DR. TALMAGE'S SERMON.

The Queens of Home.

Song, 6:8.

So Solomon, by one stroke, set forth the imperial character of a true Christian woman. She is not a slave, not a tle girl's head? Which of the wise any woman. I showed you at some who is trying to gather it. But wolength that woman's position was higher in the world than man's, and that destitution, and finds out all the soralthough she had often been denied the right of suffrage, she always did vote and always would vote by her influence; family come out on the front steps as and that her chief desire ought to be she departs, expecting that from under that she should have grace rightly to ber shawl she will thrust out two wings rule in the dominion which she has al- and go right up toward heaven, from ready won. I began an enumeration whence she seems to have come down. of some of her rights, and this morning I resume the subject.

I. In the first place, woman has the special and the superlative right-not again going back to what I have already said-woman has the special and superlative right of blessing and

COMFORTING THE SICK.

give His messenger hosts a charge, say-What land, what street, what house, ing, "Look after that woman; canopy has not felt the smitings of disease? her with your wings, and shelter her Tens of thousands of sick-beds! What shall we do with them? Shall man, from all harm:" and while you are seated in the house of destitution and sufwith his rough hand and clumsy foot, go stumbling around the sick-room, fering, the httle ones around the room trying to soothe the distracted nerves | will whisper, "Who is she? Ain't she and alleviate the pains of the tossing beautifull" and if you will listen right sharply, you will hear dripping down patient? The young man at college through the leaky roof, and rolling over may scoff at the idea of being under the rotten stairs, the angel chant that maternal influences; but at the first shook Bethlehem: "Glory to God in blast of typhoid fever on his cheek, he the highest, and on earth peace, goodsays, "Where is mother?" Walter Scott wrote partly in satire and partly | will to men." Can you tell me why a in compliment :

"O woman, in our hours of ease, Uncertain, coy and hard to please; When pain and anguish wrings the brow. A ministering angel thou."

I think the most pathetic passage in all the Bible is the description of the lad who went out to the harvest field of Shunem and got sunstroke-throwing his hands on his temples and crying out; "Oh, my head! my head!" And they said: "Carry him to his mother," And then the record is: "He sat on her knees till noon, and then died." It is an awful thing to be ill away from home in a strange hotel, once in a while men coming in to look at you, holding their hand over their mouth for fear they will catch the contagion. How roughly they turn you in bed. How loudly they talk. How you long for

THE MINISTRIES OF HOME.

I know one such who went away from one of the brightest of homes, for several weeks' business absence at the West. A telegram came at midnight that he was on his death-bed far away from home. By express train the wife and daughters went westward; but they went too late. He feared not to die, but he was in an agony to live until his family got there. He tried to bribe the doctor to make him live a little while longer. He said: "I am willing to die, but not alone." But the pulses fluttered, the eyes closed, and the heart stopped. The express trains met in the midnight; wife and daughters going westward-lifeless remains of husband and father coming eastward. Oh, it was a sad, pitiful, overwhelming spectacle! When we are sick we want to be sick at home. When the time comes for us to die we want to die at home. The room may be very humble, and the faces that look into ours may be very plain; but who cares for that? Loving hands to bathe the temples. Loving voices to speak good cheer. Loving lips to read the promises of Jesus.

Here comes a group of little you called in the most prominent men the grace of Christ, finally to reach 9-11). barefoot children to the door of the Dorcas society. They need to be cloth- have got to stop." You left the store heaven. O, what a multitude of

