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The Supply of Coal.

Great Britain was greatly concerned a few years ago over predictions made by some of her scientists to the effect that her coal supply would be exhausted in a compara-tively short time. A royal comgate the subject, and the report has just been made public. As it estirates that the supply will last 450 ing possession of San Domingan fiscal affairs, inasmuch as this eir fears allayed. Before that ne has elapsed more coal fields propriation by European nations, and that facing this alternative the

for tuel to a considerable extent, States is acting on the request of though hardly dreamed of for such President Morales who appreciates purposes a half century ago. Large the hopeless insolvency which consteamships visiting varicus parts of | fronts his country and who regards the world for commercial purposes a virtual receivership held by this now use oil instead of coal and an country as San Domingo's only salincreasing number of locomotives vation. in this country also consume oil.

And yet it is less than half a century since kerosene oil was first

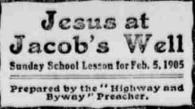
1, although no mention is made of the possibility of the Senate's refusing to approve the agreement. Moreover, a considerable naval fleet is being assembled in San Domingan waters, seven vessels being atready in that vicinity and several more on the way. Reports from the island assert that there are indications of revolt against the agreement entered into by President Morales, in some of the ports to be turned over to the United States in the event of which American forces will have to interfere and the agreement so informally entered into may result in a condition closely approximating war. Senator Bacon has introduced in the Senate a resolution inquiring of the President if any agreement has been entered into with San Domingo and if so, the character of its provisions. This resolution has been sent to com-mittee but the indications are clear that the Republican leaders are not wholly at ease over the situation. $*^**$ The decision of the House to de THEME—The Water of Life. I.-Jacob's Weil of Water, vs. 5-4. (1) A Thirsty Traveler, vs. 5-4. (2) A Needy Soul, v. 7. (3) A Simple Request, v. 7. (4) An Awakened Interest, v. 8. II.-Jesus' Weil of Living Water, vs. 10-15. (1) An Unknown Friend, v. 10. (3) A Walting Gift, v. 10. (4) Satting Scripture, with Scripture. to with San Domingo and if so, the

The decision of the House to de mand of the Senate the impeachment of Judge Charles Swayne of the Northern District of Florida means the defeat of the President's efforts to secure railway rate legislation at this session of Congress and insures the calling of a special to draw water. His own personal session for that purpose, to convene about October 1. The narrow majority by which the House voted for the impeachment of Swayne, six votes, practically insures his acquittal by the Senate, according ample for Christian workers.—Gal. 6:9; to some of the Senate leaders, so 2 Tim. 4:2. We have here also a wonthat the time devoted to the trial derfully suggestive lesson in tact in will probably be wasted but that soul winning. Jesus began with the will cause no heart-aches to most Republican Senators who would prefer to do anything rather than further limit the power of the railways.

William J. Bryan has been in Washington this week laboring to promote the rate legislation recommended by the President and has insured cordial support for Mr. an of the town played in that two days' Roosevelt's recommendations from revival at Sychar. Democrats in both houses of Congress, but he was unable to influence a sufficient number of Republicans to accomplish the desired end. Mr. Bryan called at the White Mr. Bryan caned at the with the House and had a long talk with the President who expressed his ap-a higher need. "Her need was so great a higher need. "Ber need was so great President who expressed his ap-preciation of Mr. Bryan's efforts in that she knew no need," save that of behalf of railway rate reform. It this life. She came with earthen ay be discovered, though it is robable that coal will cease to be Administration determined to adopt of Wisconsin, will prove a power in Administration determined to adopt the Second in helping the President is generally expected that Senator- pitcher to draw natural water, to sup-Electricity and oil are now used declared, moreover, that the United to carry out his plans at the coming special session.

New License Law.

taining less than five hundred reason why so many earnest Christians In addition to the official statethousand population the governor fail when seeking to speak God's messhall appoint three excise commissioners. They are to hold office for five years and shall be paid salaries based on the population of ing contact. Love always finds a way. their respective districts, as follows: \$700: more than 200,000, \$1,000, with mileage and other expenses. The salaries and expenses are to be paid by the counties. After next January the powers conferred upon the courts of granting licenses is stranger to her, and yet she not a transferred to the excise commis- stranger to Him. Multitudes to-day sion. The commission shall conduct public hearings of applications for license, having authority to issue subpoenas, etc. From any final order or decree of the commission granting or refusing to grant an appeal may be taken to the Supreme or Superior courts. received. But, oh, how many are re-The bill makes no change in the present system of filing and publishing applications, filing of remonstrances, conduct of hearings, regulations of the sale of liquor and punishing violators.



