We Know Him Well,

To those who know him not he may be-

We know him well. He is a man

Built on the most stupendous plar,

At home he's helpless as a baby.

Who strangely loves him as her life,

Wait on him with devotion rare

While with a most complacent air

Lolls around-because he's lazy.

His wife, afraid to own her soul,

Draws the water, shovels snow,

While, a giant, sees her grow

Chops the wood and lugs the coal,

More delicate and less admired,

Shame on this semblance of a man!

Shame on the woman, too, who can,

Se void of female spunk and sense,

And good for nothing! Spanking, maybe,

Charlie's Disobedience.

BY J. WILBUR READ.

are not going to take papa's revolver!

said it was to be left just where papa

"Oh come now, Susie, surely you

know that I am able to use a revolver.

I hope you don't think I am one of

those foolish people who handle guns

and pistols in a careless manner and,

after they have hurt some one say,

'They didn't know it was loaded.

Why, Susie, I am fourteen years old

tomorrow, and surely I had ought to

"Well I s'pose you had, but you

Ourfriends Charlie and Susie Gilbert

were the only children of Dr. Gilbert,

of Thornetown. Charlie lacked but

one day of having completed his four-

teenth year and his sister was three

years his junior. He was a gay and

frolicsome lad, inclined to be a little

headstrong and thoughtless, as most

boys of his age are. Susie, on the

contrary, was a demure little miss,

loving her dolls and the quiet of her

playroom, but at the same time look-

and ready brother who so often was

the cause of getting her into mischief.

his father's revolver from the bureau

drawer where it was kept, and had

been reminding him that he was tread

ing on forbidden ground. But boys

always know more than girls, especi-

ally when there are firearms in ques-

tion, so of course Charlie took the re-

volver and started off to join his chu.n,

He met Harry on the corner and

they started off together anticipating

a pleasant afternoon in the woods.

Down the long street they went, past

the church on the corner with the par-

sonage at one side, across the ravine

that now was naught but a dry water-

course, but which in the springtime

was a rushing torrent on its way to the

river on the other side of the town.

Across the ravine and up the hill they

of frogs shut up in her play house."

felt squeamish about handling them,

that he felt towards his schoolmate

darkened his usually frank and open

countenance, and caused a clinching of

his fist that boded ill for Ben should

"Well, let Ben alone for the present.

see if we can find that old grapevine

pulling the revolver out of his pocket.

day. "1992 hos puril 2 volly

he chance to run across him.

year ago." while you wave and al.

went, talking as they walked.

the school-room flour."

Harry Conover.

Susie had just found Charlie taking

know what papa said about touching

be capable of using a revolver."

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get it? Is it yours?" "N-n-no it isn't, and I got a lecture water from a spring close by. from Suse for taking it. It is father's "Let me see what I can do," said the

his drawer, so of course had to go to work and preach a sermon for my ful examination of the wound. Flushed with health and strong of limb. benefit. Just as if I was a baby who off. It makes me hot to see how women and girls can take on over nothing when they want to."

"Wonder why it is that girls are always afraid of a gun?"

"I don't know, and for my part don't care. All I know is that I've got the revolver and am going to see if I can shoot that cat-owl that roosts in the old oak near Price's blacksmith shop."

settler that for years had made its ness," said Charlie, turning to Mr. home in an immense oak standing a short distance from the blacksmith I expect you will do as well as any one. shop of Ben's father. The shop was located at a cross-road about two miles from town, and here Ben lived alone be desired, and he soon had the satishated the sight of a woman and spent again. Dr. Gilbert thought the lesson the most of his time over some invenfortune. As yet, however, he had not realized anything on any of his inventions. When not busy on some of his "Charlie! Oh Charlie! surely you models he managed to eke out an existence by shoeing horses and doing Have you forgotten that he has told us never to touch it, and how mamma

Ben, consequently, had grown to the whatever-Standard. age of thirteen under rather adverse surroundings. He had never known a mother's care since his father came with him-a boy of three years-to Thornetown, from no one knew where. As Mr. Price was very uncommunicative, no one had ever learned anything and rugs, should be thoroughly shaken of their past history, though the village gossips had long since made up the sunlight as long as practicable. If their minds to the fact that there was some crime connected with Mr. Price's former life which had caused him to take up his residence in a place where he was unknown, and there allow hi former life to become a blank.

