

Teachers' Department.

Sabbath School Scripture Lessons.

AUGUST 12th, 1860.

Read—JOHN xi. 38-57: The raising of Lazarus. DEUT. xxiv. 7: Moses leaves Canaan. Recite—JOHN xi. 25-27.

AUGUST 19th, 1860.

Read—JOHN xii. 1-19: The anointing. JOSHUA I. Joshua directed and encouraged. Recite—JOHN xi. 55-57.

MESSENGER ALMANAC.

From July 5th to August 18th, 1860.

Table with columns for Day, SUN., MOON., and High Water at Halifax. Rows include Full Moon, Last Quarter, New Moon, First Quarter, and a detailed table for the month of August.

* For the time of HIGH WATER at Pictou, Pngwash, Wallace, and Yarmouth add 2 hours to the time at Halifax. * For HIGH WATER at Annapolis Digby, &c., and at St. John, N. B., add 3 hours to the time at Halifax.

Children's thoughts.

The first time I took my oldest boy to church, when he was two and a half years old, I managed, with caresses, and frowns, and candy, to keep him very still till the sermon was half done.

Don't speak cross words.

"Ob," said a little girl, bursting into tears on hearing of the death of a playmate, "I did not know that was the last time I had to speak kind to Amy."

Female Society.

You know my opinion of female society. Without it we should degenerate into brutes. This observation applies with ten fold force to young men and those who are in the prime of manhood.

A Faithful Dog.

At the burning of a carpenter's shop in Philadelphia, a little terrier dog exhibited a remarkable instance of sagacity. His master lay asleep (after dinner) upon a pile of shavings until the fire had reached his clothing.

Christian Communion.

Much of the suffering which is endured by the people of God, grows out of their ignorance of each other's trials. Those that fear the Lord too seldom speak one to another. Every heart knoweth its own bitterness, but another's it does not know.

Long Prayers.

Brother, do you know how long you pray? are you aware that very many of your hearers fairly ache, and cry out, "Mercy on the man why don't he stop?"

Says an excellent writer: "Long prayers are unreasonable as well as unprofitable." It is unreasonable for a man, in a prayer meeting, to continue some ten or fifteen minutes in presenting to the Lord his own wants and the wants of others.

Our Saviour has given us a model for our prayers. It consists of one sentence of introduction, seven short petitions, and four or five words of conclusion, and can be offered by any one in less than a minute.

THE POETRY OF LIFE.—Our idea of the world may be a singular one; but it pleases us vastly. We consider the world as formed, not for our use only, but for our continued enjoyment.

AN EPISCOPAL REBUKE.—A busy body clergyman represented to the present Lord Bishop of Gloucester and Bristol that a brother clergyman was in the habit of preaching in unconsecrated buildings, and in other ways departing from the recognised ways of the Church of England.

Addresses to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

The following are copies of the Addresses presented to the Prince of Wales during his visit to Halifax and the Replies to each respectively. They will form an interesting feature in the record of the past week.

FROM THE CITY COUNCIL.

Presented on His Royal Highness landing at the Dockyard.

To His Royal Highness ALBERT EDWARD, Prince of Wales, Prince of the United Kingdom, Duke of Saxony, Prince of Cornwall and Rothsay, Earl of Dublin, Chester and Carrick, Baron of Renfrew, Lord of the Isles, Great Steward of Scotland, Knight of the Garter, &c. &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS:

We, the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Halifax, in Nova Scotia, in the name of the Citizens, do most cordially welcome your Royal Highness to our shores.

We rejoice that our city should be thus highly honored by the presence of the son of our revered and beloved Queen, the grandson of that illustrious Duke whose memory is gratefully cherished as the warm and constant friend of Nova Scotia, and the heir apparent to the powerful and glorious Empire over which Her Majesty has, for so many years, so wisely and so beneficially ruled.

We venture to approach your Royal Highness with the expression of an earnest hope that your sojourn in this city, and on this side the Atlantic, may be attended with much pleasure.

We are fondly persuaded that the reception which awaits your Royal Highness in every section of Her Majesty's North American Dominions will not only impress you with the conviction that devotion to the British Throne and attachment to British institutions, form abiding elements in the minds of the inhabitants, but that the lustre which has been shed on the Crown by the Christian and domestic virtues of our Most Gracious Sovereign, is justly and gratefully appreciated by all her subjects.

We earnestly implore the Giver of all good to guard and protect you, to restore you in safety to the parent land, and to that illustrious family circle of which we regard you as the ornament and the pride, and that He may be graciously pleased long to spare your Royal Highness to fulfil those distinguished destinies to which your high position points.

- Samuel R. Caldwell, Mayor. William Sutherland, Recorder. John L. Cragg, City Clerk. Henry E. Pugsley. Charles Cogswell. John Daggan. Matthew Lownds. Charles Barnstead. John D. Nash. Charles Twining. Philip Thompson. James Daggan. W. C. McIre. S. Trenaman. William Evans. Edward Leahy. Jeremiah Conway. Richard T. Roome. John A. Bell. M. H. Richey. J. Jennings. L. Harrisborne, City Treasurer.

The Prince of Wales immediately read the following gracious reply in a clear, distinct manner.

GENTLEMEN,— I have been led to expect that the loyalty and attachment to the British Crown which exists amongst the inhabitants of Halifax, would insure to me a kind reception in your City, but the scene which I have witnessed this morning proves that my expectations are more than realized.

