The Coverning Power of the Christian Faith

By DR. A. T. HADLEY, President of Yale University.



Seven years ago when England was celebrating the fiftieth anniversay of the accession of her queen, and when every part of the British empire united in offerings of patriotic pride, the chorus of congratulation was broken by a sharp note of warning from that empire's greatest poet:

"If, drunk with sight of power, we loose Wild tongues that have not thee in awe. Such boastings as the Gentiles use,

Or lesser breeds without the law-Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet, Lest we forget—lest we forget."

If wealth and dominion follow as a result of faith and enthusiasm, they are good. But if wealth and dominion are made a primary object and are trusted as a source of national strength instead of its consequence or evidence, they prove a false reliance. And it is an unfortunate fact that very few nations have achieved wealth or dominion without suffering loss of faith and enthusiasm and remaining with the empty husk of greatness at the very moment when they deemed themselves most powerful.

Our chief danger comes from the other quarter-from trusting to the work of reason in places where we are imperfectly prepared for its operation. Most of us are so constituted and trained that the relaxation of discipline will not leave us at the mercy of blind passion, but it may leave us at the mercy of an almost equally blind spirit of selfish calcula-

To make human unselfishness the fundamental standard of right conduct is as disastrous as the attempt to make our unchecked animal instincts the standard of right conduct.

Almost every evil-political, social or commercial-which constitutes a serious menace to the permanent prosperity of our country can be traced directly to our tolerant acceptance of selfishness as a basis of

Do not be blind to this truth: That if you have no higher motive than your own personal interest it means that your soul is for sale if the price be made sufficiently high. It is for you to show in your lives that honor of a gentleman is not for sale, the faith of a Christian something more than an empty form of speech.

The really fundamental thing in a man's life is his choice of a religion. Two religions are to-day struggling for the mastery. There is the religion of mammon, whose dominant purpose is selfishness and whose creed is indifference to moral considerations, except so far as they may be regarded as instruments of individual advancement. There is the religion of God, whose purpose is service and whose creed is loyalty to something larger than yourselves.

Hulpit Sensationalism

By DR. WILLIAM M. LAWRENCE.

If a preacher does not plea for pulpit exaggeration. Sensationalism is

the hearts of the modern churchgoer by arguments that will appeal to the Russian troops.

Che Foo, July 15.—The steamer Hai the imagination as well as the modern churchgoer by arguments that will appeal to Ping, from Shanghai, was captured the imagination as well as the reason.

Exaggeration in the pulpit is entirely allowable. If the modern band of war. minister stated things as they actually are people would not listen to him. I do not give this as an apology for lying, but it is a fact that the audiences of to-day demand sensationalism. They want to be impressed by big and extraordinary things, and the preacher must supply this demand. This necessitates exaggerated statements. The audience is attracted to them, discounts them, and accepts them at their real worth, attracted to them, discounts them, and accepts them at their real worth, while without the exaggeration they would never have noticed them.

The minister who understands the psychology of the crowd can

The following was received from Port Arthur on Wednesday:

"There is no change in the position

The minister who understands the psychology of the crowd can easily see how exaggeration governs a multitude. The swaying of a crowd in different ways illustrates the power of unionism and clubs. The congregation succumbs to this government and really loves to be

A congregation's attention falls off if the sermon is on its own level. It does not like to debate or reason, and objects to being compelled to reason. The members of a congregation are never able to appreciate the truth when placed in destribute and the first when the the truth when placed in doctrinal relations. So the popularity of a minister depends on his power to impress his hearers with such language that will spread his message of their own accord.

The tearful preacher has no place in the pulpit nowadays. People

St. Petersburg, July 16.—An Associated Press correspondent in the field repeats the story of a Japanese disasthey will spread his message of their own accord.

despise him. They would rather have frowns and scowls than overworked tenderness or sloppy sentimentalism.

Minister's Education

By DR. J. H. GEORGE. President of the Chicago Theological Seminary.

The finishing touch to ucation should be one or newspaper. The distixctive characteristic of action. is his deep interest in

education, as demonstrated in our public school system, and in the development of our colleges and universities. As a result, America is a nation of educated men and women. Hence it is necessary that we have a thorespecially the storming of Portreports regarding the storming of Portreports reg

The minister's education must be exact, scientific, and philosophical. As a foundation there should be the primaray college degree, to which should be added a close intimacy with Biblical literature, church history, the progress of civilization, and a thorough knowledge of the conditions of life as they are to-day.

