

SCHOLARS' NOTES.

(From International Question Book)
studies in the Acts of the Apostles.
LESSON X—JUNE 7.
GOD'S MESSAGE BY HIS SON.—HEB. 1:1-5, AND 2:1-4.
COMMENTARIES: 1:1-4.
GOLDEN TEXT.
How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation.—Heb. 2:3.
CENTRAL TRUTH.
We should give most earnest heed to God's message to us by His Son.

DAILY READINGS.
M. Heb. 1:1-4.
T. Heb. 2:1-18.
W. Heb. 3:1-19.
Th. Heb. 4:1-13.
F. Heb. 5:1-14.
Sa. Heb. 6:1-20.
Su. Heb. 7:1-28.

DATE.—The Epistle to the Hebrews was written probably A.D. 62-64.
PLACE.—Somewhere in Italy (Heb. 13:24), perhaps at Rome.

AUTHOR.—Unknown. Some attribute it to Paul, others to Apollinaris of Hierapolis. Many believe it to be Paul's ideas put into form by some friend, as Luke.

FOR WHOM WRITTEN.—To the Jews of Palestine first, and also to all Jews.

ITS SUBJECT.—The revelation of Christ superior to a former revelation from God.

INTRODUCTION.—Without preface or salutation. The author begins in the first three verses the subject of his letter.

HELPS OVER HARD PLACES.

1. AT SUNDRY TIMES—in divers portions, some at one time, some at another, during 140 years. 2. IS THUS LAST DAYS—the last age of the world, the times of the Messiah. 3. THE BRIGHTNESS OF HIS GLORY—the fullness by which, as the sun, by its rays, God's glory is seen by men. EXPRESS IMAGE OF HIS PERSON—his substance, his nature. Christ showed what he is. FORTH BRINGING—by eloquent and his teaching and power. 4. BEING MADE—as mediator, the God-man. BY SUFFERINGS—because he is a son. EXCELLENT NAME—higher honor, dignity, the name Son of God, Lord of all. 5. THOU ART MY SON, etc.—quoted from Ps. 2:7, Septuagint Version. "Son" is used here in the highest sense, not merely a spiritual child. AND AGAIN—2. sum. 7:14. Spoken first of David's son, but fulfilled perfectly only in David's greater son, the Son of God. 6. AND AGAIN—rather, when he again brought forth the coming of Christ in his Kingdom on earth. HE SAITH—Deut. 32:44; Ps. 97:7 (Septuagint Version). If the angels worship Him, He must be their superior. He must be divine or the worship would be idolatry. 7. HIS ANGELS SPIRITS—or winds. He employs the angels as winds, or lightnings to do his will. They are servants. 1. WE SHOULD LET THEM SLIP—we should drift away from them. 4. GOD MAKING THEM WITNESSES—by doing wonders in attestation of the words, which only God could do.

QUESTIONS.

INTRODUCTION.—What is known about the author of the Epistle to the Hebrews? When and where was it probably written? To whom? What is its subject?

SUBJECT: GOD'S MESSAGE BY HIS SON. I. SUPERIOR TO ALL OTHER REVELATIONS (vs. 1, 2).—To whom had God spoken in former times? Through whom? In what manner? Does it make any difference to us, through whom we have the message provided it is from God? What newer and better revelation has been given to us? Meaning of "these last days"? How did Christ bring this message from God? How was he specially fitted to reveal God's will to us?

II. THE SUPERIORITY OF THE MESSENGER (vs. 2-5).—In what sense is Christ God's son? How is greatness shown by his works? (John 1:1-4). What is meant by Christ being "the brightness of his glory"? By the express image of his person? How would this enable him to reveal God to us? (John 14:9). What did he do for us? Where is he now? In what is he superior to the angels? What name is referred to? How does this greatness of the messenger give value and authority to the message? How is this superiority to the angels proved from the Bible? Meaning of verse 7.

III. THE DUTY OF GIVING HEED TO THE MESSAGE (vs. 1-5).—What is the first reason for this duty? (vs. 1). What are "the things we have heard"? In what ways do people let slip or drift away from them? What is the second reason? (vs. 2). What word is meant? Are the promises and threatenings of the Old Testament certain to be fulfilled? How is it with God's laws as revealed in nature? What is the third reason? (vs. 3). In what sense is the salvation by Christ a great salvation? Why do men neglect it? What will be the result of neglect? What is the fourth reason? (vs. 4). How did God bear witness to the truth of Christ's words? How did the Holy Spirit bear witness? (vs. 5).

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.

1. The superiority of the message; (2) it came by the greatest being in the universe, who knew all things; (3) it came in human words, yet came by a perfect life and example; (4) it manifested the highest love of God.

