

Question Corner.—No. 22.

BIBLE QUESTIONS.

SCRIPTURE CHARACTER.

- 1. He was a Jewish nobleman.
2. He lived to the east of Jordan.
3. He took pity on a king in distress.
4. He refused all reward for his generosity.
5. He made his age a reason for not going to the king's court.
6. He allowed his son to take the honor due to him.
7. His kindness was remembered by the king even in the hour of death.

ANSWERS TO BIBLE QUESTIONS IN LAST NUMBER.

SCRIPTURE ENIGMA.—

- G-nth 1 Sam. xvii. 4, 7.
I-sboshath 2 Sam. ii. 8-10.
L-amb 2 Sam. xii. 1-6.
B-efor 1 Sam. xxx. 10-21.
O-ak 2 Sam. xviii. 9.
A-gug 1 Sam. xv. 32, 33.

BIBLICAL PYRAMID.—

GILBOA.—1 Sam. xxxi. 8.
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GOLDEN KEYS.

A bunch of golden keys is mine
To make each day with gladness shine.

"Good morning!" that's the golden key
That unlocks every day for me.

When evening comes, "Good night!" I say,
And close the door of each glad day.

When at the table, "If you please,"
I take from off my bunch of keys.

When friends give anything to me,
I'll use the little "Thank you!" key.

"Excuse me," "Beg your pardon," too,
When by mistake some harm I do.

Or if unkindly harm I've given,
With the "Forgive me" key I'll be forgiven.

On a golden ring these keys I'll bind,
This is its motto, "Be ye kind."

I'll often use each golden key,
And then a polite child I'll be.
—Unionist Gazette.

WHAT IT DOES.

If I drink beer
It makes me queer.
If I drink ale
It makes me pale.
If I drink wine
My joys decline.
If I drink gin
It leads to sin.
If I drink rum
Sad sorrows come.
If I drink grog
I'm all agog.
Try what I will,
From vat or still,
It gives me pain
And turns my brain.
I'll leave it all
Before I fall.

ONE HOUR.

The great clock in the church steeple struck three; the afternoon sun slowly waned, and the shadows lengthened in the streets. The clock struck four. It was only an hour. The children playing on the sidewalk did not know that it had gone; but in it a great-hearted man had written down some strong, true words, which will live long in the world, and give courage and help to many struggling souls. In it a chemist, working with brain and hand over carefully prepared compounds, had discovered one of the secrets of nature—how the atoms of elements group themselves to form a molecule of organic matter. In it four women, sitting with their sewing on yonder porch, had brought out old forgotten scandals, and set them loose again in the world, like flying scorpions, to poison and to kill. In that hour a young man in the next house to them had yielded to a temptation which never will loose its grip on him while he lives. In the same time a woman with a child on her lap tells him a story with a high,

pure meaning, which will be a "lamp to his feet" all the days of his life. Another woman, watching silent and motionless by a sick bed, fills the hour with prayers and high thoughts, that will serve as food for her soul in the trouble which is coming to her. How many of us remembered that the hour was passing—a servant, laden with the report which we should give to it—up to God? What report did it carry of us? What burden are we making ready at this moment for the hour that is passing now? "Only an hour! Yet the despised slave," says Antigonus, "may be laden with treasure that would ransom a Cæsar."—Youth's Companion.

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