

Youth's Department.

BIBLE LESSONS.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25TH, 1863.

Read—ACTS xviii. 1-17: Paul at Corinth preaching to the Gentiles. JUDGES xii: The Ephraimites defeated by Jephtha.

Recite—ACTS xvii. 29-31.

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Read—ACTS xviii. 18-28: The Apostles preach Christ. JUDGES xiii: The birth of Samson predicted.

Recite—ACTS xviii. 7-8.

"SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES."

Write down what you suppose to be the answer to the following question.

41. Who offered to God a prayer that he might not be rich?

Answer to question given last week:—

41. Festus endeavored to show that Paul was insane and attributed it to his much learning. Acts xvi. 24

"Only once in a way."

"Sir, I hope you'll look over it. I can assure you I only take a drop once in a way."

This was said by a very fine young man who was standing in an office beside a desk at which a gray-headed gentleman, with a grave, but by no means harsh expression of countenance, was seated, and who replied—"Curtis, I should be more inclined to look over thy fault, if you were more impressed with the seriousness of the sin."

"Sir—Sir! I'm very sorry but really, sir, as it's only once in a way."

"Ah there it is, you are excusing yourself and a very false excuse it is, both for your interest and mine. I'm interested in you, Curtis; you served your time with us, and I think we've always, that is the firm, have always shown that they desired your welfare."

"Oh certainly, sir, and I'm grateful—but just once in a way does not make a man a drunkard."

"Listen to me, Curtis," said the master, taking up the Times newspaper, May, 1863. "Here is an account, of a woman, a respectable nurse in a gentleman's family, who went a railway journey. A gentleman put a travelling-bag by her as she sat in the waiting room. She took it up and went into the carriage with it, hiding it under the seat. She was seen to do it, and was taken into custody. What was that action Curtis?"

"Why, sir, it was thieving."

"Yes—and the woman then was a thief."

"Yes, sir."

"She pleaded that she had never done such a thing before. 'It was only once in a way.' But the law condemned her as a thief."

"When Mr. Black's premises were burned down, through the carelessness of a night porter who was tipsy, as he said, and I believe for the first time in his life, was it any compensation to him, or to the neighborhood where loss, and fright, worse than any loss, caused so much suffering—was it any compensation that 'It was only once in a way?' Was it not decided that the disaster was caused by drunkenness?"

"Did you see our clerk, who made a false entry in the books?"

"Oh, yes sir, and I never can forget him, never—and I thanked you that you did not prosecute that poor widow's son, but helped him to emigrate."

"Yes, yes—we did that for his mother's sake. He had been honest and truthful; when he fell, his fault was discovered at once—best so for him. I mention his case because you knew it all. Trust me, Curtis, the man who tells a lie is a liar—the man who steals is a thief—and the man who gets drunk is a drunkard. And to plead that 'It's only once in a way,' is to show that you have no sense of the sin, and until you have, there's no hope of amendment."

How crest-fallen and abject looked Curtis, as his master spoke. How condemned he felt, for he knew all his excuses were but petty subtleties, making bad worse. He pleaded—

"Try me once again, sir. I beg of you—try me. I'm more ashamed than I like to say. Forgive me."

"Ask God, Curtis, to forgive. I am more sorry than angry—ask God. If He had called you to die while you were in that intemperate condition, what would have availed that miserable plea—'Only once in a way?' 'It's only once' that you will die. Think of that. Be ready—be sober—for no drunkard shall inherit the kingdom of God."

Curtis went away, resolving that his first drinking bout should also be his last. He was humbled, and asked for strength to keep his resolution. Reader, do the same, and He, your God and Saviour, will perfect His strength in your weakness.—British Workman.

With God as our God, we are safe and happy everywhere. A gentleman crossing a dreary moor came upon a cottage, and entered into conversation with its inmate, who was standing at his garden gate. When about to leave, he said, "Are you not afraid to live in this lonely place?" "O, no," said he; "for faith closes the door at night, and mercy opens it in the morning."

