Sunday School.

INTERN ATIONAL LESSON NO. I APRIL 5TH, 1905

Jesus the Good Shepherd-John 10: 7-18.

Commentary .- I. The shepherd and the sheep (vs. 1-6.) In these Jesus lays the foundation for the Jesus lays the foundation for the discourse which was to follow. "With the external drapery of this parable the hearers of Jesus were perfectly familiar. Theirs was a sheepgrowing country; flocks were their main dependence. Those who desire to thoroughly understand this subject will take pains to stand this subject will take pains to bring before their minds the picture of an eastern sheep-fold, with its stone-walls, gates, and partial covering; the shepherd leading, not driving, out the sheep, while they readily follow the well-known voice; the shepherd's knowledge and notice of each one in the flock; the care with which he goes on before, removing obstacles, making the way plain, protecting them from all way plain, protecting them from all danger, carrying the lambs in his arms over the rough places, seeking out the richest pasture, and tenderly leading the flock home at night to their place of

II. Christ the door (vs. 7-9), 7. Then said Jesus—"Jesus was talking directly to the men who had excommunicated the former blind man, and the applica-tion of His words was to them as spiri-tual thieves and robbers who had usurptual thieves and robbers who had usurped authority over the flock of God, as hirleing shepherds and who had abandoned the sheep to wolves. The case in hand illustrated the way they dealt with the flock. They had reviled a poor man instead of protecting him. They professed to be shepherds, but they were pilerers and plunderers. It was a fearful indictment." Verily, verily—This emphasized the importance of what He was about to say. Jesus now proceeds to explain the illustration He had made use of in verses 1-6. I am the door—The sheep-folds of the east are not cov-The sheep-folds of the east are not cov-The sheep-folds of the east are not covered like our stables, but are mere enclosures surrounded by a wall of loose stones with thorn-bushes upon the top, but usually an effectual barrier against wolves.—Van Lennep. There is only one door to Oriental sheep-folds. Jesus now states plainly that He is the door. He states plainly that He is the door. He has made an atonement for sin and has perfected the great plon of salvation. Works, ordinances, a good character are not the door; these will not save us; Christ alone is the door (Eph. ii. 18). The sheep—True Christians. Those who, like sheep—true christians. Those who, like sheep—true christians. like sheep, are innocent, trustful, teachable, obedient.

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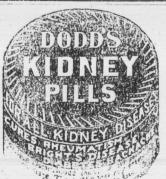
8. Before me—Those who came precooling to be pastors or guides to the tending to be pastors or guides to the people. The scribes and Pharisees claim ed to be instructors of the people; claimed the right to regulate the affairs of religion; whose only aim was to promote themselves and oppress the people.—Barnes. Thieves and robbers—A thief endeavors to gain his booty slyly and avoid detection; a robber is a brigand prepared to do violence. These false teachers, who rejected Christ and who were devouring the sheep from a purely mercenary standpoint, were the thieves and robbers. The application was easy. Did not hear—Many did hear and follow those with true spiritual insight—detected their hypoerisy. 9. Enter in—Through faith in Christ we enter into the fold—the visible church. What ben the fold—the visible church. What ben-efits are to be received by entering in? 1. Salvation—"shall be saved." 2. Lib-criv of soul—"go in and out." 3. Soul satisfaction—"find pasture" (Isa. Ixiii., 11s. 4. Fretection and care. Shall be saved—"safe from the robbers that seek

from the troubles, dangers and tempta-tions of life." "The Pharisees had fed themselves instead of feeding the flack. They had scattered them instead of foldng them. The had slaughtered the flock, " to trust, to rest, to think, to pray, out" to do effective Satisfaction for every need of the soul, sustenance that is pleasant and that brings health and growth to the spirit-

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10 2 Thief—Any opposer of the Gospel.
To steal, etc.—False teachers steal the hearts and affections from Christ. Their heresies kill and destroy all spiritual life. Those they cannot get into their possession they slander and destroy in the estimation of others. Life * * * abundantly (R. V.)—Christ is able to give his people abundant life. Many are seeking "more" life; what such need is "life"—the Christ life, the abundant life. By this is meant, 1. Fulness of life. 2. Overflowing life," Such a life is a growing, increasing life, 11. See on verses 14, 15. 12. An hireling—The hireling is the one who labors simply for the work. Such a person seeks his own intervence of heavy and heavy a his wages, with no love or concern for the work. Such a person seeks his own interests and happiness, and neglects and destroys the flock. "He sacrifices the sheep for himself, and not himself for the sheep." The wolf—The wolf is the enemy of souls in any of his manifold disguises, such as persecution, heresy, worldly living, or a low standard of morals.—Sadler, 13. Careth not—To him the welfare of the sheep is nothing, be

