

### WASHINGTON LETTER.

Special to The Commercial.

Washington, Dec. 13.—The atmosphere around the Capitol is in marked contrast to that of the late special session. The second session of the 63rd Congress opened with practically a full attendance in both the Senate and the House, and with a great appearance of vim and zest for the work before it. The jaded Senate perked up and began the consideration of the banking and currency bill, which the majority undertook to crowd through before Christmas under the threat that unless the bill were passed there would be no holidays. There was opposition to the program of meeting at 10 o'clock in the morning instead of at 12, as usual, and of continuing until 10 or 11 o'clock at night. The republicans thought that this was too strenuous, and they complained that such a program would give them no time to attend to correspondence, committee meetings, or to the various matters which should occupy their attention.

Protests were not kindly received however by Senator Kern, leader of the majority, and his democratic colleagues. They endeavored to force their plan upon the minority, which snubbed and showed resentment by repeated demands for roll calls on the plea that there was no quorum. On last Thursday evening when 11 o'clock the hour of adjournment approached, the absence of a quorum was noted and the minority refused to adjourn until Sergeant at arms sent out and secured enough Senators to make a quorum. Eight Senators were found at a "get together" banquet given at a hotel by Senator Chamberlain of Oregon. Senator Walsh was making a speech, and as soon as he was through the Senators were rushed in taxis to the Capitol. It broke up the banquet. Such incidents show the determination of the democratic leaders to get the new currency and banking bill passed.

#### HETCH HETCHY DEBATE.

The Hetch Hetchy bill introduced to cause delay in the currency legislation program, but as that was to be disposed of on the 8th, it could not be said to be serious, although it annoyed the majority. Senator Works made a long speech in opposition to the bill, which also had warm champions. It provides, as is now very generally understood, that the Government shall give the city of San Francisco reservoir privileges in a portion of the Yosemite reserve, not what is generally known as Yosemite Park, but in the high Sierras which have heretofore been practically inaccessible to tourists, in order that it may store water from the Tuolumne river and piped it to the city by the bay, developing incidentally a large amount of water power for electrical energy. Senator Works created a mild sensation by references to the "lobby" that was working for the bill, mentioning particularly the name of Gifford Pinchot. It was reported that Theodore A. Bell, the democratic political leader of San Francisco, was working just as hard against it. Because of the opposition of the "nature lovers" to the use of a part of the public domain for the benefit of San Francisco, there has been created a wide-spread interest in this effort of San Francisco to secure an ample and assured supply of pure water.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney, & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only Constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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The Salisbury Cemetery Co., are selling desirable lots at an economical price. John J. Livengood, President. George E. Yoder, Secretary and Treasurer. mch 18-14

## INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(By E. O. SELLERS, Director of Evening Department, The Moody Bible Institute, Chicago.)

### LESSON FOR DECEMBER 21

DIVISION OF THE LAND.

LESSON TEXT—Joshua 14:1-14. GOLDEN TEXT—"Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."—Matt. 6:33.

Following the defeat at Ai we see Joshua building an altar at Ebal (ch. 8) and reading again "all that Moses commanded" (v. 35), to the Israelites and the strangers as well. Then follows an account of his campaigns. A military critic has classed Joshua with the Alexanders, Caesars, Napoleons, Wellingtons and Grants of all ages. His dealing with the Gibeonites and its after effects was one error in his campaign, for he failed to take counsel of Jehovah. At the close of the war (ch. 11) Joshua is ready to divide the long-promised inheritance, chapters 12-21.

I. Those left behind, vv. 1-5. Read carefully Numbers ch. 32 to recall the story of those who, like Lot of old, saw good grazing land and chose it in preference to that on the farther side of Jordan, that possessed by the "children of Anak." Subsequent history reveals the foolishness of their choice, for they were the first to fall before the enemies of Israel when the kingdom was broken up. The Levites (v. 4) were not to have a portion but rather they were to dwell in selected cities with suburban property.

Caleb Not an Israelite. II. Caleb claims his inheritance, vv. 6-12. Joshua was old and stricken in years (13:1) and now Israel is before him, each of the remaining nine and one-half tribes, to have apportioned unto them a permanent dwelling place after the long years of wilderness wandering, and the more recent campaign of subjugation. Before Joshua casts the lot, however, Caleb recalls the promise Moses had made to him 45 years before (v. 10). From a comparison of v. 6 R. V., Gen. 15:19 and Josh. 15:13 it appears that Caleb was not an Israelite by birth, but nevertheless he claims an inheritance among them, based upon the promise of Moses, "the man of God," because he had "wholly followed the Lord my God" v. 9. His name literally means "a dog"—yet this dog of a Gentile got more than the crumbs that fell from the master's table, Matt. 15:26. Caleb rested upon the sure word of God, and to remember this promise was not an act of selfishness. How those events in the valley of Eschel must have stood out in the memory of Caleb and Joshua. They remembered how their companions caused the hearts of the people "to melt" Num. 14:37. That day's work was one of serious results and so shall it be for their imitators of the present day. To see the giants and not, as Caleb, to see God had brought death. In his heart, however, Caleb treasured God's word and now at eighty-five he has not alone been "kept alive," but he is as strong as on that day, when in the prime of his manhood, Moses had sent him forth with the twelve.

