YEAR'S GREETINGS

eads of Canada's Western Provinces, and Their Message.

United States having been in great world's war for about nine ths, the touch of war's spirit has meated the great commonwealth, in every hamlet and district is felt shown the interest that was to be sected from a people whose love of liberty and justice rises supreme to all Day by day their appreciation else. of what it means to give up now for the future happiness of themselves and the generations that follow grows greater and greater. There will be losses of loved ones, but there will be no badge of mourning to indicate the great sorrow that will be felt. It is realized that the sacrifice is the toll that is demanded for making the whole world better, and, sensing this, there Is preparation and willingness to sacrifice until the goal-the defeat and downfall of despotism-is assured. When the people look back, and see what Canada has done, and learn that Canada today is bigger and better than ever, they will take heart, and with increasingly growing vigor carry on with a greater courage. Canada has been In the war for three and a half years. She has sent 400,000 out of a population of eight million, she has subscribed to Victory Bonds over and over again and there is no sound of a whimper. At each demand that is made upon her resources, she meets it, and gets ready for the next. Recently her people were asked to subscribe \$300,000,000. She handed over \$460,-000.000.

Having already contributed 400,000 soldiers, Canada was recently asked to approve of sending another 100,000. With a sweeping majority, consent was given.

How the war affects Canada is best shown by the willingness of the people to contribute. They, too, realize the great and noble part they are taking in this great conflict. They are a unit on making the world better. Canada's wealth was never shown to better advantage than in the present struggle. It possesses great wealth in the soil, in its mines, its other natural resources, and wonderful riches in the tenacity and courage of its men and its women. The soil and the climate, and the hardihood and determination of the farming class to win, by cultivating and cultivating, growing wheat and raising cattle to build up the resources necessary to carry on the war, are factors that will count.

Probably the best word of encouragement comes from the Premiers of the three great provinces where the bulk of the food products will come When one reads what these from. men, prominent in their country say, it gives inspiration. If there are any who may be pessimistic of the future, the message that these gentlemen send forward should remove all doubt. Three and a half years in the war, able to speak as they do, the future should look bright to those who may have their seasons of doubt!

Hon. T. C. Norris, Premier of Manitoba, says:

"Manitoba has prospered exceedingly during the year 1917, and the _ w year finds us not only still ready and willing, but unceasingly able to bear whatever burdens the fourth year of being essentially an agricultural Province at the present time, these conditions are a source of great gratification to our people, and no doubt will be to Canada as a whole-taking into consideration the fact that Alberta forms no small part of the granary to which the Empire at present looks as the source of its food supply."-Advertisement.

Little Circulated His Way.

Bacon-This report tells us that the total circulation of money in the United States last year was \$3,419,168,368. Egbert-Well, now I understand what my doctor meant when he told me my troubles came from poor cir culation.

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There is only one medicine that really stands out pre-eminent as a medicine for curable ailments of the kidneys, liver and bladder.

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Who Would Not?

Bacon-Which do you enjoy the most, the day or the night time? Egbert-Well, you see, on one side of my house is a shop where they test boilers all day, and on the other side

lives a man who is testing his violin nearly all night. Come to think of it I think I enjoy the day time more.

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will quiet your cough, soothe the inflammation of a sore throat and lungs, stop irritation in the bronchial tubes. insuring a good night's rest, free from coughing and with easy expectoration in the morning. Made and sold in America for fifty-two years. A wonderful prescription, assisting Nature in building up your general health and throwing off the disease. Especially useful in lung trouble, asthma, croup, bronchitis, etc. For sale in all civilized countries .- Adv.

Camouflage.

"I didn't much care about the way Josh's clothes looked down to camp,' commented Farmer Corntossel.

"Hasn't he his regular uniform?" "Not yet. If they're going to keep him dressed that way in hopes of deceiving the enemy into thinking he's just an obscure peasant or something, what I say is that it's carrying this new kermoofling idea too far!"

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is an acute attack of Nasal Catarrh. Per-sons who are subject to frequent "coids in the head" will find that the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will build up the System, cleanse the Blood and reader them less liable to colds. Repeated attacks of Acute Catarrh may lead to Chronic Catarrh. Hepeated attacks of Acute Catarrh may lead to Chronic Catarrh. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE is tak-en internally and acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. All Druggists 75c. Testimonials free. 500000 for any case of catarrh that HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will not

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TLXT-How shall we escape if we neg-lect so great salvation?-Heb. 2:3.

It is very evident that the salvation here spoken of is that which God has provided for us in and through his the Lord son, Jesus Christ. It could be none other, for there never

was, there is not, and there never will be another calvation that can e spoken of as so great. God Provided.

The very fact that God has provided salvation makes it great. lacob of old was ight when be said:

"I have waited, O God, for thy alvation," and the Psalmist spoke truly when he said: "Salvation becageth unto the Lord our God." Many have the idea that salvation

is something that originates with man; an effort by which he attempts to extricate himself from sin. Contrary to this notion is the fact that salvation is of God. He is the author of it. It originated in his heart of love, was wrought out of his will and has the marks of his handiwork upon it.

