

## The Liver

When out of order, involves every organ of the body. Remedies for some other derangement are frequently taken without the least effect, because it is the liver which is the real source of the trouble, and until that is set right there can be no health, strength, or comfort in any part of the system. Mercury, in some form, is a common specific for a sluggish liver; but a far safer and more effective medicine is

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A little kingdom I possess,  
Where thoughts and feelings dwell.  
And very hard I find the task  
Of governing it well;  
For passion tempts and troubles me,  
A wayward will misleads,  
And selfishness its shadow casts  
On all my words and deeds.

How can I learn to rule myself,  
To be the child I should  
Honest and brave, nor ever tire  
Of trying to be good?  
How can I keep a sunny soul  
To shine along life's way?  
How can I tune my little heart  
To sweetly sing all day?

Dear Father, help me with the love  
That casteth out my fear;  
Teach me to lean on Thee, and feel  
That Thou art very near;  
That no temptation is unseen,  
No childish grief too small,  
Since Thou, with patience infinite,  
Dost soothe and comfort all.

I do not ask for any crown  
But that which all may win,  
Nor seek to conquer any world  
Except the one within.  
Be Thou my guide until I find,  
Led by a tender hand,  
Thy happy kingdom in myself  
And dare to take command.

—Louisa M. Alcott.

### The Sabbath-School.

#### INTERNATIONAL LESSON.

Second Quarter Lesson IV—April 27.

THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER.—Luke 8:4-15.

GOLDEN TEXT.—Take heed, therefore, how ye hear.—Luke 8:18.

THE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH THE PARABLE WAS SPOKEN.—Ver. 4.

And when much people were gathered together, Jesus had gone out of the city of Capernaum, and was walking on the shore of the Sea of Galilee. Multitudes followed him, and crowded to hear him. He came to him out of every city. The interest in Jesus and his teaching attracted great crowds from all directions. He spoke by a parable. This was the beginning of this method of teaching. A sower went out to sow. Whosoever soweth the word of God in the hearts of the people, is represented by the sower in the parable.

THE SEED.—Vers. 5, 12. To sow his seed. That is, the word of God, the spiritual truths which God has revealed, especially by Jesus Christ. The Gospel sower must sow God's truth, not his own imaginings. There is something marvelously vital in the word of God. From small beginnings it produces great results. It can produce nothing unless it is planted in the soil. It needs the vitalizing influence of the Holy Spirit, as of the sun in spring time.

THE SOIL.—The soil for the good seed is the heart of man, including his memory, mind, and will. The seed cannot grow without soil; but the life is in the seed, not in the soil.

THE CARE.—For a good harvest it is necessary to have three things, the best seed, the best soil, and the best care. If any one of these fail, the harvest is lessened or destroyed. God furnishes the good seed. The question of the harvest, therefore, depends on us, as to the kind of hearts that receive the good seed, and the care we bestow upon it.

THE WAYSIDE HEARERS.—Vers. 5, 12. Those in whom is no result from the sowing. And as he sowed some fell by the way side. There are little paths leading through hither and thither. It was along such a way as this—a foot or so in width—that the seed fell which the birds of the air immediately devoured. It is of exactly the same soil as the rest, but many passengers have trodden it hard. The seed sown there lies where it falls, having no power to penetrate the hard surface. And it was trodden down. By the passers-by. And the fowls of the air devoured it. As in our own corn-fields, a flock of hungry birds watch the sower; and as soon as his back is turned, they are down with a swift-winged swoop, and away goes the grain. Those by the wayside are they that hear. They do not take it into their heart and life. They are preoccupied with other things. Sin has so hardened the heart, worldliness has so deadened the feelings, sinful pleasures and desires have so dulled the conscience, that God's truth makes no impression. Notice especially that the path has been made hard by external pressure. It is not rock, but soil, like the other parts of the field. It represents the case of men whose insensibility to the world is caused by outward things having made a thoroughfare of their nature. Then cometh the devil. Before there is any opportunity for the seed to germinate. And taketh away the word out of their hearts. The devil uses various means for this,—evil thoughts, selfish interests, doubts, thoughts of pleasure or of work, neglect to obey the truth heard. Let they should believe the word and be saved. As soon as there is the

least danger of one's becoming a Christian, he is on hand to prevent it. In the midst of a revival he will call away the attention, by the pressure of innocent amusements or the rush of business. But the wicked one cannot take away the good seed unless we let him.

THE ROCKY-GROUND HEARERS.—Vers. 6, 13. Those in whom at first there is a promise of harvest, but short-lived. And some fell upon a rock. Covered with a thin coating of mould. As soon as it sprung up it withered away. The sun soon dried up the hot surface soil, and the roots had no depth of soil. Are they which, when they hear receive the word with joy. Their emotions are touched, but the word does not reach their moral nature, and their will and character are unchanged. These have no root. They had new emotions, but not a new heart; they enjoyed the excitement, but did not give themselves to God. The seed must take root in practice, in the life, or it will die. And in time of temptation fall away. By affliction, persecution, evil companions, or their own appetites. So long as they are in the popular current, and there is nothing to test their principles, they appear all right. But as soon as any real test comes, they fall away.

