

Sunday School.

LESSON XI.—SEPT. 10, 1911.

Daniel and His Companions.—Temperance Lesson.—Dan. 1: 8-20.

Commentary. I. Daniel's purpose and request (vs. 8-13). Daniel... was a relative of King Zedekiah... He was in Babylon during the entire period of the seventy years' captivity...

the three companions of Daniel were also in the request for a simple diet. Children—it is probable that the youths were about sixteen years of age.

11. Melzar. "The steward."—R. V. This is not a proper name, but the term evidently denotes some subordinate official, appointed by the chief of the court...

12. Prove thy servants. Daniel and his companions had confidence in the course they desired to take. They believed that if they honored God in keeping his law he would honor them and give them prosperity...

13. As thou seest, deal with thy servants. Temperance never fears tests; it is intemperance and the liquor dealers who foster it, that are afraid to be investigated.

Chaldeans were the most proficient. Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams—Visions were revelations to the prophets when awake, and dreams when asleep. God thus made one of the despised covenant people eclipse the Chaldean sages in the very science on which they most prided themselves.

14. He consented—"Hearkened."—R. V. "A courteous request obtained favor where a peremptory demand might have been refused." The steward may have been the more ready to grant the request, since the test was for only ten days...

tion he would hardly have recovered his faith at a later time. The favor of God was more to him than life. This was a crisis in Daniel's early life. The seemingly insignificant circumstances former his battle-field of great principles.

15. Influenced others to obey God. Daniel's courage was influential and victorious. Moderation meant mastery. Daniel's consistent, goodly, upright life proved a great power with those who were over him and with his companions.

16. Daniel's purpose in his heart. He adopted the most prudent measures to accomplish the object he had in view. God stood by Daniel and gave him favor before the monarch...

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MARKET REPORTS

FARMERS' MARKETS. Dressed hogs \$10.50 \$11.00. Butter, choice 25 30. Do, inferior 20 22. Eggs, dozen 25 30.

THE FRUIT MARKET. The receipts of fruit to-day were fairly large, and prices generally firm. Apples, bbl. \$3.00 \$3.25. Peaches, com. basket 40 50.

SUGAR MARKET. Sugars are quoted in Toronto, in bags, per cwt., as follows: Extra granulated, St. Lawrence \$5.55.

CATTLE MARKET. Toronto despatch.—The market is dragging this morning in everything except choice butcher cattle, common and poor quality being in very poor demand.

GRAIN MARKET. Toronto despatch.—Better crop weather in the west and lower option prices influenced a fractional decline in wheat.

and oats this morning. Latest quotations: Ontario wheat—No. 2 winter wheat, 83c to 84c outside; new wheat 82c to 83c.

OTHER MARKETS. BUFFALO LIVE STOCK. East Buffalo.—Cattle—Receipts, 175; slow and steady. Veals—Receipts, 50; active and steady; \$5.50 to \$9.50. Hogs—Receipts, 1,000; fairly active at 5 to 10c lower; heavy and mixed, \$7.75 to \$7.90.

CHEESE MARKET. Madeo, Ont.—At the cheese market today 300 boxes of cheese were boarded; all sold at 13 1/2-16c and 13 1/4c.

WINNIPEG GRAIN MARKET. Open. High. Low. Close. Wheat—98 1/4 98 1/4 97 3/4 97 3/4. Barley—101 1/2 101 1/2 101 1/4 101 1/4.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK. Chicago despatch: Cattle—Receipts at 22,000; market steady to 10c lower; beefs \$5 to \$8.15; Texas steers \$4.40 to \$6.35; western steers, \$4.25 to \$7.10; stockers and feeders \$3 to \$5.50; cows and heifers \$2.25 to \$6.25; calves \$6 to \$9.

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17. He was as immovable as the granite hills around his old home in Jerusalem. His will was invincible, his determination was unshaken, his purpose was inflexible. Seeing a bridge and joining a temperance society had been condemned because of their inadequacy. This is a mistake. The purpose, "I will not drink," is a long step toward trusting Christ to keep one from drink.

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