



# Young People



## THE LONGEST JUMP.

A kangaroo and a rabbit  
Once laid a heavy stake,  
And vowed that they would settle  
which  
The longest jump could make.

A measuring worm was summoned,  
And into service pressed.  
Then each took a run and jump,  
And did his level best.

But the point was never settled,  
And doubtless ne'er will be,  
For a saucy English sparrow  
Ate up the referee.

—P. H. McArthur.

## OPEN THE DOOR.

Open the door of your heart, my lad,  
To the angels of love and truth;  
When the world is full of unnumbered  
joys,

In the beautiful dawn of youth,  
Casting aside all things that mar,  
Saying to wrong, "Depart."

To the voices of hope that are calling  
you,  
Open the door of your heart.

Open the door of your heart, my lass,  
To the things that shall abide,  
To the holy thoughts that lift your  
soul

Like the stars at eventide,  
All of the fadeless flowers that bloom  
In the realm of song and art  
Are yours, if you'll only give them  
room,

Open the door of your heart, my  
friend,

Heedless of class or creed,  
When you hear the cry of a brother's  
voice,

The sob of a child in need.  
To the shining heaven that o'er you  
bends

You need no map or chart,  
But only the love the Master gave,  
Open the door of your heart.

—British Weekly.

## IMPOLITE THINGS.

Loud and boisterous talking.  
Reading when others are talking.  
Cutting finger-nails in company.  
Gazing rudely at strangers.  
Leaving a stranger without a seat.  
Making yourself hero of your own  
story.

Reading aloud in company without  
being asked.

Leaving church before worship is  
closed.

Whispering or laughing during  
worship in the house of God.

Correcting persons older than  
yourself, especially parents.

Receiving a present without an ex-  
pression of gratitude.

Commencing to eat as soon as you  
get to the table.—Selected.

## ROOSEVELT ON THE IDEAL BOY.

Ex-President Roosevelt once out-  
lined his ideal of a boy, and every  
boy among our readers will find it  
well worth reading:

"My ideal of a boy is one who will  
grow up and be able to support him-  
self and a wife and children. To be  
fit to be an American citizen he has  
got to preserve his self-respect and  
conduct himself so as to wrong no  
one else. Now and then you will  
hear the wise father, or one who  
thinks he is wise, dwell upon the fact  
that his boy is smart. If he means

to be able, quick and to be trusted,  
then all right; but if by smartness  
is meant, as is too often the case, the  
kind of adroitness that sheers off  
into trickery, or the kind of ability  
that is just off the line of honesty,  
then you should teach him that he  
is growing up to be an enemy of the  
Republic. Trickery is trickery, if it  
takes the form of doing a man out of  
his day's work or cheating in a gro-  
cery store, or swindling on a great  
scale, by stock gambling or the ma-  
nipulation of railway securities."

## DAUGHTER'S DECALOGUE.

1. Love your mother above all  
women.

2. Don't have thoughts which she  
can not know, nor commit acts which  
she should not see.

3. Declare yourself in fault rather  
than lie hypocritically.

4. Be in your house the one who  
with love and merriment vanquishes  
bitterness and sorrow.

5. Strive to be modest before be-  
ing beautiful, and always amiable.

6. Have sincere convictions, pure  
faith, solid knowledge, and inex-  
haustible charity.

7. Work at home as if you did not  
have the help of your mother. Act  
all your life as if she were present.

8. Learn the art of hearing with  
patience, talking without anger; suf-  
fer with patience and be joyful with-  
out excess, and you will have nearly  
attained happiness.

9. Believe your house the best of  
homes, and consider your parents  
your best friends.

10. Treat and love every one,  
brothers, friends, and servants, as  
sons. Remember that she who is not  
a good wife and who is not a good  
daughter, will never be a good  
mother.

## HOW TO DO IT!

A well-known lawyer is telling a  
good story about himself and his  
efforts to correct the manners of his  
office boy. One morning not long  
ago the young autocrat blew into the  
office, and, tossing his cap at a hook,  
exclaimed:

"Say, Mr. Blank, there's a ball  
game down at the park to-day, and  
I'm going."

Now, the attorney is not a hard-  
hearted man, and was willing that  
the boy should go, but thought he  
would teach him a little lesson in  
good manners.

"Jimmie," he said, "that isn't the  
way to ask a favor. Now, you come  
over here and sit down, and I'll show  
you how to do it."

The boy took the office chair and  
his employer picked up his cap and  
stepped outside. He then opened the  
door softly, and, holding the cap in  
his hand, said quietly to the small  
boy in the big chair:

"Please, sir, there is a ball game  
at the park to-day; if you can spare  
me I would like to get away for the  
afternoon."

"Why, certainly, Jimmie; and here  
is fifty cents to pay your way in."—  
Short Stories.

## STOPPED HIS PAPER FOR SPITE.

A couple of years ago a cranky  
sort of an old man came into this of-  
fice and stopped his paper because  
something in it did not just suit his  
fancy. We have frequently met him

on the street since that time and it  
is amusing to note the look of sur-  
prise on the old fellow's face that we  
are still in existence regardless of the  
fact that he stopped his paper. Some  
day—and it won't be long, either—  
that old gentleman will die. His  
heart will be stilled forever. Neigh-  
bors and friends will follow his life-  
less clay to the silent city and lay  
them to rest among the flowers. An  
obituary will be published in these  
columns telling what a kind father,  
a good neighbor and beloved citizen  
he was—which the recording angel  
will overlook for charity's sake, and  
in a very short time he will be for-  
gotten. As he lies out there in the  
cold, cold graveyard, wrapped in the  
silent slumber of death, he will never  
know that the last kind word spoken  
of him was by the editor of that pa-  
per he so spitefully "stoppepd." Did  
you pause just a moment to think  
that your editor, whoever he may be,  
will write your obituary some day?  
—Kings Mountain Herald.

