

**INTERNATIONAL NEWSPAPER
BIBLE STUDY CLUB**

THE GAZETTE'S BRANCH.

Prizes for Answers.

The Gazette has secured the right to publish the International Sunday School Lesson questions by the Rev. Dr. Linscott, which have aroused so much interest elsewhere, and they will appear weekly. One of these questions each week is to be answered in writing, and upon these answers prizes will be awarded. This paper is also authorized to form a Local Newspaper Bible Study Club for its readers, and guarantees to all who join and fulfill the conditions, that everything herein promised shall be faithfully carried out.

Persons may join the club at any time during the year, but must, of course, answer the 52 questions hereinafter explained, to qualify for the prizes. It is, however, desirable that the questions be answered as the lessons are studied.

The International Newspaper Bible Study Club, which had its origin last year at Brantford, Ont., is for the purpose of promoting, in an unfettered way among the masses, a wider study of the Bible, the basic truths of Christianity, and the problems which enter into every man's life. It is composed of all those who join a local club and take up the simple course outlined herein, barring only ordained clergymen. We have the sympathetic co-operation of the latter, but it is not considered fair to have them compete for the prizes. Sunday School teachers, Bible class scholars, and churchgoers generally may belong to this newspaper club, also non-churchgoers of all shades of opinion. All such are warmly invited to join and compete for the prizes.

CONDITIONS OF THE CONTEST.

1. Each contestant, or his or her family, must be a paid-up subscriber to this paper during the continuance of the contest in order to qualify for membership in the International Newspaper Bible Study Club and this Local Club.
2. Each contestant in this Local Club must answer each of the written questions for 52 consecutive weeks, commencing for Sunday, July 26th, and the answers must all be in the possession of this paper within two weeks after the close of the contest.
3. Each question must be answered separately, and the paper written on one side only. No answer must exceed 200 words, and may be less. If possible, write on letter paper, size about 8½ by 11 inches.
4. Each answer must have the name and address of the writer at the bottom of the answer, so it can be identified, given a number, registered, and then the name cut off so the examiner may know it by number only.
5. Students should be careful to understand the question before answering. To do this the lesson text must be read, and especially the verse or verses upon which the question is based.
6. The answers for this local club must be delivered at this office, and they will be collated at the close of the contest and forwarded to headquarters for independent examination by competent examiners. The prizes will then be awarded according to the highest number of marks won by members of the International Newspaper Bible Study Club, and prizes which may be awarded to members of this Local Club will be given out from this office.

THE PRIZES.

- First Series.—A gold medal to each of the first five contestants.
 Second Series.—A silver medal to each of the next five contestants.
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 Fifth Series.—A developed mind, an expanded imagination, a richer experience and a more profound knowledge of the Bible and of life, to all who take this course, whether winning any other prize or not.
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All who can write, and have ideas, are urged to take up these studies regardless of the degree of their education, as the papers are not valued from an educational or literary standpoint, but from the point of view of the cogency of their reasoned ideas.

Rev. Dr. Linscott's Suggestive Questions on the Sunday School Lesson for Oct. 11th, 1908.

God's promise to David.—I Chron. xvii. Golden Text—There hath not failed one word of all his good promise.—I Kings, viii: 56.

Verses 1-2—Should we be as careful for the condition of God's House as we are for our own?

Should God's house be as good or better than the average home of the people?

Verses 3-4—Why did the Lord speak to Nathan to give his message to David, and not to David direct?

Give your conception of how God spoke to Nathan. Did He use actual words with sounds that struck the outward ear, or did He use words of any sort?

If A gets a message from God for B, how may B know that the message is from God?

Why would God not permit David to build him a house?

Verses 5-6—What sort of a place of worship did the Israelites have up to this time?

So far as God is concerned, and other things being equal, is a tent, or a concert hall, or the open air, just as sacred a place for a devout people to worship God in as a church formally built and dedicated to that purpose?

Verses 7-8—Is a babe born in a humble cottage just as dear to God as one born to a Queen in a palace?

Is a young man, blacksmith, or machinist, or farmer, or daily laborer, personally just as dear to the heart of God as one who is rich and in an exalted position?

Are the chief positions in the country to-day held by those of exalted birth and training, or by men who have come up from the ranks?

TO WHAT EXTENT IS SUCCESS, OR A PROMINENT POSITION DUE TO GOD'S APPOINTMENT AND TO OUR OWN EFFORTS?

(This question must be answered in writing by members of the club.)

Verses 9-10—To what general cause was the wanderings of Israel, and the "wasting" of their enemies, due, and why could God promise them rest, and victory over their enemies in the future?

