

Family Circle.

SPEAK GENTLY TO LITTLE ONES.

'Gently, mother, gently, Chide thy little one, 'Tis a toilsome journey It hath just begun; Many a vale of sorrow, Many a rugged steep, Lieeth in its pathway— And full oft 'twill weep. Ah! then gently—gently. 'Kindly, mother, kindly, Speak in tender tone; That dear child remember, Echoes back thine own; Teach in gentle accents, Teach in words of love; Let the softest breezes Its young heart-strings move— Kindly—mother—kindly.

AUNT ELLA'S STORY.

It was a summer's evening on Lake Erie. A young gentleman and a little girl, hand in hand, walked up and down the almost deserted deck of the steamer *Mayflower*; they stopped at length before a young lady, who sat apparently in a profound reverie gazing down into the dark waters where the wavelets dashed in the moonlight. 'I wonder what Aunt Ella can be thinking about,' said the gentleman to his companion. 'Speak to her, papa, and make her jump.' The gentleman pinched the child's chubby cheek, then touching the lady lightly on the shoulder, he said playfully, 'What mermaid, dear sister, is charming you to her crystal abode?' The young lady (no doubt much to the disappointment of her niece), without starting, looked up to smile, tears brood in her eyes. 'Ah! Will, these waters have tales to tell, which, if they could only speak, would rend the hearts of those who heard. To me, Lake Erie testifies of the surpassing mercy and loving kindness of God, no less than his power and glory.' Then turning to the little girl, the lady said, 'Mossie, would you like to hear a true story?' 'Goodie! I guess I should! thank you, aunt,' and with that Miss Mossie perched herself upon her father's lap, who on hearing of a forthcoming story had seated himself beside his aunt. 'The last time I was on Lake Erie,' began Aunt Ella, 'was about nine years ago.'

'Oh! I was alive then, wasn't I?' interrupted the little girl. 'Yes, yes, of course you were,' said her father. 'I was in company with your father,' continued Ella. 'Our parents had recently moved from New York to Illinois, leaving Will at college and myself at a young ladies' seminary in the same city. We were on our way to our new home in the West. It was just such a moonlight night as this, and as we sat together on deck we talked much of again meeting our parents, and wondered how we should like the West. We once or twice heard what seemed to be a great bustle of men below, but did not think much of it. At last arose the shriek of fire! fire! and turning towards the cabin we saw bright flames shooting up from below. Immediately ensued a confusion too fearful to describe. In a few moments crowds of horror-struck beings filled the decks; but above the din arose—oh! that I could forget them—the agonizing cries of those who were perishing in the flames. Will, who was manly and strong beyond his years, was also a capable swimmer. I could swim a little, having learned in a bathing house at the 'Battery,' in New York. At first, so sudden was the shock, that I thought it must be a dream; but when all the terrible reality rushed upon me, I caught hold of my brother's arm, and in tones hoarse with terror, whispered, 'O, Will, we are not prepared to die! Here, Mossie, I should tell you that we had been brought up most religiously. We knew our duty, but life seemed to us all happiness, and we deferred and dreamed to put on the mantle of Christ's righteousness. We knew the uncertainty of life, but we did not realize it, and now that death stared us in the face so suddenly, so horribly, we were filled with terror. Willie's face was pale as death, but he replied, with an effort at calmness, 'Yes I know it, but now is no time to do what we should have done long ago; still, sister, although we never owned Christ as our saviour, we have been taught, and I think, feel, that God is our father; let us pray to him to save us.' We fell on our knees and prayed desperately for this mortal life. Oh! if we would but pray so for spiritual life, heaven would indeed be taken by storm. One thing I remember I said: 'O God, if thou wilt save my life, I will serve thee evermore, and I shall never forget how Will, who had made no such rash vow, added solemnly, 'Sister, I pray you may keep your promise.'

