

SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSONS, THIRD QUARTER.

LESSON 7.] ABSTAINING FOR THE SAKE OF OTHERS. [AUGUST 15.

1 Cor. 8. 1-13.

GOLDEN TEXT.—For none of us liveth to himself.—Rom. 14-7.

MEMORY VERSES, 12-13. (Read chaps. 8, 9, 10.)—But when ye sin so against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, ye sin against Christ.

Wherefore, if meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth, lest I make my brother to offend.

To the folks at home: Please help the little folks to learn this lesson.

LESSON STORY.

After Paul left Corinth the people of that gay and wicked city fell back into their evil ways. Paul felt very badly and wrote them a letter. Many of their Corinthian Christians had been idol-worshippers, and some of them thought it was no harm to eat the meats that had been offered to idols. That is, as if a Christian should say now that he can drink wine because it does not harm him, though it may harm a weaker brother. Paul urges the Christians to love one another enough to deny themselves for Christ's sake. Paul said that if meat would harm another he would never eat meat again.

LESSON QUESTIONS.

1. About what did Paul write to the Corinthian Christians?
About denying themselves.
2. Why should Christians now refuse to drink wine?
For the sake of the weak who find it hard to resist.
3. How can we help another?
By our good example.
4. Do you think Paul would take a temperance pledge if he lived now?

Ben has had trouble in remembering his table of Roman numerals. He has been asked each mealtime to say the table up to ten before eating, but it was forgotten once until little Karl inquired: "Ben, can you say your Roman candles now?"