THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON V, FIRST QUARTER, INTER-NATIONAL SERIES, FEB. 4.

Text of the Lesson, Gen. 11i, 1-9-Mem ory Verses, 1-3 - Golden Text, Gen. zii, 3-Commentary by the Rev. D. M.

1. "Now, the Lord had said unto bram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's e, unto a land that I will shew thee." We have come down the stream of time over 400 years since the last lesson. After the deluge God began the race again with Noah and his sons, but as before, man left to himself proves a failure. Noah is drunken, Ham brings a curse upon Canaan, and iniquity consummates in an organized union against God. Lest they be scattered and to make them a name, they will build a tower reaching to the skies. At the close of the nineteenth century we find ourselves in an age of tower building and man worship, but as the Lord confounded and scattered them in the plain of Shinar, so again when all Shinar associations shall have had their consummation as in Zech. v, 11; Rev. xvii and xviii, the Lord will humble all the pride of man, and He alone be exalted in that day (Isa. ii, 11, 17). After the Babel judg-ment it seems from Josh. xxiv, 2, that the people fell greatly into idolatry, and from ch surroundings in the land of Mesopo tamia, the God of glory called out Abram (Acts vii, 2) to make of him a faithful wites unto the truth. A study of Gen. xi will show that Shem, Arphaxad, Salah, Eber, Reu and Serug were all living when Abram and Terah left Ur of the Chaldees, but whether every one had become an idolator or not is not clearly stated. The new departure now is that instead of destroying or scattering them He will take out and separate one from them who will walk with Him as Enoch did. It was a mistake to take Terah along, for Abram was only hindered by him until he died at Haran (xi, 81, 32; Acts vii, 8, 4).

2. "And I will make of thee a great na-tion, and I will bless thee and make thy name great, and thou shalt be a blessing." The people of Shinar wanted to make themselves a name (xi, 4), but Jehovah says to Abram that He will make him a name. Those who today try the Shinar plan will fall as they did, but those who, like Abram, prefer to obey God will have a name without seeking it. Abram was to be blessed in order to be a blessing, and Israel is destined yet to be a blessing to all nations (Zech. viii, 13). When we are willing to be a blessing to others and forpetful of ourselves, then we shall indeed be blessed. But it must be the Lord's do-

ing from first to last, and He must have the glory.

3. "And I will bless them that bless thee and curse him that curseth thee, and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed." Here is the true idea of election as taught in Scripture-a choosing of one or more to make them a blessing to others and whosoever will may be elected, for —and whosoever will may be elected, for him that cometh will in no wise be cast out (John vi, 37). Who can possibly find fault with this? See also how God takes man into union with Himself. It makes us think of these words, "He that heareth you heareth Me, and he that despiseth you despiseth Me" (Luke x, 16). We shall find this covenant repeated four times after this to Abram and once each to Isanc and Jacob, making sayen in all. The fullness Jacob, making seven in all. The fullness ng is yet to be seen

4. "So Abram departed as the Lord had oken unto him, and Lot went with him, and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran." out, not knowing whither he went (Heb. xi, 8). He only knew that God knew and that the end of it all would be a city which hath foundations whose builder and maker is God (Heb. xi, 10), and with implicit conadence in God he went on. He believed the gospel, and all who believe today will be blessed with him (Gal. iii 8, 9) and made a blessing to others.

and Lot, his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered and the souls that they had gotten in Haran, and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan, and into the land of Canaan they came." Haran was but a partial obedience. This is now full obedience, which, it is to be feared, the Lord gets from very few of us. Many are content to be hindered by the affections of those who will go part of the way but not all the way to the promised land of whole hearted surrender to God. Yet Jesus says, "He that loveth father or mother, son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me" (Math.

6. "And Abram passed through the land into the place of Sichem, unto the plain (or oak) of Moreh. And the Canaanite was then in the land." To the neighborhood of Ebal and Gerizim he came (see Deut. xi, 29, 30) full half way down through the land, and he saw the land filled with people, yet believed that God would give it to him as He had said. He walked not by sight, but by faith, and was fully persuaded that what God had promised He was ble to perform (Rom. iv, 20, 21). If we think more of the Canaanites than of God, we will be discouraged, like the 10 spies. The only way is to see no man save Jesus

only (Math. xvii, 8).
7. "And the Lord appeared unto Abram and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land. And there builded he an altar unto the Lord, who appeared unto him." read of no appearance at Haran and no new communication, for Abram there had not done as he had been told. "To him that knoweth to do good and doeth it not, to him it is sin" (Jas. iv, 17). Therefore if we are not living up to the light we have and are consciously disobedient we cannot expect any fresh revelation of God to our souls, but to every obedient soul there will be growth in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ (II Pet. iii, 18).

