make? How did the others show that they were wise? What did they all do? Why?

7-9 At what time were they awakened? How? Who was coming? Who had no oil? Of whom did they ask a supply? Why did these not give it?

10-13 Who were admitted to the marriage? Who came afterwards? What was their request? What did the bridegroom answer? What does Jesus bid us do?

Seniors and the Home Department—What visitors had come to Jesus? Where and to whom did He utter the Lesson parable?

1-6 Of what kingdom does Jesus speak? What does He tell about it? Describe ancient lamps. Tell what you know of Eastern wedding customs. Which other parable refers to a marriage feast? (Matt. 22:1-14.) Give a warning from Paul against sloth. (Rom. 13:11.)

7-9 It is possible for us to save one another? (Ps. 49:7.) Show that each of us must give an account "of himself". (Rom. 14:12.)

10-13 Who will finally separate between the good and the bad? (Matt. 25:31,32.)

The Catechism

Ques. 31. Effectual calling. This is a calling of the Spirit of God that is effectual in saving the soul, which preaching the gospel may or may not be. It is a "work," not an "act," because there are different stages in it.

The steps are: (1) to "convince us of our sin and misery": we must be subdued to God's way of looking at things; (2) to "enlighten our minds," because naturally we are blind to the beauty and sufficiency of Christ; (3) to "renew our wills," which are by nature and habit set in the w ong direction. It is the Spirit's aim to bring us to Christ; but He does not compel us. He "persuades" and "enables" us; but we must make choice of Christ for ourselves.

The Question on Missions

Ques. 38. From the beginning of his work, Dr. MacKay went everywhere preaching the Word. W. C. Burns, the famous early missionary to China, was not a more indefatigable itinerant evangelist than he. But he differed from Burns, in that he had as great a genius for organization as for preaching, and wherever a few converts were made, they were persuaded to build a small place of worship. Then he set himself, from the start, to train a native ministry, taking those he selected for the work with him on all his preaching tours. and training them to preach while grounding them in theology. His knowledge of medicine he turned to good account in relieving and healing the sick. Notwithstanding the strain of extreme heat and malarial fevers, he continued his work almost without interruption, save for his two furloughs to Canada.

FOR TEACHERS OF THE LITTLE ONES

Lesson Subject-Jesus commanding us to watch.

Introduction-Mary, did you ever watch at the door or gate or window for father to come

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home? You clapped your hands and ran to meet him, and he took you up in his arms. You have all watched for somebody. One day in driving through the country we spied a merry group of little people sitting on a fence beside the big gate leading into their farm. They looked so clean and sweet and happy. "Why are you sitting here?" we asked. "Watching for father," was the reply. "He may come any time and we don't want to miss him. We'll all get in and ride with him to the house." Jesus told