YOUNG FOLKS

The Gift of the Wise Little Pixie.

There was once a little prince, who had everything he wanted and more beside, and I suppose you are thinking right away, "What a fortunate fellow!" and "How happy he must have been!"

Nothing of the sort. He was the unhappiest boy alive, because—well—because he had not a thing in the world to wish for.

He had more ponies than ever he could ride, more books than ever he could read, more candy than ever he could eat and more places to go than he could ever hope to choose from—so he just sat there feeling blue and dull.

Twenty men-in-waiting stood breathlessly at attention to execute his slightest command and the poor little prince's head ached trying to keep them busy. "For," he reasoned to himself, "it must be very tiresome to stand still all the time!"

This went on and on till the little prince could think of not one thing more he wanted. In the midst of his gorgeous garden and surrounded by his glittering attendants he drooped on his golde n throne and nothing could interest or arouse him!

The queen and the king grew very much alarmed and begged him to tell them what he wanted to make him happy. He only shook his head. So off they hastened, the royal carriage clattering into town at a terrible rate. And back they came with all the toy and sweetmeat merchants at their heels.

"Choose any, my son—or all!" implored the king. The prince sighed wearily and then shook his head—so they left them all! Boats by the hundred, games galore—every sort of toy imaginable!

"Leave him alone with them!" whispered one of the wise men, so the king raised his sceptre and all the attendants went backing away. Then the king and queen with a great swishing of silk and velvets went away, too, and for the first time he could remember the little prince was all by himself!

He could scarcely believe his eyes. He sat up straight on his golden throne and stared around in delight. Then down he jumped and ran to the very end of the garden, where he could not see one of the hateful toys. "There's not one thing left!" he remarked dismally. "Not one thing in the world!"

"What's that?" piped up a little voice. The prince looked down and there perched on a rose bush sat a little pixie!

"There's not one thing left to wish for!" repeated the prince, regarding her curiously. "Ho! ho! ho! How funny?" chuckled the pixie, turning a somersault, "A little boy without a want!" "You would not think it so funny if you had to keep twenty men-in-waiting from getting stiff and tired. I can't think of another thing for them to do for me!"" The little prince threw himself down on the ground and began sighing again. "If I only had something to wish for! If I only wanted something!"

The pixie stopped swinging. "You are the only little boy in the world who isn't wanting something!" she remarked slowly. "Dear me! Dear me!" "What do they want?" The little prince looked up with new interest. "Look in the lake and I'll show you!" answered the pixie, skipping down to the edge of the water. So he did, and there he saw hundreds of little boys and the things each wanted most. Some wanted bicycles, some wanted boats, some wanted books. "Why!" gasped the little prince, "they want all the things I've got so many of!" "Yes!" said the pixie, smoothing her rose-petal apron and looking sideways at the little prince, "they do!"

"Well, I wish they could have them!" sighed the prince. "See that little ragged boy, he does so want a dog!" But the pixie was hopping about, clapping her hands and laughing with glee.

"Now you've found them! Now you've found them!" she cried over and over again!

"What?" cried the little boy curiously. "Why, your wishes and wants," laughed the pixie. "Didn't you know that it was more fun to want things for other people than for yourself! Here!" She slipped a long list of names into the prince's hand and then disappeared like a soap bubble that has suddenly burst.

Calling for all twenty men-in-waiting at once, the little prince ran up the garden, stumbling over himself fairly in his eagerness! His "I wants!" and "I wishes!" kept the whole court flying, I can tell you, and before evening every little boy on the pixie's list had what he wanted. All the prince's ponies were gone but one, all the dogs but one, all the games but one; in fact, there was just one of everything left. The boys had had so much fun with the prince's gifts that he began to wonder whether he and the doggie and pony and toys that were left could not have some fun, too!

And they did, and after that one boy always came each day to play with the little prince, and as for wishes and wants, well, he discovered the fun of wanting things for other people and not for himself. There was no end to his commands and no end to the happiness in the kingdom where he lived.

