THE HELPER IN NEED.

When the way seems rough and thorny, And the heart is full of grief, Then the Saviour loves to whisper Tender words of sweet relief.

When the way seems long and dreary, And the goal so far away, Then the Saviour cheers us onward By the hope of endless day.

Oft the way seems lone and cheerless, Since the dearest friends are gone, But the Saviour, ever near us, Says, "With me you'r not alone."

Sometimes all the way seems joyous, And life but a summer day, Then the Saviour gently whispers

"Never cease to watch and pray." Thus the dear and loving Saviour Metes to us the help we need; May we till this life is over Own him in each word and deed.

C. M. N.

"NEVER SAY FAIL." This is very good advice—within limits—given by M Vinton in the following verses:

Keep pushing; 'tis wiser Than sitting aside, And dreaming, and sighing, And waiting the tide. In life's sorest battle They only prevail Who daily march onward

And never say fail! With an eye ever open, A tongue that's not dumb. And a heart that will never

To sorrow succumb-You'll battle and conquer. Though thousands assail: How strong and how mighty Who never say fail ! The spirit of angels

Is active, I know, As higher and higher In glory they go. Me thinks on bright pinions From heaven they sail, -To cheer and encourage Who never say fail !

In life's rosy morning, In manhood's firm pride Let this be the motto Your footsteps to guide : In storm and in sunshine.

Whatever assail. We'll onward and conquer, And never say fall?

-Christian at Work.

The fireside.

A TRUE STORY.

BY MRS. J. D. CHAPLIN. The fire had been replenished with large hickory sticks, and the blaze was dancing and reflecting its brightness in the polished andirons and fender, and casting shadows on the wall of the large old sitting

A white little hand had just brushed up th ashes, and drawn a great leather-covered chair on to the hearth-rug. Three young girls-one of the house and two

guests-seated themselves on low stools, making a beautiful picture in the firelight. "Come, grandpa, come!" cried the old man's pet. half playfully, half pettishly. "Your old tramp is fed and settled for the night; now fulfil your

promise of a story.

"Why is it, that we have to take care of all these beggars and stragglers? Captain Wilkes won't let one of their on to his premises; and the other neighbors only let them into their barns," she added, as the grand old man took his seat at the fire. "Be merciful, child," he said, "be merciful, All wanderers are not incendiaries or thieves. Circumstances may force a decent man or woman out into the world penniless and homeless; and

"I don't believe a word of it!" cried the spoiled little beauty; "but we'll forgive you, if you'll tell us a story now." "What shall I tell you? I never went to sea, I

was not in the war, and"-"Oh, tell us 'When I was a boy." I don't know anything of my ancestors," said Bell. "I once asked my father about them, and he said you couldn't remember either father or mother.' "He was right, child, and perhaps the very best

story I can tell a hard-hearted little girl to-night, will be that of my introduction to this house." Wasn't you born here, grandpa?"

" No, my child. "Where were you born?" "In Boston, I've been told."

"Been told?" cried Bell. "Don't you know where you were born?" " No, no more than you know where you were

" Fut I do know! I was born in this very house." "How do you know?"

"I've always been told so." . Oh yes; and so have I been told that I was born at the old North End-then a respectable locality-of Boston.

"Dr. Bruce owned this great farm, and had an girl named Hepsy, as help, and a stable boy we he read upon the one side the word, called in sport Flap-Jack, his real name being John (or Jack) Flack.

"The farmer on the place lived in the cottage. long fallen to ruin, where you see the old cellar full and upon the other, of burdocks and thistles in the great east lot." "Well?" cried Bell, as the old man paused and rested his head thoughtfully on his hand.

" One night the doctor and his wife were sitting just as we are here to-night, only that the lady was knitting good, warm stockings, as these ladies are not, when Squire Carter, the representative of this town to the General Court then in session in Boston, came in as for an evening's chat. But very soon it seemed that he had another errand. He

the poor woman and her child. She never came is good, Veal chops are best for frying; cutlets here; she was taken very ill from the weariness are more apt to be tough. In selecting beef, take and exposure. The doctor's wife took the baby to that which has a loose grain, easy yielding to pres-

s iring her that it belonged to a family of high re- roast is (for three) about two and a half or three spectability whose daughter had disgraced them by pounds of porter-house. Sirloin ranks next. A rump

him their own, and declined any farther remittances of money, on condition that the whole story of his birth and parentage were given them; otherwise they chose to make the sacrifice then, and part with him at once. So much did they fear losing him, that they were willing to make almost any terms with his natural (or rather unnatural) relatives.

selves never to reveal the particulars given them, and to give the boy their name and to make him their heir. "That is the way Icame into this house, where I have lived sixty-eight years!"

