SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.

LESSON FOR JULY 8TH.

THE GOLDEN CALF.—EX. XXXII, 16-26.

NOTES.—"*The tables were the work of God.*"—Not that God by a miracle made new matter but that by his power new life and new authority were given through these tables to men.—"*Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted,*"—There is a place in the descent from this mountain where noises can be heard and nothing seen. The great distance from the plain made them very indistinct, however. Naturally Joshua thought "the Amalekites are attacking our people again."——"*And he said.*"—Moses knew this surmise was wrong for the Lord had told him the actual state of affairs.——"*I hat he saw the calf and the dancing.*"—Undoubtedly a small, hollow wooden figure overlaid with gold; perhaps after the style somewhat of the Assyrian bull. The apis worship had overspread the nations at this time. It was recognized in the Egyptian ritual. So the Jews had ample opportunity to copy the manners of their neighbors, or they fell naturally, perhaps, back upon their old form of idolatry.——"*And broke them beneath the mount.*"—This lesson might well be called "the broken Law." This was most terrible evidence of indignation—to scatter the written law of God.——"*Burnt it with fire.*"—The stock being probably of wool would burn easily, and gold is readily calcined in a very hot flame, after which it powders without difficulty.—"*What did this people unto thee?*" How did they force thee their leader in my absence? What threats? What arguments or inducements to further subordination? It was to Aaron's shame, and his sin fell upon the people when he consented to their debauchery.——"*Thou knowest the people.*"—No attempt at self-justification. He had no real excuse, so he diverted Moses' attention to the fickle people.——"*And their came out this calf.*"—Another contemptible shirking of responsibility, as if that calf was evolved by chance from the seething pot.—"*Were broken loose.*"—Unrestrained, lawless, under no military authority. They rioted as only those barbarians could in their idolatrous orgies. Unprepared for attack they became an easy prey to enemies that were continually hovering near.——"*Gate of the camp.*—The camp was fortified with ramparts. This was the gate of the plain.——"*Sons of Levi.*" The tribe of Moses. It was their first decisive step toward the priesthood.

Instruction.—Once the Commandments of God were written on tables of stone. The stone is broken, and now they are to be perpetuated in the lives of true believers. But the writing is still that of the finger of God on the hearts. It is for each so to live that others may trace the hand of God in him, and to be careful that no rubbish covers up those engraven, blessed characters.

Most people are not to be trusted in any great formative period. The seething mass must become cold and set before it takes its mould. It is so in religious instruction. Continual care and watchfulness are to be taken, lest a moment's forgetfulness may undo the whole.

Moses may have been meek or, perhaps, is going to be, but this lesson is no indication of it. His character is strong, resolute and determined. His anger rose to white heat. There are times when a man is to be passive and meek, and others when he must be daring and uncompromising. A wrong is a wrong. Sin must be crushed out; it is kindness to the rest. The mighty man of God dares alone to convict one or a nation of an unholy sin.

Notice the influence of one man in the right. He comes and the idol is broken. He speaks and they drink its ashes. He beckons and a tribe marches to his support. What is this power? Is it the man? Yes and no. It is the man plus the mightiest power—the universe—God.

An excuse is in itself a mischief. It is always a degradation of character not to acknowledge one's own incompetency. Shirking of responsibility is bad enough, but to try wriggle out of it makes it ten times worse for the shirker.

Folly unclothes a man of his right mind. A foolish man is a naked man. He is a man broken loose from restraint. He is a man in anarchy. Sin is folly, and its wages is the death of the mind and the spiritual nature.

Israel is the momentous question of the times. Who is on the Lord's side, not in words or position, but in heart. An open confession of honest convictions is what this country needs. A positive stand is a necessity to one's own manhood.

Let all take this stand with the Lord and keep it, which is harder. Let every teacher encourage their pupils this Sunday to take *the* stand of their lives this day.

A Crusher for the Counsel.

One of the funny sides of a celebrated case, in which is involved human liberty or a heavy momentary penalty developed itself in the case of the people against Sylvester Fitzpatrick on Tuesday. The eloquence of Terry, the profundity of Goucher, or the incisiveness of Grady, could not impress the Jury. They had to have an ocular demonstration of the steer as specified in the charge against Fitzpatrick. According the Judge, jury, and lawyers accompanied by the usual adjunct of small boys, went to see the steer. Among the boys was Mr. Goucher's, and while the Judge looked wise, the jury calm and placid, and the lawyers knowing, one little fellow said to Mr. Goucher's boy: "Whose steer is that?" The boy in his juvenile innocence and candor, said: "That's they steer the man stole who my father is defending" It was loud enough for the Judge, jury and lawyers to hear. Senator Goucher heard it, and he rose—morally and physically rose—and said; "Allie, go home." The jury smiled.

Preventing Potato Rot.