ed and provided for. Which of these suddenly. You could hardly make up "There are three-score queens." Solomon's directors of banks would know how your mind to pass through the street many yards it would take to make that and over on the ferry-boat. You felt everybody would be looking at you, and little girl a dress? Which of these masculine hands could fit a hat to that lit- blaming you, and denouncing you. You hasten home. You told your wife hireling, not a subordinate, but a queen. men would know how to tie on that all about the affair. What did she say? many others, who have been heard of In a former sermon I showed you that new pair of shoes? Man Sometimes Did she play the butterfly? Did she crown and courtly attendants, and im- gives his charity in a rough way, and talk about the silks and the ribbons and into the rest and peace of heaven. perial wardrobe were not necessary to it falls like the fruit of a tree in the the fashions? No. She came up to the make a queen; but that graces of the East, which fruit comes down so heav- emergency. She quailed not under the heart and life will give coronation to ily that it breaks the skull of the man stroke. She offered to go out of the comfortable house into a smaller one, man glides so softly into the house of and wear the old cloak another winter. She was one who understood your afrows of the place, and puts so quietly fairs without blaming you. You looked upon what you thought was a thin, weak the donation on the table, that all the woman's arm holding you up: but while you looked at that arm, there came into the feeble muscles of it the strength of the eternal God. No chiding. No fretting. No telling you about the beautiful house of her father, from coming of staggering steps? No more O, Christian young women! if you would make yourself happy, and win the blessing of Christ, go out which you brought her ten, twenty or thirty years ago. You said : "Well, this is the happiest day of my life. I Some of you will have no rest AMONG THE DESTITUTE. am glad I have got from under my bur-A loaf of bread or a bundle of socks

den. My wife don't care-I don't care.' may make a homely load to carry, but the angels of God will come out to At the moment you were exhausted, GOD SENT A DEBORAH watch, and the Lord Almighty will

to meet the host of the Amalekites and But God has a crown for you I want you scatter them like chaff over the plain. to realize this morning that He is now There are sometimes women who sit making it, and whenever you weep a reading sentimental novels, and who tear He sets another gem in that crown; wish that they had some grand field in whenever you have a pang of body or which to display their Christian powers. soul, He puts another gem in that O, what grand and glorious things they crown ; until, after awhile, in all the could do if they only had an opportun- tiara there will be no room for another ity ! My sister, you need not wait for splendor, and God will say to His angel, any such time. A crisis will come in "The crown is done; let her up, that your affairs. There will be a Ther- she may wear it." And as the Lord of mopylæ in your own household where Righteousness puts the crown upon your God will tell you to stand. There are scores and hundreds of households to-she?" and Christ will say, "I will tell day where as much bravery and courage you who she is. She is the one that are demanded of women as was exhibited by Grace Darling, or Marie Antoinette,

on a Christian errand, never meets or Joan of Arc. IV. Again: I remark it is woman's will spread with any indignity? I stood in the chapel of He'en Chalmers, the daughter

right to BRING TO US THE KINGDOM of the celebrated Dr. Chalmers, in the most abandoned part of the city of of heaven. It is easier for a woman to of heaven to sit at the feast, and the Edinburgh, and I said to her as I be a Christian than for a man. Why? tables will blush with the best clusters looked around upon the fearful sur- You say she is weaker. No. Her from the vineyards of God and crimson roundings of that place, "Do you come heart is more responsive to the pleadings with the twelve manner of fruit from here at nights to hold a service?" "O, of Divine love. She is in vast majority. the Tree of Life, and waters from the yes, she said. "Can it be possible that The fact that she can more easily become fountain of the rock will flash from the you never meet with an insult while a Christian, I prove by the statement that golden tankards, and the old harpers of performing this Christian errand?" three-fourths of the members of the heaven will sit there, making music "Never," she said, never." That churches in all Christendom are women. with their harps, and Christ will point young woman who has her father by So God appoints them to be the chief you out, amid the celebrities of heaven, her side, walking down the street, agencies for bringing this world back to saying : "She suffered with Me on earth, armed police at each corner is not so God. I may stand here and say the now we are going to be glorified togethwell defended as that Christian woman soul is immortal. There is a man who er." And the banqueters, no longer who goes forth on Gospel work into the will refute it. I may stand here and half to hold their peace, will break forth haunts of iniquity, carrying the Bibles say we are lost and undone without with congratulation : "Hail! hail!" and bread. God, with the red right Christ. There is a man who will re- And there will be handwritings on the arm of His wrath omnipotent, would fute it. I may stand here and say there wall-not such as struck the Babylonian tear to pieces any one who should offer | will be a judgment day after awhile. | noblemen with horror-but fire-tipped indignity. He would smite him with Yonder is someone who will refute it. fingers, writing in blazing capitals of lightnings, and drown him with floods, But a Christian woman in a Christian light and love, "God hath wiped away all and swallow him with earthquakes, and household, living in the fate and the con- tears from all faces !" damn him with eternal indignations. sistency of Christ's Gospel-nobody can Some one said: "I dislike very much | refute that. The greatest sermons are to see that Christian woman teaching not preached on celebrated platforms; those bad boys in the mission school. they are preached with an audience of

