

SCHOLARS' NOTES.

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Studies in the Acts of the Apostles.

LESSON VIII.—MAY 21. THE FAITHFUL SAYING.—1 TIMOTHY 1: 15-20. AND 2: 1-6. COMMIT VERSES 15-17.

GOLDEN TEXT.

This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.—1 Tim. 1: 15.

CENTRAL TRUTH.

Jesus Christ is the one Saviour for all men.

DAILY READINGS.

- M. 1 Tim. 1: 1-10. T. 1 Tim. 2: 1-15. W. 1 Tim. 3: 1-16. Th. 1 Tim. 4: 1-10. F. 1 Tim. 5: 1-25. Sa. 1 Tim. 6: 1-11. Su. 1 Tim. 6: 1-14.

ATTENTION.—St. Paul, aged 62 or 63. He was released from prison, March A. D. 63. Not long after he had written the Epistle to the Philippians. From Rome he went to Antioch, Colosse, Ephesus, Crete, Greece and perhaps to Spain.

TIMOTHY.—Born at Lestra, in Lyconia, Asia Minor, about A. D. 25. His father was a Greek and a heathen, his mother Lois, and grand-mother Eunice, were Jews, and became Christians during Paul's first missionary journey, A. D. 51. On his second journey Paul associated Timothy with him, and he was Paul's almost constant companion till the death of A. D. 68, when Paul sent him to preside over the church at Ephesus. He died a martyr, probably about A. D. 96.

INTRODUCTION.—Paul, having left Timothy for a time, writes him a long letter full of the wisest advice.

HELPS OVER HARD PLACES.

IS A FAITHFUL SAYING—one worthy of being believed. OF WHOM I AM CHIEF—in the light of his present experience of a godless, his past was even exceedingly great. Only God's love is greater. IN ME FIRST—not in point of time, but the chief. A PATTERN—an example of how God's love can change the greatest sinner. IF A WISEMAN Hebrew word meaning "a truth," "as he felt it." IS SON TIMOTHY—not his natural but his spiritual son. Timothy had not been like a son to the older Paul, and was loved as a son. THE PROPRIETOR—the things he had in his early life, and at his ordination, that he should do. He was a young man of promise. BY THEM—said and do. HYGIEINE—probably the false teacher of 2 Tim. 2: 17. ALEXANDER—the oppressor. 2 Tim. 4: 14. TO SO WERE CRUELTY in Ephesus of the truth just spoken. DELIVERED INTO SATAN—excommunicated from the church, and perhaps allowed Satan to afflict their bodies and to try their souls with remorse. 4 WHO WILL HAVE ALL MEN SAVED—God wishes men all to be saved. He has prepared salvation for all. INVITE ALL, loves all, has sent his spirit upon all. IT ONLY FALLS IN BECAUSE they refuse to be saved. 5 ONE GOD—our God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, one God seeking the salvation of all; therefore we should pray for all, and seek the salvation of all.

QUESTIONS.

INTRODUCTION.—Whose did Paul go after he was released from prison at Rome? From what place did he write this letter? To whom? What can you tell about Timothy? Where was he at this time? What does it mean?

SUBJECT: SALVATION THROUGH JESUS CHRIST.

I. THE SAVIOUR (vs. 15, 3, 6).—What was a faithful saying? Why is it worthy of being believed? How could Jesus come into the world? Why did he come? What did he do that sinners might be saved? What was meant by his being a mediator? A ransom? Could not God have saved sinners without the atonement of Christ? (Act. 17: 30.) What is the result of how salvation comes through Jesus Christ.

II. AN EXAMPLE OF THIS SALVATION (vs. 15, 16).—What did Paul say about Timothy? (1 Tim. 1: 13.) What had he thought of himself formerly? (Acts 26: 9.) Why did he obtain mercy? Of what was he not capable? How is this an encouragement to believe, and to labor for others?

III. PRAISE FOR THE SALVATION (v. 17).—By what words does Paul represent God? How does salvation by Jesus honor and glorify God?

IV. THE HUMAN SIDE OF SALVATION (vs. 19-20).—What charge did Paul lay upon Timothy? What is meant by the prophecies that went before on him? What warfare is referred to? What are the things mentioned as necessary to success in it? What is it to "hold faith"? What is a good conscience? Why must the two go together? What is the result of putting away a good conscience? Who had done it? What befel them for it? Meaning of "delivered unto Satan." What was the object of this punishment?

V. PRAYERS FOR THE PROGRESS OF SALVATION (vs. 1-3).—What four kinds of prayer are here named? Why should we pray for our men? Why especially for our rulers? Are we ever selfish men in our prayers? Under what circumstances will Christians make most progress?

VI. GOD'S DESIRE FOR THE SALVATION OF ALL MEN (vs. 4-6).—What does God desire for all men? Name some of his Scriptures that express this feeling? (Ezek. 18: 31, 32; 33: 11; 2 Pet. 3: 9.) What has God done to show this desire? What must we do to have the result of argument in vs. 4, 5 why we should pray for all men and seek their salvation?

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.

