Little Verses.

For

Good Children.

A. Phelps—Greenfield
LITTLE VERSES.
FOR
GOOD CHILDREN.

GREENFIELD:
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I must pray
Both night and day.

Before I eat,
I must entreat
That God would bless
To me my meat.

I must not play
On God’s own day,
But I must hear
His word in fear.
It is a sin
To steal a pin,
Much more to steal
A greater thing.

I’ll beg my bread
From door to door,
Rather than steal
My neighbor’s store.

I must work,
And I must pray,
That God will feed
Me, day by day.

All honest labour
God will bless;
Let me not live
In idleness.

I must not kill
A little fly;
It is an act
Of cruelty.

I must not lie,
I must not feign,
I must not take
God’s name in vain.

I must not be
Or rude or wild;
I must not be
A naughty child.

I must not speak
Of others ill,
But ever bear
To all good will.

I’d better die
Than tell a lie,
Lest I be lost
Eternally:

Nor may my tongue
Say what is wrong;
I must not sin
A word to win.

In the Bible
I am to read,
And trust in God
In all my need;
For Christ alone
My soul can save,
And raise my body
From the grave.

O! blessed Saviour,
Take my heart,
And let not me
From thee depart.

Lord, grant that I
In faith may die,
And live with thee
Above the sky