

SCHOLARS' NOTES.

(From Westminster Question Book)

LESSON XIII. June 22, 1884. [Rom. 13: 1-10] OBEDIENCE TO LAW.

COMMIT TO MEMORY VS. 7-10

- 1. Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. 2. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God; and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation. 3. For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. With them then not be afraid of the power: for that which is good, and they shall have praise of the same: 4. For he is the minister of God to thee for good. If thou do that which is evil, be afraid: for he beareth not the sword in vain; for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil. 5. Wherefore ye must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake. 6. For for this cause pay ye tribute also: for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing. 7. Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor. 8. Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law. 9. For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery; Thou shalt not kill; Thou shalt not steal; Thou shalt not bear false witness; Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, the same is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. 10. Love worketh no ill to his neighbor: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers.—Rom. 13: 1

HOME READINGS

- M. Rom. 13: 1-10.—Obedience to Law. P. 1 Pet. 2: 13-17.—Submission to Rulers. W. Tit. 3: 1-6.—The Christian Citizen. Th. Matt. 22: 16-22.—The things which are Caesar's. F. Matt. 17: 22-27.—Tribute Paid. Sa. Prov. 8: 1-17.—By the Princess Rule. S. Mark 12: 28-34.—The Sum of the Commandments.

LESSON PLAN.

1. Rulers God's Ministers. 2. The Obligation to obey them. 3. Love the Fulfilling of Law. Time.—A. B. 58 (spring). Place.—Written from Ephesus.

INTRODUCTORY.

This chapter treats mainly of our duties as citizens. Paul first enforces the duty we owe to civil magistrates (vs. 1-7). He then refers to the more general obligations under which Christians are placed, but still with special reference to their civil and social relations (vs. 8-11). In the remainder of the chapter he enjoins an exemplary deportment.

LESSON NOTES.

I.—V. 1. THE HIGHER POWERS.—The authorities or rulers that are over him. No power, no ruler are to be regarded as acting by divine appointment. V. 2. DAMNATION.—punishment. Inordinate obedience to rulers is the exercise of their authority is a sin against God and will be punished by him. V. 3. DO THAT WHICH IS GOOD.—the way to avoid the punishment which rulers are authorized to inflict is not to resist, but to obey. V. 4. Government is an institution of God, intended for the good of men, and should therefore be respected and obeyed. For good—to secure your welfare. HE BEARETH NOT THE SWORD IN VAIN.—not in vain that he has the authority bestowed.

II.—V. 5. FOR WEALTH.—from fear of punishment. For conscience sake—out of regard of God. V. 6. FOR THE CAUSE.—since government is constituted for the good of society, you should cheerfully pay what is necessary for its support. THEY ARE RULERS OF GOD.—another reason for paying tribute; rulers are appointed by God for the public service. The obligations to obey rulers have its limitations. When they command what is wrong, "we are to obey God rather than men." When they transgress their rightful authority, obligation to obedience ceases.

III.—V. 8. OWE NO MAN ANY THING.—quit yourselves of all obligations, tribute, custom, fear, honor, or salary; else you may owe; but remember that the debt of love is still unpaid and always must remain so. V. 9. For the apostle enumerates the commandments which are the second table to show that love includes all our social duties. This is further confirmed in verse 10. LOVE WORKETH NO ILL TO HIS NEIGHBOR.—love delights in the happiness of its objects, it prevents us from injuring those we love, and consequently leads us to fulfill all the law requires.

WHAT HAVE I LEARNED?

- 1. That civil government is an institution of God. 2. That we must pay cheerfully whatever taxes or customs are necessary for its support. 3. That we must obey rulers as the ministers of God. 4. That every human law not contrary to the law of God is binding on us, and must be obeyed. 5. That all our social duties are comprehended in loving our neighbor as ourself.

Mr. Glover, of the Blue Ribbon Mission, states that so far 30,000 persons have taken the blue ribbon in Australia.

COMMERCIAL.

MONTREAL, June 11, 1884.

