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A Commonplace Child.

Mary's a common lace child," they Praising Roberta, Robert and Ray; Maurice and Ellen are smart as steel Bertha is handsome, and so is Neal; The baby's a cherub, so sweet and mild But Mary is such a commonplace child !"

Yet mirth and brilliancy seldom heed A dusty chair or a button's need, And beauty oftentimes wears a frown If given the task of mending a gown; And the mother sighs, in a disheartened

Gloves, Thinking the children grow worse each

But the freckle-faced girl, who at books is Runs up stairs, down stairs. to and fro,

Dresses the baby, the table sets. Washes the dishes, and feeds the pets; And the mother resting, from cares be

Thanks God for Mary, her commonplace

- Ladies' Home Journal.

Piloting a Craft up old Blue. A Temperance Story.

as he looked round on the walls of the camp on the southern slope of "Old Blue." It was a log-camp furnished with a

stove, table, two chairs, and three bunks on the west side of the cabin. Bob loved the camp. Once in a while he would come up from the farm of his father, Noah Woodbury, and passa day in the camp.

say. Then he could have company at | Mother-" every visit he made the camp. He was rather glad, at the time of this What did she say?" particular trip, to see a young man halting out in the mountain-road.

"Good-morning!" he cried, going to the door of the camp,

"Rather a bad morning for me,' started to climb 'Old Blue,' but I find it a long way." "I like his voice," thought Bob;

"and he has a pleasant face." The young man here fumbled in his pine."

pocket, and, pulling out a half a dollar, tossed it to Bob, saying:

much money in this place. Take pine.

Bob did not take it.

"I had rather earn it; thank you." "How so?" "O mother says we feel much more independent when we earn our money,

and then we value it properly." "Philosopher!" exclaimed the young man, laughing.

He roared out his merriment. "Well, then, earn your money!

How would you like-what is your target. name?" "Bob Woodbury."

"How would you like, Bob, to pilot this craft up Old Blue?"

"I should like it first-rate." "All right! Pilot away!"

Bob, the pilot, went ahead; his companion came in the rear. "Say, you think it is best for people

to earn money?"

me about Steve Lankton-" "Who?" said the young man, giving It will be, I think, tomorrow."

"A boy she knew, Steve Lankton, a see you." sort of very distant relative, who had value. She said: 'Robert, take off know the way to my hotel." your coat, roll up your sleeves, and be my mother."

one of the best mothers in the world, open fireplace. It read thus: Bob. I wish mine were living."

'The last sentence had a sad ring to its utterance.

They were now out on the broad, open, exposed slopes of Old Blue, its rugged top a mile above them. Bob suddenly stopped, and made a small heap f the stones near them. "What is that for, Bob?"

"I am taking you up the shortest way I can, for I know you are tired; but I don't dare take it without marking it."

"Why?"

"So that we may get back." "Can't we get back ?" "Sometimes the clouds roll down

and shut us all in, and if the way isn't marked somebody will be lost, that is all."

"I should say that was enough." "And mother says it is always well to be sure you can get back, whatever

can't back out " life take paths you can't recommend, ! of the knob?

they can't get back again. Boobies!" | trees without running into them, or | head. Then he muttered: "I have been one keep the garden path as directly as of them. I could tell this young you would were it daylight? Solomon if I wanted to." He added aloud: "Well, Bob, let us hope there wont be any clouds on the mountain-

And clouds there were by the acre. They rolled over a bigger mountain | book, a box of matches, a bat or ball, just in the rear, and threatened to a glass of water, a letter, by holding it smother Old Blue.

"O, this is dismal?" exclaimed the Only this black fog-bah! Guess we had better go down. Which way? O, those stone-heaps! Where do they locate a steamboat by sound?

right. Come on !" "And there is the second!"

They sighted their way from heap bush and one from a maple tree? to heap, reaching, perhaps, a single stone set up carefully, then a boulder trees the points of the compass? marked by a dead branch, and so on.

"Tired!" declared Bob's companion of vehicle is coming, and how many leaning back against a bulky crag. horses are attached to it? Do you 'Hold on, pilot; let's make harbor. I have got something to stay up a faint- four hoofs and by eight? "Good to be here !" exclaimed Bob, ing soul."

> Bob, saying "Just take a sip, boy; it will give kind of meat you are eating? you strength. We can then skip along

the path wonderfully." Bob was shaking his head.

"A man down here was found one day dead, and a bottle was found near him. I will show you the place. He "Wish I had a brother !" he would got confused, and lost his way.

"Mother again! O, I beg pardon. "She said he was a relative. His

name was Lankton." "What was his first name?" "Louis, I think."

"Travel on! Show me the place!" said the young man, throwing himself cried the stranger, shrugging his down at the foot of a big pine. "I shoulders and putting his flask away. "I think I can find it. We shall

come to a three-cornered boulder, and there is a scrub-pine near it, I think, and they found the man under the "Go ahead, Sir Pilot!"

"I don't believe you have any too boulder. Not far away was the scrub-

They reached the three-cornered

"That is the place," said Bob. The young man scowled, shivered as "Don't you want it?" asked the if a cold blast had struck him, and cried: "Enough, pilot; turn about."

Very soon they were at the boulder "Did you know I was a fine marksman, Bob?"

"No, sir." "I am. I can hit that rock the first time trying. See here !"

Drawing his flask from his pocket, he scattered the bottle against the

"Lots of poor fellows have lost their way through the bott'e. Now come on, Bob!"

Through their rent folds peeped the give him the molasses jug. bright world below, and one familiar cheers! There's the cabin!"

