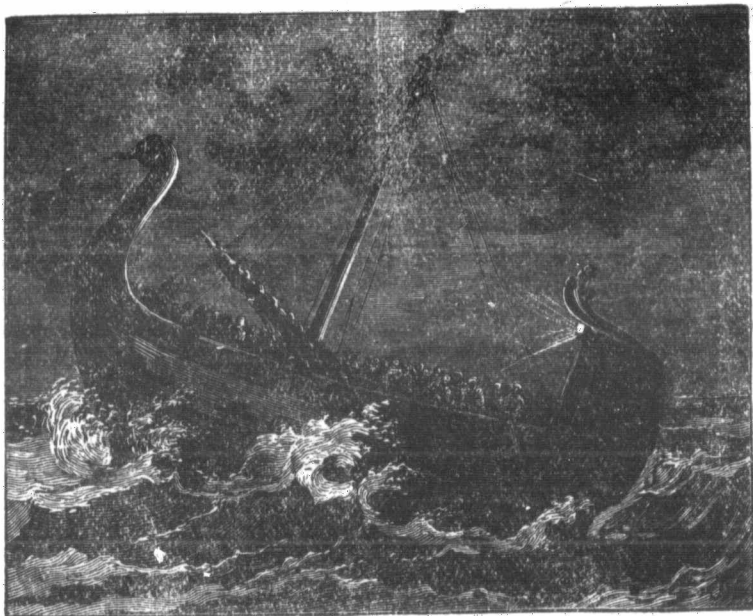


LESSON V.—October 31st, 1897.

Paul's Voyage and Shipwreck. ACTS 27 : 13-26.



GOLDEN TEXT : "Be of good cheer ; for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me." Acts 27 : 25.



13 And when the south wind blew softly, supposing that they had obtained *their* purpose, loosing *thence*, they sailed close by Crete.

14 But not long after there arose against it a tempestuous wind, called Eu-roc'ly-don.

15 And when the ship was caught, and could not bear up into the wind, we let *her* drive.

16 And running under a certain island which is called Clau'da, we had much work to come by the boat :

17 Which when they had taken up, they used helps, undergirding the ship ; and fearing lest they should fall into the quicksands, strake sail, and so were driven.

18 And we being exceedingly tossed with a tempest, the next *day* they lightened the ship ;

19 And the third *day* we cast ou twith our own hands the tackling of the ship.

20 And when neither sun nor stars in many days appeared, and no small tempest lay on *us*, all hope that we should be saved was then taken away.

21 But after long abstinence, Paul stood forth in the midst of them, and said, *Sirs*, ye should have hearkened unto me, and not have loosed from Crete, and to have gained this harm and loss.

22 And now I exhort you to be of good cheer : for there shall be no loss of *any man's* life among you, but of the ship.

23 For there s God by me this night the angel of God, whose I am, and whom I serve,

24 Saying, fear not. Paul ; Thou must be brought before Cæ'sar : and, lo, God hath given thee all them that sail with thee.

25 Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer : for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told to me.

26 Howbeit we must be cast upon a certain island.