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OUR, MOTHER'S MISSION Whose name fills our hearts with awcetest cheer? Whose presence dispels our every fear

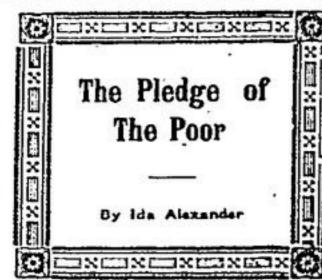
Whose voice is always sweet and Who is the light of our carthly home?

roam 7 Who welcomes us when we homeward The answer comes: "Our mother." Whose heart is it that loves us best? Whose arms will fold to a loving

In whose presence love we to rest?

breast?

My answer Ja: "Our mother"." Who was it taught us how to pray And guided our footsteps in the way That leads us on to endless day? We all will answer: "Mother." -Novah Eltton, Farmington, Mo.



which was to have been his life-work, and buried it deep beneath a country physician's responsibilities. Margaret had always resented this. What right had these people to his life, who just acarcely accorded him a living? "Father," she said, suddenly, "what

are you writing?" He and the page with his foreflager,

"Just visits, dear, to pay-and to blamed the doctor. be paid for," he answered. than of the last, aren't thera!".

that better that Margaret. Much inconsistently, she longed for his reresponsibility devolved on her. The turn. little half-invalid mother must not

sunlight of how-many to-morrows! eyes. had a fierce impulse to hide him away When he did, it was very tenderly. take his rightful place in the world; her shining head. It was seldom he the terrible fact of sin. Let us see to lighten his path with the success called his tall daughter that. The what our Bible teaches us about sin.

spent nimself freely on those who gave understanding. not again. He threw his love, his which was not to the strong.

many score of just such knocks. the call to arms of the physician, soun- cian's steps-she would never belittle ded through his deepest slumbers. He them again. He read it as she turned alert physician, confident, eager-eyed, forth and forever there would be somethe light of battle on his face. Mar- thing to sweeten the little sacrifices wrongdoing or neglected duty brings

garet's heart thrilled as she looked at of every-day life. In a moment be was back. He turned to Margaret, half-laughing, "It's Mrs. Barr's baby-the healthlest little mite. Quite likely it is merely a pin sticking him, but I'll have to go and set her mind at rest." "But you're so tired. Why don't you let her wait till morning?" "Why Margaret! By morning

should have two patients on my hands. You don't know these young mothers." "I know they haven't much consideration."

How can we expect her to think of my two girls pretty gowns for their anything but her little sick child? As were mere fringes to hide the limbs Tuesda throwing the physician had been throwing things Into a little black bag. He shut it now with a sharp click. "It's quite probable there's nothing much the matter with the baby. If not, I'll be back to-night. If I should be detained, though, I may have to take the train instead of coming on

ahead of time. There's a case Parker wants to talk over with me." Margaret flushed with pride at the honor so simply stated. After all, there were some who appreciated him. "But what about the bills you were going to make out, father? You see,

the girls' winter things have to come, "Jack's shoes and Robert's, and-I

"Couldn't I make them out? Even a day makes a difference." "Why, to be sure you could. It would be a help to ma"

tha, but I can't delay to-night."

Margaret. "Get out those I have marked, like a good girl, Margaret, and you'll soon have in what you need." Then, with a hasty good-bye, he

WAR. gone. and Margaret sat long with the little look back and see where we were of mistakes that enables a man to be leather-covered book in her hand, idly bettered by having been intimutely made-to become a polished man in turning the pages. The places marked with a cross were not many. She had counted and recounted the ones which were reasonably sure to pay. The sum total was pitifully inadequate. Even in this beautiful world, with so many pollshing by its own diamond dust, at if every one he had marked paid in unseen blessings, and yet how many the hands of the Great Ladidary .- II.

