Children's Storyland

THE WHISPERING **FOOTPRINTS**

Eddy, O Eddy, where are you?" "Here, mother," came a shrill little voice from the back yard. "Come here, Eddy; I want you to

do something for me."

Then the back door opened, and Mrs. Taylor heard the soft thud of have feet along the passage. But when Eddy entered the sitting room and stood by mother's sewing table, she only said: "Why, Eddy, what's the matter?"

Now, there were no cuts or bumps or bruises about the little boy. Why should the mother think anything was the matter? Because his brown eyes, which generally looked right up at you, like two little birds flying out of a cage, now had an uneasy look-neither here nor there, but

"Nothing's the matter," said Eddy, looking out of the window. "What did you call me for, mother?"

"I am sorry my little boy has disobeyed me about going to the apple bin without leave." Eddy gave a little start. "The reason God put me here as your mother, Eddy, is because He thinks I know better what you ought to do and ought not to do than you yourself."

Eddy did not answer. He was wondering how mothers knew so 1 2 2 3

"I am especially sorry that you should disobey me by sneaking through the coal room window," said Mrs. Taylor. "I would much rather you say, 'I won't mind you,' and go in before my eyes than go in by telling a lie."

"Why, mother, I didn't say"-began Eddy, glad of a chance to defend himself.

"Do you think you talk only with your lips?" interrupted his mother. "What do you suppose has whispered to me that you have been in the apple cellar, and that you went | * * * * * * * * * * through the coal room?"

"I can't imagine," said Eddy

The little boy turned, and there between him and the door were five smiling at the look of surprise on the little face; but it was a rather mournful smile.

"Do you think we can ever do wrong, Eddy, and not leave marks of it somewhere?" she asked. "And 0, my little boy, the marks which sin leaves are on your heart, which ought to be clean and white for God's eyes, instead of being all tracked over by wrong doing!"

"Won't they come out?" asked Eddy. He meant the footprints on the matting. But mother was thinking about those other marks when she said: "The blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth from all sin. You must ask him to forgive you, Eddy, and to take away your guilt, and to make you hate sin, which leaves such ugly footprints on your little life."

And then, for a punishment and for a reminder, mother kept the footprints on the sitting room floor that whole day, so that Eddy might see them and remember how every wrong deed leaves dark stains on his little heart .- Buds of Hope.

NO LOOSE ENDS

anything at loose ends."

The words puzzled Louise a little, but watching the brisk old lady made them clear. Aunt Hilda had picked fellowship. up the rug she just cut from the

Louise likes to sweep, but somesit beside Aunt Hilda who lad taken could say: "It is enough. The hour her mending baskets now. That made is come."

Hilda," she thought, for she is wise enobles the soul and lifta it up done over because of being left like to pray. that scarf the kitten raveled so easily. We say with His disciples, "Lord, Aunt Hilda knows better than to teach us to pray."

make herself so much extra work. Everything she does counts, because SARGON ENDS TEN it is finished right.

Fretful hours, shame and danger still come from leaving things unfinished. Girls and boys are wise to train themselves to better ways. The difference will show quickly and will Lutheran.

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO YOU

There's a sweet old story translated for man.

But writ in the long, long ago-The Gospel according to Mark, Luke, and John-

Of Christ and his mission below.

You are writing a Gospel, a chapter each day,

By deeds that you do, by words that you say. Men read what you write, whether

faithless or true. Say, what is the Gospel according

Men read and admire the Gospel of

With its love so unfailing and true; But what do they say, and what do they think

Of the Gospel "according to you?"

Tis a wonderful story, that Gospel of Love.

And, oh, that its truth might be told just temporarity,

again

Unselfishness mirrors in every scene;

comes to tell The wonderful goodness of God.

You are writing each day a letter to

Take care that the writing is true; Tis the only Gospel some men will

That Gospel according to you. -Unknown.

