

FOR THE BOYS AND GIRLS

LITTLE MISSIONARY

A ragged printer's boy, who lived in Constantinople, was in the habit of carrying the proof sheets to the English editor during the noon lunch time. The editor was a busy man, and exchanged no words with him, except just as were necessary. The boy was faithful, doing all he was bidden, promptly and to the best of his ability; but he was ragged, and so dirty as to be positively repulsive. This annoyed the editor, but as he was no worse in this respect than most boys of his class, the busy man did not urge him to improve his personal appearance, much as he would have enjoyed the change. But one morning the boy came in with clean face, hands, and garments. Not a trace of the old filth was to be seen about his person; and so great was the change that his master did not recognize him.

"Why, you are a new boy entirely," he said, when convinced of the lad's identity.

"I am going away—back to my old home," said the boy, quickly, "and I came to ask a favor of you. Will you pray for me after I am gone?"

"Pray for you!" exclaimed the editor.

"Yes," returned the boy. "You think I am a heathen, but I am not. I have been attending chapel and Sunday school in the Bible house. I have learned to read and write; and, best of all, I have learned to love Jesus, and am trying to be His boy. But I can't stay here while my father, mother, brothers and sister do not know about Him. So I go back to my own village to tell friends and neighbors about Him. I don't know much yet and I want you to pray that I may be helped when I try to tell my own people what He is to me."

"And is it because you are going away that you have washed and fixed yourself up so well?" asked the editor, thinking what a fine boy clothes and cleanliness made of him.

"It's because I am Christ's boy now," was the answer. "I want to be clean, and to have my clothes whole, in honor of the Master I am trying to serve."

"I hope your friends will receive as much from Christ's love as you have," said the man.

"And you will pray for them, and for me?" urged the boy.

The man promised, and full of hope, the lad started on his long walk—homeward—to tell of the Christ of the Cross to the dear ones there—in his own wretched home first, and afterward to the neighbors among whom he had spent all his childhood days.—Taken from The Church Herald.

FIGHT ON

By Maltbie Davenport Babcock

BE STRONG!

We are not here to play, to dream, to drift;
We have hard work to do, and loads to lift;
Shun not the struggle—face it; 'tis God's gift.

BE STRONG!

Say not, "The days are evil. Who's to blame?"
And fold the hands and acquiesce—oh, shame!
Stand up, speak out, and bravely, in God's name

BE STRONG!

It matters not how deep entrenched the wrong,
How hard the battle goes, the day how long;
Faint not—fight on; Tomorrow comes the song.

WATCHING FOR FAULTS

"When I was a boy," said an old man, "I was often very idle, and used to play during the lessons with other boys as idle as myself. One day we were fairly caught by the master. 'Boys,' he said, 'you must not be idle; you must attend closely to your books. The first one of you who sees another boy idle will please come and tell me.'"

"Ah," I thought to myself, "there is Joe Simmons, that I don't like; I'll watch him, and if I see him look off his book I'll tell the teacher."

"It was not long until I saw Joe look off his book, and I went up at once to tell the teacher."

"Indeed," said he, "how did you know he was idle?" "I saw him, said I."

"You did? And were your eyes on your book when you saw him?"

"I was caught, and the other boys laughed, and I never watched for idle boys again."

"If we watch over our conduct, and try to keep it right, and always do our duty, we will not have time to watch for faults or idleness in others. This will keep us out of mischief, and make us helpful to others."—God's Revivalist.

GEORGE MUELLER ON BIBLE READING

One of the main sources of power in the life of George Mueller of Bristol, England, was his devotion to the Bible. He read it reverently every day, and gave the following principles for reading the Bible for personal profit;

1. Read regularly. Read alternately from the Old and New Testaments. Begin at the beginning of each. Mark where you leave off each day. When you have finished each Testament, begin it again.

2. Read paryerfully. Seek carefully the help of the Holy Spirit so that He will enlighten you.

3. Read with meditation. Ponder the truth so that it may be applied to your heart. Better read a little and think much than read much and think little.

4. Read with reference to yourself. Never read only with a view to instructing others. Ask yourself, "How does this affect me, my faith, my life, my service?"

5. Read with faith. Not critically, but to discover the revealed Word of God. Rest upon God's promises, warnings and commands as of vital importance.

6. Read to carry into practice. Accept God's Word as being the revelation of His will. He expects us to do as well as to know.

7. Read it to find in the whole Word of God. As He is promised, incarnate, atoning for sin, resurrected, ever living, coming again.—Evangelical Christian.

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We appreciate this help very much and pray God's blessing upon you all. Further gifts for this work will be appreciated and wisely used. The pastor's address is, 12½ La Planche St., Amherst, N. S.

D. B. PRICE.

WEDDING

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lord, of Alexander, Maine, was very tastefully decorated with autumn flowers on October 5th, when Marlene Rebekah Seamans became the bride of Gordon Edmund Lord. Rev. R. H. Parks officiating.

Following the reception held at the town hall the happy couple left by motor, travelling on their honeymoon to San Francisco, Calif., where the groom is stationed with the U. S. Army.

OBITUARY

The funeral of Mrs. Abraham Cronkwhite was held from the Middle Southampton Church, of which she had been a member since 1920.

She passed away in her eighty-seventh year and leaves to mourn two sons, Claude, of Sepulveda, Cal., and Murray, of Fredericton; two sisters, Mrs. E. Cameron, Fredericton, and Mrs. Ward Miller, Royalton; also three brothers, Greely Hilman, Northampton, and Moses and Jud Hilman, of Hartland.

She found God her comforter and consolation in her reclining years.

To the bereaved we extend our sympathy.

(REV.) H. E. ANDERSON

Adwin E. Dow, aged 79 years, passed away peacefully at Chipman Hospital, St. Stephen, N. B., on October 9th. Service from his late residence, 246 North St., Milltown, Me., Rev. R. H. Parks officiating, assisted by Rev. Mr. Lyons. Interment at Calais cemetery.

He leaves to mourn, one son, Clarence, of Calais; three daughters, Miss Ruth Dow, Mrs. Tagerman and Mrs. Stillings. To the bereaved ones we extend Christian sympathy.

NEVER AGAIN

A certain titled British gentleman was converted. He loved the Lord a great deal, but he was not well taught in the Scriptures. He thought that he could continue in some of his worldly engagements and still bear a good testimony.

On one occasion some weeks after he gave his heart to the Lord, this man accepted an invitation to a very worldly party. Upon his arrival, one of the guests greeted him with these words: "I'm so glad to see you and to know that it isn't true."

"I beg your pardon," he replied, "but I think I don't quite understand you."

"Why," said the other guest, "rumours were around that you had been converted a few weeks ago, I'm so glad you're here and to know, therefore, that the rumour was unfounded."

"But it is true!" the dumbfounded man ejaculated. Hesitating a moment he added: "I see that you think this party is no place for a Christian to be. And you are right. You will never again see me at such an affair, nor will anyone else." And bidding his host and hostess adieu, he departed from his last worldly engagement.

"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creation: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new" (2 Cor. 5: 17).—The Flame.