All this time the little mothers were gathering up their dolls' clothes for the wash. They took off some that the dollies were wearing.

So one little doll, who had lost an arm, had to be wrapped in a blanket; and another, who was weak in the back from loss of sawdust, had to be put to bed.

Daisy Dimple was wrapped in a towel and placed near the grate, so as not to take cold, and Josephine had to sit with her feet under her, because all her stockings were in the wash.

"It will teach them to be more careful," said Nettie. Mattie and Nettie made a fine suds and went to work with a will.

They washed the clothes in the nice suds, then rinsed them in clear water, and hung them on the bars of the rack.

It did not take long for them to dry, and the girls folded and rolled them to iron the next morning.

"How tired it makes us!" said Nettie, as they sat down in their rocking-chairs.

Their mamma came in then and said she would read to them while they rested.

WHAT A DIME WAS WORTH.

Pen'nock | bank'er | pen'nies | al read'y | un der stand' Wil'liam | af ford' | car'ried | Rog'ers | month

William Pennock Rogers had a dime. It was on his birthday. He was, on that day, five years



of age. He had had pennies before, and once a five-cent piece, but he had never had a dime.

A dime is ten cents. Penn carried it to his Uncle Frank and asked him to keep it for him. Uncle Frank had never been banker for a boy of five years before. He says he cannot afford to be any more.

The same morning, Penn wanted some candy, and so he got one cent from Uncle Frank; then, soon, some buns, and so he got three cents.

The next day, he could not see why he should not have ten cents for a top and five for a whip. He got them, too, and so had nineteen cents already out of the ten that came to him on his birthday.

In an hour after, Penn asked for seven cents more—all these out of that one poor ten-cent piece. Uncle Frank tried to make him understand that his money was all gone, but he cried, and Uncle Frank gave him the seven cents.

I suppose Penn would have gone on asking for some of his dime for a month or so, if Uncle Frank had not gone away on a visit, so that the boy forgot all about it.

DICTATION. - WRITE:

One and three and ten and five and seven are -

1 + 3 + 10 + 5 + 7 =Spell and Write the boy's whole name.

FANNY'S CUCKOO CLOCK.

op'po site | twelve | po lite'ly | ear'nest | wheth'er Eng'lish | cuck'oo | par'lor | use'ful | succeed'

ANNY MAY was six years old. On her birthday she opened her eyes very early in the morning; and what do you think she saw? Right opposite her bed was the prettiest clock she ever saw,—a real, English, cuckoo clock.

The cuckoo, you know, is an English

bird. We do not see them in our country. It doesn't sing, but it says, "Cuckoo, cuckoo," just as plainly as you can say it.

Fanny's clock is called a "cuckoo" clock because, when it strikes the hours, it says "Cuckoo!" At one o'clock it calls "Cuckoo" once, at two o'clock, twice, and so on through all the hours. At twelve o'clock a little door on the top of the clock flies open, and out pops the cuckoo himself. He bows his head politely and "cuckooes" twelve times. Every time he says "Cuckoo" he opens his mouth and flaps his wings. Then he hops back into his little

parlor and shuts the door behind him. In some cuckoo clocks the bird comes out every time the clock strikes.

This was the birthday present that Fanny's father gave her. It was a useful one, too. Fanny was a wide-awake little girl when she was awake. But sometimes it was hard work to get her eyes open in the morning. They would shut down again, she said.

But she made up her mind, as this was her sixth birthday, that when her little clock "cuckooed" five times, she would get right up, whether her eyes were open or shut.

When little girls or boys make up their minds to do anything, and are in real earnest, they are pretty sure to succeed.

After two or three mornings Fanny found it easy enough. She said her eyes opened of themselves when her little cuckoo called her at five o'clock.

And so her cuckoo clock has made Fanny an early riser.

GENERAL LESSON.

The use of the pendulum, the weight, the dial-plate, the hour and minute hands of a clock.