W. Christ the good Shepherd (vs. 14-218), 14. I am the good shepherd—"Jesus, as the good Shepherd, was forefold by God in the prophets. His character was that of a divinely appointed shepherd, His purposes, His teachings, His works. His methods of work, all were those whoch must belong to a good shepherd of God's people." Know my case and remit some of my dues so that I can once more show a card in good standing. Hoping that you may see my case in a favorable light, I remain, as ever, a true and loyal Frank-



sheep—In the East in a flock of hundreds each sheep would have and would know its own name. It is said that Cyrus and Caesar could repeat the names of the men or their great armies. names of the men of their great armies. When General Grant was colonef of a regiment he knew every man of his command by name. "Wonderful would be the effect of such enduring and separate remembrance." So Christ knows us and loves us as individuals. Am known of mine. "There is a mutual affection between the Father and the Son; one is provided with the start of the st fection between the Father and the Son; one is parallel with the other. As the Father knows the Son, so does the Shepherd know the sheep; as the Son knows the Father, so do the sheep know the Shepherd. As his Father read his heart, so did he read the heart of man and recognize his own."—Robertson.

15. Lay down my life-The Oriental shepherd must face storms, hardships and dangers for his sheep; he must find them when lost, and must often fight with wild beasts and robbers in protecting them. Our shepherd gives up his life for us (John iii, 16; Titus ll 14 I. John, iv. 10). 16. Other sheep I have

—The Gentiles who were soon to be brought into his church. "The good Shepherd sweeps the world with his thought. Here is the universal rela-tion of Jesus to sinners of all nations and tongues." Shall become one flock (R. V.)—One flock not in creed, or name, but in what is far more essential -one in Christ. "One in heart, one in purpose, one in the service of God and

17. Because I lay down—Not because I have laid it down, as though the love of the Father were caused by the earth-ly love and sacrifice of Christ, but bely love and sacrifice of Christ, but because I lay it down. That is, because Christ's Spirit is one of self-sacrificing love, manifested by, but not alone embodied in, the incarnation, he is loved by the Father (see Phil. ii., 9; Heb. i., 9).—Abbott. Take it again—His rising from the dead was as necessary as his dying, for by his resurrection he secured the iruits of his death (compare Rom. iv., 25).—G. W. Clark. Christ died in order to rise to a more complete life, and order to rise to a more complete life, and to raise men with him. This purpose evoked the love of the Father (compare evoked the love of the Father (compare xii., 32; Phil. ii., 9; Heb. i., 9).—West-cott. There is another sense in which this has been explained which is worthy of our consideration; "The meaning is interpreted by Christ's declaration to His disciples." disciples, "He that loseth his life for my sake shall find it." Christ lays down His life by His humiliation. His incarnation, His passion and His crucifixion, that He may take it again in the life of the may take when the myriads whom He has redeemed from death by His own death. He takes it again when He sees of the travail of His soul, and is satisfied (Isa. liil., 11), which He does when those who have been washed and made white in the blood of the Lamb stand before him (Rev. vii., 14-15). So every mother, laying down her life in continued self-sacrifice for her children, takes it again in their developed manhood and womanhood."—Abbott. 18. No man—"His death was entirely volun-tary. Men killed him, but he had full power to escape from them had he wish-

ed. No one imposed upon him the duty of leaving heaven, of coming to this world, suffering and dying. He chose to do it, that he might save men." Have I received—"While he did it voluntarily, was in accordance with his Father's appressed will. He gave him the comexpressed will. He gave him the com-mand, if he would save men, that he must lay down his life and take it again. This is the divine law of salvation

DRIVEN TO DEATH

Pressfeeder, Prevented From Getting Work, Ends His Life.