When the fullness of time came God sent his Son to be the savior of the world. From the lofty heights of heaven he came to the lowest depths of death and on Calvary's cross he bore our sins in his own body, putting them away by the sacrifice of himself. Thus, you see, salvation of which God is the author, is also wrought out by God and this makes it great. Salvation Preached.

Salvation which is provided by God is made known through preaching. "It pleased God," we read, "by the foclishness of preaching to save them that believe." This is the way the good news is made known. Human lips proclaim the gospel. It might suit man to have it made known some other way, but this is God's way of telling sinners about the salvation he has provided. It has pleased him to do it this way, and Christ commanded his followers to preach the gospel to all creatures.

But what avail is it to hear the gospel if one does not accept it? Hearing the gospel is not sufficient to save one. It must be accepted if it is to be in one's life the power of God unto salvation. The way to make it one's own is to believe it, that is, believe it with a faith that acts upon it. It may help us to understand this better if we say, that the one who really believes the gospel is the one who trusts himself to Christ to be saved by Christ and by him alone. It is not enough to believe there was a Christ; that would be simply an historical faith; or to believe that Christ is the Savior; that would be only a religious faith. It is necessary in addition to these to trust oneself personally to Christ as one's own Savior: this is saving faith. Surely, this makes salvation great.



is our sins.-Luke 11:4. INTERMEDIATE TOPIC-Jesus healng soul and body. SENIOR AND ADULT TOPIC-Jesus eting man's deenest need

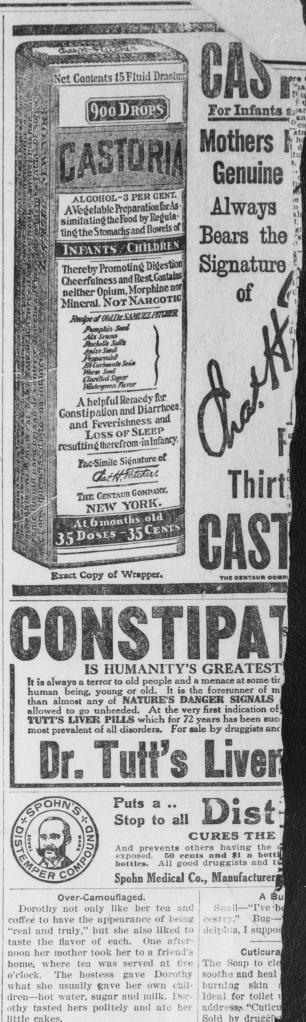
This is one of the most dramatic, spectacular incidents recorded in the Bible. It is a good illustration for Sunday school teachers on how to tell story by imagining what one would aturally do. We ought to have our scholars see with their imagination, he story of this lesson as though they vere eye-witnesses of the whole scene. The time was about May or June A. D. 28, the second year of Jesus' ministry, a few weeks following the last lesson, during which time he had been preaching and healing in the surrounding Bountry.

I. Introduction. Jesus could testify in a home as well as before the multitudes. Indeed it was after having testified in the home (v. 1.) that the crowds gathered about the doorway, for it was not known that he was there. until some days after he had been in the house. Luke tells us that the crowds which came, came not only from Galilee but Judea and even Jerusalem. Jesus did his work so well in the home that wherever he was, the world wore a path to his doorway. Notice verse two; when the crowd gathered about, he spoke unto them "the word." In this we see a parable. Many a successful man, when he becomes popular, forgets to preach the pure Gospel, the Word of Life.

II. An Impelling Need (vv. 3:4). This man who had paralysis, i. e., disabled on one side, was not only deprived of his sensation but his power of motion. As to the cause of his difficulty, his previous character of life, there is no word of suggestion. We see abundant evidence today, however, to know that many such cases are the results of our own debaucheries and one would gather from the course which Jesus pursued with this man that perhaps his case was likewise the result of his early sin. The teacher might well read in this connection Luke 16:11-19. Of course, this man may not have been a prodigal son. Nevertheless, he had as much suffering as though he had been and as far as he himself was concerned, he was helpless, a picture of all sinners. He, however, had friends, very enterprising ones. And so putting him upon the double quilt or coverlet, which could be rolled together in a bundle of moderate size, they carried him into the presence of the master.

III. Jesus Forgives and Defends His Rights (vv. 5:12). The crowd was so great about the house that "they could pot come nigh unto him for the press." They were not, however, discouraged; but leaving the crowd, they went up the usual outside stairs, bearing the

sick man with them unto the roof



the war may bring.

"Manitoba farmers, generally speak ing, have never been in better condition to carry on. Out of her prosperity Manitoba is giving lavishly toward the winning of the war. Every appeal for funds has met with quick and generous response. The people of the Province are well settled into the collar in all war efforts. There's a spirit of determination, of willingness to make sac rifices, of confidence in the certain outcome, of which there is no room for pessimism. Manitoba will carry on.