On the afternoon in question, Ben was hard at work in their little garden that was surrounded by a high hedge just outside of which stood the old oak that Charlie and Harry were rapidly approaching.

"I wonder if Mr. Owl will be at home," said Charlie, as he and Harry came in sight of the tree from a turn in the road.

ing with admiration upon the rough day time." "Yes, there he is, and, by jingo, there he goes! Well, here goes for a

"I expect so, he always is in the

shot at him." So saying, Charlie fired quickly at the owl, which was flying very low just outside the hedge. His shot was followed by a cry of pain, which proceeded, not from the owl, but from Ben, whom as yet the boys had not seen. As he screamed he fell heavily on his side, while the blood streamed profusely from an ugly wound on the side of his head. Running to the hedge the boys looked through and saw Ben lying on the ground with his still, white face upturned to the afternoon sun, which shone down upon him as serenely as though nothing had

"Oh, Ben! what have I done? cried Charlie, as he burst through the hedge regardless of torn hands and

All thoughts of enmity disappeared "Say, Harry, I tell you what it is, I as the awful fact stared him in the face more than half believe that it was that that he had shot his schoolmate, and ful use. Others use for the same purdirty Ben Price that told Miss En- reaching the spot where Ben lay, apright the other day when I let that parently lifeless, he stood aghast as the garter-snake get out of his box and terrible consequences of his disobedistart out on a tour of discovery over ence burst upon him.

"Well, maybe you're right, but for killed you, Ben? Why don't you naphthaline, and other strong odorants my part I can't blame him much if he speak to me? If I had only done as are only partial repellents, and withdid. It can't be very pleasant for the father told me to and left the revolver out the precautions urged are of little girls to find some of your specimens alone. Oh, Suse, why didn't I listen avail. - Good Housekeeping. crawling round the floor every few to you?"

days. Ugh! I wonder how Suse felt These and many other broken senthat time when she found your colony | tences burst from Charlie's ashen lips as he lifted Ben's hand only to see it "I don't know, I'm sure, why it is drop lifeless when he let go of it.

that you folks are so awfully afraid of Sitting down and taking Ben's head an innocent little snake or animal that in his lap he tried to staunch the flow couldn't hurt you if it chose to. They of blood from the wound on his left never did me any harm and I never temple.

"Here, Charlie, don't take on so. either. But I'll tell you what it is, I don't believe its half as bad as it might owe Ben one for it and I will get even be. Just see if you can stop the blood with him for it if it takes till doomswhile I go for his father."

"No ! no ! He would kill me," cried As Charlie spoke the resentment Charlie in dismay, for he well knew

Mr. Price's evil temper. . "Oh, no, he won't, and he's got to know it at any rate, so the sooner the Filled with the music of the deep." better. I'll send him and then go for your father."

So saying, off went Harry on the Here we are in the woods. Now let's run, and soon found Mr. Price and started him to the garden, while he from which we got such fine grapes a threw a bridle on one of the horses and galloped off for Dr. Gilbert whom he "All right. But say, Harry, look fortunately found at home. It took here," said Charlie at the same time but a few seconds to tell the doctor what was the matter and start for the "How does that strike you. Ain't it a wounded boy who was found just as

Harry had left him, except that his "You bet it is, but where did you father was with him and Charlie was carefully bathing the wound with

and Suse found me getting it out of doctor, taking the wounded boy's head tenderly in his lap and making a care-

"Might be a good deal worse," said | sirape ihm lla ey polepe." didn't know which end of a gun went he, with some degree of hopefulness. "Oh, father, isn't he dead? I thought I had killed him," said Charlie, bursting into tears.

"No, my boy, Ben is worth a score of dead men yet, and with a little care will be round all right in the course of (BY MABEL I. GILMORE, Williamsburg.) a week or two. In the meantime, though, he must be well cared for."

