Sabbath School labenrs, and hoping it may prove interesting to the readers of your excellent Sabbath Schoul periodical, we ngain lay at your disposal, a short account of the state and progress of the Oro W. M. Sabbath School, during the past year.

Through the help of our Iteavenly Father, we have been cmabled to continue the Schoul during the whole of another year ; and such was the nttachment of the children to their Sabbath School, that even a considerable fall of snow would not prevent their nttendance, some of the elder ones having been known to convey their younger brothers and sisters a distance of about hnlf a inilo through the snow in a hand-sled, on tho Sabbath morning.

It gives us great pleasure to be again able to state, that although their number is not great, yet for good conduct they cannot. be surpassed by any; and their diligenco and attention to their lessons and the rules of the School, continue unnbated; and several of them are also, what all Sabbath scholars shonld be, members of the Temperance Society.

The sccond annual examination was held on Satitatit, $20 \mathrm{l}_{3}$ October, by the Rev. Horace Dean, of Rama, when the children, after having recited a number of hymns, \&ec., were examined in the Catechism and Scriptural knowledge, in which they displayed great ability; aftor whech an cacellent discourse, suitable to the occasion, from 2. Tim., iii., 15, was delivered by Brother Dean, who also expressed great satisfaction at the manner in which they answered the various questions put to them. The following is a summary of the progress mado during the yenr:
commited to memony.
Verses of Hymns ...................... 3.454
Verses of Scripture ..................... 13,196
Questions of Catechism with Proofs .... 4,559
Ruestions of Bible Biography ........... 216
Number of Names 20.
Eight of the leading doctrines of Christianity having been given to the children: to be proved from Scripture, 112 woll-selected texts were produced by one scholar ; 110 by a scoond, and 73 by a third.

We humbly hope aud pray that the truthe thus implanted in their tender minds may not be lost, but may yet be scen to bring forti fruit to the glory of God. Fearing we have already cneroached on the limits of your excellent paper,

We remain, Rev. Sir,
Yours, respectfully,
Wilitiam Fizrgusor.
T. A. Ferguson.


There is a strung Arm stretched out, upon which you may scize, and be drawn from those waves, and your fiect placed firmly upon the "Rock of Ages", There, and there nlone, you will be salie; the billows may dash and foam around yon,

## a (IUILD OVER THE FALLS.

Two or three werks since, a party of little children were playing by the brink of tho Niagara River. Thero was a boat partly drawn up on the store, and the children in their play were jumping in and out of it, when it suddonly slipped out into the waves, bearing one little boy with it toward the foaming rapids.

It was tho sabbuth, and the Churches were just coning out, when the alarm was given that a child was giving over the Falls. The poor mother of the litte boy reached the shore nmong the first, and saw her darling child drifting out in the rapids. A gooil swimmer might then have saved him, but tho only man near her could not swin, and before others came, he was beyond the roach of aid. The little fellow stood up in the boat, and strotched out his arms toward his mother; calling, "Mamma, mamma, take, me; 1 want to come to you, mamma;" while the poor frantic mother ran screaming and siricking along the shore, beseceling those near to save her child.
But nothing could be done; it was a hopeless case. A thrill of horror ran through the crowd, as the boat struck a rock, and was upset. and the little fellow was seen no more till his body was picked up some miles below the Fulls.
After hearing an necount of this sad event, which cene from one who witnessed it, I saw, in my mind's cye, nnother scene far more sad and terrible, and which should enuse in our heartsa deeper and more inionse interest than did this scene at Niagara.
I see hundreds of immortal beings drifting down the rapids of time toward the fearful precipice over which they will plnage into eternity. Heedless of approaching danger, they aro harried on, till suddenly they strike an unseen rock, disappear, and are seon no more. There is a time when they might be saved, if friends aro to put forth all their cfforts; but those who stand by seem not to see the danger, and raise not the warning voice. O how strange! how unaccountablo is this apathy? If their danger was to bo seen as plainly as was thatiof the child drifting towards the catnract, what efforts would be made, what : inrieks, what prayers, what warnings to them, what cries to Gud for deliverance!
If, my young friend, you have not given your heart to the Saviou:, if you are not in reality a Christian; ceen though all may seein smooth and pleasent around you, you are surely and certainly drinting on, and will soon be in the fearful rapids. But, remember, that you are not yet beyond the reach of salety.
but thoy can never disturb that "firm tiundution," or harm him who rests his hopes thereon. O seek that Rock in time, for the dreadiul precipice is just before you, and you know not at what moment you may strike an unseen rock, and dissappear Srom human sight for ever!-American Messenger.

