Youthful Days Soon Pass Away,

ONWARD BOYS! be up and doing, Every time we know 'twill pay Catch the moments as they're flying Youthful days soon pass away.

Never stop like drones and idlers, In your youth be now in haste: Age will come, and bring its sorrows, Then beware the time you waste.

In your early life what pleasures Cheer you onward, day by day; Just the time to lay up treasures, Youthful days soon pass away.

Look around and see lives ruined. Here and there, on every hand; From their fate learn golden lessons, Take a bold and noble stand.

Do not be an idle dreamer-Let your hearts with courage thrill: On to distant heights advancing On life's long and rugged hill. Write your names on scrolls of virtue;

Let your deeds be just and true: Never pause in all your journey, But be careful what you do. Doers reach the highest summit. With bright laurels on the'r brow:

They were those who fought to conquer, Seizing first the golden "now." Let me urge, as one that loves you, Be in earnest while you may :

Youthful days soon fly away. One cause why so many failures Lurk around in various ways. Lack of care and cautious training In their early, youthful days.

Time so precious now is passing,

O how many wishes daily, They their lives might live again: If you'd not be of their number, Work like heroes, ne'er complain.

Idlers, beggars throng the city. Poor outcasts, and wretches too. From whose presence turn with pity, Learn a lesson, dare and do!

Every step, climb towards the summit Shun the many paths of sin: Now's the time in life's bright morning, In the narrow way begin.

Tread the way of wisdom gently; Working faithfully and wel'. Then the good you will accomplish, Other days and years will tell.

Let it ring down through the ages, That you did not live in vain; That you worked like heroes nobly For the victor's crown to gain.

To this end, dear boys, I tell you, Principle will make the man; Gold and silver, they will perish, Get them justly if you can.

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Wisdom, goodness, wealth and power Fill life's cup of joy each day ; But in boyhood, now remember, Youthful days soon pass away. -W. K. BURB.

Things Every Boy Should Know.

A word for you boys-a very praccical, sensible word-we quote from an exchange. Perhaps you are bewailing the hard lot that kept you from school last fall. Cheer up! According to this writer's standard, you have plenty of chances to be one of the world's giants after all; or, better, one of God's giants.

"I believe," says a Southern writer, "in schools where boys can learn trades. Peter the Great left his throne and went to learn how to build a ship, and he learned from stem to stern, from hull to mast; and that was the beginning of his greatness.

"I knew a young man who was poor and smart. A friend sent him to one of those schools up North, where he stayed two years, and came back a mining engineer and a bridge builder. Last year he planned and built a cotton factory, and is getting a large

"How many college boys can tell what kind of timber will bear the heaviest burden; or why you take white oak for one part of the wagon and ash for another; and what timber will last longer under water, and what out of water?

"How many know sandstone from limestone, or iron from manganese? How many know how to cut a rafter or brace without a pattern? How many know which turns the fasterthe top of the wheel or the bottomas the wagon moves along the ground? How many know how steel is made, or how a snake can climb a tree? How many know that a horse gets up before and a cow behind, and the cow eats grass from her and the horse to him ? How many know that a surveyor's mark on a tree never gets any higher from the ground, or what tree bears fruit without bloom ?

"There is a power of comfort in knowledge, but a boy is not going to get it unless he wants it badly. And that is the trouble with some college boys. They do not want it; they are too busy, and have not got time. There is more hope of a dull boy who wants knowledge than of a genius who generally knows it all without study. These close observers are the world's benefactors."

One mother to another: " How do you manage your boys?" "I don't." That is what it too often comes to.

Be Little Sunbeams.

Children, you are household suneams: don't forget it; and when mother is tired and weary, or when father comes home from his work feeling depressed, speak cheerfully to them and do what you can to help them. Very often you can help them most by not doing something, for what you would do may only make more work for them. Therefore, think before you speak or act, and say to yourself, "Will this help mamma?" or, "Will this please papa ?" There is something inside you that will always answer and tell you how to act. It won't take a minute, either, to decide, when you do this, and you will be repaid for waiting by the earnestness of the smile or the sincerity of the kiss which will greet you. One thing remember always-the effect of what you do lingers after you are gone. Long after you have forgotten the smile or cheerful word which you gave your father or mother, or the little act you did to make them happy, it is remembered by them, and after you are asleep talk about it and thank God for their little, household sunbeam.

