



CARRYING LIVINGSTONE'S BODY TO THE SEA-COAST.

LESSON NOTES.

FOURTH QUARTER.

STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT.

LESSON VIII.—NOVEMBER 22.

THE CURSE OF STRONG DRINK (WORLD'S TEMPERANCE LESSON).

Prov. 20. 1; 23. 20, 21, 29-35. Memorize verses 29-32.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Wine is a mocker.—Prov. 20. 1.

QUESTIONS ON THE LESSON.

What great evil is in all lands? Who first separated the spirit of wine from wine? What did they call it? What kind of power has it? How long ago did King Solomon talk about it? What other kind of intemperance is there? What does strong drink make? Drunkenness. What does too much eating make? Gluttons. How can you avoid being either? When must you begin? Who will tempt you, and how will he do it? What will a wise child resolve to do? What are our bodies? What are we taught to do? "Be filled with the Spirit." Ought we to live by a rule? Whose rule shall we take?

DAILY STEPS.

Mon. Read the lesson verses from your Bible. Prov. 20. 1; 23. 20, 21, 29-35.

Tues. Find what evil people said about Jesus. Matt. 11. 19.

Wed. See what sometimes comes to those who drink wine. Joel 1. 5.

Thur. Read the danger of wine drinking. Luke 12. 45, 46.

Fri. Read how drunkenness and gluttony were treated long ago. Deut. 21. 18-21.

Sat. Learn the Golden Text.

Sun. Learn the very best thing to do. Prov. 23. 26.

THREE LITTLE LESSONS.

We have learned—

1. That there is the Holy Spirit of God.
2. That there is the spirit of evil.
3. That we must choose between them.

LESSON IX.—NOVEMBER 29.

DAVID'S CHARGE TO SOLOMON.

1 Chron. 28. 1-10. Memorize verses 9, 10.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart.—Prov. 3. 5.

QUESTIONS ON THE LESSON.

What did David do in his last days? Whom did he gather around him? What did he say was the desire of his heart? For what did he want a place of rest? What had the Lord told him? Why? Who was to build it after him? What does the name "Solomon" mean? Peaceable. How long was the kingdom to last?

What did David entreat of his son Solomon? What did he say of the Lord's knowledge? What would come if Solomon served him faithfully? What if he forsook him? What were his last words? What did David have to give to Solomon?

DAILY STEPS.

Mon. Read God's good promise to David. 1 Chron. 17. 8-14.

Tues. Learn where the place was fixed for the temple. 1 Chron. 21. 22-26.

Wed. Learn the preparations David made for building. 1 Chron. 22. 1-5.

Thur. Read the lesson verses. 1 Chron. 28. 1-10.

Fri. Read a promise of Solomon. 1 Chron. 22. 9-10.

Sat. Learn the Golden Text.

Sun. Learn about the greater "house of the Lord." Psa. 90. 1.

THREE LITTLE LESSONS.

We have learned—

1. That God has a plan for every man.
2. That if we are wise we will follow ours.
3. That we can only know what it is by following God.

THE CLOCK AND JACK.

BY HELEN STANDISH PERKINS.

"Why is it that I'm like the clock?" Says little Jack to me.
"Because I've two hands and a face, As any one can see."

The difference twixt the clock and Jack Is quite as plainly seen (I wish they were alike in this): Its face and hands are clean.

—Youth's Companion.

THE LARGEST BIRD.

The ostrich is the largest living bird. His chief value is for his feathers, which are plucked from the bird and dyed any colour wished. Their eggs, however, are sometimes used for food when found by the natives. One egg will make a meal for ten persons.

Ostriches are very strong. They can carry a heavy man with ease. They are also very swift, and the speediest horse could not overtake them if it were not for the fact that they run in circles; the horsemen cut across the circle and catch them.

The most cunning sight is a baby ostrich. Its plumage is of soft, yellowish brown, while on the back is a sprinkling of silver grey that hangs off in stiff feathers like a small blanket, and glints and sparkles in the sun. They grow about a foot a month for the first six months, after which the gain is slower, and they are a long while in developing.