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THIS little manual was written for my own dear children, and I hope it will be a valued friend to them, and other little ones.

Every night and morning, before saying your prayers, open this little book, and read the thoughts set down for the time. It will help you to think seriously, and keep alive the feelings of love, and confidence, you ought to cherish towards your Father in heaven.

May you be pure as the lilies, "planted in the valley of humility, and sweetly watered by the inward sprinkling" of the spirit of Jesus.

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FIRST WEEK.

Sunday Morning.

This is God's most holy day, and he has said, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy."

May I do nothing to-day which will cause me to break that command, either in thought, word, or deed; and although I am young and small, I can in that way please the great and good God, who takes care of all, who watches over us by day

and night, and who, if we faithfully serve him here on earth, will take us when we die to serve and worship him in heaven.

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*Sunday Evening.*

THE Sabbath is over; has it been well spent? Have I endeavored in every thing to do well? Have I been gentle, dutiful, and orderly at home and abroad? Have I tried to remember the lessons I have received? May I be better and wiser for what has been taught me this day, and all the week try to grow in goodness and

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truth, like my blessed Saviour, Jesus Christ, who when a child was obedient to his parents, gentle, mild, pure, the beloved Son of God.

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*Monday Morning.*

I AWAKE from sweet sleep, and will thank my Heavenly Father for his kind care over me, and all who are dear to me. He has sent his kind angels to watch over me while I slept, and kept all harm away. What shall I do for him who is so kind to me? Can a little child do any thing to show love and gratitude to God?

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Yes, by being always gentle, full of love, like our blessed Saviour; in all our actions think less of ourselves, and more of others. Help me, Father in heaven, to prove by my good actions my desire to be thy child.

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*Monday Evening.*

Now the still night has come, let me examine, and ask myself if I have committed any wrong action this day; if I have obeyed the law of kindness, and the golden rule. May I remember there is no happiness in