

BOOKS REVIEWED

Sankey's Story of the Gospel Hymns, and of Sacred Songs and Solos. By Ira D. Sankey. With an introduction by Theodore L. Cuyler. The Sunday School Times company, 1031 Walnut St., Philadelphia, Pa. 75 cents net; postage, 10 cents.

A Scientific Money Standard. By Elias Lowe McClure. The Whitaker and Ray company, publishers, San Francisco, Cal. (Pamphlet.)

The Bitter Cry of the Children. By John Spargo, with an introduction by Robert Hunter. The Macmillan company, New York. Price \$1.50 net.

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Dr. Foote's Home Cyclopedia of Popular Medical, Social and Sexual Science. By Edward B. Foote, M. D. Murray Hill Pub Co., 129 East Twenty-eighth St., New York.

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SUGGESTION TO FATHER

The five-year-old son of a sectarian college president in a city in Iowa had always enjoyed immunity from punishment for mischievousness. His father was a devout Christian, in fact owned the title of a "D. D." and was a good disciplinarian.

On several occasions when the precocious youngster had disobeyed his father the latter had taken the lad into his study, and there after closing the door, very gravely lectured him for his misconduct. On each occasion at the close of the lecture the father would ask his boy to kneel with him in prayer for forgiveness. With sad

face the youth would kneel while fervently the father would pray for him.

One day the little chap's conduct was more flagrant than usual and it shocked the dignified father very much.

"Young man," he said sternly, "go and get a switch and take it to my study and wait there until I come."

With some apprehension for his personal safety the lad obeyed. The parent joined him in the study in a few moments later and began to talk in pretty plain and determined language to his boy. The youth kept his eye constantly on the switch, which lay before him on the table.

"Now, sir," the father said finally, and in a sharp voice, "what do you think I ought to do with you?"

The terrified boy glanced up into his father's eye appealingly and in a tone that was mild and diplomatic, said:

"Papa, let us pray."—Minneapolis Journal.

EVEN THE PREACHER SMILED

The other night a street evangelist was preaching what might be called an "excited" sermon on a corner a couple of blocks east of the union depot. In his audience was a small newsboy. The preacher waved his arms and shook his head. Suddenly he quieted down and asked:

"My friends, who is it that watches over us; saves us from harm; frowns on wickedness; wants us to be gentle, and wishes to see not brutality?"

"I know," came from the newsboy. "It's President Roosevelt."

Even the preacher smiled.—Denver Post.

"UNSIGHT, UNSEEN"

Secretary Shaw recently told a story on Representative Smith of Iowa when the latter was a fledgling attorney and anxious to make a reputation for himself. A prisoner was brought before the bar in the criminal court in Iowa, but he was not represented by a lawyer.

"Where is your lawyer?" inquired the judge who presided.

"I have none," responded the prisoner.

"Why haven't you?"

"Haven't any money to pay a lawyer."

"Do you want a lawyer?" asked the judge.

"Yes, your honor."

"There is Mr. Walter I. Smith, John Brown, George Green," said the judge, pointing to a lot of young attorneys who were about the court waiting for something to turn up, "and Mr. Alexander is out in the corridor."

The prisoner eyed the budding attorneys in the court room and after a critical survey stroked his chin and said, "Well, I guess I will take Mr. Alexander."—St. Paul Pioneer-Press.

DEATH CHANCES IN BATTLE

In Homeric days a battle was a conflict of armed mobs. The nearer you got to your assailant the better was your chance of killing or being killed. The bigger the man the better were his chances in the strife. In these piping times of mechanical warfare the situation is reversed. Battles are fought at ranges of a mile or so. The smaller the man the less are his chances of being hit. An ingenious mathematician has figured out that perhaps the casualties on the Japanese side must have been considerably less than those of the Russians in the recent war if it be assumed that the marksmanship of each was equally good. The advantage of the Japanese was inversely as the cubes of their height and breadth. The average targets offered by each to the enemy are of the cubes of 1,885 and 1,642, or as 106 to 118, an advantage in favor of the Japanese of about 12 per cent.—Scientific American.

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