





CHRISTIAN LIFE.

Change of Heart.

Suppose my watch was not doing well, would it do any good were I to go to town-clock, and take out my key, and make the hands of the watch to point the same as those of the clock? You know this would do no good, for the hands would soon be as far wrong as ever.

Mission of the Church.

The church must grope her ways into the alleys and courts and purlieus of the city, and up the broken staircases and into the bare rooms and beside the leathery some sufferers; she must go down into the pit with the miner, into the forecastle with the sailor, into the tent with the soldier, into the shop with the mechanic, into the factory with the operator, into the field with the farmer, into the counting-room with the merchant.

Youthful Piety.

It is of the highest importance that children should be trained to habits of religion, for the habits of youth cling to the man even down to the serene and yellow leaf of autumn. The boy is the father of the man.

Plea for Mercy.

A man called at my house some time ago for charity. Thinking the man's rags and poverty were real, I gave him a little money, some of my clothes and a pair of shoes.

Outside Workers.

"Is Mr. Hayes a Christian?" I asked a friend. "No, he is an outside worker, like myself."

The Ten Commandments.

A gentleman who was well known for his liberality was besieged by many children who were selling tickets for a fair. A dozen filed into his office at once. He could not be expected to buy of all, yet he hesitated to refuse any without a good cause.

An Easy Place.

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Uncle Ike's Department

SENERFIT, Oct. 16.—Dear Uncle Ike: It is with sadness that I attempt to write. Death has visited our household and taken away our cousin Leslie. Mama had raised him. He was like a brother.

SENERFIT, Oct. 16.—Dear Uncle Ike: I want a place in your class of Bible readers. I go to Sunday-school, get my lessons and love my teacher. We have another little cousin, and we love him just as we love each other and will try to make him happy.

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spelling book; can read some in the first reader; am not going to school now; but say four lessons a day to mamma, at home, and when she opens school again I will be able to keep up with my class.

An Engineer's Pathetic Story. "Yes, indeed, we have some queer little incidents happen to us," said the engineer, as he pined his oil-can about and under his cap.

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