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CALENDAR FOR MAY.

PROPER LESSONS.

- 1—**St. Philip and St. James.** *Morning*—Isa. lxi.; John i. 43. *Evening*—Lech. iv.; Colos. iii. to v. 18.
- 2—**2nd Sunday after Easter.** *Morning*—Num. xx. to v. 14; Luke xxii. to v. 31. *Evening*—Num. xx. 14 to xxi. 19, or xxi. 10; Col. iii. 18, to iv. 7.
- 3—**3rd Sunday after Easter.** *Morning*—Num. xxii.; John i. to v. 29. *Evening*—Num. xxiii. or xxiv.; 2 Thess. i.
- 4—**4th Sunday after Easter.** *Morning*—Deut. iv. to v. 23; John v. 19 v. 24. *Evening*—Deut. iv. 23 to 41, or v.; 1 Tim. v.
- 5—**5th Sunday after Easter.** *Morning*—Deut. vi.; John viii. to v. 31. *Evening*—Deut. ix. or x.; Titus ii.
- 6—**Ascension Day.** *Morning*—Dan. vii. 9 to 15; Luke xxiv. 44. *Evening*—2 Kings ii. to v. 16; Heb. iv.
- 7—**Sunday after Ascension.** *Morning*—Deut. xxx.; John xi. 47, to xii. *Evening*—Deut. xxxiv. or Jos. i.; Heb. vi.

WHEN SCHOOL IS OUT.

- "When school is out I shall go home," she said,
 "And all my heartache will be comforted."
 "When school is out," she said, "once more I'll rest
 My tired head upon my mother's breast,
 And feel her tender cheek against it pressed,
 And there, at last, I shall find perfect rest."
- "When school is out," she said, "I know I'll meet—
 Dancing for joy along the golden street—
 My little child, my babe so stainless sweet,
 Who went to heaven before his dimpled feet
 Had ever learned in earthly paths to go,
 Nor pressed the violets, nor trod the snow!
 Oh, I will clasp him close, and I shall know
 Those kisses that I taught him long ago!"
- "Life's weary lessons all are learned," she said,
 "And school is out." We bent—and she was dead.

—*Sunday-School Times.*

Two friends who are very much interested in the spread of good wholesome Church literature, and who desire to see the usefulness of PARISH AND HOME much extended, are offering as an inducement for some of our friends to go to work

at once to secure subscribers several rewards for their labours. To the two persons sending in to "The Bryant Press," 20 Bay street, Toronto, the largest and second largest lists of new subscribers, between May 1st and July 1st, \$5 each; to those sending the third and fourth largest lists, \$3 each; and to the senders of the fifth and sixth largest lists, \$2 each. In parishes where PARISH AND HOME is localized, a certificate from the clergyman that a certain number of new subscribers have been secured by any person will entitle that number to be placed to the individual's credit.

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WE have this month brought before our minds the ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ; for forty days after His resurrection He frequently visits His disciples, coming and going, teaching them many things concerning the kingdom, and giving them many infallible proofs that He is the risen, living Saviour. Then, being assembled, He told them to tarry at Jerusalem until they were endued with power from on high, promising that they should receive power after that the Holy Ghost had come upon them, and should be witnesses unto Him in their own country and unto the uttermost parts of the earth.

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How it should impress upon His disciples in all ages their high call-

ing and wide responsibility when they remember that the last recorded words of their Lord and Master before His ascension were, "Unto the uttermost part of the earth." There is no question, no doubt as to His will in one matter; His Gospel is to be proclaimed to all people. Then, after this promise and message, He led them out as far as to Bethany, up the well-known slopes of Olivet, amid its vineyards, olive-yards, and rich luxuriance to the little village of Bethany, and near there He gives them His parting blessing, and as He blessed them He was taken up, up, up, before their wondering eyes, until a cloud received Him out of their sight. As they gazed up steadfastly two men stood by them and said, "Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus shall in like manner come again." They returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and we find them continually praising and blessing God. Our Saviour now sitteth at the right hand of God and makes intercession for His people; all power is His, and as He went He shall in like manner return. Let us see that with joy we are about the work He has given us to do.

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WE have reached again the bright and pleasant month of May, and our thoughts are filled with the beauty and growth of spring. We are reminded of the words of the Master, "Behold a sower went forth to sow," for many are and have been sowing grain in the fields, or seeds in the gardens, to spring up and grow and bring forth rich fruit in the harvest-tide, but alas! some to be choked by the weeds and thistles. How many, also, are sowing seed in the spring-time of life, the seed that results in action, life, character, little realizing that " whatsoever a man sow-