

Sunday School.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON NO. 11 JULY 9TH, 1005

Hezekiah's Prayer—Isaiah 38: 1, 3.

Commentary—1. Isaiah warns Hezekiah of approaching death (v. 1). 2. In those days—This may only mean in the days of Hezekiah. That this was in the fourth year of his reign is evident when we consider that fifteen years were added to his life (v. 5), and yet he only reigned twenty-nine years (2 Kings xx. 2). It must have been before the invasion by Sennacherib from the fact that God promised to deliver them out of the hand of the King of Assyria and defend Jerusalem. Sick unto death—Sick of a malady which, in the natural course of things, would have proved fatal—Cook. From 2 Kings xx. 7, we learn that the disease was probably a carbuncle.—Kell. God sends illness upon the good, not in punishment for sins past, but as a trial of their faith and patience (Rom. v. 3).—Lange. Isaiah—Isaiah's character stands before us as one of almost superhuman elevation. When we think of him for sixty years discharging so many varied offices, exhorting, comforting, expounding, comforting, doing all in the name of God, and with serene dignity toward men, we seem to be contemplating one who, while retaining all purely human sympathies, has a portion of seraphic nature communicated to him.—Cook. There is no species of cruelty greater than to suffer a friend to lie on a dying bed under a delusion. There is no sin more aggravated than that of designingly deceiving a dying man, and flattering him with the hope of recovery when there is a moral certainty that he will not, and can not recover, and there is evidently no danger to be apprehended from communicating to the sick their true condition. It should be done tenderly and with affection; but it should be done faithfully.—Lange. Set thine house in order—Arrange your affairs so that they will go on without you; referring to his family, his plans, his successor and his kingdom. Thou shalt die—Death was the natural result of his sickness. This is not a prediction, but a prophetic warning. A message thus addressed to a person, not spoken of him to others, is a call to repentance.—Birk. "His being spared fifteen years was not a change in God's mind, but an illustration showing that God's dealings are unchangeably regulated by the state of man in relation to him."—J. F. and B.

II. Hezekiah prays in great distress (vs. 2, 3). 2. Face toward the wall—He turned away from those who were present and collected. 3. Remember now—The old covenant promised temporal prosperity, including length of days, and the righteous. Hezekiah, conscious of his faithfulness and integrity, feels that he has not deserved the sentence which cuts him off in middle life, at an age little beyond that which was attained by his wicked father. He prays God to call to remembrance his life and conduct, as if it could only be through forgetfulness that God had determined evil against him. He pleads the highest standard of morality to which he has attained, and says that there was nothing unseemly in the vindication of the monarch, which has many parallels in the Psalms of David (Psa. vii. 3-10, xviii. 19-26, xxvi. 1-8, etc.).—Cook. "Walking life is a journey; God's people walk with him."—Lange. 24. I Kings ix. 4. A perfect heart—Literally, "with a whole heart," one absolutely devoted to Jehovah.—Cam. Bib. The king pleads his uprightness and holy conduct before God. He could not have done this, in the face of death, had he not felt in his heart the truthfulness of his statements. His influence had been wholly on the side of true religion; he had not forsaken the ways of the Lord. Wept sore—Literally, "he wept with a great weeping." The great sorrow of Hezekiah at the approach of death was only natural. 1. The desire to live one's full term of years is right. 2. Hezekiah felt that his work was unfinished. He had ascended the throne at a time of great spiritual decay and had labored to restore the worship of Jehovah, and although there was much which remained to be done, yet he was now in a position to go forward with renewed courage and hope. "Joseph says the reason why he wept so sorely was that bringing childless he was leaving the kingdom without a successor. How often our wishes, when gratified, prove curses. Hezekiah lived to have a son, but that son was the hateful Manasseh, the chief cause of God's wrath against Judah, and of the overthrow of the kingdom (II Kings xxiii. 26, 27).—J. F. and B. "Some have thought that Hezekiah would have been wiser to let the Lord choose his life for him, and not have for a longer life, saying that his length of days was an evil. He did, indeed, make one great and costly mistake in later life, and he suffered the invasion of the Assyrians described in our last lesson. But those do not make his life not worth living. He learned many good lessons, and helped his people in many ways. The whole nation doubtless would have been far wiser if he had died so young."—Pelouzet.

