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#### If I Were a Girl.

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For the creases will come there and stay; But sing like the lark, should the day be

Keep a glow in my heart, any way!

If I were a girl, a bright, winsome girl, Just leaving my childhood behind, would be so neat, from head to my feet! That never a fault could one find. So helpful to mother, so gentle to brother, I'd have things so cheery and sweet, That the streets and their glare could never

With the charms of the home so replete.

If I were a girl, a fond, loving girl, With father o'erburdened with care, would walk at his side with sweet, tender

With ever a kiss and a prayer. Not a secret I'd keep that could lead to de

Not a thought should I blush to share; Not a friend my parents should disapprove I would trust such a girl anywhere! -Exchange.

#### Boys Wanted.

Wanted-a boy." How often we These very common words may see! Wanted-a boy to errands run, Wanted for everything under the sun hat the men to-day can do

norrow the boys will be doing, too; for the time is coming when The boys must stand in place of men.

Wanted-the world wants boys to-day, And she offers them all she has to pay-Honor, wealth, position, fame, A useful life, and a deathless name. Boys to shape the paths for men, Boys to guide the plow and pen, Boys to forward the tasks begun; For the world's great task is never done.

The world is anxious to employ Not just one, but every boy Whose heart and brains will e'er be true To work his hands shall find to do. Honest, faithful, earnest, kind; To good awake, to evil blind; Heart of gold without alloy. Wanted-the world wants such a boy. -Chicago Post.

#### Gerty's 'Pistle.

"I don't know what it means, amma; I never saw such a horrid ord before,' complained Gerty, with n impatient little stamp of her foot. don't mean a pistol to shoot with. 'Daughter, run to the big dictionary,' mamma was just going to say; and then he thought of something better. 'Run o mamma's writing-desk, and bring me the bundle of papers you will find ied with a pink ribbon.'

In a little while the wondering naiden came back with the package in er hands. It was large, and the knot as stubborn, and she could hardly wait until mamma got it unfastened to know what she could mean by sending her after a bundle of old letters just when she had been talking about her unday-school lesson.

'Do you know whom this is from? namma asked, as she took a square nvelope addressed with violet ink rom the package, and held it up here her daughter could see it. 'That is one of Aunty May's letters.

he always uses pink ink.' 'Yes; or, at least, a very hard kind ink to read, especially when it' ritten both ways across the page." "Why don't she take another page, namma?" inquired Gerty, as she ooked curiously at the closely written heet. 'Is she poor?'

'No; not so poor, dear, as thoughtless. e can see to write it, and I suppose he doesn't read it over after it has een written, and so does not think low hard it may be for others to read.' Why, I thought you said Aunty ay was a pretty writer. You were vishing, one day, that I would try to

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ritten over the first."

There, that's one of papa's letters; know that ! ' exclaimed Gerty, as her 3,881,478.09 6,844,404.04 7,030,878 77 9,413,358 07 ead that, can't you, mamma? for you .10,873,777.09 ..11,931,300.6 read every word over and over read, 'Faithfulness to little duties?' ..20,698,589.92

'Yes, dear, I can read that; for 1 ave been reading them so long that, ther writes, I'm sure I should know hat it was.'

ha; it isn't near as smooth as Aunty spilt.' lay's, though, of course, I think paa's letters are nicer. What makes write such funny little curliques the end of all his words?'

'Oh, that's the n or the r or whaton't look much like the n's and r's in trying.' our copy-book, dear; but then busi-

understand from the rest of the letter.

'Oho! You needn't think I don't know that little scamp !' Gerty cried, as a smaller piece of paper, folded very crookedly, fell from the envelope mamma was just putting away. "That's one of my scribbling when I couldn't do anything but print.'

'I wouldn't call it scribbling, dear. I remember that papa called it a very nice little letter when he read it down at the office.'