For your welcome to myself I feel, I assure you, sincere gratitude,—but it is still more satisfactory to me, as a Son and as an Englishman, to witness your affectionate attachment to the Queen, and to the Laws and Institutions of our common Country.

Your allusion to my illustrious Grandfather is also most grateful to my feelings; and I rejoice to find that his memory is cherished amongst you.

In your noble Harbour the Navies of Britain can ride in safety, whilst you prosecute that commercial activity, which under their protection, would seem destined to make Halifax one of the most important Cities of the Western World, and to raise her inhabitants to a high position of wealth and prosperity.

I request you to convey to the Citizens of whom you are the representatives, my cordial thanks for the greetings they have given me.

FROM THE EXECUTIVE GOVERNMENT.

Presented on His Royal Highness arriving at Government House:—

To the Most High, Puissant and Illustrious Prince Albert Edward, Prince of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Prince of Wales, Duke of Saxony, Prince of Coburg and Gotha, Great Steward of Scotland, Duke of Cornwall and Rothsay, Earl of Chester, Carrick and Dublin, Baron of Renfrew and Lord of the Isles, K. G.

The Members of the Executive Government, on behalf of the Legislature and People of Nova Scotia, tender to you, the Son of their Sovereign and Heir Apparent to her Throne, the respectful homage of a loyal and united population, and cordially bid your Royal Highness welcome to this Continent.

Founded by the British races, and for more than a century, amidst the vicissitudes and temptations of that period, preserving unshaken her attachment alike to the Throne, to the People, and to the Institutions of the Mother Country, this Province has grown with a steady growth; and we trust that your Royal Highness will observe in it some evidences of public spirit and material prosperity, some faint traces of the civilization you have left at home, some indications of a desire to combine commercial activity and industrial development with the enjoyment of rational freedom.

To the members of your Royal House who visited Nova Scotia in her infant state, our country was deeply indebted for the patronage which enabled many of her sons to distinguish themselves abroad, and during the reign of your illustrious Mother, the blessings of self-government and of unrestricted intercourse with all the world, have been graciously conferred upon this Province.

With pride, we saw during the Crimean and Indian wars, Nova Scotians winning laurels beneath the Imperial flag; and your Royal Highness has seen as you passed to your temporary residence, what honor we pay to the memory of our countrymen who fall in defence of the Empire.

We trust that your Royal Highness will also observe in the discipline of our Volunteers a determination to foster the martial spirit inherited from our ancestors, and energetically to defend, if need be, this portion of Her Majesty's Dominions.

To the loyal welcome which we tender to your Royal Highness, we beg to add our fervent prayer that the blessings of Divine Providence may be freely showered upon you, and that you may be long spared in the high sphere in which you are called to move, to illustrious the virtues which have enshrined your Royal Mother in the hearts of our people.

- WILLIAM YOUNG. JOSEPH HOWE. ADAMS G. ARCHIBALD. JONATHAN McCULLY. JOHN H. ANDERSON. WILLIAM ANNAND. JOHN LOCKE. BENJAMIN WIER.

To this Address His Royal Highness replied in the following terms:

GENTLEMEN,— I am deeply touched by the warmth and cordiality with which I have been welcomed to this Colony, and thank you most heartily for your address.

It will be my duty, and it certainly will be no less a pleasure to me, to inform Her Majesty of the proofs which you have given me, of your feelings of loyalty and devotion to Her Throne, and of your gratitude for those blessings which, it is Her happiness to reflect, have during Her reign been bestowed upon you and so many others of Her subjects in all parts of the world.

Most heartily do I sympathize in the pride with which you regard the laurels won by Sons of Nova Scotia, and the affection with which you honor the memory of those who have fallen in the service of my country and yours.

The monument you refer to will kindle the flame of patriotism in the breasts of those Volunteers whom I have passed to-day, and who, in this and the Colony which I have lately quitted, are emulating the zeal and gallant spirit which have been exhibited throughout the Mother Country.

One hundred years have now elapsed since the international struggles which retarded the prosperity of this country, were brought to a close. May peace and harmony amongst yourselves complete the good work which has commenced, and increase the happiness and contentment of a loyal and united people.

FROM THE GOVERNORS, &c. OF ACADIA COLLEGE.

Presented at the Levee on Wednesday, August 1st.

To His Royal Highness, ALBERT EDWARD, Prince of Wales, Prince of the United Kingdom, Duke of Saxony, Prince of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, Duke of Cornwall and Rothsay, Earl of Dublin, Chester and Carrick, Baron of Renfrew, Lord of the Isles, Great Steward of Scotland, Knight of the Garter, &c. &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS:

We, the Trustees, Governors, and Fellows of Acadia College hereby present to Your Royal Highness the expression of our hearty welcome to the shores of Nova Scotia.

We congratulate Your Royal Highness on the advanced state of education in the mother country, and particularly on the rapid progress of knowledge among the middle and industrial classes, so happily characteristic of these times, and so conducive to national welfare.

Your Royal Highness will permit us to refer to the history of Great Britain since the accession of the House of Brunswick, as a continuous illustration of the benefits accruing to a land from the extension of intellectual culture and the enjoyment of religious freedom. The illustrious House of which your Royal Highness is a distinguished member is justly celebrated for liberal patronage of learning, for steadfast maintenance of the Protestant principle of the right of private judgment, and for impartial administration of the laws which have been enacted under its auspices, securing equal privileges to all good subjects.