

THE NERVES.

Nothing in the whole animal economy is so complex and so wonderful as its operations as the nervous system. All animals, even the lowest forms, are supplied with nerves of motion and sensation; but complication increases as we ascend from the lower to the higher forms of living organisms, and with this increases the susceptibility to impressions from external surroundings, as well as from internal disturbances of the regular operations of nature in the support of animal life. It is only in the higher and more refined classes of animals that the nerve power can gain such complete control of the muscular fibers as to force them from their natural position and functions, and produce the distressing condition called spasms or convulsions. Who ever heard of spasms in a pig, or convulsions in a goose with its small brain. The cat and the dog, and other animals of a finer nervous development, are more or less subject to these afflictions.

INTERNATIONAL BIBLE LESSONS. SECOND QUARTER—STUDIES IN THE NEW TESTAMENT. A. D. 60. LESSON II. SECURITY OF BELIEVERS; OR, A SURE SALVATION. Rom. 8. 28-38. July 13. EXPLANATORY AND PRACTICAL. Verse. 28. We know. The apostle speaks not in the uncertainty of a theory but with the confidence of sure knowledge. 1. The highest and clearest knowledge of God's plan is that which results from an experience of God's dealings. All things. We can easily see how some good things—prosperity, success, happiness—can be for our good. But the apostle, with the inner light of inspiration, sees that all things—sorrow, disappointment, poverty—are a part of God's vast plan for our eternal well-being. 2. There is a heart of love and a mind of wisdom at the core of the universe. Work together. Under one directing will, all nature and all circumstances co-operate for one end, and that end is the best interest, here and hereafter, of every soul. Love God. Love to God is the spell which binds the universe to our chariot wheels, and makes all events minister blessing. 3. Every nature draws its own element. The heart of love extracts the balm of love from all things. The called. In a general sense, all mankind are called; but only those become "the called" who accept and follow the divine invitation. [Teacher, urge the question, "Are you among the called?"]

35, 36. Who shall separate us. So strong is the apostle's confidence in the Christian's security that he proclaims no power in the universe as sufficient to shut out souls from Christ's love and salvation. From the love of Christ. This does not refer to our love for Christ, as if inquiring, "who shall prevent us from loving our Saviour?" but to his love toward us, which the apostle asserts nothing can change or keep back from us. Shall tribulation. He enumerates seven kindred troubles and trials, which some might take as evidence that God was not a friend, but an enemy; his purpose is to show that, however great may be our distresses, none of them should make us doubt that Christ loves us. 9. No matter how great our misfortunes, let us still cling to the assurance of God's love in Christ. We are killed. A quotation, following the Septuagint, of Psa. 44. 52. referring to the sufferings of God's ancient people, but equally applicable to troubled saints in every age. 37. We are more than conquerors. Literally, "we over-conquer, obtain complete victory." So far from making us believe that God is our enemy, these very trials only reveal to us God's love all the more clearly. They show us his power to comfort; they show us the strength of our own faith, love and fidelity; they chasten and refine our characters, making us meet for heaven; they are over-ruled and controlled for our good by his power; they only lift us the more rapidly and the higher toward heaven. Through him. Our victory is through Christ, not by our own power. 38, 39. Neither death. Death, so far from shutting us out from God's love only enables us to enjoy it the more fully. Life. With all its allurements, life cannot turn us aside from the path of God's service, Angels. Whether good or evil; though only the latter would oppose our love to God, or the operation of his love to us. Principalities. Mysterious spiritual existences and orders often referred to, but not precisely named in the word of God. Things present, nor things to come. "Vicissitudes of the present, and unknown revelations of the future." Creatures. Creation or created thing, whether animate or inanimate. In Christ Jesus. Who represents to us the highest measure of God's love to fallen man. In other words, nothing can keep the salvation of Christ, which is the manifestation of the Father's love, from its possession by a human soul. Gossamer. That if God be for us, who can be against us. Rom. 31. DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION: The foreknowledge of God. WORK AND OVERWORK. How many women fail to make this distinction; or, making it, fail to profit by it. How many pale faces, aching backs, sleepless nights, dyspeptic days grow out of this tendency among wives and mothers to overdo in some direction. It may be sewing, it may be cooking, it may be a laudable ambition to have the house in perfect order, or it may be care and training of children which absorbs strength and energy, but in each and every case the aim, if followed too intently, will result in pain and weariness. Moderation; a wise moderation in all things, is the only rule of success. Don't, you poor over-tired woman who may read this, don't attempt so much. Be satisfied to leave something for tomorrow. Let the day bring you a resting time as well as a working time. Suppose the curtains don't get up, or the hall carpet isn't put down until next week? Will it matter so much after all? Once more we say, at the risk of being tedious, be moderate. Work is a necessity in one way or another to all of us. Overwork is of our own making, and, like all self-imposed burdens, is beyond our strength. Very often it happens that we have too much to do, because we fail to do the work of the hour in its season. An unwise postponement brings us into difficulties. What should have been accomplished conflicts with what is now necessary of accomplishment, and the result is confusion. Besides, the consciousness of behindhand fatigues one. The only way to avoid overwork is to be punctual, careful, and moderate.—Christian Intelligencer. An oriental traveller describes this busy scene, witnessed on historic shores: "Our steamer landed on a beach which was the port of Antioch, where the disciples were first called Christians. There was no town at the water's edge, no people, no wharf. The passengers and the merchandise were put ashore in lighters, which ran up into the sand. A troop of camels, with their drivers, lay on the beach, ready to transfer the goods into the interior. Among the articles landed were boxes marked 'Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass., U. S. A.' showing that they contained medicines and whence they came. 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OBITUARY.