A correspondent of the Albany Cultivator, after long study, thinks he has found a way to prevent potato rot. It is to keep the hill dry by confining a square piece of paper around the stems on all sides about a foot square. The object of this is to turn off the excess of water from the potato hills. If this plan be good for anything it is an argument in favor of the high, conical hills, which shed water from the tubers almost as thoroughly as an umbrella would do. Paper would need to be oiled and be pretty tough at that to endure the long beating of heavy storms. Unusually, however, potato growers, about the time of perfecting the tuber, are rather desirous of rain. If a very dry time comes just at this period the crop is ruined by drouth, which is just as bad as the rot. Potatoes drying up at the West last year is the chief cause of scarcity now. The remedy suggested is better adapted to moist climates, like England or Ireland, than to this country.

Sheep and Cows at Pasture.

A floating paragraph in the agricultural columns of certain papers says that sheep and cows may be profitably pastured together. The sheep bite closer, while the cows require a larger growth to get a comfortable mouthful. The old farmer smiles at the idea. Instead of the sheep leaving the longer herbage for the cows, the trampling soils it so that the cattle have to be starved into eating it. Only a few sheep are needed when pastured with cows to soon make the pasture nearly as bare as the centre of the highway. Sheep will, when pastured closely on clover or timothy, destroy these plants by eating down to roots, and if necessary, part of the roots themselves. Neither sheep nor horses should be pastured with cows unless the latter have pretty full rations of soiled crops and grain, and are only turned into pasture for exercise.—American Cultivator.

The Felch Cure for Gapes.

Mr. Felch, who is recognized as one of our authorities in all matters pertaining to poultry, says:

Chickens cough when they have gapes. Feed them chopped onions sprinkled with sulphur. Blow sulphur down the throat—just a little—or inject kerosene oil into the nostrils that they may breathe the fumes of the same all night. Underlay the coop in which they brood at night with carbolated lime; the heat of the brood will cause the acid to be freed, the breathing of which will remove the cause. But first move the coop to clean, shaded quarters, where they may be as cool as possible. A chicken's heart beats 150 times a minute and it never perspires. Sometimes heat is a worse enemy to chickens than cold.

A Wicked Game.

"O, papa!" said Mary Jane Granger returning from her year at Madame Shamm's boarding school, "We must have a tennis court this summer."

"A what?"

"A tennis court, my friends from the city are coming out to play."

And after the meaning of it has been made clear he curdles Mary Jane's blood by saying:

"Shan't have nothin' of the sort on my place. It's too much like that weeked game called billyards. If your friends want to go out behind the barn and pitch horse-shoes or indulge in an innocent little game of two-old-cat I ain't goin' to object. They can even play shinney, but there shan't be none of that tennis-billyard binness on my place."

St. Nicholas for July.

The distinctively Fourth of July story is 'Ringing in the Fourth,' by Huldah Morgan, a thorough 'boy's story,' illustrated by the frontispiece and other strong drawings by W. H. Drake. 'Two Little Confederates,' Thomas Nelson Page's serial, increases in interest, and the same may be said of 'Drill,' by John Preston True. Julia Magruder completes her child-sketches from George Eliot, by the second part of 'Tom and Maggie Tulliver.' 'Rodney's Ride' is a stirring Revolutionary ballad, by Elbridge S. Brooks, with illustrations by R. B. Birch. In 'Dogs of Noted Americans,' Gertrude Van R. Wickham gives charming sketches of the dogs owned by John Burroughs, T. B. Aldrich, and Frank R. Stockton—the portrait of Mr. Stockton's dog being drawn by the hand of his owner. Willis J. Abbot is able to add to Mr. Julian Ralph's story of 'A Pig that Nearly Caused a War,' a story of 'A Pig that Really Caused a War,'—(the war of 1812). H. Albert Johnson, a graduate of Annapolis, in 'Recollections of the Naval Academy,' gives a full and interesting account of how our naval officers are educated; and the article is fully illustrated by the author. An anecdote of the Prince of Wales is told in 'For their Country's Sake,' by Mrs. C. Emma Cheney. The story of 'The Little Six,' by Eugene M. Camp, tells how some children raised money for the Ohio Valley flood-sufferers, and how the money was applied by the Red Cross Society. 'A Japanese Lullaby Song,' by A. V. R. Eastlake, tells how they manage babies in Japan, and gives a native cradle-song, with music, and an English version.

Mary E. Vaudyne, in 'Aimée,' tells a thrilling story of two young girls who were shut into a ruined villa by the earthquake at Nice. It is illustrated F. H. Lungreen.

The poetry and verses of the number are contributed by Mrs. E. Cavazza, Margaret Deland, Lilian Dynevor Rice, Robert U. Johnson, Tudor Jenks, Palmer Cox, Henry Moore, and Isaac Herr; while the departments are full of interesting and timely contributions.

There are various methods of preserving strawberries. A very satisfactory one for keeping both color and flavor is to scald the berries and sugar, pound for pound, till they boil up once; then remove them quickly from the fire, and pour them out on platters so that there is very little depth to them. Place them where the sun will shine on them, and leave them for one day; if the syrup is not thick by that time, let them stand another day. After this put them cold into glass jars of jolly glasses. If they are set out of doors in the sun, they should be covered with netting to keep off insects. A good way is to make bags of netting and draw them up over the platters so that nothing can get in from underneath; but, if convenient, it is safer to place before a window in the house, where the sun will shine fully upon them for several hours at least.