HOW THE BODY DOES ITS WORK.

New View Submitted Before British College of Physicians. London, June 26.—Professor Starling, lecturing before the College of Physicians, submitted a new view of the work of the body. He suggested, as the result of the discoveries of himself and others, that each organ of the body produces a chemical substance which excites the next organ into action. He calls such substances hormones. Some such substances have already been isolated as adrenalin, have in the appropriate hormone is lacking at the appropriate time, and the body's functions are snapped and the system thrown out of gear. This is seen when disease affecting one organ causes general incapacity. Hormones are known. It is a task of the future to discover the hormone of each organ, to learn how it is produced and how it acts. Such knowledge would enable an important advance in the rational treatment of diseases.

GIRLS FAILED TO APPEAR.

Supposed to Have Been Frightened by Threat of Cross-Examination.

Buffalo, June 26.—The trial of "Popcorn Charlie" Wilbour, on the charge of abduction, which was to have come before Judge Emery in the County Court yesterday, has been postponed on account of the non-appearance of the two principal witnesses for the prosecution, Miss Nagel and Sadie Smith, the Toronto girls. Assistant District Attorney J. W. Ryan said that the surety who had furnished the money for the girls had called on him and stated that he believed some person had persuaded the girls that they would be subjected to a very severe cross-examination, which would cause them considerable annoyance, in the event of their appearing at the trial. For this reason the girls refused to leave Canada, in spite of his efforts to the contrary.

DROVE AWAY WITH THE BABY.

Elmer Young, of Boston, Takes Surviving Child Away from Digby, N. S.

Halifax, June 26.—Elmer Young, the Boston detective, who was said to be the guardian of May Young, murdered at Plympton, arrived at Digby to-day, and late in the afternoon drove to Plympton, where he secured the baby, Elma Young, and drove away with her for an unknown destination. The case is increasing in mystery, and local interest is at fever pitch.

S. S. HOSTS TAKE TORONTO.

Crowd is Too Great for the Metropolitan Church.

Jerusalem Delegates Plan Banquet and Reunion.

Wide Extent of the International Union.

A Toronto report: The Sunday school hosts entered the city with increasing numbers yesterday. The Kansas, California, Pennsylvania, Illinois, and Virginia delegations either in whole or in large parties, as well as the complete colored delegation of eighty, arrived and at once entered upon either attendance at the auxiliary gatherings or sight-seeing in Toronto.

With characteristic enterprise the California delegation have commenced their campaign for the convention for 1908. Already in the leading hotels lithographs have been posted in conspicuous places, showing views of California's grand pines, glimpses of Yosemite scenery and leading buildings of the Golden State. Under each "litho" are the words, "San Francisco, 1908."

Parties of delegates wearing the blue gages were to be seen everywhere about the streets and in the big hotels, on the street cars and in the public parks. Dr. John McClelland, Dr. Copp and Mr. J. A. Jackson spent all yesterday afternoon in the Metropolitan Church locating positions for the seating of the State and Provincial delegations. Seats were allotted to 1,883 delegates, and delegations whose possible attendance is 168 have still to be heard from. The possible attendance is, therefore, 2,214, and allowing for some of the 168 who will not attend, the gathering is expected to number in round figures about 2,100.

The Metropolitan Church is likely to be uncomfortably crowded at the meetings. The building will barely hold the delegates alone, so that there will be practically no room for others wishing to attend. The International Lesson Committee, which prepares lessons for the Sunday school work, representing about twenty-five or twenty-six million people, sat at the Queen's Hotel yesterday afternoon. Dr. A. F. Schaufier, of New York City, is the Secretary. To-day the committee will take up the first draft of lessons for 1908, and it is expected that the morning and afternoon will be occupied with this task, and then the committee will finish for the present term.

