

using the blackboard because they cannot draw well. A finished picture is all well enough for one who knows how to make one, but a few rude lines will often illustrate a lesson quite as well. There is certainly no danger in this case of the children being so captivated with the beauty of the picture as to forget the lesson. On top of the crooked line, a dot, or a cross, or a perpendicular line may represent the position of Moses. Other dots or marks beyond the foot of the hill may represent the two armies. Then go on with the story, bringing in Aaron and Hur as the narrative advances.

Impress on the class the duty of prayer as indicated by the stretching forth of hands. Show how even the prayers of children may help a teacher and a minister, just as Aaron and Hur helped to hold up the hands of Moses.

#### Miscellaneous.

##### THEMES FOR BIBLE READINGS.

1. THE WARFARE. 1 Tim. i. 18; 2 Cor. vii. 5; 1 Tim. vi. 12.
2. THE ENEMY. Judges vi. 3; 1 Sam. xvii. 4-11; Eph. vi. 12.
3. THE ARMOR. Eph. vi. 10-19; Rom. xiii. 12; Heb. iv. 12; 2 Cor. vi. 7.
4. THE POLICY. 2 Tim. ii. 4; Col. iii. 17; Psa. xx. 7; Prov. xx. 18; Eccles. ix. 14-18.
5. THE ENGAGEMENT. Heb. xii. 4; 1 Sam. xvii. 45-50; Matt. iv. 1-11.
6. THE "LORD MY BANNER." Psa. cxliv. 1; Judges vii. 7; 1 Sam. xiv. 6; Psa. cxxi. 1, 2; lvi. 9; Jer. xxvi. 6; Psa. xx. 5.
7. THE VICTORY. Psa. xlvi. 9; Isa. ii. 4; Rev. xvii. 14; 1 John v. 4; 2 Tim. iv. 6-8.

#### Blackboard Exercises.

Another three months of study about the Wisdom, Power, Love, and Mercy of the Lord, as shown in the deliverance of his people Israel, makes it the more fitting for us to devote this our review day to a review of our lives during the past quarter, and cause us to offer praise to Him for his mercy to us.

"I will sing unto the Lord, for he hath triumphed gloriously."

"The Lord is my strength and song, and he is become my salvation."

#### Review Reading for the Month.

Between the Egyptians and the Israelites there was a ——. Moses stretched out his —— over the ——. The children of —— went into the —— upon —— and the Egyptians following were ——. The Israelites came to the wilderness of ——. They found no ——. They came to ——, where the waters were ——. Moses sweetened the —— by means of a ——. At Elim they found —— wells, and —— palm trees. They next went to the wilderness of ——, where they murmured. God sent them —— from heaven. At Rephidim they fought with —— and conquered. The name of the —— which Moses built is ——.

TOPICS AND GOLDEN TEXTS.— *Deliverance*: FAITH; *Water*: HEALING; *Foot*: BREAD; *Victory*: ENEMIES; *Leader*: GODS...HOLINESS...WONDERS.

#### LESSONS FOR APRIL.

- APRIL 5. The Ten Commandments. Exod. xx. 1-17.  
 APRIL 12. The Golden Calf. Exod. xxxii. 1-6, 19-20.  
 APRIL 19. The People Forgiven. Exod. xxxiii. 12-20.  
 APRIL 26. The Tabernacle Set Up. Exod. xl. 17-30.

#### "BY-AND-BY—THINK OF THAT!"

On a cold, windy March day I stopped at an apple-stand, whose proprietor was a rough-looking Italian. I alluded to the severe weather, when with a cheerful smile and tone, he replied, "Yes, pritty cold; but by-and-by—tink of dat!" In other words, the time of warm skies, flowers and songs is near. The humble vendor little thought of the impression made by his few words, any more than we usually appreciate the responsibility which attends the power of speech. "By-and-by—think of that!" Yes, soul in trial, shivering in the frost of disappointment or winds of adversity, there is a sweet by-and-by; think of that, if faith in God your Saviour permits you to; for soon the eternal light and melody shall be yours. What soothing, animating power in those simple words, all along the path of Christian pilgrimage! Under every shadow, in every tearful experience, say to the troubled spirit, "By-and-by—think of that!"