SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSONS, FOURTH QUARTER.

ГОст. 31. LESSON 5.] PAUL'S VOYAGE AND SHIPWRECK.

Acts 27, 13-26,

GOLDEN TEXT -Be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me.-Acts 27, 25.

MEMORY VERSES, 21-25. (Read chap. 27)—But after long abstinence Paul stood forth in the midst of them, and said, Sirs, ye should have hearkened unto me, and not have loosed from Crete, and to have gained this harm and loss.

And now I exhort you to be of good cheer: for there shall be no loss of any man's life among you, but of the ship. For there stood by me this night the angel of God, whose I am, and

whom I serve. Saying, Fear not, Paul; thou must be brought before Cæsar: and lo God hath given thee all them that sail with thee.

Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me.

To the folks at home: Please help the little folks to learn this lesson.

LESSON STORY.

At last Paul set sail for Rome. There were other prisoners besides Paul, and all were in charge of a centurion, or Roman officer, and his soldiers.

After a time the ship went into a harbour because the summer was past and it was dangerous to sail. But soon they started off again, and before long were caught in a great storm. Everyone lost hope but Paul. He kept praying to God. In the night-time God sent an angel to comfort him, and then he spoke to the frightened men and told them that God had said that all should be saved, but they must first be cast upon a certain island. They could all see now that Paul was a servant of God, and do you not think he would tell them about Jesus who loved them enough to die for them?

LESSON QUESTIONS.

- 1. What happened to Paul's ship? It was wrecked.
- 2. Who alone had hope?

Paul.