Sunday School.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON NO. 1V. OCTOBER 28, 1904.

Elisha and Naaman-2 Kings 5: 1-14.

Elisha and Naaman-2 Kings 5: 1-14. Commentary.--Naaman's sad condition (v. 1). 1. Naaman-Naaman means 'beautiful,' or "pleasant to look upon." Captain, etc.-He was commander-in-chief of the Syrian army. He had great ability, power and influence. He had done much for his king, and in some fam-ous exploit had won a memorable victory for the Syrians. According to tradition he was the man who drew the bow at a venture and killed Ahab, King of Is-rael (I. Kings xxii. 34). The Lord had given--The Scriptural explanation of Naaman's greatness is that the Lord had given him the victory and made him given him the victory and made him great. But—This was the flaw in the great. But—Ins was the haw in the crystal of his prosperity, the fly in the ointment of his triumph, the shadow that clouded his glory, the hateful pres-ence that followed him everywhere, the bitter dreg in his cup of joy.—Pentecost. ence that followed him everywhere, the bitter dreg in his cup of joy.—Pentecost. A leper—Leprosy was supposed to be in-flicted for the punishment of some par-ticular sin, and to be, more than other diseases, a mark of God's displeasure. "Leprosy began with little specks on the eyelids, and on the palms of the hands, and gradually spread over different parts of the body, bleaching the hair white wherever it showed itself, crusting the affected parts with shining scales, and

wherever it showed itself, crusting the affected parts with shining scales, and causing swellings and sores. From the skin it slowly ate its way through the tissues to the bones and joints and even to the marrow, rotting the whole body little by little. The lungs, the organs of speech and hearing, and the eyes were attacked in turn, till, at last, consumpion or dropsy brought welcome death.

II. The captive's story (vs. 2-4). 2. By companies—In plundering parties who made forays upon the neighboring Israel-ites. A little maid—A young girl. She was regarded by her captors as a chattel was regarded by her captors as a chattel and valued for her service like beasts. 3. She said—"Like Joseph in Egypt and Daniel in Babylon this captive girl be-comes the instrument of making Jehovah known among the heathen." Would God —A better translation would be, "Oh that!" Recover him—Literally "gather" him from his leprosy. An allusion to the Israelitish custom of shutting lepers out of the camp and then gathering them in Israelitish custom of shutting lepers out of the camp and then gathering them in after the leprosy was healed. 4. One went in—"And he went in."—R. V., mar-gin. It is probable that Naaman himself went in and told his lord the king. III. Naaman seeking health (vs. 5-9).

5. Go to, go—That is, set out at once; let no time be lost. A letter—Benhadad very naturally supposes that the ser-vices of such a man would be at the command of the king. Took with him, etc.— He took a present to Jehoram. We can-not estimate the value accurately. "A silver talent was worth \$1,94, in all \$19,-440. A gold shekel was worth \$9.75, in all \$58,500."—Bible Treasury. According to this Naaman took with him \$77,940, a

princely present. Raiment—Costly robes. 6. Recover him—Doubtless Benhadad had magicians drawing rich salaries at his court and in their supernatural pow-er he had a good deal of superstitious faith. But they were not able to heal Naaman.

7. Rent his clothes-A sign here of ter 7. Rent his clothes—A sign here of ter-ror and alarm. Rending the garments was sometimes an expression of grief. Am I God—"As much as to say, Who but God can cure the leprosy?" Who but the one who is able to kill and make alive? a quarrel-"Jehoram lived in perpetual ter ror of his powerful and encroaching neighbor," He feared this was a pretex

for again invading his country. 8. Elisha ..., heard—No doubt the coming of the Syran general with his retinue, and the fact that the king had rent his clothes, caused a sensation in Samaria, and the news came speedily to Elisha, who apthe we came specify to Elfsia, who appears to have had his home in the cap-ital city, Wherefore, etc.—Have you for-gotten that there is a God in Israel, and gotten that there is a God in Israel, and that His prophet is near at hand? He shall know—"It would be a great in-