I. Jesus Christ is the one great Saviour of all men.

II. The more holy any one grows the more does sin appear in his eyes.

III. The Christian life is a warfare against sin in the heart and in the world.

IV. No one can keep the Christian faith unless he lives the Christian life.

V. God desires the salvation of all men.

VI. If any are not saved, it is because they refuse the salvation God has prepared for them.

VII. We should pray and labor for the salvation of all men.

COMMERCIAL.

MONTREAL, May 11, 1885.

The British grain markets are much quieter and values are easier. Red winter wheat is quoted at 7s 9d to 8s 0d; Canadian Peas at 6s. 3d.

The local grain market is stagnant. There are no buyers. Values are easy, but in absence of business quotations are purely nominal. We quote:—Canada Red Winter, 98c to \$1.00; Canada White, 96c to \$1.00; Canada Spring, 97c to \$1.00; Peas, 78c to 79c per 60 lbs.; Oats, 35c to 40c; Rye, 63c to 65c; Barley, 50c to 60c; Corn 60c.

FLOUR.—Values are very much easier, but there are no buyers at present. We quote:—Superior Extra, \$4.90 to \$5.00; Extra Superfine, \$4.80; Fancy, \$4.70 to \$4.75; Spring Extra, \$4.65 to \$4.75; Superfine, \$4.40 to \$4.50; Strong Bakers, (Canadian), \$4.75 to \$5.00; Strong Bakers' (American), \$5.25 to \$5.50; Fine, \$4.10 to \$4.25; Middlings, \$3.75 to \$3.85; Ontario bags, (bags included) Medium, \$2.25 to \$2.30; do., Spring Extra, \$2.20 to \$2.25; Superfine, \$2.15 to \$2.20; City Bags, (delivered), \$2.55 to \$2.60.

MEALS.—Oatmeal, \$2.30 to \$2.40.

DAIRY PRODUCE.—Butter.—The market is quiet at the following for now:—Creamery, 20c to 22c; Eastern Townships, 17c to 18c; Morrisburg and Brockville, 15c to 17c; Western, 14c to 15c. Cheese is quoted at 9c to 10c for fine to choice. The public scale is four shillings lower than at our last report being now at 56s.

Eggs are in fair supply and good demand at 12 1/2 per dozen, in cases—a drop of 1 1/2 during the past week.

HOG PRODUCTS are rather lower again. We quote:—Western Mess Pork \$14.75 to \$15.00; do Short Cut, \$15.00 to \$15.50; Canada Short Cut, \$15.00 to \$15.75 Mess Beef, \$15.50; India Mess Beef, \$25.00; Hams, city cured, 11c to 12c; Lard, in pairs, Western, 10c to 10c; Canadian 9c; Bacon, 11c; shoulders, 9c to 10c; Tallow, common refined, 6c to 6 1/2c.

SYRUP AND SUGAR are selling at 60c to 70c, as to quality, in tins, or 6c to 7c per lb. in wood, for the former, and 7 1/2c to 9c per lb. for the latter.

ASHES are cheaper at \$3.75 to \$3.85, as to tares, for Pots.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

The prices of prime cattle are rather firmer owing to an improved demand for shipment to Britain, but rough and leanish stock are dull of sale with rather lower rates, especially for the more lean offering than usual. Choice heaves bring from 4 1/2 to 5c per lb. and in some cases a little more for choice shipping steers. Rough and leanish animals bring from 3c to 4 1/2c and some of the poorer beasts realize not much over 2 1/2c per lb. There was a glut in the calf market last week and some lots were sold at very low rates, but there is a slight improvement again this week. Prices are from \$1.50 to \$4.00 for inferior to common veals and choice animals bring from \$6.00 to \$10.00 each. Sheep are in fair supply at about 5c per lb and spring lambs at from \$2.75 to \$5.00 each. Live hogs are plentiful at about 5 1/2c per lb. Milch cows have been plentiful of late but there is an active demand for the best milkers at from \$45.00 to \$55.00 each, while common cows sell at about \$20.00 each and small lean bossies at about \$20.00. There is not much doing in the horse market at present.

FARMERS' MARKET.

The wet weather and bad roads have prevented many farmers lately from bringing their produce to the markets, but to-day (Tuesday) there is a pretty good turnout of both farmers and market gardeners with liberal supplies of produce, for which there is an active demand at about former rates. Grain is rather scarce and prices firm, but potatoes and other roots are plentiful and cheap. Butter and eggs are both plentiful and prices have a downward tendency. Dressed hogs are more plentiful and lower in price. There is a better

supply of hay and prices are declining. Oats are 90c to \$1.00 per bag; peas, 80c to 90c per bushel; beans \$1.25 to \$1.50 do.; potatoes 30c to 40c per bag; turnips, carrots, and beets, 30c to 50c per barrel; onions 50c to \$1.00 do.; cabbages 75c to \$1.00 per barrel; butter, new, 15c to 35c per lb.; eggs 13c to 20c per dozen; apples \$3.00 to \$4.50 per barrel; dressed hogs 7c to 7 1/2c per lb.; turkeys 10c to 15c per lb.; fowls 12c to 14c do.; ducks 14c to 15c do.; hay \$9.00 to \$12.50 per 100 bundles.