The Executive Committee of the International Sunday School Union meets this morning at the Queen's Hotel. Every State, Province and Territory in America has a representative on the committee. Mr. W. N. Hartshorn is the Chairman, and Mr. Marion Lawrence the Secretary. At a late hour last night the Entertainment Committee reported they were short over 300 billets.

One of the most interesting gatherings of the entire week will be the reception of the Rev. Dr. E. J. Conroy, of the Rosin House of members of the World's Fourth Sunday School Convention, which was held in Jerusalem, Palestine, April, 1904. Eight hundred delegates from the United States and Canada participated in the convention, and enjoyed together a tour of 72 days.

One of the great questions to come before the convention, and to the consideration of the special committee, of which Mr. Seth P. Leet, of Montreal, is the Canadian member, is the question of incorporation of the international association. The International Committee has expended for its work during the past three years about \$20,000 annually. Chairman Hartshorn is said to be in favor of asking the next constituency to give the International Committee \$50,000 a year for the next three years, not only to carry on the work already planned, but to develop and expand largely for the future.

Speakers of the wide-spread character of the World's Sunday School movement, Mr. W. J. Semelroth, Enrollment Secretary, said: "As near as we can get the figures up to June 1, there are 26,100,000 members in the 23,900 Sunday schools throughout the world. This includes the Sunday schools of the entire people of America and the Evangelical Protestant Sunday schools in the world-wide realm. North America leads, with about 14,200,000 members in nearly 133,000 schools. Canada at last reports had 10,220 schools and nearly 787,000 members."

FRANCE'S ANSWER.

TO GERMANY NOT EXPECTED TO BE SATISFACTORY.

Berlin, June 26.—France's answer to the German note on the Morocco question has not yet reached the Foreign Office, but it is expected that Ambassador Corbiere will present it in the course of the afternoon. The impression here is that the answer does not promote an understanding between France and Germany, but the Foreign Office here does not abandon the hope of an adjustment of the differences in a manner satisfactory to Germany.

TRAMPS FREED.

Montreal, June 26.—Six tramps who were arrested at different localities in the Province as the result of a circular despatch sent out by Provincial Detective McCaskill in connection with the Quin murder mystery at St. Louis de Mile End, are free so far as the murder case is concerned. They were gathered about the suspect that tramps may have committed the deed, but the men arrested, it is evident, had nothing to do with the crime.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

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IN STRICT CONFIDENCE.

Women Obtain Mrs. Pinkham's Advice and Help.

She Has Guided Thousands to Health—How Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Cured Mrs. Fred Seydel.

It is a great satisfaction for a woman to feel that she can write to another telling her the most private and confidential details about her illness, and know that her letter will be seen by a woman only, a woman full of sympathy for her sick sisters, and above all, a woman who has had more experience in treating female ills than any living person.

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Surely women are wise in seeking advice from a woman of such experience, especially when it is absolutely free.

Mrs. Pinkham never violates the confidence of women, and every testimonial letter published is done so with the written consent or request of the writer, in order that other sick women may be benefited as they have been.

Mrs. Fred Seydel, of 412 North 54th Street, West Philadelphia, Pa., writes: Dear Mrs. Pinkham—

"Over a year ago I wrote you a letter asking advice, as I had female ills and could not carry a child to maturity. I received your kind letter of instructions and followed your advice. I am not only a well woman in consequence, but have a beautiful baby girl. I wish every suffering woman in the land would write you for advice, as you have done so much for me."

Just as surely as Mrs. Seydel was cured, will Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound cure every woman suffering from any form of female ills.

No other medicine in all the world has such a record of cures of female troubles as has Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Therefore no prudent woman will accept any substitute which a druggist may offer.

If you are sick, write Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass., for special advice. It is free and always helpful.

ATTEMPT TO SAVE

MARY M. ROGERS FROM BEING HANGED TO-MORROW.

