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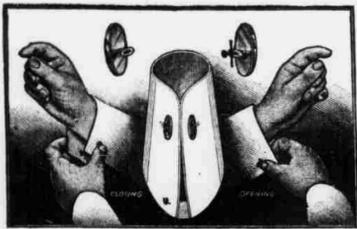
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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Second Quarter. Lesson III.
April 18, 1909. Acts ix, 1-19.
THE CONVERSION OF SAUL.

Hebrew ecclesiasticism is tottering to its fall. Those who enjoy her easy-going benefices are in a rage against the plebeian power which bids fair to bury them with all their offices and emoluments under the debris of the disestablishment. The advent of Saul is hailed with delight. The Cilician enthusiast rushes to the rescue. He is an ideal inquisitor. With the vigor of youth he unites the erudition and dialectical skill of a patriarch. The heyday of his young manhood supplies the physical force, while completest knowledge of the history and dogma of Israel provides the mental furnishing. Saul departs for Damascus with the benedictions of those who get their living by priestcraft. Many sincere souls, who consider Christianity a dangerous innovation, also follow the persecutor with their prayers.

It is a journey extraordinary! The sailing of the three little ships from Palos, fourteen hundred years later, was not so significant. The outcome of that voyage was the discovery of a hemisphere. The issue of the expedition to the capital of Syria affects two hemispheres to the end of time.

There is no more striking comment on the saying, "Man proposes, but God disposes," than the ninth chapter of Acts. The denouement is exactly opposite to the one expected. Fire of persecution is of a sudden quenched. Threats give place to prayers. He who expects to make others tremble does his own trembling. He who thinks he knows everything is to have an obscure disciple for a teacher. He who expects to lead others bound, is glad to find some one to lead him.

Yet he reads this thrilling incident superficially who imagines that the conversion of Saul is a mechanical affair—a case of sacred sunstroke. The appearance of Jesus is a merciful approach to a noble soul in desperate straits,—one whose heredity and environment are dead against the dawning conviction of the truth of the system he has set himself to destroy. In no other sense can the expression, "It is hard for thee to kick against the pricks" be understood. Saul first felt the pricking point of conscience, as Augustine suggests, when he witnessed officially the death of Stephen. A religion that made a man's face shine like that of an angel, helped him to forgive and pray for his murderers, gave him a vision into the open heavens, and enabled him to die like one falling asleep,—such a religion has marks of divinity. Yet, is not the religion of Moses divine, too? And where is it taught that it shall ever be abrogated? The very fury of Saul's persecution against the Christians is an effort to extricate himself from a dilemma—an effort which the Lord mercifully cuts short by the direct revelation of Himself.

Such is the eagerness of this young Sannhedrist to lay his hands upon this perverts from Jewry that he shows no pity toward either man or beast in his own cavalcade. The universal Eastern custom would have called a long halt during the noon hours. But on he speeds,

"With lips firm closed and fixed eye,
Like warrior when the fight is nigh,
Nor talk nor landscape heed."

A half-mile, and the goal of this ever-memorable journey will be reached. The city's eastern gate is in sight. On an instant it is as if the troop struck an invisible but impenetrable barrier. Brave riders are unhorsed, and dumb brutes give sign of recognizing the preternaturalness of the event.

"What sudden blaze is round him poured,
As though all heaven's refulgent hoard
In one rich glory shone?"

No wonder that the highroad has been deflected from the spot where this scene is thought to have transpired, in order that careless feet may not profane it. A deep excavation has been made in the original roadbed by the carrying away of pebbles by myriads of pilgrims. The conversion of Saul is a fact of world-wide importance. It is the turning point in the history of the Christian Church. It is the beginning of the Christian era. It is the beginning of the Christian era. It is the beginning of the Christian era.

MAXTON NEWS.

Maxton and Lumberton Play Ball Today—Miss Steed Entertains the Merry-Go-Round Book Club—Personal Mention.

Miss Gertrude E. Gibson is visiting her brother, Dr. M. R. Gibson.—Misses Ethel Gaitley and Elizabeth McNair, of Peace Institute, Raleigh, are home to spend Easter.—Mr. Henry McKinnon, of Trinity College, Durham, came home Friday night to spend Easter.—Miss McLean, of Montgomery, Ala., is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. R. Gibson.

