

THE LITTLE NEW YEAR.

One cold morning Donald awoke from his dreams and sat up in bed. He listened. He thought he heard a knock at his window but though the morn was shining brightly, Jack Frost had been so busy at work that Donald could not see him.



HOW THINGS GET MIXED.

It seems very strange To a boy like me, How things get so mixed I'm sure I can't see.



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HUMAN NATURE.

A True Incident. Two little children five years old, Marie the gentle, Charlie the bold; Sweet and bright, and quaintly wise, Angels both, in their mother's eyes.

A LETTER TO SANTA CLAUS.

Dear Santa Claus: You gave me something last Christmas and I'm sure I'll write again this year. I want a Newfoundland dog, a bird, a foxhound, and a greyhound, and a hound dog.

A LOAF OF BREAD.

Out of the window came a loaf of bread, And hit a boy on the top of his head; It scared him so that he was hit to a fig, And the man ran over the pig.

WHAT WOULD YOU DO.

Now, if you should visit a Japanese home, Where there isn't a sofa or chair, And your hostess should say, "Take a seat, sir, I pray," Now where would you sit? Tell me, where?

THE CRACKER BOYS.

Among all Scranton's young citizens, are there any who have as little to make life a joy and yet look at things the same cheery way that our cracker boys do?

Then they hurried to other places, leaving some blessing behind them. "What a wonderful cart you have," said "Bessie," and the New Year window is open a little; let us throw this bunch of pinks into the room.

Typical Books for Children.

- Seven Little Sisters series.....Andrews
Tanglewood Tales and Wonder Book.....Hawthorne
Fairly Tales.....Anderson Grimm
Child Garden.....(Bound volumes)
Jingle Book.....Kipling
Child Stories from the Masters.....Menefee
Back of the North Wind.....McDonald
Greek Heroes.....Kingsley
Nights with Uncle Remus.....Harris
Bird's Christmas Carol.....Wiggin
Child's Christmas Tales.....Hofer
Love Songs of Childhood.....Field
Child's Garden of Verse.....Brewster
Fables and Folk Stories.....Scudder

George Washington Stories.

To a class of children from 3 to 5 years old: "Who can tell me anything about George Washington?"

BUILDING.

You are little builders, Working every day, Brick by brick, brick by brick, Building for the present, Every word you utter, Everything you do, Renders the foundation, Either false or true.

Mamma.

Mamma—"O, Janet, God never takes to Heaven little girls who tell things that are untrue."

HE LOVED A SMILE.

A lady bought a paper of a ragged news boy and dropped a few extra pennies into his sooty hand, saying: "Buy you a pair of mittens; aren't you cold?"

GRACE BIRDSALL.

A physician is a man who cures people of diseases. Most physicians live in large houses or boarding houses. They get a great deal of money.

THE BOY BEFORE GOING TO SCHOOL.

Read Before the Teachers' Institute, Scranton, April, 1896. (Published by request.)

It would seem almost trite and commonplace to assert that character begins in the cradle. In these days when child culture is the vogue, the importance of early training is emphasized. The old adage of Pope, "Just as the twig is bent the tree's inclined," is realized to be true.

THE TEACHER'S WORK.

Very much—all this has been done for you, the child, before you enter school. Education has begun and is well progressed before the child has arrived at school age in many instances.

SHE MUST BE HERSELF WHAT SHE WISHES HER PUPILS TO BE.

The teachable attitude, the desire to improve, the willingness to change, should be her spirit; the cheerfulness, the promptness and the unselfishness should be her nature.

HELEN DUNN GATZ.

A certain teacher of this city, who had been greatly impressed by an article in an educational journal on the subject of "Thought Getting" and the cultivation of original expression on the part of the pupil, appeared before her class one day and said:

INDUSTRIAL SYMPOSIUM (CONCLUDED.)

WORK FOR WOMEN—THE CASHIER.

The work of a cashier is not only interesting, but it is one of the most fundamental principles of business which are always helpful, no matter in what capacity one may become engaged.

OLD FASHION'S COME AGAIN.

Fashion's caprice from an old letter written in New Haven, Conn., May, 1835, now in possession of the third generation, furnished by Mrs. Harriet R. Jackson.

WASH DRESS GOODS.

If you want to see a beautiful lot of Organdies, Dimities, Linen Batiste, etc., call before this special lot is gone.

SHOES.

The early Greeks usually went barefoot or confined themselves to simple sandals which in time came to be highly ornamented.

SHOES.

In Japan the sandals worn by the common people are made of straw; in South America they are made of platted things of hemp.

SHOES.

He—'I'm going to apply my talents, but can't make up my mind whether I shall go in for art or poetry.

SHOES.

Do you eat? You can get a good meal for 25c at Kitchener's, 114 Wash. St., Scranton.

SHOES.

For best designs and lowest prices at cemetery, call at 194 Wash. St.