Mouths' Department.

BIBLE LESSONS.

(From "Robinson's Harmony.")

Sunday, Febuary 6th, 1870.

Luke xix. 2-28: John xi. 55-57: xii. 1, 9-11: The visit to Zaccheus. Purable of the ten pounds. Jesus arrives at Bethany, six days before the Passover.

Recite, -- Scripture Catechism, 77, 78.

Sunday, February 13th, 1870.

MATTHEW XXI. 1-11: 14-17: MARK XI. 1-11: LUKE xix. 29-44: John xii. 12--19: Our Lord's public entry into Jerusalem.

Recite, -S. C., 79, 80.

ANSWERTO SCRIPTURE ENIGMA.

No. XXVIII.

K-eturah Gen. xxv. 1. Judges iii. 14--25. E-phraim Gen. xlviii. 17--20. P-eter Mark xiv. 72. E-thiopia Acts viii. 27-40 R-choboam 1 Kings xii. 6-9. "KEEPER." Psn, exxi. 5.

Oh, as with all our feeble might We struggle after truth and right, How faint we often grow; How thick the mists descend around! How steep and rocky is the ground, What biting tempests blow!

Fierce foes assail us round about: Yet, worse than temptings from without, A treacherous voice within: And as we struggle on our way. We tremble lest each coming day Behold us sunk in sin.

Yet we may check that bitter fear,-Is not our Father always near? Does he not love us well? If once we reach his outstretched hand. Hath he not power to make us stand, And route the hosts of hell?

QUESTIONS ON SCRIPTURE META PHORS.

To be answered by words commencing with T

1. Name a word employed metapherically for what is low and dishonourable, 2. Give several metaphorical expressions for

wicked men. 3. What is the witness of God's servants

compared to?

4. Name a word which is used metaphorically in connection with the experience of death, and the enjoyment of God's grace.

5. What words are used metaphorically of judgments by means of violent war?

6; Name a word used metaphorically of God, 7. What are made metaphorical both of the heavens and of the church?

Another word-square.—Place the four words described below, so that they may be read downwards the same as across.

The farthest from the hindermost; An ancient author of repute: Food of one-third of all on earth; A garden with peculiar fruit.

The following is the English of the " Exercise IN TRANSLATING" given last week :

THREE LITTLE KITTENS. Three little kittens they lost their mittens, And they began to cry: "O mammy dear! we greatly fear Our mittens we have lost.' What! lost your mittens? You naughty kittens, then you shall have no pic.

Miew, miew, miew.

TAD AND POLLY.

BY UNCLE CARL.

"Just one story before we go to bed!" shouted leave his place. Harry, tossing his geography upon the table, as

Mollie, as she lifted her flushed face, from her along and treat you so?" slate, and hastened to join the group that was ". Nonsense, thundered the monster, as he wonderful stories, gave promise that their re- will grow.' quest would be granted. So Minnie, who was "Yes,' answered the other monster, with his already in her little white night gown, climbed up hands full of little stones also, ' we are only into his lap, and now nestling down there, began going to pay our respects. It is only a military to count the little pink toes; and George rolled courtesy to fire a broadside as a salute when up a cricket and sat at his feet, and the others distinguished stranger arrives.' gathered about as closely as possible.

than, when the tumult had subsided,

"in a beautiful little valley, there lived a very pitiful speeches Now for our salute. One, happy family, known by their neighbors as the two, three, hurrah!"

two story house on the hill just back of them, fell helpless into the water. and Lawyer Brown in the great brick house over "Oh, there ! you have killed him. I know the brook, and though these people in the great you have," cried the fairy, in a mourntul houses sometimes looked down on them, still voice. And sure enough, as if to verify her they were careful never to hurt their feelings, words, poor little Tad, who had never done any-Mr. Frog was rather a lazy fellow, lying about thing worse than swim, and jump, and sing, and in the sunshine most of the day, but then he was help his brother and sister frogs, gave one last very handsome, with his green cont and spotted vest, and a great gympast, the best jumper in Then how do you think they felt, who had the country, and always ready for a frolic. So he was very popular among his friends. Mrs. Frog was a tidy little body, very much devoted though they could have told how they felt, if to her family, and very excellent at preparing a they had chosen, but said nothing. minny' chowder or mosquito hash."

her large eyes full of wonder.

a fine summer evening, to sit at the door of their poor things !" home, and sing one of their favorite ditties to please the Joneses and the Browns,

"By and by the bad some children. The fun?" oldest was a fine little fellow, whom they called 'Oh, ho!" said Uncle Nathan, "were you handsome, and when they took off their child asleep, and you must be off to bed." clothes and put on the garments which mark the years of discretion, all their acquaintances spoke of them as the finest young couple in the whole valley.

