SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.

LESSON FOR AUGUST 5TH.

THE BURNT OFFERING.—LEV. I, 1-9.

GOLDEN TEXT.—The Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.—Isaiah liii, 6.

NOTES.—"*And the Lord.*"—Leviticus is so called because it contains the laws about the levitical service.——"*Out of the tent of meeting.*"—Before God gave the Ten Commandments from Mount Sinai; but now he fulfills his promise (Ex. xxv. 22) and gives the formal laws to Moses from the tent.——"*Offering as oblation.*"—This was in any case a free-will offering, either bloody or not.——"*Of the cattle.*"—The ritual for sacrifices only allowed under the head of cattle, oxen, sheep and goats; under birds only young pigeons and turtle doves. All the rest were accounted unclean.——"*If this oblation be a burnt offering.*"—The Hebrew for this offering is *olah*, which means to ascend. The *olah* was laid whole on the altar, without the skin; then consumed by fire and the greater part ascended toward heaven.——"*Without blemish.*"—No faults of body. The priest always inspected the offering very carefully, and if he found it perfect sealed its horns with his ring to prevent another being substituted for sacrifice.——"*He shall lay his hand upon his head.*"—Both hands are meant. Confession and prayer on the part of the sacrificer accompanied this act. The substitution was made, and at that moment the fatal blow was given.——"*Shall be accepted for him.*"—The blood of the sacrificial animal covered the sinner from the wrath of God. All this sacrifice and atonement was simply a fore-running shadow of the perfect sacrifice of Christ.——"*And he shall kill the bullock.*"—The most obvious meaning is that the one who offered the sacrifice had to kill it. Doubtless he did, or he might get a priest as substitute. In latter times, at any rate, the priest generally did the killing; but the bringing of the blood and the dispensing of that was a purely priestly office.——"*And he shall flay the burnt offering.*—The skin was the priest's.——"*Cut it into its pieces.*"—Done after certain sacrificial rules. This cutting open of the parts signified the laying bare of the soul of the offerer before God.——"*Sweet savor unto the Lord.*" Not literally sweet smelling, though it might be made so with oils and incenses, but "sweet" in the sense that it typifies a voluntary, cheerful offering of one's own heart, a self-dedication to God.

Instruction.—The first impression one receives in reading this lesson is, "How trivial all this is! What labor to approach near to God! Thank God we are as we are and not Jews!" Yes, all is different now. We now no longer offer goats or pigeons, but we do offer ourselves, a sacrifice much harder to make if one lives up to it. The labor is different, more complex in its variety; but there is plenty of it.

The cattle *without blemish* were the most valuable of the flock. They had the most money value and so were the greatest sacrifice to the owner. Our sacrifice for God should cost us something. The "no account" gifts that we otherwise would throw away, are an insult to the Deity. "I beseech you, therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." So the greatest is a pure heart, because it is the hardest thing we can give.

Whatever offering we may make to the Church, we should do not for the Church but for the Lord directly. The priests were fed by the sacrifice; but the offerings were to the Lord.

We are to throw all our responsibilities upon Christ as our atonement as if it all depended upon him; then set ourselves with a will, as if it all depended upon us.

As the burnt-offering was accepted to make atonement for the sin of the Israelite, so Christ is accepted to make atonement for us:

"My faith would lay her hand,
On that dear head of thine:
While like a penitent I stand,
And there confess my sin."

The lesson states the fact that the offerer has his distinct part to do as well as the priest. Both are necessary to the right performance of the sacrifice. One part is plain and necessary. We must bring the sacrifice. The Holy Spirit prompts us to come. But we *must* then come before Christ can do his part and accept.

The sweetest savor that can go up to God from each household altar is the cheerful, obedient surrender of heart and will to Him.

A Lien Note Case.

OF INTEREST TO FARMERS.

