

The Home Circle.

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PLANTING TREES.

man of eighty years was planting trees; "Ha, ha!" laughed out three striplings from the village. Planting at eighty—had this task been tillage. Or building houses, or aught else you please, The folly might have passed as less worth nothing. But—planting trees! He must indeed be doing!

"They are not even for you," replied the old man mildly—"Youth may be just as nigh eternity as age. What though the pitfalls of existence be covered o'er with flowers in lieu of sn-ns."

Who shall foreman the brief distance Between this dim dream's birth and close? The winged bolts of death are swift to strike Life in its growing as in its decline.

Alas! even I may see the morning light Shine more than once, young men, upon your graves!"

HOME COMFORTS.

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JEWISH REFUGEES.

Four hundred Jewish people, refugees from Russia, have arrived, and it is probable that many thousands will come to America before the year is gone.

For The Children.

MINE

Not much of earth belongs to me, A few short feet of mossy ground, Soon measured o'er in sheltered nook, A little, lowly, grass-clothed mound.

But Death, with never-idle eye, Cut short my darling's little life; And buried with her are the dreams Of when we should be man and wife.

Not much of earth belongs to me, But in you heaven of sapphire blue, One treasure stored is all my own, A maiden lovely, sweet and true.

So doth my flower bloom again In yonder blissful, deathless home; An angel wears her at his breast Until her long lost lover come.

OUR LETTER BOX.

I am afraid that some of our little friends will think it takes a long time for their letters to get into print, but Aunt Hetty wants to be perfectly just, and she keeps all the letters on file, using them just as they come by the date.

The first one that comes to hand to day is dated the 22d of February, and we wonder if Ella knows what national holiday is kept on that day.

Willie tells us what happened on the 22d, and answers some questions about the Presidents. He helps to make -ada. He may not get to be a President for that, but he shows that he has the making of a smart man in him in the energetic way in which he keeps at work, keeping an eye on the weather and crops—a first-rate letter, too.

Henry says his dog trees the quails, but he can't kill them. It seems too bad to kill those pretty little birds, and we are glad he is willing to let them live.

Willie belongs to the blue ribbon club, and she must start out to be a good worker, and must always be ready to show her colors, speaking out bravely to the boys she sees who think it manly to use tobacco and drink liquor.

Lou Ella has not always lived in Oregon, but we hope the family will find that it has been a good move to come here to Oregon, and no doubt they will find better health for the change.

Henry F. Jackson is the first one to send in his name for the temperance roll, and he will be a good one to begin with, for his letter shows him to be a boy who has plenty of spirit and go ahead.

Fannie sends her first letter, and Aunt Hetty is glad to see how well she has done, for we remember Fannie from the time she was a wee little baby, and hope to see her grow up a useful, good woman.

Newton writes like a regular farmer, and tells of his stock like any other property owner. That's right. Keep on accumulating honestly, so that when you get some land there will be plenty of cows to stock it.

Lydia wants to see pleasant weather, so as to be able to get at her flower beds. That is something that all the girls should be thinking about, for a few plants and flowers will give all the family pleasure; a nice flower bed adds much to the beauty of a home.

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and it all looks green and nice. We have had considerable cold weather this winter but not much snow; it is raining now. My grandpa lives about one and a half miles from here. We love to go and see them; they had a nice dinner on Christmas day. We were all there and had a real nice time. Papa has been taking the FARMER for the last five years; he likes it very much. I would like to hear from Katie S. again. I will close, by wishing the FARMER success. LILLIE McDONALD.

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