

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Lesson IV. Jan. 24, 1915.

Gideon and the Three Hundred.—Judges 7: 1-25.

Commentary.—I. Gideon's Army (vs. 1-7). 1. Well of Harod—A fountain on the northern side of Mount Gilboa.

2. Vaunt themselves against the Lord—The Lord saw the pride of heart of Israel and knew their disposition to neglect or forsake him.

3. Fearful and afraid—In Judges 20: 1-5 several directions are given with regard to going out to war, and in one it is provided that the "fearful and faint-hearted" shall return home.

4. Yet too many—The Lord purposed to show to the people that the victory to be achieved would not come through human might.

on's army compare with that of the Midianites? What was the first test applied to Gideon's army?

Describe the second test. Why did the Lord desire to reduce the number of men?

What encouragement came to Gideon? Describe the equipment of Gideon's men. How was the attack made upon the camp of the Midianites? Describe the result.

Practical Survey. Topic—Divinely ordained tests. I. Enjoined upon the army of Israel. II. Effective against the Midianites.

God called Gideon to success. The reduction of external means was God's way of giving success.

Before God's clear command all his natural feelings and wishes gave way at once. His faith prompted him to obey at whatever sacrifice of inclination or desire.

GETTING READY

Italy Reported Buying Munitions in the States.

New York Report—It is learned on what is believed to be an unimpeachable authority that several representatives of the Italian Ministry of War, who have been in this country for more than a month, have deposited in New York banks about \$4,000,000 to meet their purchases of munitions of war.

FARM GARDEN

CARE OF STABLED HORSES.

Just as soon as the horses stop working every day their grain ration should be cut down at least half.

If the horses must remain in the stable during most of their time during winter the stable should be free from drafts or sudden changes of temperature.

There are several good systems of ventilation by which good, pure, fresh air can be gotten into the stables without creating a draught.

Large horses should be given large single stalls, for if we put two in a stall they are liable to be crowded and besides the draught is increased.

When horses are expected to work off and on during the winter they should be shod with very sharp shoes so as to be ready for the most slippery roads.

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COSTLY BATTLE GAINS NOTHING

And Germans in Poland Are Faced by Warsaw.

Have Lost 250,000, May Lose 650,000, Then Fall.

London Cable—The Times correspondent telegraphs from Petrograd. It is said that General Husky has attached serious importance to reports of the German withdrawal from Bzura.

This is the last day of the Russian year, and it finds Field Marshal Von Hindenburg's great armies in Poland reduced to the pre-crisis activity of digging themselves into the bleak landscape before positions which, even if taken, would signify nothing.

The belief is growing here that Constantinople is really in danger. The military position of Turkey has become desperate through the clearance of the coast roads from along the southern shores of the Black Sea.

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CANADIAN SOLDIER WEDS.

London Cable—There was a "patriotic" military wedding at an ancient little church of Cattervay on the Edmiston yesterday, when Lieutenant of the 10th Alberta Dragoons married Miss Marion Allan of Ottawa.

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POOR HORSES

Sir Adam Beck Weeded Out Many at Toronto Camp.

Toronto Report—The complaints made regarding the type of horses being purchased for the mounted units at the Exhibition Camp, have been met by prompt action on the part of the military authorities to investigate and remedy any defects in the present system of purchase.

A case of diphtheria has developed in camp, but was discovered in an early stage. The patient has been isolated, and no serious results are expected.

MERCIER WILL SAY NOTHING

But Sticks to Every Word of Pastoral Letter.

German Governor Sends Alleged Message From Cardinal.

The Hague, Cable—Cardinal Desiderius Mercier, the Primate of Belgium, declines for the present to discuss what he defined as the "exasperating measures" of the German authorities in Belgium with reference to him and to the pastoral letter written by him on Christmas.

"Cardinal Mercier requests me to forward to you the following despatch in response to your inquiry: 'I feel very much the sympathy you have shown me, and for which I thank you, but I prefer not to dwell for the moment on the vexatious measures to which you allude, and I prefer to continue to shut myself in my episcopal ministry. I wish to declare, however, that I have withdrawn nothing and will withdraw nothing from my pastoral letter.'

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MARKET REPORT

TORONTO MARKETS.

Table with columns for various market items like Eggs, Butter, Dressed, etc., and their prices.

WHOLESALE MEATS.

Table with columns for various meat items like Beef, Pork, Mutton, etc., and their prices.

LIVE STOCK.

Table with columns for various live stock items like Butcher cattle, Hogs, etc., and their prices.

OTHER MARKETS.

Table with columns for various other market items like Wheat, Corn, etc., and their prices.

GLASGOW CATTLE.

Table with columns for various Glasgow cattle items like Glasgow-Watson, etc., and their prices.

CHICAGO CATTLE.

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CHICAGO HOGS.

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CHICAGO SHEEP.

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