skill, his bravery and success, he was a leper. People talk about a man being noble and godlike in his powers and capa-bilities. Unsaved, although he may be a brilliant orator, a mighty warrior, a gifted writer, an acknowledged states-man, he is still a leper. The king wanted him cured. As Naaman acknowledged bis need so men afficted with moral lephis need so men aflifcted with moral lep-

him cured. As Naaman acknowledged his need so men affifeted with moral lep-rosy confess their need to-day. A remedy pointed out. Providentially a Jewish maiden, who knew something of divine power, was where she could drop a word in season. It was only a short sentence, "Would God my lord were with the prophet that is in Samaria ! for he would recover him of his leprosy," but it was wisely spoken and had a marvel-lous effect. Groping after the cure. How desirous the King of Syria was for the healing of the captain of his hosts, may be judged from his eagerness to have him go to Samaria, as well as from the value of the presents which he sent along. Thinking surfely the King of Israel must be the one to cure the disease. Naaman went to him, but only to find that so far his er-rand was fruitless. What was the king's perplexity to be asked to cure the lep-rosy! "Am I God?" said he. He felt im-posed upon, and thought the King of Syria was trying to lead him into war. He could not cure the leprosy. It would be as easy for him to restore life. Naa-man was looking in the wrong direction, just as thousands of to-day are trying to find ease of conscience without taking the cross of Jesus. to find ease of conscience without taking

the cross of Jesus. Angered at its humiliating simplicity. The prophet did not come out, as he ex-pected, to strike his hand over the place to cure him, but simply sent him to wash himself. He had not come from Syria to wash in Jordan. His national prejudice led him to consider Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel. "And he went away in a rage." Naaman is not the only one who has done thus when God's plan has been outlined before him. People like their own way.

their own way. A more reasonable view. By another providence Naaman had a servant who had better judgment in this case than he, had better judgment in this case than are, and by a little sound reasoning in a good way brought his master to see that the best thing to do was to follow the prescription given by the prophet. Naa-man expected to have great things ac-complished by great means. He had not yet learned the lesson of humble obedi-

Complete recovery. The account is simple. "Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child and he was clean." People fail of a cure of the leprosy of sin because they are not willing to take God's way of repentance, confession, restitu-tion and faith in Jesus. Abana and Phar-par are good enough for them. To meet the simple requirements of the Gospel is too humiliating, but a complete cure can be accomplished only as this is done. Gratifude and changed relivious views. be accomplished only as this is done. Gratitude and changed religious views. He exclaims, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth but in Israel." Elisha had drawn Naaman's attention to God rather than to bimother at the to God rather than to himself, and Naaman pledges to worship none but the God of Israel, David S. Warner.

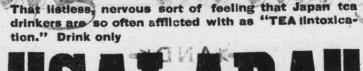
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panacea for stomach troubles. The immense percentage of vegetable pepsin contained in the fruit makes it an almost indigensable remedy in cases of dyspepsia and indiges-tion. One tablet after each meal will cure most chronic cases. 60 in a box, 35 cents.--

EPISCOPAL CONVENTION.

Reception of the Archbishop at

Faneuil Hall. Boston, Mass., Oct. 10.-The Triennial Boston, Mass. Oct. 10.—The Triennial Episcopal Convention, which is in ses-sion here to-day, met as the Board of Missions, the House of Bishops sitting together. There is much interest in the session on account of the widespread



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USING MORE LIQUOR AND SMOKING MORE TOBACCO,

According to the Report of the Inland **Revenue Department.**

Ottawa, Oct. 10.—(Special.)—The an-nual report of the Inland Revenue De-partment, when issued, will show that 'anadians are consuming more liquor, and smoking more tobacco, than in the past. The consumption of spirits last fiscal year was 5, 343,954 gallons, or .952 gallons per head of the population. This is the largest consumption on record since 1885. In that year it reached 1.1260 gallons. The average consumption of spirits per head per year since 1869 was 5, 243,954 gallons, the same, 0.96 gallons per head. The average guantity of tobacco used per head per year. Last year it reached 2.765, the largest on record.

