

SCHOLARS' NOTES.

(From International Question Book)

Studies in the Acts of the Apostles.

LESSON VI.—MAY 10.

CHRIST OUR EXAMPLE.—PHIL. 2:1-16.

COMMIT VERSES 8-11.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus.—Phil. 2:5.

CENTRAL TRUTH.

The true aim of men, to be like Christ.

DAILY READINGS.

M. Phil. 1:1-13.

W. Phil. 2:1-13.

Th. Phil. 2:1-13.

F. Matt. 20:17-28.

Sa. Rom. 15:1-13.

Su. Heb. 1:3-14.

THE CHURCH AT PHILIPPI was planted by Paul and Silas in the second missionary journey A. D. 51. (See Acts 16.)

CIRCUMSTANCES.—The Philippian, who had a peculiar love for Paul, sent a contribution for his support while in prison. It was brought to Rome by Epaphroditus. When he returned Paul sent this letter by him.

HELPS OVER HARD PLACES.

5. LET THIS MIND.—The spirit of humility, and seeking the good of others, is the form of godliness that was not only God but had the glory and honor which belongs to God. The reality he could not change. The form, or appearance, he could lay aside. 7. MADE HIMSELF OF NO REPUTATION.—rather emptied himself, but took the form and outward appearance of God. A servant of God, as good men are. 9. A SAVED.—the name, i.e., of Jehovah, he made him first in the universe. As good he was to be here. Now the man Christ Jesus is thus exalted. 10. EVERY KNEE SHOULD BOW.—in worship and love, or in showing submission to his power. THINGS UNDER THE EARTH.—the dead, and perhaps demons. FEAR AND TREMBLING.—reverence, but cordialness lest we in so important a matter.

QUESTIONS.

INTRODUCTORY.—Give some account of the founding of the church at Philippi. (Acts 16.) Where was the Epaphroditus in the Philippian letter? What was the occasion of it?

SUBJECT: IMITATION OF CHRIST.

I. THE EXAMPLE OF CHRIST (vs. 1-16).—What was one danger in the Philippian Church? (Phil. 2:1-4.) By whose example would Paul teach them better things? What is it to imitate Christ? Must we imitate the things he did, or "the mind" of Christ? What is the benefit of having a high ideal.

II. HIS EXAMPLE IN SEEKING THE GOOD OF OTHERS (vs. 1-16).—What was Christ's aim in coming to this earth? What is said of him in John 1:13 and Hebrews 1:3, 17? Meaning of "being in the form of God." What of "though he was rich he emptied himself, and took the form and likeness of the humble servant, who was obedient unto death, even unto the death of a cross." How far did he carry this humiliation? What was his object in it? What "mind" or "will" did this show? In what ways may we imitate his example? What things will this lead us to avoid? (Phil. 1:17-2:3, 4.)

III. THE REWARD (vs. 9, 11).—How did God reward Christ? Meaning of vs. 10. Does vs. 11 mean that all the people in the world shall be Christians? How does confessing that Christ is the Lord Jehovah honor the Father? Did Christ humble himself for the sake of the reward? What did Christ say to us? (John 15:14.) How did he illustrate this truth? (John 14:1-15, 18, 21.)

IV. THE POWER (vs. 12-16).—What is meant by "salvation" here? What two elements of power were necessary to it? What part must they not? What is to work out this salvation? Why with fear and trembling? Who would help them? What does God do in their salvation? Could we do anything without him?

V. THE MOTIVES (vs. 14, 16).—What two things should they specially guard against? The evil of murmuring? or disputings? What kind of a world do they live in? What kind of a people should they be in it? Would it be better to leave such a world altogether? (John 17:15.) What should they do for the world? What is the word of life? In what ways may we hold it forth?

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.

I. We need a perfect human being for our ideal and pattern!

II. The true Christian ever seeks to be like Christ.

III. By being humble and unselfish like Christ, we shall avoid the envy, jealousy, love of honor and power, which would injure the Church of God.

IV. God exalts those who humble themselves.

V. Salvation is to be free from sin and to be like Christ and to live with him forever.

VI. We can work out our salvation, because God works in us as we can raise fruits and flowers because God works in us. (John 15:16.)

VII. God has left us in a sinful world that we may make it better.

MANY people buy from the bakers rolls, crumpets, and the like, which before serving, they heat in the morning. Hot rolls are thus obtained at a sacrifice of moisture, and they come upon the table dry and hard. This may be avoided by putting them in a brown paper bag. Pour water over the bag until it is thoroughly dampened, but not enough to make the paper pulp apart; place it in the oven on a pan, and when hot the rolls will be found superior in taste to those heated by the old method.

COMMERCIAL.

MONTREAL, April 28, 1885.

