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Ieachers' Department.

Sabbath School Scripture Lessons.

JUNE 5th, 1859. Read-LUKE ix. 1-22: The miraculous supply of food. GENESIS xli. 38-57 : Joseph's exaltation. Recite-LUKE viii. 43-48.

JUNE 12th, 1859.

Read-LUKE ix. 23-42: The transfiguration of Christ. GENESIS xlii. : Joseph's conduct to his brethren.

Recite-LUKE ix. 18-22.

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From May 29th to June 11th, 1859.

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* For HIGH WATER at Annapolis. Digby. &c., and St. John. N. B., add 3 hours to the time at Halifax. *.* The time of HIGH WATER at Windsor is also the

me at Parrsboro', Horton; Cornwallis, Truro, &c. *.* For the LENGTH OF DAY double the time of the

un's setting.

VARIETIES.

On the 17th of March all Jerusalem was thrown into a state of the most pleasant excitement by the news that advices had been received at the English Consulate the previous night, announcing the Arrival at Jaffa of her Majesty's ship Euryalus, having on board his Royal Highness Prince Alfred, on his way to visit the Holy City. On Wednesday morning all was astir-people going out, troops under arms, cannon ready, field pieces outside the city. From the battlements of the city the sight was picturesque in the extreme; soldiers grouped everywhere, with piled arms, waiting the signal to line the roads; people of every nation and language out waiting in thousands, most of them had been out all day. It grew dark, however, and the Prince had not arrived : but at length the roar of the cannon salute announced that the royal visitor was at the Pacha's pavilion, and immediately huge lanterns were dispatched from the English Consulate to meet the procession at the city gate. The soldiers lined the street up to the Consul's door, and amid the din of the multitude and the pealing of the guns, his Royal Highness, accompanied by the Pacha, the English Consul, Capt. Tarleton, R. N., Major Cowell, R. E., Dr. Carmichael, &c., rode up to the consular residence. The Turkish infantry presenting arms as the Prince dismounted. The Pacha presently departed, but the next day dined privately with the prince at the Consulate. His Royal Highness, it appears, declined any public reception of deputations, or consuls, or others.

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Mosque of Omar, at the request of the Pacha, and although it was the last day of the pilgrimage to Neby Moosa, when all the fanatics of the country are assembled, and the mosque enclosure was full of men, women, and children, not an uncivil word was spoken to any one.

On Friday, 23rd, a lovely morning, the whole party set out for Hebron. First the cawasses, then the Prince, the English Consul and his lady, Major Cowell, &c., escorted by a body of infantry, mounted as body guard, and last of all a party of irregular horse for bonor. At Nar Elias, the Greeks of the convent had laid down carpets, and placed an armed chair for the Prince under the olive trees, where there is a view on the right hand of Bethlehem, and on the left of Jeru-alem. The convent bell was rung famously, and a crowd of Greek and Russian pilgrims were gathered to see the Prince. But at Bethlehem his reception presented a most wonderful and interesting sight. The whole population, in their picturesque dresses, turned out to see and

Visit of Prince Alfred to Jeru- In crossing the square of the castle opposite the church gateway the guard turned out to salute, and on leaving the church the Prince was received by a dense crowd, chiefly Armenian pilgrims, desirous to see the Queen of England's son, and on his way back honored the Bishop by returning his call. On Monday, the 28th, his Royal Highness left Jerusalem for the Dead Sea. As soon as the sun was risen crowds assembled to see him depart, and the terraces and domes of the houses were covered with spectators. The troops lined the street, and when his Royal Highness left the Consulate the Castle guns fired | dulged in by boys and young men at the Univera salute of 21 guns, and another when he passed sities and "larger schools now called colleges." out of the St. Stephen's Gate. At the Garden of He says that youths in their teens smoke forty or Gethsemane the heads of the Armenian and Greek churches were waiting to take leave of the streets with cigars in their months. The the Prince, who proceeded thence to the Dead Sea, and thence by Bethel to Damascus .- Daily News

Anecdote of Reading Prayers.

Boston by iron bands, a meeting of the American was held at Albany, and Dr. Chapin, with number of other clergymen from this region, attended, performing the journey by stage. A the close of the meeting they returned by the same conveyance. The stage started at four minister. At first starting the passengers were all silent, till after some time our Episcopal stantially as follows :--

-- that the prayer must be read." is not the case."

Jemperance.

Smoking a cause of Insanity.