"One night they signed a paper binding them-

"Oh mercy, grandpa! Did you never know who

your mother was?" asked Bell. " Never. The squire told me in his last hours-I was a grown man then, and aching and hungering for some knowledge of my kindred-that his wife was under no oath, and after he was gone would tell me all.

"She hesitated and put me off, till her lips were sealed; and I have no idea to-day whom I belong to. The squire always doubted whether my mother really died at that time, and thought she was sent abroad, to be lost to her husband. Many a night in childhood and in manhood, and even in old age, have I lain awake imagining the face of my mother ! I have dreamed of her, and prayed for her, and if I reach heaven, dear children, I hope to meet her there. You who have been so tenderly reared, can have very little idea of the hunger of a child's heart for its mother. I had all the kindness I could have asked for, and if this story had never reached my haps help to solve the enigma. We smiled a little ears, I might have had a happy youth. As it was, at the time, but we have thought a great deal of it I was always restless, longing for something I could not define; and never had real peace till I found it in God and my own dear children."

"That's very, very strange, and now I see why I never heard of my great grandmother. But this isn't the kind of story we wanted, grandpa," said Bell. "We want to hear how you went gunning and fishing, and were storm staid in the woods; and how you shot deer and foxes; and how the wild Indians came round the house, and threatened to burn it down with all the family in it, if you did not give them what they asked for; and how the chief's handsome daughter saved you; and how she begged you to marry her and live in a wigwam, but you wouldn't, because you loved grandma-poor,

man. "That is all nonsense; I never was a sportsman; I never slept out of doors a night in my life; ful life, and have great reason to bless God for his Norristown Herald. mercies ; and I have tried to serve him faithfully. and to share my blessings with others."

"That's a strange story you have told us; but why did you tell it to-night, grandpa?" asked Bell. violets, which grow wild in many places; take the taken my mother and me in on that fearful night; it each time.—VIOLA. I might have been left at a poorhouse and grown up a vagrant. No, Bell, although you are now the small mistress of this house, you can never send a the thirteenth may be an honest man, seeking work; and he shall never rise up against me in the lastday and say, 'I was an hungered and ye gave me no be kept smooth and white by the free use of glycer-

eat, here. The world is full of sorrow and want, distant day this fine old farm and this great house ful two or three times a day.—VIOLA. will be Bell's, and I want the blessing of those "The young and happy have great need, child-

ren, to watch their hearts lest they grow hardened a shiver or a shake since.—Patrick. by the very blessings God showers on them. I know 'tramps' are numerous and troublesome, and sometimes dangerous. But for all that, I believe many selfish people turn every stranger from the door unfed and unsheltered, and excuse themselves by calling him 'a tramp.' What a terrible thing it BROOKLYN. would be if, in our meanness or carelessness, we your eyes and minds."-Chicago Standard.

THE MISSIONARY ORANGE GIRL.

Not long since a little girl peddling oranges is a delicious dish. Try it.—Christian at Work. entered a down town place of business in New York, and offered her fruit for sale. "How much a piece for the oranges, sis?" asked

a person standing near. "Five cents for the largest and four cents for the smaller ones," answered the child. The man who had accosted her uttered an oath,

as he exclaimed, "Why, you don't ask as much as that for these dried up little things, do you?" "What did you say, sir ?" questioned the little merchant, as she turned half away from her cus tomer, and took some fancy colored tickets from her pocket.

