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anatomy, physiology and medicine, before they can have assistance in collecting their bills.

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of November of that year, he was with his wife, for Shanghai,

here was a nearer relative.







Thursday, Jan. 4th, 1877.

## International Series.—Lesson for 1877.

## Lesson. First Quarter.

I. The Kingdom Divided. 1 Kings 12:12-20.

II. The Sin of Jeroboam. 1 Kings 12:25-32.

III. Omri and Ahab. 1 Kings 16:29-34.

IV. Elijah the Tishbite. 1 Kings 17:1-18.

V. Elijah and Ahab. 1 Kings 18:34-40.

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VII. Elijah and his Sacrifice. 1 Kings 18:47-48.

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IX. The Story of Naboth. 1 Kings 21:1-14.

X. Elijah Translated. 2 Kings 2:1-12.

XI. The Spirit on Elisha. 2 Kings 2:13-25.

XII. Review, or Lesson selected by the School.

## Second Quarter.

I. The Oil Increased. 2 Kings 4:1-7.

II. The Shunammite's Son. 2 Kings 4:25-27.

III. Naaman the Leper. 2 Kings 5:1-14.

IV. Gehazi the Leper. 2 Kings 5:26-27.

V. Elisha at Dothan. 2 Kings 6:1-7.

VI. The Famine in Samaria. 2 Kings 7:1-20.

VII. Jehu the King. 2 Kings 10:1-11.

VIII. Jonah at Nineveh. Jonah 1:1-17.

IX. The Death of Elisha. 2 Kings 13:17-21.

X. The Lamentation of Amos. Amos 8:1-13.

XI. The Promise of Revival. Hos. 14:1-9.

XII. The Captivity of Israel. 2 Kings 17:1-23.

XIII. Review Lesson (with Nah. 1:1-13).

## Third Quarter of 1877.

I. Paul in Cyprus. Acts 13:1-12.

II. Paul at Antioch. Acts 13:26-41.

III. Turning to the Gentiles. Acts 13:42-44.

IV. Paul at Lystra. Acts 14:8-20.

V. The Yoke Broken. Acts 15:1-21.

VI. Paul sent to Macedonia. Acts 16:1-10.

VII. Paul and Silas in Prison. Acts 16:23-34.

VIII. The Thessalonians and Bereans. Acts 17:1-14.

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5. Why did not Jeroboam keep his commandments?

Ans. Because he was proud and willful, and wanted his own way.

6. What did he do?

Ans. He made two calves of gold.

7. What did he tell the people?

Ans. That if they would go to Jerusalem, and that they could worship God by these images just as well as at the temple.

8. What had David told the people just before he died?

Ans. That, if they wanted to prosper, they must keep God's commandments.

9. What is the first commandment?

Ans. What made Jeroboam doubly wicked?

Ans. He not only sinned himself, but he made the people sin.

11. How did God punish him, and them? (See Golden Text.)

12. What does "giving them up" mean?

Ans. Letting their enemies take away their lands, and carry off their children.

13. Would the people have been punished for Jeroboam's sin, if they had obeyed God?

Ans. No, indeed.

14. Why does it say, "God gave them up for the sin of Jeroboam?"

Ans. Because Jeroboam led them into sin.

15. Would it not be sad if the day of judgment, to which you had made anybody do wrong, and that God would punish them for it?

Oh! let me never, never dare to set the example of sin.

But rather keep more watchful care of my own sinful heart.

## Puzzles.

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Johnny Green lived on one side of Jack and Jill's house, and Tommy Trout lived on the other. Now, Johnny was a very good boy, and Tommy was a very bad boy.

A yellow cat was sitting on the top of his little blue and white cage. And just as Johnny opened his eyes the bird began to sing with all its might.

Tommy Trout had a cat, and she was a bouncer, too. Tommy thought she was splendid, but she was yellow all over as she could possibly be, and was just the most uninteresting old cat you ever saw. Yellow is all right for a cat, but for a yellow cat to be so fat and so old, and to be so ugly, is too far for you to go up to Jerusalem, behold, these are the which brought you up out of Egypt.

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seat, and then went behind the door and watched through the crack—but no Charles Henry came. But Tommy Trout's cat came and ate all the poor man's pudding, and Johnny Green grew pale when he saw in the cat's whiskers a little yellow feather.

Yes, there was no doubt about it. Tommy Trout's cat had eaten Charles Henry, and little Johnny Green, forgetting all about the golden rule and his Sunday school lessons seized the yellow cat, and went, and threw her splash into the well!

Then there was a great time. They went and rang Tommy Trout's bell, and he came out and put down a long board with some poor man's pudding on the end, and the cat climbed up and they got her out at last.

But it was very exciting, and Jack and Jill's mother came out to see what it all was about; and then she told Jack and Jill that she couldn't think of using that water for supper, and that they must go up the hill to the spring. So they went, and as we all know they tumbled down; but now I hope that as you have heard the whole story, you will never laugh at them again but say: "Poor Jack and Jill, I'm very, very sorry for your bumps, indeed I am, and mother says that brown paper was just the thing to put on."

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## Communications.

## Alabama News.

## Appeal to the Baptists of Alabama and Tennessee.

In the providence of God, dear brethren, I am removed, for a while from my work in China. While in this country I expect to be employed by the Foreign Mission Board as the agent for the collection of mission funds. The field of labor to which I am now assigned is that embracing the States of Alabama and Tennessee. To insure success in this field I must have the hearty sympathy, and earnest co-operation of every pastor and church member within its bounds. There never has been a time since our present corresponding Secretary, Dr. Tupper, took charge of his department, that a more vigorous effort for the support of our Foreign Mission work was demanded than now. To say nothing of other reasons which might be assigned in support of the assertion, the Board is in arrears with its mission stations. Debts have accumulated which must be met, and met, too, promptly.

"Action! action! action!" are the three things necessary for Southern Baptists just now, in supporting their mission interests. Dear brethren, I pray you act at once in this matter, and act liberally. Do not wait for me to visit you, but send on your contributions to Dr. Tupper.

N. B. WILLIAMS.

P. S. For fear some one will think I am making a sensational appeal to Southern Baptists, I will state that, before leaving Canton, as Treasurer of the mission, I made out a draft upon the Board, in favor of Messrs. Russell &amp; Co., of Hong Kong, for an amount exceeding \$4,000, and that this amount covered an indebtedness up to July 1st, 1876—only. Moreover, to my knowledge, the Treasury of the Board is almost empty, and the successful meeting of this and other obligations by the Treasurer depends upon the way in which Southern Baptists meet their appeals made them by the Agents of the Board during the next few months.

N. B. W.

Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 1, 1877.



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