INTERNATIONAL

LESSON FOR AUGUST 8

THE KINGDOM TORN ASUNDER.

LESSON TEXT-I Kings 12:6-16. OLDEN TEXT-Pride goeth before ion, and a haughty spirit before fall Prov. 16:18.

selemen's kingdom though outwardmagnificent contained within it se germs of oppression, formal relous observances and the lax exale of an indulgent monarch which dily led to its disruption after his Forty years Solomon reigned, at the latter end of his life was none o peaceful. "He loved many strange pen" and "his heart was not perwith the Lord his God" (11:1, 4). m was his "edversary" (11:25) ad Jeroboam whom he at first sought conciliate (11:26-28) was finally en from the land (v. 40). Chapter ven contains the prophecy of which lesson is the fulfillment. "And boam, his son, reigned in his ad" (11:43).

i. The Convention at Shechem, vv. This place has an important hisbeginning in the days of Abraham ad Jacob. It was a city of the Levites ed the place where Joshua gave his nal charge (Josh, 24:1, 25). Abimech destroyed it though it was soon Here Israel gathered to con-Solomon's son upon the throne. usalem and Judea readily accepted oam as king, but the ten tribes tated and, according to one transich time Jeroboam was sent for and tain reforms were formulated (v 2). heir charges were entirely selfish ed made no reference to the rights of ovah nor offered any protest ainst the increasing idolatry. Bee allegiance was sworn Jeroboam spokesman presented these reforms 4) and Rehoboam wisely asked for e to consider the request (v. 5).

II. Good Counsel Neglected, vv. Rehoboam came of bad stock h 14:21), yet his first step was a se one. His name means "Enlarger f the people," but he sadly belied the Too long had he lived in the posphere of luxury and enervation. he northern tribes suffered greatly ough taxation and shared none of be prosperity of Jerusalem. Solomon's oke," like that of every earthly month, had been heavy (Matt, 11:29, 30). he counsel of the old men was good 7), it was kingly, manly,

lesus tells us that the greatest must the servant of all and sets us the ample himself (Matt. 20:28). Rehoam next consulted those of his own cle who "were grown up with him." es of like position and passions. the as inexperienced as himself to had no sympathy but were wild, seited, overbearing, selfish, Rehoam asked "advice" (v. 6) of the old en, but asked for "counsel" (v. 9) of te young men, but in neither case is here any suggestion that God was alted (James 1:5). These young an counseled a boasting and burdense course which brought Rehoboam grief. Oppression always results rebellion, a fact that those who govm or employ others should ponder Il Reboboam's choice of counselors of his consequent course of action as the height of foolishness (Prov.

III. Bad Counsel Confirmed, vv 14. Jeroboam's subsequent career firms us in believing that he more han all others encouraged and fosled the division of the kingdom. But and the proud, foolish princeling te both only carrying out the word ad will of Jehovah (v. 15; Ps. 76:10). is does not, however, lessen his lilt or folly (Acts 2:23). Not content th declaring his acceptance of the counsel he spoke "roughly" (v. and this verse suggests to us that he old men's counsel" was known to e people, thereby aggravating his se. "Whom God wishes to destroy first makes mad." Rough words and or madden and, "by using soft ards you may lead an elephant by a ur." Not content to refuse Reho um threatens added burdens (v. 14). mephus says that the people were truck by his words as by an iron and they at once exclaimed that portion have we (the northern fibes) in David" (v. 16), repudiating vid's son and David's tribe. Their ar cry, "To your tents, O Israel" int "back to your home and let Juab look out for itself."

IV. Conclusion. God turned away kingdom from Solomon's house beisse Solomon had turned away from led (ch. 11:9-11, 31, 33). A true phet foretold what would happen. "cause was from the Lord that he ght perform his saying" (v. 15, cf. 1:21, 32). God is constantly and litily fulfilling prophecy. Those which tre been so fully and so minutely fulled are a warrant that in due time will likewise "come to pass." Ream is a lesson to the young men today. (a) He was imperial and the acter of his choice lay in his own ands (Prov. 16:18). (b) His great was the sum of his wisdom in tall affairs. Our companions indiour character. (c) He was not thely ruined. David's faithfulness red one tribe of Reheboam. God's e is unto generations without numer and his ear ready to hear the tent's cry. As long as life realas it is our privilege to serve God ad our fellowmen.