CAT CLOCKS IN CHINA. - A gentleman in China, taking a walk, met a young lad, and asked him if it was noon, and received the answer; "The sky is too cloudy to see, but wait a minute," and then he ran toward the farm near by, and came back in a few moments with a cat in his arms. "Look here," said he; "it is not noon yet," and he showed the cat's eyes by pushing up the lids with his hands.

The pupils of cats' eyes are constantly growing narrower until twelve o'clock when they become a fine line, and after twelve they begin expand ing again.

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PUZZLERS' PASTIME | _ "Something attempted, something done."

The Mystery Solved .- No. 12. No. 58.-La Grippe. No. 59.-Mignonette.

No. 60.—1. Isa. 37: 37, 38. 2. Jer. 51: 61-63. 3. 1 Kings 13: 28.

No. 61.-1. 2 Kings 19 and Isa. 37 2. Yes, Isa. 55:7 and Ez. 18:21, 22.

> 3. Strong as death. Sol. Song 8:6. 4. In the war with death.

> > Eccl. 8:8.

No. 62.—Labor, apace, baths, ochre,

No. 63.-1. "The widow was very poor." 2. "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."

No. 64.-1. "Thou will shew me think it will enhance the interest. the path of life." 2. "I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy."

3. "The voice of the Lord breaketh the cedars."

- | The Mystery-No. 15. | -

N. B.—Puzzles, solutions, &c. &c., are solicited. Write all letters, stories, &c., on one side of the page only, and put solutions on separate sheets.

No. 76--PI PUZZLE. (BY ERVIN N. BABCOCK, Carleton, St. John.

"Adn eth yads tath vadid degnrei revo learsi wree tyorf earys."

No. 77.—BIBLE QUERY. BY JULIA E. BABCOCK, Carleton, St. John.)

How many times and where is eternity" mentioned in the Bible?

No. 78.—Cross-Word Enigma. (BY CARRIE WADE, Cross Creek.) In ash, not in oak; In up, not in down; In post, not in pole; In ant, not in bee; In end, not in side.

Whole is a girl's name.

A place for pigs.

No. 79.—DIAMOND PUZZLE. (BY ANNIE R., Carleton, N. S.) A letter. A boy's plaything. * * * Noxious weeds. * * * * * A Canadian city. A copper coin. * * * *

A vowel. No. 80. - WORD SQUARE. (BY "PHILOMATH," Queens.) A monarch; thought; dear; dress.

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No. 81.—ARITHMETICAL PUZZLE.

(BY ANNIE MCAFEE, Norton.) A frog fell into a well 40 feet deep. In jumping out he leaped two feet at time and slipped back one. How many leaps did he make?

No. 82.—CENTRE DELETION. (BY VAN," Lower Prince William.) I'm formed beneath the dark, blue sea By animals very small; Delete me now and there will be A fuel left to warm the hall.

No. 83.—NUMERICAL ENIGMA. My 6, 14, 18, 7 is a narrow street. My 3, 12, 26, 23 is tardy. My 16, 23, 2, 24 is a soft metal.

My 27, 20, 11, 19 is the price

My 13, 25, 18, 8, 15 is last, My 1, 17, 21 is to strike. My whole is a proverb.

FLORENCE SHAW. Brooklyn, N. S.

-The Mystery solved in three weeks .-

The Mystical Circle. CARRIE WADE, Cross Creek, our esteemed correspondent, has our

thanks for the nice puzzles. ERVIN N. BABCOCK, Carleton, St John, has our hearty thanks for puzzles. We highly appreciate your ef

JULIA E. BABCOCK, of the same place, also has thanks for the nice puzzles. We are pleased to hear from you at all times. Solutions to Nos. 54, 56, 58, 60 (1, 3) 61 (2) and 64 cor-

ANNIE RICHARDSON, Carleton, N. Mysteries Nos. 58, 59, 60 (1, 3), 61 (1, 3), 63(2) and 64. Come again.

WORD-HUNT Lists have been received from Bertha L Smith, Central Hampstead ; Marion F. Ring, Kemptville, N. S., and Lent Simms, Plymouth, N. S.

OUR LETTER BOX.

KEMPTVILLE, N. S., Mar. 24th, 1890 DEAR UNCLE NED, -I have been interested in the Young Folks' Column for some time, and will now try to write to you. I thought I would try for the prizes offered for the Word-Hunt competition. I have found 158 words. I am twelve years old, and I go to school. I am in Grade VII. Wishing you and the Column much success; I am,

Your new niece, MARION F. RING.

CARLETON, ST. JOHN, Mar. 24th, '90. DEAR UNCLE NED, -I received the

prize you sent me, though I did not expect to get it. Many thanks for it. I will send you a few Bible questions. ERVIN N. BABCOCK.

