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SECOND QUARTER, 1881. LESSON III.—APRIL 24TH. BY REV. A. C. DIXON, Asheville, N. C.

COVENANTNESS. Luke 12: 13-21.

GOLDEN TEXT. "Take heed and beware of Covetousness."—Luke 12: 15.

DAILY HOME READINGS.

Monday, Covetousness, Luke 12: 13-21. Tuesday, Covetousness Illustrated, Job 31: 15-16.

CAUSING.

I. Covetousness Causes Discussion, v. 13-15. Here were two brothers at variance about some property left them by their father.

II. Covetousness Causes Folly, v. 16-21. Or would it be nearer the truth to say folly causes covetousness? Both are true.

There are rich poor men and poor rich men. The rich poor man has little means, but a bank in Heaven and the Lord has furnished him with blank checks, which he can fill by faith, and they will all be honored.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Reminiscences of a Long Missionary Life. BY REV. M. T. TAYLOR, D. D.

ANCESTRAL WORSHIP CONTINUED.

The coffin and burial clothes, &c., for a most important item in the list of things deemed necessary for the respectability, comfort and repose of a man in the spirit world.

SWISS COSTUMES.

Yost's pencil as well as his pen pictures the hardy mountaineer with belt and alpenstock, the shepherd with his huge horn, the haymaker and farmer with scythe and pail, and the milkmaid with pail and bucket.

The foregoing is what is deemed necessary to be done for the dead, when they first enter the spirit world. Hence the death of an important member of a family is regarded as a calamity, not only on account of the pecuniary and other responsibilities which it entails.

A TRIP ABROAD.

Leaving Giessbach on the early morning boat, we reach Brienz, at the head of the lake, in time to take the diligence for Alpnach. Dr. Twigg says that a Swiss diligence is like Noah's Ark, "full of living creatures," with a dozen or more on top generally.

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of the surroundings. The quiet waters of the lake and the sea of houses lie spread out below; around us the verdant park, rendered merry by the sparkling fountains and laughing brooklets, stretches out its arms to "greet us"; to the east we see the grass-covered slopes of Right; to the south old Pilate lifts his desolate looking head, wearing his cap of mist which betokens fair weather, while just beyond, the snow-mantled Alps, in grand panorama, lie clothed in the bright, golden light which streams forth in unwaited effulgence upon their frozen cliffs.

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