It is better to have the praise of evil men's hatred, than the scandal of their love and approbation.

The Christian hath such an harvest of glory and happiness coming as will never be fully got in. It will be always reaping-time in heaven.

Provincial Exhibition at Kentville.

Much has been said in the public press concerning this display of the Agriculture, Horticulture and Stock of Nova Scotia. We desire to give as full an account as our space will allow. We hesitate expending that space in thoughts and observations of our own, we must simply place the facts before our readers, and leave them to fill up by their reflections what might otherwise be said upon it. We shall, therefore, give a few facts which the Secretaries' Reports do not furnish, and conclude by the list of prizes, as furnished by the Secretaries.

In the competition for the Royal Horticultural Society's Medals, there were nine competitors in apples. It was required to show six specimens of nine different sorts. The wheat weighed 63 lbs. per bushel. Some of the ears of Indian-corn were 18 inches in length and contained 16 rows of corn. The grapes were very fine, but the vegetables were not considered such as should take the prizes, the medals were therefore withheld for another year.

The exhibition of Horses consisted of 10 entire horses; 16 farm horses; 20 sucking colts, 15 yearling colts; 23 two year old colts; 14 three year old colts. Total 168.

In Cattle, there were 5 yoke of fatted oxen; 30 yoke of working do, over 5 years; 12 do, over 4 years; 13 three year old steers; 10 two year old do. 4 steer calves; 25 bulls; 40 cows; 15 three year old heifers; 18 two year do; 10 yearlings and 12 heifer calves.

In Sheep, there were 30 rams, and 34 Ewes and lambs and Mr. Downs' two foreign sheep.

In Swine, there were shown, 7 boars; 7 sows; 2 fat hogs, and 22 other pigs.

The Mechanical Manufactures, were not numerous, 4 plows, 3 riding waggons, various harrows, ox yokes, sleighs, forks, hachets, axes, horse-shoes &c., &c.

The distribution of prizes by His Excellency Major General Doyle was somewhat interterred with by the copious fall of rain on Thursday.

The following are the lists of prizes, &c., awarded. The amount of each of the prizes may be seen by referring to our issue of August 26th.

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

STALLIONS.—Best over 4 years and under 8—1st prize, E. M. Jordan, Horton; 2nd, L. Harris, do; 3rd, T. A. Neilly, Annapolis. Three years old—1st, J. T. Campbell, Douglas; 2nd, W. Jordan, Horton.

COLTS.—Three years old—1st, H. S. Lane, Lunenburg; 2nd, W. H. Chipman, Cornwallis; 3rd, J. Quigley, Horton. Two years old—1st, A. Smith, Horton; 2nd, W. J. Wallace, do; 3rd, J. Simpson, do. One year old—1st, T. Kinsman, Cornwallis; 2nd, L. Eaton, do; 3rd, Levi Eaton, do. Sucking colts—1st, J. W. Ruscoe, Cornwallis; 2nd, J. Selveridge, do; 3rd, J. Kinsman, Cornwallis.

BROOD MARES.—First, L. W. Hill, Falmouth; 2nd T. Beatty, Horton; 3rd, E. Ward, do.

WORKING HORSES. First, D. R. Eaton, Cornwallis; 2nd, W. H. Chipman, do.

CARRIAGE AND SADDLE HORSES.—First, M. Sheffield, Aylesford; 2nd, J. Lyons, Kentville.

Judges: S. T. Neilly, T. Wheelock, J. Margeson, J. Geldert and A. Walker.

BULLS.—4 years old and upwards—1st, E. Dickey, Cornwallis; 2nd, J. Harvey, Halifax; 3rd, C. W. Fitch, Horton. Three years old—1st, J. W. Harris, Horton; 2nd, S. Morine, Cornwallis; 3rd, J. Nichols, do. Two years old—1st, J. A. Chipman, Cornwallis; 2nd, J. Brown, Falmouth. One year old—1st, D. Dickey, Cornwallis; 2nd, E. Calkin, do; 3rd, J. Cox, do. Bull Calves—1st, J. McGee, Kentville; 2nd, J. S. Newcomb, Cornwallis.