Brattleboro, Vt., June 26.—The Mary M. Rogers habeas corpus petition was heard by Judge Wheeler, sitting as a justice of the United States circuit court, in his opinion Judge Wheeler took occasion to criticize the proceedings of the state with reference to Mrs. Rogers and her case. He could not see, however, that he was justified in ordering the discharge of the woman from custody. It is understood an appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court will be taken.

After a consultation Mrs. Rogers' attorneys formally filed an appeal.

DEBAUCH ENDED FATALLY.

Man Dead, Woman Expected to Die, at St. John, New Brunswick.

St. John, N. B., June 26.—Fire which broke out at midnight on Wednesday on Sheffield street partially destroyed a small beer shop kept by Samuel Dougan. When the chemical engine got the fire under control the body of Dougan, partially consumed, was found within. A woman got out badly burned, and another more or less drunk escaped uninjured.

At the coroner's inquest this evening one of the women, Mary Deegan, testified that Kate Hamilton saturated a paper with kerosene and put it in Dougan's pocket. She also testified that she matches to a two-year-old child and told her to set the paper on fire, which she did.

The inquest is not yet completed. The injured woman is hardly expected to live.

Market Reports

OF THE Week.

Toronto Farmers' Market.

The receipts of grain to-day were a little larger than unchanged prices. About 200 bushels of red winter wheat and 100 bushels of white sold at \$1.02 a bushel. Oats sold at 45¢ a bushel for 40 bushels.

Dairy produce and vegetables were in good supply, and prices are easier in some cases. Butter sold at 15 to 18¢ per lb., and eggs at 19 to 22¢ per dozen. Poultry easier, with spring chickens quoted at 15 to 20¢ per lb.

Hay in fair supply, with prices steady; loads sold at \$8 to \$10 a ton for timothy, and at \$7 to \$8 for mixed. Straw nominal in absence of offerings.

Dressed hogs are unchanged, with sales at \$9 to \$10, the latter for light weights.

Wheat, white, bushel \$1.09 to \$1.02. Do, red, bushel 1.00 to 1.02. Do, spring, bushel 0.92 to 0.94. Do, goose, bushel 0.78 to 0.80. Oats, bushel 0.48 to 0.50. Barley, bushel 0.48 to 0.50. Peas, bushel 0.72 to 0.69. Hay, timothy, ton 10 to 10.00. Do, mixed, ton 9.00 to 9.50. Straw, per ton 5.50 to 6.00. Dressed hogs, per cwt. 1.00 to 1.25. Eggs, per dozen 0.20 to 0.23. Butter, Galt's 0.15 to 0.16. Do, creamery 0.21 to 0.23. Chickens, last year, lb. 0.11 to 0.14. Turkeys, per lb. 0.11 to 0.12. Potatoes, per bag 0.70 to 0.75. Cabbage, per dozen 0.50 to 0.55. Celery, per dozen 0.70 to 0.75. Onions, per bag 0.80 to 0.85. Beer, hindsters 0.80 to 0.85. Do, forequarters 0.80 to 0.85. Do, choice, carcass 0.80 to 0.85. Do, medium, carcass 0.80 to 0.85. Mutton, per cwt. 8.00 to 8.50. Lamb, spring, per cwt. 13.00 to 15.00.

British Cattle Market.

London.—Cattle are quoted at 10% to 12% per lb.; refrigerator beef, 9% to 9% per lb.; sheep, 13 to 14¢ per lb.

Leading Wheat Markets.

New York July, Sept. 0.95% 0.88%.

Chicago 1.12% 0.88%.

St. Louis 0.83% 0.82%.

Minneapolis 1.00% 0.90%.

Toledo 0.90% 0.86%.

Toronto Live Stock.

Receipts of live stock at the city market to-day were, as reported by the railways, 8 sheep, 8 calves and 2 horses.

Bradstreet's on Trade.

