

every year is going to stamp the quality of my character, I must begin, right away, to be faithful. I fancy Miss Paxton will open her eyes when it dawns upon her that I have actually studied my lesson. We girls have neglected our lessons shamefully, that's a fact. Miss Paxton is a perfect saint to be so patient with us."

When the lesson was learned, the pretty head was crowned with the new hat again, and Miss Kathie walked swiftly away to Sunday school.

She was overtaken by Charlie Gray, her cousin, who was a person of some importance,—in his own estimation at least,—as he was a member of the University, and had already attained to the dignity of membership in the Sophomore class.

"Well," he said airily, "we had quite a refreshing discourse this morning,—didn't we?"

"Yes, indeed," cried Kathie. "I was delighted with it; it gave me so many new ideas."

"You called it original, did you?" returned the flippant young Sophomore. "Now, I gained more new thoughts from watching Sam Paisley than I did from the sermon. He spent the morning in adjusting his eye-glass and twisting his moustache alternately. I found myself wondering if our friends from Erin were ever near-sighted. Fancy a stout Irishman, with a pick-ax and an eye-glass. Wouldn't it be funny to see him stop occasionally, in the midst of his digging, to rest on his pick-ax, and settle his eye-glass more firmly upon his nose?"

Kathie laughed absently. It was evident that her thoughts were elsewhere. "I want to tell you about my thoughts during the sermon," she said hurriedly, "because some of them were about you."

Charlie made a low bow. "You do me great honor, fair cousin."

But Kathie neither heard nor saw. Her bright eyes were fixed on the ground, and her cheeks grew crimson, as she said with an effort, "I thought that you had been here more than a year, and in all that time you have never heard me utter a serious word. You wouldn't ever have thought that I was trying to be a Christian,—would you?"

"Well, to tell the truth, Kathie, it hadn't occurred to me."

"I was afraid so," sighed Kathie; "but I really am trying to live a Christian life, and I wish you would try too, Charlie. Just think how much a man can do in the world! You don't want to spend your life in self-absorbed, absent-minded reveries; you want to wake up to the realities of life, don't you?" cried Kathie, warning to her subject.

"Oh yes, I suppose I do," said Charlie.

On New Year's Day he found hanging in his room an illuminated text, which Kathie herself had daintily executed. The words were these, "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom."

This text was not without some effect upon Charlie's life. It is possible also that Kathie's bright example may have had some weight; for she actually did take a class of "infants" in the mission school; she also joined the society of B— St. Helpers, and was a useful as well as entertaining member thereof. Neither were the "present duties" of home-life wholly forgotten; and some of her unconscious acts of kindness, or unselfishness, were not lost upon Charlie, who, of course, was a frequent visitor at the home of his relatives.

Certain it is that, at the end of that year, the quality of Charlie's character was improved; and he knew, in after years, that the sincerity and earnestness of his cousin Kathie's Christian character had stamped its impression

upon his whole life.

The purple note-book was gradually filled; but Kathie often turned back affectionately to the first page, and said to herself, "This is the very best page, after all. It has helped me more than any other."—S. S. Times.

The Speaker of the Commons.

The Speaker of the English House of Commons has a hard life. He must always be present from the beginning to the close of its sessions, and as these begin late in the afternoon, and sometimes last till morning, his constitution needs to be of the strongest to endure the fatigue. He must keep the House in order, and compel the observance of all rules, which is no easy task in times of political excitement.

After his election to this important post, he is expected to lay aside his party preference, and maintain the most rigid impartiality. He does not allow the reading of speeches, but calls any member to order who attempts to read from manuscript. During a vote, the House is emptied, those voting "Aye," passing into a lobby on the right of the Speaker, and those voting "No," into a lobby on the left. Everybody in the House at the time of voting must vote.

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Books Among the Ancients.

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