Jesus' Prayer Life

By LOIS V. GENTRY

matting. Mother could not help smiling at the look of surprise on smiling at the look of surprise on the white prayer life of Jeus. Why should God this information is carried to the New York state and every bit of the local product necessary to fill the demand, induce as many formation at the local product necessary to fill the demand, induce as many formation are along way from attaining this goal for pastures, but this information is carried to the local product necessary to fill the demand, induce as many formation are along way from attaining this goal for pastures, but this information is carried to the local product necessary to fill the demand, induce as many formation are along way from attaining this goal for pastures, but this information is carried to the local product necessary to fill the demand, induce as many formation are along way from attaining this goal for pastures, but this information is carried to the local product necessary to fill the demand, induce as many formation are along way from attaining this goal for pastures, but this information is carried to the local product necessary to fill the demand, induce as many formation are along way from attaining this goal for pastures, but the local product necessary to fill the demand, induce as many formation are along way from attaining this goal for pastures, but the local product necessary to fill the demand, induce as many formation are along way from attaining the second attaining the second are along way from attaining the second attaining the as petition then the question natural- press. For the past several months it is quite possible that sudden cold ly comes "If Christ be God why the food production problem in this in losing their market for them were should He pray to God?" Christ is State. A careful record of bothe the dairymen not prepared to meet God, says Stalker in his Imago production, consumption and profits the emergency. Christi, perfectly God. But he adds has been made under the direction too that He is perfectly man. Prayer in petition expresses His Man side, of the facts will be of great interest His true humanity. When we look in that they do not follow the results at prayer as "the fullness of the soul given wide publicity by economists in conversation with God" then we see His divine side.

The occasions for prayer in Jesus' life were many. He prayed before average are nearly feeding themevery important step or crisis in His life. Before choosing His twelve the question now is how to grow and apostles He prayed the whole night; for the future of Christanity depended on this selection. He prayed especially when His life was hard and full of excitement. It gave Him the calm poise that was His. Jesus died praying.

Jesus considered prayer as a privilege. Prayer rested and strengthened Him and gave Him new vigor and patience to bear all that was His to bear. In prayer lay one of the great secrets of His Power.

Jesus' play of prayer was a solitary Louise was spending a week with place. He seemed particularly to like her great-aunt Hilda, who weaves the mountains. The hills around Him beautiful rugs. "You work every and the trees over Him did much to minute, auntie," she said. "Not quite soothe and calm His mind. Jesus not that, but I'm doing something most only lead a private prayer life, He of the time. I don't like to leave also prayed publically. Many people can not understand the real zeal and fire of prayer if prayer is only secret. Jesus saw this so He taught prayer in

Just before Jesus' trial and death 100m. At each end there was a He went for strength to the Garden fringe of work about three inches of Gethsemane. He left His disciples long. Aunt Hilda made these ends a little ways in the garden to pray even and began knotting the warp and to watch while He went deeper fringe in groups of six strands. When into the grove to pray. And there this was done she rolled the rug and with all the fervor heart that had their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. been faithful; with all the anguish Jordan. "Suppose you brush up the litter of a soul that had never sinned He and then we'll go in the other room," cried, "Let this cup pass from me, O God, let this cup pass from me." His disciples heard this but they were times she does not remember to put tired and fell asleep. The rest of her broom and dustpan away. This His prayer was heard by God alone time she did, because she knew just When Jesus came from the woods how auntie herself would have done. He had an answer to His prayer "I didn't leave any loose ends," she He was content to bear the loss and told herself proudly as she went to shame, even that, of the cross. He

Louise recall that she, too, had more things are wrought stockings to darn.

The prayer than this world dreams of the stockings to darn. "It's good for me to visit Aunt Tennyson said. Prayer calms and enough to see that she has a habit God. Power and character are the of leaving many things unfinished. living waters from its fountain. If What trouble both she and brother Jesus the Perfect Man, the Perfect Carl have because of the things they God needed to pray how much more leave at loose ends.' Much of their do we, who can hold no protence to finder. work and even their play has to be be perfect men much less gods, need

YEARS SUFFERING

"I suffered ten years with indigestion and pains in my stomach after nearly every meal. Sometimes the also be a help to them their whole pressure around my heart would lives long.-Mary S. Stover, in The make me feel like I was smothering to death. Constipation bothered me a



MRS. MARY T. MANGUM

great deal, and I'm sure it was caused As it shines in the Christ-like Di- by a sluggish liver. No medicine I could find would help me more than in this test are Weekly's Improved,

and got me to try Sargon which had In the story of your life and mine! done the same for me. I can eat anything I want, even cabbage, without a sign of indigestion. Sargon Pills put ber of inquiries for various seeds my liver to work and ended my confrom the newly organized Seed Cer-And back from its vision the heart stipation. I feel like a new woman." tification Department of Seed Cer-St., Durham, N. C.

G. R. Pilkington, Agent. -Adv.

Will Present Facts state to grow for certification. **About Food Crops**

How nearly the different counties produced at a profit or loss are some 24 ounces to the dozen. of the interesting facts that will be presented to the farm people of A weather service for dairying is North Carolina during the next four now being offered by Cornell Uni-

a careful study has been made of spells would be an important factor of C. A. Sheffield, assistant director of extension. It is reported that some at other institutions.

