

## Publisher's Department.

### A Testimonial.

Notwithstanding the fact that the publisher of TRUTH has given as prizes in competition a dozen at least of first-class pianos, and twice that number of organs and sewing machines, and hundreds of first-class watches, and the names of the recipients, with their address, have been published, there are those who are yet bold to assert that no such prizes are paid. Such assertions are slanders, and the publisher would be justified in prosecuting some of the parties for slander,—for unjustly and wrongfully injuring his reputation and his business. The names of the winners have all been published in these columns, and any of the parties may be written to in regard to what they have actually received.

The following letter has been sent by a well-known and respected Presbyterian minister, whose son was a successful competitor last year:—

The Manse, Markham, June 5th, 1885.  
To WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The piano won by my son, Benson, in TRUTH Bible Competition, No. 6, came to us about a year ago, and was acknowledged at the time. After a year's service I am able to say that it proves, in every respect, a superior instrument. A "tuner," a Toronto gentleman, says its tone and finish are complete. A large number of people, during the year, have called at the manse and examined and tried it, and are surprised at its excellence. It is just as advertised.

I am convinced that the publisher of TRUTH, Mr. Wilson, has too much at stake to depart in any measure from his offers, which are both numerous and liberal.

F. SMITH,

Pastor, St. Andrews.

Will other prize owners kindly send in their experience?

### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

GOLD RING.—Mrs. J. W. Vickery, Blue Island, Ill.

CANADA UNDER LORNE.—Miss Etta Campbell, Williamsburg, Ont.

CRUET STAND.—May Phillips, Toronto; Mrs. John Butt, Montreal.

TORONTO, PAST AND PRESENT.—Miss Annie C. Boyd, Oak Bay, N. B.

SILK DRESS.—Mrs. A. Robertson, Bluevale, Ont.; Mrs. S. M. Bowerman, Brantford, Ont.

FORMS.—Albert J. T. Edwards, Amboy, Ill.; W. R. Perkins, Detroit, Mich.; Miss Dora Parker, Beamsville, Ont.

WORLD'S CYCLOPEDIA.—Melissa Vincent, Blake, Man.; Miss Etta A. McDonald, Dundonald, Ont.; Mrs. John Young, Halls Ave., Brantford, Ont.

BUTTER KNIFE.—Jessie Richardson, Sydney, C. B.; Mrs. John R. Douglas, Alma, N. S.; Grace Campbell, Caledonia, Ont.; Mrs. G. W. Thompson, Chesley, Ont.; A. J. Harvey, Shelburne; Mrs. Wm. McGinnes, Chepston, Kan.

GOLD BROOCH.—John Lord, Grenfell, N. W. T.; Mary McAllister, Quait, Ont.; W. Davis, Learned Plain, L. I.; Miss J. H. Fraser, Alma; Mrs. W. Dann, Glen Oak; David Lindsay, Walkerton, Ont.; D. J. Bethune, Lomond, N. S.; Maud Rillance, Vankoughnet.

### Kind Words.

Bella Kerr, Seaforth, Ont., writes:—"I must say that TRUTH is more highly esteemed by us than any other paper we have ever subscribed for. When it is brought into the house it is nearly torn to pieces, every one trying to get it first. You have a very choice selection of music, and all the other features are worthy of great praise. We have tried for several competitions and have failed to get any prize, but in TRUTH I think we have received full value for our money."

Read the new rules for the guidance of competitors in the Tid-Bit Department.

# \$43,535.00

## A NEW PLAN.

# FINE CITY RESIDENCE GIVEN AWAY

# FOR ONE DOLLAR ONLY.

## "TRUTH" BIBLE COMPETITION NO. 14.

About two years ago the publisher of TRUTH resolved to make a great effort to extend the circulation and influence of his paper to the fullest possible extent, and hit on the expedient of offering a large number of splendid premiums for correct answers to Bible questions. As the effort met with fair encouragement he has ever since continued, from time to time, similar offers, carrying out every promise to the very letter, and promptly paying every prize offered. As his publication is a permanent institution, an old-established and widely-circulated journal, and he has staked his all in its success, he is fully alive to the fact that the scheme must be carried out fairly and honorably without favor or partiality to any one.

This has been done in the past, and it will be done in the future. Within the last two years he has, among other rewards, given out about \$3,000 in cash, 25 pianos, 25 organs, 500 gold watches, 500 silver tea sets, 500 silver watches, besides many other valuable articles too numerous to enumerate here.

No other publisher in America, if in the world, has ever paid out anything approaching this in the same manner, and few others have ever so extensively advertised.

The result is that full confidence has now been established in the honorableness of the scheme, and the reliability of the publisher. TRUTH now circulates in every Province in the Dominion of Canada and in nearly every State of the American Union, besides having a large circulation across the Atlantic.

### READ THIS CAREFULLY.

You can compete any number of times in this competition. Send one dollar now, don't delay, with answers to these questions, and you will stand a good chance among the SECOND and THIRD, and more particularly for the GREAT MIDDLE reward, the residence, as the advertisement has been out some time. Then send one dollar, say one month hence, and another in competition for the Consolation Rewards, and among the lot you are almost certain to strike something well worth having, perhaps even a prize for each dollar sent. Of course your answers to the Bible questions must be correct to secure any reward. Don't lose an hour now in sending off the first dollar. Read the full particulars. For each dollar sent your term of subscription will be extended four months.