LEFT HIS YOUNG SON TO PERISH.

Voodoo Doctor Set Fire to His Home and

Boy Burned to Death.

property. His house contained many firearms and one of his practices was to fire his rifle down the well at midnight

Deafness of 12 Years' Stand ing. -- Protracted Catarrh produces deaf tess in many cases. Capt. Ben Connor, of

Toronto, Canada, was deaf for 12 years from Catarrh. All treatments failed to relieve Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder gave hin

relief in one day, and in a very short while the deafness left him entirely. It will do as much for you. 50 cents.--33. Maturity of Trees.

Though there are oaks living which are known to be more than a thousand years old, the average oak does not live more than seventy-five years. That is to say,

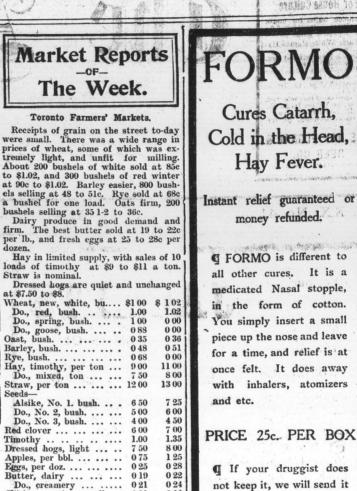
Norfolk, Va., Oct. 10.—Hayward Le-naire, a negro "voodoo doctor," set fire to his house, and unheeding the appeals of his 10-year-old son, sprang through a dow and vault three fences and make of his 10-year-old son, sprang through a window, leaving his child to perish in the flames. Lenaire was arrested later, and comitted to jail to await examination. The negro made no statement whatever, concerning his crime or motive. Lenaire has lived for many years in the house that he destroyed, it being his property. His house contained many fire his rifle down the well at midnight one corner.

> indians Discover \$100,000 Worth of Ambergris.

Tacoma, Wash., Oct. 10.-A party of four Ketchikan Indians have found 150

VALUABLE FIND.

four Ketchikan Indians have found 150 pounds of ambergris, worth \$100,000. The Indians had crossed the straits from Re-villo, Gegido Island, to Cleveland Penin-sula, and were looking on the beach for game. They discovered the carcass of a large sperm whale, which had been washed ashore. The Indians were attract-ed by the very agreeable older of large washed ashore. The indians were attract-ed by the very agreeable odor of large lumjs of fatty substance near the whale, and, loading some of it in their boat, carried it to Ketchikan. Upon learning the value of their find they went back and got the remainder. The ambergris is in an avealent state of progration and in an excellent state of preservation, and



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Lodon, Oct. 8.—Cattle are steady at 81/2 to 123/2e per lb; refrigerator beef, 91/2e per lb. Sheep, 103/2 to 113/2e, dressed

weight Toronto Fruit Markets.

Toronto Fruit Markets. The receipts are small, and prices show little change. Peaches, white, bas-ket, 40 to 65c; yellow, 75c to \$1.15. Pears, basket, 35 to 50c. Plums, basket, 75c to \$1. Grapes, small asket, 15 to 20c; do, large basket, 30 to 40c. Apples, bas-ket, 15 to 25c. Potatoes, bushel, 70 to 75c. Tomatoes, basket, 30 to 35c. Green peapores basket 25 to 30c. Ezer plant. peppers, basket, 25 to 30c. Egg plant, basket, 30 to 40c. Musk melons, basket, 20 to 25c. Onions, Valencia, large cases, \$3.25. Sweet potatocs, per bbl., \$2.75 to

Messrs. Woodall & Co. cabled Eben Liverpool Markets.