Montreal reports to Bradstreet's say: A quiet trade has marked itself evident in all lines of trade during the past week. Wholesale business has hardly shown the improvement that has been expected and light sorting orders are only coming forward in most lines of trade. Crop prospects continue bright, and although there is a quiet tone in the country, the outlook for the farmers is bright and there is little cause for fear. Collections are not better than fair. Dairy products are coming to this market in much greater quantities and the export trade continues good. Prices in these lines show an easier tendency, but on the whole values are steady. Sugar shows an advancing tendency as the demand improves with the arrival of fruit.

Toronto reports to Bradstreet's say: The volume of wholesale trade actually moving at the moment is inclined to be light. There has been some improvement in the grocery trade. Building activity in this city and seemingly at most trade centres throughout the province has affected the wholesale trade, and the warm weather has given a better movement to summer goods. Until lately the year for dry goods has not been a good one, but here the warm weather has had an invigorating effect. The farmers, it may fairly be said, are in a prosperous condition. Add to this the fact that the export trade in the manufactured goods of the province, as of all Canada, is showing good growth, and much light will be shed upon the trade outlook.

At Quebec: Unfavorable weather does not appear to have improved trade during the week, and country remittances are still inclined to be slow. Reports from the country are favorable to growing crops.

Winnipeg reports say: There is a fairly brisk movement in all lines of wholesale goods. A cool spell has not done any harm to the crops, but it created a lull in the wholesale dry goods trade. Retail trade throughout the country is active, but the farmers are approaching the busy season, when this will be less marked. The hardware trade continues brisk. The export trade in cattle is about to begin, and fairly large lots are preparing to move westward. The crops continue in splendid condition.

Victoria and Vancouver reports to Bradstreet's: General trade conditions here show little change. The volume of business is not heavy. Provincial industries are active, the lumber trade showing considerable improvement. Collections generally are fair.

Hamilton reports to Bradstreet's say: There is no change in the general condition of business. Dry goods, however, are moving briskly, but the manufacturing and other industries continue actively engaged. Retail trade is about normal in collections are moderately good in all cases, although here and there some complaints are heard.

London reports to Bradstreet's say: There is continued activity in most lines of manufacture here, and business conditions generally are satisfactory. Money is coming forward fairly well.

Trade reports from Ottawa to Bradstreet's say: Trade conditions here are fairly satisfactory.

HOBBY-HORSE NEW FAD.

New Physical Exercise Takes Well in London.

London, June 26.—Life will be made very pleasant for those disinclined to worry and exercise when Mr. F. H. Bennett's Libby's Circus puts on the market a patent bicycle and physical exercise machine. The machine is a glorified hobby-horse, and as our ancestor used. The combination of the two is indeed pleased could not be out as our tendency towards reveries to some of our household gods like the croquet and hobby-horse. It is easier to "develop" than to walk, and cycling a violent exercise compared with "recreating."

It is primarily an open-air physical exercise, and secondarily an aid to locomotion. The machine is propelled by the feet, and the rider can thus at any moment apply an effective brake.

It requires less exertion than walking, while progress is twice as rapid. He was able to accomplish a speed of between eight and nine miles with ease on an up-to-date road. Thirteen and one-half miles an hour has been accompanied by an expert.

When the machine has been started an occasional push with a walking stick is sufficient to keep it going at a moderate speed. Uphill it is easier than either riding or pushing a bicycle, and downhill, owing to the absence of the gearing, it runs considerably faster.

Libby's Soups advertisement featuring an illustration of a woman and a child, and text describing the product and its benefits. The text includes: "Let Libby Serve Your Soup", "Tomato, Julienne, Consomme, Chicken, Molluscatawney, or Oxtail will please the most fastidious. They are quickly prepared—delicious to eat—always satisfactory.", "Libby's (Natural Flavor) Corned Beef Hash, Ox Tongues, Boneless Chicken Soups, Vienna Sausage, Ham Loaf", and "Your Grocers has them. Libby, McNeill & Libby, Chicago."

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS advertisement featuring a circular logo with the text "DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS" and "KIDNEY PILLS". The text describes the benefits of the pills for kidney health.