Rehoboam is also a lesson for pres at day fathers. Solomon's example d not measure up to his teaching, if had the chances are the son's hiswould have been different. Soloon's sin was primarily the cause of fael's division (ch. 11:9, 13).

Phally Rehoboam is a lesson to all to are set in authority. To close our are to the cry of the needy; to forget or chligations to God and to men Mait, 25), and to fall to see God's pur borts disaster. Summer Vogue of White Fur



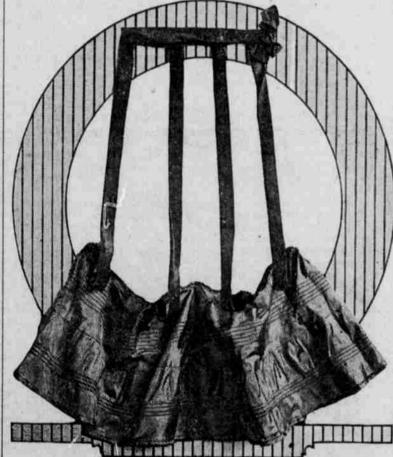
more becoming than all others, it is the white fur neckpiece. In spite of of one. on there was a year's delay during the calendar and with or without the consent of the thermometer, this neckpiece has flourished through July and shows an undiminished head In the picture a turban of white satin in August. Its vogue probably came about through the chilly weather in gives it the appearance of a Tamthe early summer at San Francisco. o'-Shanter. At the left it is decorated All the gay world having journeyed with a bead ornament. The hat, the thither, found a fur neckpiece comfortable. All the world recognized the taffeta, made up with plain taffeta, becomingness of white fur and took are all forerunners of fashion and reheart at its appearance in the month liable indications of the coming mode. of roses to make a vogue for summer

If there is one thing in the world | There would surely be few foxes left if every white neckplece cost the life

These summer furs are worn with white turbans or small white hats, with best effect, although they appear with all other midsummer millinery. supports a frill about the crown which neckpiece, and the dress of cross-bar

However unreasonable it may appear for the fair wearer of fur to cling Let us be thankful that the major- to it where no keen wind blows, she ity of the neckpleces with which the may be excused. A white fur neckwayward devotees of fashion have piece is really a good investment. The chosen to bedeck themselves are not opportunities for wearing it stretch really of white fox. They are as far through this summer to the coming from the fox as the goat is, or the winter and to other winters beyond. Belgian hare, or whatever else those White furs, especially for youth, will clever manipulators of skins know be good style, at least as long as any how to fashion into things of beauty. furs continue to be good style.

The Skeleton Petticoat



A flounce suspended by ribbons, to | elastic cord with narrow taffeta ribbon be worn in place of a silk petticoat, is shirred over it. The ribbons suspendthe very latest device for comfort and ing the flounce are sewed to this belt style. Everyone wants the fashion- and to the flounce. No fastening is able flare at the bottom of skirts, and required, as the elastic cord holds the everyone likes the elegance of silk petticoat in place about the waist, in petticoats. But no one wants added warmth about the body, or bulk about shell-pink taffeta and satin ribbon, with the hips, and here is the solution to narrow ruffles of the ribbon set on the the flare without anything else to flounce in three overlapping rows. The hamper its wearer.

The skeleton petticoat is merely a ribbon and lace decorations are inmore or less fancy and fluffy flounce numerable. of silk suspended by ribbons from a This petticoat will commend itself ribbon belt. The very practical one to the stout woman especially, and shown in the picture is made of bright to anyone who wishes to be as lightly green taffeta silk. Eight lengths of clothed in warm weather as it is posgreen taffeta ribbon suspend it from sible to be a belt of the same ribbon which ties in a small bow about the waist. This is a good color to wear with almost any street gown.

