

BAMBOOZLING GRANDMA.

"There never was a grandma half so good!"

He whispered while beside her chair he stood,

And laid his rosy cheek,
With manner very meek,

Against her dear old face in loving mood.

"There never was a nicer grandma born;
I know some little boys must be forlorn,
Because they've none like you.

I wonder what I'd do

Without a grandma's kisses night and morn?"

"There never was a dearer grandma—
there!"

He kissed her and he smoothed her snow-white hair;

Then fixed her ruffled cap,
And nestled in her lap,

While grandma, smiling, rocked her old arm-chair.

"When I'm a man what things to you I'll bring;

A horse and carriage, and a watch and ring.

All grandmas are so nice
(Just here he kissed her twice),

And grandmas give a good boy every-thing."

Before his dear old grandma could reply
This boy looked up, and with a rufish eye

Then whispered in her ear,
That nob-dy might hear:

"Say, grandma, have you any more mince pie?"

LESSON NOTES.

THIRD QUARTER.

WORDS AND WORKS OF JESUS AS RECORDED
IN THE GOSPELS.

LESSON XII.—SEPTEMBER 16.

**JESUS SILENCES THE PHARISEES AND
SADDUCEES.**

Mark 12. 13. 27. Memory verse, 27.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Render to Caesar the things that are
Caesar's, and to God the things that are
God's.—Mark 12. 17.

LESSON STORY.

During Christ's public ministry of three years there were always some mean people who tried to pick flaws in what he said and did, to find fault with him. Especially on the alert were the Pharisees and Sadducees, who were very religious and thought themselves better than other people.

But Jesus in his quiet way was always able to show them in the wrong rather

than himself. One day they thought they had a trap for him. They wanted to prove that he was disloyal to his own Jewish nation. So they put a catchey question to him. But he was able to answer it fairly and rightly and to show these deceptive men the importance of attending to spiritual affairs as well as temporal ones. Others tried to present difficulties about the future life, making out that it was foolish to talk of the dead coming to life again.

Again Jesus showed how wrong they were, for the soul of man is immortal, which means that we shall live again.

QUESTIONS FOR THE YOUNGEST.

1. What kind of people were the Pharisees and the Sadducees? People who pretended to be very good.

2. Did they like Jesus? No.

3. Why? Because he taught what they did not like.

4. What were they always doing? Trying to catch him in a fault.

5. What did Jesus do? He exposed their wrong purpose.

6. What did he show was most important? "The things of God."

7. What is meant by the things of God? Goodness, kindness, love, truth, unselfishness.

THIRD QUARTERLY REVIEW.

LESSON XIII.—SEPTEMBER 23.

GOLDEN TEXT.

And they were astonished at his doctrine, for his word was with power.—Luke 4. 32.

REVIEW.

1. What is the first lesson about? Jesus and the children.

2. What is the lesson for me? Jesus loves me, a little child.

3. What is the second lesson about? Duty of forgiveness.

4. What is the lesson for me? I must forgive others.

5. What is the third lesson about? The Good Samaritan.

6. What is the lesson for me? I must be kind and merciful.

7. What is the fourth lesson about? Jesus teaching how to pray.

8. What is the lesson for me? Jesus will receive me.

9. What is the fifth lesson about? Jesus dines with a Pharisee.

10. What is the lesson for me? I must be modest and humble.

11. What is the sixth lesson about? False excuses.

12. What is the lesson for me? It is wrong to make excuses.

13. What is the seventh lesson about? The parable of two sons, our Heavenly Father's.

14. What is the lesson for me? God's love is greater than our earthly father's.

15. What is the eighth lesson about? The Judge, the Pharisee, and the Publican.

16. What is the lesson for me? God is very merciful.

17. What is the ninth lesson about? The rich young ruler.

18. What is the lesson for me? We must deny ourselves many things.

19. What is the tenth lesson about? Bartimeus and Zaccheus.

20. What is the lesson for me? Jesus came to save all.

21. What is the eleventh lesson about? Jesus enters Jerusalem in triumph.

22. What is the lesson for me? Let us rejoice that Jesus is our King.

23. What is the twelfth lesson about? Jesus silences the Pharisees and the Sadducees.

24. What is the lesson for me? We should always try to do the things that please God.

HARRY AND THE SQUIRRELS.

Harry had gone with his mother to market, and had spent the only three pennies he had in the world in buying peanuts for the squirrels in the grounds of the State house.

As Harry and his mother entered the grounds, an old woman with a big basket full of provisions on her arm brushed past them. She had gone only a little way when she stopped to look at the little creatures.

The moment she stood still, the squirrels ran toward her from every direction, thinking she wanted to feed them. Not understanding this, and being terribly frightened, the old woman screamed, and, dropping the basket, ran off as hard as she could go.

The old woman was very glad when Harry carried her basket to her, and very much surprised to see him stand still and let the squirrels run all over his collar and his little red mittens.

"If I were your mother, you shouldn't do that," she said, as she walked away.

Harry laughed. "I'm glad I have a mother who isn't afraid of squirrels," he said.

Mary and Willie, aged respectively six and four, were sitting together in one large rocking-chair near a window during a heavy thunder-storm. As the lightning grew more vivid and the thunder more terrific, Mary who sat nearest the open window, began to be greatly frightened; but her little brother very promptly said: "Let me sit on the thunder side, sister." Was ever anything more beautifully polite or truly chivalrous?