## 1 HAVE LOSTIT.

"I have lost it ;" said Charles, as he came into the house, with a very sad countenance. "What have you lost?" asked his tather.
"My knitic-hat beautiful knife that uncle Philip gave me. I have looked every where for it, and 1 can't find it, and 1 shall never see it again."
"Didn't you sce it under the barn?" said his futher.
"Under the barn! Is it likely that my knife is under the barn ?"
"No I dont think it is; but as you said you had looked every where for il, you must have looked under tho barn."
"I didn't mean every where."
"I knew you did not; but you said so. Boys should always say what they mean. Have you looked in your pockets?"
"No, sir, but I have felt in them."
"I knew a boy once, who mado a great outcry about loosing his pencil, and when he was made to unload his pockets he found it."

Charles well knew who that boy was, and proceeded to imitate his example. He had a foolish habit, which some contract, of stuffing his pockets with a great varicty of useless or unnecessary things. He began to unload one pocket. He first took out some birch-bark, then a leather string, then a ball of twine, then a piece of Indian rubber, then a crooked stick, then a small gimblet, then a quantity of tow, then two or three knife-handles without blades, then a fish line, then some parched corn and beachnuts mingled together. It was pretty plain that it was not there; so he proceeded to unloud another pocket, which was filled with a similar pariety of articles. In the course of this process he came upon the lost knife.
"I have found it," he cried out, and proceeded to refill his pockets.
"Stop," said his father; "go to the corn-house, and get a corn-basket."
Charles went for the basket, wondering what his father wanted with it, but asked no questions. He was accustomed to obey his father without questionings and gainsayings. He brought the basket and set it down.
"There, now unlond all your pockels into the basket, if it will hold their contents."
"I guess it will pretty nearly," said Charles, proceeding to deposite one thing after another in the basket, till his pockets were empty.
"There," said his father, "don't you feel lighter now "
"I ihink I do some, sir."
"Well, keep lighter, then, and do not make yourselfa walking curiosity-shop; You have a basket to keep your thingsin.;"
"I'm glad I haven't lost my knife."
"I am airaid you have lost somelling more valuable:"
"When, sir?"
"This morning?"
"This morning, sir. Have I lost any thing this morning, sir ?"
"I am afraid you have. Indeed I know you have."
"What is it, sir ?"
"Try if you can't find it out yourself:"

Charles could not think of anything that he had lost that nuorning. He concluded his father must menn time, and yet he had been quite busy all the morning.
I will tell you some things which happened that morning, and perhaps you will understand that was the loss to which Mr. Neal alluded. Two boys were passing on their way to the villige, and fell into some dispute which ended in their coming to blows just in front of Mr . Neal's house. Ho saw them and called to-them to desist, unless they both wished to test the strength of his nrm. They stopped; one of them went on, and the other sat down on a large stoue by the wayside, and wept. Mr. Neal went out to him, and asked if he was luurt, and he said he was not.
"Is he hurt ?" said Charles as his father came in.
"He says he is not."
"What is he crying for, then, if he isn't hurt ?"
"Perhaps he feels bad because he gave way to his pnssion so far as to come to blows with his companion. Perhaps you had better go and talk with him about it."
"I don't like to talk with boys that fight."