At the last Division Court in Fergus, before His Honor Judge Chadwick, a case was tried of interest to farmers in this neighborhood, where so many implements are sold, and notes given by the purchasers with what is known as the lien clause, whereby the manufacturer continues to be the owner of the implement until the price has been fully paid. In this case a reaper had been purchased by John Alexander, of West Garafraxa, from Patterson Bros., of Woodstock, and notes given, stating that the machine was to remain the property of the plaintiffs until fully paid for. The reaper was afterwards sold at public auction, and came into the possession of Thos. R. Kyle. The plaintiffs having made a demand for the machine, sued the defendant, claiming the return of the reaper and $20 damages for wrongful detention. The plaintiffs' agent admitted in the witness box that the bargain made with Alexander was for a sale of the reaper to him, and that nothing was said about any lien. John Alexander, the original purchaser, was also called by the plaintiffs, and swore that the whole bargain was for a sale, and that his attention was not called to the special clause in the note. Mr. Kyle swore that the reaper was sold at public auction, and that he knew nothing about the note. On the evidence the Judge dismissed the plaintiffs' case with costs, holding that the original bargain was a sale of the reaper; that such a clause as the plaintiffs inserted in their note was not an ordinary condition and was not binding upon Alexander unless his attention had been specially called to it when the note was signed, or unless during the negotiations for the sale it was made part of the bargain that he should not become the owner of the implement until the price was fully paid. Farmers should be careful in purchasing at auction sales, as, according to the law as it now stands, such conditional sales, if properly entered into, are binding even upon subsequent innocent purchasers for value. An Act was introduced into the Ontario Legislature last session to compel the registration of all such liens, but by the influence of manufacturers it was not allowed to become law.

"You are charged," said the magistrate to the prisoner, "with having five wives living." "The charge is atrocious and shameful," declared the prisoner, his eyes blazing with indignation. "I do not deny that I have had five wives, but two of them are dead."

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A Migratory Western Widow with a Great Funeral Record.

A weather-beaten woman, of melancholy and discouraged mein, sat in front of a drummer on a railroad train. She was clad in rusty mourning, and her appearance indicated that her loss was recent. When near Chicago she turned to the drummer and asked:

"What place we coming to next?"

"Chicago, madam."

"Lemme see; that's in Illinoy, ain't it?"

"Yes—certainly."

"I'd ort to know, but had forgot I ben in Illinoy. I buried my first husband there 'bout twenty years ago."

"Indeed?"

"Yes, and from Illinoy I went to Ioway. I buried my second man out in Ioway, and I ain't been there since. That was eighteen years ago. Went down to South Carliny from Ioway."

"Oh! did you? I've been there."

"You hev? Ever been to a place called Black Snake Forks? No? Well, Ben Dodson lays there."

Who was Mr. Dodson?"

"My third man, and a right smart feller he was. He had a cousin named Hi Hagget. Ever run across Hi?

"I think not."

"You'd know if you had. Everybody liked Hi. Him and me were married in Georgy, and he is b d nine miles from Atlanty."

"Oh! indeed! and do you live in Georgia now."

"Land no! Ain't got foot there for more'n a dozen years. I went from Georgy away up to Minnesoty, and I met Tom Hixon up there."

"Tom Hixon?"

"Yes; him and me lived most a year there after we were married; when a blamed old white mule we had kicked Tom so fatally that I buried him one cold day under the snow up near St. Paul and sold off and went to Kansas, near Atchison, and tuk up a quarter section o' laud jinin' a real smart man's, named Dill."

"And you—"

"Yes, I married Dill, and he took chills and fever 'fore three months and left me a widder 'fore the year was out. I tell you I've had migaty bad luck."

"I should think so."

"That's what I have. There was Ben Barber; after me and him was married out in California we got along splendid, and was making money fast, when all of a sudden, Ben goes head first down a 900 foot shaft, and, of course, I was a widder 'fore the poor fellow ever struck bottom."

"Then you left California?"

"Yes; I stayed there eight or nine months, and then Bob wanted to—"

"Bob who?"