The Maxton baseball team will play the Lumberton team at Lumberton Monday, the 12th. Misses Clarkie Belle and Bessie McNair, Mrs. Wilkinson, of Tarboro, and Mr. Lacy Williams attended the concert given by Miss Yaw at the Southern Presbyterian College at Red Springs last night.

Miss Sallie Austin is spending Easter with her parents.—Mr. Austin McCormick, of Wilmington, returned to Wilmington Friday after spending several days in Maxton.—Mr. A. J. McKinnon went to Wilmington Friday.—Mrs. Sue McRae and daughter, Miss Emma Belle, spent Wednesday and Thursday in Charlotte.

The Merry-Go-Round Book Club was delightfully entertained by Miss Ela Steed, at her home on Railroad street, Friday afternoon from four to six o'clock. The following programme was rendered: An Easter poem, by Miss Bee Weatherly; instrumental solo, by Miss Katie Lee McKinnon; the origin of Easter, by Miss Lillian Austin, and a solo by Miss Ela Steed. After this the past, present and future of each girl was written and then read by Miss Margaret Barnes. Dainty and delicious refreshments were served. The out-of-town guests were Misses McLean, of Alabama, Misses Walker and Elizabeth McNair.

Maxton, N. C., April 10, 1909.

version of St. Paul is next to Pentecost in importance in the history of Christianity. Aside, too, from its sacred claims, on purely historic grounds, the spot is one of transcendent interest. There the complex of Europe was changed, and our current Occidental civilization made possible.

THE TEACHER'S LANTERN.
Grace, even in Paul's case, was not irresistible. When he says he was not disobedient to the heavenly vision, the inference is plain that he might have been, if he had so chosen. Mighty motives are still brought to bear upon the erring—but that ultimate element of selfhood, the will, is never violated.

See the utility of prayer. If Saul had not prayed, Ananias had not come to him.

The obligation of baptism is apparent. Saul immediately submitted to and honored the rite.

The splendid courage of Saul is evident. As in a panorama, the scenes of his future sufferings passed before him; but none of them deterred him from espousing the cause of the divinity of which he was now convinced.

The infidel, Lord Littleton, proving for himself the task of setting the conversion of Saul a fiction. It was the means of his own conversion; and his monograph upon the subject is a Christian classic. Many a reflective mind, hitherto unmoved, has yielded to the power of this page of the gospel.

The insufficiency of conscience as a guide is exemplified in this incident—Saul "verily thought he ought," etc. There are consciences and consciences. One illuminated and cleansed is a reliable guide, and only such a one.

One sentence in that never-to-be-forgotten dialogue quite lifts the veil from the heart of the prostrate persecutor: "It is hard for thee to kick against the pricks." So, then, Saul has been resisting repeated thrusts of the goad of conscience. The very speed and fury of this long, inquisitorial journey may have been a last effort to rid himself of the conviction of the Messiahship of Jesus—a conviction which, no doubt, began at the martyrdom of Stephen.

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N. H. Brown, an attorney, of Pittsfield, Vt., writes: "We have used Dr. King's New Life Pills for years and find them such a good family medicine we wouldn't be without them." For Chills, Constipation, Biliousness or Sick Headache they work wonders. 25c. All druggists.

A NEW DITCH.

How to Save Land and Labor—Suggestive Dimensions of Ditch Given.

Each money and land in Robeson county are wasted in ditching. A ditch a quarter of a mile long will occupy, at least, a quarter of an acre, and many of them occupy half an acre, and they require cleaning out every year. Much of this can be saved.

The dimensions given below are only suggestive; you should make it to suit the requirements. Cut the ditch three feet wide and three feet deep, cutting the banks square down. Make the bottom smooth. Now begin again on the bottom and cut a narrow ditch a foot wide and two feet deep, leaving half a foot of solid clay on each side throughout the full length of the ditch. This will look like a little ditch made in a big one.

Saw off the fat pine butts two feet long and split them into wide slabs. Place these slabs across the little ditch, letting the ends rest upon the shoulders in the bottom of the large ditch, thus forming a bridge-like covering over the little ditch. Lay the slabs carefully so as to prevent the dirt from trickling through the cracks. Then put a good mat of ground sorghum cane over the bridge to finish covering the holes and cracks.

Now fill the ditch full of dirt by running a turning plow along the ridge of dirt thrown out of the ditch in cutting.

In this way the water in the head of the ditch has a free vent and the water along the ditch will strike that loose dirt thrown into the ditch. This water will run down the bank of the ditch, and find its way into the vent below.

