

SCHOLARS' NOTES.

(From Westminster Question Book)

LESSON II.

Oct. 12, 1884. [1 Chron. 22: 6-19] DAVID'S CHARGE TO SOLOMON. COMMIT TO MEMORY VS. 1-19.

6. Then he called for Solomon his son, and charged him to build a house for the Lord God of Israel. 7. And David said to Solomon, My son, as for me, it was in my mind, and I will give thee rest from all his enemies round about; for his name shall be Solomon, and I will give peace and quietness unto Israel in his days. 8. But the word of the Lord came to me, saying, Thou hast shed blood abundantly, and hast made great wars: thou shalt not build a house unto my name, because thou hast shed much blood upon the earth in my sight. 9. Behold, a son shall be born to thee, who shall be a man of rest; and I will give him rest from all his enemies round about; for his name shall be Solomon, and I will give peace and quietness unto Israel in his days. 10. He shall build a house for my name; and he shall be my son, and I will be his Father, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel for ever. 11. Now, my son, the Lord be with thee; and prosper thou, and build the house of the Lord thy God, as he has said of thee. 12. Only the Lord give thee wisdom and understanding, and give thee care concerning Israel, that thou mayest keep the law of the Lord thy God. 13. Then shalt thou prosper, if thou takest heed to fulfil the statutes and judgments which the Lord charged Moses with concerning Israel; be strong, and of good courage, dread not, nor be dismayed. 14. Now, behold in my trouble I have prepared for the house of the Lord a hundred thousand talents of gold, and a hundred thousand talents of silver; and of brass and iron without weight; for it is in abundance; timber also and stone have I prepared; and thou mayest add thereto. 15. Moreover, there are workmen with thee in abundance, hewers and workers of stone and timber, and all manner of cunning men, for every manner of work. 16. Of the gold, the silver, and the brass, and the iron, there is no number. Arise, therefore, and do, and the Lord be with thee. 17. David also commanded all the princes of Israel to help Solomon his son, saying, 18. Is not the Lord your God with you? and hath he not given you rest on every side? for he hath given you rest round about, and the land is quiet in your hand; and the land is rest on every side to the Lord, and before his people. 19. Now set your heart and your soul to seek the Lord your God, arise, therefore, and build the sanctuary of the Lord God, to bring the ark of the covenant of the Lord, and the holy vessels of God, into the house that is to be built to the name of the Lord.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Arise, therefore, and be doing, and the Lord be with you. -1 Chron. 22: 36.

HOME READINGS.

- M. 1 Kings 1: 36-38 The Conspiracy Devised Against David's Charge to Solomon. W. Ps 122: 1-9 The House of the Lord. Th. 1 Chron 29: 20-30 David's Death. F. Ps 89: 1-14 Declare His Glory with His Church. S. Ps 96: 1-13 Declare His Glory. S. John 4: 5-24 Spiritual Worshipers.

LESSON PLAN.

- 1. Solomon's Work. 2. David's Preparations. 3. The Prince's Part. Time - B. C. 1015. Place - Jerusalem.

LESSON NOTES.

1.-V. 6. HE CALLED FOR SOLOMON - not long before his death. V. 8. THOU HAST SHED BLOOD - it was not fitting that he who had been a man of strife and war should build a house for God's mercy-seat. V. 9. A MAN OF REST - whose reign should be a time of peace. SOLOMON - the name means peaceful. (See 1 Kings 3: 1.) V. 10. HE SHALL BUILD - see 2 Sam. 7: 13, 14, and Lesson III of last quarter. V. 12. THE LORD GIVE THEE WISDOM - our next lesson will tell us how this prayer was answered. 11.-V. 14. IN MY TROUBLE - in the midst of war and troubles from his foes and his children. A HUNDRED THOUSAND TALENTS OF GOLD - this talent of gold is estimated at \$3,280. A THOUSAND THOUSAND TALENTS OF SILVER - \$3,280,000. BRASS - copper of the Hebrews. NO NUMBER - an unlimited supply. ARISE, THEREFORE - the means are provided and God will work with you. 11.-V. 17. THE PRINCES OF ISRAEL - the leading men of the kingdom. V. 18. REST ON EVERY SIDE - God had given them victory, peace, a good land. V. 19. SET YOUR HEARTS - make it your great concern to serve the Lord in all respects, as well as to build the temple. If the heart is engaged for the Lord, the head, the hand, all, will be employed for him.

WHAT HAVE I LEARNED?