OXEN.—Fat—1st, Levi Eaton, Cornwallis; 2nd, Leander Eaton, do. Working oxen, over 5 years old—1st, B. B. Woodworth, Cornwallis; 2nd, Leander Eaton, do; 3rd, J. Irvine, do. Four years old—1st, A. Chase, Cornwallis; 2nd, J. S. Belcher, do; 3rd, Wm. Thomas, do.

STEERS.—Three years old—1st, John P. Lyons, Cornwallis; 2nd, Levi Eaton, do; 3rd, J. Kinsman, do. Two years old—1st, W. H. Chipman, Cornwallis; 2nd, J. Rand, do. One year old—1st, G. A. Allison, Cornwallis; 2nd, W. H. Chipman, do. Steer Calves—1st, J. E. Starr, Cornwallis; 2nd, Levi Eaton, do. Judges: T. L. Dodge, E. P. Borden, G. E. Neilly, James Fellows.

COWS.—First, P. Redmond, Kentville; 2nd, G. W. Eaton, Cornwallis; 3rd, Levi Eaton, do; 4th, Dr. Hamilton, do; 5th, Mrs. J. C. Hall, Kentville; 6th, J. Rockwell, Cornwallis.

HEIFERS.—Three years old—1st, E. Wheaton, Cornwallis; 2nd, T. Quigley, Horton; 3rd, J. H. Cox, Kentville. Two years old—1st, Levi Eaton; 2nd, M. Sheffield, Aylesford. One year old—1st, W. H. Chipman, Cornwallis. Heifer Calves—1st, G. R. Grassie, Annapolis; 2nd, W. H. Chipman. Judges: J. Brown, J. Eaton, G. C. Neilly, D. North, S. L. Chipman.

SHEEP.—Rams, 2 years old and upwards—1st, E. Ward, Horton; 2nd, S. Chipman, Corn-

wallis; 3rd, A. Burbridge, do. One year old—1st, Patrick Doyle, Horton; 2nd, R. Baker, Windsor; 3rd, J. A. Chipman, Cornwallis. Ram Lambs—1st, D. Newcomb, Cornwallis; 2nd, P. Doyle, Horton; 3rd, S. Marsters, Cornwallis. Ewe Sheep, 1st, R. Bacon, Windsor; 2nd, J. E. Starr, Cornwallis; 3rd, J. E. Starr, do; 4th, A. Beckwith, do. Ewe Lambs—1st, Wm. Calkin, Cornwallis; 2nd, J. E. Starr, do; 3rd, D. Newcomb, do.

SWINE.—Boars, 1 year old and upwards—1st, J. W. Harris, Horton; 2nd, A. Black, do; 3rd, Jas Manning, do. Under one year—1st, J. Ratchford, Cornwallis; 2nd, A. Ward, Horton. Breeding Sows—1st, A. Johnson, Horton; 2nd, C. A. Marsters, Kentville; 3rd, A. Ward, Horton; 4th, C. E. Fitch, do. Hog, best and largest—1st, W. H. Chapman, Cornwallis; 2nd, R. Forsyth, Horton. Judges: E. Calkin, S. Gould, J. C. Neilly.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.—Poughs—1st, Dr. Hamilton, Cornwallis; 2nd, E. Armstrong, do; 3rd and 4th, J. Moore, Truro. Harrows—1st, W. Meek, Cornwallis; 2nd, Dr. Hamilton, do. Potatoe Forks—1st, B. Eaton, Cornwallis; 2nd, Geo. Franklin, do. Potatoe Hacks—1st, T. W. Cox, Cornwallis; 2nd, B. Eaton, do. Dyke Spade—J. L. Faulkner, Horton. Hand Hay Rakes—1st, W. Welton, Wilmot. Horse Hay Rakes—1st, Amos Black, Horton. Grain Cradle—W. Welton, Wilmot. (The Committee express doubts as to whether this cradle is of domestic manufacture.) Cultivator—1st, D. M. Dickey, Cornwallis. Judges: C. Ramsay, W. Stewart, R. Greeno.