What are the general causes of our troubles, and why does God permit them?

Verses 11-15—Does God know the time when we shall "go to be with our fathers," or is that a matter contingent upon our own actions?

Where are our fathers who have passed away?

Does the future of our sons depend most upon us, upon them, or upon the appointment of God?

Were these promises of God to David, concerning his son Solomon, absolute and unconditional, or were they contingent upon the actions of Solomon?

What is a vision, and to what extent are visions possible to a true Christian to-day?

Verse 16—Where is God, and how may we "sit before him?"

Is it right for us to realize our littleness, and to declare it when we pray?

Verses 17-18—Does God regard us as "children of the dust" and "worms," or as his own sons and daughters, so to speak, "bone of his bone, and flesh of his flesh?"

Is God as interested in our "house" and its welfare, as a loving father is in the welfare of his only son?

To what extent does God guarantee our future earthly welfare?

Verses 19-20—What is the dominant note in the thought and prayer of every real Christian?

What help to us are the recorded experiences which the godly men of the past have had with God?

Verses 21-22—To what extent was David right in thinking that God had favored Israel more than he had any other nation?

What is real patriotism?

Is it necessary, or wise, that we should think more highly of our country than the facts warrant, in order to be true patriots?

Verses 23-26—Should our prayers be taken up so much with our own personal matters, as this prayer of David appears to be?

Verse 27—When God blesses our home, need we fear any evil?

Lesson for Sunday, October 19th, 1908. David's Kindness to Jonathan's Son.—II Sam. ix.

BORN.

JORDAN.—In the township of Fenelon, on Friday, October 1st, 1908, the wife of Mr. W. B. Jordan of a daughter. The child lived only twelve hours.