Chicago is rather dull, but prices are moderately steady, July and August being weaker than last week. The quotations are as follows:—89 June, 90 1/2 July; 91 1/2 August; 92 1/2 Sept. Corn is steady, 55 1/2 June; 56 1/2 July; 57 1/2 August and 58 1/2 September. Liverpool is sullen and steady, Spring wheat being quoted at 7s 4d to 7s 5d and Red Winter 7s 6d to 8s. The local grain market has this year been simply stagnant. From the first it was seen that but little if any grain for export to Europe would come by the St. Lawrence route, as it was handicapped as compared with American routes about 1 1/2 cents a bushel. An effort was therefore made by the Corn Exchange of Montreal to get the Government to reduce or abolish the canal tolls, so as to put the St. Lawrence canals on even terms with the Erie. The government granted only a half loaf, reducing the tolls to 5-16 instead of 2 of a cent per bushel, and they also agreed to the Montreal Harbor Commissioners reducing the wharfage rates from 7 cents to 1 cent per ton or a reduction of about 1/2 cent per bushel in all. The forwarding and elevating companies also made a reduction in their rates equal to the other half cent but, unfortunately, none of these reductions have yet gone into effect; and when they do, although they will increase the attractiveness of the route, whether business will be induced to flow thereby, is extremely problematical. Last week business improved somewhat, but things look dull enough to-day. The nominal quotations are as follows:—Canada Red Winter, \$1.15 to \$1.17; Canada White, \$1.12 to \$1.13; Canada Spring, \$1.14 to \$1.15; Corn, 70c to 72c; Peas, 92c to 94c; Barley, 55c to 65c; Rye 67c to 69c.

WHEAT.—The market is quiet, with lower values. We quote as follows:—Superior Extra, \$5.50 Extra Superfine, \$5.05; to \$5.10; Fancy, \$4.65 to \$4.75; Spring Extra, \$4.45 to \$4.55; Superfine, \$3.60 to \$4.00; Strong Bakers', Can., \$5.10 to \$5.40; do., American, \$5.40 to \$5.80; Fine, \$3.25 to \$3.45; Middlings, \$3.05 to \$3.15; Pollards, \$2.80 to \$3.00; Ontario bags, (medium), bags included, \$2.25 to \$2.30; do., Spring Extra, \$2.15 to \$2.20; do., Superfine, \$1.80 to \$1.90; City Bags, delivered, \$2.85 to \$2.90.

MEALS.—Oatmeal, nominal; Oatmeal, ordinary, \$4.35 to \$4.75; granulated, \$4.80 to \$6.00.

STOCKS IN STORE AT MONTREAL.

Table with 5 columns: Commodity, 1884, 1884, 1883, 1883. Rows include Wheat, Corn, Peas, Oats, Barley, Flour, Oatmeal, Cornmeal.

DAIRY PRODUCE.—New creamery butter is bringing 20c. Eastern Townships, 16c to 18c; Morrisburg and Brockville, 14c to 16c. Add to the above prices a couple of cents per lb. for selections for the jobbing trade. Cheese is quoted at 9 to 9 1/2c.

HOG PRODUCTS.—Are very dull. We quote as follows:—Western Mess Pork, \$20.25 to \$20.75; Canada Short Cut, \$21.50 to \$21.75; Hams, city cured, 14c to 14 1/2c; Bacon, 13c to 14c; Lard, in pails, Western, 11c to 12c; do., Canadian, 11c to 12c; Tallow, refined 6c to 7c as to quality.

ASHES are quiet at \$4.50 to \$4.60 for Pots. Pearls are quoted at \$5.25.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

The supply of butchers' cattle is ample to meet the local demand and there are no changes to note in prices, except that rough and half-fatted cattle are getting more plentiful and prices for this sort are rather lower. Good butchers' cattle sell at 54c to 5 1/2c; fair conditioned steers and fat oxen 5c to 5 1/2c; do.; bulls 3 1/2c to 4c; do.; small lean stock 3 1/2c to 4c; do. Good calves bring \$5 to \$10, and common ones from \$2 to \$4. Prices continue to decline. Sheep sell at \$3.50 to \$6 each. Lambs from \$2 to \$4.50 each. Fat hogs are arriving in larger numbers and prices are lower, ranging from 6c to 6 1/2c per lb. Milch cows are plentiful and somewhat lower in price; a few extra cows

are sold at from \$55 to \$65 each; superior cows at from \$45 to \$50 each; common cows at \$35 to \$40 each and small ones \$22 to \$28 each. The horse market is very quiet at present as very few horses are being brought to the city for sale.

FARMERS' MARKET.

There has been a great attendance of farmers at the markets of late, and most kinds of reasonable produce are well supplied at moderate rates. The farmers in this vicinity have very few potatoes on hand and supplies are chiefly brought from a distance. Butter and eggs are plentiful and the price of butter are declining, but eggs are in brisk demand to pack for the winter and prices are firmer. Poultry are getting plentiful and lower in price. The supply of hay is pretty large but the average quality is not good and prices are lower. Oats are \$1.00 to \$1.10 per bag; peas, \$1.05 to \$1.10 per bushel; potatoes, 60c to 75c per bag. Tub butter, 16c to 20c per lb; eggs, 15c to 20c per dozen. Apples, \$6.00 to \$7.00 per barrel; Hay \$6.00 to \$8.00 per 100 bundles of 15 lbs. Pressed hay, 55c to 65c per 100 lbs.

