Junior Pepartment.

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Bible Geography Alphabet.

The alphabet given in our November number proved popular. Twenty-five Leagues representing Nova Scotia. Quebee, Ontario, and Manitoba sent solutions. The work for most part was good. As soon as the prize was awarded a letter was sent to every competitor giving full particulars of contest, and every solution was returned corrected and every solution was returned corrected and valued. Miss Edna Woodcock, 60 Fern Avenue, Toronto, received the prize—"Zollar's Bible Geography." Edna is only ten years old, but her work was a model of nearness and thoroughness. It was so much better than the average that I wrote her asking several questions. Herreply informed me that she had done the work throughout herself, aided only by Bible, concordance and dictionary. Athough she well deserved the prize, the following sent scellent answers and are most heartily commended for their good work: Lillie E. Trueman, Hattie Bartlett, Jennie E. Benyon, Nina Mathison, Amy Hanbury, Laura B. Lewis, Tex Seccombe and Andrew Bodkin. The restall did well; but those above sent especially good copies, approximately correct. The following is my solution sent to each competitor. Cut it out for future use.

SOLUTION OF BIBLE GEOGRAPHY ALPHABET.

A—A Cave
B-A Well Beer-lahai-roiGen. 16; 14,
C-A Sea Chinnereth Num. 34: 11
D-Ten Cities Decapolis Mark 5: 20.
E-A Rock Etam Judges 15: 11.
F.A. Harbor Fair Havens Acts 27: 8.
6-A Hill
H-A Mount Hor Num, 34: 7.
I-A Province Iturea Luke 3: 1.
J-A Stone HeapJegar-sahadutha Gen. 31: 46, 47.
-A Stone Heap egar-sanadutha Gen. 31: 40, 47.
K-A Fortress Keilah 1 8am. 23: 7.
L-A Mountain Range Lebanon Joshua 13: 6.
M—A Field Machpelah Gen. 23: 19.
N-A Land Nod Gen. 4: 16,
0-A Plain Ono Neh. 6: 2,
P—An Island Patmos Rev.1: 9.
Q - Dangerous Sandbanks. Quicksands, Acts 27: 17.
R-A City of Refuge Bamoth Deut. 4: 53.
8—A Wilderness
T—A City Tarsus Acts 21: 39.
T-A City Tarsus Acts 21: 59.
U—A River
V-Naboth's Possession Vineyard 1 Kings 21 : 1.
W-Place of Wandering . Wilderness Num. 14: 33.
Z-A Town Zarephath1 Kings 17: 9, 10

THE following letter will explain itself:

Товонто, Dec. 10тн, 1900.

DEAR MR. BARTLETT,—I received your kind letters and Bible Geography on the 7th. I was much pleased with the geography, and I am sure it will be of great value to me in the course of my Bible study. But, even though I had not received the

But, even though I had not received the prize, I think I would have been well repaid for the knowledge of the Bible which I gained during my search for the questions.

I remain, your young friend.

Edna Woodcock.

60 Fern Avenue.

Notes.

The Junior Epworth League of Fred Victor Mission has presented the sum of \$5 to the Twentieth Century Thanksgiving Fund. This money reached Dr. Potts in the form of five hundred coppers.

MBS JANET E. GALBRAITH, of Dublin Street Junior League, Gue!ph, Cnt., sends encouraging account of the work there. "A live society of fifty-two willing workers" should make quite a busy hive. Everybody

is on the Look-outCommittee, and appointed Prayer-meeting, Missionary and Floral Committees are doing faithful service. The society meets on Wednesday after school. An autograph quilt for the hospital is well under way. From all accounts Miss Mitchell is president of a fine League, and Dublin Street Church is to be congratulated on its Juniors.

ANOTHER excellent report of work dome the report of work dome the following the month from Miss Edna Cuyler, Whitechurch. She reports regular Missionary and Temperance meetings, 82.50 from mite boxes, \$6.00 for T.C.T.F., \$1.10 for furnishings and 85 cents on hand for the summer term—a good showing. The committee meetings have been well booked after. The anniversary of the League was held on September 17th, when Rev. A. J. Brown officiated. Miss Maggie Morehouse is president and the outlook is bright.