A petticoat of this kind to be worn on the scene with a beautiful erect with lingerie gowns is made of white figure, a free swing to her walk and taffeta in a flounce having decorations with clothing of sufficient width to of figured taffeta. The figured taffeta permit her to be graceful in her car--usually a flowered pattern on a riage. The stooped shoulders with white ground-is cut in strips two head bent forward and slouching gait inches wide and "pinked" along each once assumed by those who wanted to edge. These strips are sewed to attain the extreme in styles, have engether and plaited into very full box tirely passed and, like an old-fash plaits to form a narrow ruching. This loned dress of several seasons ago is sewed in festoons to the white will be discarded by those who care

The belt is made by covering a flat manner of carrying themselves.

To Mend Gloves.

a piece of tape two inches long and To mend kid gloves satisfactorily one-quarter inch wide. Loop tape remove all ragged edges with a small, through two eyes of buttonhole, so sharp pair of scissors. Buttonhole that the ends hang even on the back firmly both edges to be mended with of button. Pass the ends through the cotton thread (never use silk, as it hole left by the fastener, spread them cuts), using a very fine needle. Then out flat in opposite directions and bring these edges together and button- overcast both edges finely. This meth- the Cambria Steel company at full hole. A glove mended this way can- od is useful in sewing buttons on a not pull out or rip and will stand the child's underwaist.

enough for fashion to change their

A similar petticoat is made of light

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

Erect Figure Correct.

The fashionable girl of 1915 appears

hardest kind of wear. When the fastener comes off your glove pull out the other half of the fastener and No victory is obtained without sufwork a buttonhole. Get a button and fering.



(Conducted by the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union.)

THE DEED OF GIFT.

Archbishop Ireland tells the following story of a total abstinence pledge that had a fixed economic value:

"I was strolling on a summer evening along one of the streets in the upper town of St. Paul, Minnesota, The figure of a friend of mine was seen hammering a piece of wood in front of a newly built cottage. I approached with the salute: 'Well, Patrick, what are you doing here? Industrying, answered he, 'putting some last touches to this house of mine.' This house of yours?' I replied. 'Have you had the money to pay for this fine building?' 'Yes, indeed, this house is paid for and so is the next house, mine also; one to live in, the other to be rented to some neighbor. My wonder grew. 'Why, how is this, Patrick? (remember well when you had very little money. 'So do I remember, replied Patrick, but I have found the money. You, Father Ireland, gave it Still more did my wonder grow. 'Come inside,' continued Patrick, and in an instant, following his quick pace, I was upstairs in Patrick's bedroom. 'Look here,' he said, 'this is the deed of gift.' I looked. On the wall above the bed, nicely framed, was the document, 'I promise to abstain during my lifetime from all intoxicating drinks. Signed, Patrick - Witnessed, John Ireland. The mystery of the two houses, the property of Patrick, was explained. With gladsome hand I saluted him; with warm heart I prayed for further success to the cause of total abstinence.

OF INTEREST TO MASONS

The attention of the Masonic order has been called to the fact that the sale of liquor in hotels and saloons on Sunday is a Masonic crime. Fol lowing is the text of a letter sent by Attorney Joe Beatty Burtt, chairman of the crime prevention committee of the Fraternal Education association to the various Masonic bodies in Chica-

"Dear Friends and Brothers: Doubt less you have noticed in the daily press that the Chicago loop hotels (except the Blackstone and Great Northern) have formed a combination to violate the law of Illinois. The managers of some of these hotels are thirty-second degree Masons and be long to Oriental Consistory Since the violation of state laws by a member of the Masonic fraternity is a Masonic crime, I am calling your attention to this open, brazen, and notorious offense of some of our ignorant and less informed brethren with the hope that they will overcome their own selfish blindness and correct an error of their ways. I am also informed that some of the Masonic lodges in Chicago are deriving profit from the lawlessness that prevails in our city. No doubt you will agree with me that the time is ripe, in Chicago at any rate, when the canning process should be applied to commercialized fraternity."

THE RED FLAG.

small red flag to play with and ex- promote healthy hair-growing condiplained that on the road the red flag signifies danger. Would you stop your train if you saw a red flag on the track?" she asked. "Yes." he said. "or there might be an accident." After her papa had left, the little girl thought of what she might do to help, and at last she thought of the red flag, and what her papa had told her it stands for Going to the sideboard, she firmly fastened the flag to the decanter, and then went to bed satisfied. The father came home, went to the sideboard for the usual nightcap, but saw the flag and understood and heeded the warn-

NOT LIQUID BREAD.