James: Twenty thousand barrels sold Market opened firm, and closed the same Demand good.

Leading Wheat Markets. Dec. May

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Bradstreet's on Trade. At Montreal there is a good sorting

At Montreal there is a good sorting trade being done now in most depart-ments. The demand for ocean freights is rather better and large quantities of freight are being sent forward to the West. Values of staple manufactures are generally steady. Some departments of business show improvements. Business in wholesale trade circles at Toronto is fairly active. The demand

fairly active.

Shoe manufacturers are

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lives, according to the Johannesburg Leader, Found in the bushveld beyond Louis Trichardt and the Spelonken, the trea-

sure consisted of bar gold and coin am-ounting approximately, to 60,000 oz. and valued at a quarter of a million sterling. Of the original party which was des-patched to hide it, not a single soul is alive to-day. all having been murdered of lost their lives in other ways.

Though repeated searches were made subsequently for the burial place, only ex-General Celliers was able to locate it, but after marking the spot he was stricken with malarial fever. While howering between life and death he divulged part of his secret to a syndicate, and his cousin, Mr. S. J. Kemp, succeeded in finding the treasure.

WOMAN SLEEPS 18 YEARS.

She Wakes From Slumber and Feels as if Only Night Passed.

Paris, Oct. 10 .- The remarkable case of a woman named Gesine, who has slept for eighteen years, is related the Matin.

She was born in a small town in the north of Germany in 1866, and until seven years old enjoyed good health. Then she had a fall which hurt her

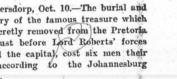
which

BURIED TREASURE ROMANCE. Kruger's Gold Cost Lives of Six Men Who Hid It. Krugersdorp, Oct. 10 .- The burial and

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discovery of the famous treasure which was secretly removed from the Pretoria Mint just before Lord Roberts' forces entered the capital, cost six men their



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jury to true religion to have Naaman return with false impressions of the true God;" then, too, probably Jehoram need-ed to be reminded of his obligations to ed to be reminded of his obligations to God and his prophet. 9. Stood at the Good and his prophet. b. Stood at the door—He came with great pomp, with horses and "chariots" (R. V.) and with honey to richly reward his benefactor. IV. Elishn's message and Naaman's rage (vs. 10-12). 10. Sent a messenger— "Not that he was wanting in politeness, or influenced by priestly wide, or feared

rage (vs. 10-12). 10. Sent a messenger-"Not that he was wanting in politeness, or influenced by priestly pride, or feared the leprosey, or avoided intercourse with a leper in obedience to the law; but Naa-man was to understand that he was healed by the grace and power of God, at the prayer of the prophet." Wash in Jordan -This would humble him and test his -This would humble him and test his obedience. It was so simple and easy that there was no excuse for refusal. Seven times-The sacred number which repres ents the union of the finite and infinite, and "any transaction or covenant in which both God and man are engaged.

11. Was wroth—The plan was too sim-ple, "So the very simplicity of the gos-pel is a stumbling block to the proud." Some think Elisha was disrespectful, but he knew what was best for Naaman. I thought—"Personal pride and heathen magic formed this fanciful picture. No wonder it proved a delusive dream."

Abana and Pharpar-The modern 12. Abana and Pharpar—The modern Barada and Awaj. Abana signifies cool in Arabic and clean in Hebrew. Called by the Greeks, "The golden flowing."— Beaufort. Better—Certainly from his point of view the waters of his own coun-try were better than the Jordan, for the try were better than the Jordan, for the Syrian waters were salubrious and in-vigorating, and the Jordan was a deep. sluggish, discolored stream. May I not wash in them and be clean-No, for God has directed thee to Jordan, and by its waters or none shalt thou be cleansed.— Clarke Clarke.