"Oh! Bob White! He was Ben's partner, and he never give me no peace till I married him. He is buried in the Black Hills."

"Great Cæsar!" cried the drummer, "do you make a business of going around the country burying husbands?"

The "widder" put her handkerchief to her eyes, and said in keen rebuke:

"That's a purty way to talk to a lone widder, that's got her husband's cawpse in a baggage car ahead, a takin' him out to Dakoty to lay him beside his kin folks. You'd ort to be 'shamed to be so onfeelin'!"—Judge.

Thunder Proverbs.

If the birds be silent expect thunder.

If the cattle run around and collect together in the meadow expect thunder.

If the clouds grow rapidly larger expect much rain, and also thunder.

Two currents in summer indicate thunder.

If there be any falling stars during a clear evening in summer expect thunder.

Increasing atmospheric electricity oxidizes ammonia in the air and forms nitric acid, which affects milk, thus accounting for the souring of milk by thunder.

Thunder in the evening indicates much rain.

When it thunders in the morning it will rain before night.

Thunder in the north indicates cold, dry weather.

Thunder from the south or southeast indicates foul weather; from the north or northwest, fair weather.

With a north wind it seldom thunders.

Much thunder in July injures wheat and barley.

Thunder in the fall indicates a mild, open winter.

Distant thunder speaks of coming rain.

A Formula for Liming Eggs.

The most popular mode of laying down eggs for long keeping is known as the liming process. Take one bushel of unslacked lime and eight quarts of salt to sixty-five gallons of water, or in these proportions for a smaller quantity. Slack the lime with a portion of the water, then add the balance of the water and salt; stir it well and when settled and cold draw or dip off the clear pickle into the preserving cask to the depth of fifteen inches, and carefully put in as many fresh eggs as the pickle will cover, then pour in a little pickle that is slightly milky, made so by stirring into it a small amount of light lime particles that settled last, and continue in this way as every lot of eggs is added; be careful to use fresh eggs and do not put in lime enough to settle in a thick sediment at the bottom so as to hold the eggs fast and prevent their being taken out easily. Keep the cask in a cool place, with the eggs always covered a few inches with the pickle.

"Did you not kiss the plaintiff constantly when you called on her?" Defendant (in breach-of-promise suit)—"Yes; I never stopped kissing her while I was in the house, but I did that in self-defence—to keep her from singing."

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The Balance Sheet.

Don't be afraid to call on the Lord's people to give. They say, "It is all the time give, give, give! You are always poking under our noses a collection-box or a hat." Yes, but remind them that on the side of the Lord is always give, give, give to them. It might help parsimonious Christians to look a little over their account with the Lord. It would stand somewhat thus: John Smith in account with his Maker, the Lord of the whole earth:

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" " home missions	25
" " foreign missions	10
	$10 35

Showing a heavy balance against Brother John Smith; and it would be heavy even if he had given ten times as much, for the farm is the Lord's. He prepared it so as to make it a farm at all, rather than a patch of desert; and He too, planted the forest trees on it from which John Smith gets fuel to keep him warm.—Church Chronicle.

Philosophy and Fun.

My son, this is the chrysalis state of man. Be sure there are no butterflies on you, then go ahead.

In the bright lexicon of youth there is no such word as flail.

Many a fellow has tumbled down when he thought he had slipped up.

The man who ruleth his own house is greater than he who painteth a town red.

It is no use to put on the break when the wagon is upset.

A good man with bad friends is liable to be misunderstood.

Flies don't bother the busy man.

Don't keep time to the tune of another's ambition. Throw your shoulders back, step out from the hips and strike a gait of your own.

Strange it is that when the rain comes down in sheets no one ever cares to wait to wrap himself up in it.

It is a little surprising, where there are so many different minds to please; that all the church steeples point in the same direction.

A Complete List.

The following is a complete list of the Presidental candidates as compiled by the Washington Critic:

Democratic-President, Grover Cleveland, of New York; Vice-President, Allen G. Thurman, of Ohio.