Mr. Neal was called away at that moment, and said no more to his son about the matter till evening. He then had it in his thoughts, when he said, "I am afraid you have lost something far more valunble." What was in! It was an opportanity of doing good. To loose a a valuable knife is a misfortune, but to loose an opportunity of doing good is a far greater one. If Charles had gone and talked kindly to the boy, he might have excrted a strong influence for good over his mind. Charles should have been willing to talk with a boy who fought, provided there was nn opportunity of doing him good. Whatever you may loose never loose and opportunity of doing good.

From the Sunday school Advucate.
THE TREE AND ITS FRUIT.
sam AND JOHN.
Sam.
Down in the garden, close by the wall,
Thore stands a tree, it is very tallAnd its leaves are groen-it seems to bo In overy respect a goodly tree.

But I tastod its fruit, and O ! dear me, I thought no mure of that beantiful tree-
Tho face that I mado wonld have raised a laugh, For wormwood was never so bitter by half.

## John.

Thí ireo, yon will find, is known by its fruit. And not by its leaves, its branches, or root ; For often we see that trees outwardly fair Tho very quintessonce of bitterness bear.

And thus we may judgo by the actions of men, Of the heart that lies hidden so deoply within, By the actions, my friend, and not by the face, Or the beautifullanguage of swoetness and grace.

Sam.
Well, I think it is true; but I nover shoulid dream That a tree could so mench like a hynotrite scem, Stretching out its green arms to the glorious sky, As though it wero asking fur wings to fly.
And all the while, on its dark greon boughs, Such crabbod, and bittor, and sour fuit growsI shudder to think of the taste thut I took, And henceforth shall judge of the tree by its fruit.

## THF LAST FIVE DOLLARS.

A five dollar note was recently fhorman us, (suys the editor of the Sunday School Advocate,) with the following sentences written on the back of it:-
"This is the last of three thousand and seventy-five dollars, left to me by my mother at her death, on the 27 th day of August, 1840.
"Would to God she had never left it to me, but that I had been taught to work to earn my living! I would not have been what I now am, in degredation!
"Neco-York, July 1, 1845."

## WHAT A LITTLE BOY CAN DO.

Near Combaconum, in India, there lives a Hindoo, who once seemed truly sorry for his sins, and cast away his idols, and was baptized. After a time this man went back into the ways of $\sin$. He left the chapel and left the missionaries; and they mourned over him with great sorrow. But one day he came back to Mr. Nimmo, the missionury, and said, "I have been very wicked, and 1 can find no rest. I wish to be a Christinn. Will you receive me again, and take my children; for I wish to have them brought up in the fear of God." His wifo too joined in the request."What is it," said Mr. Nimmo", "that has brought you back again? How have you been taught to see the evil of your way?" "it is through our youngest boy," a little fellow of about six years of age. "My son is my teacher," said the father; "he serves God, and whenever I look at him I am ashamed
of myself:" "My boy is always persunding me to throw away my idols," suid the mother, "and I can no longer delay."

This littlo boy was a scholar in tho missionary school. Mr. Nimmo asked him what it was that had led him to servo God; and he said it was the questions that were put to himat the sehool. Sunday school teachers, you that have litte children, six years old in your classes, mark this; and Sunday school scholars, you little children, who are just six years old, mark this. Think what a little boy may do.-Miss. Rrp.