NEW YORK, May 11, 1885.

GRAIN.—Wheat, 104 1/2 June \$1.05 1/2; \$1.07 1/2 August; \$1.08 1/2 September. Corn, 56c nom. May; 55 1/2c June; 56 July; 56 1/2c August. Oats, 40c May and June; 40 1/2c July; 38 1/2c August.

FLOUR is rather lower this week. The following are the quotations:—Spring Wheat, Superfine, \$3.45 to \$3.85; Low Extra, \$3.50 to \$4.40; Clear, \$4.10 to \$4.75; Straight, \$4.40 to \$5.25; Patent, \$5.25 to \$6.25. Winter Wheat—Superfine, \$3.65 to \$3.95; Low Extra, \$3.75 to \$4.40; Clear (R. and A.), \$4.50 to \$4.90; Straight (R. and A.), \$4.80 to \$5.00; 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, \$3.80 to \$4.00; West India, barrels, \$5.10 to \$5.15; Patent, \$5.15 to \$6.00; South America, \$5.00 to \$6.00; Patent \$5.10 to \$6.15. Southern Flour—Extra \$4.10 to \$5.40; Family, \$4.55 to \$5.75; Patent, \$5.25 to \$6.25; Rye Flour—Fine to Superfine, \$3.20 to \$4.65.

MEALS.—Cornmeal, \$3.40 to \$3.50 in brls.

FEED.—100 lbs. or sharps, \$20 to \$21; 100 lbs. or No. 1 middlings, \$18 to \$19; 80 lbs. or No. 2 middlings, \$16 to \$17.50; 60 lbs. or No. 1 feed, \$16.00 to \$17.50; 50 lbs. or medium feed, \$16.00 to \$17.00; 40 lbs. or No. 2 feed, \$16.00 to \$17.50. Rye feed, \$18.00 to \$19.00.

DAIRY PRODUCE.—Butter (new)—Creamery, ordinary to fancy, 17c to 25c; State Half Cream, ordinary to fancy, 17c to 23c; Western Dairy, ordinary to choice imitation creamery, 13c to 15c; Western factory, ordinary to choice, 8c to 13c. (Old)—State Dairy, general run to best, 7c to 14c; Western, 6c to 10c; Grease, 4 1/2c to 5c. Cheese (New)—State factory, inferior to choice, 4c to 10 1/2c; Ohio Flats, good to prime, 9c to 9 1/2c; Skims, Pennsylvania, common to prime, 1c to 2 1/2c. (Old)—State factory, ordinary to best, 5c to 10 1/2c.

Eggs.—State and Pennsylvania, in brls., 14c to 14 1/2c; Canadian, fine, 13c to 14c; Western, poor to fancy, 13c to 13 1/2c; Southern, 12c to 12 1/2c; Duck eggs, 15c to 19c; goose eggs, 33 to 35.

A DESPATCH from Bonito, in the state of New Mexico, gives the facts concerning a maniac's wild crimes which ended in his killing seven people and finally getting shot himself. Martin Nelson, the central figure of the story, who was sleeping in the same room with Dr. Flynn, formerly of Boston, in a house of a man named Mayberry, rose from his bed and, while committing robbery, shot and killed Flynn. The firing aroused the family, when Nelson shot and killed Mayberry, his wife and two sons, and fatally wounded the daughter. A neighbor was alarmed and came to the house, and he too was shot dead. It was supposed that the murderer remained in the house, and a posse of citizens watched it to prevent his escape. The guard was surprised to hear a shot from the rear, and Herman Beck fell dead. Nelson then came down the street firing a Winchester until he was shot dead. Nelson when sane was a good citizen. The scene at Mayberry's house beggars description. The bodies of the family, clad in their night clothes, were found lying through the house.

THE REV. PETER CRUDDEN, who died in Lowell, Massachusetts, left half a million, of which he bequeathed an ironical \$1 to each of his three brothers and three sisters, and the remainder to another of his sisters.

THE CEREMONY of unveiling the bust of the poet Coleridge took place in London in Westminster Abbey. The bust was placed between those of Shakespeare and Campbell. Dean Bradley made a short speech in which he paid a high tribute to Mr. Lowell. The ceremony, he said, would add another link to the many that already bound together England and America. In reply Mr. Lowell, who was also present at the ceremony, said: All the waters of the Atlantic cannot wash out of the consciousness of either nation that we hold our intellectual property in common. Literary traditions and the fame of those who shed lustre upon our race remain an undivided inheritance.

THE PRESIDENT OF PANAMA, of the United States of Columbia, has taken a tour through the United States passing through Philadelphia, Washington, Pittsburgh and Niagara Falls, after which he visited Montreal. He said he was just on a trip to visit the country and that the recent rebellion was nearly at an end, but that business had been greatly interfered with.

MAXWELL, the supposed murderer of Preller, has been arrested in Auckland, New Zealand. He has employed a lawyer and will resist extradition.

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