Chicago, March 20 .- Driven from wor by the strike of the Franklin union and prevented from obtaining employment in false teachers; by the rules of the organization, which forbade him from working while his due were unpaid, John Rabbitt, a bressfeed

er, turned on the gas in a room in the Hotel Queen, 362 Wabash avenue, yesterday afternoon. He was dead when found, and beside him lay a woman, young and pretty and well dressed, whose identity is a mystery. She is at the Samaritan hospital where there is a bare chance that she will recover. It is supposed that they had agreed to die ogether. Rabbitt's last act in life was to write

a letter professing loyalty to the union which had driven him to death and appealing for mercy.

At 4.30 o'clock the fumes of gas were

union. It told of the struggle hardships which had followed his

the welfare of the sheep is nothing; he is chiefly solicitous for his own safety, his own gain and worldly honor.

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John Rabbitt. It is the mystery surrounding the wo-man, however, which is puzzling the po-ice. She had never been seen in that ocality. All of the officers in that vicinity have seen her and have failed to recognize her. She is young, the physicians say not more than twenty. She is pretty. Her eyes rae blue and large. Her fiair is golden and luxuriant. Her garments were of good material and neat. But there was no mark that would serve to identify her.

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Paris .- The Foreign Office here has not | Montreal .- Chief Detective Carpenter and been advised of the action of Freshent Case-tro towards the French Cable Company, but declares that France will act energetically should the information prove correct. Proi-dent Castro's attitude with reference to the asphalt company is regarded by the Foreign Office as a mere pretext to gain time.

Russian Peasant Disorders Causing Anxiety to the Government.

St. Petersburg, March 20.-There is reason to believe that the Government has resolved to re-establish the censorship on out-going news despatches, which was withdrawn about a year ago. 'It is inferred that this decision is prompted by the growing seriousness of the peasant disorders, which seem to be causing ant disorders, which seem to be causing anxiety to the Government. Among the latest raids was one on the estate of the late Grand Duke Sergius, in the Dmitroff district of Qrel, the place being pillaged. A neighboxing factory was burned. This belonged to the Grand Duke of Oldenburg. The trouble seems to be spreading in the north and west. There have been serious disorders in the Governments of Vilna and Kovno. At Plust, in Kovno, the residences of the Government agent and a local judge were burned. Troops who were brought from the city of Kovno scattered the marauders. Peasants have devastated three estates Peasants have devastated three estates Peasants have devastated three estates in Rejesta. Artisans and peasants in the southern Governments are threatening to prevent further drafts of troops for the far east. The Government has dissolved the Moscow Agricultural Society, which was suspected of carrying on a propaganda among the peasantry. M. Petrunkevich, the president of the society, has been ordered to come to St. Petersburg.

THE SUPREME CIRCLE.

Question of Investment of Funds Discussed.

Guelph, March 20.-The Supreme Cirle of the Order of Canadian Home Circles met in the City Hall here this afternoon. There were some 250 representatives present, extending from Nova Scotia to British Coiumbia. At four o'clock the delegates were publicly received by his Worship Mayor Sleeman, and Ald. Struthers, Cunningham and Gray, of the Reception Committee of the

Gray, of the Reception Committee of the Council, when short addresses of welcome were given by these gentlemen, expressing the pleasure of seeing so many present, and offering them the freedom of the city.

The Supreme Leader, J. L. Buck, of Port Rowan, and Judge Trueman, of Nova Scotia, replied.

The work of the afternoon consisted principally of receiving reports from the varrous committees. A long debate took place on the report of the committee appointed to look after the investment of \$100,000 of the expediency fund in the Guarantee Companies. At present the money was deposited in various banks, and the question is, whether the security of the low companies was equal to the control of the control of the companies. At present the money was deposited in various banks, and the question is, whether the security of the low companies was equal to the control of the various committees. A long debate took place on the report of the committee appointed to look after the investment of \$100,000 of the expediency fund in the Guarantee Companies. At present the money was deposited in various banks, and the question is, whether the security of the loan companies was equal to the bank security. It was decided that the Guarantee Company was perfectly safe.

Dr. Hobbs, the Grand Medical Exam-

per of the Order, entertained the Grand Officers to a dinner at the Homewood Sanitarium last evening. The local circle entertained the visiting delegates to a concert supplied by local talent in the City Hall to-night, which was thorough-

Market Reports The Week.

