

India, thousands of whom die every year without ever hearing of Jesus or His salvation.

It needs not warnings such as this to teach us that young die as well as those more advanced in years. Were we to pass through a cemetery, we should see many little graves, some of them so small that infants must lie there, others which have boys and girls of every age for their tenants. Dear children, think of this. You too must die, and, if death comes upon you while yet unreconciled to God, while yet without the love of Christ in your hearts, you must be forever miserable. Jesus loves you. He is now inviting you to come to Him. He is promising you happiness in this life, and a mansion in the skies when you come to die. Will you not then love Him in return, and give your hearts to that Saviour who gave His life for you?

#### AN OFFER.—PRIZE QUESTIONS.

(From the *Juvenile Presbyterian* for March.)

We are authorized to offer three prizes to the three children from among our readers, under 16 years of age, who shall first send us correct answers to the following questions, the answers to be obtained without the help of others.

The prizes will be handsome Bibles, gilt-edged, with references and psalms in metre, and having inscribed on them the occasion of their presentation. If no one child can answer all the questions, the prizes will be given to the three who send answers to most of them.

Here then is an opportunity for Bible study. We hope we shall see many make the attempt. The answers to be addressed, postage paid, to the "Editor of the *Juvenile Presbyterian*," Montreal.

#### QUESTIONS.

1.—Describe, in the language of prophecy, three sins of an ancient city, which wrought its overthrow.

2.—What beautiful definition of Christianity, or the Gospel, did our Lord give to one of the Apostles in a personal conversation?

3.—Give a Divine diploma, conferred by Jehovah upon a good man;—and, by way of contrast, a distinguishing cognomen belonging to a wicked man.

4.—What singular phrase is employed by one of the sacred writers in reference to the remnant of the nation that returned from Babylon?

5.—The New Testament contains two Epistles to the Ephesians, and two to the Hebrews—refer to them.

6.—Describe in short, but significant, Scripture phraseology the last surviving heir of a family.

7.—Where have we a most magnificent description of a tempest which derives a sacred vitality and power from the presence of Jehovah?

8.—Refer to a beautiful sentiment expressed by an Old Testament writer, which, if we invert the members of the sentence, will convey a glorious truth, most heartily responded to by every redeemed sinner.

9.—Quote two declarations malevolently uttered by the enemies of our Lord, as derogatory to His character, which are essential truths, demanding unceasing gratitude from every child of Adam's fallen race.

10.—Give in few words, from 'the Book of the Lord,' an awful description of one who dies rejecting the Gospel.

11.—Quote two passages where a Scripture name is used by metonymy for the Pentateuch.

12.—Name the first person who dared to destroy any part of the written word of God:

state what signal punishment was pronounced on him, and what became of the writers of the destroyed portion?

Answers to all these Questions may be found in the Bible.

#### PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

An ordinary meeting of this court was held at St. Andrew's Church, Montreal, on Wednesday the 4th ult., Rev. Thomas Haig, Beauharnois, Moderator. The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and sustained, it was found that all the appointments laid upon members were fulfilled according to instructions. It was certified that Mr. John Cameron had been duly to represent the Kirk Session of Dundee, and his name was added to the roll. The election of Mr. James Lang, in room of Robert H. Norval, Esq., lately deceased, to represent the Kirk Session of Beauharnois, was also reported and sustained and his name was added to the roll. Mr. Wm. MacHutchinson, Missionary, read a report of his labors since last ordinary meeting.

The Committee appointed at last meeting to confer with the Trustees of St. Gabriel Street Church and property gave in an interim report showing the steps that had been taken to maintain the rights of the church in the matter, which report was read and approved of and ordered to be kept *in retentis*.

The Presbytery then turned their attention to various matters of business arising out of the minutes of last annual meeting of Synod. Messrs Snodgrass and Ferguson were appointed a committee agreeably to the recommendation of Synod to collect statistical information of the public property of the church within the bounds of the Presbytery and ministers were enjoined to communicate to the said committee all facts bearing upon this matter without delay, in order that these might be reported to the central committee on church property.

Dr. Mathieson gave notice of a motion to be brought before next meeting for an overture to the Synod on the present state of the property of Queen's College, and Mr. Morris intimated his intention of moving for an overture on the subject of statistical returns. The consideration of several important matters was deferred till next meeting.

The Presbytery having resolved itself into a committee on the French Mission a sub-committee was appointed to take the whole matter into consideration and report to next meeting.

After appointing supplies for Dundee, Henningford, and Laprairie and making arrangements for collections in these places in behalf of the Ministers Widows and Orphans Fund, the Presbytery adjourned to meet in the same place on the first Wednesday of May next.

#### PRESENTATION TO REV. A. MACKID FROM THE CONGREGATION AT BAYFIELD.

We have pleasure in presenting the ensuing correspondence between the people of a new station opened at Bayfield and the Rev. Alexander MacKidd, and in doing so take the opportunity of noticing the locality and the mission work there.

The village of Bayfield is situated at the mouth of the River Bayfield, which flows through the Township of Stanley, one of the finest wheat-growing Townships in the western section of the Province. It is 12 miles from Goderich. As might be expected, the land is all fully occupied by a large and thriving population, a large proportion of whom are Presbyterians; there is a large congregation at Brucefield, belonging to the Free Church, and there is also a large congregation of the United Presbyterian body within two miles of Bayfield.

It is only about 18 months since a preaching-station at the village of Bayfield was opened in connexion with our Church. For six months the Rev. A. MacKidd preached once a month to a large and increasing congregation, and then found it advisable to preach there in the afternoon every alternate Sabbath. The number attending has increased beyond the most sanguine expectations of the friends of our Church.

A grant of a town lot has been obtained from the Hon. M. Cameron, and subscriptions to upwards of £200 have already been raised for building a new Church, which is intended to be begun early in spring.

Occasionally there is also preaching at the division line between the Townships of Stanley and Hay on Mondays; the distance is about 9 miles. Adjoining this place is a large settlement of *habitants*, located on the Lake shore on account of the fishing. There, we have been highly gratified to learn, are four families among them who profess Protestantism, and attend regularly the preaching.

In Christmas week the presentation of a Pulpit Bible was made by the people of the Bayfield station, and the ensuing correspondence will be found of an interesting character. It is pleasing to see such outposts erecting, and our Church expanding with the expansion of our population.

The Rev. Alex. MacKidd.

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—The Ladies of this congregation having honored me with the pleasing duty of presenting you with the accompanying Bible, as a mark of their esteem and regard for your services, it affords me the most heartfelt pleasure to accede to their wishes, and in doing so allow me to express our admiration of and thankfulness for the zeal you have displayed in organizing us into a congregation, and bringing us within the reach of those means of grace we have so long ardently wished for. The promptness with which