SUNDAY, SEPT. 25, 1887. I am afraid to have her instruct them." two or three, and in private home life. Third Quarterly Review.

of work that men cannot do for the and you called in your partners, and the specific rights of woman is, through and frankincense and myrrh (Matt. 2: Scholars : Thou shalt call his name

Jesus : for he shall save his people from their sins (Matt. 1:21). Teachers : There is born to you a

saviour, which is Christ the Lord (Luke 2:11).All: We would see Jesus (John

12:21).

build chapels-in heaven, while a great LESSON 2 .--- Superintendent : Now when they were departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise and take the What a rest! What a change it was from the small room, with no fire and young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I one window (the glass broken out), and the aching side, and wornout eyes, to tell thee: for Herod will seek the young the "house of many mansions !" No child to destroy him. And he arose more stitching until twelve o'clock at and took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt; and was there until the death of Herod night, no more thrusting of the thumb by the employer through the work, to (Matt. 2:13-15). show it was not done quite right. Plen-

Scholars: He delivered me, because he delighted in me (Psa. 18:19). Teachers: The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptation (2

Peter 2:9). All : O keep my soul, and deliver me : let me not be ashamed, for I put my trust in thee (Psa. 25 : 20).

Some of you will have no rest in this LESSON 3 .- Superintendent : And in world. It will be toil and struggle and sufthose days cometh John the Baptist, fering all the way up. You will have to preaching in the wilderness of Judza, stand at your door fighting back the wolf saying, Repent ye; for the kingdom of with your own hand, red with carnage. heaven is at hand. For this is he that was spoken of by Isaiah the prohet saying, The voice of one crying in the ye shall find; knock and it shall be wilderness, Make ye ready the way of opened unto you: for every one that the Lord, Make his paths straight asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh (Matt. 3: 1-3). Scholars : Bring forth therefore fruits

meet for repentance (Matt. 3:8).

not forth good fruit is hewn down, and shall ask for a fish, will give him a sercast into the fire. Therefore by their fruits ye shall know them (Matt. 7 19-20

praise to God continually, that is, the them that ask him? (Matt. 7 : 7-11). fruit of lips which make confession to came up out of great tribulation, and had his name (Heb. 13:15). her robe washed and made white in the

LESSON 4 .- Superintendent: Then blood of the Lamb." And then God come Jesus from Galilee to the Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. And Jesus, when he was baptized went up and He will invite all the principalities straightway from the water : and lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the spirit of God descending as a dove, and coming upon him; and (1 John 3: 18). o, a voice out of heaven, saying (Matt. 3:13, 16, 17)

Scholars : This is my beloved Son, in whors I am well pleased (Matt. 3:17). Teachers : He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also to walk even as he walked (1 John 2:6).

All : I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest (Matt. 8:19).

LESSON 5 .- Superintendent : Again, the devil taketh him unto an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the ing loms of the world, and the glory of them ; and he said unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou will fall down and worship me. Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan : for it worthy of repentance (Matt 3 : 8). is written, Thou shall worship the Lord him (Matt, 4:8-11).

Sdholars: He is able to succor them (2 Cor. 5:10) that are tempted (Heb. 2:18). Teachers: We are more than con-

to destroy the law, or the prophets : I am

Teachers: Whosoever shall keep the

whole law, and yet stumble in one

point, he is become guilty of all (Jas,

blot out all of my iniquities (51:9).

All : Hide thy face from my sins, and

LESSON 9 .- Superintendent : Take

heed that ye do not your righteousness

have no reward with your Father which

gogues and in the streets, that they may

have glory of men. Verily I say unto

you, They have received their reward.

And when ye pray, ye shall not be as

come not to destroy, but to fulfil (Matt.