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LESSON TEXT.-John 4:5-14; Memory Perses, 13, 14. Read verses 1-42. GOLDEN TEXT.-"Whoseever will, let bim take the water of life freely." Rev. 2:17.

TIME -- Probably December, A. D. 27, as may be inferred from verse 35. This was over six months after the events of last lesson. PLACE .-- Jacob's well, near Sychar, in

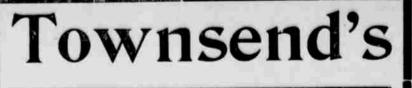
Samaria. A REMINDER.-Let us begin again by repeating our key verse, John 20.31, and may it help us to unlock the biessed truths contained in this lesson.

The Lesson Outline.

Comparing Scripture with Scripture. 1. Jacob's Well of Water. (1) A Thirsty Traveler, vs. 5, 6.-Here we have the humanity of Christ emphasized "Wearied with His journey," and thirsty. and yet not too weary or thirsty to yearn for the soul of the woman who came needs were forgotten in the supreme longing to do the will of Him that sent Him. (V. 34). Whether at midnight with Nicodemus, or in the heat of the day, weary with travel, Jesus was natural and led up to the spiritual. He asks a little favor that he may bestow a greater one. He avoided all the controversial points and held the woman to the main point of her own personal condition and needs. At the beginning she did not appear at all hopeful as an inquirer or possible convert, but Jesus' love and patience won. And what an enthusiastic convert she became. The verses following our lesson tell the prominent part this transformed wom-

(2) A Needy Soul, v. 7 .- From the verses following our lesson we learn that this woman was a great sinner, a bad character in the town, but Jesus came to save just such .- Matt. 9:13. This ply a temporal need. And the world is full of such to-day.

(3) A Simple Request, v. 7.-But it proved the easy stepping stone to the supreme question of the soul's need. By the asking of this favor Jesus was breaking down the barriers which for centuries had separated the Jews and Samaritans and prevented the one from having intercourse with the other. The The bill introduced by Senator request was so unexpected and unusu-Godcharles in the Senate provides al that it amazed the woman, as is evithat in each judicial district con- denced by her question in verse 9. One sage to needy souls that they talk from a distance. They try to talk over the barriers, instead of first breaking down the varriers to the heart by lov-(4) An Awkward Interest, v. 9.-The Less than 40,000, \$250; less than soul is half won whose interest is 100,000, \$500; less than 200,000, aroused and who is drawn out to ask questions. It was Jesus' opportunity to speak His message. To have spoken sooner would have found unresponsive soil and a wasted message II. Jesus' Well of Living Water. (1) An Unknown Friend, v. 11 .- Jesus a who know not Jesus, but He knows each individual soul. How sad to realize that the Saviour of the world is unknown to the world. (2) A Waiting Gift, v. 10 .- "The Gift of God." Not something to be bought. Not something to be earned. But a gift, a free gift .- Isa. 55:1. A gift to be jecting it. This gift, the living water, is the Holy Spirit. See John 7:37-39; Luke 11:13; John 6:03. (3) Unsatisfying Water, v. 13 .- Jacob's well could only satisfy temporarily. So with all temporal things. They can never satisfy. This world has never yet supplied the soul's thirst. To realize how unsatisfying the water the world gives, one has but to look on every hand at the discontent, the mad rush after pleasure, the eager grasping for more, the longing for something which is not possessed.-Isa. 55:2. (4) Satisfying Water, v. 14 .-- God alone, by His indwelling Spirit, can satisfy the needs and longings of the soul. -Isa. 58:11; Ps. 145:16; 107:9. Not only is the thirst of the soul satisfied by the Holy Spirit, but He is a "Well of water springing up into everlasting ofe," and overflowing to the blessing of those about. May we say as did the woman: "Sir, give me this water that I thirst not." The Golden Text. "Whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." Water of lifethe Holy Spirit (John 7:37-39). THE SINNER needs to drink to realize his ondition (John 16:8). He needs to rink to know Jesus as Saviour (John 15:26). He needs to drink to know God as Father (Rom. 8:15-17). THE SAINT needs to drink to learn the truth (John 6:13). He needs to drink to obtain nelp (Rom. 8:26). He needs to drink to have power over appetites and lusts (Gal. 5:16, 17). He needs to drink to be anctified. (Rom. 15:16; 1 Cor. 6:11), and to have power in service (Acts 1:8).