But suddenly, as that thought came to her pussled brain, another followed. There was something she could dosomething that would set things straight for the present and leave a little margin for the encroaching future. In a moment the impotent is that encircling the Pacific Ocean leather-covered book had assumed the where mare than half of the earthproportions of the purse of Fortuna- quake shocks have occurred. This intus. There were desens and desens cludes many of the l'acific Islands, of Asits with no check after them. Japan, the Bouth American cartquake Her father had not intended to send region and our own Pacific coast. them out, but if she did, and the These shocks travel at varying rates rejuctant bills were safely paid, who of speed, depending on the kind of could be anything but glad about it? rock or composition of earth through Once decided, she wrote rapidly in which the gremor passes. In Japan her large firm hand, so different from they travel from 5,700 to 8,000 foot a her father's. The table was soon lit- second, while other records made in fered with bills. On those of longest litaly, show the rate only 650 feet standing she wrote, "Please remit." second.

When the rural postman arrived, sh

The waiting was not long. That evening there came a timid, hesitat ing knock on the door where a pre-emptory aummons so often sounded. Margaret threw it wide. For a moment she did not know the woman who stood before her, a shawl thrown over her head. But she knew the voice, "It's Mrs. Halloran, Miss Margarot my dear. I've brung the money. Tel me, is it sick the doctor is?" "Why no. Father is quite

> "Is it yer mother worser, thin?" "No," answered Margaret. "What 8-10. made you thinks so?" "Won't ye tell me what's wrong, my dear?" persisted the woman. I knowed there was somethin' whin I

came, the bill marked 'Plane remit. My Dannie read it to me. Bays 'He's in trouble, the little doctor.' Thin out I goes un' sells the cow. An' here's the money, Mins Margaret, thirty-five dollars. It leaves five owin', but Dan nie'll soon raise that, an' I'll run up wid it. If 'twar thirty-five hundred I'd not begrudge it fur what he's done

dana handkerchief, and brought to light the pieces of shining gold. Her face, seamed and marked by care, her work-worn hands, appealed to Margaret. She spoke impulsively, putting the gold back in the old handkerchief. "Mrs. Halloran, I want you to take this money and buy your cow again. The need is not so pressing-a way has come since that bill was sent that makes it unnecessary for us to take

The relief was plain on the woman's face. She protested, but feebly, while her old hand hovered over the coin. It is not lightly that one relinquishes the means of livelihood. She patted Margaret's hand. "Ye're yer father's own daughter.

very dear to Margaret, who my dear, I couldn't speak a finer word was watching him as he wrote about ye. He's a good man-the best his records rapidly in his I ever knowed; that merciful to the small, cramped hand, it was all, or poor, ye, wouldn't believe. He'd be doin' much better in a better neighhe had given up hope of the book berhood. But the blessin' of the poor man, and said unto him, Where art less but more when "the wrist is part--I think that goes for somethin'."

Margaret rased her air-castles of unclean foundations to the ground. In the morning, after she had made her dren to school, she took the old borse of visits. And just as the angel once ed thee that thou shouldest not eat? spared the houses marked, so Margaret dealt mercifully with the ones which as he met her gray eyes with a pair were not. She collected the disturb- gave me of the tree, and I did cat. startlingly like them. Then he smiled, ing little slips of paper, reading a and two wrinkles disappeared from his lesson in many a poverty-stricken forehead, and two appeared about his place. In some the money was ready,

Margaret was glad of that. To each There are many more of the first she gave the same excuse—the bills had been sent out by mistake. She did not feel the words an untruth. She He smiled as he said it, but Mar- sighed as she drove homeward. So garet did not smile. . So it had always far things had turned out well, but the been, so it would always be four to hardest part was to come. It would pay and one to'be paid for. And they be difficult to explain to her father, needed many things. No one knew to feel his disappointment in her. Yet.

She drove to the station to meet know, the children could not, the him. All the way home she pondered Garden of Eden. father did not. But Margaret had a how to tell him, while they talked of complete understanding of the lease of trivial things. And yet it happened Luke 11, 4. life accorded boyish boots, of the quite simply at last. Just a question. wants, wishes and needs of growing "Any of my patients been up, Mar-

She thought with hot impatience of And then it was out. Blunderingly, her father's coat-how green it had stumblingly, sparing not herself, maklooked in yesterday's blaze of sun- ing no excuses. Margaret told her tale, light! How green it would look in the hardly during to meet her father's Nature and Results of Bin/

It was not right; it was not fair. She He did not speak for a momant her love and ambition craved. He words, the tone, assured a perfect 1. We learn that ain is world-wide.

