

THE CALEDONIAN.

For the Boys and Girls.

FARM FOR SALE AT AUCTION!

For the Farmers, Farmers,
BASIL'S OR THE GOLDFISH RING.
"I will never forgive him that I went
exclaimed Basil Lee, bursting into the room
where his eldest sister was seated quietly at
her work. "I will never forgive him."

"Never forgive who, Basil? My dear boy
how excited and angry you look! Who has
offended you?"

"Why, Charles West, Alice!" replied Bas-
il, as he put his school-books away in their
place.

"And what has Charles West done to
offend you? Come and sit by me—there, now
tell me all about it."

"Well," said Basil, "Mr Raymond, who is
a friend of Mr. Mathews, and is staying with
him, came into the school-room today; he is
a very nice, kind gentleman, and who offers
a half-dollar to the boy who first did a
smash job on us. Five boys besides me
took up their slates, he set us all the same
one, and then we all set to work. Charles
West came and sat next to me, and I saw him
copy down every figure as fast as I did it—

When I had only one figure to do, Mr. Mathew-
s left the room. I looked to see who went
out, and when I turned to my slate again,
Basil's given figure was rubbed out. I knew Charles
did it, because he colored so. In a minute he
had finished his sum, and laid it up, it was
first done, and correct, so he had the half-
dollar. I was so angry, the bell rung to go
home, and I ran off directly; but I am deter-
mined to have a good revenge on him.
Was it not prove sing, Alice?"

"Yes, dear, very, and what is your re-
ason for being angry?"

"Oh, I know, I will tell you, he just de-
serves it. Mr. Mathews has told me that he will
turn away any boy from the school, who uses
the key to the Grammar Exercises. Well, I
saw Charles using one yesterday, and I will
tell of him. I am determined!"

"Listen to me a moment, Basil. Charles
is only a fool that has proved himself
so bad. His master has promised to give him a
chance to make up for it, and if he behaves well,
to place him in a better school where in a few
years he will be able to support his wife and
children. Do you think that he deserves
such a punishment?"

"Charles, I am sorry for you, but you know
I would not let him do it if I could help it."

"Well, Basil, I know a way to punish him,
and to have a really glorious revenge."

"Alice, dear Alice, will you tell me?" said Bas-
il.

"Well, do you remember the text, 'He not
overcome of evil,' what comes next?"

"Why, But overcome it with good," to
be sure, Alice. I know what you mean now."

"Well then, think over what a glorious
revenge you can have by obeying the command
that text, my dear?" said Alice, left the
room.

Basil did not sit thinking long, before he
decided what he would do. With Alice's
permission, on the following day he invited
Charles West to tea; he was much surprised
on receiving the invitation, but accepted it.
They had a very pleasant evening together.
Their principal amusement consisted in sailing
Basil's ships on a pond in the garden.—
For the first, Charles expressed great admiring-
ness for the skill of his master, and the old
man, who had been his school-fellow, was not
Basil's equal.

"On noo," cried Charles, stepping back, "I
could not think of such a thing."

"Oh, but, Charles, you must have it. Alice
lets me do what I like with my ships, and I
can make myself another just like it; and
papa says, if Mr. Mathews will allow you, you
can come up on Saturday and sail it with
me, and I will teach you how to make ships
too!"

Charles turned away his head to hide his
tears.

"Basil," he exclaimed, as they bid each
other good bye, "I will never try to injure
you again, like I did yesterday,—no I never
will. Good night, dear Basil."

That day Charles and Basil were
firm friends. Charles was easily persuaded
not to use the key to the exercises again; he
always after tried to imitate his friend's
example, and he gained the esteem of his
master, and the love of his school-fellows.—
My young readers, was not Basil Lee's a glorious
revenge?

THE LAND LAW STORY.

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following story, which has been from a gentle-
man in that country who had been seriously
plagued by rats about his barn, all attempts
to get them proving unavailing.

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so constructed that on a rat entering and
nibbling at the bait, the trap would spring
and snap the animal. Frequently finding
the trap so, the man concluded he would
put in the trap. Soon half-a-dozen rats made
their appearance, and among them one that
seemed to have more teeth than the others.
He snatched the trap, and, after running towards
the trap, and when the others made a noise
as if about to get it, to the fact, the old
rat had a wag his tail, and they would
run behind him.

After viewing the singularities of the old
rat, the man laid the trap part of it, and 20
traps, so as to surround and trap the
rat, so as to catch it. After this, taking
them off, he laid them out in a line, and
so continued for the same afternoon.

One brother, determined not to be out-
done, took a trap, set it in a line, and
placed it in the same afternoon. The
next morning he found the same afternoon.

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