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I don't see as Nell's a bit gooder for being a Christian. I don't b'lieve it makes any difference."
"Nor I," responded Teddy with alacrity. What alacrity away to the son't try any more, I guess, for its awful hard work."
"Yoor Nell'scheeks were blazing. Shep ut it was, but something substantial, toothsome and satisfying. Mass Macherson "deals the bread to the hungry" in no niggard fashion.
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went downstairs and finished her work, then she shut herself up again. "I could pack my trunk, leave every-body and everything, and go as a mission-ary to the cannibals easier than I cang down-stairs and asy I am sorry to then," she said. For Nell felt sure that she ought and must do just that--that she must confess and ask human forgivenessa well as divine. The clock struck five. Nell knelt down by the bedide. When she arose she went resolutely down-stairs. Margie was playing house in the dining-room. Teddy was perched on the table team and pair and commanden not to sit there! Jennie was picking over berries for tea. Nell paused irresolutely. Surely she need not do it now, some other time will do as well, but then, Jennie ought to know, low stairs do it now, some other time will do as well, but then, Jennie ought to know, for ahe hab been a stumbing block to ber also. Teddy, knowing full well that he was on forbiddeu ground, prepared himself for marking "". "Toddy" and prepared himself for "". Toddy" and wenge hand in do feltant, injured dignity.

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TAKE MOTHER TO CHURCH. True, her eye is dim, she cannot see as she once did ; her voice is weak, she cannot sing as she once did ; her car is dull, she cannot hear as she once did. She is not as she once was. The years have bowed her body, and her step toiters. But, dear heart, she wants to go to church yet. She has not lost her love for the house of the Lord. The Songs of Zion re-fresh her, and the Bread of Life nourishes her yearning soul. The "dark valley is be-fore her, may be near at hand, but she would more firmly lay hold of his rod, and his staff for the time of passage and peril. Her con-cious tells her to go. It is her privilege to go, and you, son, daughter, must take her. She has unquestionable claims on your strong arm, upon your time, attention and care. Her arm was weried with working for you. Lavisily her time, her attention, her care for you. For you she gave her strength. Full many a Lord's day she stay df from church because you were too young.

from church because you were too young, sick or too restless to be taken with her. For you she was compelled to give up the blessel privileges of many a Sabbath in the courts of the Lora's house. These days she

blessel privileges of many a Sabbath in the courts of the Lora's house. These days she should now enjoy, Take mother to church, and father, too Shame on that son or daughter who invents excuses and will not do it: "Horses too tired ; day too hot; can't do them any good; it's too much trouble." Yes this them to shouse. Drive dewin

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11's too much trouble." Yes, take them to church. Drive slowly. Hand them carefully, gently, from the wag-gon. Lead them safely to their seats. Help them in the services of the sanctuary, if they med your aid. Their souls take comfort and find strength while they wait before the Lord in his house. It cheers their hearts to meet old friends at the church door, to greet those who be-gan life with them, but who now, even as they, lean heavily upon the staff while they make the down-hill slope of life's pilgrim-age. They can gather a flower and drop a tear where they laid loved ones to sleep in the old church-yard long years ago. It makes the whole week bright if they may but spend the Lord's day in the Lord's house and with the Jord's people, in the Lord's service. Why not take them I You must. must.

God's holy commandment does not read

God's holy commandment does not read : " Honor thy father and thy mother while they are young and strong and able to help themselves." God demands honor from you for them as long as they live. Nor does it read : "Honor thy father and thy mother until thou are tighteen, or twenty-one, or thirty years of age." Long as you live it is your duty to honor them.—The Workman.

HINTS TO TEACHERS ON THE CUR-RENT LESSONS

(From Peloubet's Select Notes.)

January 18 .- Acts 20 : 28-38. SUGGESTIONS TO TEACHERS.

mislead. Let them tell who they are. Especially guard against pervertees of truth. Illustration. Those speakers of perverse things distort the truth, like those convex mirrors which make the looker-on appear very broad or very tall, according as they are turned, but never show him as he really is; or, like the glassigloberscometimes found hung up in gardens, which show a distorted theough beautiful landscape. Fourth counsel. How to guard against these enemies (vers. 31, 32). (1) By watch-ing (2) by remembering how others have alabored and cared for us: (3) by trusting in God; (4) by being upright in character; (5) by looking forward to our inheritance. Illustration. God's people are called the "annetimed" not because each one is perfect, but because as a whole they yer holy; as we sometimes see a tree in the autumn which is ratiant with red and gold, and yet not a single leaf is quite perfect, but aids by its own colors the glory of the whole. Fifth counsel. To follow Paul's example (vers 33.35.) In laboring to support him-self and to aid others.

self and to aid others. Sixth counsel. To remember the words of Jesus. Which his own life illustrated and proved true. It is more blessed to give than to receive. Receiving is blessed. Show

that to receive. Receiving is used. Since why giving is more blessed. Illustration. (1) We learn best by im-parting what we know. (2) The light that shines farthest is brightest in itself. Hid under a bushel, its own central light burns dimmer. (3) Cities grow rich by being centres of commerce, by giving out what

Question Corner.-No. 1.

BIBLE QUESTIONS.

What man hid one hundred prophets of the Lord in a cave to save them from the wrath of the king.
 Which of David's ancestors was a Mo-

abite, and what relation was this person to

3. To what tribe and what family did brist belong ? 4. Which of Christ's parables teaches us Christ b

to ask God again and again for what we want if we do not get it when we first ask ?

SCRIPTURE ENIGMA.

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2. The only prophet of whom a miracle is recorded after his death. 3. That which ends every day on earth,

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"to the needy"? 6. That which "fadeth not away, reserved in heaven" for believers. 7. That to which Job likens our days on