EVANGELIST WM. MOULL does a good deal of effective talking to children in his services. He is wise in his use of Acrostics. Here are a few that may be suggestive to Junior workers. They need no explanation here:

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ETERNAL	HAS	INHERITANCE
SECURED	RISEN	BRINGING
UNTO	IN	LIFE
SINNERS	Songs	EVERLASTING.
	TRIUMPHANT	
FIND	God	Go
Ask	REDEEMS	ON
INCLINE	ALL	SING
TAKE	CONDEMNED	PREACH
HOLD	ENEMIES	EVERLASTING
-		LOVE.

A Request.

Will every Junior Leaguer reading this kindlydrop me a post-card as early as possible in 1901 giving a naccount of the first meeting of the League in the new century. Kindly state number present. Don't forget and don't postpone this small favor. Oblige me Now.

Weekly Topics.

January 6th—"When should we begin to love and serve God?" Ecc. 12:1; Matt. 18:1-6.

The first topic of the new century is in the form of a question—the most important question of life. Our first scripture verse answers it—" in the days of thy youth." So we put the answer thus on the blackboard:

Youth is the time to BEG

To love and serve God.

Why is it? Because youth is the "best" time, the "easiest" time, the "growing" time, the "innocent" time of life, and because it is a "natural" thing for the young to love God, who has loved them with such a great and everlasting love, and to serve Him who has done so much for them. So our blackboard exercise now reads:

Youth is the

Best
Easiest
Growing
Innocent
Natural

To love and serve God.

"Begin" now, and continue all through life. (The superintendent should have no difficulty whatever in getting at and illustrat-

ing the points given above as the main lessons of this topic.)

January 13th—"Lessons from Bible mothers."

What is the one great characteristic of every true mother? Love! How is this mother every true mother I Love! How is this mother love shown? By uncessing care for her children. Name some Bible mothers, e. g. Jochebed (mother of Moses and Aaron), Hannah (Samuel's mother), Elizabeth (mo-ther of John the Baptist), Mary (mother of Jesus), Salome (mother of James and John), Eunice (Timothy's mother), etc. It will be an easy matter to draw on the knowledge of the League to show how the mothers desired the welfare of their children, and so took care of them and sought their dvancement. But the more important point to press home is the filial duty rather than the maternal; and unless this Topic in the League impresses the fifth commandment on the minds of the members it will fail in its most important particular. Moses, Samuel, John, Timothy, etc., received loving attendance and valuable instruction from their mothers in their childhood, and in after years were the better men for being true to years were the better men for being true to mothers' teaching. So, now, in proportion to the fidelity of children to pious mothers' example, tuition and prayers will their after lives be beautiful and good. It is so easy to forget until remembrance brings but sorrow and regret if not remorse, that as teachers we cannot be too affectionate and urgent in striving for the largest measure of filial reverence and obedience to mother's instruction. Home is the primary school of character. Mother is the queen of home, and from her charmed circle should go men and women to continue the long and glorious record of those who have traced their all of worth to their mothers.

January 20th - "How can we help one another to be good?" Eph. 4: 29-32.

One of the best things ever said of a young person was the remark of a class of girls after the removal of one of their number, "It was easy to be good while she was with us," Every one of us finds it hard to be good sometimes. So we all need encouragement and help. But we should not only try to get but to gire help, for one of the best ways of getting for ourselves is by giving to others. We help ourselves by helping those anund us. A good doctor once gave a prescription to a despondent lady, which read, "Do something for somebody." It was the best medicine for her, and it did her a great deal of god. We either help or hinder others. Which are we doing from day to day? Helping others to be good by our example, our kind advice, our loving assistance, and our prayers is the surest way of following our Lord, who came to "minister" (help). Cultivate the labit of helping. Not doing something for somebody just once in a while, but if the help by your example, your labors and your prayers; thus:

HABIT.
EXAMPLE,
LABORS.
PRAYERS.

This "help habit" is one of the best.

January 27th.—"Missions: heathen homes and Christian homes."—1 Tim. 1: 3-5; 3: 14, 15.

The object of this study is to contrast the two kinds of homes. But what makes home? Not a place of residence merely. Home is made up not only of material comforts but of companionship, sympathy, love, unity of fellowship, etc. These are possible only where Christ is. There are many heathen homes in Christian lands because of the absence of the Christ spirit and practice. The beautiful picture drawn by St. Paul of Timothy's home in our lesson, goes to the