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'Ladies' Journal' Bible Competition. No. 9.

During the year ending with September last, the proprietor of the LADIES' JOURNAL has given a very large and valuable lot of rewards to his subscribers, aggregating an immense amount of money. We are sure that the Pianos, Organs, Gold and Silver Watches, Silver Tea Sets, Books, etc., etc., have given great satisfaction. A good deal of excitement has been caused by the advent of some of these costly prizes into the towns and villages of Canada and the United States. They have been sent to all parts almost, of the two countries, quite a number even going to England, and other distant places. Full lists of the winners are always published in the LADIES' JOURNAL immediately at the close of each competition, names of winners are given in full, together with the street and number, where possible, so inquiry can readily be made by those who are doubtful. There can be, therefore, no fraud. We can positively testify to the fairness of the matter ourselves, as we know everything is carried out exactly as promised. For the benefit of those of our readers who desire to compete, we give the plan in detail.

To the fifteen hundred persons who correctly answer the following Bible questions will be given, without extra charge except for freight and packing of goods, beyond the regular half dollar yearly subscription, the beautiful and costly rewards named below. We will give the Bible questions that require to be answered first:

THE BIBLE QUESTIONS.

1. Where are HORSES first mentioned in the Bible?
2. Where are CATTLE first mentioned in the Bible?

They are not very difficult, but require a little study to look them up. So don't delay; the sooner you answer them the better. Here you have the list of first rewards. Number one in this list will be given to the sender of the first correct answer to these two Bible questions. Number two to the sender of second correct answer, and so on till all this series of first rewards are given out.

THE FIRST REWARDS.

1. Six Hundred Dollars in Gold Coin \$ 600
2. One Grand Square Piano, by a celebrated maker..... 500
- 3 and 4.—Two Grand Square Pianos..... 1,000
- 5 and 6.—Two Fine Toned, 10 Stop Cabinet Organs by a celebrated maker..... 500
- 7, 8 and 9.—Two Fine Quadruple Plate Silver Tea Services—six pieces and One Five O'clock Tea Set..... 300
- 10 to 15.—Six Gentlemen's Solid Gold Stem-winding and 8 in setting Genuine Elgin Watches..... 600
- 16 to 21.—Five Ladies' Solid Gold stem-winding and stem-setting Genuine Elgin Watches..... 450
- 22 to 30.—Ten renowned Williams' Sewing Machines..... 600
- 31 to 40.—Ten Solid Quadruple Silver Plate Cake Baskets, elegantly decorated..... 200
- 41 to 50.—Fifty Dozen Sets of Heavy Silver Plated Tea Spoons..... 400
- 51 to 60.—One Hundred and Thirty Elegantly Bound Volumes of Tennyson's Poems..... 300
- 61 to 65.—Two Hundred and Fifty well-bound Volumes of Word's Cyclopaedia a library in itself..... 570

Then follows a series of middle rewards which will be given in this way: At the close of the competition all the answers received will be counted by three disinterested persons, who to the sender of the middle correct answer (of the whole list) will be given number one of these middle rewards. To the next correct answer following the middle one will be given number two, the next correct one number three, and so on till all these middle rewards as enumerated below are given away. Here is the list of

MIDDLE REWARDS.

1. Seven hundred and fifty dollars in gold coin..... \$ 750
- 2, 3 and 4.—Three magnificent Grand Square Pianos, by a celebrated maker..... 1,500
- 5 and 6.—Two Fine Toned Cabinet Organs, by a celebrated maker..... 750

- 8, 9, 10 and 11.—Four Ladies' Solid Gold stem-winding and stem-setting Watches..... 400
- 12 to 17.—Six elegant quadruple plate Hot Water or Tea Urns..... 300
- 18 to 20.—Thirteen Elgin's Heavy Black 4 Dress Patterns..... 520
- 21 to 25.—Twenty elegant Black Cashmere Dress Patterns..... 240
- 26 to 30.—Ten Pairs Fine Lace Curtains..... 100
- 31 to 35.—Thirty Quadruple Plate Cruet Stands..... 300
- 36 to 40.—One Hundred and Sixty-seven Elegant Rolled Gold Brooches..... 530
- 41 to 45.—Three Hundred and Forty-three beautifully bound volumes, Shakespeare's poems..... 1,429

After these follow the Consolation Rewards, when, to the sender of the very last correct answer received in this competition will be given number one of these Consolation Rewards named below. To the next to the last correct one will be given number two, and so on till all these are given away.

THE CONSOLATION REWARDS.