Toronto Farmers' Market.

ower at 47 to 48c.

Dairy produce in limited supply, with outer steady. The best sold at 25 to 27c er lb. Eggs easier at 24 to 26c per dozen. Hay quiet, with sales of 10 loads at \$10 to 12 a ton.

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London.—Live cattle are quoted at 12½c per lb.; refrigerator beef, 8% per lb.; sheep, 12 to 13c per lb. Leading Wheat Markets.

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steers, 800 to 950 lbs., each active cows and steers, 800 to 950 lbs., each active cows and springers sold all the way from \$22 to \$55 each. Trade in milch cows is not as good as a couple of weeks ago.

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B common to medium quality. Wesley Dunn quotes prices from \$3.50 to \$6 per cwt, but something of choice quality would bring but something of choice quality would bring the solution of the second seco r cwt.
and Lambs—On account of light delivad a good demand prices were firmer. sneep and Lamos—On account of light deliveries and a good demand prices were firmer. Export ewes sold at \$4.50 to \$5.25 per cwt.; bucks, \$5.25 to \$7.25 per cwt.; barnyard lambs, \$5.50 to \$4.25 per cwt.; barnyard lambs, \$5.50 to \$6.50; spring lambs, \$4 to \$8 each, according to quality. Hogs—Reeeipts were large, 3020, all of which were bought by Mr. Harris, at unchanged quotations. Selects \$6, light and fats at \$5.75 per cwt., fed and watered.

Bradstreet's on Trade.

Montreal report to Bradstreet's says: General trade conditions here continue a little quiet. The roads of the country have shown but little improvement dur-ing the past week, and the movement of goods throughout the province has been quiet on that account. The city trade has been fairly active, and signs of the spring revival are everywhere apparent. This is the case in all lines of trade. Canadian railroads are all in the Canadian market for rails, and the iron and steel trade generally seems to be entering on a year of unprecedented activity. Remittances and city collections here have shown some improvement lately, and now are fair to good despite the quiet tone to country trade. Money con-

inues easy.

Toronto advices to Bradstreet's say: While here and there complaints are still heard about the slowness of trade and the bad effect of the snow upon the country roads, there is no doubt but that business conditions generally are in a very satisfactory condition. The general volume of trade, however, is well up to if not in advance of what can be expected at this time of the year. Orders for spring delivery have been heavy, especially in dry goods and metals. Gro-ceries are still a little quiet. Values of commodities generally are firm. Dairy produce is coming to hand more freely. Great activity in the building trade is foreshadowed. Against the fact that there is talk of strikes in this connection is set the fact that large numbers of English immigrants are here, and there English immigrants are here, and there is not likely to be any shortage of labor, At Quebec trade conditions are reported fairly good. Spring orders are coming in and country collections show a slight improvement. The outlook is considered favorable, and with good weather conditions sales are likely to be as good contains and the conditions sales are likely to be as good contains a significant transfer of the conditions and contains the conditions are conditions. good as this time a year ago. City trade is fairly active and some of the milliners are beginning to make displays. Bradstreet's reports from Winnipeg say. Return of more seasonable weather

Bradstreet's reports from Winnipeg say: Return of more seasonable weather has had a good effect upon trade here. The millinery openings have been very successful, and from the tenor of the outlook in the country for both this line and dry goods it is evident large orders already placed will no; prevent a good repeat trade. This year's inflow of immigrants has already begun, and promises to be still larger than last year. Total arrivals for the season at the pre-Total arrivals for the season at the present rate should be something like 60,000. Collections are still slow, but money is coming forward steadily. It is estimated there is still about 24 per

is estimated there is still about 24 per cent. of last year's wheat crop in the hands of the farmers.

Victoria and Vancouver reports say:
Warm weather has given a sudden impetus to trade, and all lines of spring goods are moving well. The demand from the interior for all lines of provisions is active and collections are fair. The establishment of a steel working plant at Vancouver is a feature of the work in the development of the country. Proin the development of the country. Pro-vincial industries are active and collecions are fair.

Bradstreet's reports from Hamilton

say trade there is opening out fairly well. The fine weather and better roads have considerably helped in the move-ment of goods, and the prospects for trade generally are of the brightest. Ac-tivity is general in meanly all lines of-trade. Collections are fair.



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