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#### Children.

# BY CHARLES DICKINSON:

When the lessons and tasks are all ended. And the school for the day is dismissed And the little ones gather around me, To bid me good night and be kissed; Oh, the little white arm that encircle

My neck in tender embrace! Oh, the smiles that are halos of heaven Shedding sunshine of love on my face

And when they are done I sit dreaming Of my childhood too lovely to last, Of love that my heart will remember When it wakes to the pulse of the past Ere the world and its wickedness made me A partner of sorrow and sin, When the glory of God was about me

And the glory of gladness within.

Oh, my heart grows weak as a woman's, And the fountains of feeling will flow, When I think of the paths steep and stony, Where the feet of the dear ones must go; Of the mountains of sin hanging o'er them, Of the tempest of Fate growing wild;

Oh, there is nothing on earth half so holy As the innocent heart of a child. They are idols of hearts and of households; They are angels of God in disguise; His sunlight still sleeps in their tresses,

His glory still gleams in their eyes; [ver Oh! those truants from home and from hea-They have made me more manly and mild, And I know how Jesus could liken The Kingdom of God to a child.

I ask not a life for the dear ones All radiant as others have done. But that life may have just enough shadow To temper the glare of the sun. I would pray God to guard them from evil But my prayer would bound back to myself

Ah! seraph may pray for a sinner, But a sinner must pray for himself. The twig is so easily blended, I have banished the rule and the rod; I have taught them the goodness of know

ledge,
They have taught me the goodness of God My heart is a dungeon of darkness. Where I shut them from breaking a rule My frown is sufficient correction:

My love is the law of the school. I shall leave the old house in the autumn, To traverse its threshold no more; An! how shall I sigh for the dear ones, That met me each morn at the door;
I shall miss the "good nights" and the kiss
And the gush of their innocent glee. The group on the green, and the flowers

That are brought every morning to me. I shall miss them at morn and at eve, Their song in the school and the street; I shall miss the low hum of their voices, And the tramp of their delicate feet: When the lessons and tasks are all ended, And Death says: "The school is dismis May the little ones gather around me, [sed!]
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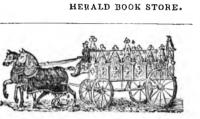
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