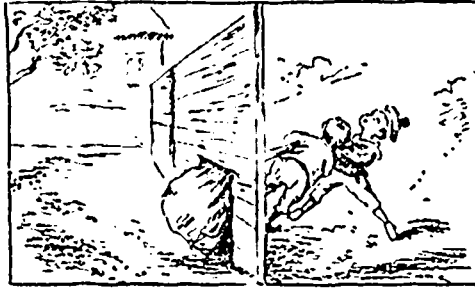


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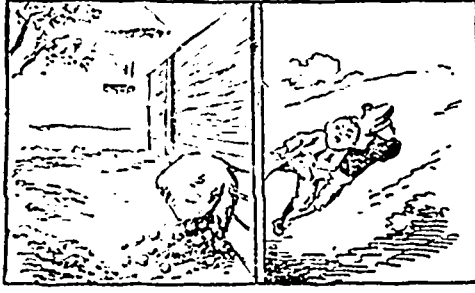
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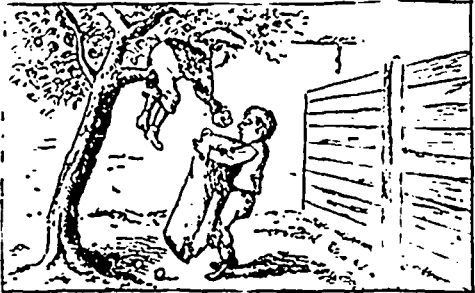
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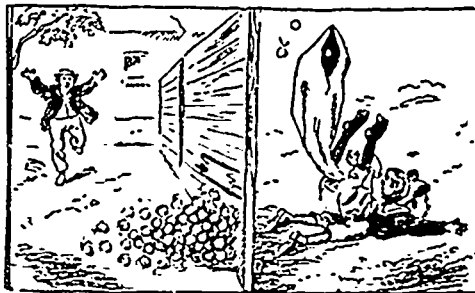
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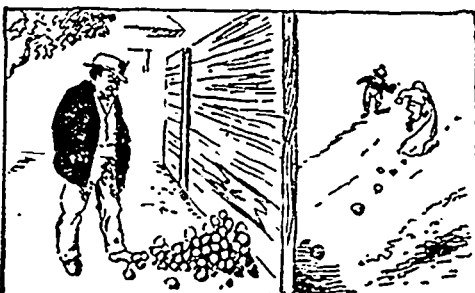
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THIRD QUARTERLY REVIEW.

SEPTEMBER 30.

GOLDEN TEXT.

The kingdom of God is at hand; repent ye, and believe the Gospel.—Mark 1. 15.

HOME READINGS.

- M.* The birth of Jesus.—Luke 2. 1-16.
Tu. Visit of the wise men.—Matt. 2. 1-12.
W. The youth of Jesus.—Luke 2. 40-52.
Th. The baptism of Jesus.—Mark 1. 1-11.
F. First disciples of Jesus.—John 1. 35-49.
S. Jesus and Nicodemus.—John 3. 1-16.
Sa. Jesus at Jacob's well.—John 4. 9-26.

I. MEMORY HELPS.

1. The B. of J. Unto you is born—
2. P. in the T. A light to lighten—
3. V. of the W. M. They saw the young—
4. F. into E. The Lord shall preserve—
5. The Y. of J. And Jesus increased—
6. The B. of J. Thou art my beloved—
7. T. of J. In all points tempted—
8. F. D. of J. We have found the—
9. F. M. of J. This beginning of mira-
[cles—
10. J. C. the T. Make not my Father's—
God so loved the world—
11. J. and N. Whosoever drinketh—
12. J. at J. W. Daniel purposed—
13. D. A.

II. MEMORY TESTS.

1. During the reign of what emperor was Jesus born? In what city and province was he born? To whom was the first announcement of his birth made? By whom was it made? What was the "symphony of the angels"?

2. What saint first recognized Jesus as the Messiah? What prayer did the saint offer

for himself? What prediction did he utter about Mary? What other saint also recognized Jesus in the temple? What age had this saint attained?

3. From what country came visitors to seek Jesus? How were they guided in their search? Where did the scribes say that Christ should be born? What gifts did the visitors offer to the newborn king? What king was troubled by these events?

4. What angelic warning did Joseph receive? What cruel edict did Herod issue? When and why did Joseph return from Egypt? Why did he not go into Judea? To what province and city did he go?

5. What journey did Jesus take in his twelfth year? What alarm arose when the company set out for return? Where was Jesus found, and how engaged? How did he explain his absence? In what did he grow?

6. With whose work does Mark begin his gospel? What did John do and preach? Who went to hear and be baptized? What Galilean was baptized by him? At the baptism, what did John see and hear?