borne, the father talked. And the have its sin purged away. Margaret laid down the scarcely height of a calling that could reach 2. But what is sin? There are detouched sewing. The offer of assist- to the depths came to Margaret; the grees of wickedness, for the pettishance trembled on her lips. But before beauty of his life thrilled her to the ness of a child is very different from she had time to speak a knock sounded. soul The love that gave all, making the crimes of a red-handed murderer. Margaret knew that knock-hurried, nothing, and yet was returned four- Yet all sins come alike under one assious, impatient, that would not be fold; the learning that succored the definition-sin is lawlessness. The denied. The old door had echoed to humble, and threw a bulwark of pro- element of righteousness is obedience; tection round the weary and heavy- the essence of ain is self-will. "O dear!" she said. Her father star- laden; the tenderness, the patience, the ted as soon as she. Knocks like that, simple following in the Great Physiwas transformed in the twinkling of her glowing face to him. She was an eye. The wearled old man was the her father's own daughter. Honce-

TO WHAT ARE WE COMING!

The secular press carried a story recently that New York was howling against the immodesty of the evening gown for 1919. New York's protest has found an echo in London. A London and aliens from his companionship. mother, in discussing the very dangerout into the public scarcely half dressed, says: "I saw very scant garments mt a so-called quiet dance last week. When I went to a dressmaker to buy gause, she described them, and that describes the thickness of these inmodest dance garments, shown as suitable for girls of eighteen and nineteen." The craze will probably hit this section soon. It must be pretty bad when New York and London are so shocked. But there will be no lacking fool mothers who will dress their silly daughters in the "vapor gauze" and send them out to private and public dances. Men know that this is worse than fully. Some of the women will find it out .- Alabama Christian Ad-

NOT A DESERTER

He was very disreputable looking uncared for like, and he was before know them all, my little troubled Mar- the court. "What is the charge?" asked the learned judge. "Descrtion,"

solemnly. "I ain't a deserter!" protested the He picked up the book, and rapilly prisoner vehemently, at the same time turned the pages, marking here and removing a bandage from a black eye there a cross. He passed the book to and displaying welts all over his head. "I'm a refusee!"

DOING GOOD TO EACH OTHER

Fow of us appreciate our surroundassociated with some true, noble friend. his best aphere. Whenever we see the each other-that we perform almost acter, we may know that its illumin full and at once, there was an alarm- of us think we have nothing to live Clay Trumbuil. ing deficit. There was nothing she for: but how desperately would we cling to life were we called to part

SPEED OF EARTHQUAKES

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

SUNDAY, MAY 11, 1010

BY JESSE L. HURLBUT HIN AND ITS CONSEQUENCES (TEMPERANCE LESSON).-Con: 3, -24; Rom. 1, 18-23; Gal. 6 7.8. Additional material for Teachers-Clan. 6, 6-8; Rom. 3, 9-20; 1 John

Common Scripture Passage

garden we may eat. 3. But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it. nelther shall ye touch it, lest ye die. L And the serpent said unto the woman. Ye shall not surely die; 6. For God doth know that in the day yo cut thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as God,

6. And when the woman saw tha

knowing good and evil.

trees of the garden.

the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did out; and she gave also unto her husband with her, and he did eat 7. And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig-leaves together, and made themselves aprons. 8. And they heard the voice of Jehovah God, walking in the garden in the cool of the day; and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of Jehovah God amongst the

3. And Jehovah God called unto th 10. And he said, I heard thy voice corrected the growing child. Baid an in the garden, and I was afraid, be- old lady, "My mother influences me cause I was naked; and I hid myself. | more now than ever as to my. con-11. And he said, Who hast told thee sciousness of her influence. As I go that thou wast naked? Hast thou and cart and started out on her round eaten of the tree, whereof I command- remembrances of her in my childhood, 12. And the man said. The woman what she was comes out clearer and

13. And Jehovah God said unto the woman, What is this thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat\_ 7. He not deceived; God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

the Spirit reap eternal life. Golden Text-The wages of sin ar death; but the free gift of God is Departmental Topics and References

shall of the flesh reap corruption; but

he that soweth unto the Spirit shall o

Primary Topio-The Story of the Memory verse-Forgive us our sins. Junior Topio-Disobedience Separ-

ates us from God. Gen 3, 1-14. Memory verses-Prov. 3, 1,2, Intermediate and Senior Topio-The Destructive Power of Sin. Young People and Adult Toplo-The

from others and himself; to make him "My little girl!" he said, as he stroked much we try to shut our eyes to it-And then, in a voice that had helped every land-nay, in every home and learning, his very life into a battle with many a burden grievous to be in every heart. Every soul needs to

