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THE SISTERS.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSONS, FIRST QUARTER.

LESSON 3.]

A MULTITUDE CONVERTED.

[JAN. 17.]

Acts 2. 32-47.

GOLDEN TEXT.—The promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off.—Acts 2. 39.

MEMORY VERSES, 38-39.—Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

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

LESSON STORY.

It is no wonder that the people from many far off-lands who were at Jerusalem were filled with wonder at hearing the plain, simple men, the disciples of Jesus, speaking and preaching in words which everybody could understand. Then Peter, one of the followers of Jesus, told the story of Jesus with strange power. He told the Jews that the same Jesus whom they had nailed to the cross had risen from the dead and gone to heaven, and that it was by his power that these strange things which they had seen and heard had come to pass. Many of the Jews were "pricked to the hearts," that is, felt sorry for their sins and cried out, "What shall we do? What shall we do?" Then Peter told them to trust in God and learn to love him, and that God would give them peace and joy. Peter said that this good news was not for the Jews alone, but for all, even little children, to the end of the world. Then a great many, three thousand in all, took God at his word and were made glad.

LESSON QUESTIONS.

1. What does conversion mean?

It means to turn from sin to God.

2. How many were converted on the day of Pentecost?

Three thousand.

3. What led to their conversion?

The preaching of Peter and the Spirit of God.

4. What did they do when they heard the preaching of Peter?

They were very sorry for their sins.

5. What did they say?
They cried out "What shall we do?"
6. What did Peter say?
He said that all, even children, could turn to God and be forgiven.
7. What did the people do then?
Three thousand persons gladly took God at his word.
8. Is this promise for us?
Yes, for all to the end of the world.

THE SISTERS.

May and Ethel were two little sisters who loved each other very much. Each was willing to give her toys and playthings to the other. You never heard them saying unkind words or saw them angry with each other. One day they went to have their pictures taken and Ethel threw her arm around dear little May just as we see in the cut, to show how much she loved her.

THE PEDDLER.

Harry and Ned ran into the house shouting and laughing: "Such a horrid old peddler with packs on his back! He is bent over like an old, old man, mother; and his face is dark, and he acts cross."

"Did the boys make him cross?" asked mother gently.

"Oh, we laughed and followed him. Maybe he didn't like it. But he looks so! How could we help it?"

Mother's kind eyes looked troubled. "Dear boys, the poor peddler is a stranger in a strange land. Perhaps he has left loved ones across the sea, and is trying to earn a little money to bring them over here. Don't you think that it hurts him to be laughed at and teased, as it would hurt you if you were far from home and from all who love you?"

"Mother, I didn't think of anything but having fun. I'm sorry. I won't do it again."

"Do you know that the Bible says: 'Love the stranger?' I will find it for you." And then mother took the big Bible, and read it, and both boys promised that the next time they saw a poor stranger, even if he did look queer, they would speak kindly and politely to him.

A SAD ACCIDENT.

So busy was Miss Muffet with her sewing; as we saw last week, that she never noticed the mischief that was going on beside her. Toby and wee Blackie, her two kittens, got hold of Miss Dolly, one by the head and the other by the feet, and pulling as hard as they could—behold Miss Dolly's head came off. When little Miss Muffet saw this she cried as if her heart would break. We will see what happened next, next week.



A SAD ACCIDENT.

MARY'S PRAYER.

"Dear God, bless my two little eyes, and make them twink[e] happy; bless my two ears, and help me hear my mother call me; bless my two lips, and make them speak kind and true; bless my two hands, and make them good and not touch what they mustn't; bless my feet, and make them go where they ought to; bless my heart, and make it love God, mother, father, George, and everybody. Please let ugly sin never get hold of me, never!"

A little Swedish girl was walking with her father one night under the starry sky, intently meditating on the glories of heaven. At last, looking up to the sky, she said: "Father, I have been thinking that if the wrong side of heaven is so beautiful, what will the right side be?"