NEW YORK, June 10, 1884.

GRAIN.—The following are the closing prices for future delivery to-day:—Wheat \$1.00 June; \$1.02 1/2 July; \$1.05 August; \$1.06 Sept. Corn, 62 1/2c June; 63c July; 64 1/2c August; 65 1/2c Sept. Oats, 37 1/2c June; 37 1/2c July 35 1/2c August.

FLOUR.—quotations:—are Spring Wheat—Superfine, \$2.65 to \$3.15; Low Extra, \$3.25 to \$3.50; Clears, \$4.00 to \$5.15; Straight (full stock), \$5.15 to \$5.95; Patent, \$5.30 to \$6.50. Winter Wheat, Superfine, \$2.75 to \$3.40; Low Extra, \$3.35 to \$3.50; Clears (R. and A.), \$4.30 to \$5.50; Straight (R. and A.), \$4.70 to \$6.00; Patent, \$5.15 to \$6.35; Straight (White Wheat), \$4.50 to \$5.60; Low Extra (City Mill), \$3.60 to \$4.00; West India, sacks, \$3.75 to \$4.75; barrels, West India, \$5.05 to \$5.05; Patent, \$5.50 to \$6.00; South America, \$5.00 to \$5.15; Patent, \$5.45 to \$5.85. Southern Flour—Extra \$3.70 to \$5.25; Family, \$5.35 to \$6.25; Rye Flour—Fine to Superfine \$2.75 to \$4.00.

MEALS.—Oatmeal, Western fine, \$5.00 to \$5.40; Coarse, \$5.40 to \$5.90 per brl. Cornmeal, Brandywine, \$3.40 to \$3.50; Western Yellow, \$3.10 to \$3.25; Bag meal, Coarse City, \$1.15 to \$1.20; Fine white, \$1.40 to \$1.50; Fine yellow, \$1.35 per 100 lbs. Corn flour, \$3.20 to \$3.85; Hominy, \$3.50 to \$4.00 per barrel.

FEED.—100 lbs. or sharps, at \$21.00 to \$22; 100 lb. or No. 1 middlings, at \$20.00 to \$21.00; 80 lbs. or No. 2 middlings, at \$17 to \$18; 60 lbs. or No. 1 feed \$13.00 to \$15.00; 50 lbs or medium feed, \$13.00 to \$15.00; 40 lbs or No. 2 feed, \$13.00 to \$15.00. Rye feed at \$18.00 to \$19.00 per ton.

SEEDS.—Clover seed, 10c to 10 1/2c for fair to choice; timothy, retail parcels \$1.55 to \$1.70; round lots \$1.50 to \$1.60; domestic flaxseed nominal, \$1.60 to \$1.70; Calcutta linseed, spot \$1.90 to \$1.95, and to arrive, \$1.80 to \$1.85.

BUTTER.—Prices are unchanged and business is not brisk. The following are the quotations for new:—Creamery, ordinary to fancy, 15c to 21c. State dairies, not quoted; State firms, fair to best, 15c to 20c; State Welsh tubs, fair to choice, 17c to 19c; Western imitation creamery, 14c to 17c; Western dairy, not quoted; Western factory, ordinary to best made, 8c to 15c.

CHEESE.—A quiet and somewhat uncertain market with lower prices. We quote as follows:—State factory, skims to select, 5c to 10 1/2c; Pennsylvania skims, good to prime, 1c to 3c; Ohio lat ordinary, 7c to 9c. BEEF.—We quote:—Extra mess \$12.00. Extra India mess, \$18.50 to \$20 Packet, \$12.50 to \$13.00 in brls.

BEEF HAMS.—Prices are firm at \$27.50 to \$28.00 spot lots.

PORK.—We quote:—\$16.75 for old brands mess; \$17.50 new mess; \$16.00 for extra prime; \$18.00 to \$18.75 for clear back \$16.00 to \$16.50 for family.

BACON.—The market much quieter but strong at 8.75c.

CUTMEATS.—Pickled bellies, 12c lb. average, 7 1/2; pickled shoulders, 7 1/2; pickled hams, 11 1/2 to 11 3/4; smoked shoulders, 8 1/2; smoked hams, 12 1/2 to 13c.

LARD.—Prices are lower. City lard bringing 7.90c. Western 8.25c.

STEARINE.—Lard stearine is at 10c for choice city. Oleomargarine, firm at 8 1/2. TALLOW.—Demand more active at 6 1/2 to 6 3/4 for prime city.

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