II. The greatness of the salvation; (1) it was brought by the Son of God; (2) the greatest cost; (3) it saves from the greatest evil—sin and misery; (4) it brings the greatest blessings—goodness and holiness; (5) it shows the greatest love of God; (6) it required wisdom to plan; (7) it was proved by the greatest miracles; (8) it has done the most marvelous works in changing men.

THE SPRINGFIELD, Massachusetts, Grand Jury, on Thursday, indicted the Boston & Albany Railway for running Sunday trains

COMMERCIAL.

MONTREAL, May 26, 1885.
The British grain markets continue quiet but steady. Red winter wheat is quoted at 75.9d to 88.0d; Canadian Peas at 5s. 11d.

The local grain market is very dull and values are nominal.—Canada Red Winter, 95c to \$1.00; Canada White, 96c to \$1.00; Canada Spring, 97c to \$1.00; Peps, 75c to 79c per 60 lbs.; Oats, 35c to 40c; Rye, 63c to 65c; Barley, 50c to 60c; Corn 60c.

FLOUR.—The market is stagnant and prices are again lower. We quote:—Superior Extra, \$4.70 to \$4.75; Extra Superior, \$4.60 to \$4.65; Fancy, \$4.50 to \$4.55; Spring Extra \$4.45 to \$4.50; Superfine, \$4.25 to \$4.30; Strong Bakers' (Canadian), \$4.55 to \$4.70; Strong Bakers' (American), \$4.55 to \$5.15; Fine, \$4.00 to \$4.10; Middlings, \$3.60 to \$3.75; Ontario bags (bags included) Medium, \$2.25 to \$2.30; do., Spring Extra, \$2.20 to \$2.25; Superfine, \$2.10 to \$2.15; City Bags, (delivered), \$2.50.

MEALS.—Gatmeal, \$4.75 to \$5.00 per bl. Cornmeal, nominal.

DAIRY PRODUCE.—Butter.—There is no change in this market. We quote:—Creamery, 20c; Eastern Townships, 17c to 18c; Morrisburg and Brockville, 15c to 17c; Western 14c to 15c; old makes, 6c to 13c, as to quality. Cheese is dull and very low in price, being quoted at 7 1/2c to 8c, as to quality and size of lots. The publicable is again a couple of shillings lower since our last report, being now at 52s.

Eggs, under a light supply and a good active demand, are firm at 13c per dozen, in cases.

HOG PRODUCTS are quiet and lower. Western Mess Pork \$14.75 to \$14.75; do., Short Cut, \$14.75 to \$15.25; Canada Short Cut, \$14.75 to \$15.25 Mess Beef, \$15.50; India Mess Beef, \$25.00; Hams, city cured, 11 1/2c to 12c; Lard, in pails, Western, 10 1/2c; do., Canadian 9 1/2c; Bacon, 11 1/2c; Shoulders 9c to 10c; Tallow, common refined, 7 1/2c.

ASHES are fairly steady at \$3.65 to \$3.70, as to tares, for Pots. No sales of Pearls have been reported for a long time, but about forty barrels were shipped last week, reducing stock to 150 barrels. There has been practically no export demand for six months, and no large quantity could be placed even at very low rates. Nominally they are worth from \$5.00 to \$5.50.

FARMERS' MARKET.

The farmers having got over the greater part of their spring's work are coming to market more freely and all kinds of seasonable produce are abundant with prices declining in most cases. Grain and potatoes are abundant and prices are lower all round; butter and eggs are very plentiful and prices correspondingly low, already some tubs of fresh made butter have been sold for 12c per lb, and only very choice butter brings 18c do. Garden vegetables are very plentiful and pretty low priced, rhubarb especially being remarkably fine for so early in the season, while green onions are a drag on the market. Dressed hogs and also poultry are plentiful and lower in price. The supply of hay is in excess of the demand and prices are declining. Oats are 85c to 95c per bag; peas, 80c to 90c per bushel; beans \$1.25 to \$1.69c do; potatoes 30c to 45c per bag; turnips, carrots, and beets, 30c to 50c per bushel; butter, new, 12c to 30c per lb.; eggs 13c to 15c per dozen; apples \$3.00 to \$4.50 per barrel; dressed hogs 6 1/2c to 7c per lb.; turkeys 14c to 15c per lb.; fowls 12c to 14c do; ducks 14c to 15c do; hay \$9.00 to \$12.50 per 100 bundles.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

There has been an active demand for shipping cattle at present and this has caused a further advance in the prices of good bull-churn's stock but all other kinds are dull of sale owing to the large supplies and prices are pretty low. Good butchers cattle sell at 5c to 5 1/2c per lb and large shipping steers at 3 1/2c to 4c and some of the worst conditioned at about 3c per lb. There is a fair supply of calves and prices range from \$2 to \$5 for common and \$6 to \$8 each for choice. Sheep are not plentiful and sell at about 5c per lb, for those, which have not been shorn and the shorn ones bring about half a cent per lb. less. Lambs are plentiful and lower in price, or from \$2 to \$4 each. Milch cows have been offered in large numbers of late, yet there

is an active demand for superior milkers, which sell at from \$45 to \$55 each, while a few extra ones bring more. Hogs are plentiful and sell at about 5 1/2c per lb. There is a slight improvement in the horse trade of late.

