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THE Memory Passages are out. They are printed on a neat card at fifty cents per hundred, and follow the line of the lessons for 1900, embracing some of the great passages of the Word on the birth, life, teachings and work of our Divine Redeemer and Lord. Send for samples, which are furnished free.

By a re-arrangement of type the amount of lesson material in THE HOME STUDY QUARTERLY has been largely increased. Almost double the space has been given to the Explanation of the passage, the Study Questions have been extended, as well as the Practical Points; and a new feature, Bible Side Lights, has been added. By marking out the space for Written Answers with dotted lines room has been saved, whilst it is equally convenient for writing. It will be remembered that THE HOME STUDY QUARTERLY is widely used in Bible Classes and the Home Department, as well as in the classes less advanced. Hence the variety and amount of matter. By a little direction from the teacher each scholar can readily select what will best serve him in the preparation of his lesson.

A "Record of Attendance" is given (see page 32) for two reasons. (1) Most boys and girls like to keep track of themselves. And it is a good habit. They will find it very interesting to set down each Sabbath in the columns provided for the purpose their attendance at school and church, and the various other items in reference to the lesson of the day. (2) Many members of the Home Department find the Record of Attendance very convenient. It is quite as complete as any furnished on a separate card; and, being included in the QUAR-

TERLY, it saves unnecessary trouble. With a Bible and a HOME STUDY QUARTERLY the student in the Home Department is well equipped for his work.

It will be noticed that there is a break between the Shorter Catechism questions of last year and this. The explanation is that some confusion had arisen through the dividing of the Catechism into a three years' course instead of a course of two years. There were only twenty-six questions left for the coming year—scarcely a good mouthful for a scholar with any sort of appetite; and, besides, many schools were still going upon the former two years' plan. It was thought well, therefore, to turn back now to the beginning of the book and make a fresh start. Half of the questions will be taken up this year and half next, the whole book being thoroughly committed to memory, let us hope, in two years. The same order is to be followed in the Young People's Societies.

At Twelve

One of the early lessons of the year—the second, indeed, in the series—is The Child Jesus in the Temple. It is a scene that never loses its charm. "Why, He's twelve years old; just like I am," some boy says.

Yes, just twelve years old, and a thorough boy, too, clean limbed and strong, shrewd and kindly, the favorite of the village; and best of all, as Luke tells us, "the grace of God was upon him." That "grace of God" comes out when He goes up for the first time to the Holy City. It led Him straight to the Temple and kept Him there, not because the crowds were in the Temple, or there were wonderful sights to see, but because the men who had to do with God's