

THE "MOTHER'S ROOM."

I'm awfully sorry for poor Jack Roe;
He's that boy that lives with his aunt, you
know;

And he says his house is filled with gloom
because it has got no "mother's room."
I tell you what, it is fine enough
to talk of "boudoirs" and such fancy stuff,
but the room of rooms that seems best
to me,

The room where I'd always rather be,
Is mother's room, where a fellow can rest,
And talk of the things his heart loves best.

What if I do get dirt about,
And sometimes startle my aunt with a
shout?

It is mother's room, and if she don't mind,
To the hints of others I'm always blind.
Maybe I lose my things—what then?
In mother's room I find them again.
And I've never denied that I litter the floor
With marbles and tops and many things
more;

But I tell you, for boys with a tired head,
It is jolly to rest on mother's bed.

Now poor Jack Roe when he visits me,
I take him to mother's room, you see,
Because it's the nicest place to go
When a fellow's spirits are getting low.
And mother she's always kind and sweet,
And there's always a smile poor Jack to
greet.

And somehow the sunbeams seem to glow
More brightly in mother's room, I know,
Than anywhere else, and you'll never find
gloom

Or any old shadow in mother's room.

LESSON NOTES.

THIRD QUARTER.

LESSONS FROM THE LIFE OF OUR LORD.

A.D. 27.] **LESSON IX.** [Aug. 26.

FIRST MIRACLE OF JESUS.

John 2. 1-11. **Memory verses, 1-5.**

GOLDEN TEXT.

This beginning of miracles did Jesus in
Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his
glory.—John 2. 11.

OUTLINE.

1. The Marriage in Cana, v. 1, 2.
2. The Mother of Jesus, v. 3-5.
3. The First Miracle, v. 6-10.
4. The Manifested Glory, v. 11.

EVERYDAY HELPS.

Mon. Read the lesson verses carefully.
—John 2. 1-11.

Tues. Find the names of all the disciples
at this time.

Wed. Learn what this miracle was for.—
Golden Text.

Thur. Read about God's kind of wine.—
Psalm 104. 15.

Fri. Read about man's kind of wine.
Prov. 23. 29-32.

Sat. Learn why Jesus could do this
miracle.—John 1. 3

Sun. Learn what the true wine is like.
—John 4. 1-4.

DO YOU KNOW—

Where did Jesus go to a wedding? Who
went with him? How many disciples
were there now? Six. Can you name them?

What woman was at the wedding?
How long did the feast last? What strange
thing happened one day? Why were the
people troubled?

Why did Mary tell Jesus about it?
What did she tell the servants?

How many stone waterpots were stand-
ing there? What did Jesus tell the ser-
vants? What did they do after filling the
pots? What did the master of the feast
say? What had Jesus done to the water?
Changed it into wine. Why did he do
this? What did it show? That he was
God.

I WILL TRY TO REMEMBER—

That Jesus is Lord over all.
That it is safe to do as he says. Verse 5.

CATECHISM QUESTIONS.

What do you mean by being born in sin?
We are all born self-willed, and, but for
the grace of God, inclined only to evil.

May we all hope for this grace? Yes,
through the Saviour who was promised
when our first parents fell into sin.

A.D. 28.] **LESSON X.** [Sept. 2.

JESUS CLEANSING THE TEMPLE.

John 2. 13-25. **Memory verses, 13-16.**

GOLDEN TEXT.

Make not my Father's house a house of
merchandise.—John 2. 16.

OUTLINE.

1. The Lord's House, v. 13-17.
2. The Lord's Body, v. 18-22.
3. The Lord's Wisdom, v. 23-25.

EVERYDAY HELPS.

Mon. Read about the visit to the temple.
—John 2. 13-25.

Tues. Read of another visit to the same
place.—Matt. 21. 12, 13.

Wed. Find what God's house is for.—
Isa. 56. 7.

Thur. Learn the Golden Text.

Fri. Find what to do in God's house.—
Eccles. 5. 1.

Sat. Learn the good of going to God's
house.—Micah 4. 2.

Sun. Read Hymn 770 in "Methodist
Hymnal."

DO YOU KNOW—

What feast was near at hand? Where
was it kept? Who went to it?

What did he find in the temple? Was
it right to sell these things for sacrifice?
Yes, but not in a holy place.

What did Jesus do? Whom did he
drive out? What did he do with the
money-tables? What did he say to those

who sold doves? Why did he not drive
out the doves as he did the oxen and
sheep? The doves were in cages.

What did the Jews ask him? What did
Jesus say? What did he mean by the
temple? Did the Jews understand? When
did his disciples think of this answer?

What did Jesus do in Jerusalem? What
was the result?

I WILL TRY TO REMEMBER—

That God's house is a holy place. Matt.
21. 13.

That I am one of his little temples.
1 Cor. 3. 16.

CATECHISM QUESTIONS.

How may we be saved from sin? Only
through Jesus Christ, the Eternal Son of
God.

*What did our Lord Jesus Christ do to
save us?* He was made man, suffered death
in our stead, rose again from the dead, and
went up into heaven.

GYP AT THE COAST.

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FROM my window I can see a hill where,
in winter time, the little folks come every
day to coast. Little girls and boys, with
their gay red and blue and green sleds,
have great sport when school is done, and
all day long on Saturday. Of course there
are lots of tumbles in the soft snow, and
much laughter and shouting, and some-
times very funny things happen.

One day, little Harry Hill, with his dog
Gyp, came out to coast. And while Harry
rode down the hill on his sled, Gyp ran
close behind him, until they came to the
bottom. Then what do you think Harry
did? He took a piece of stout string
from his pocket and tied Gyp to the sled.
Away went the little dog, dragging the
sled after him up the hill.

All the afternoon Gyp worked for his
little master, and when I saw Harry going
home in the evening, Gyp was trotting
along by his side, with his little black tail
curled over his back, and he did not look
one bit tired.

WHITE LIES.

WHATEVER are white lies? Can lies be
anything but black and evil? No, never.
Every falsehood is dark and shameful, and
there never can be anything white and
stainless about deceit.

"Johnnie, did you break the vase?"

"No, mother." But the dog that Johnnie
was teasing broke it.

"Mary, why are you so late home from
school to-day?"

"I went round to borrow a book from
Jane Peters, mother." But Mary does not
add she was kept in half an hour for bad
behaviour. John and Mary comfort them-
selves with the notion that these are white
lies, though their consciences give them a
sharp little pinch, now and then.

Have nothing to do with lies, white or
black, acted or spoken.