

A NURSERY SONG.

O, PETERKIN POUT and Gregory Grout
 Are two little goblins black,
 Full oft from my house I've driven them
 out,
 But somehow they still come back.
 They clamber up to the baby's mouth,
 And pull the corners down;
 They perch aloft on the baby's brow,
 And twist it into a frown.
 And one says "Shall!" and t'other says
 "Shan't!"
 And one says "Must!" and t'other says
 "Can't!"
 O, Peterkin Pout and Gregory Grout,
 I pray you now, from my house keep
 out!
 But Samuel Smile and Lemuel Laugh
 Are two little fairies light;
 They're always ready for fun and chaff,
 And sunshine is their delight.
 And when they creep into baby's eyes,
 Why, there the sunbeams are;
 And when they peep through her rosy lips,
 Her laughter rings near and far.
 And one says "Please!" and t'other says
 "Do!"
 And both together say, "I love you!"
 So, Lemuel Laugh and Samuel Smile,
 Come in, my dears, and tarry awhile.

LESSON NOTES.

FIRST QUARTERLY REVIEW.

March 28.

GOLDEN TEXT.

The word of God grew and multiplied.
 —Acts 12. 24.

| TITLES. | GOLDEN TEXTS. |
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| 1. C. A. | While he blessed— |
| 2. The H. S. G. | They were all filled— |
| 3. A. M. C. | The promise is unto— |
| 4. The L. M. H. | His name, through— |
| 5. The B. of P. & J. | There is none other— |
| 6. T. and F. G. | Man looketh on the— |
| 7. The P. O. | We ought to obey— |
| 8. The F. C. M. | Be thou faithful— |
| 9. The D. D. | They that were— |
| 10. The E. C. | Then Philip opened— |
| 11. S., the P., C. | This is a faithful— |
| 12. C. S. | Every man that— |

SECOND QUARTER.

STUDIES IN THE ACTS AND EPISTLES.

LESSON I. [April 4]

PETER WORKING MIRACLES.

Acts 9. 32-42. Memory verses, 32-35.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Jesus Christ maketh thee whole.—Acts
 9. 34.

OUTLINE.

1. Power, v. 32-35.
2. Love, v. 36-39.
3. Life, v. 40-43.

THE LESSON STORY.

Peter was an apostle who used to travel about preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Once he went to a village called Lydda, twenty miles from Jerusalem. He found there a man named Eneas, who had been sick of the palsy eight years. Peter went to him and said, "Eneas, Jesus Christ maketh thee whole: arise, and make thy bed." The sick man rose up immediately and was well. When the people saw this miracle many believed on the Lord.

About twelve miles from Lydda there was a town called Joppa. A good woman there named Tabitha had just died. She had so many friends among the poor for whom she had worked that there was great mourning when she died, and the disciples sent word to Peter at Lydda to come there quickly. They had heard how he healed the sick man, Eneas.

Peter went, and they took him to the room where the body of Tabitha, or Dorcas, was lying. Peter sent everybody out of the room and knelt down and prayed. Then he spoke, "Tabitha, arise!" and she opened her eyes and sat up. Peter took her hand and lifted her up, and called her friends to see her. The news spread through Joppa, and many believed in Jesus. Peter did not go back to Jerusalem right away, but stayed in Joppa at the house of a man named Simon, who was a tanner.

LESSON HELPS FOR EVERY DAY.

- Mon.* Find what followed Saul's conversion. Acts 9. 31.
- Tues.* Read the lesson verses. Acts 9. 32-43.
- Wed.* Learn the Golden Text.
- Thur.* Find how Peter could heal Eneas. Acts 3. 16.
- Fri.* Find Lydda and Joppa on the map.
- Sat.* Learn a verse about helping others. Prov. 3. 27.
- Sun.* Learn about the power of Jesus. Matt. 28. 18.

QUESTIONS ON THE LESSON STORY.

Who besides Saul took journeys to preach the Gospel? Was the young Church still persecuted? [See Helps for Monday.] To what village did Peter go? Where was Lydda? What sick man was there? How far away was Joppa? What sad thing had just taken place there? Why did the people mourn so much for Tabitha? What did they do when they heard of the cure of Eneas? Had Peter power to raise the dead? No, but Christ had. What had he given to the disciples? Power to do miracles in his name. How did Peter call Tabitha back to life? What did this miracle cause? Where did Peter stay for a while? With whom?

LESSONS FOR ME.

There is power to cure sick bodies and sick souls.
 There is power to give life to those who are dead in sin.
 "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, to-day, and forever."

FUKI AND SUMA.

THEY had been great travellers, these two From their birthplace in Japan, away and away over the broad Pacific to San Francisco, then by rail to a far, far Eastern State. But they weren't sea-sick a bit, which was a comfort, and though a railway accident occurred in the middle of the night, they didn't wake up, which was a wonder.

Over in Japan their names were Fuki and Suma. Indeed, these strange words were pinned on their backs when they arrived, and when their owner read them, she pouted her lips a trifle.

"I don't think they're pretty names at all, but I s'pose I'll have to get used to them. I wonder if they'd mind much if I called them Phyllis and Susanna," said Edna.

Then she thought she wouldn't like to be called anything but Edna, and decided the dolls should keep their own names.

"If they were baptized that way, they ought to stay so," then the dreadful remembrance came that they were heathen, and besides they were only dolls. Edna could make believe so successfully, that she invested her dolls with all the rights of flesh-and-blood children.

"I mustn't let them get homesick. I wonder what they'd like to eat. O dear! I wish I had a jinrishka to take them out in. I'd love to draw it."

"Perhaps you can make the rocking-chair do," suggested her mother.

"That's so, and it's sort o' Japanese, isn't it? Anyway, the bamboo'll feel like home to them."

So Fuki and Suma took their daily rides, and if they pined for their native land, they kept the sad secret in their own breast.

"Mamma," said Edna, "Aunt Bertha wrote that over in Japan the children are ever so kind and sweet-tempered. I mean to be very kind to Fuki and Suma, so they'll know that a Christian girl can be at least as good as a heathen girl. Don't you think that's all right?"

Her mamma said, "Yes;" she was very glad Edna was learning a valuable lesson, and the dolls never dreamed that they were paying Japan's debt to America, by being little missionaries themselves.

BEATITUDES.

(Learn these by heart.)

BLESSED are the pure in heart. for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are the poor in spirit. for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.