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WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, Jan. 30, 1905. The plans of the Administration with regard to Santo Domingo constitute the chief topic of discussion among Democrats in Congress this week and the comment is generally unfavorable to the methods which have been pursued. An authorized statement has been given out at the State Department announcing that the United States is about to take CERMS:-- Inside the county \$1.00 a year control of San Domingan affairs, collect the entire customs of the Republic, turn over to President Morales 45 per cent. of the gross receipts for administrative purposes and apply 55 percent, on the foreign indebtedness, which includes \$4,-481,250 due to citizens of the United States. The total indebtedness of San Domingo is estimated at \$32,-280,000 and it is further estimated that with the United States administering its customs houses not less than \$1,000,000 a year can be applied on the indebtedness. It is explained by the State Department that the representatives of those foreign powers to whose citizens

made use of for commercial pur- it has been declared by officials of poses. In 1859 the production in that Department that conditions in talk of exhausting the oil field, but

and that of Germany has increased supply of coal, while there is good reason to expect a practical discontinuance of its use for ordinary beating as well as for making gas.

The superiority of electricity has use of to develop that power. In creasing rate of output for 450 cerned.-Philadelphia Press.

the United States was 84,000 gal- Venezuela present an almost anlons, which production has since alogous condition and it is intimatincreased to nearly four billion gal-lons, to say nothing of the enormous will have to be pursued with the quantity produced in Russia and Castro government, which has elsewhere. Now and then there is sought to evade honorable performance of the obligations imposed on new discoveries with increasing it by the Hague Tribunal. The yield are made nearly every year. chief question involved is this, shall

It is the same with coal. The the United States, after declaring production in this country in 1866 the Monroe Doctrine, namely, no was less than 15,000,000 tons, while European power shall acquire or inlast year it was over 301,000,000. crease its territorial possessions on The production in Great Britain this continent, permit European has grown in the same time from powers to sieze customs houses and 100,000,000 tons to 254,000,000, collect port dues where Central or South American countries repudiate from 35,000,000 tons in 1874 to their just debts, or shall the United 165,000,000 in 1904. There is no States itself compel the payment of reason to fear any shortage in the such just debts to European creditors and insist that no reprisals shall be made on this continent by any European power?

Subordinate to this question howbeen demonstrated, and the water- ever, although attracting greater falls of the country are being made attention at the present time, is the question of how far the President time it will no doubt supplant coal shall go in determining upon so and oil for both heating and light- momentous a policy and carrying ing. Electricity is already used on it into effect without consulting the some railroad lines, and extensive Senate. The Constitution provides preparations are under way to in- that all treaties shall be made by crease that used on the New York and with the advice and consent of Central and some other roads. the Senate and shall be ratified by Four hundred and fifty years ago a two thirds vote of the Senate. coal was not used much in Great The Administration objects to the Britain, and if it has a supply in term treaty as applied to the agreeview to meet the demand at the in- ment with San Domingo but the constitutional lawyers in the upper years longer it need have no fear of chamber insist that any agreement the future so far as coal is con- made between the United States and a foreign power is, de facto, a treaty, irrespective of the name applied to it by the State Department. ***

Sunday was celebrated the coun-

"McKinley Day."

In the present instance the Presitry over as "McKinley Day," in dent and the Secretary of State deloving celebration and memory of the birthday of the late President McKinley. As in former years, out consulting a single member of The Carnation League of America the Senate and it is unofficially, but followed its custom of having its members wear a carnation in silent memorial of the martyred President. Domingo will take effect February



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Off on a Pleasure Trip.

C. C. Trench, Gehrad Snyder and J. R. Fowler left on Tuesday for Florida where they will remain for a month or more. Mr. Trench goes to look after his interests, while the other two gentlemen on pleasure bent will visit the eastern and southern coasts of the state and probably take a trip to Cuba before returning home.

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