## THE MISCHIEVOUS BOY.

by isaact. hoprer.
I resided in Philadelphia, in the vicinity of a market. One evening, as I was quie:ly sitting with my family, 1 heard a loud rap at my front doar. Limmediately wen: to the door, and was surprised, on opening it, to find no one there. I shut the door, and turned to go to the parlor. I had hardiy procecded a yard, before rap, rap, went the knocker agnin. 1 hastily opened the door, but no one was to be scen. I concluded that some n. ${ }^{\circ}$ chic vous boy was disposed to have a little sport al my expense, but as 1 was not willing to be annoyed with mischief, I shut the door and leept hold of it. Vory soon the raps were repeated. I suddenly opened the door; but nobody was to bo seen. The evening was durk, and I stood in the door; the raps were renewed for a few seconds. 1 stood in astonishment ; but upon putting my hand upon the knocker the mystery was unsavelled. I found a string tied to it, and my little persecuter was standing behind one of the pillars of the market, with one end in his hand, operating upon my knocker at his pleasure. I closed the door, nad went out a back way, passed down the street on the footway, till I got some distance below the lad, when I turned and came up behind him, and took hold of his arm. He was very much alarmed, and began to entreat me to let him go, when the following dialogue took place :-
"Well, my lad, thou art amusing thyself at my expense. I want thee to go home with me."
"O, you are going to whip me; please let me go, and 1 will never do so again."
" I will not whip thee; but thou must go home with me:"

Aifer reneating assurances that I
would not whip him, at length the poor fellow consonted; but ho had no faith in my promise not to whip him, nad went in with the full expectation that he was to be punished. I sented him in tho parlor, and tooli a sent by his side. Ho was a tine bright-looking little fellow, about thirtec. N fourteen years of age.

1 asked him it he went to school.
Ho replied that ho did.
"Canst thou read?" I onquired.
"Yes."
"Well, let us read a few chaptors in the Bible."

I opened the Bible, read a chapter, and then gave it to him; and 1 was much pleased to discover that ho could read so well.

We spent about on hour in that manner, when I remarked that we had spent the evening very pleasanily together ; but I now thought it was about timo for him to go home.
"If thy father or mother inquire where thou hast been," I said, "tell them thut hast been spenting the ovening with me; and when thou feolest an inclination to be a little mischievous, call upon me. I shall always be pleased to see thee."

IIe left my house rejoicing, and never troubled me afterward.

## LITTLE THINGS.

There aresome boys as well as men, who are in the habit of calling some things litlle things.

There are some with whom 1 havo been acquainted, that would go into a neighbour's orchard without leave, and partake of the fruit, or carry it atvay, and when reproved for it, would endenonur to cxeus? themselves by calling it a liltle lhing.

Others would make a fishing or hunting excursion on the Sabbath, that holy day! and could make no other excuse than to call it a litile thing.

And still others would take the namo of their God in vain, and call down his displeasure upon themselves and fellows, with no other apology than the one mentioned.

Now if any of the children who may read this are guilty of such things, let me say to you, I am afraid yor are not aware how soon these little things, as you call them, lead to great anes. Look at that brook that goes murmuring beside your dwelling! You call it a litlle brook; you can dam it up or turn it at pleasure; hut follow it on, and you will find others all the way flowing into it, until in a few miles it bacomes a mighty, majestic river. So what you call ittle sins, if indulged in, will soon lead to great ones, which will stamp your character with infamy and everlasting disgraec.

Those whose crimes have carricd them to the prison and gallows first indulged in little sins. - Be careful then, children, of little things, for "the little foxes spuil the vines."


THE OREN ARK．
Como to tho ark ！－como to tho ark ：－ To Jenis como away，
The pentilonco walles furth by vigha， The urrow f．cs by day．

Come to the ath ！－mino waters rise， A＇ho ne：s their billows reur ；
Whifo durkness grathers oour tho skies， Bubold a rofugo near：

Come to the ark ！－All，all tisat woop， Densath tho senso of sill ；
Without，deep calleth unto doep， But ull is peace within．

Comis to tho ark－ero yot tho floods Your liug＇ring steps opposo ； Come，for the door which open stood， Is now about to close．

