

FOR OUR YOUNG READERS.

BY AND BY.

Lads, with manly hearts and true, Sturdy hands to carry through...

Down the Street of By and By He that stands to gaze will spy...

All its faire, gloom, despair; Cheerful hubbub burns not there...

Turn not down its winding track— Whoso enters comes not back...

NEW YEAR RESOLVES. Gentleness, Self-Denial, Courtesy and Other Good Traits Which Do Not Belong to the "Muff," But the Real, Hearty, Manly Boy.

While the year is young we, one and all, examine ourselves, and many are the good resolves we make to have a fair, clear record when the New Year shall have become old.

And then I should try to help mother, when she looks so tired and worn. If her arm aches from carrying the teething baby, it would not be amiss to coax him away for an hour or so.

And then, early in youth is just the time to begin self-denying and shunning hurtful habits, beginning with saying "No" to the schoolmate who should ask me to read the trashy, sensational books.

In the list of self-denying and helpful habits I place "learning to care for the pennies," and taking care of personal property, clothing, toys, books, and the like.

Our American young people are accused of lacking veneration and respect for the aged. A boy seeking to turn over a new leaf upon New Year's Day can not afford to forget this point.

Assumed courtesy is easily detected. There is only one way to wear it as a well fitting garment, and that is to treat well every man, woman and child, and I must add the dumb animals.

No! The boy I have pictured is not a muff; his laugh and shout ring out loudly in town hall, black man and pommel-pull-away; he wears out the knees of his trousers, and is continually out at the elbows.

A HOME OF HIS OWN.

Four little hands to carry through, Sturdy hands to carry through, High and bold endeavor, Shun the Street of By and By!

"No. That is our little Joe's," she said.

A sudden silence followed. Even the boys standing near checked their noise and skirmishing for a few minutes. "Who was Joe?" asked the visitor.

"He had neither father nor mother, nor any kind-folk, and I don't know what was the boy's idea of a home of his own. He was very happy here—a sort of ruler among the other boys.

"He did not answer me at first, and then he smiled, saying: 'That's all right' and he held my hand tight. 'I'll have it. That's all right!'"

FACTS FOR WOMEN.

The Newest Concepts in Jewelry, Dress Materials and Toilet Accessories. Carls for ladies' use tend to a square shape and run large in size.

Coats of colors harmonizing with, but not matching, the costumes are in favor. Faile Francaise, made with "a locked weave," is said not to draw in the seams.

Double sashes at windows where plants are kept will save many a plant during unexpected cold snaps. Bracelets were never more worn than at the present time, all styles and kinds being admissible.

The peculiar tone of the shade of dark blue known as "Princess of Wales" renders it largely becoming and accounts for its popularity just now in both silk and all-wool goods.

No one who has looked into life with honest eyes can have failed to discover that it derives untold values from the love which welcomes its dawn, attends its growth and advances step by step and soothes and cheers its old age.

The Value of Love.

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PERSONAL AND LITERARY.

A professional solicitor of charity says William K. is the generous member of the Vanderbilt family.—N. Y. Mail.

Congressman-elect Simmons, of the Second North Carolina district, is possibly the youngest Congressman-elect in the country. He is but thirty-two.

President Robert Garrett, of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, almost always wears a bunch of violets on his coat. He has them blooming in his conservatory the year round.

Lawrence Barrett, like other great theatrical actors, has not allowed his daughter to see a play or opera, and is unwilling that she should have anything to do with the stage.—Chicago Journal.

Grissold Lorillard has introduced in New York the fashion of wearing coats without tails and scarlet vests. He so appeared at the Tuxedo ball, and created a decided sensation.—N. Y. Graphic.

Mrs. Frances Hodgson Burnett's directions for writing a novel are as follows: "You must have a pen, ink and paper. Use the first with brains, the second with imagination, and the third with generosity."

Sebra Crooker, who died in Stockton, Me., recently, aged eighty-nine years, spent his life building ships. The first of his seventy-four vessels was built when he was twenty-one years old, and the last just fifty years later.

Several years ago Miss Julia Thomas, a young colored woman, went to Europe as the Topsy in Uncle Tom's Cabin Company. She has remained in Berlin ever since acting with a white company, and has played Topsy in German.

Dr. Magoon, the eminent Baptist minister, whose death has been announced, was in his youth a bricklayer. In later years the first brick ever laid by him was named up, taken from the wall, hollowed out, richly set in bronze and used as an inkstand.—Philadelphia Press.

George Washington, who is widely known as the father of his country, was a great dancer. In 1779, at the quarters of General Greene, Washington and Mrs. Greene danced for upward of three hours without sitting down. There was no structural weakness about the revered George.—N. Y. World.

The late Mrs. Stewart had a peculiar aversion to dark colors. All of the Stewart buildings were of the purest white, and she herself avoided in her dress, as much as possible, all somber hues. Mourning she laid off as soon as conventionality permitted, and even during its term she lightened up its solemnity at home with white negliges.—N. Y. Herald.

