

OH, WHAT A PITY!

LITTLE Maude-Marian lives in a city;  
Her head is a tangle of frizzes and curls,  
She wears gold beads, and a ring with  
pearls,  
And an Empire dress of lace and silk,  
And a hat with feathers like foamy milk,  
And satin slippers, and mousquetaires  
Are the wrinkled gloves that my lady  
wears.

Little Maude-Marian lives in the city,  
And Dorothy says, "Oh my, what a pity!"

Dorothy lives among country joys,  
Her hair is shingled like any boy's,  
She has no lace nor a silken gown,  
But she only laughs at living in town.  
Her dress is flannel, or, do you know,  
In summer the plainest of calico?  
And spring-heeled shoes, but she never  
tires,

Her feet seem shod with electric wires.  
When there's only one May in the year,  
what a pity,"

Dorothy says, "to live in a city."

Dorothy gambols the whole of the day,  
By meadow and brook, like a lamb at  
play;

She rolls in the scented hay in the mow,  
She hunts the eggs and she milks the  
cow,

She rides her horse in the wildest race,  
She climbs a tree to the nestlings' place,  
She picks the currants and cherries, and  
then

She pets the brood of the speckled hen.  
When there's only one June in the year,  
what a pity,"

Dorothy says, "to live in a city."

LESSON NOTES.

THIRD QUARTER.

LESSONS FROM THE LIFE OF OUR LORD.

B.C. 4.] LESSON III. [July 15.

VISIT OF THE WISE MEN.

Matt. 2. 1-12. Memory verses, 9-11.

GOLDEN TEXT.

They saw the young child with Mary  
his mother, and fell down, and worshipped  
him.—Matt. 2. 11.

OUTLINE.

1. The Light of the Star, v. 1, 2.
2. The Light of the Scriptures, v. 3-8.
3. The Light of the World, v. 9-12.

EVERYDAY HELPS.

Mon. Read about the child King—  
Matt. 2. 1-12.

Tues. What command did the wise men  
obey?—Isa. 55. 5, 6.

Wed. Learn where Jesus is spoken of as  
a star.—Rev. 22. 16.

Thur. Read a prophecy of Isaiah.—Isa.  
Isa. 60. 3-6.

Fri. Learn what the wise men did.—  
Golden-Text.

Sat. Think, to whom do my treasures  
belong?

Sun. Read about the holy name.—Isa.  
9. 1-8.

DO YOU KNOW—

Who was king when Jesus was born?  
Where did he live? What do you know  
about him?

Who came to Jerusalem one day? What  
was their errand? Why was Herod  
troubled? What did he ask the priests?  
What did they tell him? How did they  
know?

What did Herod tell the wise men?  
What did he ask them to do? Did he  
mean it?

What went before the wise men? Where  
did it stop? What did they do? What  
did they give to Jesus?

Did they go back to Herod? Why not?  
What does this show? God's watchful  
care.

I WILL TRY TO REMEMBER—

That there is something for me to give.  
Prov. 23. 26.

When I ought to offer my gift. Heb. 3. 7.

CATECHISM QUESTIONS.

Did man's soul come from the dust? No,  
for the Lord God breathed into his nostrils  
the breath of life; and man became a living  
soul.

Why did God make man? God made  
man that he might know him and love  
him and serve him, and be happy with him  
forever.

B.C. 4.] LESSON IV [July 22

FLIGHT INTO EGYPT.

Matt. 2. 13-23. Memory verses, 13-15.

GOLDEN TEXT.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out  
and thy coming in.—Psalm 121. 8.

OUTLINE.

1. The Voice of Warning, v. 13-15.
2. The Voice of Weeping, v. 16-18.
3. The Voice of Prophecy, v. 19-23.

EVERYDAY HELPS.

Mon. Read the lesson in your Bible.—  
Matt. 2. 13-23.

Tues. Read what God says about kings.  
—Psalm 2.

Wed. Learn how safe the child Jesus  
was.—Psalm 91. 11.

Thur. Learn a comforting verse.—Golden  
Text.

Fri. Find out how safe God's people  
are.—Rom. 8. 35-39.

Sat. Find Bethlehem and Nazareth on  
the map.

Sun. Read a psalm of deliverance.—  
Psalm 124.

DO YOU KNOW—

What did Herod send men to Bethlehem  
to do? What for? Who told Joseph to  
go away? To what land? Did he obey?  
Why was it best to obey?

Were many children killed? What did  
God do for these little ones?

When did the angel visit Joseph again?  
Why did he say he might go home? Be-  
cause Herod was dead. Why did Joseph  
fear to go to Bethlehem? To what city  
did he go? Why was Jesus sometimes  
called the Nazarene? Because his home  
was in Nazareth. What does this lesson  
teach? God's love and care.

I WILL TRY TO REMEMBER—

That it is safe to do as God says.  
Verse 13.

That one worse than Herod seeks my  
life!

CATECHISM QUESTIONS.

Where did God put the first man and  
woman? God put the first man and woman  
in the garden of Eden.

In whose image was man created? Man  
was created in the image or likeness of  
God.

ON THE FARM.

WHERE do quail and partridge coveys  
hide themselves in haunting time  
Where do squirrels by the dozen  
Through the leafy branches climb?  
How can hunters get among them  
Without giving an alarm?  
Ask the towzle-headed youngsters  
Who are living on the farm.

Where do violets grow the sweetest  
And the maiden-hair most fine?  
Where do lilies float in navies?  
Where do morning-glories twine  
Where do wild flowers earliest blossom  
When the spring is breathing warm?  
Ask the towzle-headed youngsters  
Who are living on the farm.

Where do health and strength together  
Fill the days with brimming joy?  
Where do simple, honest pleasures  
Never flag and never cloy?  
If you'd see boys as they should be,  
Fleet of foot and strong of arm,  
See the towzle-headed youngsters  
Who are living on the farm  
—Youth's Companion.

DID you ever look at your handkerchief  
and wonder what it was made of? If a  
handkerchief could talk I think it would  
say something like this: "First I was a  
little seed and was planted in the ground  
Then I began to grow until I became a  
little bush. After a while white bunches  
of cotton began to grow on me. Then  
some men came and picked off the bunches,  
and carried us to a machine that they  
called a cotton-gin, where we were all torn  
up. Then we were put into a loom and  
made into handkerchiefs. We went from  
there to a store and were put on a counter,  
and one day a lady came by and saw us, and  
bought us for her little boy and girl."