On the strength, apparently, of Mr. Gladstone's warlike speech in Parliament yesterday the English bread stuff markets are again firmer. Red winter wheat is quoted at 7s 11d to 8s 3d; Canadian Peas at 6s. 3d.

The local grain market is very dull, and without change. Holders are still firm, while buyers are not inclined to operate. We quote:—Canada Red Winter, 3s to 3l 00; White, 90c to 1 00; Canada Spring 97c to 1 00; Peas 75c to 79c; Oats, 35c to 40c; Rye, 63c to 65c; Barley, 50c to 60c; Corn 60c per bushel.

Flour.—The market is very quiet but firm. We quote:—Superior Extra, \$4.90; Extra Superior, \$4.75 to \$4.80; Fancy, \$4.60 to \$4.65; Spring Extra \$4.60 to \$4.70, Superior, \$4.40 to \$4.50; Strong Bakers, (Canadian), \$4.50 to \$4.70; Strong Bakers' (American,) \$5.00 to \$5.25; Fine, \$3.75 to \$3.90; Middlings, \$3.50 to \$3.60; Ontario lags, (bags included) Medium, \$2.25 to \$2.30; do., Spring Extra, \$2.15 to \$2.20; Superior, \$2.00 to \$2.10; City Bags, (delivered,) \$2.50.

MEALS.—Oatmeal, \$2.30 to \$2.40.

DAIRY PRODUCE.—Butter.—There is very little business doing in this market except in a jobbing way. Some new creamery is now on the market, and sells at about 23c. We quote:—New butter, 18c to 21c; Creamery, 18c to 21c; do., new, 23c; Eastern Townships, 10c to 16c; Morrisburg and Brockville, 9c to 14c; Western, 7c to 12c; to quality. Cheese is quiet at about 10c to 11c as to quality. The public cable is unchanged at 6s.

Eggs are in pretty good demand at 14 1/2 to 15c per dozen, in cases.

HOG PRODUCTS are quiet and unchanged. We quote:—Western Mess Pork \$15.75; do., Short Cut, \$16.00; Canada Short Cut, \$16.00 to \$16.50; Hams, city cured, 12c to 13c; do., green, 9c; Lard, in pails, Western, 10c to 10 1/2c; do., Can. 9 1/2c; Bacon, 11 1/2c to 12c; Tallow, common refined, 6c to 6 1/2c.

ASHEs are again lower, and the market is set at \$3.90 to \$3.95 per 100 lbs. for Pots.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Prices in the cattle market seem to have touched bottom and there has been a slight advance all round. A few head of the best heifers were sold lately at 5c per lb, but 4 1/2 is about the top of the market. Rough and heavy stock sell at from 3 1/2 to 4c per lb. Calves are rather scarce and prices higher. Choice veal bring from \$9 to \$12 each and common ones from \$3 to \$5 each. Sheep and lambs are advancing in price, sheep selling at about 5 1/2c per lb, and lambs at from \$4 to \$5.50 each. There is an improved demand for superior milk cows which sell at from \$45 to \$60 each, but common and small lean bosses are dull of sale and bring very low figures. Live hogs are plentiful and prices are unchanged at from 5 1/2c to 5 3/4c per lb. There is a pretty brisk trade in horses at present, both on local account as well as for exporting to the United States.

FARMERS' MARKET.

There has been a fair attendance of farmers, traders and market gardeners at the markets of late and most kinds of produce except hay and oats are plentifully supplied. Potatoes are very cheap, good early Rose can be bought for 30c per cart. Turnips, beets, onions and carrots are also more plentiful than usual and prices easier. There are no changes to note in the prices of butter and eggs. The prices of flour, meal and feed are slightly higher. Oats are 90c to \$1.00 per bag; peas, 80c to 90c per bushel; beans \$1.25 to \$1.50; do.; potatoes 28c to 40c per bag; turnips, carrots, and beets, 30c to 50c per bushel; onions 50c to \$1.00; do.; cabbage, 70c to \$1.00 per barrel; butter 10c to 15c per lb.; eggs 14c to 25c per dozen; apples \$3.00 to \$4.50 per barrel; dressed hogs 7c to 7 1/2c per lb.; young turkeys 10c to 15c per lb.; geese 9c to 10c; do.; fowls 10c to 14c; do.; ducks 14c to 15c; do.; hay \$9.00 to \$15.00 per 100 bundles.

New York, April 27, 1885.

GRAIN.—Wheat, \$1.00; May; \$1.02; bid June; \$1.04; July; \$1.05; August. Corn 57 1/2c May; 56 1/2c July; 57 1/2c. Oats, 41 1/2c bid May; 41 1/2c bid June.

FLOOR is slightly lower this week.