8. "And he removed from thence to a mountain on the cast of Bethel and pitched his tent, having Bethel on the west and Hai on the east, and there he builded an altar unto the Lord and called upon the name of the Lord." He is a pilgrim and a stranger, just a sojourner (Heb. xi, 9); hence the tent is sufficient. He lives with God, and hence the altar. His whole life, when in fellowship with God, might be

lesignated "the tent and altar."

9. "And Abram journeyed, going on till toward the south." Because of a famtill toward the south." Because of a famine he goes into Egypt, but this is evidently a missiep, for we read of no altar
in Egypt, and not until he gets back to
Bethel, where he again calls on the name
of the Lord (xill, 3, 4). We might with
profit take the phrase in this verse—going
on still—and make it a good daily metto
provided we avoid all going down to
Egypt. Put it with II Sam v, 10, "David west on and grew great (margin, covid went on and grow great (margin, going and growing), and the ford tied of bosts was with him," and it will be very



My primals name an author, and my finals a painter.

Crosswords: 1. Brittle. 2. Having symnetry and dignity. 3. Concerning. 4. Extreme joy or pleasure. 5. A small, monkey-like animal. 6. To surround entirely. 7. A long, cushioned seat. 8. A maritime province of China. 9. To pour in drop by drop. 10. Not the one or the other. 11. A large animal found in South Africa. 12. A title given in India to Europeans of rank. 13. A machine for shaping articles of wood or metal. 14. The act of pouring out. 15. A tribe of Indians native of Arizona.

No. 2 .- Pictorial Rebus.



The above represents a rendering of a very well known proverb.

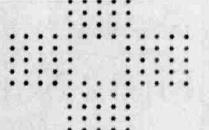
No. 3.-Arithmetical.

If 60 gallons of water in an hour's time fall into a cistern containing 200 gallons, and by a pipe in the same cistern there run out 45 gallons per hour, in how many hours will it be filled?

It is required to find two numbers such that if the square of the first be added to the second the sum shall be 62, and if the square of the second be added to the first

> No. 4.-Curtailment. Although I'm in the pleasant woods Amid the fragrant whole, To lead a country life is not The longing of my soul.
>
> Although the flowers bloom profusely
>
> Around me everywhere, And PRIME for change of air.

No. 5 .- Connected Word Squares.



I—Upper square: 1. A military title. 2. A lizard. 3. The sides of a door. 4. A game at cards. 5. Destroyed. II-Left hand square: 1. A governor.

Custom. 3. Extensive. 4. Incited. 5. Pastoral pipes.

III—Right hand square: 1. Flat round plates. 2. A kind of tape. 3. A quantity of yarn or thread. 4. Cuts. 5. Under-

IV-Lower square: 1. Drives along. 2. terrify.

From the letters which compose the following words form a proverb which shows that there is not always safety in a multi-

ude of counselors: Bother. Spoon. May. Oh.

No. 7.-Metagram.

I am an eatable. Change my head, and I am something by the roadside. Again, and I am something that travels on the sea. Again, and I am to speak indistinctly.

No. 8.-Floral Anagrams,

- 1. He sees a rat. 2. No nath is set. 3, Smile, cat.
- 4. The hare. B. Rise, romp. 6. One name.
- 7. The poor lie. 8. Slower fun.

No. 9.—Buried Names of Fruits. 1. I appeared very foolish on that occa-

2. My brother is very plump and rosy. 3. I saw a man go to his work.

4. I went to Appleby by train. 5. I tried to solve the problem on the board, but failed to do so.

The sculptor is generally fishing for fame when he makes a cast. When a man talks into a telephone, what

ne says goes. You never can tell what germs of greatness may be in a prison convict, for he isn't allowed to "let himself out."

High Priced Art. Friend-See here, George! What does this

bill of \$20 mean? Amateur Photographer-You told me that if I'd take half a dozen pictures of your house you'd gladly stand the expense. That's the expense.

Key to the Puzzier. No. 422.-Metagram: 1. Cork, fork, pork, York. 2. Sea, tea, Lea. 3. Yeast, beast,

No. 423.-Crossword Enigma: Whist. No. 424. - Anagrams: Christopher Columbus. James Fenimore Cooper. Henry Morton Stanley

No. 425.-Diamond and Half Square: ISABEL KID SAPID SLAVE APED DIAMOND BID BROWN E D ANT

No. 420.-Transposition, etc.: Deal, lead, No 427. - Numerical Enigma: Mount St.

