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THE BOOKS MEN LIKE

When father reads to us at night, she doesn't get the meaning right. She's sure, because she takes a nap. And though she sits and rocks and sways, she stills comes to sleep.

She really doesn't like "The Books Men Like." She's been reading out loud to good, but father says it takes a man. Like him or else boy, like me. To have a good book, like me. (You bet I can), and so can he. We like "Black Eyes," and "Diamonds." And "Treasure Island," too, and then "Jungle Jim," because, you know.

They're really books for boys and men. Their life and fun in books like these. And there, too, and we're a sight. When father reads to us at night,

—Helen Cowles Eaton.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

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Fine, moonlight winter nights again and lots of rare fun coasting for boys now.

Another car of coal arrived in today this week. The price, however, is fancy. M. P. Barry, Unckwood, is slipping turpentine at the G. T. T. here, to the American markets.

—The neighborhood would have been considerably freer and wants are being fully well supplied.

Mrs. Anna Maddock has disposed of her bakery and confectionery business to Miss Miller, Church Street.

The January that arrived right on time, the snow was still on the ground when the snow settled down in autumn.

A new broom sweeps clean.

Our citizens will therefore expect Reeve Swackhamer to keep the payment

It is somewhat remarkable that four out of five members of the new Councils are on Main Street, and the other within fifty yards of it.

—The new electrician arrived in town on New Year's, and commenced his duties at the power house.

At the meeting of the Executive of the Local League here last Friday last week, Rev. T. Albert Moore, of Hamilton, President of Hamilton Methodist Conference, was appointed Vice-Chairman of the Action of Ontario, and Associate Secretary of the Dominion Alliance. He will remove to Toronto next June.

The municipal election on Monday was an unexpectedly hot one. The result was a victory for Reeve Swackhamer.

Councillors — R. Holmes, James Brown, George Hynde, John Arnsway, Board of Education, W. R. Kennedy, Dr. McGehee, H. Grindell, W. H. Denny, Rev. H. A. Macpherson, R. B. Johnson.

SEIZE THEM NOW

There they are, all around you. School houses, duly equipped; books and other things needed; teachers, the best that can be found—all free—to you. Ever figure up what it costs the town or city to put your children on year after year? Try it. You'll be surprised at the result. Then ask yourself if you are worth that sum because you appreciate what "it" does for you. And because you are working hard to get the greatest benefit from your advantages.

It is an old fact that some young people neglected their school advantages, and so were left behind until it's too late. You have heard or read of the various correspondence schools that flourish in different parts of the country. They are not to be despised. They are instituted to give special training and information, which can be had nowhere else. Very few of them are like that. The agent of one of these schools lately said to a reporter:

"In our city we have several hundred people who are taking our correspondence courses. No, the majority of them are not people of means or of the 'dual' school type. They are twenty-five years up to middle age or older. A few of them are people who for some necessary reason were not able to receive an education when they were young, but most of them were careless, negligent, let their school years slip by without taking advantage of them. Afterward they find it is too late to make a big mistake. In order to win success in life, in order to fill the places and make the progress they desired, they are compelled to take an education. They couldn't go back to school to get it, and so they came to us. Many are those who came to us on account of foolish ideas they held when young, in the course of life and education."

John Rivalde.

TOOTH PULLING IN INDIA.

A traveller in Lhasa, the forbidden city, round the dental service rather than the medical, writes from Tibet, where he goes with a few friends to the flat roof of his house. His friends bring a big stone round which they fasten a string. The string is then tied to the patient's teeth and the stone dropped into the water. The water then holds onto the patient to prevent him from going over to.

WILLIE LOOKED AFTER NO. 1

Willie had been given two apples with instructions to "give one to his sister and another to a larger than the other." He handed his sister the smaller. The mother said:

"Willie, if I were dividing these apples I would keep the smaller one and give the larger one to—"

"Well, haven't I got it?" he cried.

PROSPERITY EVIDENT

That prosperity is evident and that business conditions are coming back is shown by the fact that at recent public sale of 34 of Athens oil wells, the large sum of \$42,000 was paid off at Athens for poultry, and at Lyndhurst the larger sum of \$55,000 was paid off. Total amount of \$87,000 was for the products, most used at Christmas Festival.

HE OBEYED

A little boy had returned home after having been out to dinner. His mother asked him if that was the case, and he answered to say "No."

"Yes, ma," said "No" several times.

"You didn't," exclaimed his mother.

"Yes, Ma. Mrs. Smith kept asking me if I had had enough."

BACK-TO-THE-LAND MOVEMENT IN JAPAN

Since the "back-to-the-land" movement began in Japan, it is estimated that there are six hundred thousand workers who have gone back to agriculture. The total number of industrial workers in Japan is 1,000,000, so that nearly one-third of the total.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

JESUS HEALING ON THIS SABBATH

—It is lawful to do good on the Sabbath day.—Matt. 12: 12.

The Text Explained:

—One of the sinners.

The synagogue was a place of assembly for worship and instruction. It services at this time were the reading of the law, the singing of hymns, the offering of bread (prayer), the lessons from the Law and Prophets, the strictly benediction.

—A spirit of intimacy.—But

“who...and a spirit that makes...?” Men used to speak

as if to have a “soul spirit” (Luke 11: 13).

—The Vulgar of the Synagogue.

What is the purpose of the Christian Sabbath? What is the Sabbath service? What is the Sabbath observance to us as a nation? What can we do in its preservation? How can we distinguish between the Sabbath and the sabbath? What is the Sabbath? What is the Sabbath?

Give an ideal programme for young people for an entire Sunday. Give an ideal programme for the working man's Sabbath.

Readings for Next Week

Monday, January 8.—The Stepmother.

Tuesday, January 9.—Humility.

Wednesday, January 10.—The Blind.

Thursday, January 11.—A Humble Officer.

Friday, January 12.—A Humble and Upright Man.

Saturday, January 13.—The Humble.

Sunday, January 14.—The Humble and Upright.

HUMOROUS

Current sentence: "No, no," said the husband.

"I have that love me and those that are near me, and those that are dear to me."

"Well," returned the surgeon, "I can't promise you definitely, but I will give you my best guarantee."

"What?"

"I have the father and the mother that love you."

"I have them that love me and those that are near me, and those that are dear to me."

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