RICHMOND HILL, ONT., APRIL 29, 1909

"OUGHT BOYS TO FIGHT?"

The above headline appeared on the first or editorial page of last week's Christian Guardian. The Guardian says that

"The question as to whether or not we should repress the fighting instinct in boys was up for serious discussion before a College of Preceptors in Manchester recently, and that the Headmaster of the Manchester Grammar School said that, in his opinion, it was a mistake to try to eradicate the fighting propensity of a boy, and that a wise parent or teacher ought rather to try to temper or direct it. He thought that valuable educational lessons are to be learned by the boy from fighting as from other forms of play, for he believes that fighting is only, after all, a form of play with boys," &c.

Strange to say, The Guardian the library. seems to be satisfied with the above reasoning. The editor says:-

"We do well to pay attention, in a general way, to the English schoolmaster's ideas and theories as to boytraining and education, and probably in this instance his advice is good, to this extent, that it is well to encourage and give outlet to the vigorons and physically courageous in the boy in nacity and roughness may be a defect | May. in a boy, but it is doubtful if it is as and effeminacy."

We regret to see The Christian Guardian giving encouragement to anything in the form of fighting. How are teachers or parents to "temper or direct" fighting? Are they to tell the boys how hard to strike the other boy, and where to hit him? the world ever saw. He won from his And are we to condemn "excessive meekness"? What does The Guardian think of The Sermon on the Mount? Matthew v:5 says: "Blessed are the NOICE meek; for they shall inherit the earth."

Forty years ago fighting among boys at school was a common occurrenee. Now we scarcely ever hear Hill in the County of York, Gentleman, of such a disgraceful scene. Does any person think that boys are less manly than they were forty or fifiy years ago? We do not believe it.

IMPROVED FARMS IN ONTARIO.

For the convenience of newcomers to the Province of Ontario, who may prefer to purchase improved farms in the older settled parts of the Province where social conditions are similar to those existing in the Mother Country, rather than to engage in the arduous undertaking of making a home on the cheaper wild lands of the Crown, the Government of the Province has compiled a list of such improved farms that are offered for sale by the present owners.

The reasons for these farms being offered for sale are various. In many cases the farmers' sons have secured new farms for themselves in Northern Ontario or in the North west Provinces, or have gone into commercial or professional life, leaving the home farm with the father, who is thus dependent on hired help, often inefficient, and is anxious to retire from active work.

The prices run from \$150 to \$52,-000. Altogether about 800 properties are described and offered for sale. Any person interested in the purchase of a farm would do well to write the Minister of Agriculture for a copy of the pamphlet, which contains nearly 100 pages.

The Khan, writing in The Daily Star of Monday, tells about a young minister who exerted a good influence on the boys and young men in a certain neighborhood by joining their ball club and playing with them in t eir games. Everything in the form o' profanity or other unbecoming language was "cut out," and the

minister received that respect which is due to his high calling.

We believe the experiment is worth trying. A minister of the right stamp should be able to leave his impress on a company of young men with whom he associates. If he finds, however, there is a lack of appreciation for his efforts to assist the young men, he cannot be blamed for transferring his energies to other places.

Teachers cannot always be expected to join with the students in their sports and amusements, but where this can be done there is little danger of disputes in the playground. There is nothing like personal contact in one's influence for good.

> A LITERARY EVENING. [From "Success Magazine."]

As Jones wended his uncertain way homeward be pondered ways of coucealing his condition from his wife. "I'll go home and read, he decided, "Whoever heard of a drunken man reading a book?"

Later Mrs. Jones heard a noise in "What in the world are you doing

in there?" she asked. "Reading, my dear," Jones replied

cheerfully. "You old idiot!" she said scornfully as she looked in at the library door, "shut up that valise and come to bed."

News Notes.

Two hundred licenses will be cut off all reasonable ways. Too great pug- in Ontario on Saturday, the first of

The Supreme Court will decide fatal a defect as excessive meekness whether Toronto is to have a suburban railway service similar to that of Montreal.

The Divisional Court reserved judgment on the application to quash the Coroner's warrant for the arrest of Florence Kinrade.

By his race with St. Yves in New York Saturday night Alfred Shrubb, the English runner has demonstrated that he is the greatest ten-mile runner plucky competitor by 11 laps, covering the fifteen miles in 1 hour, 26.12 minutes.

In the matter of the Estate of JACOB HEISE late of the Village of Richmond deceased.

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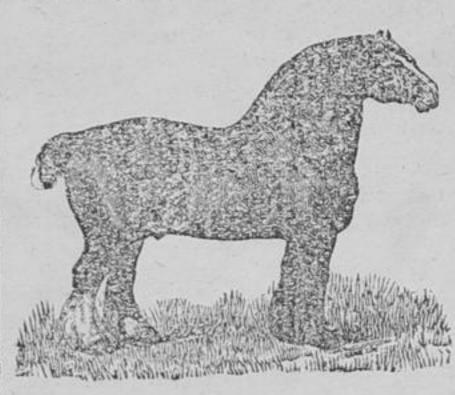
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