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A Palace or a Hovel. By REV. WILLIAM WALLACE KETCHUM, Director of the Practical Work Course, Moody Bible Institute, Chicago.

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON. (By E. O. SELLERS, Acting Director of Sunday School Course Moody Bible Institute, Chicago.) LESSON FOR JANUARY 31. THE BIRTH OF SAMSON.

TEMPERANCE NOTES. (Conducted by the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union.) IN WEST VIRGINIA.

SATIRE CONTAINS A MORAL. Demand Than Those One. One's Real Qualities May Be More in Makes Pretense Of.

WOMAN IN BAD CONDITION. Restored To Health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

A Woman's Logic. The following fable, which is probably of Turkish origin, is not without a touch of truth: As a woman was walking, a man looked at and followed her.

ANSWERED OFF THE REEL. Shower of Questions Made no Trouble for Information Man at Busy Railroad Depot.



Two workmen are building separate structures. One is a palace of costly stones, and for embellishment, precious gold and silver; the other a hovel, into which he is putting the flimsiest material—wood, hay, stubble.

TEXT—For other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. But if any man buildeth on the foundation gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay, stubble; each man's work shall be made manifest; for the day shall declare it, because it is revealed in fire; and the fire itself shall prove each man's work of what sort it is.

I. Samson's Parents. God chooses a humble man and woman, folk of piety and prayer, to bring forth and rear this great deliverer. The angel's most improbable promise (13:3) is accepted by Manoah and his wife (13:6, 7).

II. Samuel's Power. Every race has its superman, and usually it is one of physical strength. That Samson had no physical evidence of his superior strength is evident from the fact that Delilah asked to know his secret.

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Teacher's Triumph. Sir Herbert Tree told a story of his own school days when presenting prizes the other day at a school speech day.

Children of Lagers Growth. Little Marion and her next-door neighbor, Donald, were engaged in an absorbing conversation.

ACCIDENTS DUE TO LIQUOR. "It will not be long before the saloon will be as much separated from the industrial plant as it is now from the church.

A BLESSING TO LABOR. An authority on the labor question makes this statement: "The wiping out of the liquor traffic will throw two thousand millions of dollars annually into the legitimate channels of trade and industry.

BLOT IT OUT. The manufacture and sale of liquor is responsible for: Seventy-five per cent of our criminals.

BUSINESS SIDE OF QUESTION. "The work of the sawmill," said Rev. Charles Scanlan in a recent address, "increases the value of the raw lumber; the product of the flour mill is more valuable than raw wheat; but the drunkard, who is the finished product of the saloon, is of less value than he was before liquor touched him.

BURIES THE DEVIL. Abolishing the liquor traffic does not kill the devil; but it puts him under ground; it drives him into subways, cellars and hidden pipes.

To Be Sure. "Pa, what is the short and ugly word?" "It depends on the circumstances, son. A word that is pleasing ordinarily can be quite transformed when spoken by a person who is in an ugly mood."

His Handicap. "The real man rises above his handicap." "I rise before mine." "Before," she makes me get up and get breakfast.—New York American.

A Stitch in Time. Colds, fevers and germ diseases are pretty sure to overwork the kidneys and leave them weak. In consequence, in fact, at any time when suspicion is aroused by a lame, aching back, rheumatic pains, headaches, dizziness or drowsiness, the use of Doan's Kidney Pills is a stitch in time that may avoid serious kidney disease.

A Virginia Case. "I've done this for years," said the farmer, R. F. D. No. 2, Box 25, Bristol, Va. "My health was all run down from kidney trouble and I was in bed most of the time. When I did get up, I had to hobble around with canes. The pain in my back was awful and the kidney secretions passed too frequently. I was driven almost frantic and morphia was my only relief. Finally I used Doan's Kidney Pills and I passed thirty-six gravel stones. From then on, I rapidly got better until I was cured. I am now in the best of health."

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Barney Knew. Mr. Barney O'Keefe, sadly inebriated, had wandered into a church where a wedding was in progress. Unnoticed he sank into a back seat.

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Vocally Overwhelmed. "You say that man has no conscience?" "Well," replied Farmer Cornstossel, "mebbe I oughtn't to say that. But if he has one, it can't be much use to him. They say conscience is a stifle, small voice, an' the way he talks would keep it drowned out all the time."

No Motorist. "I judge from what you say of your financial condition, that you would not worry if there were a diamond famine."

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There is only one foundation upon which a man can build a superstructure of works. That foundation is Jesus Christ. This is a simple, elemental truth, but one which needs a deal of emphasis in these days, for many have not yet discovered that the divine order in grace is the same order which holds in the putting up of a building—the foundation first, then the superstructure.

Some years ago at Catawissa, Pa., after the destruction of a bridge, the contractor upon removing the first pier, prior to the building of a new one, discovered that underneath there was no foundation. The pier simply rested upon the bed of the river, and when a heavy flood came the entire structure was washed away.

We need to take heed how we build thereon. For it is possible to build on the only foundation a palace or a hovel.

This is a truth which concerns the saved and not the unsaved. It is not a matter of salvation, but of service. Between salvation and service there is a wide difference. Salvation is a work of God for us and in us and is all of grace. Service is work which those who are saved render unto God, and for which they shall receive a reward, or shall suffer loss.

The Testing Day. A testing day is coming when the character of our work, as Christians, shall be made manifest.

Indeed not, for we may build a palace instead of a hovel, and be not only saved but rewarded for our work.

III. Samson's Impurity. A woman can make or mar the man with whom she associates. As a Nazirite, Samson was dedicated unto God, must not allow a razor to touch his head, was not to touch anything unclean, nor drink intoxicating liquor.

IV. Samson's Imprisonment. We find him after his excesses grinding in the Philistine prison, where he perhaps overheard praises being sung to Dagon who had overthrown Jehovah's Judge.

Finally, "when their hearts were merry" (16:25), he is brought out to make sport. During one of his resting periods he said to a boy near by, "Let me feel of the two pillars, those upon which the main walls rested and which were within a man's reach. Then it was that he was able to grip the mysterious power of the unseen (16:30). Was Samson a suicide? No! He accepted death as the inevitable consequence of his act of duty (See Heb. 11:32).

The Temperance Teaching of this lesson is all too plain. It must begin in the home and continue throughout all of life. As we have scattered information throughout our land we have seen the work of temperance advancing mightily. Samson's exploit with the lion is a temperance sermon in parable (14:5, 6; Prov. 20:1). The business of the temperance forces is to slay the lion. We are also to eat "honey out of the rock," to gain victories, within and without, and, like Samson, we can give victory to others. To have a part in helping to redeem a lost world requires that we keep clean.

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