

**Happy Childhood.**

How pleasant it is to gaze on the innocent amusement of happy childhood! There is little Johnny playing beside the newly painted fence. He draws his dainty finger over the moist surface, making beautiful arabesques and undecipherable hieroglyphics that would set an antiquary into hysterics of joy. Johnny's new suit is made picturesque by its borrowings from the fence, and his face and hands are effectually disguised in the pigment. Happy, careless, innocent childhood! And here comes Johnny's mother. How eagerly she seizes her darling! How closely she hugs him in her fond embrace! Now she disappeared with her darling within doors. What are those sounds which issue thence? It is Johnny's voice. Is he laughing merrily over the remembrance of his recent sport? Possibly; but it does not sound like laughter. Again we say, happy, happy childhood.—*Boston Transcript.*

**Good Company.**

One evening a lady of New York, while on her way home at a late hour, without an escort, was approached by a lewd fellow, as the boat on which they rode neared its land, who asked:

"Are you alone?" "No, sir," was the reply, and without further interruption, when the boat touched, she jumped off.

"I thought you were alone," said the fellow, stepping to her side again. "I am not," replied the lady. "Why, I don't see any one; who is with you?" "God Almighty and the angels, sir; I am never alone!" This arrow pierced the villain's heart, and with these parting words, "You keep too good company for me, madam," he shot out of sight, leaving the heroic lady to enjoy good company.—*Rural Home.*

Mr. Moody gave the children of Glasgow, Scotland, a striking object lesson in one of the recent children's meetings in that city. Producing from his pocket half a dozen reels of white thread, he spread them out among the audience until the white threads were stretched along the galleries and from bench to bench. He gave no explanation of the meaning of this procedure until the process was completed, and by that time the curiosity of the children was fully aroused.

"Could any boy or girl break that thread?" asked Mr. Moody. "Yes, yes," came up from all parts of the hall. "Break it to bits then," said Mr. Moody, and in an instant the thread was torn to pieces. Then Mr. Moody went on: "Although that thread is a very little thing—I could bind the strongest man with it. I could wind it round and round him until he was a helpless prisoner, and he could never break it and escape." Following up this line, Mr. Moody gave a short and impressive talk on little sins, entailing the children's serious and eager attention to the close.—*Ex.*

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