

BARGAINS FOR SCHOLARS.

A queer little man kept an alphabet shop,
 And out from his counter, hippity hop,
 He danced until he was ready to drop,
 Singing and shouting with never a stop.
 "Come in, little scholars,
 With bright silver dollars;
 Or if you've not any,
 Come in with a penny.
 I have bumble Bs
 And marrowfat Ps.
 Some Chinese Qs,
 And Japanese Ts,
 A flock of Js
 And lots of Es,
 And perfectly beautiful dark blue Cs.
 This is the place to buy your knowledge,
 At cheaper rates than are given at
 college!"
 Then he'd draw a long breath and spin like
 a top.
 This queer little man in an alphabet shop.
 —St. Nicholas.

LESSON NOTES.

THIRD QUARTER.

LESSONS FROM THE LIFE OF OUR LORD.

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DANIEL'S ABSTINENCE.

Dan. 1. 8-20. Memory verses, 8, 9.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself.—Dan. 1. 8.

OUTLINE.

1. True to God, v. 8-16.
2. Honoured of Man, v. 17-20.

EVERYDAY HELPS.

- Mon.* Read about the young princes. Dan. 1. 1-7.
Tues. Read the lesson verses. Dan. 1. 20.
Wed. Find what Daniel would not do. Ezek. 4. 13.
Thurs. Learn how we may make friends. Prov. 16. 7.
Fri. Find what Daniel became. Dan. 5. 11, 12.
Sat. Learn why we should be temperate. Prov. 20. 1.
Sun. Find a reason why we should take the pledge. 1 Cor. 8. 13.

DO YOU KNOW—

Who was Daniel? Where was he taken to live? What was Nebuchadnezzar? A heathen king. What did he want the Jewish boys to learn? What was his plan for them? Who taught them? What was given them to eat? What were the Chaldeans? To what were meat and wine first offered? What did Daniel think? What did he ask? Why could not the officer grant his request? (Verse 10.) Into whose care was Daniel given? What did Daniel ask the steward? How were

the young men at the end of ten days? Is wine good for the body and mind? Is it wise to eat rich food? See how Daniel and his friends prospered.

I WILL TRY TO REMEMBER—

That I must stand by my principles.
 That if I do God will stand by me.
 Verse 17.

CATECHISM QUESTIONS.

Can you do all this of yourself? I cannot repent and believe of myself; but God will help me by his Holy Spirit, if I ask it of him.

What is the state of those who do not forsake their sins and believe in Jesus Christ? The wrath of God abideth on them.

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GOLDEN TEXT.

The kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the Gospel.—Mark 1. 15.

THE LITTLE LIBRARY.

TO TEACHERS.—Draw a hanging book-case with two shelves. Draw a row of six books on one and seven on the other. Number them from one to thirteen, and then cover until ready for use.

By a little questioning bring out the titles of the lessons from the children, which place upon the back of the books, as "The B. of J." for No. 1, etc. Call upon two or three different children to tell the story. One will recall but little, another more, but the timid and forgetful ones should be encouraged. Place two or three words of the Golden Text upon the back of the book, and drill a little on this. Go through the Little Library in this way, pausing to sing a hymn appropriate to a special lesson, as "Clap Your Hands," No. 6, *Melodies for Little People*, "Yield Not to Temptation," No. 7, etc.

TO CHILDREN.—Will you not try hard to make this the very best Review you have had this year? You can help a great deal if you will use your helper—this little book—even five minutes each day of the week. Do try, and don't forget to ask Jesus to help you.

THANKSGIVING DAY.

NINA had a present of a little turkey. Grandma gave it to her, and Nina took it home and loved and petted it.

It does not take a turkey long to grow up. Pretty soon there was a big, handsome turkey, who would follow Nina all over the house, and who liked nothing better than to be invited to one of Nina's doll parties.

One day Mrs. Dale came to visit Nina's mamma. The two ladies were talking about Thanksgiving dinners, and Nina in the next room heard Mrs. Dale say: "You will need a big turkey for all that company;

but then you have one right in the family. to be sure."

Such a surprised little girl as Nina was! She did not wait to hear what mamma said, but ran as fast as she could to see if Turk was safe.

Then Nina's days of watching began. She knew that the danger time would be the two or three days just before Thanksgiving, and she would not go out of the house to play if it took her where she could not see Turk.

Everybody was very busy the day before Thanksgiving, but at last mamma missed Nina. "Where can the child be?" she said. "I've hardly seen her to-day." She found her in her own room, with Turk on the table before her. "What are you doing, Nina?" said mamma.

"Oh, mamma, you won't kill Turk for dinner, will you?" cried Nina.

"Why, no, you foolish child; of course not," said mamma.

A STRANGE GUEST.

It is Arthur's birthday, and he and his two brothers, Alfred and James, and their little sister Di, have come out this fine afternoon into the green meadow to have a picnic.

Little Di was eating a piece of plum-cake, and she stopped to say, "I wish we had a birthday every day, then we should come out here in the sun and eat cake and have strawberries and cream."

"Well," said James, "then you ought to say your piece of poetry to us,

'Thank you, pretty cow that made
 Pleas-ant milk to soak my bread;'

for if there were no cows we should not have any milk or cream."

"Yes," said Di. And folding her hands she repeated the lines. When she came to the last verse they were all startled by a loud "Moo-o" that seemed close to them.

Arthur jumped up.
 "Why, Mrs. Cow, have you come to our picnic!" said Alfred. "We must give you something to eat."

Alfred felt in the basket, and there he found some cabbage-leaves that had been put to keep the strawberries cool. And Mrs. Cow ate them with much content.

SAINT PETER'S CHURCH AT ROME.

THE foundation of Saint Peter's Church at Rome was laid on April 18, 1506, by Pope Julius II. A part of it was built under the superintendence of Michael Angelo, the great painter. It was three hundred years before it was completed in its present form, and it cost over fifty-eight millions of dollars. It is over six hundred feet in length and is the largest church in the world. Not far from the church lives the head of the Roman Catholic Church, Pope Leo XIII, who was born March 2, 1810, and crowned March 3, 1878.