5:17)

seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have received their reward (Matt. 6:1,2,5).

Scholars: Man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart (1 Sam. 16:7).

Teachers: Serve him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind : for the Lord searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts (1 Chron. 28:9).

-All: Unite my heart to fear thy name (Psa. 86:11).

LESSON 10 .- Superintendent: And why are ye anxious corcerning raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin : yet I say unto you, that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God doeth so clothe the grass of the field, which today is, and to-morrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? (Matt. 6: 28-30).

Scholars: Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you (1 Peter

Teachers: The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing (Psa. 34:10).

All: O satisfy us in the morning with thy mercy; that we may rejoice and be glad all our days (Psa. 90 : 14). LESSON 11 .- Superintendent: Ask. and it shall be given you; seek and findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. Or what man is there of you, who, if son shall ask him for a Teachers: Every tree that bringeth loaf, will give him a stone; or if he pent? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father All: Let us offer up a sacrifice of which is in heaven give good things to

Scholars; Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so unto them (Matt.

7:12).Teachers : The whole law is fulfilled in one word, even in this; Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself (Gal. 5:14). All: Let us not love in word, neither with the tongue ; but in deed and truth

LESSON 12.-Superintendent: Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravening wolves. By their fruits ye shall know them. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but the corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit 7:15-18).

Scholars: Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire (Matt 7:19).

Teachers : Bring forth therefore fruit

All : For we must all be made maniry God, and him only shalt thou serve. | fest before the judgment-seat of Christ; Then the devil leaveth him; and be- that each one may receive the things hold, angels came and ministered unto done in the body, according to what he hath done, whether it be good or bad

Fifteenth Century Poison Makers. querors through him that loved us (Rom. The number of poison makers must All : Thanks be to God, which giveth have been considerable. We came us the victory through our Lord Jesus across "Quelli dal venen," who lived Christ (1 Cor. 15:57). on the Lago di Garda; the famous poison brewers, Peter Paul, of Padua; Master John and Master Nichele, of LESSON 6.-Superintendent; And lesus went about in all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching Vicenza, and "Nestro fidel Vilandrino," the gospel of the kingdom, and healing custodian of the garden of simples at all manner of disease and all manner of Padua. The poisons which these massickness among the people. And the ters made were of two kinds-slow report of him went forth into all Syria; poisons ("Veneni a tempo") and rapid and they brought unto him all that were poisons, and the manner of administersick, holden with divers diseases and ing them was various. The method torments, possessed with devils, and most frequently in use was either poisonepileptic and palsied; and he healed ed meat or poisoned drink, and we have them. And there followed him great seen proof made of the "Venenum edimultitudes from Galilee and Decapolis bile" and of the "Venenum potabile" Jerusalem and Judæa and from beyond upon two pigs in the presence of the Jordan (Matt. 4: 23-25). Ten. There were other modes of pois-Scholars: The people which sat in oning, however, though they were less darkness saw great light (Matt. 4:16). commonly adopted. We find instances Teachers : Arise, shine ; for thy light of that favorite Indian receipt, poundis come, and the glory of the Lord is ed diamond. Again in the year 1585, the French ambassador relates to the All : Come ye, and let us walk in the college an attempt on the life of the light of the Lord (Isa. 2:5) king of France by means of poisoned LESSON 7 .- Superintendent : Blessed seals, which had effectually killed three are they that have been prosecuted for slaves on whom they had first been righteousness' sake : for theirs is the tried. And in 1499 Caterina Sforza, kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye mistress of Forli, which city Cesare when men shall reproach you, and pros-Borgia threatened to take from her, at-Bring forth therefore fruits meet for ecute you, and say all manner of evil tempted to poison Alexander VI by against you falsely for my sake. Remeans of credentials which her ambas joice, and be exceeding glad : for great sador brought to his holiness wrapped is your reward in heaven: for so persein scarlet cloth and placed inside a holcuted they the prophets which were low cane that they may not kill the before you (Matt. 5: 10-12). bearers. Scholars: Grace and truth came by These are cases of poisoning by touch. We hear also of proposals to poison by smell; of little balls to be dropped on a Teachers : Our light affliction, which is for the moment, worketh for us more fire, and presently they will kill all who and more exceedingly an eternal weight are in the room. Nothing strikes us as of glory (2 Cor. 4:17). stranger about these poisons than their All: Most gladly therefore will I inefficacy. In the year 1514 we find rather glory in my weaknesses, that the Vilandrino, one of the most famous strength of Christ may rest upon me (2 masters in his day, sent for and told Cor. 12 : 9). that, as the fire at the palace had de-LESSON 8 .- Superintendent : For verstroyed the poison, cupboard and its reily I say unto you, Till heaven and ccipts, he must furnish some two or Think not that I am come to destroy | earth pass away, one jot or one title three more, and must send in the reshall in no wise pass away from the law, ceipts along with his new poisons. Viltill all things be accomplished. Whoandrino produced a poisoned water; soever therefore shall break one of these but when this came to be tried on a cerleast commandments, and shall teach tain Mustafa, he was none the worse for men so, shall be called least in the kingit. The Ten ordered a second dose; dom of heaven ; but whosoever shall do and after waiting eight days with no and teach them, he shall be called great more satisfactory results they conclude in the kingdom of heaven (Matt. 5 : 18. in disgust that Vilandrino's water is worth nothing, and send him back to Scholars : Think not that I am come Padua.