Gothard No. 438 - Illustrated Proverb: Make hay while the sun shines.

No. 420. - Squares: UNIT CARE ALOE SCON AREA REAL No. 430 - Double Crossword: Thomas Edi-

HOW TO SLEEP.

The Matter of Position Is of Very Great Big Berk Hogs and Holstein Cattle. Importance.

In sleeping, much depends on securing a comfortable position. Lying on prices to suit the times. the back would seem to give the most ease, but general experience and practice prove that it does not, and it is liable to some definite objections. In a weakly state of the heart and blood vessels, and in certain morbid conditions of the brain, the blood seems to gravitate to the back of the head and to produce troublesome dreams. Persons who have contracted chests, and who have had pleurisy and retain adhesions of the lungs do not sleep well on the back. Nearly all who are inclined to snore de so in that position. For these and other reasons it is there-

fore better to lie on the side, and in lung disease to lie on the weak side, so as to leave the healthy lung free to expand. It is well to choose the right side, because, when the body is thus placed, the food gravitates more easily out of the stomach into the intestines.

Sleeping with the arm thrown over the head is to be deprecated, but this position is often assumed during sleep, because circulation is then free in the extremities and the head and neck, and the muscles in the chest are drawn up and fixed by the shoulders, and thus expansion of the thorax is easy. The chief pansion of the thorax is easy. The chief objections to this position are that it creates a tendency to cramp and cold in Cholera. the arms, and sometimes seems to cause headaches and dreams.

pour into the tureen. Stir in the boiling milk and send to table.

How Smoked Glasses Show Spots on the

It may be pretty generally known that the spots on the sun can be quite easily seen with an opera glass. The spots on the sun observe, with considerable regularity, a period. At the minimum the spots are small and very few in number, so that a telescope of some power is needed, but at the maximum they are numerous and of large size. to choke. We warrant the PEERLESS to be the This period is about 11 years, and it is BEST and CHEAPEST MILL ON EARTH! This period is about 11 years, and it is

to remember the magnitude of the object we are observing, and from that one can easily judge the size of the spots. The diameter of the sun is about 880,000 miles, and in comparison to the earth is as a large carriage wheel to amarble. If, therefore, the spots observed appear to be about one-twentieth the diameter of the disk, they occupy space out 44,000 miles in diameter.

To view the sun, take a hazy morning or evening, when the intervening mist gives it the appearance of a dull red ball, or get a couple of pieces of glass large enough to cover the eye pieces of the opera glass and smoke one of them until you can look at the sun through it easily. Put two strips of card between the ends with the smoked surface inside and attach to the instrument with a similar rubber band.

It will be best to get your opera glasses accurately focused on some distant object before adjusting the darkened glasses to them.

How to Make Toilet Cushions.

Buy or make an oblong cushion, about 4 by 5 inches. Take a half yard of pink china silk, draw the threads and hemstitch the four sides, making a hem about an inch deep. Trim the edge of the hem with apple green silk cord and sew tassels of the same color on each corner. Place the cushion in the center of the silk and tie this over the cushion in Grecian knot.

How to Make Angel Apples.

Peel them and carefully remove the cores, so that the apples remain whole. Put them into an enameled pan just large enough to hold them, and cover them with sirup made of sugar and water boiled together with a few cloves, and colored pink with cochineal. Put the pan into a moderate oven, and let the apples stew very gently till they become soft and clear without breaking. Remove them from the pan very carefully, and boil up the sirup in which they were stewed till it thickens sufficlently, adding a little more sugar if necessary. When the apples are quite cold, arrange them on a dish, fill them with apricot jam and put on the top of each a teaspoonful of cream or the same quantity of whipped cream; then pour the sirup around the epples.

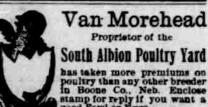
How to Renew Wall Paper.

Wall paper that has become bruised or torn off in small patches and cannot be matched may be repaired with ordinary children's paints. Mix the colors till you get as nearly as possible the desired shade, and lightly touch up the broken places and at the distance of a foot or two the disfigurement will be quite unnoticed.

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Stir in the butter, cook one minute and pour into the tureen. Stir in the boil-





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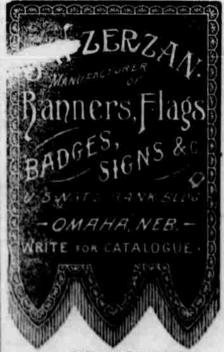
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