Instead of repeating his oath the man watched the child, and for some reason was impelled to say to her, "Well, I'll tell you what I will do now. I My whole is one who never lost a battle. will give you five cents for a four cent orange if you will throw in one of your tickets in the bar-

"Done!" said the little orange-seller, joyfully. So the purchaser passed over five cents, and re-So the purchaser passed over nive cents, and received in exchange a four cent orange and one of have to dim; change head, have an article of pottery;

When this man, who had been guilty of swearextensive country practice in this region. He had ing in the presence of a child, examined the card no children, and lived here with his wife, a Yankee he had bought and paid for at his own suggestion,

ETERNITY.

Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.

Does not this incident give us an instance of real missionary work from an unexpected quarter, and does it not seem that the Lord arranged for paying the little missionary on the spot?

SELECTING MEATS.

In selecting beef to roast, if it be for a small famisaid a lady had come to his house apparently in ly, the rib is by far the best and most tender cut; great trouble. 'She said she had been turned out have some of the bone removed; then make your erage; last star, a consonant. of doors by her parents, and was fleeing to L -an butcher skewer the beef. The best beef-steak for old friend-for shelter. She is in a sad plight; and broiling is porter-house. The best beef for a la I believe she has walked from Boston. I know mode is the round; have the bone removed, and who her father is, but I know nothing of the family trim off all the gristle. For corned beef, the round trouble. I do not like to appear as harboring her, is also the best. For mutton roast, choose the and came over to ask if you will shelter her till I shoulder, the saddle, or the loin and haunch. The can let him know about her. She has a little babe leg should be boiled. Small rib chops are best for in her arms, and is certainly an object of pity. broiling; those cut out from the leg are generally "The doctor and his wife, while they thought tough. Mutton cutlets to bake are taken from the 43.the politician cruelly cautious, consented to receive neck. For roast veal, the loin breast or shoulder oblige her friend; and the parents' hearts were sure, of a dark red color, smooth, with whitish fat; softened that they sent a close carriage for their daughter, and nursed her till death came and healpoor beet. Grass-fed is the lightest, ox the best, phant. Caracal. Gemsbor. Bloodhound. Leoel the breach between them—so the neighbors said. and next the heifer. Perhaps the nicest mutton pard. Dromedary. Jackal. Kangaroo. "Then the squire, finding the baby in such a roast is a smull leg, the bone taken ont, and the warm nest, urged the doctor's wife to keep it, as cavity stuffed with forced meat. The best beef a poor marriage; and that money would be forward- roast is very nice. Two to three pounds is agreat plenty ed from time to time for its support and education. for three In chops, I think that from the hind leg No. 23, 24, 26, 28 and 35. "They declined adopting the child, but kept it of mutton best, unless you can get a "meaty" sir- No-one-Knows. —We will make room for your 'for the present.' Weeks and months and years loin. The same in pork ; about one and a quarter WORD-HUNT. went by, and 'the present' proved a long time. On to one and a half pounds is, sufficient; beef-steak T. W. Musgrove, Wickham. - We are afraid our the boy reaching six or eight years, and having grown to be the idol of the house, the doctor and bis wife feared that he might be claimed some day

BUCKWHEAT CAKES When buckwheat cakes The good wife bakes, And browns them on the griddle, How nice they smell! She butters well! And cuts them in the middle.

Papa declares That anywheres No other cook can beat 'em ; With knife and fork They go to work, And, gracious! how they eat 'em!

Bethlehem Times. The buckwheat cakes That our wife makes. And browns upon the griddle, Are made up small-'Twould spoil 'em all To cut them through the middle.

And we declare We couldn't bear To have them slaughtered so-Make no mistake No buckwheat cake Is good when jammed to dough.

WHERE THEY LEARN IT .- "I don't see where my children learn such things," is one of the most common phrases in a mother's vocabulary. A little incident which we happened to witness, may, persince, and we trust not without profit.

"Bob," screamed out a bright-eyed little girl, somewhat under six years of age, to a youngster who was seated on the curb-stone making hasty pudding out of the mud in the gutter, : "Bob, you

mean? Where do you learn such talk?" exclaimed her mother, in a wondering tone, as she stood on the steps curtseying to a friend.

Angelina looked up innocently, and answered, Why, mother, you see we are playing; and he's dear grandma, how we miss her, and father and mother!"