IN OUR LAST DREADFUL WAR.

men cast the cannon, men fashioned the musketry, men cried to the hosts. "Forward, march!" men hurled their battalions on the sharp edges of the enemy, crying, "Charge! charge!" but woman scraped the lint, woman administered the cordials, woman watched by the dying couch, woman wrote the last message to the home circle, woman wept at the solitary burial, attended by herself and four men with a spade. We greeted the generals home with brass bands and triumphal arches and wild huzzas; but the story is too good to be written anywhere, save in the chronicles of heaven, of Mrs. Brady, who came down among the sick in the swamps of the Chickahominy; of Annie Ross, in the coopershop hospital; of Margaret Breckinridge, who came to men who had been for weeks with their wounds undressed-some of them frozen to the ground, and when she turned them over, those that had an arm left, waved it and filled the air with their "hurrah!"-of Mrs. Hodge, who came from Chicago, with blankets and with pillows, until the men shouted, "Three' cheers for the Christian Commission!

GOD BLESS THE WOMEN

at home;" then sitting down to take the last message: "Tell,my wife not to fret about me, but to meet me in heaven; tell her to train up the boys whom we have loved so well; tell her we shall meet again in the good land; tell her to bear my loss like the Christian wife of a Christian soldier"-and of Mrs. Shelton, int whose face the convalescent soldier loked, and said: "Your grapes and cologne cured me." Men did their work with shot and shell and carbine and howitzer; women did their work with socks and slippers and bandages and warm drinks and Scripture texts and gentle stockings of the hot temples and stories of that land where they never have any pain. Men knelt down the household again and again: What over the wounded and said, "On which side did you fight?" Women knelt down over the wounded and said, "Where are you hurt? What nice thing can I make for you to eat? What makes you cry?" To-night, while we men are sound asleep in our beds, there will be a fight in yonder loft; there will be groaning down that dark alley; there will be cries of distress in that cellar. Men will sleep, and women will watch. If. Again: woman has a special right to take

CARE OF THE POOR.

' said another man, "I am afraid, "So." they will use vile language before they of God's truth. leave the place." "Ah," said the other boys should use a bad word in her |"What's the matter?" He said : presence, the other boys would tear him "MY MOTHER'S PRAYERS HAUNT ME to pieces and kill him on the spot." That woman is the best sheltered who

Christian woman, going down among

THE HAUNTS OF INIQUITY,

and you need never fear going anywhere where God tells you to go. It seems as if the Lord had ordained

woman for an especial work in the SOLICITATION OF CHARITIES.

