

THE STREET SCHOOL.—There are many things learned out of school; and nowhere is there more learned than in the streets. Bad boys almost always love the streets. There they are out of the way of parents and teachers and masters. There they see plenty of entertaining sights. There they meet with many playmates, especially with those who are older and worse than themselves. There they can halloo and shout, laugh and sing, without restraint. Especially at night all these things are worst, and then they learn very fast. The street-school is very much of a night-school.

When boys are sent on errands, they sometimes stop by the way, and take street lessons. They go out of their proper course, stand at corners, and gaze at new sights. There are classes of the street school at the doors of the theater and circus, and whenever there is a fire, or a procession, or a military parade, or when a crowd follows the constable and his prisoner.

The street lessons are various. Idleness is the first and chief. Curiosity about evil is next. Boldness and impudence are also taught.

Then come profane and filthy words, vile jests, quarreling, fighting, and even drinking. After a while, the pupils in the street-school are far enough advanced to go to the upper institutions, such as the jail and the penitentiary.

Thousands of parents favor this school; and some who pass for good people, too. It is less troublesome than any other. If you wish your boy to be entered as a street scholar, all you have to do is to let him alone. Take no care about his company. Never rebuke him for coming late from school or from an errand. Do not trouble yourself about the way he passes his evenings. Never mind what time he comes home at night. Especially do not trouble yourself about sending him to Sunday school.

But the street school is very expensive. The price is not paid in advance, or in ready money, but it is sure to be demanded, with heavy interest. The payment is loss of conscience, loss of character, often loss of health, and sometimes the loss of the soul. The great teacher of street schools is named Abbadon (Rev. xi, 11), but, like a number of his scholars, he has several other names.

We hope the young friends who read this will be persuaded to absent themselves from the street-school at once, and never be caught in it again. The teacher is the Prince of Darkness, or some of his messengers. The lessons are such as he has prepared, to destroy the souls of his pupils, and all who attend and agree to serve and obey him.

Get into some useful employment, or innocent amusement. Go to school; stay at home and help your parents—but do, by all means, keep out of the street. This playing marbles or pitching pennies is the worst kind of employment you can have. "Idleness is the mother of mischief."

SUITING THE ACTION TO THE WORD.—The latest pulpit anecdote we have seen is the following, illustrative of the manner in which the celebrated preacher Spurgeon in London attracts attention.

Upon one occasion he told the assembled multitude, that the "way to hell was smooth and easy like this," said he, and he straightway opened the pulpit door, put his foot over the banister and slid down, as you have often seen little boys do. He then stopped for a moment and said, "But the way to heaven is hard; like this," and pulled himself up again, which was rather difficult; but the congregation received this practical illustration with great applause.

Tobacco.—The Methodists, as a denomination, appear to be making open war upon the habit of using tobacco. It is stated that one of the conferences has determined to license no candidate for the ministry who will not forgo its use in every form of personal indulgence. It is provided in the by-laws of the Methodist University of Kansas that no professor shall be employed who uses tobacco.

BREACH OF PROMISE.—Miss Hester A. Burgess sued N. F. Wood, in Kanawha county, Virginia, for damages for breach of promise. It was proved in evidence, says the Valley Star, that the young lady was a flirt, and the jury accordingly awarded her one cent damages.

GUN-SMITHING.—The Nuns of the Holy Virgin at Jerusalem have purchased the ruins of the prison on which Christ was sentenced. The Turkish government has sanctioned the purchase. The intention of the nuns is to build near to it a monastery, with a large wall, which is to include the ruins, which they intend to keep in their present state.

LAVENDER.—The lavender harvest has been very great in England. There are 270 acres employed in its cultivation, each yielding 2,000 pounds of lavender flowers; 100 pounds producing 1 pound of oil. It is sold to druggists, distillers and perfumers at a very high price, and is commonly adulterated with turpentine—the basis of many perfumes.

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Bring them decay!
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Fresh on their heavenly flight,
Shine but to speed the night—
Nothing can stay!

For a little while,
Time passes on—
Flowers, that our hopes beguile,
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