

rolling the big snowball with their naked hands. That is the way to become hardy and brave. I hope the dear boys and girls who read the SUNBEAM will all have lots of fun with the first snow of the season.

LESSON NOTES.

B.C. 1689.] LESSON X. [Dec. 5.

THE LAST DAYS OF JACOB; or, A Prophetic Blessing.

Gen. 48. 8-22. Commit to memory verses 15, 16.

GOLDEN TEXT.

And Israel said unto Joseph, Behold, I die; but God shall be with you. Gen. 48. 21.

OUTLINE.

1. An old man's joy, v. 8-12.
2. A prophet's blessing, v. 13-22.

QUESTIONS ON THE LESSONS.

1. *An old man's joy*, v. 8-12.—How old was Jacob at this time? A hundred and forty-seven years. Where was he? In the land of Goshen, in Egypt. Who came to see him? Joseph and his two sons. What did Jacob say when he met them? [Read verse 11.] Why did he feel grateful to God? Because God had given Joseph to him again. What did he do to Joseph's children? He kissed them and blessed them.

2. *A prophet's blessing*, v. 13-22.—In what position did Joseph place his children before his father? One on each side. For what did he bring them? For his blessing. Where did he place his oldest son, Manasseh? On the right hand of his father. Where did he place Ephraim, the younger son? On his father's left hand. How did Jacob place his hands upon them? He placed his right hand on the head of the younger son, and his left on the older. What blessing did he pronounce upon them? God's mercy, and an abundant increase. What did Joseph try to do? To change his father's hands. What did he say? [Read verse 18.] How did Jacob answer him? [Read verse 19.] To which did he give the greater blessing? To the younger son. What did Jacob say in the GOLDEN TEXT?

WORDS WITH LITTLE PEOPLE.

1. Remember that God cares for the children of those who serve him.
2. Even those who receive the least of his blessings are greatly blessed.
3. Always try to be worthy of God's promises.
4. Remember that God will be with you, even when your parents die.

B.C. 1635.] LESSON XI. [Dec. 12.

THE LAST DAYS OF JOSEPH; or, A Prince's Faith.

Gen. 50. 14-26. Commit to memory verses 18-21.

GOLDEN TEXT.

The memory of the just is blessed. Prov. 10. 7.

OUTLINE.

1. FEAR, v. 14-18.
2. FORGIVENESS, v. 19-21.
3. FAITH, v. 22-26.

QUESTIONS ON THE LESSONS.

1. *Fear*, v. 14-18.—When were Joseph's brothers full of fear? After their father was dead. Of what were they afraid? Of the anger of Joseph. What did they expect? That Joseph would punish them for their wickedness to him. What did they ask of him? Forgiveness. How did they ask it? [Read verse 17.] What did this show? That sin is sure to bring sorrow. What did the brothers of Joseph do? They came and knelt before him.

2. *Forgiveness*, v. 19-21.—How did Joseph receive their request? He wept. What did he say? [Read verse 20.] How did he speak to them? "He spoke kindly, and comforted them." What did he promise them? To help them and care for them. What does this example show us? That we should forgive those who do us wrong.

3. *Faith*, v. 22-26.—How old was Joseph when he died? A hundred and ten years. How did he show his faith in God's promise? [Read verse 24.] What did he forbid them? To bury him in Egypt. What did he command them? To take his body with them to Canaan. What was done with his body? It was embalmed, and kept in a coffin. How long was it kept? Until the Israelites went out of Egypt. What is said in the GOLDEN TEXT?

WORDS WITH LITTLE PEOPLE.

1. See how the guilty are troubled by the memory of their sins.
2. Be ready to forgive those who have done you wrong.
3. See how God brings good out of evil.
4. Depend upon God's promises.

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