Backed up by barrels in which there is no flour, and by stoves in which there is no fire, and by wardrobes in which sistible; passing on her errand, God says to her: "You go into that bank or store or shop and get the money." She goes in and gets it. The man is hard-fisted, but she gets it. She could not help but get it. It is decreed from eternity she should get it. No need of your turning your back and pretending you don't hear; you do hear. There is no need of your saying you are begged to death, There is no need of your wasting your time, and you might as well submit first

as last. You had better right away take down your cheque-book, mark the number of the cheque, fill up the blank, sign your name, and hand it to her. There is no need of wasting time. Those poor children on the back street of such a hard-fisted man, and I say: "Did you get the money?" "Of course," she says, "I got the money; that's what 1 went for. The Lord told me to go in and get it, and He never sends me on a fool's errand." III. Again: I have to tell you that

it is a woman's specific

RIGHT TO COMFORT

called the weaker vessel; but all profane as well as the sacred history attests that when the crisis comes she is better into worldliness; and now I'm going to prepared than man to meet the emerg- die, and my fate is sealed, and you are ency. How often you have seen a woman who seemed to be a disciple of knowest thou but thou canst destroy frivolity and idolence, who, under one stroke of calamity, changed to a heroine. Oh, what a great mistake those business men make who never tell their business troubles to their wives! There comes some great losss to their store, or some of their companions in business play them a sad trick, and they carry the burden all alone. He is asked in is the matter? But he believes it a sort of Christian duty to keep all that trouble within his own soul. Oh, sir! your first duty was to tell your wife all about it. She, perhaps might not have distangled your finances, or extended your credit, but she would have helped you to bear misfortune. You have no right to carry on one shoulder that which is intended for two. There are business men here who know what I mean. There came

A CRISIS IN YOUR AFFAIRS.

There are hundreds and thousands of after a while there came a day when them a lover the land. There is a kind you said, "Here I shall have to stop;" V. Lastly: I wish to say that one of ures, they offered unto him gifts, gold corners of the streets, that they may be

A consistent; consecrated Christian sertoo." Said the first: "I am afraid vice is an unanswerable demonstration

A sailor came sliding down the ratman, "I am not afraid of that. What lines one night, as though something I am afraid of is, that if any of those had happened, and the sailors cried :

like a ghost." Home influences, consecrated Christian home influences, are is sheltered by the Lord God Almighty, the mightiest of all influences upon the soul. There are men here to-day who have maintained their integrity, not because they were any better naturally than some other people, but because there were home influences praying for them all the time. They got a good 13-29. start. They were launched on the world with the benedictions of a Christian there are no clothes, a woman is irre- mother. They may track Siberian snows, they may plunge in African jungles, they may fly to the earth's end -they cannot go so far and so fast but the prayers will keep up with them. I stand before women to-day who

have the eternal salvation of their husbands in their right hand. On the marriage day you took an oath before men and angels that you would be faithful and kind until death did you part, and I believe you are going to keep that oath; but after that parting at the grave, will it be an eternal separation? Is there any such thing as

AN IMMORTAL MARRIAGE,

making the flowers grow on the top of the sepulchre brighter than the garlands which at the marriage banquet flooded have been hungry long enough. That the air with aroma? Yes; I stand here sick man must have some farina. That as a priest of the most high God, to consumptive must have something to proclaim the banns of an immortal ease his cough. I meet this delegate of union for all those who join hands m a reli-f society coming out of the store the grace of Christ. O woman is your husband, yonr father, your son, away from God? The Lord demands their redemption at your hands. There are prayers for you to offer, there are exhortations for you to give, there are examples for you to set, and I say now, as Paul said to the Corinthian woman : 'What knowest thou, but thou canst save thy husband;

A Man was dying; and he said to under the stress of dire disaster. She is his wife : "Rebecca, you wouldn't let me have family prayers; you laughed to destroy, but to fulfil.-Matt. 5:17. about all that, and you got me away the cause of my ruin?" O woman what thy husband? Are there not some here who have

KINDLY INFLUENCES

at home? Are there not some here who have wandered far away from God, who can remember the Christian influence in their early home? Do not despise those influences, my brother, If you die without Christ what will you do with your mother's prayers, your wife's importunities, with your sister's entreaties? What will you do with the letters they used to write to you, with the memory of those days when they attended you so kindly in time of sickness? Oh, if there be just one strand holding you from floating off on that dark sea, I would just like this morning to take hold of that strand and pull you to the beach ! For the sake of your wife's God, for the sake of your mother's God, for the sake of your daughter's God, for the sake of your You struggled bravely and long; but sister's God, come this day and be mother; and they fell down and wer- the hypocrites : for they love to stand saved.