MECHANICAL PRODUCTIONS.—Express Wagon—1st, C. Skinner, Cornwallis. Hay or Ox Wagon—1st, J. S. Belcher, Cornwallis; 2nd, J. Cochran, do. Riding Wagon—I. Morse Nictaux. Sleighs—1st, J. O. West, Cornwallis; 2nd, W. Schofield, Horton. Chopping and Axes—B. Eaton, Cornwallis. Horse Shoe—1st, R. Greenough, Cornwallis; 2nd, A. Videto, Wilmot. Apple Barrels—1st, W. Gowans, Cornwallis; 2nd, E. D. J. Hymore, Lunenburg. Fish Barrels—1st, G. Young, Cornwallis; 2nd, W. Gowans, do. Judges: John Faulkner, John Fitz Randolph, and James Neilly.

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HORTICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

Medals received from the Royal Horticultural Society, London, and awarded by the "Horticultural Association":

Best 9 sorts of Apples, (Silver Medal) Dr. C. C. Hamilton, Cornwallis.

Best dish of grapes, (bronze medal,) Dr. C. C. Hamilton, Cornwallis.

Best 18 Onions, (bronze medal,) P. S. Burnham, Windsor.

Best bushel of Wheat, (bronze medal) D. R. Eaton, Cornwallis.

Best and largest collection of apples, &c., &c., (bronze medal) from the International Commissioners, and awarded by R. G. Haliburton Esq., to Richard Starr Cornwallis. Judges: John Longly, A. J. Ritchie, and J. W. Harris, Esquires.

APPLES.—Winter, 6 sorts, 6 each—1st prize, John Longley, Annapolis; 2nd, W. H. Hardwick, Cornwallis; 3rd Geo. A. Allison, Cornwallis; 4th Sydney Shaw, Annapolis; 5th T. C. Neilly, Nictaux; 6th W. H. Morehouse, Annapolis. Autumn, 3 sorts, 6 each—1st prize W. H. Morehouse, Annapolis; 2nd G. A. Allison, Cornwallis; 3rd Wm. Sutton, Cornwallis.

Best 12 Gravensteins—1st prize W. H. Morehouse, Annapolis.

Best 12 Ribston Pippins—1st prize A. H. Johnston, Wolfville.

Best 12 Yellow Bellefleur—1st prize A. Van Baskirk, Aylesford.

Best 12 Nonpariel—1st prize, John A. Chipman, Cornwallis.

Best 12 Baldwin—1st prize, B. H. Calkin, Kentville.

Best 12 Pomme Gris—1st prize, J. C. Neilly, Annapolis.

Best Peck Crab Apples—1st prize E. Marshall, Annapolis.

The sum of \$5 was placed in the hands of the Judges, to be awarded to Seedlings, or newly introduced sorts. The number of seedlings was very large, and presented an appearance almost equal to that of the best grafted fruit. The following awards have been agreed upon:

1st prize, Wm. Sutton, Cornwallis, \$1.

2nd do. E. Parker, do, \$1.

3rd do. Isaac Longley, Annapolis, \$1.

4th do. John W. Bars, Wolfville, \$1.

5th do. D. D. Davidson, Kentville, \$1.

PEARS.—Best 4 sorts, 6 each—1st prize, J. D. Harris, Cornwallis; 2nd Geo. A. Allison, Cornwallis.

Best 2 sorts, 6 each—1st prize Henry Thompson, Windsor; 2nd Leander Rand, Cornwallis.

Best 12, any sort—1st prize, E. E. Dickey, Cornwallis.