" As Mr. Frog's family grew to be very large, and their father became fatter and lazier than eyer, and their mother had ceased to give them any attention in her care for the younger ones. they one day concluded they would go out into the world, and seek their fortune. So they left the old crokers, and came hopping and leaping and swimming up the stream, and a happier young brother and sister than Tad and Polly you never saw. He was lithe and active, and she was sleek and brisk, and they amused themselves by seeing which could jump the farthest, or swim under the water the longest without coming to the surface to take breath. At last they came to a broad place in the brook, no very far from where we now are, and as it was cool, and shady, and full of beautiful stones where they could sit, they concluded to stop and rest themselves a little. But suddenly they heard a terrible noise from the bank. Looking up they saw what seemed to them a monster, standing on two legs, with a brown linen suit of clothes on, and a broad-brimmed straw hat. It had great hazel eyes that glared down upon them ferociously, and curly brown hair clustering in a terrific way around its head, and its huge hand was sunburnt and scarred with several cuts. It looked somewhat like Willie Jones, who had often come down to feed them like a good Samaritan. But Tad saw in a twinkling that the monster meant mischief.

". Hallo!" roared the monster, in a terrible

voice, 'here's fun for us!' "His eyes glowed more flercely than ever, and his tones made Polly's heart go pitty-pat as she darted under a stone for shelter, while Tud was fairly transfixed with terror.

"Come over here quick !' shouted the monster to some unseen companions, ' here's a jolly

"Suddenly the sound of other voices was heard, and the pattering of feet along the path, and Tad saw another huge creature on the shore looking very much like the first, and beside him a third figure in a calico dress, with very rosy cheeks and looking somewhat like the the fairies that Polly had often been told about. Her smile was the only thing about the three immense figures that gave him any comfort

... What's up now?' cried the second monster in a voice that said he was ready for anything. " Are you going to wade in the brook? asked the fairy in silvery tones, at the same

"'No,' screamed the monster, 'I am going to shoot at a mark. There is my target, and can beat you all in peppering it.' As he said this he pointed with his gigantic finger straight at Tad, who was ready to faint with fear, and vet was so horror-stricken that he dared not

... What!' cried the fairy, ' you are not going he saw Uncle Nathan draw his rocking chair up to pelt that pretty little frog are you? See what a beauty he is! Oh, don't be so cruel! "Oh, yes! Do give us just one," echoed How should you like to have some giant come

gathering round the fireside. There seemed to stooped down to gather up some pebbles, ' frogs be no chance for refusal, and the quiet smile that were made to be treated so. It don't hurt them played over the features of the favorite Uncle, much, and besides it teaches them to be nimble, whose head was full of all sorts of strange and and you shall see how spry that young fellow

"Oh, now, don't treat that dear little crea-"Now are you all ready?" said Uncle Na- ture so," said the fairy again. "God made him, and God loves him, and I am sure he will "All ready," said Harry; "tell us a true not like to see him abused."

story, and let it be a good, long one." "Soft-hearted little chicken!" answered the "Once upon a time," began Uncle Nathan, monster, "don't try to stop our fun with your

Frogs. They had a sweet little snuggery for a Upon that, a volley of stones went flying home, in the shadow of a great, green, moss-through the air, as though it were raining peb-covered rock, and with the long branches of a bles; and some lodged on the bank, and some willow tree sweeping over them, which reached splashed the water, churning it into white foam. down to dip its leaves in the water. They con- But three of them struck poor little Tad, one in sidered themselves in a very pleasant neighbor- the head, one in the side, and one breaking his

hood, for there were the Joneses in the brown leg. He was knocked off from the stone, and

gasp, turned over upon his back, and died slaughtered this poor little innocent?"

