

by others. *Redness of eyes*—Bloodshot from drink. *Mixed wine*—Wine made stronger by spices. *Move it itself*—With sparkle and froth. *Biteth like a serpent*—In the want, misery, loss of character and of reputation which it brings here, and eternal death hereafter. *Strange women*—The lustful and wicked passions of drunkards are excited. *Perverse things*—The vile utterances of an intoxicated man. *Lie down*—The sickness which follows drinking. *Stricken me*—The intoxicated man is insensible to blows. *I will seek it*—Seek once more the cup which brings him such evil. The appetite for liquor becomes a master passion.

HOME READINGS.

- M.* Drunkenness. Prov. 23. 29-35.
Tu. The sin of Noah. Gen. 9. 18-29.
W. The drunkard's reward. Prov. 23. 15-28.
Th. Drunkards threatened. Isa. 28. 1-5.
F. The unfaithful servant. Luke 12. 41-48.
S. The evil of drunkenness. Rom. 13. 8-14.
S. The unrighteous withheld. 1 Cor. 6. 1-11.

QUESTIONS FOR HOME STUDY.

1. **Woe**, v. 29, 30. What six marks of wrong-doing are given? Who have these marks? What is the cause of them? What does Solomon say elsewhere of wine? Prov. 20. 1. What warning against it is given by Paul? Eph. 5. 18. What drinks are included in this warning? What is the final woe of the drunkard? 1 Cor. 6. 10.

2. **Warning**, v. 31-35. What warning is given against yielding to temptation? What temptation has wine to the eye? To what other sin of the eye may it lead? What does Jesus call the eye? Luke 11. 34. What is better than indulgence of the eye in evil? Matt. 18. 9. What is the result of indulgence in wine? What is the end of all wrong-doing? Rom. 6. 21. How does Solomon describe the drunkard? What is the only safe rule with all intoxicating drinks? Col. 2. 21. What reason does Paul urge for total abstinence? Rom. 14. 21. What safeguard may we all have? Prov. 14. 26-27.

PRACTICAL TEACHINGS.

Where in this lesson are we taught—

1. That intemperance brings a curse with it?
2. That temptation is the door to ruin?
3. That the end of the drunkard is folly and shame?

THE LESSON CATECHISM.—(For the entire school.) Who hath woe, sorrow, and contentions? "They that tarry long at the wine." 2. Against what are we cautioned? Looking upon wine to drink it. 3. What does wine do in the end? "Biteth like a serpent." 4. What shall we do when we are filled with wine? "Utter perverse things." 5. What is the natural result of once drinking? A desire to drink again.

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.—The results of sin.

QUESTIONS FOR SENIOR STUDENTS.

1. **Woe**, v. 29, 30. What is here shown as bringing woe? Does this evil cause greater or

less woe now than in ancient times? What is meant by "mixed wine"? What six evils of wine are named in verse 29? Show how each of these evils results from strong drink now. What is the best way to avoid these evils? What is the warning of the GOLDEN TEXT?

2. **Warning**, v. 31-35. What is the warning of the wise man? Why is this warning needed? Why is the sting of strong drink compared to that of a serpent? What evil results of intemperance are named in verse 33? What effect of strong drink is noted in verse 34? How is the power of habit shown in verse 35? What is Paul's advice in Eph. 5. 18? What should be our principle with regard to strong drink?

PRACTICAL TEACHINGS.

What are here shown—

1. As the dangers of strong drink?
2. As the safety from strong drink?
3. As the evidence of the power of habit?

QUESTIONS FOR YOUNGER SCHOLARS.

What is sure to bring us sorrow and trouble? Wine, or strong drink of any kind. What is strong drink? A deceitful enemy. Of what is it the cause between friends? Of quarrelling and contentions. To what will quarrelling lead? To blows and wounds. What command is given us in the Bible? [Repeat GOLDEN TEXT.] What warning? "Look not upon the wine when it is red." Why are we so warned? A look might tempt us to drink. What is the result of one drink? A drunkard's life of sin and trouble. What is the end of a drunkard's life? A shameful death. Of what does strong drink rob us? Of our strength and reason. What does it make of us? Babblers and fools. Of what should we be afraid? Of its power. What is the constant thought of the drunkard? "I will seek it again." Who is able to deliver us from the temptation of wine and strong drink? Christ, our Lord and Saviour. Who can break the bonds of the drunkard? Jesus.

WORDS WITH LITTLE PEOPLE.

Strong drink has power to destroy both body and soul. Do not taste it; one taste may make you a drunkard. Do not handle it, or you may be led to drink it. Do not look upon it; that is the only way to escape temptation. "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."

CATECHISM QUESTION.

10. Did God create you?

Yes; He made me, both body and soul.

Know ye that the Lord He is God: it is He that hath made us.—1st. c. 3.

Thou hast clothed me with skin and flesh, and hast fenced me with bones and sinews.—Job x. 11.

O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh.—Numbers xvi. 22.

The Father of spirits.—Hebrews xii. 9.