Mr. 2002 foolish child!" said the old wentle
(Mr. 2002 foolish child!" said the old wentlemy little boy, and I am scolding him just as you

Agassiz says that if you leave your finger-nails uncut for a thousand years they will grow to be a and never saw a wild Indian! I chose to be a thousand feet long. We hope none of our readers farmer, although I might have gone into business will try the experiment. Finger-nails a thousand in Boston, or have studied medicine with father, feet long would look extremely vulgar, to say nothas I always called the doctor. I have spent a peace- ing of the inconvenience they would entail-

HOME HINTS.

"Because I wanted to teach you a lesson, my top and root and wash clean, and dry; make a tea, child. Suppose, little hard-heart, that no one had and drink several times a day; wash the eyes with ERRING.—Now landing: 30 brls. No. 1 Split HER-

To REMOVE BLACK HEADS FROM THE SKIN .-Black heads may be got rid or prevented from rewanderer unfed and uncomforted from its door! A dozen of them will probably be idle fellows, but turning, by washing with tepid water, by proper friction with a towel, and by applying a little cold bitting, and lace leather. Calf skins, splits, colored linings, etc., etc. TAKING CARE OF THE HANDS .- The hands may

meat.' It is far better, children, to err on the side ine after washing, and by frequently rubbing them of mercy, if we err at all. I will try all these men, dry in bran or meal. Apply glycerine before retirand if they will not work, then neither shall they ing, and sleep in warm gloves or woollen mittens. ASTHMA.—Take one half ounce of hydrate potasand we must all do our share to alleviate it. At no sa, put it into a pint of water, and take a teaspoon-

FEVER AND AGUE. - One pint of pure vinegar, ready to perish to rest on it, as well as the blessing and six ounces of salt, mixed. Drink one-half pint of mixture and in an hour took balance, when I was relieved of a black mass of bile, and have not had

TEMPER. - To keep your temper, -don't lose it. OMELET. - Four eggs, whites beaten separately : one large tablespoonful flour, one cupful milk, little salt; cook slowly and cover while cooking .-

ARMY HASH. - A favorite dish used in the Wesshould chance to shut the door in the face of one of tern army at officers' mess during the late war, and the least of these, His disciples, and so shut it a capital thing. Take any piece of beef, especially against our blessed Lord! 'Be ye merciful even a tough steak that your butcher has imposed on as I am merciful,' is a good motto to keep before you, take out the bone and trim off all the fat. Then chop the meat up fine—as fine as you possibly can-put it in a stew-pan over a fire, and cook, seasoned to taste with a little milk and water, till of a light coffee color. Serve on toast, hot, and it CRUST FOR MEAT-PIES. - One quart of sifted flour, three tablespoonfuls of good firm lard well chopped in, two and one half cupfuls of sweet milk, one teaspoonful of soda, wet with a very little hot water and mixed in with the milk; two teaspoonfuls of

> work quickly, and not make very stiff. PUZZLE DEPARTMENT.

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My first is good and deep, and free from wrongs My second to the end of many words belongs; My third is a weight of hay or cattle; T. W. MUSGROVE.

59. - LOGORIPH. My first is on what most people live; decapitate and have a boy's nickname; curtail, have skill; prefix a consonant, have a vehicle; change head, again, have distant; again, have a vehicle

60.—HIDDEN PROVERB. Heed not his counsels. He is in the office. The wine is unadulterated He is seldom here. They will never prosper. TWILL. 61.—NUMERICAL ENIGMA. My 5, 7, 2 is water : My 1, 6, 7 is a noted general;

My 4, 6, 7, 8 is an animal; My 3, 7, 2, 1, is a noted author: My whole, composed of 8 letters, is a noted Eng 62.—STAR DIAMOND.

First star, a consonant; first row of three stars, a domestic creature; centre row, discharges; a bev-63.—Cross Word Enigma. My first is in ear, and also in hear ;

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My second is in yes, and also in year; My third is in end, and also in send; My whole to the body does perception lend. No-one-knows. (Answers in two weeks.) Answers to Puzzles in Jan. 4.

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DOER Answers to Correspondents. T. W. Musgrove sends correct answers to puzzles

his wife feared that he might be claimed some day. round, if well pounded to make them tender, have puzzles are welcome, and we will try to find room for them. They then offered to make the best flavor.—Western Cattle grower.

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