SECOND GIRL. Mother calls me, little student ! I can cipher, read and spell, Draw a map or bound a country, And in 'mental' I excel. 8 8 11 E I shall climb the hill of knowledge To its very top shall go : Then success will crown my effort Teacher says: and ain't it so ?

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>
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I's my mamma's little darling; Don't you find I's fresh and sweet, With these roses at my shoulders, And my muslin dress so neat ? Mamma made it dist on purpose 'Cause I'se going to speak to you. It is lovely, don't you fint so 4 Wish twas yours ! I sink you do.

BEREAN NOTES.

BY REV. G. H. WHITNEY, D. D.

NOTES AND ILLUSTRATIONS. 1. JOHN WAS A FAITHFUL WITNESS IN HIS
WORDS. 1. (To the people. See Luke 3. 7-9;
2) To the publicans, Luke 3. 12, 13; 3.)
To the soldiers, Luke 3. 14; 4.) Concerning
Christ, John 1. 6, 7; 26-29; 5) To Herod,

CHARACTER. He "did no miracle." John Text, which speaks of being "faithful unto leath." John was in prison because of his man among sinners, a brave man among cowman among sinners, a brave man among gowards, a strong man among weaklings. Just
Let a picture be drawn something like thus: answer, 1.) Of priestly pedigree, Luke 1.5; not lawful."

2.) Of pious parentage, vers. 6. 13; 3.) Of Then will follow the result of John's bold-

8. JOHN IN CONTRAST WITH A TIMID KING. The Herod family descended from Antipater, some of Antipas, governor of Idumea. Antipas governor of Idumea. It is the office it is given Idumea. It is the office it is governor of Idumea. It is the office it is governor of Idumea. It is the office it is sons. Two of these are known in history, Phassel, governor of Jerusalem, and Herod, subject of our present study, Herod Antipas, "answered him nothing." Luke 23. 7-9. We to receive the "crown of life." selt his brother Philip's wife—Herodias. This guilty king hears of Jesus and his miracles. The bad taken to him see how John was remembered by rierod. The guilty king hears of Jesus and his miracles and his miracles and his miracles. row. They "went and told Jesus," Matt.

Supposed that he was safer from the Divine vengeance while the Divine teacher and reprover was well kept in the castle of Machærus, or whatever the prison was. Perhaps he presented to John that this observing, or guarding him, was to defeat the plottings of Herodias. It so, well did Jesus say "that fox." 5.) He tried to concilate both John and his own conscience by doing many things. He tried to obey John in some things. But his resolutions were weak. The sun scorched them. The birds picked them up. The fires of passion burned them. 6.) The ruling force of his life mastered? As "taithful unto death?" And his superstitious fear, and his reverence and ideal goodness and resoluhis reverence and ideal goodness and resolu-tions and occasional attempts at right living, tions and occasional attempts at right living he was a slave to luxury and licentious

Gent. What difference between the strength, heroism, fortitude, and peace of the great-seeled Baptist, and this pitiable, flippant priables abundance of room, there is very little danger of some of the Galilean court. Bad mother, bad abundance of room, there is very little danger of some light open covering of this kind, is all they will be with young prolific queens, and with over the bed, a little straw between the plants, over the bed, a little straw between the plants, is all they will be without injury. We have seen of increase. On the first day of June, when despise the theory which would make them the

weighty; but a fool's wrath is heavier than them both" Prov' 27. 3. "His mother was his counselor to do withhalls." 2 Chan 29 August he stimulates and honey up the tangliler to do withhalls." 2 Chan 29 August he stimulates and honey up the tangliler. his counselor to do wickedly." 2 Chron. 22 August, he stimulates and keeps up the fertility 3. What is thy mother? A lionness: she of the queens until the harvest again comlay down among lions, she nourished her mences, in the middle of August. His bees up one of her whelps: it became a young lion, and it learned to catch the prey; it devoured The consequence will be that A. receives a

Ahab. Herod was a Jesebel, 1 Kings 21. 25; ing pays. a Potiphar's wife, Genr 39. 14-20.

the king; 4.) He witnessed fearlessly; 5.) commence breeding very rapidly, and by the He witnessed by his manner of life; 6.) He time they get in condition to store honey the witnessed by the manner of his death.

eas his term of service here and lengthess his and when the harvest commences in the widdle life of joy in glory; 5,) That the death of of August, his stocks, instead of being in a John did not cause Herod's solicitude to cease. condition to commence storing, have to go to

ture is not always in proportion to their length.

The greater part of the versus for reading in connection with this lesson is accupied with many the harvest is nost, and B. has Herod's feast, and his oath to Salome. But mence storing, the harvest is past, and B. has the teacher will make a great mistake if he de- any quantity of stocks that he has to feed in votes the bulk of his lesson-time to a description of that scene. The verses on which to has to double up stocks, etc., and when he dwell are vers. 17-20, 27, 29, and then 14, comes to sum up the season's operations, he

portant to take this question, because other-2. JOHN WAS A FAITHFUL WITNESS IN HIS wise there is nothing to lead up to the Golden

toward his fellowmen, holy toward God., Con- Herod wants to see and hear the great preachsecrated. Affections undivided. Eye single er every one is talking about sends for him to God's glory. His character the product of from the wilderness; see John in his rough grace, not of natural goodness. His name, garment and course girdle (Matt. S. 4) stand-Greek,—grace or facor. "Filled with the ing in the royal palace—what will be say?— Holy Ghost, even from his mother's womb." he told the people of their sins, and he must Luke 1. 15. "Spirit and power of Elias," treat the king just the same—what sin? by ver. 17. "Strong in spirit," ver. 80. At Herod's side sits one who ought not to be there John's birth the people asked, "What man--why not? Can John dare to mention that? nor of child shall this be?" Luke 1. 66. We —he is "laithful," and says boldly, "It is