THE THORNY-GROUND HEARERS.—Vers. 7, 14. Those who will give still fairer promise and larger hope. They have made a profession of religion, and assumed the outward forms of a spiritual life. And some fell among thorns, etc. Where the soil was good, but was preoccupied. If ever a land was cursed with thorns and thistles, it is Palestine. Are choked with cares. . . of this life. Anxieties about worldly success; unrelaxing attention to the labors of daily life; the desire for worldly goods and honors; the being absorbed in things which are right in themselves but should be subordinated to higher purposes. And riches. The deceitfulness of riches. And pleasures of this life. Even pleasures which are right in themselves may become too absorbing, occupy too much attention, and choke the word.

THE FRUITFUL HEARERS.—Vers. 8, 15. And other fell on good ground. There is much more good ground in the field than of thorny, rocky, or wayside places. And bare fruit a hundredfold. This represents the highest degree of fruitfulness. Other seeds only bore sixty or thirtyfold (Mark), but all bore good fruit. Are they, which, in an honest and good heart. One that seeks the truth and welcomes it, and desires to obey the word of God. Having heard the word, keep it; not allowing it to be snatched away by the devil, nor dried up with the first heat of temptation, nor choked by more cherished purposes and habits of life. And bring forth fruit. The fruits of the spirit the fruits required by the Sermon on the Mount, the fruits which belong to the kingdom of heaven. With patience. Persevering, earnest care in conquering all enemies that would destroy the good seed, and in cultivating and cherishing the growing harvest. There can be no harvest without these things.

Woman's C. T. Union.

OUR MOTTO.—If God be for us, who can be against us.

Petition of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union, of the World.

(COLLECTIVELY AND SEVERALLY).

Honored Rulers, Representatives and Brothers;

We, your petitioners, although physically weak, are strong of heart to love our Homes, our Native Land, and the World's Family of Nations. We know that when the brain of man is clear his heart is kind, his home is happy, his country is prosperous and the world grows friendly. But we know that Alcoholic Stimulants and Opium, which craze and crowd the brain, make misery for man and all the world, and most of all for us and for our children. We know these stimulants and opiates are sold under legal guarantees which make the Governments partners in the traffic, by accepting as revenue a portion of its profits, and that they are forced by treaty upon populations, either ignorant or unwilling. We have no power to prevent this great iniquity beneath which the whole world groans and staggers, but you have power to cleanse the flag of every clime from the stain of their simplicity with this unmingled curse.

We, therefore, come to you with the united voices of representative women from every civilized nation under the sun, beseeching you to strip away the safeguards and sanctions of the law from the Drink Traffic and the Opium Trade, and to protect our homes by the Total Prohibition of this two-fold curse of civilization throughout all the territory over which your Government extends.

One of the most remarkable movements of our time is that

known as the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, which began by the world-renowned crusade in 1873. Up to that date women had taken no active organized effort in the direction of the suppression of the liquor traffic. Since then, what has been accomplished?

The presence of the great liquor traffic in Christian lands, pampered and fostered by governments, courted by partyism, recognized as a useful factor in the commercial existence of communities; this hideous business, whose prosperity means the degradation of humanity, the destruction of the home, the chief obstacle to missionary effort among the heathen at home and abroad, the perpetuation of the low and vicious elements of human society in all lands; this many-sided evil, which men for gain have fastened on humanity—this is the reason of that wonderful uprising of women, known as the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. This organization was born of God, and no human agency has ever manifested stronger evidence of His continuing guidance. It exists, a constant and ever-growing protest against every form of vice legalized by men. Linked to the power of God, by women's faith and women's increasing prayer, it is little marvel that almost herculean tasks are undertaken by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

Of such we may well deem the present movement of the World's Union, in approaching by petition the governments of the world. Mrs. Rockwell, Kingston, Ont., in asking that this petition, together with Miss Willard's letter, be laid before the Outlook readers, forcibly says: "I have felt that we have reason to expect the co-operation of all who are interested in missionary work in this matter, for we well know that strong drink is one of the greatest, if not the greatest, obstacles with which our missionaries have to contend." To this we only add, it is an oft-repeated fact, that every ship which bears from our Christian shores the missionaries of the Cross, carries also thousands of gallons of rum, for the debauching and damnation of poor heathen souls.

And this rum traffic is legalized and dignified by our Christian (?) legislators, as commerce or trade!

THE W. C. T. U. of San Francisco, Cal., has begun active agitation against the "corner grocery saloons" of the State. The country union is pledged to withdraw or withhold its patronage from all groceries where liquor is sold.

MISS FRANCIS E. WILLARD'S autobiographical volume, "Glimpses of Fifty Years," has already reached the sale of 40,000 volumes, and the publishers are still unable to meet the orders for the book. This fact indicates the strong hold Miss Willard has upon the popular heart.

Use Your Leisure.

"The Devil finds some mischief still for idle hands to do." Dean Stanley gives the following advice, which will enable us not only to keep the Devil out of our leisure hours, but make them serve the good.

Leisure misused—an idle hour waiting to be employed, idle hands with no occupation, idle and empty minds with nothing to think; these are the main temptations to evil. Fill up that empty void, employ those vacant hours, occupy those listless hands; the evil will depart, because it has no place to enter in, because it is conquered by good. The best antidote against evil of all kinds, against the needless perplexities which distract the conscience, is to keep hold of the good we have. Impure thoughts will not stand against pure words and prayers and deeds. Little doubts will not avail against great certainties. Fix your attention above, and then you will be less troubled by the cares, the temptations, the troubles of things on earth.

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