

The Queen's Jubilee.

Now this is the year of the jubilee
Of Queen Victoria's reign,
So let us sing a joyful glee
And success to her domain;
Long has she been blessed to rule us,
By a kind and loving hand;
Then sing a glad song as we march along,
And may God bless our native land.

So here's success to the empire,
May unity rule the day,
And may God bless dear old Ireland,
And drive her cares away;
Success to dear Australia
And India's far-off shore,
And God bless our dear Canada,
The land that we adore.

Three cheers for bonnie Scotland,
Her lads and lasses too,
May she ever be united
With our grand Red, White and Blue;
May peace long reign on land and main,
And strifes our union ne'er sever;
May the Red, White and Blue—
And Stars and Stripes too—
Remain firm friends forever.

LESSON NOTES.

SECOND QUARTER.

STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT.

B.C. 1491.] LESSON XII. [June 19.

THE COMMANDMENTS.

Exod. 20. 12-21. Commit to mem. vs. 12-17.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.
Matt. 22. 39.

OUTLINE.

1. Man's Duty to Man.
2. Man's Fear of God.

TIME, PLACE.—Same as last lesson.

EXPLANATIONS.—*Honour thy father* Respect, obey, comfort, protect; all that a child can do for a parent at any age. *Days may be long*—Not a promise of personal life, but of national life. *But false witness*—Not be false against one's neighbour in any respect. *God is come to prove you*—The law now given was to be the test for all ages of the people's readiness to serve God. *The thick darkness*—To the people the mountain appeared to be enveloped in thick darkness, caused by the low settling clouds. *Where God was*—Not that God was not everywhere then, as now, but the sounds and the awful phenomena had come from the clouds upon the mountain, and they thought God to be in the clouds and darkness.

TEACHINGS OF THE LESSON.

Where, in this lesson, are we taught—

1. To honour all men?
2. To revere God?
3. To keep his Commandments?

THE LESSON CATECHISM.

1. What is the fifth Commandment? "Honour," etc. 2. What is the sixth Commandment? "Thou shalt not kill." 3. What is the seventh Commandment? "Thou shalt not commit adultery." 4. What is the eighth Commandment? "Thou shalt not steal." 5. What is the ninth Commandment? "Thou shalt not bear false witness." 6. What is the tenth Commandment? "Thou shalt not covet," etc. 7. What is the sum of the last six Commandments, as given in the GOLDEN TEXT? "Thou shalt love," etc.

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.—Love to man.

CATECHISM QUESTION.

28. What is said concerning the power of Satan? Our Lord calls him "the prince of this world." (John xii. 31.)
Ephesians ii. 2. The prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that now worketh in the sons of disobedience.

B.C. 1490.] [June 26.

TEMPERANCE LESSON.

Lev. 10. 1-11. Commit to mem. vs. 8-10.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body. Rom. 6. 12.

OUTLINE.

1. The Fire of Sin.
2. The Fire of Wrath.

TIME.—1490 B.C.

PLACE.—Mount Sinai.

EXPLANATIONS.—*Nadab, Abihu*—Sons of Aaron and priests of God. *His censor*—The vessel prepared, in accordance with God's command, into which coals from the altar were to be put, and incense sprinkled upon the coals in the daily service. *Strange fire*—Fire not from the brazen altar, but from some unconsecrated source. *Fire from the Lord*—Lightning. *Devoured*—Struck them down dead. *Aaron held his peace*—Awestruck and overwhelmed by this vindication of divine honour. *Mishael, Elzaphan, Uzziel*—Relatives of Aaron, of whom nothing else is known. *Carried them in their coats*—Buried them just as they were struck down. *Eleazar and Ithamar*—The remaining sons of Aaron, and associates in the priestly office of the two who had been slain. *Uncover not your heads, etc.*—Give no visible signs of mourning. *Let . . . Israel bewail, etc.*—The sorrow was to assume the form of a national contrition for sin.

TEACHINGS OF THE LESSON.

Where, in this lesson, are we taught—

1. The danger of impiety?
2. The duty of obedience to God's law?
3. The demand for purity in God's service?

THE LESSON CATECHISM.

1. Why were Nadab and Abihu destroyed? For offering strange fire. 2. What caused them to offer strange fire? Intoxication, from the use of wine or strong drink. 3. What was its effect upon them? It made them unable to distinguish between holy and unholy, clean and unclean. 4. What command did God therefore give to Aaron? "Do not drink wine nor strong drink, thou nor thy sons." 5. What is the lesson we ought to learn? "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging; and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."