7. Who was the tempter of Jesus? Where did the temptation occur? What were the three temptations? (1.—2.—3.—) How were they repelled? Who came to Jesus when the tempter left him?

8. Who were the first two followers of Jesus? Who was the third? Who was the fourth? Who was the fifth, and who brought him? What noble confession did this last one make?

9. On what occasion was Jesus's first miracle wrought? Who suggested to him the need for a miracle? What was the miracle? What did it show forth? What was the effect of the miracle?

10. What unlawful traffic did Jesus find in the temple? What did he do and say?

Who challenged his authority, and how? What did he say in reply? What did he mean by this saying?

11. What visitor sought Jesus at night? What declaration of faith did he make? What did Jesus declare as the only way into the kingdom of God? To what did he liken the mystery of this change? Whom did he declare as the author of the new birth?

12. What occasioned a woman's surprise at Jacob's well? What contrast did Jesus draw between that water and living water? How was the woman convinced that Jesus was a prophet? What kind of worship only did he say was acceptable to God? Whom did he declare as the Messiah?

13. What noble purpose did Daniel form? What courteous request did he make of the steward? How did the test result? How did Daniel rank with the magicians? What honours came to him?

What announcement and command sum up the teachings of the lessons of this Quarter? (Golden Text.)

SORCERERS OF AFRICA.

THE sorcerers of Africa are the fetish priests or witch doctors. They will take the claws, bills, and bones of various kinds of birds, animals, and reptiles, and pray over them and give them to the people to wear, promising that they will thus be protected from harm and also be made successful in whatever they undertake. The sorcerers will also offer sacrifices for the people to their gods. Fowls, oxen, sheep, goats, and dogs are slain for this purpose, as the natives believe that their gods delight in blood. In some places if the king or chief wishes to send a message to some friend who is dead, he whispers the message in the ears of a slave, and immediately has his head cut off. A missionary writes of a fetish man who kept a crocodile to whom divine honours were paid. When a person wished to obtain his favour a white fowl and a bottle of rum were brought. The priest would whistle and the crocodile would come out and eat the fowl, and the priest would drink the rum.

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THE innate depravity of human nature is illustrated in connection with the liquor traffic in a way sufficient to make any decent man's blood boil with indignation. The board of health of New York, under the influence of that noble friend of the children, E. T. Gerry, has secured the analysis of candy sold to children in confection shops. A pound of chocolate drops was found to contain 157.69 grains of alcohol, and a pound of gum drops contained 210.60 grains. It is also stated that a dozen brandy drops contain enough brandy to intoxicate a man of ordinary habits. This stuff is being sold to our children with the expectation that they will acquire the appetite for the infernal liquor, and become paying patrons of some bar near by. Yet only the other day we were severely criticised for saying so much in favour of Prohibition. We wish we could say more. We wish we could dethrone any political party which does not array itself against this foe with all its power.—*Wesleyan Methodist.*

If all Christians were as full of zeal at home as they are at camp-meetings, there wouldn't be half so many saloons with doors wide open on Sunday.

WHEN the world sees us praising God while in the stocks the world will take some stock in your salvation.

The Battle of Life.

BY JENNIE F. WILLING.

Go forth to the battle of life, my boy,
Go while it is called to-day;
For the years go out and the years come in,
Regardless of those who may lose or win,
Of those who may work or play.

And the troops march steadily on, my boy,
To the army gone before;
You may hear the sound of their falling feet,
Going down to the river where two worlds
meet;

They go to return no more.

There's a place for you in the ranks, my boy,
And duty, too, assigned;
Step into the front with a cheerful face;
Be quick, or another may take your place,
And you may be left behind.

There is work to be done by the way, my boy,
That you never can tread again—
Work for the loftiest, lowliest men—
Work for the plough, plane, spindle, and
pen—
Work for the hands and the brain.

The serpent will follow your steps, my boy,
To lay for your feet a snare;
And pleasure sits in her fairy bowers,
With garlands of poppies and lotus flowers
Enwreathing her golden hair.

Temptations will wait by the way, my boy,
Temptations without and within;
And spirits of evil, with robes as fair
As those which the angels in heaven might
wear,
Will lure you to deadly sin.

Then put on the armour of God, my boy,
In the beautiful days of youth;
Put on the helmet and breastplate and shield,
And the sword the feeblest arm may wield—
In the cause of right and truth.

And go to the battle of life, my boy,
With the peace of the Gospel shod,
And before high heaven do the best you can
For the great reward and the good of man,
For the kingdom and crown of God.

—A Scotchman who wanted to sell some
bees inserted the following advertisement
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