In a pamphlet entitled, "Alcohol and the Power of Resistance," distributed among the recruits of the German army, the following statement concerning beer is made:

"There is no justification for calling beer 'liquid bread;' a glass of heavy beer costing 25 pfennigs, has no more nourishment than a piece of cheese costing one pfennig. Almost all excesses and disturbances in the army are traced to drink. It is mostly beer that causes the mischief. Beer is not the harmless drink that it is supposed

ENEMY IS RECOGNIZED.

Trying times have searched out the weaknesses caused by the demon rum and the evil that it does stands appar ways of developing the flounce with ent. From the ignorant Villa in Mexico to the king of England, from the president of the French republic to the czar of all the Russias, men of intelligence and concern for their fellow man have recognized the enemy of a sound body and a good mind .-Chicago Tribune.

BEFORE AND AFTER.

The public officials of Clarksburg, W. Va., are quoted by the Clarksburg Telegram as saying that but oneseventh as many arrests were made in the city during July, August, September and October under prohibition as were made during the corresponding months of last year. Three members of the police force have been cut off as a result of prohibition.

HOMES WITHER. Where the saloons flourish the homes wither.-The Pioneer.

CURB ON DRINKING.

The Cambria Steel company of Johnstown, Pa., has taken official steps to curb all drinking by its empleyees on the principle that any man has a right to drink if he wants to, but no man has a right to drink and expect to sell his lessened efficiency to

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Tommy Set Right.

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Corporal - Habdomen be 'anged! Stomick, you mean. It's honly hofficers as 'as habdomens.-Boston Evening Transcript.

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No Place for That Boy. "Joseph," said the grocer to his new

boy "what have you been doing in the back room so long?" "Pickin' the dead flies out of the currents, sir," Joseph answered brisk-

The grocer's lip curled. "So that's

what you were doing, is it, Joseph?" he said. "And your father told me that he knew you were cut out for the grocery trade. Well, Joseph, you'd better study for the ministry."-London Opinion.

Easily Influenced. "You don't mean to tell me that you find inspiration in a moving picture

"Indeed I do," said the tireless patron. "When I see so much splendor and magnificence supported by the humble fitney, the presence of three or four of those coins in my pocket makes me feel like a millionaire.

Restricted Sport. "I feel the call of the wild this morning," said the head bookkeeper. "What do you think of doing?" asked his first assistant

"Of course, I can't get away now, but if my present mood lasts long, I shall certainly drop into a shooting gallery during the lunch hour,"

Her Regret. She-If I'd rejected you would you have given me up?

He-Not much! I'd have kept right on trying to win you if you'd turned me down a hundred times. She-Ah, what a lot of fun I missed. Boston Evening Transcript.

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Landlord Likes Chess Players. "Are you a chess player?" a landlord asked a prospective tenant. "I much prefer to have my house occupled by chess players."

"No. I am not a chess player and I can't account for such a singular preference," replied the would-be tenant. "It is simple enough," said the landlord. "Chess players move so seldom and farely without great deliberation." -New York Globe.

A Germ Crank, The Author (describing his play)-And then the villain is made to bite

The Lady-How very insanitary!

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INDIVIDUALITY AS A FACTOR

Impossible to Separate What Is, and

Must Be, the Part of Man's

Own Being.

Any attempt to define the ultimate

There is a saying of Bishop But-

ler's which might well be recommend-

ed to the philosopher: "Everything is

So individuality is simply individ-

uality; and the attempt to discover

some further meaning for the word

to suggest that a man's true ego is

nothing more than his character.

We might be tempted, for instance,

But individuality goes deeper even

Character changes; the individual

Thus a man who in his youth is hon-

est may meet with temptations that

make him a thief; so, too, the senti-

The changing character is no more

than a manifestation of the individ-

Safety First.

policemen have been instructed to

keep their uniform coats tightly but-

Egbert-Gee! St. Louis must have

some very clever watch thieves.

Bacon-This paper says St. Louis

mentalist may become a cynic.

can only lead to error.

than character.

uality beneath.

toned when on duty.

remains the same.

what it is, and not another thing."

spirit of the individual seems doomed

they buy too many things they don't pens made of tantalum outwear those made of steel or gold.

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