The terrible ravages which tobacco is making on the bodies and minds of the young, seems to be attracting the attention of medical men in various parts of the world. The Dispatch says : In a pamphlet just issued by Dr. Seymour, of London, on Private Lunatic Asylums, and the causes of insanity of late years, the Doctor denounces with emphasis as one of the producing causes the practice of immoderate smoking infifty cigars daily, and that boys twelve years of age may be seen early in the morning walking Doctor's remarks are as applicable to the youths of this country as to those of England. No one conversant with disease can doubt that excessive smoking, especially in the case of young people, must be highly injurious to both mind and body. Its effect is to depress the circulation-the heart Many years ago, before Albany was linked to becomes weak, irregular in its action, and the pulse is scarcely to be felt. The victim becomes Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions irresolute and nervous, his appetite fails, and his mind fills with imaginary evils. This may continue for years, but at length the smoker dies, often suddenly; then examination has shown that the muscular structure of the heart is imperfect in its action; the left side is thin, and in some cases, in which sudden death has occurred, there has been found little more than a strip of musc'clock in the morning, which, at that season of cular fiber left on that side. The question of the year, was before daylight. All the passen- restraining boys from smoking is rather a diffigers in the stage, but one, were congregational cult one to deal with, but the grave interest at clergymen; that one was a young Episcopal stake seem to demand that some action should be taken in the premises.

JUDGED BY YOUR HABITS .-- Lads and young On Tuesday the Royal party paid a visit to the friend, with somewhat more of courage than men are judged by their habits, as well as by discretion, proceeded to deliver himself sub- the company they keep. Here is an instance which has just fallen under our notice. We cut "I have been examining these portions of it from a periodical on our table. A few years Scripture, lately, in which prayer is spoken of, since, a New York merchant advertised for a and have satisfied myself that prayer is never boy. Soon one called to the store and offered spoken of in the Bible where the circumstances his services. "Walk into the office, my lad," do not make it provable-yes I may say certain said the merchant, " I'll attend to you soon." It was not long before the merchant was at liber-To this somewhat startling proposition no one ty, and took his seat by the boy. As he sat made any reply, but our young friend, nothing down, he observed a segar in his hat, which he daunted, went on ; "I will defy any gentlemen held in his hand. "My boy," he said, "I want present to bring forward an instance where this a smart, honest, faithful lad; but I see that you smoke segars, and in my experience of many There was again a short silence, which was years, I have ever found segar smoking in lads to broken by Dr. Chapin, who said in his blandest be connected with various other evil habits. You can leave ; you will not suit me." Perhaps the "I do not mean to deny your position, sir; lad thought that the trader was very unjust to but there is one question I would like to ask, if judge him so severely on account of a segar. But such little things are often the best key to "Oh, ask as many questions as you please-I character. Nearly all the youth who have been will answer them," was the reply of the young ruined, have carried segars in their hats. Not that segars ruined them; but they took other

A lady in Franklin county, Mass., sent her newly arrived Irish girl with a note to one of her neighbours, with instructions to deliver it in percon. Biddy finding that Mrs. ---- the neighbour, had just started for Northampton, at once inquired the way and travelled thither, twelve miles, on foot, searched the streets, found the lady, delivered her errand, arrived home the next day, having spent the night with Irish friends on the way, and informed her mistress that she was sor ry, but she must give up her place, for she could not go any more such longer errands.

MONEY WORSHIP .- A writer in the Christian Examiner tells[®] the colored people that if they would gain respect they must make money. He says:

" If we had in Boston or in New York ten ourang-outangs worth a million dollars each, they would visit in the best society, we should leave our cards at their doors, and give them snug little dinner parties." This is rather exaggerating the deferance our " best society" pays to the almighty Republican.

The New York Independent has the following from a mother : " But did I tell you what a time I had with my little Joe !" " No, what was it "Why, I was showing him the picture of the martyrs thrown to the lions, and was talking very solemnly to him, trying to make him feel what a terrible thing it was. "Ma!" said he, all at once, "O, ma! just look at that poor little lion, away behind there, he won't get any !""

THE LUMP OF SALT .- A lump of Salt is dissolved in a basin of water; the salt his gone, but its savor has reached the remotest atom in the basin. Our one life is like that lump of salt gradually it is melting away, and in a brief season it will be gone; but its savor will reach the remotest hour in the eternity to come-Ballie.

A NEW DODGE .- A fellow in Chicago has been calling at private houses when the gentlemen were away, and stating to the ladies that which he wished to pay. The ladies would then hand them a \$10 counterfeit bill, and they would band him the balance in good money.

When a stone was once thrown into the pulpit where John Murry was preaching, in Boston, he picked it up, and holding it before his congregation, said, " This is a weighty argument, but neither rational nor convincing." "pon the pavement in front of a revolving wax whole party attended divine service at the Eng- my last son is dead. I have lost my hearing and and die contented there is no hope for him. fashion figure, and proceeded with his devotions, lish church on Mount Zion, where the Bishop my eyesight; I am all alone, old and poor; but it in spite of the interruptions of passers by. He preached, and the church was filled with pilgrims makes no difference-Christ never grows old even some of the Turkish guard ventured in. Christ never will forsake me." your women are ! or for the Virgin.