Clarke. V. Naaman acepts God's way (vs. 13, 14.) 13. Servants—Naaman had ad-mirable servants. They were wise and generous. My father—"There is no oth-er instance where servants thus address instance where servants thus address er instance where servants thus address their master. It indicates the affection-ate relation between Naaman and those about him." 14. Then went he down, etc.—He submitted, and obeyed the etc.—He submitted, and obset the words of the prophet. His cure was per-fect. Whether Naaman began to be cured at the first washing, or whether it was instantaneously wrought when he washed the seventh time, we do not know.

PRACTICAL SURVEY.

Similar conditions prevail in Londo Naaman's need. Naaman was a leper. The discase was, and is still, one of the most dreaded of al physical maladies. It was widespread, covering many lands and elimes. With all his greatness, his for the poorer classes. Naaman's need, Naaman was a leper. he disease was, and is still, one of the

session on account of the widespread criticism of the apportionment plan for the assessment of dioceses in support of the general mission fund. The appor-tionment for last year was \$630,000, the versible to apply upon it wars \$12,000 receipts to apply upon it were \$413,000 or a shortage on expectations of \$217, 000. A large part of the day was de-voted to a discussion of methods of im-proving the missionary organilation.

proving the missionary organilation. The programme arranged for the Arch-bishop of Canterbury to-day included a reception at Faneuil Hall at noon, and a students' meeting to-night in Cam-bridge ridge.

THE SEMAPHORE NEGLECTED.

The Switch Left Open-Inquest Eastwood Disaster.

Wodstock, Oct. 10 .- The inquest into the cause of the railway disaster at Eastwood, Wednesday morning last was

concluded at 2.30 o'clock this morning.

Twelve witnesses were examined, an Miss Alice M. Smith, of Min. he evidence brought out the fact that neapolis, Minn., tells how wo-Brakeman Benedict of the first train had opened his switch to back out, and he and Conductor Fallis had neglected man's monthly suffering may be permanently relieved by Lydia

to put up the semaphore against the freight following, with the result that the second freight crashed into the sid-ing before the first could pull out. Evi-F.Pinkham'sVegetableCompound "DEAR MRS. PINKHAM :- I have dence was tendered showing brakemen firemen and engineer had been on con tinuous duty 36 hours. The jury's vir never before given my endorsement for any medicine, but Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has added so much to my life and happiness that I feel like making an execution in this sector. tinuous duty an non-s, and any a dict named no one as being responsible, stating that some member of the train crew had left the switch open. They recommended that the employees be given more rest and urged the adophappiness that I feel like making an exception in this case. For two years every month I would have two days of severe pain, and could find no relief, but one day when visiting a friend I ran across Lydia E. Pinkham's Vege-table Compound, — she had used it with the best results and advised me to try it. I found that it worked me to try it. I found that it worked tion of a better signal light service Coroner Dr. McLay intimated that, had Brakeman Benedict been living, the evi

dence would justify indicting him for manslaughter.

HARD TIMES IN BRITAIN.

me to try it. I found that have both wonders with me; I now experience no pain, and only had to use a few bothes to bring about this wonderful change. I use it occasionally now when I am exceptionally tired or worn out."-Miss ALICE M. SMITH, 804 Third, 40,000 to 50,000 People Reported to be Starving in Manchester.

Ave., South Minneapolis, Minn., Chair-man Executive Committee, Minneapolis London, Oct. 10 .- At a meeting of the Manchester City Council to-day it was announced that, owing to the hard times and depression in the cotton in-dustries, between forty and fifty thon-Study Club. _ \$5000 forfeit if original of above Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound carries women safely through the various natural crises and is the safe-guard of sand people in the poorer parts of the city were practically on the verge of starvation.

crises and is the surgent of woman's health. The truth about this great medicine is told in the letters from women being published in this paper constantly.

ost pure. "Birds of a feather flock together," remarked the Wise Guy. "Yes, until you go gunning," murmured the Simple Mug

PLAYED HIS OWN DIRGE. Student's Dramatic Suicide at a Concert

in Hungary.