## DAYS WITHOUT NIGHTS，AND

 NGHTS WITHOUT DAYS．Dr．Baird，in his lectures at Hartford， Conn．gave some interesting facts．There is nothing that strikes the stranger more forcibly，if ho vigits Swecden at the sea－ nomf tho yen munan tha dinys ny a langest， than the absence of tho night Dr：B． had no conception of it before his arrival． He arrived from Stockholn from Got－ tenburg， 400 miles distant in the morning， and in the afternoon went to see some friends－had not takon notes of time－ and returned at midaight ；it was as light as it is here half an hour before şundown． You could seo distinctly！But all was guiet in the streets．It seemed as if the inhabitants had gone away or were dead． Nu signs oflife－－stores closed．The sun in June goes down in Stockhotm a little beforo 10 o＇clock．There is sreat illu－ mination all night，as the sun passes round the earth towards the North Pole，nnd the refraction of its rays is such that you can see to read at midnight．Dr．！B．read a letter in the focest near Stcokholm，at midnight，without artificia！light．

There is mountain at the fead of the Gulf of Jothina，where，on the 21st of June，the sun dues nut go down at all． Travollers go up there to seo it．A steamboat gues up frum Stockholm for the parpose of carrying those who are curicus io witness the phenomenon．It only occurs one night．The sun goes down to the horizon，you can see the whole faceof it，and in five minutes it begins to rise．

At the North Capo 72 deg．，the sun does not go duwn for several weeks．In June，it would be about 25 degrees above the horizon at midnight．The way the peoplo there knove that it is midnight， they seo the sun rise．The changes in those high latitudes，trom summer to win－ ter，are so great，that we can have no
conception of them at all．．In Uhe winter time，the sun disarpears，and is not ioen for five or six weeles．Then it come and shows its fice．Altorwards，it remalns for ten，fiftern，or twenty minutes，and then ducends，and finally it does not set at all，but makes nlmost a circlo around the Heavens．Dr．Daipl was asked how they managed inf regard to hirechpersons， and what thoy considored a dayi？Ha could not sny，but supposed they worked by the hour，and twelvo hours would be considered a day＇s work．

Birds and animals take their accus－ tomed rest at the usual hour．The doctor did not linow huw they learn the time， but they had，and gos to rest whether the sun goos down or not．The hens take to the trees about 7 o＇clock，P．M．，and stay their until the sun is well up in the morming，and the people get into this babit of late rising too．The first mor－ ning Dr．Baird akoke in Stockholm，he was surprised to see tho sun shining into his troom．Ho looked at his watch，and found－it only 3．o＇clock；and the next time ho awoke it was 5 o＇clock，but there was no person in the streets．The peo－ plo are not in tho habit of rising so－scon． The Swedes in the cities aro not very industrious，owing，probably，to the cli－ rrate．


A GOOD RESOLUTION．
To do as I＇m bid，I＇ll certainly try，
For my parents are older aad wiser than I．
This was a good resolution of a little boy whose name was Thomas，and who had been quite sullen and unhappy，be－ cause his mothe wished him to do some－ thing which he would rather not do． He lad often made such a resolution be－ tore，bat when the time came to keep it， the same sullen and disobedient spirit would rise and his resolution would prove as weak as aver．

Now he has began on a new plan． He asks help from one who is stronger than the strongest．He prays to Godifor grace to cnable him to obey．He asks for an obedicnt 7eart．If he gets this， as he surely will if he asks properly， he gets good tempers with is，for it is out of the heart that evil tempers come． If the fountain is sweet，the waters that flow from it cannot be bitter．－Youth＇s Penny Gazelle．

## CLEANLINESS．

Though I am not seen， I still will be clean．
The habit of cleanliness is very im－ portant to our health，as well us very pleasant to those with whom we hara anything to do．

A slovenly child is sometimes washed and dressed up，to go to a public meet－ ing，and those who see himi then hardly khow him，because he has been so changed by pure watorand clenn clothes．

But a neat child does not want to bo washed or dressed up every time he is to be seen．He nay have on old elothes， or patehed clothes，or clothes that do not fit him；but they are clean and tidy， and no ond is atraid to touch him，or to let him take anything into his hand．

Now what we want to impress upon the minds of our young readers is，that the only way to be meat when wo want to appear so，is to have the habit of ncalucss．－Youlh＇s Penny Gazcilc．

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