3. There is one effect of sin that is universal-it brings guilt. A sin may be so concealed that human law does not notice it. that no man save the sinner himself knows of it. Yet its stain invariably comes upon the sinner in a consciousness of guilt. Every its defilement, a crimson spot that no

water on this earth can wash away. 4. Sin has its final effect in death. There is a deeper death than that of the body-the death of the spiritual nature an eternal separation from God. Sin builds a barrier between God and man. It makes us enemies to God

Blackboard IS WORLD-WIDE SIN IS LAWLESSNESS SIN BRINGS GUILT BIN ENDS IN DEATH

Readings for Next Week Monday-The Grace of God. Titus Tuesday-Grace through Christ, John

Wednesday-Saved by Grace, Ep Thursday-Grace of Christ Manifest.

ed. 2 Cor. 8, 1-9. Priday-Abounding Grace, 2 Cor. Saturday-Grace at Work, 3 Cor. 0 Bunday - Orvie Buffrient, 2 Cor. 12,

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In the family the enother's hand is the great polisher. It keeps little faces and hands clean; it keeps little dresses and knickerbockers clean; it closes holes over knees and toes; it fills hungry mouths with wholesome and palatable food; it tucks in the 1. Now the serpent was more subtle sleeping children at night and keeps than any beant of the field which Jo- out the cold; it soothen weary limbs hovah God had made. And he said to rest, and presses aching heads gentunto the woman, Yea, hath God said, ly, till they forget to ache; it binds up Ye shall not cat of any tree of the cut and burned and bruised fingers; it holds the cooling draught to fevered 2. And the woman said unto the ser- lips; it gently closes the eyes that look pent, Of the fruit of the trees of the upon the sun no more.

In a figure, the mother's hand polishes the minds and characters of her children. Her finger points out the letters on the blocks, in the primer, the page in history, the noble ideal to be attained, the far-off goal to be reached. the rocks to be shunned, the masi-

A youth during the war tay very sick in a hospital. His mother had been sent for and came at midnight. The lights were turned low, and she begged! that she might take the nurse's place at his bedside, promising to keep perfectly quiet, as any excitement might be fatal to her son. He moved as in pain, and she laid her hand silently on his forehead to southe him to real At that touch he started up and exclaimed, "Turn up the lights; let me see who this is; that hand must be my motheral" Ah, how many a brave man in that terrible struggle longed, in vain, to feel his mother's hand laid on him as in childhood.

The gentle, loving hand of the mother, how it restrains and curbs and guides, and that restraint is felt not more clear, and I find myself growing into her likeness and image. I remember what she told me of her mother and her household ways, and so I go about my house attending to this thing and that thing, I say to myself, Thus did my mother; thus did my grandmother,' and the couplet sings itself through my head.

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And after the said 16th day of May. 1918, the said Administratrix will procoed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled by taw; and she will not be reaponsible for any claims of which she shall not have received notice at the ime fixed for such distribution. Dated at Acton this 24th day of April, A.D. 1913.

culars of their claims.

RUTH HANNAH TAYLOR Administratrix. lly Harold N. Farmer. Her Bollettor.

**Notice to Creditors** 

Alian, late of the Village of Acton, in the County of Halton, Retired Parmer, Deseased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to

Section 66 of the Trustee Act. ILH.O., 1014 Chap. 131, that all creditors and othern having claims against the catate of the said John Allan, who died on ar about the lat cay of April, A. D., 1919. at the Village of Acton, aforesaid, are required on or before the 1st day of June, A.D. 1918, to send by post prepaid or deliver to Charles L. Dunbar, paid or deliver to Charles L. Dunbar, 32 Douglas Street, Quelph, the Bolicitor for Alexander McCaig, of the Township, of Erin, in the County of Wellington, Farmer, Executor of the last will and testament of the said decessed, their Christian and surnames, addresses and description, the full particulars in writ. accounts and the nature of the security (If any) hold by them.

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