Saskatchewan had a prosperous and successful year in 1917, and when Premier Martin sent out his New Year message it was filled with an optimism that was fully warranted.

"There is no doubt that the province today is in a better condition financially than ever before. True, the effects of the town and city real estate boom have not altogether passed away, but speaking generally, the farmers on the plains and the merchants in the towns are in a better financial position today than at any previous time. Our people are industrious and progressive.

"While we have in some portions of the Province a mixed population, education and scientific methods are making rapid strides and we are looking forward with every confidence to a glorious future and the development of a people on the central plains of Canada, of which the whole Dominion and the British Empire will have every reason to be proud."

While Alberta has given over to the r housands of her virile manhood, taking from the farmer a large mentage of its producers, it still ands up big and buoyant. The farm h thus temporarily removed means a demand for farm help and increased farm effort to till its highly productive acres. Hon. Chas. Stewart, Premier of Alberta, in a message to the people on the 1st of January, speaks with such buoyancy and hope of the future and so highly of the work of the past year, that his statement is reproduced. He says:

"The prosperity of the farming communities is reflected in the towns and cities by increased wholesale business and bank clearances. Wholesalers re-port increases from 20 per cent to 25 per cent and their collections the best In the history of the Province. Alberta

Proper Place. "Pop, where are they going to put the bulls they are driving on the ship?" "In the steerage, my son."

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What It Does.

And then salvation is great, because of what it does. It brings to those who believe the forgiveness of sins. "Through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins and by him all that believe are justified from all things." Think of it! God forgives and justifies those who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ. No matter what one's sins may be, the provision God has made, if accepted, is sufficient to meet the need. The guiltiest sinner in the world will be forgiven if he is willing to turn away from his sin and accept the Lord Jesus Christ as his Savior.

But salvation does not stop there, for God not only forgives our sins, but he gives us power over sin. That is, he puts his own life within us when we believe, and because of this new life which is his own, we have power over sin. That is why the drunkard who is saved quits his cups; why the swearer no longer curses, why the harlot and the libertine change their ways. It is not because they have resolved to do better, but because God has actually entered their lives. That is what is meant by being born of God. It is having the very life of God himself put within one's soul and a salvation that does that is truly great. No matter then what our ancestry may be on the human side, if we are true believers in the Lord Jesus Christ, we have been born from above and by this new birth are the only genuine aristocrats on earth, the children of God.

No Escape.

The text asks, How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation? Frankly, I do not know, do you? If there is only one way of being saved, and we do not take that way, what escape is there for us from the wrath and judgment of God against sin? "Neither is Peter, preaching, said: there salvation in any other; for there Is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." This makes it very clear that there is no other way of being saved apart from Christ, and since this is so, surely, salvation is great.

What must one do to be saved? "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved, and thy house."

which "they uncovered"-literally they dug through the flat roof made of branches and twigs and covered with earth, and which could be as easily repaired. Travelers in eastern countries have often seen a similar act performed even in this day. They then let down the bed or mattress by the four corners. The roof was so low that no cords were needed and those below received the man from the hands of the four upon the roof and placed him in front of Jesus. Jesus commends "their.deed" as indicated in all three of the Gospel records. Not alone physical obstacles had to be overcome, but the attitude of the scribes (v. 7). Was it right, was it honest to break through the roof of a man's house? Would they make it good? Was the owner glad to have had it done? Jesus did not hesitate or speculate over such questions, but goes at once to the issue and said to the man sick of the palsy, "Son, be of good cheer, thy sins be (are) forgiven thee." See Matthew's and Mark's account. "Son," is a word of endearment; the word "be" is not as strong in the old form as the word "are" forgiven. Jesus went at once to the unhealed wound in the soul, the sense of unforgiven sin. Forgiveness is not of the judge who sentences "not guilty," but a father who welcomes and restores one to sonship. It is restoration to life. The Bible story of the prodigal son and that scene pictured in the seventh chapter of Luke, the feast where Jesus dealt with a woman of the city, who ministers unto him, are good illustrations of the master's attitude of mind on this occasion. The scribes charged blasphemy which

is to slander God and speak treason against him. Blasphemy is practically uttered treason. He perceived their inmost thoughts and answered them (v. 9). To forgive sin, or to command the man to rise were both divine acts; he could do either; he proved one by the use of the other. His command to the young man to take up his bed was a test to be proved by the man's faith. That the cure was complete we know, for he immediate ly arose. To "arise" was a physical impossibility; to "take up his bed" permitted no relapse.

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"Why, Dorothy, you aren't drinking

your tea! Isn't it sweet enough?"

asked the hostess.

The men on the firing line represent the pick of our American youth. One in four of our boys at home was sick, re-jected because of physical deficiency. Many times the kidneys were to blame. If we wish to prevent old age coming on too soon, or if we want to increase our chances for a long life, Dr. Pierce of the Surgical institute, Buffalo, N. Y., says that you should drink plenty of water daily between meals. Then procure at your nearest drug store Anuric (double strength). This An-u-fic drives the urica acid out and cures backache and rheuma. keep him in a g tisn

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