

Family Reading.

Winter.

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'Tis quenched! the maple's gold and scarlet fire. That glow of embers ere the flames expire. Which yearly light dead Summer's funeral pyre.

Select Serial.

CHRISTIE'S OLD ORGAN.

BY MRS. O. F. WALTON.

CHAPTER XI.

ALONE IN THE WORLD.

Little Christie was the only mourner who followed old Treffy to the grave. It was a poor parish funeral. Treffy's body was put into a parish coffin, and carried to the grave in a parish hearse.

landlady wished to let it for a higher rent. However, she gave the boy leave to sleep in the great lodging-room below, while she took possession of all of old Treffy's small stock of furniture.

'Yes,' said the old woman, 'they've all gone abroad for the summer; and then then she shut the window in a decided manner, as much as to say, 'And that's all I shall tell you about it.'

were way behind the others, and the owners felt correspondingly uncomfortable. Then, instead of going for a social, neighborly visit, we got there just at tea-time; we were not expected before, and, O Henry, such a supper!

Edna Love gathered innumerable hints for Carrie; and Mrs. Hunt, moved by a sudden benevolent impulse, offered to come and teach her certain new and intricate stitches of embroidery.

Youths' Department.

Original and Selected. Scripture Enigma.

No. 206.

Take one word from each of the following texts and show the teaching of the Apostle Paul with regard to labor: Boast not thyself of to-morrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth. Prov. xxvii. 1.

CURIOUS QUESTIONS. Literary Amusement.

No. 1. A CHARADE.

Please find a single word Composed of letters seven; Its meaning is quite clear, (In Webster's it is given). And when you've found it out, I'm sure that you will say: 'Tis quite 'remarkable!'

If you should now divide, And make it three and four, You may not able be To see it as before.

Restore and then divide This time in two and five, And then you would exclaim: How strange this sight to give, In furnished dining room!

No. 2. A very polite gentleman had eleven oranges to give to thirteen boys and eleven girls, and not wishing to show the least partiality in their distribution, he told them to stand in a row, and count off every ninth one to receive an orange, until the eleven should be given. It was afterwards found that each of the girls had received one. In what order did they stand?

No. 3. Make a word square of the six words here described each having six letters:

- 1. An important part of the British Empire.
2. A group of Islands in the Atlantic Ocean.
3. The original condition of a thing.
4. A fleet of war ships.
5. To make quiet.
6. In a leaning position.

No. 4. Form a double Acrostic of the following described words, and the initials will be a workman of great antiquity, whilst the initials will be a respectable tradesman:

- 1. A representative article.
2. A plant dangerous to touch.
3. A musical instrument.
4. Formed of natural branches.
5. A grandson of King Solomon.
6. An Austrian city.
7. A flag.
8. One who rules for another.

Find answers to the above—write them down—and see how they agree with the answers to be given next week.

Answer to Scripture Enigma.

No. 205.

- 1. Felix. Acts xxiv. 24, 25. [1], 16.
2. A braham. Gal. iii. 6-9; Rom. iv. 3.
3. I saiah. Isa. i. 2; 6-8; xxxi. 6, 7; xl. 18-20; xlv. 9-20; xlvii. 1-7.
4. T imothy. 2 Tim. i. 2, 5.
5. H ezeiah. 2 Chron. xxxiii. 6-8; 2 Kings xix. 6, 7, 35.

FAITH.

ANSWERS TO CURIOUS QUESTIONS.

498. Word-Squares: BRAD EDEN, RACE DATE, ACRE ETTA, DEER NEAR.

No. 495. Multilined Poetry. On God for all events depend, You cannot want when God's your friend.

No. 500. Wind. Kindness and Truth. True worth is in being, not seeming—In doing, each day that goes by, Some little good—not in dreaming Of great things to do by-and-by.

For whatever men say in their blindness, And spite of the fancies of youth, There's nothing so kindly as Kindness, And nothing so royal as Truth. —Alice Cary.

If there were no other argument for a future life, sin would furnish one never to be refuted, for it tells of a cause standing over between the Judge and ourselves, for the hearing and decision of which a time must certainly come. —Isaac Taylor.

He that will believe only what he can fully comprehend, must have either a very long head, or a very short creed. —Colton.