Republican—President, Benjamin Harrison, of Indiana; Vice-President, Levi P. Morton, of New York.

Prohibition—President, Clinton B. Fisk, of New Jersey; Vice-President, John A. Brooks, of Missouri.

Union Labor—President, A. J. Streeter, of Illinois; Vice-President, Charles E. Cunningham, of Arkansas.

United Labor.—President, Robert H. Crowdrey, of Illinois; Vice-President, H. W. T. Wakefield, of Kansas.

Industrial Reform—President, Albert E. Redstone, of California; Vice-President, John Colvin, of Kansas.

Equal Rights—President, Belva A. Lockwood, of Washington; Vice-President, Alfred H. Love, of Pennsylvania.

It appears that the many-headed sovereign of the United States will have no lack of material from which to select a man or woman to whom it may delegate its powers.

Good Manners.

Never try to outshine, but to please.

Never press a favour where it seems undesired.

Never intrude ill health, pains, losses of fortune.

Never urge another to do anything against his desire unless you see danger before him.

Do not ask another to do what you would not be glad to do under similar circumstances.

Be not ostentatious in dress or deportment, nothing can be more vulgar. See that costumes fit the time and occasion.

Be rude to none; rudeness harms not even the humblest and poorest to whom it is directed but it injures the exhibitors.

Never treat superiors with servility or inferiors with arrogance. Speak as kindly to a day labourer as to one occupying a high position.

Always give precedence to elders, visitors and superiors. Offer them the best seat at the table, the best place at the fire and the first of everything. Go farther than mere form and see that they are comfortable and happy.

Canada Astride the World.

From The London Standard, July 13.

But the greatest of Canada's advantages is that of position. The Dominion sits astride the civilized world. Its territories lie on the very track of one of the great lines of commerce of the future. On one side it commands the Pacific, on the other the Atlantic. It holds out one hand to the civilized West and the other to the swarming and how awakening East. The short way from China to Europe lies through Canadian territory, and thanks to Canadian enterprise, it is now possible to travel from England to Australia without once leaving the shelter of the British flag.

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When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria,
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria,
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria,
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

NEWS ITEMS.

Sir Fred. Middleton has returned to Ottawa from his annual tour of inspection of the military camps throughout the Dominion. He reports the volunteers to be in a high state of efficiency.

Acting Premier Hardy has received a cablegram from Mr. Mowat from London saying that argument in the Ontario disputed territory case, now before the Privy Council, had just been concluded, and that judgment was expected within a week.

A detective is in Toronto trying to locate some of the jewelery supposed to have been left either there or in Buffalo by C. C. Nelson, the Atlanta boodler, now in custody in Kingston. Besides notes and securities left in New York by Nelson, it is said that a box containing other valuables is secreted somewhere in Canada.

A dot for hard drinkers.—A Russian physician named Portugaloff declares that strychnine is an unfallinable cure for drunkenness, administered in subcutaneous injections. The effect of the strychnine solution is to change the craving for drink into positive aversion, and this change is effected in a day. After a treatment of eight or ten days the patient may be discharged. The strychnine is administered by dissolving one grain in two hundred drops of water, and injecting five drops of the solution every twenty-four hours.

A young man gave a graphic description of a narrow escape that he had from an enraged bull: "I seized him by the tail!" he exclaimed; "an' there I was. I was afraid to hold on, and I daasn't let go." "Between the horns of a dilemma, as it were?" ventured a young lady very much interested. "No ma'am," replied the young man. "I wasn't between the horns at all; an', besides, he wasn't a dilemma: he was a Jersey."

The bones of our soldiers who fell in Egypt are arriving in this country to be used as manure. A vessel with a cargo of bones reached Aberdeen. The captain said the bones, principally of the camel and the giraffe, while being shipped at Alexandria were found to include a number of perfect skeletons. These he rejected, though the cargo is supposed to have contained a quantity of separate human bones. The natives visit the battle fields and dig up the remains of English soldiers.—London Christian World.