'I tried to make it nice, mamma; but it doesn't look so very nice now. 'That is what makes it nice, dearbecause you did try. It was your best then; and one's best, however imperfect it may be to them, is accepted as

'Oh, that is perfect! I didn't know that you had saved Miss Wilson's letter to me, mamma. Wasn't it real kind of her to print every word of it, because she knew I couldn't read writing? and it is printed just like the printing in the book-as smooth,

"Yes, that is what you will be able to do one of these days, when you are as old as Miss Wilson, if you are patient enough to keep trying to do the things you can't do so well now, tles away now.'

"'Pistles, mamma? What in the world are you talking about? Why, that's the word that I was bothering about; but, I declare, I had forgotten there was such a word, I was so inter- to be kind, boys; generous, magnanirested in the letters. You must be mous. If there is a boy in school who getting things mixed, as you tell me do sometimes.'

'Not in the least, daughter. I might say it of you, though—a little girl who becomes so much interested in epistles boy, assign him some part of the game that she forgets there is such a bother- that doesn't require running. If there some word as 'epistle.'' "Interested in 'pistles? Why mam-

ma, we haven't said a word about anything but these letters.'

know that ?' 'Are they, really?'

in the days when Paul wrote epistles to all the churches.'

'Why, there must be letters in the

going to say. What I was bothering you." about when you sent me for these letters, was how there could be such a thing as a live 'pistle. I wondered if it meant some kind of an animal. But now I can't understand it any better. How can a letter be alive?'

'That only means, dear, that we who are living are letters from Christ to those who do not know Him, telling of His love and goodness. Wouldn't you like to be such a sweet letter to some one? Wouldn't you like to feel that Jesus had written some precious truth in your heart that would show so plainly in your life that it would comfort another, and make life easier to

wet eyelashes, 'I would.'

'And what kind of an epistle would you want it to be, dear-how written, as Aunty May's is written?

'Not all criss-cross and around the corners, because you can't sometimes quite make out whether she wants sugar may be added if liked sweet. samples of your dresses or a receipe for cake, she writes one thing over an-

'Then I think my girlie will have to be careful about writing one thing over another. Pleasant ways at one time, and frowns and angry words at another might leave it very uncertain to her

'Nor in a hurry, like papa, I guess. nother letter, addressed in a bold but ever others trust us to do, If we are five minutes. omewhat sprawling hand. 'You can in too big a hurry to do things in this way, do you think the epistle would of a box of gelatine, 1 pint of cold I

business,' mamma; do you know that from whites); beat the yolks with two- ally I took one bottle of B. B. and was my text the other day? But I thirds of a cup of sugar, then stir into one box of Burdock Pills, and they no one else could read what your didn't see how I could possibly write the gelatine and milk. Place over the a 'pistle like Miss Wilson's if I should fire and let remain until of the consistry ever so hard. My fingers would | tency of boiled custard. Then remove "But I can't read a word of it, mam- shake, and a little bit of ink would get and stir in the whites previously beat-

of epistles that are best,' mamma said. and sugar. 'They please Him as well, and those who read them see that we are trying, small cup yeast, flour enough to make and that encourages them to try more a stiff batter; raise over night; in the

hurry, and dash off little crooked write the 'Golden Rule,' and 'One is and cover very close, set them in a marks that are easier to make than your Master, even Christ, and all ye warm place until they are very light. letters, because they know that the are brethren,' so that every one can Bake quickly and you will have depeople who are to read the letters will read them.'-Rev. J. F. Cowan, in licious rolls. Golden Rule.

A Grandmother's Rules.

Somebody's grandmother has be queathed to her descendants these admirable rules of conduct : One is-

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to. When you are addressed, look straight at the person who speaks to you. Do not forget this.

Another is—

Speak your words plainly; do not mutter nor mumble. If words are worth saying they are worth pronouncing distinctly and clearly.

A third is-

Do not say disagreeable things. If you have nothing pleasant to say, keep

A fourth is-and, O children, remember it all your lives-Think three times before you speak

Have you something to do that you find hard and would perfer not to do? Then listen to a wise old grandmother. Do the hard thing first and get it over with. If you have done wrong, go and confess it. If your lesson is tough, master it. If the garden and to understand the things you can't is to be weeded, weed it first and play understand now. Let us put the epis- afterward. Do the thing you don't like to do first, and then, with a clear conscience, try the rest.