HOME READINGS.

Monday, Sept. 19: Lesson I., Matt. 2:1-12; Lesson II., Matt. 2:13-23. Tuesday, Sept. 20: Lesson III., Matt. 3 : 1-12; Lesson IV., Matt. 3 : 13-17.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.

WOMAN IN HEAVEN !

Mary, Christ's mother, in heaven, Eliz-

abeth Fry in heaven, Charlotte Eliza-

beth in heaven, the mother of August-

tine in heaven, the Countess of Hunting-

don-who sold her splendid jewels to

on earth, or known but little, have gone

of bread at last! Heaven for aching

heads! heaven for broken hearts!

heaven for anguish-bitten frames. ! No

more sitting up until midnight for the

rough blows across the temples! No

A BANQUET,

Wednesday, Sept. 21: Lesson V., Matt. 4:1-11; Lesson VI., Matt. 4: Thursday, Sept. 22: Lesson VII.,

Matt. 5 : 1-16; Lesson VIII., Matt. 5 : 17 - 26Friday, Sept. 23: Lesson IX., Matt. 6 1-15; Lesson X., Matt. 6 : 24-34. Saturday, Sept. 24: Lesson XI. Matt. 7 : 1-12; Lesson XII., Matt. 7 : Sunday, Sept. 25: The King in Zion.

Psalm 2 : 1-12.

TITLES AND GOLDEN TEXTS. GOLDEN TEXT FOR THE QUARTER: Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion.-Psa. 2:6.

I. THE INFANT JESUS.

Thou shalt call his name Jesus: for risen upon thee (Isa. 60:1). he shall save his people from their sins. -Matt. 1 : 21. II. THE FLIGHT INTO EGYPT. He delivered me, because he delight-

ed in me,-Psa. 18:19. III. JOHN THE BAPTIST.

repentance.--Matt. 3:8.

IV. THE BAPTISM OF JESUS. This is my beloved Son, in whom I

am well pleased.—Matt. 3 : 17. V. THE TEMPTATION OF JESUS.

He is able to succor them that are Jesus Christ (John 1:17). tempted, --- Heb. 2:18.

VI. JESUS IN GALILEE. The people which sat in darkness saw great light .- Matt, 4 : 16.

VII. THE BEATITUDES. Grace and truth came by Jesus Christ, -John 1 : 17.

VIII. JESUS AND THE LAW.

the law, or the prophets: I am not come

IX. PIETY WITHOUT DISPLAY. Man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart.—1 Sam. 16:7. X. TRUST IN OUR HEAVENLY FATHER. Casting all your care upon him; for 19).

he careth for you,-1 Pet. 5:7.

XI. GOLDEN PRECEPTS. Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them.-Matt. 7:12.

XII. SOLEMN WARNINGS. Every tree that bringeth not forth 2:10.) good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire----Matt. 7 : 19.

REVIEW BIBLE LIGHTS

LESSON 1.-Superintendent: And before men, to be seen of them : else ye they, having heard the king, went their way; and lo, the star, which they saw is in heaven. When therefore thou in the east, went before them, till it doest alms, sound not a trumpet before came and stood over where the young thee, as the hypocrites do in the synachild was. And when they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And they came into the house and saw the young child with Mary his shipped him; and opening their treas- and pray in the synagogues and in the

Parental Love of the Spider.

The parental love of the spider it very strong. The female carries, suspended on her legs, a small bag containing the eggs, which resemble white glass beads. If the bag is pushed away with a straw or stick, the creature will make the most desperate efforts to recover it. A spider was once found whose back appeared to have a granulated surface, but closer examination showed that she was entirely covered with her young. On trying to shake them off they attached themselves to their mother by a thread and, on throwing her to the ground, she remained perfectly quiet until they had all pulled themselves back by means of their extemporized cable, and spread themselves over her body as before.