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CALENDAR FOR APRIL.

- 2—**Easter Day.** *Morning*—Exod. xii. to 29; Rev. i. 10 to 19. *Evening*—Ex. xii. 29, or xiv.; John xx. 11 to 19, or Rev. v.
- 3—**Monday in Easter Week.** *Morning*—Ex. xv. to 22; Luke xxiv. to 13. *Evening*—Cant. ii. 10; Matt. xxviii. to 10.
- 9—**First Sunday after Easter.** *Morning*—Num. xvi. to 36; 1 Cor. xv. to 29. *Evening*—Num. xvi. 35, or xvii. to 12; John xx. 24 to 30.
- 16—**Second Sunday after Easter.** *Morning*—Num. xx. to 14; Luke xiii. to 18. *Evening*—Num. xx. 14; xxi. 10; Gal. vi.
- 23—**Third Sunday after Easter.** *Morning*—Num. xxii.; Luke xvii. 20. *Evening*—Num. xxiii. or xxiv.; Eph. vi. 10.
- 25—**St. Mark, E. and M.** *Morning*—Isai. h lxii. 6.; Luke xviii. 31; xix. 11. *Evening*—Ezek. i. to 15; Philip ii.
- 30—**Fourth Sunday after Easter.** *Morning*—Deut. iv. to 25; Luke xxi. v. *Evening*—Deut. iv. 23 to 41, or v.; Col. ii. 8.

SPRING.

"Thou sendest forth Thy Spirit, and they are created; Th u renewest the face of the earth."—Psaln civ. 30.

Spring is coming tripping o'er the meadows,
Twining wreaths of blossom in her hair,
Playing with the flitting lights and shadows,
Breathing waf s of incense in the air.

Lo! the bees in cup and bell are humming,
And the leaves unfolding in the sun,
And the brooklets tell that Spring is coming,
Laughing as their loosened waters run.

Birds are singing in a joyous madness
To their mates that nestle in the boughs,
And the lambs are frisking in their gladness,
While their dams among the daisies browse.

Hang the dainty blue-bells in the woodlands,
Children gather posies at their will,
And on sunny banks and sheltered goodlands
Lo! the primrose and the daffodil.

All the world in all its paths rejoices,
For the Lord hath sent His Spirit forth,
And the earth lifts up her thousand voices,
Praising Him who fills her heart with mirth.

Not alone the flowers from death He raises,
Nor alone gives birds a song to sing,
But the soul is moved to nobler praises
When it feels the stirrings of the Spring.
—Walter C. Smith, in *Hand and Heart*.

THE Archbishop of Rupert's Land, in his address to the synod of his diocese, at Winnipeg, in 1898, after referring to the advantage of religious instruction in the schools, said: "But, dear brethren, after

lar family worship—the reading of the Word of God and prayer. I ask the clergy to give much attention to this in their pastoral visiting. As most of the manuals with forms of prayer are somewhat expensive,



The Late Rev. R. W. Stewart, his Wife, and Mrs. Ahok.

all, much of the influence of the teaching of religion, whether in the day school or the Sunday-school, will be neutralized if there is not family religion. Now, the very life of family religion depends on regu-

I have prepared a small book, that can be obtained at the Book Depot at cost price. Let me read to you a few words lately addressed to the Minnesota Council by my dear friend, Bishop Whipple: 'I was