

BE ALWAYS GIVING.

THE sun gives ever ; so the earth—
 What it can give so much 'tis worth ;
 The ocean gives in many ways—
 Gives baths, gives fishes, rivers, bays ;
 So, too, the air, it gives us breath,
 When it stops giving, comes in death.
 Give, give, be always giving,
 Who gives not is not living ;
 The more you give,
 The more you live.

LESSON NOTES.

A. D. 60.] **LESSON IV.** [Oct. 26.

FAITH AND WORKS ; OR, THE ONE TEST.

James 2. 14-26. Commit to memory verses 14-18.

OUTLINE.

1. Faith dead. v. 14-20.
2. Faith living. v. 21-26.

GOLDEN TEXT.

For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also. James 2. 26.

1. Have faith in Christ.
2. Show your faith by your actions.
3. Be among the friends of God.

Find about Abraham's offering of Isaac.... Find about Rahab and the spies.... Find where Paul writes about faith and works.

A. D. 60.] **LESSON V.** [Nov. 2.

THE PERFECT PATTERN ; OR, CHRIST WITHOUT SIN.

1 Peter 2. 19-25 Commit to memory verses 19-25.

OUTLINE.

1. "Suffered." v. 19-21.
2. "Did no sin." v. 22, 23.
3. "Bare our sin." v. 24, 25.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth. 1 Pet. 2. 22.

1. Be patient under wrong and suffering.
2. Be innocent of sinful act.
3. Follow the good Shepherd.

Find a prophecy in Isaiah of Christ suffering for us.... Find the account of Christ's meekness and silence under persecution.... Find a parable about the lost sheep.

"IN A MINUTE."

FLORA is a very pleasant little girl. She is never cross or fretful or wilful, but she has one sad fault : she is never ready to go when she is called, or to do what she is told ! Not that she is unwilling to obey, but she has the habit of "putting off." Mamma says,

"Flora, please tell Katy to come here."

"Yes, mamma, dear, in a minute."

"Flora, did you hear the dinner bell ?"

"Yes, mamma, I am coming in a minute."

And so it goes all day, and when at night mamma says,

"It is eight o'clock, Flora," the little girl replies,

"O mamma, can't I wait just a minute ?"

Pappa says he shall have to call her his little minute girl, but that will not be the right name, for you know the "minute men" of whom we read were those who were ready to start at a minute's notice.

If any of our S. S. GUARDIAN boys or girls have such a habit, we hope they will try to get rid of it, for it grows, like any other habit, and is sure to make trouble for themselves and others.

A VISIT TO ROTUMAH.

BY A MISSIONARY'S WIFE.

ON our arrival at Rotumah, as our boat touched the beach opposite the Mission House, troops of children with their bright black eyes crowded around us, all wishful to help in carrying a box or parcel to the verandah, and to get a sight of the Missionary and his wife from Fiji. They all looked merry and good-tempered, and seemed not a little pleased to see us. Their island is so far away, and so seldom visited by Europeans, that a white lady is almost a curiosity.

I found out, whilst at Rotumah, that, unlike some little boys and girls I have known, these little islanders are very fond of school, and proud of their reading and writing. The girls were rather quicker than the boys in arithmetic ; and in the Scripture lesson, their bright eyes