At this log shelter the young man once more pulled out the half-dollar, "Yes; and my mother says so. She saying: "Bob, take it now; you've is real independent, I know; but I earned it, and may you enjoy it; and, think she is right. She sometimes tells Bob, I want to see that wise mother yours. May I call on you and on her?

"O, certainly! We shall be glad to

money, a fortune, given him, but he with me. Finish out the day here; did not seem to have an idea of its you said it was your intention. I

At his hotel the young man picked through the nose. willing to do an honest work, and earn up a sheet of paper lying on the table

Bob's companion declared promptly: several minutes. Then he pinned the applying it frequently. "I don't doubt but that you have sheet of paper to the wall above the

"If you want to come back all right

be sure you don't go ahead all wrong; and I propose to look out for my paths of conduct in future, God helping me. Edited by C. E. BLACK,——ST. JOHN, N. B. (Must-pray and have His help.)

"As I don't want to be like my relative, Louis Lankton, I am going to do no more 'sipping' of anything except water; and, to help me in these matters, I propose to call upon a distant relative, Mrs. Woodbury, and on my boy pilot, as often as I can, during

"STEVE LANKTON." -Sunday-School Times.

Train the Senses.

When you go to your room at night you do; that is, not take any path can you walk directly to the match-box that will get you into trouble and you and put your hand on it ?

When you turn out your light and "Mother again ? Beg pardon, Bob! leave your room, do you have to She is first-rate, I know." He sighed, fumble for the door, or can you go and added: "Lots of people in this straight across the room and take hold

If you wish to estimate the size of anything, do you know enough of feet and inches to make a fair guess by simply looking at it?

Can you calculate the weight of a in your hand?

If you hear the street cars where stranger. "Up in the air somewhere; there is a double track, can you tell no view, no sight, no sound-nothing! by the sound which way they are coming?

If you are near a river can you

"Here is the first. We are all what kind of a flower is put to your na merad nam. nose? Do you know the difference between the odor of a leaftrom a rose-

Can you tell from the bark of the Can you by listening tell what kind

know the difference in sound made by By a touch only can you tell which Pulling out a flask, he offered it to material is cotton, which is woolen? Can you by the taste only tell what

What a Baby did inside of an Hour.

The notes in the case were taken by bachelor uncle, in whose hands baby was left during his mother's brief absence from home: 1. Yelled fifteen minutes without

taking breath. (Uncle Will declares solemnly that this is a true statement.) 2. Pulled out enough hair from his uncle's head and whiskers to stuff a sofa pillow.

3. Cracked the wall paper as high as he could reach with the poker.

4. Broke a steroscope by sitting 5. Swallowed six buttons and a good

part of a spool of thread. 6. Emptied the contents of his mother's work basket down the furnace register.

7. Tried to squeeze the head of the cat into a tin cup, and was scratched badly in the attempt. 8. Knocked the head off a fine wax

doll belonging to his older sister by trying to drive a tack into a toy wagon 9. Fell off the edge of the what-not and brought down with him two costly

vases, which were ruined. 10. Broke two panes of window glass with a can which uncle let him

11. Fell into the coal hod and spoiled his new white dress.

12. Set fire to the carpet while uncle was out of the room hunting up something to amuse him. 13. Crawled under the bed and re-

Soon the clouds began to lift. fused to come out unless uncle would

14. Got twisted into the rungs of a object made Bob shout: "Three chair, which had to be broken to get him out.

15. Poured a pitcher of water into shortly followed. his mother's best shoes.

16. Finally, when he saw his mother coming, he ran out to the porch and tumbled off the steps, making his nose bleed and tearing a hole a foot square in his dress.

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unless it is impossible to breathe

your money." I think a good deal of in his room and began to scribble on piece of cotton with ammonia, and lay bowels and skin, render it unequalled it He was occupied in that way for it on the tooth, or try oil of sassafras,

A very good authority gives as a lump of sugar saturated with vinegar. "If you want to feel independent In ten cases tried as an experiment, Journal.

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No. 53.—ANAGRAM. Aahhnn.

No. 54.-A PUZZLE.

Formed long ago Yet made to-day Employed while others sleep What few would wish to give away

And none would wish to keep. - BY P. A. HART.

No. 55.—TRANSPOSITIONS. (1) Os lahsl hyt vorpeyt moec sa With your eyes shut can you tell neo hatt levtarlthe; nda yth nawt as

> -:0:-No. 56.—Transpositions. (2) A ogod mean si thrare ot eb

nohsce nath rgaet hesric .- BY M. A. No. 57.-ENIGMA. In tame, not in wild ; In orange, not in apple;

In man, not in boy; In arm, not in leg; In fast, not in slow; In boat, not in ship. Whole is a vegetable.

-E. B. RANDALL.

No. 58.-NUMERICAL ENIGMA. My 2, 3, 4, 1, 6 is used for holding

My 4, 7, 1, 6 is a flower. My 1, 3, 8 shines. My 7, 8, 6 a number.

My 5, 3, 8 a weapon.

A noted preacher. -H. D. MCMULKIN. --:0;---

No. 59 .- Cross Word. In hen, but not in chick; In eel, but not in trout; In Eldon, but not in Fred; In eke, but not in also;

In nest, but not in house. My whole is a girl's name. -M. R. MCLEOD.

-The Mystery Solved in three weeks. -Mystical Circle.

THE following have sent puzzles in prize competition: Carrie Wade, Cross Creek; Theresa M. Gayton, Yarmouth, N. S.-a very neat list-; and Myra R. McLeod, Fredericton, who should have written puzzles on one side of sheet only. The winners will be announced next issue.

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