- 1. That God selects his servants for the special work he would have them do. 2. That he opens their way before them and helps them in their work. 3. That his promised presence should give us strength and courage for our work. 4. That we should be ready both to pray and to do, and also to give for God's service. 5. That the more God has done for us the more we should do for him.

COMMERCIAL.

MONTREAL, Sept. 30, 1884.

There is no change in the state of the wheat market, excepting that there is less doing than there was last week generally. Prices are unchanged and as they have undoubtedly got down to about the cost of production, it is hoped that they will go no lower. The Chicago Tribune states that the average price of wheat in Chicago is about 65 cents per bushel and the average yield is 15 bushels. The value of one acre of wheat in Chicago is therefore \$9.75. Of this the railway and commission men take \$4.35 leaving \$5.40 for the farmer upon the same authority, the cost of seedling harvesting etc., is, even in the west, not less than seven bushels per acre, so that at present prices the western farmers are paying \$1.60 per acre for the privilege of raising wheat. If it costs the western farmer \$7 per acre to raise wheat it must cost the Canadian farmer \$8 or \$9, but even if it does he is far better off than if he was a few hundred miles further from the seaboard, as he is still getting from 75 to 78 cents for his wheat. No wonder wheat is low here. Indian wheat is now selling upon the English market at 98 cents per bushel.

Chicago is a little stronger than it was this time last week. We quote; 7 1/2 Oct.; 8 1/2 Nov.; 8 1/2 Dec. Corn has been steadier and is a little higher. We quote at 78c Sept.; 56 1/2 Oct.; 46 1/2 Nov. There is absolutely nothing to say about the local grain market. We quote: -Canada Red Winter, 85c to 87; White, 80c to 87c; Peas, 80c to 82c; Oats, 35c. Barley, 55c to 65c. Corn, to 69c.

FLOUR - Prices are about steady, sales are still small, so business still continues very dull. We quote: Superior Extra, \$4.20 to \$4.25; Extra Superfine, \$4.05 to \$4.10; Fancy \$4.00; Spring Extra \$3.90 to \$4.00; Superfine, \$3.25 to \$3.30; Strong Bakers' (Can.), \$4.50 to \$4.85; Strong Bakers' (American), \$5.00 to \$5.50; Fine, \$5.00 to \$5.10; Middlings, \$2.85 to \$2.90; Pollards, \$2.65 to \$2.75; Ontario bags, (bags included) Medium, \$2.15 to \$2.20; Spring Extra, \$2.00 to \$2.10; Superfine, \$1.60 to \$1.70; City Bags, (delivered), \$2.70.

DAIRY PRODUCE - Cheese is unchanged, with a brisk market, and is quoted as follows: 9c to 9 1/2c July, August 9 1/2c to 10 1/2c. Butter is still dull. We quote: -Creamery, 23c to 24c; Eastern Townships, 17c to 21c; Western, 15c to 16c. Eggs are selling at 16c to 17c as to quality.

HOG PRODUCTS are unchanged. We quote: - Western Mess Pork \$20.50; Hams, city cured, 15c to 16c; Bacon, 13 1/2c to 14c; Lard, western in pails, 11c to 11 1/2c; do., Canadian, 10 1/2c; Tallow, common refined, 7c to 8c.

ASHES are quoted at \$4.00 to \$4.10, for Pots.

FARMERS' MARKET.

Large quantities of farm and garden produce are being brought to the city markets, and though the demand is pretty active, yet the prices in most cases have a downward tendency. Oats, peas and beans are abundant, with prices tending downward. Potatoes and all other roots are plentiful and sell at moderate prices. The fruit market is still glutted with apples and tomatoes, but the quality of the offerings is not very good. Poultry, dead and alive, are getting plentiful, and prices are declining. There are no changes to note in the prices of dairy produce. The supply of hay is irregular; on some days there is a scarcity, when the prices are run up to over \$9.00 per 100 bundles for the best, after which there is a glut, and prices decline to their former level and sometimes a little below that. Oats are 80c to 90c per bag; peas, 90c to \$1.00 per bushel; beans \$1.50 to \$1.80 do.; potatoes 40c to 50c per bag; turnips, carrots, beets and onions 30c to 60c per bushel; cabbages 12c to 35c per dozen heads; butter 17c to 35c per lb; eggs 17c to 30c per dozen; apples \$1.50 to \$2.50 per barrel; pears \$4.00 to \$12.00 do.; tomatoes 20c to 30c per bushel; young turkeys \$1.00 to \$1.50 the pair; dead geese \$1.40 to \$1.75 do.; fowls 70c to 85c do.; spring chickens 35c to 75c do.; ducks 60c to \$1.00 do.; hay \$6.00 to \$8.50 per 100 bundles.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

