

having given satisfactory answers to the questions prescribed, was solemnly ordained, by prayer and the laying on of the hands of the Presbytery, to the work of the ministry and inducted into the charge of Melville Church. Rev. Dr. Smyth addressed the minister, and Rev. L. H. Jordan the people. On the following evening a welcome social was held, and was largely attended by the congregation and its friends. The platform and pulpit were beautifully decorated with plants and flowers. Mr. M. Hutchison, president of the board of managers, occupied the chair, and in his opening remarks cordially welcomed the new pastor in the name of the congregation. Brief congratulatory addresses were delivered by Rev. Messrs. Warden, Wells, Principal MacVicar and Newnam (Episcopal). During the evening the choir sang several pieces with taste and effect. After the addresses an hour was spent in social intercourse, and refreshments were served by the ladies. The evening was a most pleasant and enjoyable one, and Mr. McGillivray's welcome by the congregation was most cordial and hearty. He enters upon his work with most hopeful prospects of success. Rev. R. H. Warden conducted the service on Sabbath morning, and formally introduced Mr. McGillivray; Mr. McGillivray himself preached in the evening.

Almost every day last week brethren from the Maritime Provinces arrived in the city on their way to the meeting of the General Assembly. Dr. Burns, of Halifax, passed through on Wednesday, purposing to spend Sabbath at Port Arthur. Among others who have gone west to Winnipeg are Rev. Messrs. Junior, of St. Andrews, N.B.; Mowat, of Fredericton; Munro, of Antigonish; Fraser, of Lunenburg, Cumming and Robbins, of Truro, etc.

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A *rule nisi* for a writ of *habeas corpus* has been granted in the Queen's Bench to bring up Rev. J. Bell Cox in order that he may be discharged. It is pleaded that when he was committed to prison there was no order against him, the time of his suspension having expired.

## Sabbath School Teacher.

### INTERNATIONAL LESSONS.

June 19, 1887.

#### THE COMMANDMENTS.

[Ex. 20: 12-21.]

GOLDEN TEXT.—"Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself."—Matthew xxii. 39.

#### SHORTER CATECHISM.

**Question 26.**—Christ's regal sway is universal. As King, all power in heaven and earth is given to Him. The grandest and most enduring of all kingdoms is the kingdom of God. To be the true subjects of Christ's reign we must give Him the allegiance of our hearts. By nature we are rebels against His authority. By Christ's grace and truth, the Holy Spirit subdues our rebellious natures, and makes us willing in the day of His power. His perfect law is the rule of our obedience and service. He defends us from evil, and subdues and will finally overcome all that opposes Him and injures His people. His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom. He taught us to pray, Thy kingdom come.

**The Fifth Commandment.**—The family is the foundation of society. Well regulated families secure a well-regulated State. The natural ties of affection, binding parents and children together, are blessed of God, and are strengthened by His express command, "Honour thy father and thy mother." This implies prompt and cheerful obedience to parental control. Father and mother are equally to be honoured. The religion of the Bible gives woman her rightful position. The commandment teaches us that parents are to be loved, obeyed and treated with respect, and tenderly cared for in their old age. In these days we must remember that the Fifth Commandment is a part of God's unalterable law. There is a strong tendency to rebel against legitimate restraint. Length of days, is God's promise to those who obey this command.

**The Sixth Commandment.**—God's law teaches us that human life is sacred. The Revised Version reads: "Thou shalt do no murder." If this is the correct rendering, it removes the scruples of many who think that the taking of human life, under any circumstances, is forbidden. The execution of a murderer whose crime has been clearly proved would not be a violation of this law. Whatever tends to injure health is surely forbidden. In reference to this command, as well as to others, the Saviour, in His Sermon on the Mount, shows that God's laws do not merely relate to outward acts. The emotions that lead to sin are in themselves sinful, and ought to be repressed. Murder is but the completion of a series of sinful acts that begin with hatred and malice in the heart. The heart must be carefully guarded, for out of it are the issues of life.

**The Seventh Commandment.**—The sin, forbidden in this commandment, is one of the most deadly and destructive on the face of the earth. It has filled innumerable graves, it has blighted many lives, it has broken countless hearts, and ruined precious souls. The Great Teacher tells us that it is the pure in heart that shall see God. All incentives to the sin of impurity must be shunned as pestilence is shunned. Death and destruction are in its ways. All questionable amusements, all filthy talk and foolish jesting, all immoral literature, all unclean thoughts and imaginings, must be religiously avoided, "Create in me a clean heart, O Lord," must be the prayer of all who would escape the pollution that is in the world through lust. The Bible presents earnest warnings against this sin, and it gives the inspiring example of Joseph: "How can I do this wickedness, and sin against God?"

**The Eighth Commandment.**—Human society is dependent for its existence on the protection of life and property. All civilization recognizes this. The thief and the burglar clearly set this law at defiance. These, when detected, are punished in every land. They are not the only sinners in this respect. All property acquired, except by honest labour or the payment of a just equivalent, is a violation of the eighth commandment. The master who takes advantage of the necessities of a servant, and the servant who cheats his master, are equally dishonest. The excessive haste to become rich leads to much dishonesty. The desire is far too common to obtain the greatest amount of money in return for the least amount of service possible. Lotteries, gambling, betting, etc., are all alike dishonest, and all who wish to have a good conscience will have nothing to do with crooked ways of making money, besides most people who try such sinful methods are generally disappointed.

**The Ninth Commandment.**—God demands of us that we shall only speak the thing which is true. To say what we know to be untrue is one of the worst forms of lying. Even bad men, in their hearts, despise one whose word cannot be believed. To seek to injure another by slanderous falsehood is base and despicable. How terribly common in our day the sin of lying is. Boys at school, business men, professional men, politicians are given to lying. Good can never come of it. If men make money by it, the money is unblest. No good cause is advanced by falsehood. All apparent gains by such means are simply the wages the devil pays to those who serve him. Truth of speech and uprightness of life is what God requires of us.

**The Tenth Commandment.**—The last of the ten commandments directly applies to the thoughts and intents of the heart. Covetousness is what most sins that injure others grow out of. It is the longing to possess for ourselves what does not belong to us, and to which we have no right. He who knows what is in man says to us: "Beware of covetousness."

The law of God is not a grievous burden. Keeping its precepts is the only way in which true happiness can be found. The Saviour sums it up in this saying: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind." This is the first and great commandment, and the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. Love is the fulfilling of the law.