For instances, says Dean I. O. Schaub, Mr. Sheffield's figures show that the farmers of the State on the selves. It is the city folks who are buying food from outside, therefore prepare this food for sale to the urban population. The figures show further that North Carolina's bill for imported food is nearer one hundred and a half million dollars than it is two hundred and half a million. The new figure also includes a bill for some twenty million dollars worth of milk that we should drink but in reality do not.

The extension service plans therefore during the next four months to show by actual and carefully secured data the condition in each county so that the Boards of Agriculture, the county agent and the county officials may take the necessary steps to help balance the local agriculture.

Full plans for presenting this information will be made at the annual extension conference to be held at the College during the week of Janu-

Gulf News

Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Phillips December 26th. a ten pound girl.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Jordan of Elizabethtown, Mr and Mrs. R. B. Jordan and little daughter of Sanford spent Christmas holidays with

Mrs. Ida Young Estes, teacher in Petersburg College for girls, Petersburg Va., arrived Christmas eve and spent a week with Mrs. Mary, B.

The following young people from the different schools and colleges spent the holidays at home: Misses Devereux spent the fieldars at home: Misses Helen Wickers Flora McDonald, Red-Springs, Annie and Elsie Tyner, Elon College, Viola Johnson, N. C. C. W. Messers Bryon Johnson, State College, Wilham Beal Mars Hill College.

Miss Report L. Beal of Darham

by spent the holidays with home folks.

Misses Minnie Muschison and Mary

Misses Minnie Muschison and Mary

Palmer, teachers in Labulan Schools,

and spent the holidays with home folks.

p to ture so glum today?

Cranium—They've just discovered hat they've passed a law that everybody can understand. - The Path-

> Pocomoke-No? Catterwaul-No. I've just discovered it's in the cellar under 10 tons of coal.—The Pathfinder.

INTERESTING FACTS FOR **FARMERS**

TIMELY HINTS

ON GROWING

CROPS.

Farm News

Edited by N. C. SHIVER, County Agt.

DOINGS OF CHATHAM **FARMERS**

STOCK FARMING, POULTRY,

Chatham County Farms

Mr. J. J. Brown of the Department of Agriculture at Raleigh, and Mr. P. A. Seese, Extension Poultryman, were visitors in the county this last week. The purpose of their visit was the blood-testing of two poultry flocks for bacillary white diarrhea. The demonstrators cooperating in having their flocks blood tested are Mrs. O. B. Mann of Pittsboro, RFD route 2and Mrs. J. M. Edwards of Siler City RFD.

One of the smallest wheat crops in the history of the county has been seeded this fall. Unfavorable weather conditions have prevented the seeding of fully half a normal crop. Not only has there been a small wheat crops seeded, but a small barley and oat crop as well.

For the purpose of ascertaining the best adapted varieties of corn for planting in Chatham county, two corn variety tests will be conducted on two different soil types in Chatham county this year. Some of the varieties of corn that will be grown "Recently my mother visited me Cocke's Prolific, Mosby's Prolific and ---others.

The County Agent has had a num--Mrs. Mary T. Mangum, 1117 Wolf tification Department for use in this county. There is now available some

DID YOU KNOW THAT-

A barred Rock hen at the Univerof North Carolina are growing their sity of Missouri recently finished her own supplies of food and feed and first laying year with a production of whether the main crops are being 301 eggs, the last of which averaged

versity. This is another step in the The Board of Trustees of State direction of helping the dairy indus-

> which have to do with farm profits. purposes. portant factor in increasing the in- this hay was fed to work stock and

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News of the Week on come. Size of the livestock business other forms of livestock rather than and the efficiency of the stock were the dairy cow, we can readily see that about equal and ranked next in im- some cows were forced to depend on portance. Farms with more than six tops, fodder or meadow hay for their cows showed average incomes of \$1,- roughage. 788; those with less than that showed average incomes of \$832. The dairy farms showed the higest incomes.

> In the past ten years, Illinois far mers have spread more than 5,000, 000 tons of limestone which came to them from commercial quarries. It is estimated that this has added all the way from \$10 to \$34 an acre to the state in increased crops.

Dusting Methods and Machines to be Demonstrated in Chatham

Plans are now under way for the holding of one or two dusting demonstrations in Chatham county. At these demonstrations, the latest methods and machinery will be used. It is planned to have the two-row, four-row, saddle guns and hand dusters in operation. Representatives of the various companies will probably be on hand to outline the merits of their various machines.

