

making them, just the same after you have failed once twice, thrice, as you did at first. No one can put you down or aside but yourself."

"This is the first thing to remember; and the second is, that one should keep right on at work, whether she is discouraged or not."

"You cannot always be on the mountain top of hope, enthusiasm, elation. There must come days, perhaps weeks or months, of depression and discouragement. But do not let your life-work wait. Go on with it, and the light will come: and perhaps through the very thing you did in spite of yourself—that you obliged yourself to do."

"We must first find out what we are best fitted for, and then work always toward the accomplishing of our great mission, despising not 'the day of small things,' looking always for a chance to get up higher, having the moral courage to work, whether we are elated or depressed, and keeping always the faith that we must and shall win in the end, since well directed labour is the lever that moves the world."

Florence Clare has sent us the following verses. We remember hearing them some time ago and being much impressed with them at the time:

AS YOU GO THROUGH LIFE,

Don't look for flaws as you go through life,
And even when you find them,
It is wise and kind to be somewhat blind,
And look for virtue behind them;
For the cloudiest night has a hint of light
Somewhere in its shadows hiding:
It is better by far to hunt for a star
Than the spots on the sun abiding.

The current of life runs either way
To the bottom of God's great ocean;
Don't set your force 'gainst the river's course
And think to alter its motion.
Don't waste a curse on the universe—
Remember it lived before you;
Don't butt at the storm with your puny form,
But bend and let it go o'er you.

The world will never adjust itself
To suit your whims to the letter;
Some things must go wrong your whole life long—
And the sooner you know it the better.
It is folly to fight the Infinite
And go under at last in the wrestle;
The wisest man shapes into God's plan,
As the water shapes into a vessel.

This is a picture of Rosie Bolt, and the little baby is her young charge. Miss Gibbs visited Rosie lately in her good Christian home, and brought a satisfactory report. She was learning to milk, but taking care of the baby was one of her chief duties.

We had a letter from Rosie just after arriv-



ing at her place in April, this year; she was then eleven years old:

"Just a few lines to you to say I arrived at my place safe. I have got there, and I shall never want to leave it, because I like it so much. I don't forget what I would say about my letter, that we have twenty-four pigs, and

they are great big ones and some are small. We have four geese, two ducks, and such a lot of chickens that I cannot stop to count them, and eleven horses, ten cows, and I have got a little calf, and I go every day and feed it. I call it my calf. I look after a little baby girl, and her name is Ethel, and I call her my sister. My mistress and my master are very kind to me. I thank you for this nice place which you have got for me. I think I must soon close my letter, my arm is beginning to ache, so good-bye.

"I remain, your loving friend,
"ROSINA BOLT."

This is a picture of Maggie Brooks and her mistress' two little boys. Maggie arrived in



Canada in October, 1893, and went to her present and only place in December of the same year.

SCRIPTURE UNION CORNER.

ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S QUESTIONS.

1. Psalm 23: 1; Isaiah 40: 11.
2. "Mary hath chosen that good part." Luke 10: 42.
3. Seven devils had been cast out of her.
4. The look of Christ. Luke 22: 61, 62.
5. Four. Isaiah 53: 9; see John 19: 18, 38-41.
Psalm 22: 18; see John 19: 23, 24.
Psalm 69: 21; see John 19: 29.
Exodus 12: 46; see John 19: 36.

Those girls who sent in answers will see how far they are right by reading the above replies. We acknowledge answers from Ellen Garbutt and Maria Spencer.

Those who have their Scripture Union cards will see that the daily portions stretch over Nos. 6 to 35, although not altogether continuously. We should try to read these Old Testament narratives not simply as a matter of history, telling of events which occurred thousands of years ago, but as containing lessons for our profit, as we read in I. Cor. 10:6: "Now these things were our examples."

We therefore mention among the lessons to be learned the sad results of disobeying God, as shown in chapter 20, when Moses smote the rock instead of only speaking to it. This was enough to shut him out of the promised land, just as the same sin, disobedience, in Adam and Eve shut them out of Eden and brought death into the world. This shows us with what eyes

God regards sin, even what we might not consider such great sins.

There is also the sin of murmuring, in chapter 21, bringing down the punishment of the plague of serpents; but this chapter also tells of God's wonderful remedy, the serpent on the pole, pointing to Christ being lifted up on the cross, and His death as the great remedy for sin. If, however, this was neglected, the sufferers must die of the bite.

Let us each ask ourselves: "Have we accepted or rejected God's great remedy for sin and its consequences?"

SCRIPTURE UNION QUESTIONS FOR OCTOBER.

1. Why did Miriam become a leper?
2. Give chapter and verse in the New Testament referring to the serpent of brass.
3. What was the sin of Korah, Dathan and Abiram?
4. Give chapter and verse telling of Moses' death and burial (not found in this month's Daily Readings).

IN MEMORIAM.

WILHELMINA BUCKHAM, AGED 13, DIED SEPT. 3, 1896.

We have again to record with feelings of sadness that a young life has been cut short, and little Winnie (1895 party) has been taken from our midst.

A letter was received from Mrs. McKessock, of Strathavon, with whom Winnie was living, to say that she was not well nor strong, but evidently there was then no thought of anything serious being the matter. It was being arranged for Winnie to return to the Home when news came by telegram of her being dangerously, and, indeed, hopelessly ill. Miss Gibbs started off in the early morning of August 31st to go to our little girl and remained with her to the end, following all that was left of her to the grave. The cause of death was a cerebral tumor. Poor little Winnie passed away in the home of Mr. and Mrs. McKessock, whose kindness to the little girl during this time we wish to acknowledge most gratefully.

Shall we gather at the river,
Where bright angels' feet have trod;
With its crystal tide forever
Flowing by the throne of God?

IN LEISURE HOUR.

Answer to Lord Macaulay's enigma: Man-slaughter.

We wonder how many of our readers found this out, for we know older and wiser heads have been puzzled by it. Lord Macaulay was a clever man; while writing the deeply interesting account of the History of England and the stirring "Lays of Ancient Rome"—which, by the way, is one of our Penny Series of books—he did not scorn to let his fancy play in lighter vein and produce this curious and clever enigma.

PUZZLES.

1. What is the difference between a schoolmaster and an engine-driver?
2. What is that from which, when the whole is taken, some will still remain?

The following are taken from a magazine edited by Lady Aberdeen and her daughter, Lady Marjorie:

My first is in silver but not in gold,
My second is in bought but not in sold,
My third is in dinner but not in cook,
My fourth is in earl but not in duke,
My fifth is in summer but not in spring,
My sixth is in finger but not in ring,
My seventh is in repose but not in commotion,
My whole is a means of locomotion.