Harry and George both looked very red, as

"The relatives had a funeral over him, too "Would she eat me?" asked Minnie, with said Minnie, "and I was present as chief mourner. The birds sang a sad little song for him in " Oh, no! It was the minnows in the brook | the trees, and the frogs stood around his poor, that she devoured. Both Mr. and Mrs. Frog dead body, looking at it as though they thought had very fine voices, and it was their delight, on human beings were murderers. I cried for them,

> "But, uncle," said Harry, "do you think it was so very, very bad for us to have a little

Tadpole. He was a homely youngster, not a 'two young gentleman the heroes of this attack? bit like his handsome father; but he was very I am glad you have the courage to acknowledge smart, and soon learned to catch his own dinner it. But that is poor fun that we get at the examong the little wigglers that squirmed about in pense or by the suffering of any creature God the water. Pretty soon he had a little sister, has made, be it ever so humble. Sport is a whose name was Pollywog, whom it was Tad's grand thing, when you can make others happier particular delight to teach how she might swim, by it, as well as yourselves; but not when it and the best way to get out of sight when a brings misery even to the meanest thing tiod large fish happened along, and all those little has made. I should hate to have even the ghost arts which a successful frog needs to know, of a dead frog to haunt my memory, for the Gradualty Tad and Polly began to grow quite sake of a little fun. But here is Minnie, fast -Advance.

A SENSIBLE TALK.

Congregational church. But she became dis- many millions of dollars annually. Louis Nasatisfied with her infant christening. After poleon has presented Tessie du Motay, the inseveral unsuccessful attempts by members of ventor, with the Cross of the Legion of Honer, her church to convince her that she was duly and has ordered the Toileries to be lighted with baptized, it was proposed that a Methodist minis- | his gas. - N. Y. Evening Post, ter should pay her a visit, as their church was destitute of a pastor at that time. She objected to arguing the case herself with a ministers, but ontor of the Baptist church should be invited to in the skins and let them stand till cold; then meet him, and argue the case in her behalf. wash them in cold water till all the sonp is out. This was agreed upon. The two ministers soon Next dissolve half a pound each of salt and ments : and after a pleasant chat upon baptism, of cold water sufficient to cover the skins, and she was found all right as a Baptist, and waited let them soak twelve hours; then hang over a for the husband to get ready, as she said, to pole to drain. When well drained, stretch careband was no less firm as a Congregationalist. while drying. Before they get entirely dry, Having received a hearty invitation from both sprinkle on the flesh side one onnce wich of

B. Do you still believe that the Gospel church is a continuation of the old Jewish church?

B. Was Saul a member of the Jewish church C. He was.

B. Was he in good standing and fellowship

C. He undoubtedly was. B. Have you any evidence that he had the confidence of the rulers of that body?

C. I think the evidence is very abundant. C. Was he distinguished for his zeal in building up the church whereof he was a member.

C. Yes. He was greatly distinguished in that B. Saul, after his conversion, said of himself,

"I persecuted the church of God, and wasted it." Was it the Jewish church whereof he was and wasted?' C. Well, hem! that don't look very likely!

B. Will you be so kind as to tell me something regarding the church of God Saul " persecuted and wasted?" where he found it? who were its members? and what was their offense, that made him "exceedingly mad against them," all the while he was, as you say, a member of the Jewish church?

The only answer he ever gave to those questions was by his uniting with the Baptist church about two months after. He and his wife remained worthy members of the church through life, and had the happiness of seeing five sons and three daughters (all their children, but one son who died young, and away from home) follow their footsteps. All their own children and es, except one daughter and one son-in-law, (if those of the ever-present and active J. Q more entisfactory answer to the foregoing questions? - Standard.

WHAT A MAN KNOWS

What a man can write out clearly, correctly, and briefly, without book of reference of any kind, that he undoubtedly knows, whatever else he may be ignorant of. For knowledge that falls short of that-knowledge that is vague, bazy, indistinct, uncertain .- I for one profess no respect at all. And I believe that there never was a time or country where the influences of careful training were in that respect more needed. Men live in haste, write in haste,-I was going to say think in haste, only that perhaps the head warm at night. the word thinking is hardly applicable to that large number who, for the most part, purchase their daily allowance of the thought ready made. -Lord Stanley.

Scientific, &c.,

THE NEW FRENCH OXYGEN GAS.