welcome his Royal Highness, and his numerous cavalcade rode through a crowd of eager people, men in their red and white turbans, with holiday for Jonah when he read prayers in the whale's

robes of scarlet cloth, women and girls in dark | belly ?" blue and red, with gold coins on their heads, and bracelets of gold and silver on their arms, on every terrace and roof, and many a prayer of ney." "God preserve him to his mother," or "God dollar, but it is essentially true .- Springfield lengthen his days," was heard in an audible voice by the bystanders in their vernacular Arabic. One man even ran forward and spread his garments in the way, but the prince, with delightful tact, turned his horse aside so as to avoid treading on them. As the party proceed ed the mass of people followed, so that when it reaches the Church of the Nativity, the fine open space in front of it was thronged. Here the party were met by the Latin, Greek, and Armenian monks, bearing huge lighted wax tapers. All the places of interest, including the Grotto of the Nativity and dwelling place of Jerome, were duly visited. After resting for a short time and accepting the hospitality of the Latin superior, the party proceeded to Urtas, supposed to be the site of Solomon's gardens, and now the industrial farm belonging to the Jerusalem Agricultural Association and to Mr. Meshuliam, who resides on the spot. On the hill side the Sheik and people of Urtas met the party, and, with their long guns, fired feu de joie, to the great amusement of the royal party. Mr. Mechullam

and most deferential tones,

you will be so kind as to answer it."

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"The question I wished to ask was," said Dr. | evils along with them. Chapin, very deliberately, " who held the candle

"It is said that the juvenile divine maintained a dignified silence during the rest of that jour-

The great unfinished Problems.

The last of Prof. Mitchell's " astronomical discourses" in New York city, was upon "The great unfinished Problems of the Universe,' A grand theme for the princely orator. The introductory statement was as follows :

I am to speak of the unfinished problems of the universe. This would seem to imply that in twenty-four hours. there are some which are finished ; but I know of none such, absolutely. I believe that we are now permitted to announce that the great law of universal gravitation reigns throughout our solar system with absolute command and power. I believe that we can, almost with certainty, an nounce that its dominion reaches to the fixed stars; and when this is uttered, I think that] have told you all the problems that are finished in the astronomical world. When we come to the examination of our own system; when we come to inquire whether we have determined the actual and positive movements of the sun whether we have reached to the precise and critical knowledge of the movement of any planet; whether we are able to predict with absolute precision, the place of any of these re-- Examiner.

Agriculture.

SOAKING OF SEEDS .- Most kind of seeds grow more freely if soaked in soft water from 12 to 48 hours before sowing. Seeds of a bard nature, such as blood beet, mangel wurzel, nasturtium, &c., often fail from want of attention to this circumstance. Indian Corn, Peas, and numerous others soaked four hours in a tepid solution of chloride of lime and water, mixed in the proportion of one-fourth of an ounce of the lime to a gallon of water, and then sown in the ordi-

nary way, have been known to throw out germs The seeds of common garden cress, immersed

in oxygenated muriatic acid, will germinate in six hours; whereas, when immersed in water alone, they will not show signs of vegetation in less than thirty hours.-Canadian Agriculturist.

GROWING RADISHES IN COAL ASHES. - A gentleman of Hamilton, New York, writes : " The soil in this vicinity is altogether unsuited for growing radishes. I, however, raised them excellent the past year by sowing seed in coal ashes. The radish grows vigorously, without injury from the worm."

FARMING FOR YOUNG MEN .- If a young volvi g worlds ;- I answer, it has not been done. be owed their husbands a bill of \$5 or \$6, had the Union Jack flying over his house, and man wants to engage in a business that will inhad the honor of entertaining the party at breaksure him, in middle life, the greatest amount of sell him they would take the money, he would fast. LOSS AND GAIN .- Dr. Payson, in his dying leisure time, there is nothing more sure than At Hebron the troops were drawn out, and, hour, said he could have saved himself much farming. If he has an independent turn of after the Colonel had paid his respects, the party trouble in life if he had only believed that the mind, let him be a farmer. If he wants to enmoved on-not to the town, but westwards to Saviour's presence was enough to fill him with gage in a healthy occupation, let him till the land. the great oak, called Abraham's oak, where tents joy, if all worldly comforts were taken away. In short, if he would be independent let him get were pitched in readiness. Next morning the He found it so in sickness, but could not quite be- a spot of earth ; keep within his means to shun party retuined to Jerusalem by a different road, lieve it in health. A poor, simple man, with none the lawyers ; be temperate to avoid the ductors ; first visiting the unfinished building called Abra of Payson's imagination or fancy, once said in a be honest to have a clear conscience; improve ham's House, supposed to have been begun by similar spirit, with his dying words :- " I have the soil so as to leave the world better than be In St. Louis, a Mexican fell upon his knees David before removing to Zion. Next day the lost all my property; I have lost all my relatives; found it; and then if he can not live happily A Japanese nobleman, upon being shown a fashion plate in an American magazine, was very had evidently mistaken the figure for some saint and strangers then sojourning in Jerusalem- Christ never dies, and much startled and exclaimed : "How very fat