

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

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THE LESSON TEXT.

6. And the Lord called yet again, Samuel, and Samuel arose and went to Eli, and said, Here am I; for thou didst call me.

7. Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, neither was the word of the Lord yet revealed unto him.

8. And the Lord called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli, and said, Here am I; for thou didst call me.

9. Therefore Eli said unto Samuel, Go, lie down: and it shall be, if he call thee, that thou shalt say, Speak, Lord; for thy servant heareth.

10. And the Lord came, and stood, and called as at other times, Samuel, Samuel. Then Samuel answered, Speak; for thy servant heareth.

11. And the Lord said to Samuel, Behold, I will do a thing in Israel, at which both the ears of every one that heareth it shall tingle.

12. In that day I will perform against Eli all things which I have spoken concerning his house; when I begin, I will also make an end.

13. For I have told him that I will judge his house forever for the iniquity which he knoweth; because his sons made themselves vile, and he restrained them not.

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Persons in other walks of life are

batting the farmer on the back be-

cause the census

Prosperity bureau has just re-

Misuses a Few. ported the number

of farms in the United States on June

1, 1903, as being 5,739,657, with a total

valuation, including implements, ma-

chinery and live stock, of \$20,514,601,-

638. It certainly sounds well, as does

the gross farm income for 1899, com-

puted at \$2,764,177,766. But there are

very many farmers who receive the

congratulations of city friends with a

sardonic smile. These are not only

the owners of the 53,000 farms, rang-

ing in size from 1 to 1,000 acres, who

reported "no income" from their crops

or annual products, but they are the

hard-working "chastisers of the soil"

everywhere, even in those most im-

portant states in the agriculture of

the country, New York, Pennsylvania,

Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa and Mis-

souri. An agent for a large eastern

manufacture of threshing machines,

steam plows, traction engines, etc.,

spoke of the matter to a group of men

in the corridor of a hotel. "My busi-

ness," said he, "is sometimes a rather

painful one. It takes me among the

big and little farmers in the south,

west and northwest. If some of them

are as prosperous as the census makes

them out I'll be hanged if they know

it. I happen to know they're not, and

I know it even better than a large

number of them know it themselves.

Why doesn't the census give the total

amount of mortgages held against the

farms in the United States? Because

it can't. I don't mean the mortgages

against the land and tenements only,

though those figures would crush you.

Why, a few years ago there were \$2,-

000,000,000 against the farms of Kansas

alone. But there's something besides,

and that's where my business comes

in. We're one of a dozen big concerns

that sell traction engines. It doesn't

take much talk to induce a farmer to

buy a \$2,000 machine on easy terms

which will do the work of eight or ten

men. He can hitch one of our multi-

ple plows to it, do his own and the

threshing of his neighbors, run it into

the woods and use it as a sawmill. It's

a fine thing, and he raises some money

on notes, or pledges his crop and gives

us a chattel mortgage on the machine

for the balance. He's a mighty proud

and stuck up farmer—until I turn up

and sue out that mortgage. Of course

some of them make the machines pay

for themselves. But many farmers do

not seem to know enough to keep their

farming implements, let alone them-

selves, out of the wet, and such deli-

cate machinery as ours must always

be kept dry, well oiled and in perfect

repair. Well, in a year or two the

average machine is a sight. We are

ready to take it in hand, and I am

there to jog the poor farmer along

and get our money out of him, or the

forced sale of the mortgaged goods

follows."

Men have been carried to financial

success by fortunate circumstances

Effort Versus which they

had no control,

Good Luck. and as long as the

human race exists examples will be

found of pure luck acting to shape

some men's careers. The rule, how-

ever, says Mahin's Magazine, is that

each must work out his own destiny,

and the men who are entitled to the

highest credit for great things ac-

complished are those who have

created conditions by the force of

their brains and hands. The best

ultimate results are reached by those

who have formed a definite purpose

and who have refused to be influ-

enced by forces tending to turn them

into any other road than that in

which they had decided to travel. In

all professions and in all business

this principle has illustrations and

it may be said to be one of the basic

laws of successful effort.

The Mississippi river catfish, very

much neglected in this part of the

country, has gone east, like many an-

other suffering from lack of appreci-

ation, and acquired fame. He has

been "introduced" in eastern rivers

into good society, and is ranked by

fishermen the equal of the best bass

as a game fish and "fully as tooth-

some." In the Potomac he is multiply-

ing and making a name for himself

that seemed to be denied him in the

west.

The seasons seem to have turned

themselves topsyturvy. Women were

wearing furs in Paris in August be-

cause the weather was so cold. It

was only 45 degrees above zero in

Italy about the same time, and here in

the United States there was a heavy

frost in the White mountains and in

the northwest. If the general average

for the year is to be maintained there

will have to be warm weather in De-

ember.

Some young men have got rich wa-

tering stock in Wall street, but this

was a chance. A better place to "wa-

ter stock" is on a farm. Any young

man who will raise all he can water

and feed will make a success, if he has

any business judgment at all.

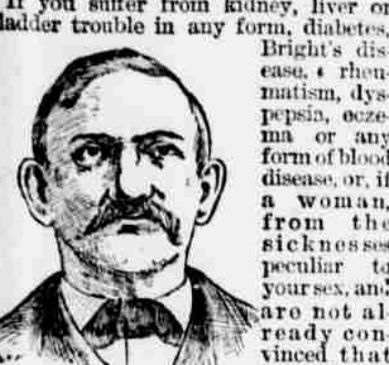
Johann Most, who has served terms

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Contemptible Young Chap.

Ethel—Why, what's the matter, Gertrude?

Gertrude—Oh, nothing. Only Jack and I had a quarrel the other day, and I wrote and told him never to dare speak or write to me again—and the wretch hasn't even had the decency to answer my letter.—Tit-Bits.

Feminine Charity.

Tom—I don't see what Miss Thirty-odd ever married such a homely chap for. He must have been her last chance.

Nell—On the contrary, I imagine he was her first.—Chicago Daily News.

An Eye to the Future.

Her Father—Why do you encourage that young poet? Don't you know that poets are always poor?

Daughter—Yes, papa; but he writes such beautiful love letters. They will be worth a great deal of money if he ever becomes famous.—Judge.

Her Ingenious Scheme.

"Maggie," said the housewife, severely, "you don't seem to have breakfast on time any more."

"No, mum," replied the girl. "It's hard to wake up, but if you'd call me, mum, I could have it on time."

"But it's not my place to call you. I want to be called myself."

"Yes, mum," answered the girl, solemnly; "I know it, an' if you'll call me, mum, then I'll get up an' call you."—Chicago Post.

Unnecessarily Cruel.

"And did you have your maid incarcerated for stealing your jewels?" asked Mrs. Oldcastle.

"Oh, my, no! Josiah was reading to me the other night about the way a man's body was incarcerated at one of them crematory places, because he made them promise to do it before he died, but I'd never think of treating a person that way for just stealing."

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Don't Know It.

How To Find Out.

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