Remembered God's Promise. III. A promise fulfilled vv. 13-15. Joshua at once recognizes the justice and validity of Caleb's claim. He remembered God's promise, Num. 14:24-30; Deut. 1:36-38, therefore he at once grants the request and adds to it his blessing. Hebron, means "joining," "union," "fellowship." Thus we see Caleb entering into all the rights, privileges and blessings of any of the descendants of Jacob. Is this not typical of our privilege in Christ Jesus? John 15:5; 14:20; 1 John 1:3. See also Matt. 8:11, 12. The only condition is that of faith in God and in his Word, Gal. 3:7, 26, 29. "Thus faith in the case of Caleb is revealed as the principle which follows fully, waits patiently, asks for new opportunities for its exercise, and gains finally a victory."—G. Campbell Morgan.

The Golden Text. The essential value of this lesson is expressed in these words of our Lord. To seek the kingdom of God and his righteousness first, is the matter of supreme importance and involves following the Lord fully. Frequently, constantly, this means a long postponement of the day of our visible vindication. Yet such postponement is not the result of the capriciousness of God, nor is it delayed beyond the hour necessary for the working out of the plans of Jehovah, in accordance with the very best means. As Caleb waited those 45 years his strength waxed not, and all things needful were supplied. The point is not so much that he at last gained the inheritance, but that during the period of waiting his sustenance and his raiment were provided. All through the year we have been hearing of promises which were conditional upon loyalty to God and obedience to his will. Today we see a fulfillment of the promise made over and over again that Israel should possess the Promised Land. Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman asked Gen. William Booth for the secret of his success in the Salvation Army and his reply was, "God has had all there was of me." Caleb's was a vigorous, happy old age; he had not wasted anxious thought on the morrow; he kept alive his interest in the ever-throbbing present.

### Flies Linger in Warm Rooms.

A correspondent from Northampton county wrote to Prof. H. A. Surface, State Zoologist, Harrisburg, Pa., and asked how to destroy "flies which invade the house in the early fall and flourish until spring, when they disappear." The reply of Prof. Surface contains information that will be helpful to many housewives, and is as follows:

"To get rid of flies that pass the winter in your room, I can say that the best thing to do is to open the windows on some cold night when it is frosty, and let them get cold and stiff, and in the morning sweep or brush them together and destroy them. This is perhaps the most effective and least expensive method that can be used.

"The flies get into the rooms in the fall of the year, because they find the temperature warmer than the outside. They pass the winter in this congenial place. They may not do any particular harm there, but it will not be difficult to try this method of getting rid of them.

"Several species hibernate in houses but the reason is doubtless because the temperature is more congenial to them. It is not because they are there for any special purpose of committing depredations. Of course they can be killed by fumigating with carbon bisulphide or hydrocyanic acid gas, but this is expensive and troublesome, and the method mentioned above will be sufficiently easy without trying anything further."

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Methodist Episcopal church services, Rev. G. A. Neeld pastor—Services at 10:30 a. m. Sunday school 9:30 a. m. Epworth League at 6:45 p. m. Evening service at 7:30.

St. Philip and James, Catholic church, Rev. J. J. Brady, pastor.—Mass next Sunday 9 and 11 a. m.; Vespers and Benediction at 7:30 p. m.

Church of the Brethren—Preaching 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School, 9:30 a. m. Christian Workers Meeting at 6:30 p. m. Bible Class, Saturday evening, 7:30 p. m. Teacher Training classes meet Monday evening 7 and 8 o'clock, respectively. Sunday School Workers Meeting, Friday evening, 30th inst., at 7:30.

Preaching services in the Lutheran church at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., next on Sunday, December 21st.

Revival services at the Christian church will close Sunday with a rally of the Sunday school at 10 a. m. Roll call of the church at 11 a. m. Sermon by J. A. Hopkins. Morning, "The Church's Great Quiet Hour." 2:30 p. m. "What Meyersdale Needs and How to Get Them." Preaching also on Thursday and Friday nights.

Brethren Church, H. L. Goughnour pastor.—In the morning a Christmas sermon by the pastor at 10:30 a. m. in the M. E. church at Boynton. In the evening the congregation will meet with the Reformed congregation in the Sunday school and Social building of the Reformed church where a Christmas Cantata will be rendered by the combined choirs of the congregations. Also, in the evening at 7:30 a Christmas program will be rendered in the church at Summit Mills by the Christian Endeavor and Sunday school of that church. All are cordially invited to these special services.

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