prophetic promise, Isa, 40, 3; Mal. 3. 1; ness, the efforts made by Herodias to compass Matt. 3. 3; 4.) Of angelic announcement, his death. And her failure for some time will Luke 1, 11-20; 5.) Of abstinent habit, Luke bring in his strange influence over Herod, with 1. 15; Num. 6. 1-21; 6.) Of spiritual endow- its solemn application as to the uselessness of ment, Luke 1. 16; 7.) Of heroic courage, the sinner "doing many things" to win sal-Take 3. 7, 19; 8.) Of lowliest hamility, vation if he clings to the darling six which is Lake 3. 16.

Early autumn is the best possible time for re-arranging beds of herbaceous plants, such as Hellybocks, Delphiniums, Pæonies, &c ABYSSINIA SYRUP

eide of the Dead Sea-where we know from as early as the Bulbs can be procured, which is Joshephus that John was confined. Picture generally about the latter part of September. king of the Jews. [For some account of the him there in the dark cell, month by month Herods see page 195 of this JOURNAL.] The slowly passing away, till one night a soldier North, such as Tritomas, Pampis Grass, &c., comes in, one of Herod's guardsmen. What and any other tender plants that it would be is elsewhere referred to in the New Testament:

does he want? John's head, and at once. Anodesirable to save over for the winter, may be

1.) Where is he called by Jesus "that fox." ther minute, and where is John? There lies secured in pits, the construction of which we Luke 13. 32; 2.) To him Pilate sent Jesus on the headless body on the floor of the fell; have described in the last number of the Guide, the day of his crucifizion. Herod was " desir- there goes the gory head upon Salome's dish; Hollybocks will winter well in a pit, and so ons to see [Jesus] of a long season," but Jesus but his faithful spirit-where is that? Gone will young Pansy plants, with plenty of air.

his character: 1.) He had a knowledge of tion. How came this about ?—the account of en. The American autumn weather is superb. truth and a certain respect tor it. He rever- the feast (held, doubtless, in the banquetting Our springs are short, and yet quite long enough tor our spring weather is miserable;

see how John was remembered by Herod. The should, therefore, be made in the pleasant

of both Herod and Philip." 3.) He had a Baptist. His sorrowing tollowers do not for- Why people think it necessary to cover their superstitious dread of consequences. He get him, see verse 29. They long for a last lawns with rotting, unsightly manure six months knew that to live in sin is to bring down wrath and ruin. 4.) He had a motive in body "(as Joseph of Arimathea did that of well made lawn will not need enriching in a trying to concilate John. His observed him. Jesus afterward.) but the face they cannot century, for there is nothing taken from it, and He guarded him by putting him in prison from see, for the head is gone! What will they do it becomes richer and richer every year. The Herodian' vindictiveness, and also kept him now? Just what we should do in every sor- fact is, our old lawns become too rich and from doing him (Herod) any harm. Herod row. They "went and told Jesus," Matt. humid, and need, if anything, a dressing of

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On the other hand, B. commences with, the The Kingdom of Herod in contrast same number of stocks; in the spring lets them manage themselves, and on the first day 6. JOHN A FAITHFUL WITNESS EVEN UNTO of June they are not in condition to store sur-DEATH. 1) He witnessed for God's law plus, or at least but very few of them, and against all sin; 2.) He witnessed for the those few he allows to swarm themselves to Lamb of God that taketh away sin; 3.) He death, or what amounts to the same thing witnessed impartially before the people and When the honey harvest commences, his stock harvest is done, or nearly so; for it takes 7. Learn here: 1.) That the giddy world twenty-one days to hatch out a worker, and despises the good; 2,) That the king on his sixteen days more, or thereabouts, before they throne may by his sin be made the slave of a commence laboring outside. Now the scarce silly girl and of a murderous woman; 3.) That time comes again, and B. has no surplus honey, a man may bear words of wisdom "gladly," but perhaps has a number of extra swarms the queens stop breeding or nearly so, especially if the torage is nearly dried up or cut off, and when the harvest commences in the middle of August, his stocks, instead] of being in a condition to commence storing, have to go to raising brood again to replenish their stock of workers, for recollect that the brood hatched in June and July is very soon used up with old age, for the life-time of a working bee is only from six to eight weeks. Now you can readily see that B.'s stocks are expending all and yet behead the one who spoke them; 4) the queens stop breeding or nearly so, especi That murder cannot ruin a saint. It but short- ally if the torage is nearly dried up or cut off, The relative importance of passages of Scrip- only from six to eight weeks. Now you can readily see that B.'s stocks are expending all their torce and energy to replenish numbers. has received no surplus of honey, and his surplus stocks, or a large portion of them, have either to be fed or doubled up in order to win-

plus stocks, or a large portion of them, have either to be fed or doubled up in order to winter them. His conclusion is, that the season has been a poor one for bees. He has certainty had bad luck, and he is ready to attribute his luck, as he calls it, to anything but to his own neglect or carelessness, asserting that the season has been a poor one for bees, or his climate is not adapted to bee-keeping, and the season has been a poor one for bees, or his climate is not adapted to bee-keeping. etc. A., with his management in the same locality mind you, has had good luck, as it is good luck, as it is called; his stocks are in excellent condition for wintering, no doubling of breeding in winter being required, as he bas fed at the proper time to feed; for I hold it to

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