If present plans are carried out, there will probably be two of these demonstrations, one in the eastern part of the county an done in the western part of the county. Mr. C. H. Brannon, Extension Entomologist, will assist the County Agent in conducting these demonstrations.

Chatham Facing Serious Shortage of Feed Crops

Farmers in this county are beginning the new year with a very small cotton seed, a large supply of wheat, mer on hand. The decreased acceptants and barley for farmers of this in small grains this fall will serve to intensify this shortage. A large acreintensify this shortage. A large acrelage seeded in spring oats will help to queer creature because he lives in lesson this feed deficiency, but plans his house all the time and carries it should be made now to seed larger acreages in soy beans, spring oats, lespedeza and other feed crops for

in this county need to seed larger acreages than ever in soy beans, clovers and other legumes. To properly take care of the pasture requirements for these same cows, with us and to work and play. But Chatham needs 4500 acres in preto seed an acre of prepared pasture for every dairy cow on the farm, to induce every farmer to seed an acre of soy beans or some other leguminous hay for every cow kept, and to induce as many farmers as possible An analysis of the accounts on six- to plant a row of soy beans or a hill ty-seven Knox county, Ohio, farms of soy beans with every row or hill brings out some important factors of corn for seed and soil improving

Net incomes above all labor and other | Last year, Chatham seeded becosts varied from a profit at \$4,807 tween 2500 and 3000 acres in soy down to a loss of \$320 a year. beans. When we take into considera-Volume of business was the most im- tion the fact that a large portion of

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Chatham County Want Ad Farm Column;

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150 dairymen to seed at least an acre of prepared pastures.

Farmers in five communities to improve the breeding of their ws through the use of bulls of better type and higher production.

One farmer in each township of the county to conduct a boll weevil dusting demonstration in co-operation with the County Agent and the Extensic Entomologist. Five hundred farmers to fight the boll weevil with the dust poison method.

Fifty farmers to seed at least an acre of sweet clover each properly limed and inoculated.

Twenty-five farmers to seed at least an acre of alfalfa each.

God Made Your House, Young Friend

Have you seen Mr. Turtle? If you disturb him he will pull himself inside and close the doors and lock them on the inside. We think him a queer creature because he lives in about with him. But we do the same thing. This house we live in is made of bones, muscles, nerves, and skins. To properly supply its 4500 dairy The homes make the joists, crosscows with legume roughage, farmers beams and the rafters of the house we live in. The muscles make a great rope-and-tackle outfit that enables us to carry our house around to if each one did not have a telecarry messages as quick as lightning. If you touch anything very hot, the nerves in your finger tips flash a message to "central"-your brainand instantly the muscles in your arm are notified to take your finers off the burning object, and it is done. Sometimes you cut your finger. The 'wrecking- crew" is notified im mediately.

> Truly this is a wonderful house God has given us to live in, to carry around, and to do our work for us!-Let's not forget that the body is only the house we live in. One second after a person moves out of his "earthly house," the eyes can't see because it really isn't the eyes that see. They are just the lenses through which the person looked. The ears can no longer hear because it really isn't the ear that hears. The ears are the speaking tubes by which the person living inside may hear. The ear-telephones God has put in your flesh-and-bone house are more wonderful than the Bell telephone in your wooden houses. A telephone is no good except when some one is at each end of the line. So your ear would be no good if there wasn't person living inside this flesh and bone house to hear the message.

If any one should try it would take a long time to tell all the wonders of this house we live in. It has a heating plant to keep it warm. It has a system of canals to carry food, done up in red packages, around to the hungry muscles. It has a sugar factory, where starch is changed to sugar. It makes its own oil to keep the hair alive and skin soft. It has a drainage and sewer system. It makes its own medicine. It does its own repairing, if we give it good food, water and air for material. When you smash your finger-nail, it slowly pushes the old nail off and puts a brand new one on. It has hands that can be trained to do wonders with a needle, saw hammer, knife, brush, shovel, fork and pen.

Such a wonderful complicated house, so well equipped, was planned by our Heavenly Father. Just as you can learn how skilful a man is by looking at some piece of work he has done; so you can learn somewhat of our Heavenly Father's wisdom and power and loving forethought by studying the marvelous house you live in. Many, many years ago David said: "I will praise Thee, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made, marveldus are Thy works." We could and should tell our Heavenly Father the same thing.

Long skirts are coming back, but very slowly. The girls are going to fight to the last stitch.—Chicago