Resolved—and tell your wife of  
your good resolution. She will aid  
it all she can. Her step will be ligh-  
ter and her hand will be busier all  
day, expecting the comfortable eve-  
ning at home when you return. Household  
affairs will have been well  
attended to. A place for everything,  
and everything in its place, will, like  
some good genius, have made even a  
humble home the scene of neatness,  
arrangement and taste. The table  
will be ready at the fireside. The  
loaf will be one of that order which  
says, by its appearance: "You may  
come and cut again." The cups and  
saucers will be waiting for supplies.  
The kettle will be singing; and the  
children, happy with fresh air and  
exercise, will be smiling in their glad  
anticipation of that evening meal  
when father is at home, and of the  
pleasant reading afterwards.—Sir Ar-  
thur Helps.

The Southern Baptists and Free  
Baptists had last year a missionary  
income of \$471,560. They employ  
a total force of 888 men and women  
in 533 stations and out-stations,  
with 15,409 communicants, of whom  
2,278 were received last year. They  
support 255 schools, having an at-  
tendance of 7,415 scholars. Their  
missions are located in China, India,  
Africa, Japan, Italy, Mexico, Brazil,  
and Cuba.—Philadelphia Methodist.

## THE FIELD.

### NOTICE—WASHINGTON DISTRICT

Because of the change in the date  
of the Annual Conference to Novem-  
ber 24th, it is necessary to change  
the date of the following charges in  
the published list for the fourth  
round on the Washington District.  
Let all concerned, take due notice:

Vanceboro, Thursday, Nov. 4th, at  
2 o'clock p. m.

Farmville, Tuesday, Nov. 16th, at  
11 o'clock a. m.

Bethel, Thursday, November 18th,  
at 9.30 o'clock a. m.

Robersonville, Thursday, Novem-  
ber 18th, 2 o'clock p. m.

Washington, Friday night, Novem-  
ber 19th and Sunday, November 21st.

Let all the preachers in the Dis-  
trict make a note of the change in  
date for the reports of the Preacher  
in Charge to the Presiding Elder—  
November 16th instead of Novem-  
ber 23rd.

Sincerely,  
A. McCULLEN, P. E.

## NEW BERN DISTRICT.

Dear Brethren of the New Bern  
District:—The change made by our  
Bishop in the time of holding the  
annual conference will necessitate  
the holding of your final Steward's  
meeting a week earlier than you had  
planned. Let us redouble our ener-  
gies, and be ready to make a com-  
plete report at Raleigh, on Wednes-  
day, November 24th. Please note the  
following change in the Quarterly  
Conferences:

Mt. Olive Ct., Roness, Nov. 13, 14.

Mt. Olive and Faison (at night),

Nov. 14, 15.

Goldsboro, St. John, Nov. 17.

Goldsboro Ct., Thompson's, Nov.

20, 21.

Goldsboro, St. Paul (at night),

Nov. 21.

R. F. BUMPAS.

## THE LAYMEN AT WASHINGTON.

"If we could have less talk and  
more moving in this Laymen's Move-  
ment, it would count for something,"  
said a Methodist preacher a few days  
ago. Others affirm that the whole is  
yet in the air and nothing of real  
practical benefit is being accomplish-  
ed. Why not show something that  
is being done?

Well, the movement is of real  
value in Washington. A lay leader,  
Prof. N. C. Newbold, was elected  
early in the year. With him, six  
men were appointed to constitute a  
committee to have charge of the  
work. In February a public meet-  
ing was held with Governor Jarvis  
as the principal speaker.

During my meeting in the spring,  
a layman led the song service each  
evening before the sermon, and each  
Wednesday night, in my absence, one  
of the brethren has led the prayer  
service. Fifty copies of the Lay-  
men's number of the Christian Advo-  
cate (Nashville) and leaflets have  
been distributed during the year. A  
Layman's service was arranged for  
the fifth Sunday in August. At the  
morning hour, Mr. H. C. Carter, Mr.  
S. C. Casty, Capt. J. H. Harris, and  
Dr. S. T. Nicholson were on the pro-  
gram, and at night Hon. J. H. Small  
was the speaker. These proved to be  
hours of great pleasure and profit. I  
should be glad to say something of  
each speaker, but the purpose is to  
indicate rather than describe what  
was done. Suffice it to say that men  
never before engaged in such, have  
been leading meetings and showing  
interest in the church. Prof. New-  
bold is always ready to do and is  
successful in getting others to enlist  
in the work.

The Laymen's movement really  
means something in Washington.  
Three times this year, the commit-  
tee has sent out printed invitations  
to every man whose name is on the  
church roll, thereby keeping in touch  
with all. Yes, the movement is worth  
something when it is worked—and  
results in great good.

M. T. PLYLER.

## MODERN ILLUMINATION.

These first long evenings remind us of the  
many long dark winter nights we have be-  
fore us.

The man who gave us the oil lamp, enabling  
us to read, study and enjoy social evenings,  
and red the world a great service and paved  
the way for the modern electric and gas  
light in our cities and the wonderful acety-  
lene gas for the rural districts.

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