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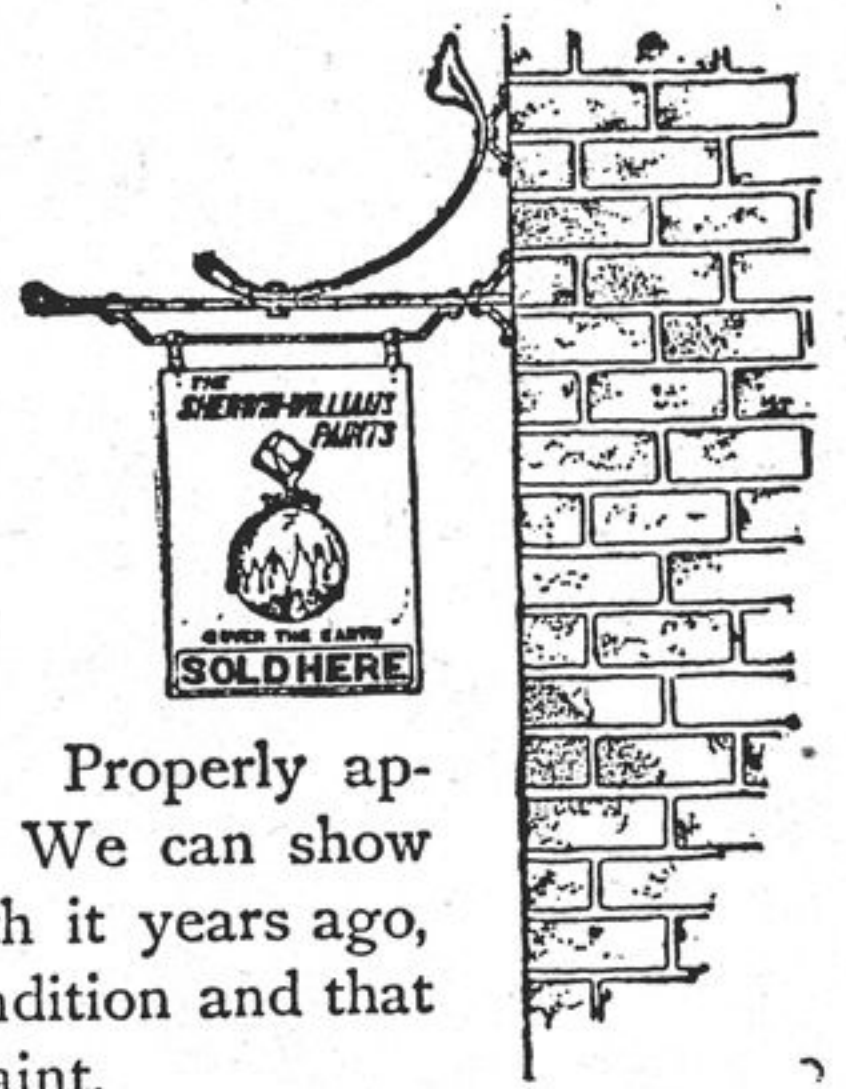
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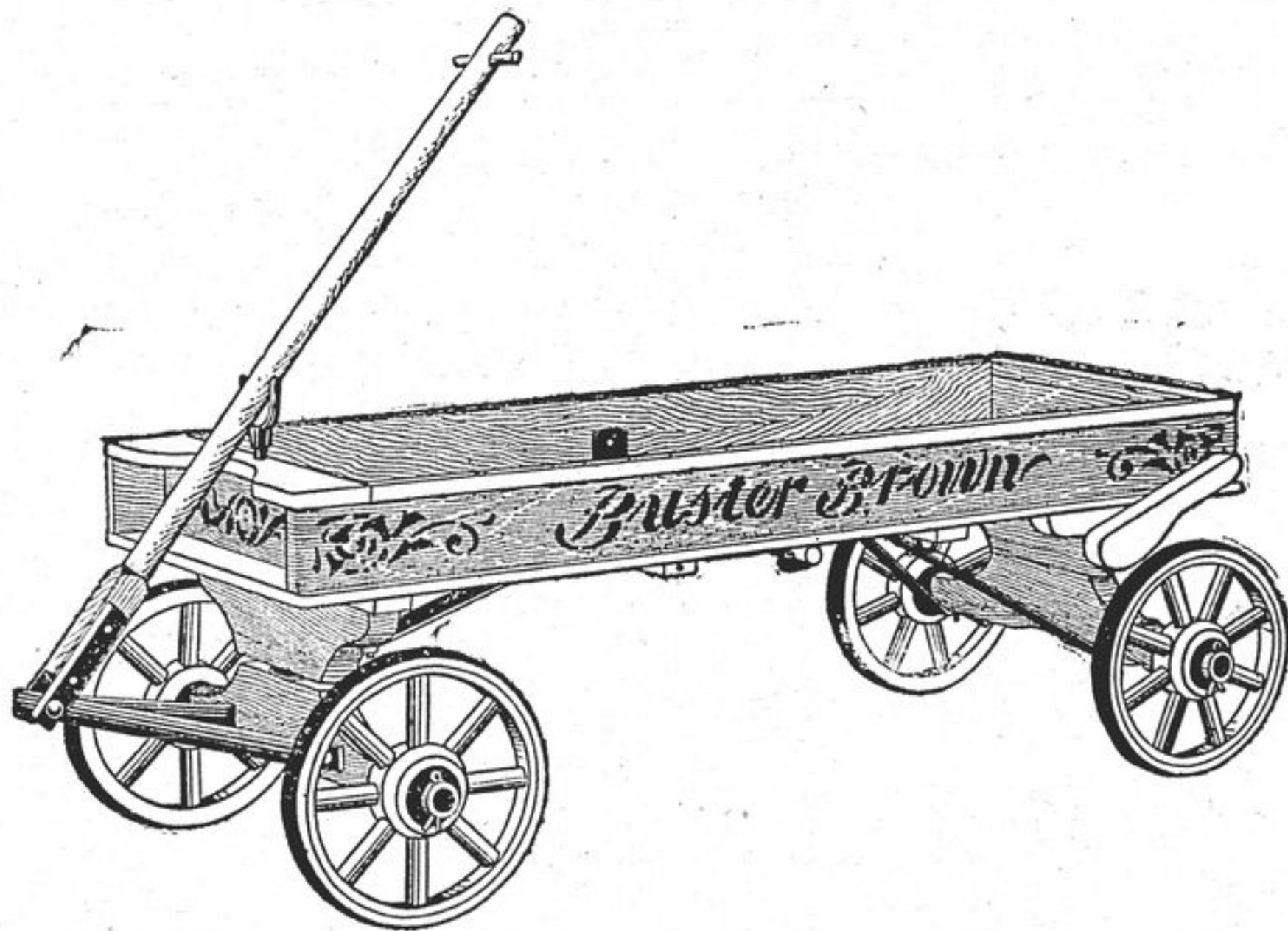
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commencing at 1.30 o'clock in the afternoon. Saturday, Sept. 12th, will be the last day of service on defendants residing in this county. Defendants living in other counties must be served on or before Tuesday, Sept. 8th.

Office hours from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.

ELISHA MARK, E. D. HAND, Bailiff, Clerk

Fenelon Falls, June 1908.

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