REPLENISH YOUR BLOOD IN THE SPRING

Just now you are feeling "out of sorts"—not your usual self. Quite exhausted at times and cannot devote real energy to your work. Sleep does not rest you and you wake up feeling "all tired out." Perhaps rheumatism is flying through your muscles and joints or may be your skin is disfigured by rashes, boils or pimples. Headaches, twinges of neuralgia, fits of nervousness, irritability of temper and a disordered stomach often increase your discomfort in the spring.

The cause—winter has left its mark on you. These troubles are signs that your blood is poor and watery, that your nerves are exhausted. You must renew and enrich your blood at once and restore tone to your tired nerves, or there may be a complete breakdown. The most powerful remedy for these spring ailments in men, women and children is Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, because these Pills cleanse bad blood and strengthen weak nerves.

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ONTARIO'S FOREST FIRES.

Strong Organization Being Formed to Administer Protection System.

Material progress is being made in the re-organization of Ontario's forest fire protection system. The organization will be supervised by E. J. Zavitz, Provincial Forester. Mr. Zavitz is a technically trained forester and has had wide experience under Ontario conditions, having been connected with various lines of government forestry work in the province during the past 12 or 13 years. He will be assisted in the head office by J. H. White, of the Faculty of Forestry of the University of Toronto. Mr. White has collaborated in the preparation of reports on Forests of Nova Scotia, Trent Watershed Survey and Forest Protection in Canada, 1913-1914, published by the Commission of Conservation. Three district chiefs have been appointed, for the supervision of the work in the field. L. E. Bliss will be stationed at Port Arthur, Ernest G. Poole at Cochrane, and A. J. McDonald at North Bay. Under these district chiefs will be a large staff of inspectors and fire-rangers. A strong effort will be made to co-ordinate the work of the whole organization, and to provide adequate overhead supervision and inspection.

Co-operation with the Board of Railway Commissioners will be continued, under which the Province will provide a number of inspectors to supervise the fire protection work of the several railways, in forest sections. The regulations of the Board make the railways responsible for the prevention and control of fires due to railway agencies. For the enforcement of these regulations in Ontario, the Province last year provided eleven inspectors. The work of these inspectors related chiefly to right-of-way clearing, the reporting and extinguishing of fires by railway employees, and the inspection of locomotive fire-protective appliances.

Proposed amendments to the Ontario Forest Fires Act will give the Provincial Forester very wide authority in the handling of the whole situation. One of the most important amendments provides for the adoption of the permit system of regulating settlers' clearing fires. This action should go far toward preventing a repetition of previous disastrous fires in the clay belt. Similar provisions are now in effect in other provinces.

SLIGHTLY EXAGGERATED.

Story Which Occurs in a Collection of Theological Anecdotes.

The line between purely rhetorical exaggeration and a reprehensible perversion of truth is not always easy to draw. In the high tide of eloquence, even preachers occasionally forget that it exists. A committee of remonstrance once called upon an old-time Newburyport preacher to protest against the unbridled exaggerations that he permitted himself in the pulpit. The preacher admitted his fault very humbly.

"Indeed," he said to them sorrowfully, "I have shed over it barrels upon barrels of tears!"

The "meenister" of a country kirk in Scotland, a century ago, was less amenable to reproof, even if he invited it—as Mr. J. R. McRae has recently related in a collection of theological anecdotes. His clerk had ventured to suggest the ill effect of exaggeration upon the congregation; the minister, rather offended, declared himself unaware of transgression, but requested that if he erred again the next Sabbath he might be reminded, by a discreet cough, to curtail his eloquence.

The next Sabbath he described how Samson tied the foxes' tails together. He said, impressively:

"The foxes in those days were much larger than ours, and they had tails twenty fut long—"

"Ahem!" coughed the clerk.

"That is," continued the preacher, "according to their measurement; but by ours nae more than fufteen—"

"A-hem!" came the cough, more loudly.