QUINCES.—Best 12—1st prize E. E. Woodworth, Cornwallis; 2nd Walter Witt, Cornwallis.

GRAPES.—Best 3 bunches, 1st prize, Wm. Sutton, Cornwallis; best 3 bunches European, 1st prize Dr. C. C. Hamilton, Cornwallis; best 3 bunches American, 1st prize, John G. Byrne, Cornwallis.

PLUMS.—Best 6 sorts, 12 each, 1st prize, Thomas Tuzo, Lower Horton; 2nd prize Jas. W. Harris, Lower Horton.

Best 4 sorts, 12 each, 1st prize, Thomas Tuzo, Lower Horton.

Best 12 of any sort, John W. Bars, Wolfville.

PRACHES.—Best 12 grown in open air—1st prize, J. W. Harris, Lower Horton; 2nd prize J. L. Brown, Wolfville.

Judges: Rev. Dr. Forrester, Rev. Dr. Robertson, Oliver Foster, Herbert Harris, and George A. S. Crichton, Esquires.

BUTTER.—Best tub, 20lbs. 1st prize—Stephen Scofield, Gaspereaux; 2nd prize David S. Thomas, Cornwallis; 3rd Wm. Roye, Margareville; 4th James Donaldson, Cornwallis.

Best Roll Butter—1st prize, Joseph Elliott, Cornwallis; 2nd, J. L. Dodge, Kentville.

CHEESE.—Over 30 pounds, 1st-prize Avard Longley, Paradise; 2d do. Avard Longley, do; 3rd do Avard Longley, do.

Over 20 pounds, 1st prize Cornelius Bishop, Annapolis; 2nd, Leander Rand, Cornwallis; 3rd, Richard Starr, Cornwallis.

CANDLES.—Moulds, 5 lbs, 1st prize J. L. Dodge, Kentville; 2nd, M. Beckwith, Cornwallis. Dipped, 5 lbs., 1st prize, Leander Rand, Cornwallis; 2nd do Mrs. Jos. Chase, Cornwallis. Judges: Robert Marshall, Joseph Rumsey, and B. H. Calkin, Esquires.

POTATOES.—Best peck Early Bluea, 1st prize, John G. Byrne, Cornwallis. Best peck Jackson's, 1st prize, Charles Dickey, Cornwallis. Best peck Calicos, 1st prize, Hon. Saul Chipman, Cornwallis. Best peck any variety, 1st W. H. DeWolf, Wolfville. Best collection, 1st prize, R. Starr, Cornwallis.

ONIONS.—Best twelve, 1st prize, H. L. Dickey, Cornwallis; 2nd do. D. Manson, Cornwallis. Best twelve Potatoe, 1st prize, Joseph L. Ward, Horton; 2nd do. E. Eaton, Cornwallis.

TURNIPS.—Best six Swedish, 1st prize, W. H. DeWolf, Wolfville; 2nd do. Dr. Hea, Wolfville; 3rd do. A. Bligh, Cornwallis.

CARROTS.—Best 12 Long Orange, 1st prize, Richard Starr, Cornwallis; 2nd do. W. H. Chipman, Cornwallis.

Best 12 Early Horn, 1st prize, W. A. Rusco, Cornwallis.

Best 12 Altringham, 1st prize, James Geldert, Windsor.

MANGOLD WURTZEL.—Best six, 1st prize, P. S. Burnham, Windsor; 2nd do. John Starr, Halifax.

BEETS.—Best six Long Blood, 1st prize, D. R. Eaton, Cornwallis; 2nd do. Richard Starr, Cornwallis.

Best six Turnip, 1st prize, E. Griffin, Horton.

Best six any sort, 1st prize John, Hea, Horton.

PARSNIPS.—Best six, 1st prize Isaac Shaw Cornwallis; 2nd do. R. J. Margeson Cornwallis.

CELERY.—Best 6 heads 1st prize, J. W. Harris, Lower Horton; 2nd do. Amos Black, do.