CATECHISM QUESTION.

29. And what is said concerning the bondage of sin? Our Lord said: "Every one that committeth sin is the bondservant of sin." (John viii. 34.)
(Romans vi. 16; 2 Peter ii. 19.)

HOW THE QUEEN TRAVELS.

The Royal train, provided by the London and North-Western Company, consists of twelve vehicles, counting the two Royal saloons and omitting the truck.

The Queen's saloons are in the centre of the train, and these commodious carriages, fitted for day and night travelling, Her Majesty occupies with Princess Beatrice. There are two beds in the sleeping compartment, which opens from the day saloon. The beds are simple, in green and gilt furniture and fittings, something like elaborate "cots" in shape; and generally the interior fittings of the train leave nothing to be desired. The floors are carpeted, the ceilings padded, the wide windows curtained, the lamps deeply shaded. Electric bells communicate with the attendants or the officials, and by pressing a button at the end of a long variegated cord or bell-pull, the alarm is sounded in the van. A separate electric button is fixed in each side of the sleeping compartment, by which the attendants may be summoned, another button when pressed will cause the train to stop as quickly as may be.

The usual furniture, comfortable but simple, and a lavatory, are all included in the Queen's saloons. There are hooks and racks for parcels, wraps, bird-cages, and small bundles, of which Her Majesty and the Princess convey a goodly supply. The late John Brown used to occupy a seat in the Royal day saloon, back to the engine

as the train stood, and facing the door of the Queen's apartments, so as to be within call at once. The Queen's carriages are warmed in the usual way with hot water.

Nothing is wanted to render the journey as little irksome and as little fatiguing as possible. The carriages exteriorly are bright and clean and newly polished. The wheels are "solid"—blocks of wood taking the place of spokes; the springs are massive; the tires glide smoothly over the rails; the gas is a patented article; the carriage-steps let down as in road carriages, and the wide plate-glass windows permit an extensive view of the country through which the train is passing.

HOW BESSIE SAW THE QUEEN.

"Yes, I've seen the Queen once. I was in the park when she came along wi' them fine gen'lemen on 'ossback a-bangin' away at the drums an' that; I s'pose them was the Parliament. I never was so far afore, an' I ain't been since, an' I was werry tired, but I squeezed in among the folks. Some on 'em was swells, an' some on 'em was sich as me, an' some on 'em was sich as shopkeepers.

"One hold fellow says to me, says he, 'What do you want 'ere, my little gal?'

"I want to see the Queen, an' Prince Halbert, an' the Parliament gen'lemen," says I.

"I'm a Parliament gen'leman," says he, 'but I ain't a-goin' down to-day.'

"I worn't a-goin' to let 'im think he could do me like that, for he worn't dressed nigh so smart as Wilson a-Sunday. 'You're chaffin,' says I; 'why hain't you got a 'oss, and a goold coat an' summat to blow?'

"Then he busted out larfin', fit to kill 'isself; and says he, 'Oh, you should 'ear me in Parliament a-blowin' my own trumpet, an' see me a-ridin' the 'igh 'oss there.'

"I think he was 'alf-silly, but he was wery good-natur'd—silly folks horden is. He lifted me hup right over the people's 'eads, an' I see the Queen wi' my own heyas, as plain as I see you, sir, an' Prince Halbert, too, a-bowin' away like them himages in the grocers' winders. I thought it was huncumnon queer to see the Queen a-bowin'. I'd 'spected that all on us would a-'ad to bob down as hif we was playin' 'oney-pots when she come by. But, there she was a-bowin' away to hoveybody, and so was Prince Halbert. I knew 'im from the picturs, though he didn't seem 'alf so smart as the gen'lemen that druv the 'osses. What a nice-lookin' gen'leman, though, that Prince Halbert is! I do believe that himage in the barber's winder in Bishopsgate, with the goold sheet on, ain't 'alf as 'ansome. Wisher may die hif he didn't bow to me! The queer hold cove I was a-settin' on, guv me 'is 'at to shake about like the other folks—law, 'ow they did shake their 'ats an' their 'ankerchers, an' beller as if they'd bust theirselves! An' Prince Halbert grinned at me k...-like; an' then he guv the Queen a nudge, an' she grinned an' guv me a bow too, an' the folks all turned round to look at me an' I felt as hif I was a swell."

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