For this knowledge of social conditions and the problems of life there is demanded an extensive actual experience which shall bring him in contact with all sorts and conditions of men. To my mind there is no better way of acquiring this experience than by doing regular reporting in a great city. The news gatherer comes in contact with real life in all its phases. His knowledge of people does not come from books but from a study of their actual relations and attitudes. He deals with human form. nature and its puzzles constantly.

The theological graduate who for a year or two does newspaper work and studies the men with whom he comes in contact has an almost inexpressible advantage over the bookworm who has acquired all his knowledege of men from theses on the subject of "Man!"

THE WAR IN THE FAR EAST.

HAPPENINGS IN THE RUSSO-JAP-ANESE STRUGGLE.

Short Telegrams Telling of Battles and Skirmishes Between the Armies and Navies of the Two Nations.

A RUSSIAN VICTORY.

St. Petersburg, July 13.-A dispatch from a Russian correspondent at Mukden, dated July 12, says:

"According to intelligence received here the Japanese on Monday night attacked positions near Port Arthur and were repulsed with enormous losses, not less than 20,000, it is said, being killed or wounded by our

mines."
New Chwang, July 13.—Chinese New Chwang, July 13.—Chinese coming in from the country report the Russlans everywhere retiring before the Japanese, who are soon expected here. Active preparations are being made for defense at Ta Tche Kiao.

ARE ONLY 15 MILES APART.

Che Foo, July 14.-Private advices just received from New Chwang indicate that the long expected battle between Kai-Chou and Ta Tche Kiao is now in progress.

St. Petersburg, July 14.—A special dispatch from Mukden last night, dated July 12, repeats the story of a Japanese repulse at Port Arthur, with the loss of 30,000. The dispatch says:

"News has been received from re-liable sources that the Japanese third army on the night of July 11 attacked Port Arthur and was heavily de-feated, an immense number being killed by Russian mines. The total loss is reported at about 30,000."

Steadily and cautiously Gen. Oku's army from the south and Gen. Nod-zu's army from the east are closing in zu's army from the east are closing in upon Ta Tche Kiao, where Gen. Kuropatkin is reported to be entrenched. One hundred and thirty thousand men are involved in the movement. The next few days will determine whether and to what extent Kuropatkin intends to make a stand at Ta Tche Kiao, the possession of which by the languages would compact the immediate

Japanese would compel the immediate evacuation of New Chwang.

London, July 14.—The Yin Kow correspondent of the Daily Chronicle asserts that a battle occurred north of Kai-Chou on July 12, when the Japanese were repulsed with great

Ta Tche Kiao, July 14.-The Japanese attacked Ta Tche Kiao on Sunday, but the attack was not seriously pressed, the Japanese retiring eventually toward Kai-Chou.

JAPS OCCUPIED YIN KOW.

exaggerate he will have no audience. I make a brilliant engagement Tuesday near the Black Mountains. Some prisoners

Tokio, July 15.—It is reported that justifiable in the pulpit because spiritual truths the part of the Russian troops.

yesterday by the Japanese, ten miles north of Che Foo, loaded with contra-

Ta Tche Kiao, July 15.—The Russian retreat from Kai-Chou with the loss of only a hundred men and the infliction of heavy losses on the Japanese was a brilliant feat, of which

"There is no change in the position of affairs. Fresh provisions arrive daily. There are constant skirmishes in which the enemy suffer the most losses. We have no wounded or seriously ill. On the surrounding hills the Chinese are constantly heliographing. The Japanese have issued orders that instead of attempting to make prisoners of the Russians they

JAPS FLED IN DISORDER.

ter at Port Arthur, July 10, but does not add any details, except the statement that after the repulse the Japanese fled in great disorder, pursued by the Russians. The Japanese are still entrenching

the young minister's education should be one of vance has been reported.

two years' experience as a reporter on a daily newspaper. The distance of the Japanese column and put 1,000 out of

the American of to-day
to Yin Kow along the coast, but they were hindered by the marshy country, which also increased their difficulties in carrying off their dead and wound

> Arthur on July 10 place the Japanese losses in killed or wounded at 25,900 and those of the Russians at 5,500 The Japanese have now changed their frontal position and a big battl: is expected at the eastern portion of the defences, owing to the Japanese turning movement.

The Boio was Poisoned. Sterling, Ill., July 15.-A poisoned Filipino bolo with which Mel Donichy, of Sterling, accidentally wounded himself as he was giving an exhibition in an amateur minstrel performance, has caused blood poison in a virulent form. The young man cut his hand slightly with the bolo and the wound was dressed by a physician. Donichy began to lose flesh and to suffer from eruptions on his body. The bolo was taken to a chemist and was found to be covered with a poison, the exact nature of which has not been determined.

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