### What Boys Should Do.

Horace Mann says: You are made has a club foot, don't let him know you ever saw it. If there is a boy with ragged clothes, don't talk about rags within his hearing. If there is a lame is a hungry one, give him part of your dinner. If there is a dull one, help him to get his lessons. If there is a bright one, be not envious of him; for 'And letters are epistles; didn't you if one boy is proud of his talents, and another is envious of them, there are two great wrongs, and no more talent 'That's what they used to call them than before. If a larger or a stronger boy has injured you and issorry for it, forgive him. All the school will show by their countenance how much better it is than to have a great fuss. And remember who said : "Love your 'But-Oh, yes! I know what I was enemies,' and bless them which curse

### Home Hints.

CORN CAKE. - Two cups indian meal one cup flour, one egg, one teaspoon baking powder, and milk enough to make thin batter. Bake twenty

Brown Bread.-Two cups indian meal, one cup wheat flour, one cup of molasses, two cups water, one teaspoon soda, little salt. Steam three hours.

Indian Corn Cake. - Three eggs, one-half cup butter, one small cup brown sugar, one teaspoon soda dissolved in one cup of milk two teaspoons cream tartar, one cup of Indian 'Yes, mamma,' Gerty answered with | meal, two cups of flour mixed togeth-

CORN CAKE .- Two cups corn meal, into this sift two cups flour with three I mean? Would you want to trust it teaspoons baking powder; rub into this piece of butter the size of an egg; then add two eggs well beaten and mix with milk to a thin batter; a small teacup of

CORN CAKE WITHOUT EGGS .- One and one-half cups of corn meal, one and one-half cups flour, one and onehalf cups thick milk, into which stir one level teaspoon soda, one tablespoon sugar, one-half cup melted butter; mix together and bake in a quick

a tin kettle, cover tight, then set into Jesus wants us to be honest, and that a pot of boiling water, cover and let means being thorough and painstaking | boil four hours; when taken from the nother stopped talking and drew forth in our lessons and errands, and what- kettle, put it in a moderate oven for

SPANISH CREAM.—About a quarter sweet milk; stir till dissolved over a 'I guess it would read, 'Slothful in hot fire; 3 eggs (separate the yolks en to a stiff froth, and flavor. Pour 'Oh!it's the 'try ever-so-hard' kind | into moulds. Serve cold with cream

FRENCH ROLLS .-- One pint milk, one ver letter finishes the word. They than if we were simply perfect without morning add one egg, one tablespoon

to write, are liable to get in a dreadful | smoothest; and I know if I try 1 can | tin and fold over; put them in a pan

For dust in the eyes, avoid rubbing; dash water into them ; remove cinders, etc., with the round point of a lead

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No. 162.—Louis. Percy, Ida, Eddie.

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No. 165.-1. "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth."

2. "The wicked flee when no man pursueth, but the righteous are bold

3. "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give siderably exposed, I took a bad cold accom-

4. "Your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.' 5. "Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit."

No. 166.—(1) "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God." (2) "Make a joyful noise unto the

Lord all ye lands." No. 167.—(1) THE ATE THERE STOVE ERA EVE

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No. 176.—Cross-Word Enigma. (BY M. MCLEOD, Fton.) In Nan, but not in Ida; In row, but not in paddle : in rat, but not in mouse : In man, but not in boy; In cat, but not in kitten : In cane, but not in stick. Whole is a boy's name.

No. 177.—DROP-LETTER -n-i-o-i-n-s-

No. 178.—Drop Letters. (1) -h- r-a- o- -h n- h-u-e -a-h -a-e- u-

·h- -a-s o- t-y m-u-n-a- s-a-l b- -n-e-. -e- -h-s -i-d -e -n -o- w-i-h -a- a-s i-C-r-s. J-s-s.

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