A dozen years ago, when very few Canadians had visited the Northwest, the Presbyterians decided to send a missionary to that country. The gentleman selected made a tour of Ontario, delivering lectures in several of the churches. In Hamilton he stated that very many of the pioneers of Manitoba were Presbyterians. A young man in the audience, in seconding a vote of thanks to the lecturer, remarked that he had read that Manitoba's soil produces 65 bushels of oats to the acre, but he had not before heard that the abundance of oats had already been followed by a prolific crop of Presbyterians. It seems, however, that the law of cause and effect has not been violated in this matter. In the newly elected Manitoba Legislature, according to a recent telegram, there are 18 Presbyterians, 7 Catholics, 7 Episcopalians, 4 Methodists and 2 Baptists. Population depends upon the food supply.

A HEALTHFUL DRINK.—Buttermilk is one of the most healthful of summer drinks. Among its beneficial effects, particular stress is laid upon its power to clear the system of unwholesome impurities which clog and poison it during the enervating season. Hall's Journal of Health says: "It should be freely used by all who can get it. Every one who values good health should drink buttermilk every day in warm weather and let the tea, coffee, etc., alone." For the benefit of those who are not aware of it, it adds that in the churning the first process of digestion is gone through, making it one of the easiest and quickest of all things to digest. It makes gastric juice, and contains properties that readily assimilate with it, with very little wear upon the digestive organs.

As Hiram and Peter were going to school one day they passed Farmer Johnson's orchard, in which were several trees loaded with harvest apples. "Let us help ourselves," said Hiram, as he laid down his books. "By no means," answered Peter. "It would be stealing." "What! Just to take a few apples?" "Yes. They belong to another." "Then, coward, go on and I will help myself!" exclaimed Hiram, and he was quickly over the fence. Now, the farmer's big dog ought to have rushed out and bitten Hiram in all his legs, and when he got to school the teacher ought to have tanned his jacket, and his father should have sent him to the farmer to confess his guilt and sue for pardon. But nothing of the sort happened. He filled his pockets with apples, was patted on the head by the school teacher, and had the pleasure of seeing honest Peter fall down at recess and break his off leg.—From the New First Reader, in Detroit Free Press.

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The Largest in the World.—The British Empire is now the largest on the globe in square miles, its area being 9,860,000; Russia being next in order with 8,500,000, then China, 4,500,000; and fourth the United States, 3,600,000. In population China takes first place with 420,000,000, then the British Empire, 310,000,000, next Russia 104,000,000, France in fourth place with 62,000,000, the United States taking fifth place with 51,000,000.

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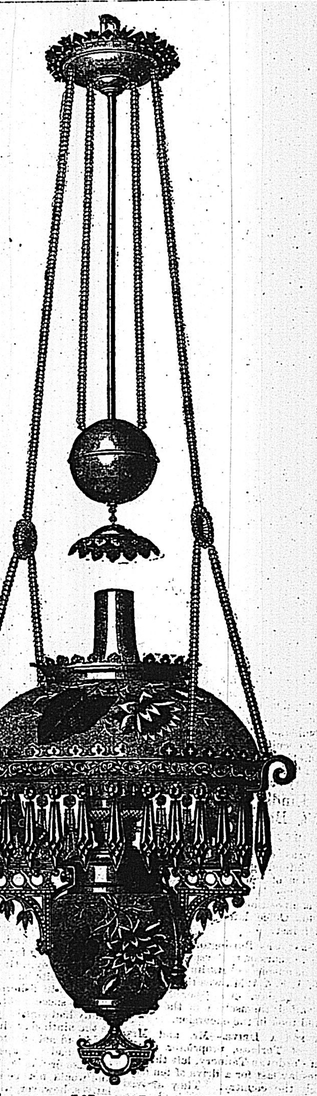

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