NEW YORK, May 25, 1885.

GRAIN.—Wheat, \$1.01 1/2 bid June; \$1.03 1/2; July; \$1.04 1/2 bid August; \$1.06 1/2 bid Sept. Corn, 53 1/2c bid May; 53 1/2c bid June; 53 1/2c; July; 54 1/2c bid August. Oats, 37 1/2c bid June; 37 1/2c July; 33 1/2c bid August; 33 1/2c Sept.

FLOUR is somewhat lower this week. We quote as follows:—Spring Wheat, Superfine, \$3.40 to \$3.65; Low Extra, \$3.35 to \$4.25; Clears, \$4.00 to \$4.65; Straight, \$4.30 to \$5.25; Patent, \$5.25 to \$6.10. Winter Wheat—Superfine, \$3.40 to \$3.65; Low Extra, \$3.75 to \$4.15; Clears (R. and A.), \$4.35 to \$4.80; Straight (R. and A.), \$4.75 to \$5.75; Patent, \$5.00 to \$6.00; Straight White Wheat, \$4.75 to \$5.75; Low Extra (City Mills), \$3.80 to \$4.00; West India, sacks, \$3.50 to \$4.00; West India, barrels, \$5.00 to \$5.10; Patent, \$5.10 to \$6.00; South America, \$5.00 to \$6.00; Patent \$5.10 to \$6.00. Southern Flour—Extra \$4.10 to \$5.35; Family, \$4.75 to \$5.65; Patent, \$5.25 to \$6.15; Rye Flour—Fine to Superfine, \$3.20 to \$4.60.

MEALS.—Cornmeal, \$3.00 to \$3.40 in bris.

FEED.—100 lbs. or sharps, \$18 to \$20; 100 lbs. or No. 1 middlings, \$16 to \$18; 80 lbs. or No. 2 middlings, \$14.50 to \$15; 60 lbs. or No. 1 feed, \$14.00 to \$15.00; 50 lbs. or medium feed, \$14.00 to \$15.00; 40 lbs. or No. 2 feed, \$14.00 to \$15.00. Rye feed, \$17.00 to \$18.00.

DAIRY PRODUCE.—Butter.—Creamery, ordinary to fancy, 15c to 20c; State half firkins, ordinary to fancy, 13c to 18c; Western Dairy, ordinary to choice imitation creamery, 8c to 16c; Western factory, ordinary to choice, 6c to 12c. Cheese.—State factory, night skims to choice, 4c to 8 1/2c; Ohio Flat, fair to prime, 6 1/2c to 8c; Skims, Pennsylvania, common to prime, 1c to 1 1/2c.

Eggs.—State and Pennsylvania, in bris. 14c; Canadian, fine, 14c; Western, poor to fancy, 13c to 13 1/2c; Southern, 12c to 12 1/2c; Duck eggs, 18c to 19c; goose eggs, 32c to 33c.

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THE STEAMSHIP "ISERE," with Bartholdi's statue of "Liberty Enlightening the World" has started for New York.

ONION PICKLE.—Put in as many onions as you wish to pickle in brine, after peeling them nicely. Choose the stay silver-skinned variety. Let them stay in the brine three days, changing the brine once every twenty-four hours. Take them out, wipe them dry, and let them remain in the sun two or three days. Then take two ounces each of ginger, pepper, allspice, and white mustard seed, with one ounce of turmeric. Beat all of these seasonings together in a mortar, and put them into one gallon of vinegar, and boil briskly for fifteen minutes. Pour the whole over your onions whilst boiling, put on a close cover, and keep the jar in the sun for several days. Be sure that the pickles are well covered with vinegar. The above quantity of vinegar is enough to cover two gallons of onions. Add sugar to the taste. Two pounds of good brown sugar to this quantity would be about right for most persons. This pickle has been much admired.

TOMATO SCRAMBLE.—Take a three-pound can of tomatoes, put the contents on the stove in a stew-pan, with the seasoning of a tablespoonful of butter and a little pepper and salt, and let them cook for five minutes. Then stir in a pint of bread-crumbs, and lastly add six eggs beaten up very light, stirring them in with the tomatoes, and beating up all together. Let them cook until the eggs are set. Take care not to let them scorch, and dish up quickly, serve hot.

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