- 1.—Five Hundred Dollars in Gold Coin \$ 500
- 2, 3 and 4.—Three Fine Grand Square Pianos..... 1,500
- 5, 6 and 7.—Three elegant Cabinet Organs, by a celebrated maker..... 750
- 8 to 10.—Three Fine Quadruple Plate Tea Services..... 300
- 11 to 15.—Eight Ladies' Solid Gold Hunting case genuine stem-winding and stem-setting genuine Elgin Watches..... 800
- 16 to 19.—Fourteen Heavy Black Silk Dress Patterns..... 500
- 20 to 25.—Forty-one Fine Black Cashmere Dress Patterns..... 442
- 26 to 30.—Sixty dozen sets silver-plated Tea Spoons..... 360
- 31 to 35.—One hundred and forty elegant rolled gold brooches..... 500
- 36 to 40.—One hundred and ten fine silver plated butter knives or sugar spoons..... 110

This altogether forms one of the most attractive and reasonable plans we have ever seen. The aim of the proprietor of the Ladies' Journal is of course to increase his circulation. In fact, he says so, but adds that he also hopes to encourage the study of the Bible, but frankly states that this part of the plan is not his sole aim, and goes on to explain that he has lost so much money by dishonest agents, and has spent so much in valuable premiums to encourage them to send large lists, that hereafter he has decided to give all these things direct to subscribers, for answering these B.B.'s questions. Aside from the rewards offered you are sure to be pleased with your half dollar investment, as the Ladies' Journal consists of twenty pages of the choicest reading matter, and contains the sum and substance of many of the high priced fashion papers and magazines published in the States, and all for the low price of half a dollar, or one year's subscription. It also contains two pages of the newest music, short and serial stories, household hints, Fashion articles by the best authorities, finely illustrated. In short it is about the best monthly publication we know of anywhere for fifty cents, and is as good as many at a dollar. Be sure to remember that everyone competing must send with their answers fifty cents by post-office order, scrip, or small coin. They therefore pay nothing extra for the privilege of competing for these costly rewards as fifty cents in the regular yearly subscription price to the Journal. The competition remains open only till fifteenth February next, and as long as the letter is post marked where mailed either on the day of closing, (15th February) or anytime between now and then, it will be in time and eligible to compete. You answer this promptly now, and you may doubtless secure one of the first rewards. If you answer anytime between now and fifteenth of February, you may secure one of the middle rewards, and even if you answer on the last day (15th Feb.) and you live a good distance from Toronto, fifteen days being allowed after date of closing for letters to reach the office from distant points, you are almost certain to secure one of the consolation rewards. At all events we most heartily recommend it, and trust many of our readers will avail themselves of this excellent opportunity of securing at once an excellent publication and a possibility of a piano, organ, gold watch, silver tea set, or some other of the many rewards offered. The address is Editor of the Ladies' Journal, Toronto, Canada. Don't delay attending to this but do it now, and you'll not regret it, you may depend.

Life In the Present.

A "live" man respects the nineteenth century. He does not think that wisdom died out when its eighteen predecessors departed. His eyes are not in the back of his head. He reads books, but he studies men. Great poets have, for the most part, passed their lives in cities. "Never write a page," said the late Lord Lytton to a young London author, "till you have walked from your room to Temple Bar, mingling with men and reading the human face."

The men who make their mark on the age are those who know it, and sympathize with its life. A professor in a theological seminary confessed that for half a century he had read more Latin than English. He failed to impress his students, for he was obsolete, even while facing them.

Guizot says that Shakespeare's success is due to his masterly knowledge of his own age and country, and to the fact that he wrote in a spirit of loyalty to them both.

Raphael went about Rome and Florence seeking faces and attitudes worth reproducing upon canvas. Curran studied law during the day. At night he studied men in the coffee-houses of London, selecting those which "were most fertile in game for a character-hunter."

Napoleon's boast was, "I know men." He disguised himself that he might talk with sailors and fishermen. When he wished to study some great subject, he would gather about him those who were authorities on it, and set them arguing with each other. When he said, "Good-night, gentlemen!" he knew all about the matter that was worth knowing.

Walter Scott would talk with any one who would talk to him. He visited the fish-market at Billingsgate, in order to learn the dialect of the fisherwomen. His novels are read to-day because they are true to life, though they are called romances.

Students who confine themselves to the past are as dead, so far as serving their generation is concerned, as the eras they love. They are almost sure to mourn over the present and to distrust the future. The former days are to them better than these, and the future is likely to be worse than either.

Professor Phelps, in his instructive and interesting "Men and Books," tells a suggestive anecdote about two clergymen, which illustrates the difference in character between the student of books and the student of men. The two ministers, who had been classmates in the seminary, met after a separation of twenty years. Each had a fair measure of success.

"I have had a hard life of it, but I enjoy a hard life," said, in a cheery tone, he who had lived among his brethren. "It pays to have a hard life. I have such a glorious trust in the future!"

"I have had a hard life too," said the other, who had lived in the dead past, speaking in a mournful tone. "I try to endure it patiently, but I shall be glad when it is over. The future looks dark, and I look to me. My chief satisfaction is in the past."