There is still an active demand for good steers to ship to Britain, and prices of this sort continue firm, but all other cattle are dull of sale and prices have a downward tendency. The butchers seldom pay over 4c per lb. for their cattle, while much the greater number are bought at from 3c to 3 1/2c per lb. The proportion of lean stock and hard looking bulls is not now so large as formerly, but there is not much demand for this kind of meat and prices continue low, and in some cases not over 2c per lb., live weight. Cattle shippers are paying from 4 1/2c to 5c per lb., and would pay more for superior large steers were they to be had. The supply of sheep and lambs is pretty large, but not many of them are really good, and the price of good lambs continues pretty high, or from \$3.50 to \$4 each. Common lambs sell at from \$2.50 to \$3.25 each, and small lean ones at \$1.50 to \$2 each. Sheep sell at from \$3.50 to \$5.50 each. There is an active demand for good veal calves, and pretty high prices are paid for any that come up to the requirements of the best butchers. Live hogs are again more plentiful and lower in price, or from 6c to 6 1/2c per lb. Milch cows are not plentiful, but there is not much demand for them and prices are unchanged.

NEW YORK, Sept. 29, 1884.

GRAIN - Wheat, 88 1/2c October; 90 1/2c Nov.; 92 1/2c Dec.; 94 1/2c Jan; 100, May. Corn, 59 1/2c October; 58 1/2c Nov.; 51 1/2c Dec.; 48 1/2c Jan. Rye, quiet, 66c to 72 1/2c. Oats in fair demand, 31 1/2c Sept., 31 1/2c Oct., 32c Nov. Barley, nominal. Pease nominal.

FLOUR - The quotations are as follows: Superfine, \$2.40 to \$2.65; Low Extra, \$2.90 to \$3.25; Clears, \$3.70 to \$4.65; Straight (full stock), \$4.30 to \$5.50; Patent, \$4.60 to \$6.15. Winter Wheat - Superfine, \$2.60 to \$2.85; Low Extra, \$2.90 to \$3.50; Clears (R. and A.), \$3.95 to \$5.00; Straight (R. and A.), \$4.15 to \$5.45; Patent, \$4.65 to \$5.65; Straight (White Wheat), \$4.25 to \$5.30; Low Extra (City Mill), \$3.15 to \$3.55; West India, sacks, \$3.75 to \$4.10; barrels, West India, \$4.65 to \$4.70; Patent, \$5.00 to \$5.60; South America, \$4.50 to \$4.65; Patent, \$5.00 to \$5.60. Southern Flour - Extra \$3.25 to \$4.50; Family, \$4.75 to \$5.25; Patent, \$5.35 to \$5.60. Rye Flour - Fine to superfine, \$3.00 to \$3.75.

MEALS - Cornmeal, \$3.40 to \$3.50 in brls; oatmeal, \$5.00 to \$5.90 per brl.

SEEDS - dull. Clover 7 1/2c to 8 1/2c; Timothy, \$1.65 to \$1.75; Flaxseed \$1.41 to \$1.42 1/2.

DAIRY PRODUCE - Butter - we quote creamery, ordinary to select 19c to 31c. Half firkins, ordinary to best 16c to 26c; Welsh tubs 18c to 25c; Western ordinary factory, to choice imitation creamery 6c to 24c. Cheese, state factory, ordinary to full cream, 4c to 12c. Ohio flats, fair to choice, 6c to 10 1/2c; Skims 4c to 3c.

THE OTHER MAN.

The following incident in the life of a distinguished Welsh preacher may be read with great profit. It would be well for us all, if like him, we did not go about the duties of life "without the other Man." A noted preacher was being waited for on the hills of Wales. The time had elapsed, the preacher was in the town, but not on the hillside. The people were impatient, and the host of the preacher sent a message to tell him that the occasion was complete, and the people ready and earnestly expecting him to come. The messenger went. The messenger came back again, and said: "I do not know what is the matter, but the chamber door is locked. I heard voices within. I listened, and I heard the preacher say: 'I will not go unless you go with me.' He is talking to some other man. He wants the other man to come, and unless that other man will come, he says he will not appear among us to day. What is to be done?" The host understood the case. He said: "All will be well presently." And so it was. The closeted preacher unlocked the door, came out with an invisible companion, one like unto the Son of man, and old Wales, accustomed to the noblest religious eloquence that ever fell from human lips, was never more deeply stirred and vitally thrilled than when that man spoke in the power of that other Man, and revealed the kingdom of God to an expectant and thankful people. -Episcopal Recorder.

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