CLOSING HOMES EARLY.—As the early closing of stores has had a good deal of ventilation and experiment over the Province this year, it has been suggested that the idea be enforced in the homes. It is a lamentable fact that in the large towns and cities many parents are not careful enough of the company into which their children get in the later hours of the evening round the streets. Those who have occasion to be out at night see and hear among little knots of boys things that forebode ill for their conduct in future. The Council of the town of Waterloo has passed a by-law requiring all children under a certain age to be off the street and at home by nine o'clock each evening. At that hour the town bell is rung and if found on the street after that time they are taken in charge by the police. If children of tender age were under proper parental authority, such a law or regulation would not be necessary. If parents will neglect the proper training of their children, then it is the duty of the state to exercise some restraint upon their actions for the general good of society.

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The July ECLECTIC, which is now on our book table, presents many features of interest. The place of honor is held by an article, written by Mr. Gladstone, on the great novel 'Robert Elsmere,' now exciting so much controversy. The battle of belief finds in the great English statesman a most sturdy upholder of religious orthodoxy. W. H. Mallock contributes a paper entitled 'Conservatism and the Diffusion of Property,' discussing the land and labor question of Great Britain. Mr. F. W. H. Myers contributes an appreciative paper on 'Matthew Arnold.' A pleasant sketch of a great painter and his surroundings is found in 'In the Studio of Carolus Duran,' and all readers will be interested in the article entitled 'Prince Bismark and the German Reichstag.' There is a capital paper, racy and instructive, on 'The English Gentry, from Blackwood's, and the discussion of a very interesting question is found under the head of 'Gentlemen Emigrants.' One of the most suggestive articles in the number is that on 'The Dislocation of Industry,' by William Smart, in which the reader will find a clear and searching study of the dangers of our modern industrial system. Rev. Dr. William Wright makes known to us a curious chapter in the history of religious bigotry in the story of 'Lassorro's Version of the Bible' and how it was suppressed. Among other specially interesting articles attention may be called to those entitled 'On Dates,' 'In the Dark Continent,' and 'Gluck;' the latter being a sketch of the great musical composer who anticipated in his opera most of the important reforms claimed for Wagner. A very noteworthy article, too, is that on 'Heinrich Heine,' the material for which is largely autobiographical, drawn from posthumous papers of the great poet-critic-humorous. This number contains a beautiful steel engraving, 'Leghorn,' as a frontispiece. As this number is the commencement of a new volume, it is a good time to subscribe for this excellent periodical.

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Some weeks ago a Beamsville man named Dale eloped with the wife of a neighbor named Walker. The erring pair drove to St. Catharines, where they left the horse and proceeded by rail. Mrs. Walker, it is said, had $2,200 in a bank there, which she drew in order that they might not lack funds on the trip. Since that time they have visited various parts of the Province, and in the latter part of last week they reached Brantford. Here it is stated that the lady's money gave out, and so far as can be learned the pair left yesterday for Beamsville, where they expect to re-enter the bosoms of their respective families. Whether they will or not is another matter, but at all events they have had what satisfaction there may be in spending $2,200 in less than two months.—Brantford Telegram.

It is a pity that onions have the odor that they do, for their dietetic and medicinal qualities are excellent. Boiled and raw onions are a good specific for cold on the chest, a cough, a cold and a clogging of the bronchial tubes. A medical writer recommends the eating of young raw onions by children three or four times a week, and of boiled and roasted onions when they get too strong to be eaten raw. Another writer says that "during unhealthy seasons, when diptheria and like contagious diseases prevail, onions ought to be eaten in the spring of the year at least once a week." The effect of onions is invigorating and prophylatic in the extreme, and one physician goes so far as to say that the eating of onions has actually prevented children from having diptheria and scarlatina.

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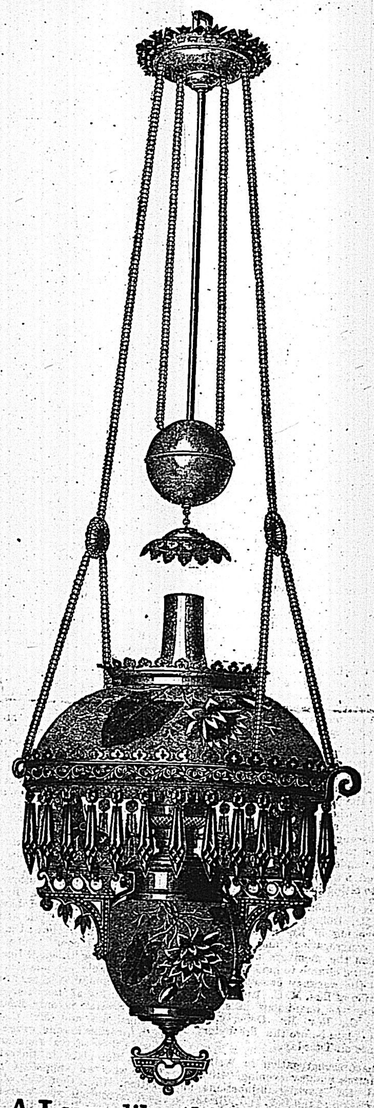

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