"But sin ye may think that extravagant, we'll juist ca' them ten fut—"

"Ahem! Ahem!"

"Mon," shouted the parson, leaning over the pulpit and shaking a forefinger at the clerk, "ye may cough all nicht if it suit ye, but I'll na tak aff anither fut! Wad ye hae the foxes wi' no tails at a'?"

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QUACK GRASS.

Thoroughness an Essential Quality in Method of Eradication.

All methods of eradicating this troublesome weed are based on thorough tillage. The implements found on any well equipped farm are sufficient to eradicate quack grass.

As the quack grass roots are found closer to the surface in sod and pasture fields than in cultivated fields, it is often advisable to utilize a field for pasture or meadow, keeping the grass cut closely or grazed before attempting to kill it. The work should start immediately after haying by ploughing the infested land only deep enough to turn over a furrow containing most of the grass roots. From three to four inches will be deep enough on sod or pasture land. Disk the land thoroughly every ten or twelve days until autumn, when the quack grass will be killed. Plough the land to a good depth the following spring to bury the dead roots which will supply food to the succeeding crop. Plant corn or potatoes and cultivate thoroughly, or sow a smother crop as millet or buckwheat.

The process of killing quack grass is not complicated, but one thing must always be borne in mind, the work must be done conscientiously and thoroughly. A half-hearted effort is useless.

There are signs to-day in Germany, one cannot call it of repentance; it is rather of sorrow, not for her crimes, but for the accumulating failure of the object for which that crime of hers was committed.

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A Fashionable Gown

The jumper effect and barrel skirt combined make a costume distinctly smart, while its development in oyster-white pongee and Chinese blue adds the artistic touch which is the aspiration of all women of taste. The embroidery used on this dress is the new kind of shadow embroidery which is

very easily done as it is merely a darning-stitch. McCall Pattern No. 7743, Ladies' Jumper Blouse, in 5 sizes; 34 to 42 bust; and No. 7737, Ladies' Two-Piece Barrel Skirt, 39 or 37-inch length; in 5 sizes; 22 to 30 waist. Price, 20 cents each.

These patterns may be obtained from your local McCall dealer or from The McCall Co., 70 Bond St., Toronto, Dept. W.

SACRED LAKE OF ASHANTI.

Regarded by Natives as the Abode of a Powerful Spirit.

In central Ashanti there is a sacred lake, Bosumtivi, which lies about eighteen miles southeast of Coomassie, and is the only real lake in the country. It is roughly circular in shape, with a diameter of four miles, and lies in a deep depression with sides rising to six hundred and seven hundred feet above its surface. It has never been fathomed. An attempt was made to sound it by A. J. Philbrick, acting chief commissioner of Ashanti, but the line broke after five hundred feet had been lowered. The water is fresh, though the lake has no outlet, and only a few small annual streams flow into it. The Ashantis regard the lake as a great fetish, believing that it is the abode of a powerful and energetic spirit which manifests itself, among other ways, by flashing lights on the surface and making noises like the discharge of artillery. There are numerous villages round the lake, but no canoes, paddles, fishboats or brass pans are allowed on or near to it. The natives do, however, permit themselves to catch the fish which abound in the lake, aand they resort to an ingenious method of overcoming the disabilities imposed on them by its sacred character. Plaited reed mats with gaping mouths are taken out from the shore by men lying face downwards on cigar shaped logs of wood. They propel themselves by paddling with their hands, and, having set the mats as a trap, they retire long enough to allow the fish to enter. They then return very quickly in the same fashion, pull together the two parts of the trap, and retire with their haul.

The average man thinks he would have been a perfect terror in war if business had not kept him at home.

Satisfaction, even after one has dined well, is not so interesting and eager a feeling as hunger.

UTILIZE MILL WASTE.

Process Discovered of Obtaining Valuable Products From Refuse.

Dr. J. G. Davidson, of the University of British Columbia, in co-operation with Lloyd L. Davis, of the department of industrial chemistry of the University of Washington, has discovered a process of distilling sawmill waste whereby it is believed that thousands of dollars now lost will be saved.