The following are the quotations:—Spring Wheat, Superfine, \$3.25 to \$3.55; Low Extra, \$3.30 to \$4.25; Clear, \$4.30 to \$4.50; Straight, \$4.20 to \$4.95; Patent, \$3.15 to \$6.15. Winter Wheat—Superfine, \$3.75 to \$3.90; Low Extra, \$3.85 to \$4.25; Clear (R. and A.), \$4.40 to \$4.70; Straight (R. and A.), \$4.65 to \$5.00; Patent, \$4.90 to \$6.00; Straight White Wheat, \$4.75 to \$5.55; Low Extra (City Mills), \$3.75 to \$3.90; West India, sacks, \$3.75 to \$3.95; West India, barrels, to \$5.00 to \$5.05; Patent, \$5.05; to \$6.00; South America, \$5.00 to \$6.00; Patent \$5.00 to \$6.00. Southern Flour—Extra \$4.00 to \$5.40; Family, \$4.80 to \$5.60; Patent, \$5.00 to \$6.10; Rye Flour—Fine to Superfine, \$3.15 to \$4.50.

MEALS.—Cornmeal, \$3.25 to \$3.40 in brls.

FEED.—100 lbs. or sharps, \$22 to \$23; 100 lbs. or No 1 middlings, \$20 to \$22; 80 lbs. or No. 2 middlings, \$19 to \$20; 60 lbs. or No. 1 feed, \$19.50 to \$20.50; 40 lbs. or medium feed, \$19.50 to \$20.50; 40 lbs. or No. 2 feed, \$20.00 to \$20.50. Rye feed, \$20.

DAIRY PRODUCE.—Butter (new)—Creamery, ordinary to fancy 17c to 27c; State half firkins, ordinary to fancy 17c to 24c; Western dairy, ordinary to choice imitation creamery, 10c to 19c; Western factory, ordinary to choice, 9c to 16c. Cheese (old)—State factory, fancy to fancy, colored, 6c to 11 1/2c; do, light skims, good to choice, 6 1/2c to 10c; Ohio flats, ordinary to prime, 2c to 10c; (New) State factory, heavy skin to full cream, 4c to 10c; Skims Pennsylvania common to prime, 1c to 3c.

Eggs.—Western and Pennsylvania, in brls, 14c; Western, poor to fancy, 13c to 14c; Southern, 12c to 13c; Duck eggs, 24c to 26c; goose eggs, 40c to 45c.

THE STORY TELLER.

AN AFFRONTED SQUAW.

The Indians of the North-West have no sense of impropriety in trespassing on private or even on hospitalities. This trait, which it would be a mortal affront to resent, is often very burdensome to white residents. A lady living in a Manitoba town had frequent visits from a squaw who was not so welcome as she made herself. This squaw, on one occasion, asked for soup, looking wistfully at the pot on the stove. The lady did not appear to notice the request, but returned from the kitchen to watch events through a glass door. The squaw having taken a full mouthful of pea soup being prepared for paper hanging, well seasoned with alum, deigned in haste and has not yet sufficiently recovered from her resentment to pay another visit.

THIS SOCIETY REPORTER.

HOW A WESTERN PAPER NOTES DESCRIPTIONS OF CONVENTS.

This is how an accomplished society reporter on a Dakota paper gives his readers an idea of a sister, with this description of the costumes worn by the ladies of the party: "Mary Monroe, red frock, white sack, and half lunched; Emma Latrobe, yellow dress and high-heeled slippers; Marion Willoughby, some kind of this stuff, white, and tied up with blue tape, and hair frizzed; Jennie Murehison, black clothes and a feather in her hair; Ella Westcott, red hair and grey suit, flat in front and coat behind. Pauline Tresey, biggest, a tub, and dressed to the top branch, she had a velvet outfit a mile long, and sixteen rows of teeth on her gloves, her hair was a dead yellow, tied up like a bun, and had a lot of vegetables in it; Florence Ross, green dress, fluffed with velvet, and hoisted up at the side with a white electrician; Minnie Hammerley, white network with red streaks, walked with a limp, and hair frizzed."

"This is a FENNY DOCTRINE," exclaimed Brown, who had been reading of metaphysics. "The idea of a human soul entering the body of an animal! According to this doctrine my soul may inhabit the body of a jackass!" "And why not?" asked Fogg, demurely. "It would certainly feel more at home there than anywhere else."

AS FIRE when thrown into water is cooled and put out, so also a false association, when brought against a man of the present and halber character, boils over, and is at once dissipated and vanishes.—Cetero.

A FASHION PAPER states that "children's shapes show no change." This will be interesting news to parents, as it is expensive and troublesome to change the shape of a child every season.

LAW PROFESSOR: "What constitutes burglary?" Student: "There must be a breaking." Professor: "Then if a man enters a door and takes a sovereign from your vest pocket in the hall, would that be burglary?" Student: "Yes, sir; because that would break in."

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