This man says Professor Phelps, "was weary and foot-sore from walking backward. A few years later he was gathered to his fathers, with whom his mental life had been buried for twenty years." His friend still lives, enjoying his hard life, not growing old, but keeping his heart young that he may do good work for the men with whom he loves to associate.

The past has its uses, but it is no place for a man to live in. The apostle of Burmah, Adoniram Judson, was an old man when he died, full of good works. But his wife, "Fanny Forrester," thirty years his junior, said, "He was the youngest man I ever knew." He kept himself young by his faith in God and his hope for him.

An office boy attended at an English revenue office on the last day for paying income tax. "I've come to pay Mr. B.'s tax," said the youth, putting both arms on the counter. "I suppose you allow the usual two and a half?" "No, my boy," said the inspector, gazing benignantly through his spectacles at the small specimen of humanity. "There is no discount here." "Very well," replied the small boy, "then I'll pay it this time, but my instructions are to close the account." "We think that I'll will prosper."

An Interesting Game for Young People.

In looking over my desk I have come across a game which has given considerable amusement to little folks' meeting at our houses. I found the hint in an old paper some time ago, and carried out the idea for myself. The game is called "Plantations." Some person says, I plant such a thing—say an Indian bow—What grows from it? Answer. Arrow-root. The questions must be so constructed that the answer will be something in the vegetable kingdom. I enclose my copy as I got it up for a party of children.

yours respectfully,
L. S. PETERBORO.

PLANT.	WHAT GROWS UP.
An Indian bow?	Arrow-root.
A set of surgical instruments?	Bone rot.
A deer's antlers?	Buck-wheat.
A sword or dagger?	Blood-root.
A single gentleman whose wardrobe needs repairs?	Bachelor's buttons.
Unkind words?	Bleeding-heart.
An old hen?	Chick-weed.
A young horse?	Colt's foot.
A kitten?	Catnip.
A lady's tippet?	A fir tree.
Loving words?	Hearts-ease.
Solomon?	Sage.
A watch?	Thyme.
A dude?	Coxcomb.

The Desire of Money.

When once the desire of making money outside and in excess of the need of spending it takes possession of a man and becomes his ideal of happiness, he has abandoned all chance of the reality. He will never have enough—never! The desire of wealth is like that of fame, of place. Get to the top of this near peak, which seems to you to be the ultimate of your ambition, and which, when won, will land you on the pinnacle of your hope, and you will find that others still higher and farther, will reveal themselves before you as points to be gained. If you do not gain them, then have all your previous success been in vain, and you are relatively no better off than when you began.

Professor Blackie says: "There is nothing a student ought to be more careful about than the sound condition of his flesh and blood."

"Outsells all other blood purifiers. I have customers say it cures when other medicines have failed," says J. F. Belfry, druggist, Shelbourne, of Burdock Blood Bitters.

Intellect in a weak body is like gold in a spent swimmer's pocket.

One trial of Mother Graves' Worm Expeller will convince you that it has as equal as a worm medicine. Buy a bottle and see if it does not please you.

Health must be earned; it cannot be bought.

Mrs. Barnhart, cor. Pratt and Broadway, has been a sufferer for twelve years through rheumatism, and has tried every remedy she could hear of, but received no bene it until she tried Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil; she says she cannot express the satisfaction she feels at having her pain entirely removed, and her rheumatism cured. There are imitations of this medicine for sale; see that you get Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil.

A man too busy to take care of his health is like a mechanic too busy to take care of his tools.

A Complete Revolution in the state of stomach harassed by Dyspepsia is caused by using Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Bitters, or great blood purifier, a medicine specially adapted to renew healthful action in that organ and in those which most closely operate with it, the bowels and the liver. Easy digestion, an increase of appetite, a free secretion of bile, mark the radical change which it produces.

The weaker the body is the more commands; the stronger it is the more obeys.

Some may think that Burdock tea would be as good as Burdock Blood Bitters, but the latter compound there are a dozen other medicinal medicines equally as good as Burdock for Blood, Liver and Kidneys.

The fate of chess-player, New Orleans, ed when at five years ago he went to England by his chess-players. Among his mental concentration, which blindfold time. He yagonists. Tnounced it an it has been en But an Eng was playing mind, which prolonged st seconded the tormented with played eight tained the ex for weeks. Suddenly h fever, from th covered. Ho chess board, l For years h New Orleans, self, but never There is a fi says: "He gardeneth his royel." The referring to m no such limita It emphasizes ong delayed eeds not the boy or his son either he whi ins against his

Some funny phone-lines occ go a young f here he is ein and rang up th The connection blood inquired "Yes, George, ou alone?" as down there, do ith my darlin, d unbuckle th her mouth," Miranda; and, ass by. And farther about alky more so hve a man to ck of an obst ss it, and holt ords of love in e nearest lam rl, who mixes se, smiles b meered.

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