

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

LESSON XI.—DECEMBER 14, 1913.

The Sin of Achan.—Josh. 7:1-26.

Commentary.—I. The defeat at Ai (vs. 1-9). It was not known outside Achan's household that God's command respected the utter "devotion" of the inhabitants and goods of Jericho...

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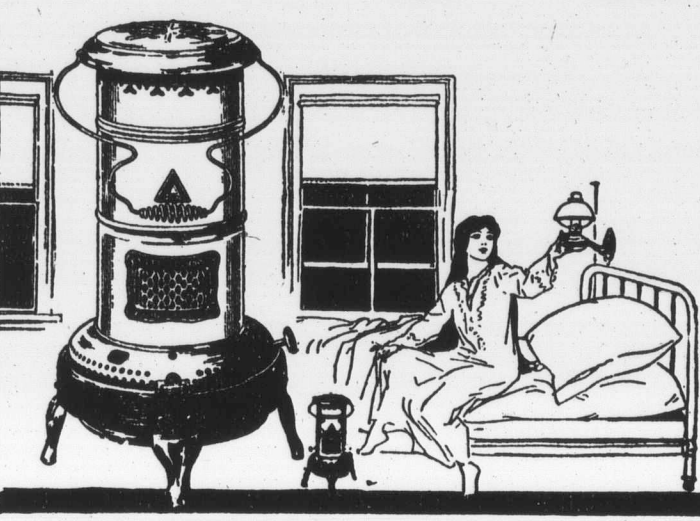
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transgression far outweighed any pleasure he could have derived from it. Under the stern discipline of the old covenant the guilty man perished with his unlawful prey. Achan was prepared to acknowledge the sin he had committed and to direct in the restoration of what he had stolen.

Questions.—What was the second city which Israel attempted to conquer in Canaan? Give the circumstances of the attack. What was the cause of the defeat of Israel's army? Describe Joshua's feelings and his appeal to God. What did the Lord tell Joshua to do? Tell how the guilty person was located. What punishment was inflicted? How could the Israelites identify themselves? What success did the Israelites have in attacking Ai after the sin of Achan was discovered and punished?

Practical Survey.—Topic: Transgression in Israel. I. Arrested the nation's progress. II. Was openly detected and punished. III. Arrested the nation's progress. Immediately after the taking of Jericho, Israel found themselves suddenly arrested in their career of conquest.

too fast, showing little inclination to fruit. This is largely caused by the presence of too much nitrogen. To remedy this condition, the orchard should either not be cultivated for a season, or, if cultivated, a non-nitrogenous cover crop should be sown, and fertilizer applied that contain only potash and phosphoric acid.

For bearing orchards, commercial fertilizers are frequently used. In rich soils the results of their use is quite marked, but for young trees in comparatively poor soil, commercial fertilizers are not as valuable as good barnyard manure.

FARM NEWS AND VIEWS. Like all other animal manures, that from the fowl varies in richness according to the food it eats. The average manure of a well-fed fowl contains of moisture 75.3 per cent; organic matter, 13.8 per cent; mineral matter, 6.2 per cent.

Bad flavors in butter are often caused by feeding the milk on onion or garlic in the pastures. The onion or garlic, it is known, and so will musty fodder, spoiled ensilage and other similarly damaged foods. Turnips, potatoes and roots, if fed before or during milking will also be apt to produce the flavor.

The age to wean pigs is six to twelve weeks. If the sows are to be re-bred at once, the pigs should be weaned at eight or nine weeks of age.

FOREST RESERVES New Regulations For Live Stock Grazing.

In case of many applications for grazing Forest Reserves, which recently went into force, make full provision for the grazing of live stock on such reserves as frequently contain considerable areas of grassland.

The New regulations for Dominion rights on any one reserve, the number of stock which any one person is entitled to pasture is fixed by a "grazing unit" based on the number of stock which can be carried during the winter by a homestead or small ranch, the object being to give settlers without large grazing areas of their own the same facilities as those which have such areas.

GNAWED BY RATS Gruesome Discovery In Toronto Home.

Toronto dispatch: Her body apparently chewed up by rats, so that it was almost unrecognizable, Mrs. Andrews, widow of Captain Andrews, the blind life-saver, was found this morning on the kitchen floor at her home at 145 Bleeker street.

MARKET REPORTS

TORONTO MARKETS

LIVE STOCK UNION STOCK YARDS.

Receipts were liberal especially of cattle and sheep. 186 cars, 2,205 cattle, 1,172 hogs, 2,466 sheep and lambs, 300 calves.

FEEDING AND STOCKERS.—There was a strong demand for good quality hogs. Choice steers, heavy, 10 25; 11 80; Do., light, 11 00; 12 25.

FARMERS' MARKET.

Butter, dairy, lb., 0 30; Eggs, dozen, 0 45; Flour, 10 lb., 1 10; Apples, bushel, 2 30; Potatoes, bag, 1 00.

SUGAR MARKET.

Sugars are quoted in Toronto, in bags, per cwt., as follows: Extra granulated, St. Lawrence, 84 50; No. 1 yellow, 4 10.

OTHER MARKETS.

WINNIPEG GRAIN OPTIONS.

Wheat, Open, High, Low, Close; Dec. 0 84; 0 94; 0 84; 0 84; May 0 88; 0 89; 0 88; 0 89; July 0 99; 0 99; 0 90; 0 90.

DULUTH GRAIN MARKET.

Duluth, Close: Wheat, No. 1 hard, 87 3/8; No. 2 hard, 86 3/8; No. 3 hard, 85 3/8.

MINNEAPOLIS GRAIN MARKET.

Minneapolis, Close: Wheat, Dec., 84 1/8; No. 1 hard, 87 3/8; No. 2 hard, 86 3/8; No. 3 hard, 85 3/8.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Market steady. Cattle receipts, 3,500; hogs, 5,000; sheep, 2,000.

LIVERPOOL PRODUCE.

A Liverpool cable: Closing: Wheat No. 1 Manitoba, 75 1/4; No. 2 Manitoba, 75; Corn, spot firm, American mixed, 6 3/4.

Shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs., 62c. Lard, prime western, in tierces, 60c. American refined, 57c.

MONTREAL LIVE STOCK. Cattle, receipts, about 1,500, milk cows and springers 46, calves 150, sheep and lambs 50, hogs 1,250.

THE POULTRY WORLD

BREEDING FOR UTILITY AND SHOW.

In other countries the line between the fancier and so-called utility breeder is sharply drawn. Until within a short time the utility breeders in this country drew the lines sharply, under the impression that the fancier bred for feathers alone, leaving the utility value in the background.

The much-noted question regarding the laying type has been exploded by those who are steady users of the trap nest, and after 17 years' trap nesting it can be stated that some of the best colored and standard in type have been secured as good records in 365 days as those that some claim are the egg type.

Under trap nests in the great Leghorn section of the East high-laid fowls lay as well as low. The majority of the tails are low, because little attempt is made to breed anything but just a Leghorn. The small bird is producing as many eggs as the larger fowl.

When we have more breeders using trap nests and building up good laying strains in this country, then our broilers across the pond will not carry each year the prize at the laying competitions. For years English poultry breeders have worked along this line in a careful manner and with good results.