Jane Calhoun is living at Centerville, Calhoun County, N. Y., at the age 106 years. She was born, married and lived all her days in the district, and her age is said to have been verified beyond question. She frequently walks to Highland, four miles distant, and though very shrunken in appearance is active and in full possession of her faculties.—N. Y. Tribune.

HUMOROUS.

A man who stutters pays out his words on the installment plan.—Pittsburgh Chronicle.

There is a shortage in the cinnamon crop. It will nutmeg much difference, however.—Philadelphia Call.

Moire antique sashes six or eight inches wide are becoming more popular, but they should not be worn by the more antique ladies.—N. Y. Ledger.

The meanest girl in the world lives in Philadelphia. "Pa," she said, "I do wish you would lend me your lovely red nose to paint my cheeks with."—Texas Siftings.

Doctor—"I will leave you this medicine to take after each meal." Mike—"And will yez be kind enough to leave the meal too, docther?"—Merchant Traveler.

Van Daub—"You are criticizing this picture a good deal. Did you ever draw one?" O'Sullivan—"Oh, yes!" Van Daub—"And pray, where?" O'Sullivan—"In a raffle, me boy!"—N. Y. Graphic.

Circumstantial Evidence—"Uncle Ben, how can you tell that your hands are dirty—they're so black, your eyes?" "He! he! what a chile yo' is yo' see, honey, de water gits riley."—Harper's Bazar.

"My dear," he said, "what is the difference between ingenious and ingenious?" "The difference between u and i, my love," she replied, and she scratched his head for a diagram.—Washington Critic.

Buttons for female wear are becoming so large that they soon will be big enough for the wearer, when she is caught in a rain-storm, to snatch one off, stick it on a hair-pin and use it for an umbrella.—N. Y. Mail.

"James do you know you put three buttons on the plate in church to-day?" "He—'I knew what I was about.' She—'James, perhaps you don't know that I bought those buttons yesterday for my new dress and paid fifty cents apiece for them.'"

"Was it a love match?" "Not exactly. She lived next door, you know. Charles had read somewhere that few women continue their piano-playing long after marriage, and he concluded to trust to it. We didn't want to leave the neighborhood you see; so Charles married her. Very good of him, wasn't it?"—Boston Transcript.

Much Better—"Do you think Lucie will succeed in winning Algeron?" asked the high-school girl. "No, indeed," replied Amy; "she hasn't a ghost of a show." "My dear," protested the high-school girl, "please don't use such horrid slang as 'ghost of a show,' say 'apparition of an exhibition.'"—Tid-Bits.

Omaha Dame—"You seem very fond of that Mrs. DeCath?" New York Dame—"Yes, I wish you could meet her. She is the most self-sacrificing woman in New York." "Indeed!" "I should say so. Why, her husband gave her three hundred dollars to buy a new parasol, and she spent every cent of it for doctor's fees and medicine." "Ah, I see." "Yes, poor little pet, but I really don't believe the dog would have lived if she hadn't."—Omaha World.

A Psalmist: Exemplary Clerk—"Can I have a week's holiday, if you please, sir?" A—A domestic affliction, sir.—Employer—"Oh, certainly, sir, Mr. Dear me! I'm very sorry! Near relative?" Clerk—"Ah—ye—ah—that is you misunderstand—what I mean, sir—I'm going to be married!"—London Punch.

For twenty years Mrs. John Gemmill, Milroy, Milford County, Pa., was paralyzed and unable to walk. She used St. Jacobs Oil and was cured.

A rook agent was shot in Texas the other day. Let us hear no more about the uncivilized West.—Boston Post.

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"Have you ever seen a ghost, Pogkins?" "No, Saippin," was the spirited reply, "and I never expect to."

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Crossed many times, but leaves no mark. Ocean.—St. Louis Chronicle.

There is no disputing the fact that the judge has his share of the trials of life.

An exchange has an article on "Why Bees Make Honey." They make it to cell.—Philadelphia Call.

MASONS ought to make good commercial travelers. They always have their grips with them.—Merchant Traveler.

When the roast turkey was stuffed with chestnuts, Jones said it was time to ring the dinner bell!

"A CHARGE to keep I have," was the song of the old gun that no one knew was loaded.—N. O. Picayune.

The swell thing for a society young man to do now is to powder his hair. He ought to put on a cap and go off.

A SIXER with a defective ear resembles a belated club man, inasmuch as he never knows where to find his key.

"This is a new wrinkle," sadly remarked the elderly maiden as she surveyed her face in a hand-glass.—Merchant Traveler.

MISS SADIE ALLEN has gone through the Niagara whirlpool. We had supposed this whirlpool was strictly a male-strom.—Lowell Courier.

A NEW book is entitled "The Keyhole Country." It is undoubtedly full of conversations accidentally overheard.—Boston Post.

The fashionable overcoats and their wearers remind one of the seashore—capes and heavy swells.—Boston Commercial Bulletin.

TEACHER—"If you were President of a country fair and wanted a gate-tender, what would you do?" Pupil—"Boil it!"—Danville Breeze.

A WOMAN in Austria found a \$2,000 diamond pin in a can of Chicago pork recently. It is not stated where the rest of the hotel clerk was found.—N. Y. Sun.

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