Vienna, Oct. 10 .- A student named Anton Czernevics last night shot himself in dramatic fashion, after playing the piano at a students' concert at Temes var, Hungary. Czernevics, who was a fine musiciar look for trade is light. At Quebec trade conditions show a slight improvement over that of the pre-ceding week. Sorting orders have been

had been in the best of humor all the evening, and had played a piece which was much applauded, when he suddenly turned to the instrument again and be-gan playing the Dead March in Saul. in demand. commencing to get busy and orders are reported coming to hand. With season-able weather the outlook is favorable. The audience, amused at the freak, al-lowed him to play to the end, when he rose and declared that he had been aban-doned by his sweethetrt, and life was Business at the Pacific Coast trade centres is good and the outlook is for a more active demand for general staple goods during the next two months. The Provincial industries are generally ac-

aoned by his sweethetrt, and life was no longer worth living. Mounting a chair, he then showered a handful of gold coins among the stu-dents, and, begging them to accept the money as a memento of himself, quickly tive. At Winnipeg the demand from the re-tail trade to sort stocks is fairly active The country trade is expanding at many points and the conditions of business are uced a revolver and shot himself lead.

SOLD FOR A SONG.

\$3,000,000 Mercantile Agency Disposed of for \$26,000.

New York, Oct. 10 .- The \$3,000,000 nercantile agency was sold at public uction yesterday for \$26,000.

When he stacks up against a critic the composer of music often sees his notes go to protest.

Toronto is fairly active. The demand for general dry goods is quite brisk and the market in hardware and metals is more active. Woollen goods are firmly held. Large quantities of staple manu-factures are being rushed to inland wa-ter points to meet the demand from lumber camps and also to secure low head. She began to have spells sleep lasting for months, from w she was aroused only to relapse into longer periods of unconsciousness. Finally, in 1886, she fell into a sleep which was not broken until a few

months ago, when she again awoke in the full possession of her senses. She remembered distinctly facts which carrying charges before the winter rail-way freight rates take effect on the close of navigation. The general out-look for trade is light. happened before her sleep, and asked

happened before her sidep, and asset all about her brothers and sisters as if she had been asleep only one night. She was, however, too feeble to raise herself, and had to learn again like a little child how to walk. She has im-

little child how to walk. She has im-proved greatly since, and is again able o do light work.

to do light work. Her case is exciting great interest in the medical world, and is being made the subject of a special investigation Dr. Paul Farez, professor at the

TWENTY WERE DROWNED.

Death Roll in the Recent Disastrous New Mexico Floods.

Sante Fe, N. M., Oct. 10 .- eports reeived from different points in the territory show that at least twenty per-

Hamilton trade for the fall season is developing nicely now. The shipping staffs in the large wholesale houses are entirely engaged in getting out the fall and winter goods for which the demand is active. Travellers' orders are numer-ous and well distributed. The business outlook is promising. Prices are firm. Bradstreet's advices report London

jobbing trade circles quite active with the fall business. In Ottawa the orders for the fall trade

satisfactory. Payments are now in

proving. Hamilton trade for the fall season i

 Concerning the unit of the unit of the same purchases for \$3,000, making Mr. Barritt, of Philadelphia, for \$23,000, making Mr. Barritt the sole of music Only Saw Him There. "I was sorry to hear of Mr. dayman's death," said the caller. "Of course you miss him dreadfully." "At the bakfast table, yes," replied Gay-man's widow.

sons perished in the floods that have oc-eurred in the past week. Ten Santa Fe passenger trains are tied up here to-night, but the passengers are being sent east and west over other lines.

east and west over other lines. Oklahoma City, Okla., Oct. 4.—Seven men are missing of a party of eight who went down with the wagon bridge be-tween Lexington and Purcelle, after bat-

