

would lie open for Ahab's attack with his main force.

4. *The victory won*, vs. 16-21. Follow in detail the carrying out of the plan the prophet proposed to Ahab, the utter rout of the enemy that followed and Benhadad's narrow escape.

The temperance application may be made by showing the harm done by alcohol. It injures the body. It is found in the hospitals for the soldiers, in Britain and in Europe, that users of alcohol recover much more slowly from disease and wounds than total abstainers. Doctors tell us one out of every

five cases of insanity, which is a disease of the brain, is caused by alcohol. It injures the mind. One test showed that men set to add up long columns of figures did the work much more slowly and made more mistakes after taking alcohol than before. Soldiers cannot shoot as quickly or as straight with alcohol as without. It destroys the character. Alcohol users often become untruthful and cruel. Drink causes three-fourths of the crimes recorded in civilized countries.

Stress the teaching of the Golden Text. Emphasize the folly of using strong drink.

ADDED HINTS AND HELPS

In this section will be found further assistance under various headings.

Something to Look Up

1. Where does Paul say: "Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall?"

2. "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink." Where are these words found?

ANSWERS, Lesson XI.—(1) Matt. 4:4.
(2) Ex. 33:20-23.

For Discussion

1. Which is doing the greater harm to Great Britain—war or the drink traffic?

2. Ought the Canadian government at once to abolish the sale of strong drink?

Prove from Scripture

That drunkenness is wicked.

The Question on Missions

Ques. 12. *What further Settlement work does the church hope to do?* (See also Scholars' Answer on page 439.) People are beginning to realize the adaptability of Settlement methods in other than crowded city neighborhoods. A number of city churches have organized clubs for young people and children, and these are proving of great practical value. The need of such work is also great in small towns and rural communities, where the church is often the one centre for healthful social life, and has a great opportunity with, and responsibility for, the young people. It is to be hoped that some day Community Welfare Centres may be established by the Board in such churches.

FOR TEACHERS OF THE LITTLE ONES

A Look Forward—To-day we are going to hear about a king who was a drunkard, and we shall see how this sin brought him defeat and ruin.

STRONG DRINK

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UPON OUR LAND

Show a large sheet of white paper with a big black blot upon it. Does it spoil the paper? I am going to tell you about something that is like a big, black blot upon the life of the person who takes it, and upon the country that allows it to be made and sold. Strong drink is the

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upon our fair Canada. Aim to make the children understand the great sin of using strong drink.