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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL. miliamite JULY 20. GOD'S COVENANT WITH DAVID. 2 SAMUEL 7: 1-16.

1,-" And the Lord had given him rest," etc. Of course this must be understood only of the temporary rest on the establishment of his kingdom. Many troubles arose afterwards, and it was only in the latter part of his life that he enjoyed settled and permanent tranquility.

David made good use of his quiet

resting time. As he sat in his palace he meditated on the goodness of the Lord. Looking out of his window, his eye was arrested by the plain. unadorned tabernacle in which the ark of God was enclosed, and he was struck with the contrast between it and his own new costly palace. The thought that the king's house was hetter than the Lord's house was repugnant to him, and he immediately formed the great purpose of building a house for God, to receive the sacred ark and be the centre of the national to the wilderness and the earlier times of the nation's history, but a settled kingdom demanded a permanent building. David saw all this and decided accordingly. His decision was most judicious, as well as pious. It would show his gratitude to God and make manifest his intention to use his position for the extension of religion. All would see that David, king over Israel, did not mean to be any less a religious man than David, the shepherd lad, or David the fugitive and exile. In our days too many rich people dwell in grand houses of their own who are content to worship in old, decaying, dirty and inconvenient looking sanctuaries. While we do not advocate excessive expenditure in architectural decorations, we do maintain that the pounds of the rich and the pence of the poor cannot be better applied than in making the house of prayer convenient, comfortable, and thus conducive to the purposes for which

the good work. 2. It was not because the Lord disapproved of David's purpose; but because the right time had not come. The approval is here only implied, but elsewhere distinctly stated (2 Chron. 6:8-9). It is a great mystery to us when He frustrates plans | ient extraneous assistance, can save not only right in themselves, but which have his approval, and which seem to us to tend to his glory. But cause is the sudden immersion of the He knows what is best. In all such cases we must submit to the higher ed, in water of a relatively low temwisdom of Him who controls, directs, and overrules all things for our good and His own glory. Let us take care that when disappointed by the tailure of any plans we may have the comfort of being assured that it was well it was in our hearts.

had special reasons for postponing

But while postponing the fulfilment of David's desire until the reign of David's son, the Lord made a gracious covenant with him, promising the permanent settlement and establishment of his kingdom, and that he would make of him a house. David's reward for proposing to build a house for God, is the distinct and emphatic promise that his house and kingdom shall be established for ever. thus learn that if we are jealous for the Lord's house He will take care of our houses. The Divine communications close with promises, which in their full sense reach on to the times of the Messiah, (Psalm 89: 3, 4, 35, 36). This promise, like that to Abraham, has a twofold aspect-one points to David's natural posterity and temporal kingdom, the other to the Messiah and the kingdom of heaven. It respected the former only

as types and pledges of the latter. This promise, as it represented David's natural seed, was conditional, so that the Lord at length deprived them of the kingdom, but He did not by that deprivation violate, or nullity the covenant with his servant; for this is only, what he threatened at the commencement of it to do in the event of their committing iniquity (1 Chron. 28: 9.) The spiritual and eternal part of the promise pointed to the Messiah, who was to come of the seed of David according to the flesh, and to be raised up from the dead to sit forever on His heavenly throne. The promise as it respected the Messiah was absolute, and in him

had its full accomplish : ent. message, he went into the taberna- afterward; add the beans and a trifle c.e. There he poured out his heart of hot water; cover closely and boil is no word of complaint or disapand sugar corn make an excellent pointment at not being permitted to succotash. carry out his cherished design. Mingled with a perfect submission to the Davine decree, there is fervent thanksgiving for past mercies, strong most insects, and on a small scale is fath in God's wisdom and goodness, and carnest prayer forcontinued and future bassing. - W. M. S. S. Mag.

SCARLLT FEVER BY POST.

A correspondent of the Medical and where it seems toler bly certain that rays of the moon shed directly on a Surport Represent narrates a case scar's lever was transmitted by fish, even if it be on ice, will cause means of a letter. At least, there is rapid decay. The test of this in trointen ices room for doubt than in pical countries, where the moon's many cases where such a cause is pobidariy as igned. The outbreak was was entirely satisfactory, four of the in Jacuse harf a mile dis ant from the the sailors who are some of the mooncountry council neighbor, and the family most occupied the house for three values of the family most occupied the house for three years; the children had not er fish or lowl that has been exposed large away from the farm for two to the moon's rays, neither will they months, and no one had been in the sleep with their faces where there is house who had the fever, or been a possibility of being struck by them. where it was. In fact, no case of the -Chicago Heraid.

disease had been known or heard of by the physician for some months anywhere in the county. It appeared, however, that the mother had rephotograph. The lefter was received only seven days before the first child was taken sick, and the childdren all handled the letter and the photograph.

WEEDS IN SUMMER.

After the lettuce, radishes and early peas have gone past use, the ground is neglected and produces a crop of weeds, which matures seed enough to stock the tarm. Now make it a rule to remove a crop just as soon as it is past use, and start something else to growing. If there is time to mature weeds there is certainly time to grow something valua-ble, and it will pay to work the land once in two weeks for the sake of keeping it clean if it did not produce worship. The tabernacle was suited anything. If after keeping the garden clean for years you neglect it for one summer, the fight will all have to be gone over again. It takes from five to eight years to get land free from weed seed, as I have proved by careful experiment, and the cost of cultivating a garden is doubled if the land is tull of seed

THE FATAL CRAMP.

A writer in the British Medical Journal calls attention to the frequent notices of death by cramps of bathers, and suggests some preventives-remedies are in these cases too late. He says that cramp is a painful and tonic muscular spasm. It may occur in any part of the body, but it is especially apt to occur in the lower extremities and, in its milder forms, it is limited to a single'muscle. Pain is severe, and the contracted muscles are hard and exquisitely tender. In a few minutes the spasm and pain it is intended. The Lord, however, cease, leaving a local sensation of fatigue and soreness. When cramp affects only one extremity, no swimmer or bather endowed with average presence of mind, need drown; but when cramp seizes the whole of the voluntary muscular system, as it probably does in the worst cases, nothing in the absence of prompt and efficthe individual from drowning. Its most powerful and most avoidable body, when its surface is highly heatperature.

USEFUL HINTS.

a good flow of milk, but does not | 1 and gain Health, Take make butter.

Underdraining and irrigation make the farmer largely macpendent of the weather.

Pruning is a necessary evil, therefore it should never be done when not needed, nor neglected when it is

A man died recently on the Jay (Me.) Poor Farm who had been insane for half a century from over study when a bov.

There is very much to be said in regard to the value of hedge fences, but they do harbor vermin. They feed on the soil. But they also protect a breadth of soil from bad winds.

In cases of poisoning with the poison ivy paint the affected parts as soon as possible with a mixture of quick-lime and water. The mixture should stand half an hour after the lime and water are put together.

For family use plant successions of green peas every two weeks. Last year there were green peas of exquisite quality in New York city late into the fall. The market gardeners make a speciality of fall peas. -N. Y. Herald.

Succotash is usually made of green corn and garden beans, though string beans are sometimes added. Cut the 3.-When David received his Divine corn from the cobs, scraping them until the beans are soft. Lima beans

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