"If you are willing, Mr. Price, and father will allow me, I will attend to Ben's wants until he recovers, and so The owl in question was an old do all I can to atone for my careless-Price, to which he made reply, "Well,

And so we leave them. Charlie, installed as nurse proved all that could with his father, a queer genius who faction of seeing his playmate around so practical that no comments of his tion or other that was to make his could impress it any more forcibly on his son's memory, so he refrained from saying aught in the way of reproof.

Charlie, we will have to confess, was ever after troubled with the same fear of firearms that he had so lately deodd jobs of smithing for the farmers precated in the weaker sex, and would never after use them in any way

Protection From Clothes Moths.

During the latter part of May or early in June a vigorous campaign should be entered upon. All carpets, ciothes, cloth-covered furniture, furs, and aired, and, if possible, exposed to the house is badly infested or if any particular article is supposed to be badly infested, a free use of benzine will be advisable. All floor cracks and dark closets should be sprayed with this substance. Too much pains cannot be taken to destrey every moth and every egg and every newly hatched larva; for immunity for the rest of the year depends largely-almost entirely-upon the thoroughness with which the work of extermination is carried on at this time. The benzine spray will kill the insect in every stage, and it is one of the few substances which will destroy the egg. I would, however, repeat the caution as to its inflammability. No light should be brought into a room in which it has been used until after a thorough airing and until the odor is almost dissi-

The proper packing away of furs and winter clothing through the summer is a serious matter. A great deal of unnecessay expenditure in the way of cedar chests and cedar wardrobes and various compounds in the way of powders has been urged by writers on these pests. But experience fully proves that after a thorough treatment in May or June garments may be safely put away for the rest of the season with no other protection than wrapping them closely in stiff paper.

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No. 140. -QUERY. (BY GRACE E. KING, Carlton, N. S. How many chapters are there in the Books of the New Testament?

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No. 142.-REBUS.

(BY MARY CLARKSON, Stanley.)

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No. 143. -BIBLE QUESTIONS. (BY DISRAELI PERRY, Havelock.) 1. Where are the words, "He stay eth his rough wind in the day of the east wind ?"

2. Where is, "For the ear trieth words as the mouth tasteth meat?" 3. To whom was it said, Stand still and consider the wondrous works of

4. Where is, "For the stone shall cry out of the wall, and the beam out of the timber shall answer it?"

No. 144.—Cross-Word Enigma. BY MAGGIE B. RING, Kemptville, N. S. In rake, not in mow; In peace, not in row;

In light, not in dark; In aim, not in mark; In age, not in youth In Maggie, not in Ruth; In hour, not in mine; In rum, not in wine; In sin, not in deceit;

In might, not in treat;; In night, not in day; In tell, not in say In eat, not in drink In float, not in sink: In life, not in death In air, not in breath; In grace, not in favour ; In mercy, not in Saviour; In noon, not in morning: In care, not in warning; In time, not in hour: In branch, not in bower.

My whole is a great helper.

No. 145.—CHARADE. (BY CARRIE WADE, Cross Creek.) When soldiers, wearied, sleeping lay Upon the ground so cold and damp, They have their guard by night and day To keep each first from out the My last I'm sure you oft have seen,

I'm told from sand they make it; 'Tis blue, 'tis red, 'tis yellow or green, And easy 'tis to break it. When once I sailed the briny sea,

Afar I just discerned a sail; But through my all then I could see Her spars and ropes all in detail. The Mystery solved in three weeks

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Then said the gentle mother, As she raised her trustful eye, 'Darling 'tis God who makes them, 'Tis he who lets them die : And though we weep and wonder We must not question why."

'Mother," again said Nellie, "When little Freddy died, And we laid him in the churchyard, Close by aunt Mary's side, Do you think that God was looking, When the sorrow made us cry, Do you think he really loved us When he let Freddy die?"

Then spake the mother bravely, Though grief was in her heart, 'Darling the great good Father Acts ever a loving part; He is so much wiser than we are That His ways we cannot trace; Yet must we ever love him, And trast his boundless grace. To us enough of knowledge In his best Word is given, And all that is now mysterious We shall understand in heaven."

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