A series of interesting experiments were made, recently by the munufacturers of the new French oxygen gaslight, at the works of the company, at the corner of Forty-first street and Eleventh Avenue. Similar trials were made, with great satisfaction to the spectators, in September last. It was then shown that this light was nineteen times stronger than that of ordinary gas, while consuming only onethird the amount of cubic feet in an hour. Its cost was said to be but \$2.35 for the same number of feet, against \$3.50 for the latter. Its manufacture is said to be cheap, as the manganese from which it is extracted neither burn nor wear out. The gas is portable, and can be conveyed into buildings at a trifling cost, adding greatly to the purity of the air, as it supplies its own oxygen, instead of robbing the atmosphere, and yields only a sixteenth part of carbonic acid. The company say that it is not only cheaper and more brilliant than the ordinary gas, but healthier, cooler, softer, and whiter. Under its rays the eye can readily detect minute shades of color, and it has the advantage of not trying the complexion. Streets lighted with nineteen times the present intensity, would naturally be comparatively brilliant, and countenances could easily be distinguished twenty

The new light is valuable, also, for culinary purposes, and the lighting of match and turning of a stop-cock would replace the labor, connected with the use of coul. In furnaces and factories, where it would be prepared on the spot it could be generated at a cost of about \$2,50 a thousand cubic feet. Its economy in the Mr. - and wife were once members of a production of iron and steel would involve

SHEEPSKIN MATS.

sented to his paying a visit on condition the pas. Make strong soap-suds, using hot water, put after met in accordance with previous arrange- alum in a little hot water, and put into a tub oin the Baptist church with her. But her hus- fully on a board to dry. Stretch several times husband and wife to call rgain, the Baptist pulvarized alum and saltpetre, rubbing it is wellminister accepted the invitation, and at a subset then lay the flesh sides together and hang in the quent visit the following conversation was held shade for two or three days, them over every day till perfectly dry. Finish by scraping the flesh side with a blunt knife to remove any remaining scraps of flesh, and then rub the flesh side with pumice or rotten-stone, and the hands.

Very beautiful mittens can be made of lambskins tanned as above. -- Western Purel.

How TO READ THE CLOUDS -- Soft looking or delicate clouds foretell fine weather, with moderate or light breezes: hard edged, oily looking clouds, wind. A dark, gloomy, blue sky is windy; but a light, bright-blue sky indicates fine weather. Generally the soft clouds look less like wind, but perhaps more rain may be expected; and the harder, more "greasy," rolled, tufted or rugged, the stronger the coming wind will prove. Also, a bright yellow sky at sunset presages wind; a pale yellow, wet; and a greenish, sickly looking colour, wind and rain. so distinguished a member, that he " persecuted Thus, by prevalence of red, yellow, or other tints, the coming weather may be foretold very nearly, indeed, if aided by instruments; almost all small, inky looking clouds fortell rain; light coloured clouds, driving across heavy masses, show wind and rain; but if alone, may indicate wind only .- Ex.

> VARNISH FOR COARSE WORK .-- A cheap but good varnish for corrse work can be made in the following manner: Take of raw linseed oil 30 pounds, litharge I pound, and white vitriol half a pound; boil them together until the water is all evaporated. This is very durable, and costs but little trouble to make.

TUR ALABAMA CLAIMS are now up again for their sons-in-law, and their daughters-in-law, adjustment, and the British government has and all, or nearly all, the grand children of expressed itself desirous of an arbitration. mature age, are now members of Baptist church Among the claims persistingly pressed are rightly informed,) who have followed their & Co., for the value of shipments of therry parents to a better land. Can any one give a Pectoral, Sarsaparilla, Ague Cure, and Pill in transit for Oregon, Vancouver's Island and Russian America, destroyed on the Anna Schmidt off the coast of South America. So universal is the use of their remedies, that they are affort on almost every sen; and this firm is frequently caught between the upper and nether millstones of contending stations. But they are known to stand up for their rights, and to get them.- [Regublican, Washington, D. C.

Many people, particularly children, suffer with the ear ache; and for the benefit of such we give a sure but simble remedy. Put in two or three drops of Johnson's Anodyne Liniment stop the ear with undressed wool, bathe the feet in warm water before going to ted, and keep for

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Capt. Charles Suger, who keeps a superb stock of livery horses in Portland, Me., informed us recently that he uses the Sheridan's Calvary Condition Powders regularly in his stables, and Within a generation plows have been so im- that the expense is more than offset by the diminproved that one horse can now turn as much as ished amount of grain necessary to keep his horses always in good order.