By means of this process tar, a light oil, acetate of lime, and charcoal are formed. The gas produced by distillation is carried through a pipe nine inches in diameter and twenty feet long. In this pipe is an electrically charged wire, which causes precipitation of the heavy particles of tar. The tar, forty gallons for each cord of wood distilled, is of medium consistency, and immediately marketable. The light oil, obtained in a water condenser, is immediately marketable for use in ore refining, and the yield is twelve gallons to the cord of wood. Eighty pounds of acetate of lime are obtained from the pyroligneous acid of each cord of wood. Nine hundred pounds of charcoal are the final yield.

Well Known Farmer Gives His Evidence

Says Dodd's Kidney Pills Cured Him of Gravel

Mr. William Wood of Hadlington, Ont., is Added to Long List of Cures By the Great Canadian Kidney Remedy, Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Hadlington, Ont., Apr. 23rd (Special)—Mr. William Wood, a well-known farmer living near here, is shouting the praises of Dodd's Kidney Pills. He claims they cured him of two of the most painful and dangerous forms of kidney trouble, bladder trouble and gravel.

"Yes, I was troubled with gravel and bladder trouble," Mr. Woods said when asked about his cure. "But since I took four boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills my troubles are gone. I also had heart flutterings and shortness of breath. There were flashes of lights and specks before my eyes and I was very nervous. All these troubles have gone, too, since I used Dodd's Kidney Pills."

Others in this neighborhood have used Dodd's Kidney Pills and found that they are the greatest of all remedies for kidney troubles of any kind. Dodd's Kidney Pills are specialists. They cure sick kidneys and that is all they claim to cure. The reason they are given credit for curing rheumatism, lumbago, dropsy, diabetes and Bright's disease is that all of these diseases are caused by sick kidneys.

STRENGTH OF DOUGLAS FIR.

British Railway Officials Find It Valuable For Road Ties.

As evidence of the remarkable strength of Douglas fir, an official of one of the great British railways in a letter to an official of the British Columbia forestry department, stated that out of 616 railway ties of Douglas fir laid down more than 16 years ago, on a main line over which traffic of fifteen million tons per annum passed, only 23 had been renewed, the remainder being still in good condition.

British Columbia possesses an inexhaustible supply of this magnificent timber, observes the Vancouver Sun, and undoubtedly it will compete successfully with other timber in the markets for building timber which will be opened in Europe when the war ends. Present indications are that Douglas fir will be a source of immense wealth to this province at the close of the war.

Minard's Liniment Cures Burns, Etc.

A Complicated Clock.

At Beauvais Cathedral there is a clock which is composed of 92,000 separate pieces, having 52 dial-plates. This clock gives the time in the big capitals of the world, as well as the local hour, the day of the week and month, the rising and setting of the sun, the phases of the moon and tides, as well as considerable other information.

MONEY ORDERS

When ordering goods by mail, send a Dominion Express Money Order.

The discovery of America cost a little more than $7,000, at least so say some documents that were found in the archives of Genoa. These documents give the value of Columbus' first fleet at $3,000. The great admiral was paid a salary of $300 a year, the two captains who accompanied him received a salary of $200 each and the members of the crew were paid at the rate of $2.50 a month each.

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Tommy (to Jock, on leave)—What about the lingo? Suppose you want to say "egg" over there, what do you say? Jock—Ye juist say "Oof." Tommy—But suppose you want two? Jock—Ye say "Twa oofs," and the silly auld fule wife gies ye three, and ye just gie her back one. Man, it's an awfu' easy language.

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A Healthy Job.

The healthiest occupation of all is said to be that in the American petroleum works. Here the men are said never to suffer from sore throats, diphtheria, quinsy or kindred ailments. Indeed, petroleum fumes are so good for the throat that it is quite common for sufferers from throat affections to "take the fumes," just as people "take the waters" at Hot Springs or French Lick.

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