Among former competitors are the leading citizens of the country—the most respected ministers, public officers, professional men, ladies of every station, and people of nearly all classes. Large lists of those successful in former competitions have appeared and are still appearing each week in TRUTH. Any of these names may be referred to in regard to what has been done.

### A GOOD GUARANTEE.

Reader, you need not have any misgivings about this offer. Mr. Wilson has been in business for nine years as a publisher, and has honorably met every engagement and fulfilled all promises. Though money has been actually lost on this scheme, in order to carry it out squarely, yet he has not dissatisfied with the result, as TRUTH has been splendidly established and his own business reputation well built up. This will, however, positively be the last competition this year, and perhaps altogether, so don't lose the present opportunity of securing a valuable prize with TRUTH. A good guarantee for the future now lies in the fact that the publisher cannot now afford to do otherwise than honorably carry out his promises, as to fail at all would forfeit the result of the efforts of nearly a whole business life time.

### THE BIBLE QUESTIONS.

1. Give first reference to the word MARRIAGE in the Bible.  
2. Give first reference to the word DIVORCE in the Bible.

### THE REWARDS.

In order to give every one, living anywhere, a fair chance to obtain one of these rewards, they have been distributed equally over the whole time of the competition, in seven sets as follows:—

FIRST REWARDS  
1.—Two Hundred Dollars in Gold Coin.....\$200  
2, 3 and 4.—Three grand upright rosewood pianos, by Mason & Klisch, Toronto.....1,500  
5, 6, 7 and 8.—Four fine ten-stop cabinet organs.....800  
9, 10, 11, 12 and 13.—Five elegant solid quadruple silver-plated tea services.....500  
14 to 19.—Six ladies' fine solid gold hunting-case watches.....540  
20 to 26.—Eleven solid coin silver hunting-case or open-face watches.....330  
27 to 30.—Forty-five nickel-silver case watches, good movements.....400  
31 to 33.—One Hundred Dollars in Gold.....100  
34 to 36.—One hundred & twenty-nine solid gold rings, elegant designs.....700  
37 to 40.—Three hundred & solid faced gold brooches, newest designs.....900  
41 to 50.—Fifty Dollars in Gold.....50

SECOND REWARD  
1.—Two Hundred Dollars in Gold.....200  
2, 3 and 4.—Three magnificent grand square pianos.....1,500  
5, 6 and 7.—Three fine toned 10-stop Cabinet Organs.....800  
8 to 13.—Eight gentlemen's solid gold watches.....750  
14 to 23.—Thirteen ladies' solid gold watches.....170  
24 to 40.—Twelve solid quadruple plate silver tea sets.....730  
41 to 70.—Thirty gentlemen's solid coin silver hunting case watches.....900  
71 to 99.—Twenty-nine solid gold gem rings.....600  
100.—Seventy-five Dollars in Gold.....75  
101 to 131.—Thirty-one solid quadruple plate cake baskets, new and elegant pattern.....625  
132 to 305.—One hundred and seventy-half-dozen sets of heavy solid silver-plated tea spoons.....850  
306 to 509.—Two hundred and four well-bound volumes of Chambers' Etymological Dictionaries.....510  
510 to 715.—Two hundred and six fine butter knives.....306  
716.—One Hundred Dollars in Gold.....100

THIRD REWARDS  
1, 2 and 3.—Three elegant rosewood square pianos.....1,150  
4, 5, 6 and 7.—Four gentlemen's solid gold watches.....400  
8, 9, 10 and 11.—Four ladies' solid gold, beautifully engraved watches.....400  
12 to 17.—Six solid quadruple silver plate tea services.....540  
18 to 29.—Eleven sets Chambers' encyclopedia (10 vols. to set).....500  
30 to 38.—Nine solid coin silver hunting case or open face watches.....200  
39.—Seventy-five Dollars in Gold.....75  
40 to 90.—Fifty one solid gold gem rings.....600  
91 to 121.—Thirty-one solid quadruple silver plate cake baskets, elegant designs.....450  
122 to 200.—Eighty-one half-dozen solid silver-plated tea spoons.....445  
201 to 409.—Two hundred volumes, well-bound, Chambers' Etymological Dictionaries.....450  
401.—One Hundred and Fifty Dollars in Gold.....150

THE GREAT MIDDLE REWARD OF THE WHOLE COMPETITION.

### "TRUTH" VILLA,

a fine, well-situated dwelling house, No. 12 Ross Street, in the City of Toronto. The house is a new one, semi-detached, fine mantles, grates, bath-room, marble wash-stand, water closet and bath, and all modern conveniences. It now rents for \$22 per month, so you can judge of its value from the rental. The winner must consent to allow the name "TRUTH Villa" to remain on the house, as a memento of the enterprise of TRUTH.