G. LANE, ESQ. To the memory of many Methodist ministers and laymen, seniors and juniors, the name of the late G. Lane, senior, will remain fresh as long as mind has vigour.

FAMILY READING.

OUR NEGLECT REBUKED.

At one of the fellowship meetings which the native Christians of the South Sea Islands have among themselves, an old man rose and said, "I stand among you to-day a solitary and lonely man. Once I had five noble sons; they are all gone. Oh, that terrible night, when my wife went out to the bushwood never to return—when my boys left my home to be slain by our deadly enemies!"

THE HOPE OF HEAVEN.

The Christian's hope of future blessedness depends upon his assurance of the fact of immortality. In truth, one cannot be a Christian without that assurance; for Christ can have no proper claim to the allegiance of men unless the pledges and promises he has given us of a future state of existence are true and reliable.

that divine life which is eternally blessed is begotten in our souls, is attested by the love of God and of our neighbor shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

Wherefore, it is a mistake to be always thinking of heaven as something in the remote future. We may have it now, and may know that we have it now. If we ever have heaven at all, hereafter, it will be because it is established in our hearts, here, in this vale of tears.

EARTHLY MINDEDNESS.

Earthly mindedness is a woeful disease; it clogs the mind and unfits the soul for spiritual work. The thoughts of the world shut out the thoughts of God and eternity; they tempt many poor souls, like Martha, to be carefully troubled about many things, even things which will not avail them at a dying hour.

DR. ARNOLD AT RUGBY.

On his appointment to the head mastership of Rugby school, Arnold took his D.D. degree, and from that he was chiefly called in public by the name by which we best know him, Dr. Arnold.

THE YOUNG FOLKS.

LIVING IN AN OMNIBUS.

"Chips, ma'am? Only five cents a basket," said a little voice, as I stood at my gate one morning, deciding which way I should walk.

see naught but by Thee, the universal light, the Sun of souls, who shineth more clearly than our material sun, and seeing nothing but by Thee, we yet behold Thee not.

As for me, O my God, I have Thee everywhere; even within myself. It is Thou who effectest whatever I do that is good. A thousand times have I felt that I could not subdue my wrong tempers, or destroy my habits, that I could not subdue my pride, nor follow my reason, nor continue to will the good that I once have willed.

TESTIMONY OF A CONVERTED SKEPTIC.

Men who have strayed into skepticism are continually coming back to the Bible, and accepting it again as their teacher, their guide and their comforter. I am myself an instance of this.

A PRAYER.

My God, men know Thee not. They discern not who and what Thou art. The light shineth in darkness and the darkness comprehends it not.

"We were Germans; and when father died we were very poor. We came to this city in the spring, but couldn't get any place, there were so many of us, and we had so little money.

"Will you show me this funny house of yours, and tell me your name?" "O yes, ma'am; I am just going home, and my name is Fritz."

OUR NEGLECT REBUKED.

"I know what my brother says. I, too, mourn to-day sons and daughters slain. If we had known the gospel sooner, they would be with us now. Yes, it is true. Oh, that English Christians had sent us the gospel sooner!"

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