You can get a great deal of this covering timber by bending your back a little and sawing a two-foot off of stumps too high to pass over with a wagon, and too rich to rot out of the way.

Wood thus buried will last almost indefinitely.

Use your brains more and thus direct your muscles and money better.

W. T. Swanson.

How the Law Limits Insurance Business.
It was announced the other day that as a result of the new limitation placed upon new business of life insurance companies by the insurance law, the New York Life Insurance Co. will on May 31 discharge 1,000 of its agents in various parts of the country. This has been rendered necessary by a decision rendered on the 1st inst. by Supreme Court Justice O'Gorman upholding the constitutionality of that section of the insurance law which limits new business to be written by any company in any calendar year to \$150,000.00.

E. R. Perkins, second vice-president of the New York Life, says that in the last two years more than 5,000 life insurance agents have lost their positions, and this additional 1,000 who will have to go by May 31 will bring a force that once numbered 8,000 down to 2,000.

Mr. Perkins says that no other business is effected in like manner. There is no legal limitation on a banker's business, but if the officers of a life insurance company write more than \$150,000.00 business within the calendar year they are subject to fine and imprisonment.

A Wrong Impression Corrected.
The impression has been made that the church at Tolarsville has disbanded. This is untrue. We have a membership of twenty-five and the average attendance of our Sunday school is thirty-five.

We have as pastor Rev. J. M. Gibbs, of Cotton, a young man of magnetic presence, and, though young in the ministry, known as an earnest, eloquent speaker and worthy shepherd.

R. L. Byrd.

A dozen or more persons were killed, scores injured and great property damage done by high winds and electrical storms in many parts of the country on the 7th.

Swept Over Niagara.
This terrible calamity often happens because a careless boatman ignores the river's warnings—growing ripples and faster current—Nature's warnings are kind. That dull pain or ache in the back warns you the kidneys need attention if you would escape fatal maladies—Dropsy, Diabetes or Bright's disease. Take Electric Bitters at once and see kachache fly and your best feelings return. After long suffering from weak kidneys and lame back, one \$1.00 bottle wholly cured me," writes J. R. Blankenship, of Belk, Tenn. Only 5c. at all druggists.

FAYETTEVILLE NEWS.

Death of F. W. Thornton, Jr.—A Marriage of Interest.

An interesting marriage occurred here on Wednesday of this week, the 7th, when Miss Jennie McDuffie, of this city, was married to Mr. W. F. Daseh, of Baltimore, Md., Rev. Dr. J. H. Hall officiating. The cordial good wishes of a host of friends go with these popular young people. The wedding presents were numerous and costly.

Mr. F. W. Thornton, Jr., son of one of our largest dry goods merchants, died suddenly in this city on Wednesday evening, 7th inst. He was 38 years of age and had been in business with his father for many years.

Rev. Dr. W. P. Troy, of Brooklyn, N. Y., assisted by a noted gospel singer, will begin a series of union revival services in Fayetteville on Sunday, the 11th. Union prayer-meetings have been held several nights this week preparatory to these special meetings, which will be held in Hay Street Methodist church.

The Young Ladies' Auxiliary of the First Baptist church gave an entertainment in the Armory Tuesday night of this week which was enjoyed by a large audience. Quite a neat sum was realized.

A good many of our young people who are attending schools and colleges away from home are coming in to spend Easter at home.

Fayetteville, N. C., April 9, 1909.

Out Barnesville Way.
We are having fine weather now and everybody is busy on the farms, the men in the fields and the old and young ladies in the vegetable and flower-gardens. We are glad to say the outlook for the present year is better than has been for some years past.

Rev. C. W. Smith filled his regular appointment at the M. E. church Sunday afternoon. Mr. Smith is an excellent preacher and it is a treat to have the privilege of hearing him.

Rev. S. J. McConel, of Orum, who has recently accepted a position at Chaburn, returned home sick a few days ago. Mr. McConel has during his visits here greatly endeared himself to the people and we sincerely wish him a speedy restoration to his usual health.

Miss Beulah Floyd was among the visitors to church Sunday afternoon.—Miss Nettie Floyd and Mr. Brand Atkinson were the guests of Miss Lula Hedgpeh Sunday afternoon.

Glad to report the condition of Mr. Evander Floyd somewhat improved and hope soon to see him out among his many friends again.

Miss Ola Bass and Mrs. Thos. Lewis and little Misses Eunice and LaVal were the guests of Mrs. Von Lewis Wednesday afternoon.

