Josiah's Good Reign

money for the hospital in Seoul, which now bears his name.

In classes of older scholars, after bringing out the facts in connection with the establish-

FOR TEACHERS OF

A Look Forward-Our lesson shows us God teaching his people that he allows children to serve him.

Lesson Thought-Teach the children that they should serve God.

Approach to the Lesson-Beside a summer cottage there grew the strangest looking tree. It grew up a little bit, then turned and grew across, and then up again like this (outline), and it made a fine place for the girls and boys to play riding

horseback. "However did the tree get into that crooked shape ?" you ask.

Let me whisper the secret. "That tree got crooked when it was young." "As the twig is bent so the tree is inclined," says an old proverb. Did you know you can make a tree grow any way you want if you bend it when it is young? (All stand up and raise arms up straight. This is the way young trees should grow.)

Now let me whisper something else: "Boys and girls are something like trees in this way. If they keep straight and goodwhile they are young, they will grow up straight and good."

Review-Our last lesson told us about somebody who did not grow up right. Who can tell me who he was, and how he showed that his life was "crooked," and how his life began to point upward again ?

A Good Young King-Our lesson to-day tells about a good young king who showed that his life was "straight" and pointing in the right direction. Let us look at a "pen picture" of this young king Josiah. (Read ment, of the Severance Hospital, lay special emphasis on the place of prayer in the obtaining of the hospital and discuss the place and value of medical mission work.

THE LITTLE ONES

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vs. 1, 2 of the lesson.) This boy king had a very wicked grandfather, King Amon, and a father who was partly bad and partly good,-Manasseh, whom we heard about last Sunday. Tell the story of the boy king and of the good

> work that God allowed him to do. Although he was so young God allowed him to be king. (Read to the class vs. 3-8, putting it in simple story form.)

Clearing out the Images-Picture his officers going about the city and all over the land

tearing down altars and destroying the ugly images. When this was done, Josiah began to repair the house of the Lord which had been sadly neglected and had got very much out of order. When they were clearing up the temple the men found some of the collection money which had been left in the treasury chests. They took this money to the high priest and he used it to pay the workmen who repaired the temple, vs. 8-11. How faithfully and cheerfully the men worked! Each did what he could. Some played on musical instruments while the others worked, and so they helped on the work, vs. 12, 13.

Golden Text-"Remember also thy Creator in the days of thy youth." (All repeat.) Think of ways in which children may serve God. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me," Jesus said.

Hymn-(with gestures)-Sing Hymn 532, Book of Praise.

What the Lesson Teaches Me-I SHOULD SERVE GOD.

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