Judges: Amos Black, Charles F. Eaton, and Richard Starr, Esquires.

PUMPKINS.—Best largest, prize, Jas. Fellows, Grayville. Best two, 1st prize, W. H. Chipman Cornwallis.

SQUASH.—Best table, 1st prize, J. Rousefell, Horton; 2nd do. Rev. W. Ruggles, Kentville.

MELONS.—Best two Musk, 1st prize, G. McGrigor, Horton. Best two Water, 1st prize, G. F. Robinson, Cornwallis. Best two Citron, 1st prize, P. Norman, Cornwallis.

CAULIFLOWER.—Best three, 1st prize, Dr. J. R. Hea, Horton.

CABBAGES.—Best 6 Drumhead; 1st prize J. Leard, Horton; 2nd do. Thus Graham, Cornwallis. Best 6 any sort, 1st prize, T. Leahy, Halifax. Best 6 Savoy, 1st prize, J. Blanchard, Kentville; 2nd do. C. Fritze, Wolfville.

TOMATOES.—Best 12, 1st prize, J. E. Lockwood, Cornwallis; 2nd do. W. H. DeWolf, Wolfville.

CUCUMBERS.—Best brace, 1st prize, Thomas Leahy, Halifax. Judges: D. R. Eaton, A. J. Ritchie, and R. W. Starr, Esquires.

HONEY.—Best 10 lbs in comb, 1st prize, Dr. J. L. Hea, Wolfville; 2nd do. Amos Black, Horton.

Best 5 lbs, Strained, 1st prize, Thomas W. Rand, Cornwallis; 2nd do. Dr. J. R. Hea, Wolfville.

Best 2 lbs Native Bees Wax, 1st prize Thomas Crouch, Cornwallis; 2nd do. Thomas W. Rand, Cornwallis.

Judges: J. W. Harris and Jos. Kaye, Esquires.

INDIAN CORN.—Best 12 ears, 1st prize, H. B. Webster, Kentville; 2nd do. Wm. Borden, Cornwallis; 3rd do. R. Moore, Kentville.

Best 4 bushel shelled, 1st-prize, Jacob Webster, Cornwallis.

PEAS.—Best peck, 1st prize, Hon. S. Chipman, Cornwallis.

BEANS.—Best peck, 1st prize J. H. Newcombe, Cornwallis; 2nd do. J. H. Shaw do.

HOPS.—Best lb, 1st prize, Wm. Sutton, Cornwallis; J. H. Shaw, Cornwallis.

WHEAT.—Best 4-bush Spring, 1st prize, S. North, Cornwallis; 2nd do. D. R. Eaton, do. Winter, 1st do. T. D. Henderson, Annapolis; 2nd do. Wm. Fitch, Horton.

RYE.—Best 4-bush Winter, 1st prize, Stephen E. Burgess, Cornwallis; 2nd prize, G. Fitch, Cornwallis. Spring, 1st do J. Elderkin, Horton; 2nd do A. West, Cornwallis.

BARLEY.—Best 4-bush, 1st prize, T. Beattie, Horton; 2nd do Jos Rumsey, Annapolis; 3rd do J. H. Parker, Cornwallis.

OATS.—Best 4-bush white, 1st prize, D. McLine, Cornwallis; 2nd do K. Palmater, Horton. Best 4-bush black, 1st do R. Starr, Cornwallis; 2nd do L. Rand, Cornwallis.

BUCKWHEAT.—Best 4-bush, 1st prize, R. Marshall, Annapolis; 2nd do W. H. Troop, do.

GRASS SEED.—Best 4-bush T mothy, 1st prize, M. Rand, Cornwallis; 2nd do I. McCurdy, Truro.

FLAX SEED.—Best peck, 1st prize, E. Phinney, Annapolis; 2nd do Jos. L. Ward, Horton. Judges: E. Marshall, J. G. Byrne, and David Ellis, Esquires.