Barnesville, N. C., April 7, '09.

The Power of Imagination.
Everybody has heard of the horses fabled to have been frozen to death one particularly hot day in mid-summer because they thought it was snowing when pop-corn flakes, popped by the intense heat, fell upon them from the loft above. Which is merely preliminary to telling on Mr. S. McIntyre. They say that while attending court at Elizabethtown recently he spied on awaking some blooms on pear trees, and mistaking the aforesaid blooms for snow, which said snow he immediately imagined covered the entire face of the earth, he piled his overcoat on top of him, reached down to the foot of the bed and pulled up the extra cover from the foot, thanked God that he did not have to get up early on such a bitter cold morning, and snuggled down for another snooze. All this notwithstanding the fact that he had slept comfortably all night with no covering but his nightgown and a sheet, for it was really warm weather. And when Mr. McIntyre shivered finally into his clothes and went down to breakfast with his teeth chattering and found that there was no snow at all, he called for ice in his water and made the waiter fan him while he ate. Such is the power of imagination. Selah

"I'd Rather Die a Doctor."
than have my feet cut off," said M. L. Bingham, of Princeville, Ill. "But you'll die from gangrene (which had eaten away eight toes) if you don't," said all doctors. Instead he used Bucklen's Arnica Salve till wholly cured. Its cures of Eczema, Fever Sores, Boils, Burns and Piles astounded the world. 25c. at all druggists.

RED SPRINGS REVIEWS.

Miss Rosa McMillan Entertains—A Recital at the College.

Miss Rosa McMillan gave a party Thursday evening in honor of Misses Hattie Lou Smith and Effie Davis. The guests enjoyed the evening very much and went away thinking Miss McMillan a charming and delightful hostess. Those present were Misses Hattie Lou Smith, Effie Davis, Glennie Graham, Rosalie Williams, Ethel Johnson, and Ruth Easley, of Lynchburg, Va.; Messrs Hiram Grantham, Hector Currie, Jim Townsend, John McAlester, Lacy McLean, Jesse McCallum and Douglas McMillan.

Drs. B. F. and J. L. McMillan and Dr. Henry Hodgkin attended the meeting of the Fifth District Medical Society which was held in Lumberton Wednesday. They report a pleasant and profitable meeting.

Miss Leila Kinsey, of Cheraw, came Friday to spend several days with Miss Rosa McMillan. There will be a recital of more than usual interest at the college Monday evening. The musical selections by the advanced students of the conservatory will be from the same author, Mendelssohn. Every one is invited to attend.

Red Springs, N. C., April 9, 1909.

News Notes From Union.
Our Sunday school is in a flourishing condition. We have preaching twice a month.

The farmers are busy putting out guano, getting in readiness for tobacco setting. The password is, "How are your tobacco plants?"

Mr. Robert Davis and wife visited our Sunday school last Sunday and report a fine time.—Mrs. Nellie Walters has been on the sick list but is convalescent.—Miss Rhoda Walters has been very sick but is able to get out again.

The long looked for rain last Friday caused many tobacco plants to be transplanted, but just wait until the next shower: backache will be the order of the day. When you meet a fellow, instead of "How are your tobacco plants?" it will be, "How is your back?"

The writer took in the lecture of Mr. Swanson at Bloomingdale on the 2nd inst. Indeed he is a good speaker. The crowd cheered and laughed until their sides ached. If the unionists, as Mr. Swanson says, stick together it will be of untold benefit to them.

Well, the boys are having a rough time in Congress over Payne's tariff bill. I hope no one will get hurt. Let the Democrats go for the Yankee boys like I did in the civil war. When fighting I killed as many of them as they did of me.

A. H. S.
Fairmont, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2, Apr. 6, 1909.

After conferences in Philadelphia extending from Wednesday operators and the officials of the coal Friday between the anthracite coal United Mine Workers of America, representing the miners, at which the question of a wage agreement was discussed to replace that brought about by the anthracite strike commission, the operators rejected the modified demands of the miners and the conference adjourned deadlocked. It is said, however, that there will be no strike by the mine workers and the only danger of a suspension of mining in the near future arises from the possibility of the refusal of the operators to permit the miners to work without an agreement.

Hundreds of men out of work, thousands of dollars damage done and many persons slightly injured were the results of a hurricane that visited Toledo, Ohio, and vicinity Wednesday.

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