DEAR UNCLE NED, -I still feel interested in the success of the "Young Folks' Column." I therefore send you some matter which you may use, if you

Yours truly, "PHILOMATH." Mar. 14th, 1890.

[We are pleased to have such comforting words from a veteran puzzle worker. We take heart and go on. Thank you. - UNCLE NED.]

PRIZE BIBLE STORIES OF HONORABLE MENTION.

THE LIFE OF DAVID. (BY THERESA GAYTON, AGED 16 LOWER

ARGYLE, YAR. CO., N. S.) was the youngest son of Jesse, of the record of Solomon's repentance. tribe of Judah. In his early life he was a shepherd and tended his father's sheep. While he was thus employed C. C. RICHARDS & Co. the Lord sent Samuel to anoint him as king of Israel instead of Saul, who had disobeyed God's commands. David was at this time about 22 years old. He was not at once made king, but was made Saul's armour bearer. He then returned to Bethlehem, when a war broke out between the Israelites and the Philistines, but he soon returned and gained the victory over Goliath, the famous giant of the Philistine army. This great victory gained for him great renown, and Saul took him and would not let him go any more to his father's house. While there, David met Saul's son, Jonathan, and from that time the Scriptures say, "The soul of Jonathan was knit with the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul." Soon, however, Saul became jealous of him, for fear he would be thought more of than himself, and pursued him to take his life. He even gave him his daughter in marriage with the hops that she might prove a snare to him. After a while try. Jonathan and his two brothers, were

self defeated, fell on his sword and died. Then David ascended the throne as king of Israel. His first act was to provide a temple for God's worship. He wanted to build a very costly temple, but the Lord informed him that this should be left for his son Solomon to build. It was about this time, when the king was very prosperous, that he fell into temptation and committed the doable crime of adultery and murder. He was reproved by the prophet Nathan and repented of his sin, and even confessed it before his people. His confession is recorded in the 51st Psalm. David, in his latter life, was troubled by the cruel conduct of his sons. His favorite son Absalom raised a rebellion agains My 27, 5, 9 is a covering for the him which compelled him to flee from his capital. Absalom soon died, after this, and though it brought relief to My 4, 10, 11, 28 is an animol living the kingdom, it was a great grief to his father. David died sight years after his son's death, at the age of 70 years, having reigned 40 years.

DAVID.

(BY MAGGIE B. RING, AGED 14, KEMPT-VILLE, YAR. CO., N. S.)

David was theyoungest son of Jesse, the Bethlehemite, and tended his sheep.

He was chosen of the Lord as king over Israel, and anointed by Samuel. "And the spirit of the Lord came upon David from that day forward." Saul had been king over Israel but on account of his disobedience the Lord rent the kingdom from him. David became a bitter enemy of Saul's but was a great friend of Saul's son, Jonathan; and many times when Saul would have harmed David, he was spared by Jonathan. David was a very accurate marksman and once when in battle with the Philistines he S., correctly reveals the solutions to shot their champion, Goliath, with a sling and stone, and so won the

> David was a godly man, and the Lord made a covenant with him that he would not rend the kingdom from him as he did from Saul, but that after he was dead his sons should have it; and if they should commit iniquity he would chastise, but said "my mercy shall not depart from him as it did J. A. & W. VANWART from S ul."

David committed a great sin during his reign. When in a battle with the Syrians, David ordered Joab, the son of Zeruiah to place Uriah the Hittite in front of the battle so that he would be killed, and so David could marry his wife. This act displeased the Lord. Then the Lord sent Nathan to David, and Nathan said unto him's "There were two men in one city, the one was rich and the other poor. The rich man had many flocks, but the poor man had but one little lamb. One day the rich man had company and he took the poor man's lamb and

kllled it for the stranger." Then David's anger kindled against the man that did this thing, and said he should surely die. Nathan said unto him "thou art the man." Then the Lord said unto David, "because thou hast despised my commandments and done evil in my sight, and hast killed Uriah with a sword, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be thy wife, therefore the sword shall never depart from thy house, and I will raise up evil against thee, and will take thy wives and give to thy neighbours." Then David confessed his sin, and the Lord forgave him.

David died at the age of seventy years. He began to reign when he was thirty years old and reigned forty years. His son Solomon, who was afterwards king of Israel, was the wisest man that ever lived. "And it came to pass when he was old he forsook the God of his father, David, and David was born in Bethlehem and worshiped idol gods." We have no

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