The boats belonging to the steamer were of course let down and soon crowded with human beings, but we were not near enough to feel any hopes of rescue, most touching scene. A husband and wife were endeavoring to get into one of the boats, but as there was room but for one of them the husband urged his wife to enter. With a look of earnest entreaty she said, 'My precious husband, if you truly love me, you will sacrifice this means of safety; I am prepared for death, but if you are lost, you are lost eternally.' Need I add he yielded? Will, who was never tired of telling me to keep my presence of mind as the only chance of life, at this moment pointed out some boats that were approaching from a steamer, whose dark form and bright lights had gradually been growing larger to the many anxious eyes who watched them. My brother then helped me over the railing of the boat and told me not to jump into the water until we could no longer safely say, 'for,' he added, 'we perhaps can manage to swim about till one of the boats reaches us.' We stood on the stern deck, and rapidly the flames advanced toward us. The hissing and crackling of the fire blended with the shrieks of the burning and drowning, and the frequent plunges into the lake formed a scene at once terrific and sublime; the moon shone so placidly as if the quiet scene of a few moments before had not been transformed into one of woe and death. Sooner than it has taken me to tell you, I felt the hot air that burned our faces becoming unbearable. 'Willie,' I said, 'try and save yourself, don't mind me,' but like a darling brother as he was and is, he replied, 'We die together, or live together.' Then taking each other's hands, we jumped overboard; a moment more and the cold waters rolled over us. I almost lost consciousness between a sense of horror at the situation I found myself in, and a feeling that all was over; but Will's strong arm supported me, and with a 'courage sister!' he struck boldly for the boat. I was in the agonies of drowning endeavoring to grasp him, but he resolutely repelled them; one in particular, I remember, a fine young man who caught hold of him and in God's name begged for help, but when Will fiercely cried, 'Let go, don't you see I am trying to save my sister?' with scarcely a sigh he released his hold. I endeavoring to do my best, but Will and I were terribly exhausted and

the boat was yet distant. While struggling madly for life, a lady with a beautiful babe in her arms, grasped my brother; cruel as it may seem, he told her to let go, but she only clung tighter, crying, 'Save my child! Will then tried to force her away, but in a tone of calm determination she answered, 'I will not let go unless you save my child.' At this my brother caught the babe with 'Mother, your prayer is answered.' He afterwards told me what prompted that answer. Several years before in passing our mother's door, he had heard her voice in apparently deep distress; frightened he paused and listened; in tones of agony these words caught his ear, 'I will not let this go unless thou save my children.' This prayer he never forgot, and when the same petition was addressed to himself the thought flashed through his mind, 'As I hope God will answer my mother's prayer, I dare not refuse to answer this.' The happy mother received his reply, and sank to rise no more until the last great day. We continued to struggle on, and were within a few yards of the boat when I became insensible. On recovering I found myself on the cabin floor of a steamer with my noble brother and preserver bending over me, and the little babe sweetly sleeping by my side. Although Will's strength had sustained him until then, his almost superhuman exertions threw him into a severe fever, but his merciful heavenly Father spared his life the second time, but before the snow had whitened the ground, he and I stood side by side in a little Western church and gave ourselves as free will offerings to the Saviour. We made all the efforts we could to discover the friends of the little rescued girl, but being totally unsuccessful Will gladly adopted her for his own child, and because like Moses he had been drawn from the water, he named her Mossie, which he said was the feminine of Moses. 'Darling,' said the young lady turning tenderly to her niece, 'who was that baby?' 'Me, aunt,' replied Mossie in a subdued tone; then her little chin quivering, she flung her arms around her father's neck, and squeezing him tightly, said, 'Thank you, papa, for saving my life, but oh! here she burst into a flood of tears. 'I wish I was your own Mossie!'—N. Y. Observer.

HEATING PAPER.—Just received—1 Ton Tarré Sheathing Paper; 1 ton Dry do. At lowest rates. J. H. OLIVER & CO.

PROSPECTUS.

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NOTICE! Petriocad Mining & Manufacturing Company. Mr. STANLEY HARRIS, No. 8 South Market Wharf, has been appointed Agent for the above Company for Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. The Company can be purchased at all times at Mr. Harris' Storehouse, where also full information respecting the same can be obtained. The following gentlemen are also appointed Agents of the Company:—THOMAS H. HASTINGS, Shediac; ELIAS K. ROACH, Antigonish. W. W. PRICE, President. May 15, 1865.

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St. John, June 16, 1865. vi. sent. SM. &c.

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