### FOURTH REWARDS

1.—Two Hundred Dollars in Gold Coin.....\$200  
2, 3 and 4.—Three fine upright pianos, by Mason & Klisch, Toronto.....1,500  
5 and 6.—Two fine toned, 10-stop cabinet organs, by a celebrated firm.....500  
7, 8 and 9.—Two fine quadruple plate silver tea services.....200  
10 to 15.—Six gentlemen's solid gold watches.....600  
16 to 20.—Five ladies' solid gold watches.....450  
21 to 29.—Nine renowned sewing machines.....600  
30.—Ten Dollars in Gold.....10  
31 to 40.—Ten gentlemen's solid hunting-case or open-faced, coin-silver watches.....300

41 to 60.—Ten solid quadruple silver plate cake baskets, elegant designs.....300  
61 to 100.—Fifty half-dozen sets of heavy silver-plated tea spoons.....400  
101 to 310.—One hundred and thirty volumes of Chambers' Etymological Dictionaries.....800  
311 to 610.—Two hundred copies of a most fascinating novel, bound in paper.....80  
611.—One Hundred Dollars in Gold.....10

### FIFTH REWARDS.

1.—One hundred dollars in Gold Coin.....\$100  
2, 3, 4 and 5.—Four fine upright pianos.....2,100  
10 to 20.—Ten gentlemen's fine solid gold watches.....1,000  
21 to 32.—Ten ladies' fine solid gold watches.....1,000  
33 to 50.—Eighteen solid quadruple silver plated tea services.....1,440  
51 to 70.—Thirty double-barrel, twist, breach loading shot guns.....2,700  
71 to 110.—Forty sets (10 vols. to set) complete Chambers' Encyclopedia.....2,000  
111 to 132.—Twenty-two Gentlemen's solid coin silver hunting case or open face watches.....600  
133.—Twenty dollars in gold.....20  
134.—One Hundred Dollars in Gold.....100  
135 to 162.—Twenty-seven Solid Nickel watches.....540  
163 to 250.—One hundred and eighty-eight half-dozen sets of heavy silver plated Tea Spoons.....990  
251 to 600.—Three hundred and fifty volumes of a most fascinating novel, (bound in paper).....100

After these follow the Consolation Rewards, when, to the sender of the very last correct answer received in this Competition will be given number one of these Consolation Rewards named below. To the next to the last correct answer will be given number two, and so on till all these are given away.

### CONSOLATION REWARDS.

1.—Two Hundred Dollars in Gold Coin.....\$200  
2, 3 and 4.—Three fine grand upright pianos.....1,500  
5, 6 and 7.—Three elegant cabinet organs, by a celebrated maker.....750  
8 to 10.—Three fine quadruple plate tea services—div. pieces.....300  
11 to 18.—Eight ladies' solid gold hunting-case watches.....800  
19 to 28.—Eleven heavy black silk dress patterns.....500  
30 to 30.—Forty-one fine black cashmere dress patterns.....442  
91 to 150.—Sixty half-dozen sets silver-plated tea spoons.....360  
151.—One Hundred Dollars in Gold.....100  
152 to 290.—One hundred and thirty-nine fine German Oleographs.....500  
291 to 61.—One hundred and eleven volumes of a most fascinating novel, by a celebrated author.....50

### METHOD OF MAKING AWARDS.

As fast as the answers come to hand they are carefully numbered in the order they are received, and at the close of the competition (Sept. 30th) the letters will be divided into SIX EQUAL QUANTITIES, and to the sender of the middle correct answer of the whole competition from first to last, including the consolation rewards, will be given the residence referred to above. Then to the sender of the first correct answers up to number 501 in the FIRST REWARDS, and up to number 716 in the SECOND REWARDS, and up to number 401 in the THIRD REWARDS, and up to 511 in the FOURTH REWARDS, and up to 600 in the FIFTH REWARDS, and up to 401 in the SIXTH and last, or CONSOLATION REWARDS, will be given the prizes as stated in each of the lists. Fifteen days only will be allowed after date of closing for answers in competition for consolation rewards to reach TRUTH Office from distant points.

Each person competing must become a subscriber to TRUTH for at least four months for which one dollar must be sent with their answers. As this is the regular subscription price, you therefore pay nothing extra for the privilege of competing for these costly rewards.

### HOW TO SEND.

Don't lose a day about looking up these bible questions and sending them in, although your chance is equally good anytime between now and 30th September next. Send in each case a money order for one dollar, or registered letter with the money enclosed, and the answer written out clearly and plainly, with your full name and correct address. Bear in mind, every one must send one dollar, for which TRUTH will be sent for four months. Present subscribers competing will have their term extended, or the magazine will be sent to any other desired address.

This competition is advertised only in Canada, and Canadians therefore have a better opportunity than residents of other countries. The rewards, however, are so distributed over the whole term of the competition that anyone, living anywhere, may be successful.

TRUTH is a 28-page weekly magazine, well printed and carefully edited. A full size page of newest music each week, two or three fascinating serial and one or two short stories, Poet's Page, Young Folks, Health, Temperance, and Ladies' Fashion Department, Illustrated. In the contributors' pages may be found during the