

ADDED HINTS AND HELPS

In this section will be found further assistance under various headings.

Something to Look Up

1. We are told in Proverbs that there are six things which God hates. Among these are, "hands that shed innocent blood", and "a false witness that speaketh lies". Find the passage.

2. Where is it said that one's sin will find him out?

ANSWERS, Lesson VIII.—(1) Ex. 34 : 28-35. (2) Matt. 4 : 11.

For Discussion

1. What covetousness leads to.
2. Sin and its punishment.

Prove from Scripture

That our hearts need guarding.

The Catechism

Ques. 82-87 (Review). Every review should be a new view. A fresh look at the six Questions for to-day shows that they fall into two divisions of three each. The first triad comes under the head of SIN, the second under the head of SALVATION. It is a dark picture we see in the Questions about sin. None are free from it; the clearer our light, the more deserving of punishment are our transgressions; the punishment of sin is certain. But we are not left with this dark

picture alone. Over against it is the bright picture of salvation in God's own simple way. The redemption is as complete as the ruin. There are the two saving acts, "repentance" and "faith". Make clear once more their meaning, and, above all, urge to the doing of them. To know the way, and not act, is only to add to our condemnation.

The Question on Missions

Ques. 9. The Christian church is the leading element in the life of a prospering people, and we should aim at keeping it in the forefront of the progressive movements of this new nation. We have in Canada, with its incoming tide of immigration from all countries, a gigantic Home Mission problem. Hence in Canada the churches both in the country and the city must be vigorously alert. The church in the country has immense opportunity and responsibility. Owing to there being fewer distractions, the church in the country can more effectively be the centre of the whole life of the people than the church in the city, and should minister to the needs of the religious, social and intellectual life of the congregation and community. The church in the country and city should be in close touch, so that members coming to live in the city may not be overlooked. In the city the church must produce the men who can deal with its complex problems.

FOR TEACHERS OF THE LITTLE ONES

Lesson Subject—God's people learning that God searches the heart.

Introduction—"I wish I had that sled of Bob's that's painted bright red, with the nice

steel runners." "Louie has a beautiful new doll. I wish it were mine." In the heart garden of these young people was springing up a weed which is named "Covetousness", which causes great sin and sorrow if allowed to grow. In the heart garden of a king this weed, covetousness, was growing, and he allowed it to grow and grow, till it filled his heart and crowded out all the good thoughts, and caused, at last, a very wicked deed. The name of the king was Ahab (Recall).

