Subject: "The Glorious March."

TEXT: "Fair as the moon, clear as the sun and terrible as an army with ban-ners."-Solomou's Song vi., 10.

The fragrance of spikenard, the flish of jewels, the trutfulness of orchards, the luxuriance of gardens, the beauty of Hesh-bon fish pools, the dew of the night and the splendor of the morning—all contribute to the richness of Solomon's style when he comes to speak of the glory of the church. In contrast with his eulogium of the church, look at the denunciatory things that are said in our day in regard to it. If one stockholder becomes a cheat, does that destroy the whole company? If one soldier be a coward, does that condemn the whole army? And yet there are many in this day so unphilosoic, so il ogical, so dishonest and so unfair as to denounce the entire church of Go I because there are here and there had men belonging to it.

ere are those who say that the church of God is not up to the spirit of the day in which we live; but I have to tell you that, notwithstanding all the swift wheels and the flying shuttles and the lightning communications, the world has never yet been able to keep up with the church has light as God. to keep up with the church. As high as God is above man, so high is the church of God —higher than all human institutions. From her lamp the best discoveries of the world have been lighted. The best of our inventors have believed in the Christian religion—the Fultons, the Morses, the Whitneys, the Perrys and the Livingstones. She has owned the best of the telescopes and Leyden jars, and while infidelity and atheism have gone blindfolded among the most startling dis-coveries that were about to be developed the earth, and the air, and the sea have made quick and magnificent responses to Uhristain

The world will not be up to the Church of Christ until the day when all merchandise, dise has become honest merchandise, and all governments have become free governments, and all nations evangelized nations, and the last deaf ear of spiritnal death shall be broken open by the million voiced shout of nations born in a day. The church that Nebuchadnezzar tried to burn in the furnace, and Darius to tear to pieces with the lions, and Lord Claverhouse to cut with the sword, has gone on, wading the floods and enduring the fire, until the deepest barbarism, and the fiercest crueities, and the blackest superstitions have been compelled to look to the east, crying, "Who is she that looketh forth as the morning, fair as the moon, clear as the sun and terri-ble as an army with bonners?"

Yet there are people who are ashamed to belong to the church of Christ, and if you ask them whether they are in such as to ha tions they say, "Yes, I sometimes attend the churce," instead of realizing the fact that there is no honor compared with the honor of being a member of the courch of God. I look back with joy to the most honored moment of my life, when in the old country meeting house the minister of Christ announced my name as a tollower of the Lord.

You who are floating about in the world, seeking for better associations, why do you not join yourself to some of the churches? An old sea captain was riding in the cars An old sea captain was riding in the cars toward Philadelphia, and a young man sat down beside him. He said, "Young man, where are you going?" "I am going to Puliadelphia to live," replied the young man. "Have you letters of introduction?" asked the old captain. "Yes," said the young man, and he pulled some of them out. "Well," said the eld sea captain, "Haven't you a church certificate?" "Oh, yes," replied the young man; "I didn't suppose you would want to look at that." "Yes," said the sea captain, "I want to see that. As soon as you get to Philadelphia present it to some Christian church. I am an old sailor, and I have been up and down in the world, and it's my rule as soon es 1 get into port to fasten my ship fore and aft to the wharf, although it may cost a little wharfage, rather than have my ship out in the stream floating hitner and

Oh, men and women, by the tides of frivolity and worldliness swept this way and swept that way, seeking for associations and for satisfactions for the immortal soul, come into the church of Jesus Christ. Lash fast to her. She is the pillar and the ground of I propose to speak of the thre fold glory of the church as it is described in the

First-"Fair as the moon." Got, who has determined that everything sould be beautiful in its season, has not left the night without charm. The moon rules the night. The stars are only set as gems in her tiara. ometimes, before the sun has gone down, the moon mounts her throne, but it is after nightfall that she sways her undisputed sceptre over island and continent, river and sea. Under her shining the plainest maple leaves become shivering silver, the lakes from shore to shore look like shining mirrors, and the ocean, under her glance, with great tides come up panting upon the beach,

ungling, as it were, foam and fire. Under the witchery of the moon the awful steeps lose their rugge iness and the chasms their terror. The poor man blesses God for throwing so cheap a light through the broken window pane of his cabin, and to the sick it seems like a light from the other shore that bounds this great deep of human pain and woe, If the sun be like a song, full and loud and poured forth from brazen instruments that fill heaven and earth with harmony, the mon is plaintive and sad, standing be-neath the throne of God, sending up her soft, sweet voice of praise, while the stars listen and the sea! No mother ever more lovingly watched a sick cradle than this pale watcher of the sky bends over the weary, heartsick, slumbering earth, singing to it a silvery music, while it is rocked in the cradle of the

Now, says my text, "Who is she, fair as

the moon?' Our answer is the church. Like the moon, she is a borrowel light. Sae

gathers up the glory of a Saviour's sufficiency, a Saviour's death, a Saviour's resurrection, a Saviour's ascension, and pours that light on palace and dungeon, on squalid heathenism and elaborate skepticism, on widow's tears and martyr's robe of flame, on weeping penitence and loud mouths i scorn. She is the only institution to-day that gives any light to our world. Into her por-tals the poor come and get the symoathy of a once pillowless Christ, the bereaved come and see the bottle in which God saves all our tears, and the captives come, and on the sharp corners of her altars dash off their chains, and the thirsty come and put their cup under the "Rock of Ages," which pours forth from its smitten side living water, sparkling water, crystalling water from sparkling water, crystalline water from under the throne of Goi and the Lamb, Blessed the bell that calls her worshipers to prayer. Blessed the water in which her members are baptized. Blessed be the wine that glows in her sacrariental cups.

the songs on which her devotions travel up and the angels of God travel down. As the moon goes through the midst of the roaring storm clouds unflushed and un-harmed, and comes out calm and beautiful on the other side, so the church of Gol has gone through all the storms of this world's persecution and come out uninjured, no worse for the fact that Robespierre cursed and Voitaire caricaturel it, and Tom Paine sneered at it, and all the forces of darkness have bombarded it. Not like some baleful comet shooting across the sky, scattering terror and dismay among the nations, but above the long nowling night of the world's wretchedness the Christian church has made her mild way, "Fair as the moon."

I take a step further in my subject-"Clear as the sun." After a season of storm or fog, how you are thrilled when the sun comes out at noonday! The mists travel up offl above hill, mountain above mountain, antil they are \$2.7 lost. The forests are full of chirp and buzz and song; honey makers

on the long, bird's beak pounding the bark, the chatter of the squirrel on the rail, the call of a hawk out of a clear sky makes you thankful for the sunshine waich make; all the world so busy and so glad. the world so busy and so glad. The same sun which in the morning kindled confligrations among the castles of coul scoops

grations among the castles of c.ou1 scoops down to paint the filly white and the butter-cup yellow and the forgetmenot blue. What can resist the sun? Light for voy-ager on the deep, light for shepherds guarding the flocks affeld, light for the poor who have no lamps to burn, light for the down-cast and the weary, light for aching eyes and burning brain and consuming captive, light for the smooth brow of childhool and the dim vision of the octogenerian, light for the queen's coronet and sewing girl's needle.

Now, says my text, "Who is she that looketh forth clear as the sun?" Our answer

is, the church. You have been going along a road before daybreas, and on one side you thought you saw a lion, and on the other side you thought you saw a goblin of the darkness, but when the sun came out you found these were harmless apparitions. And it is the great mission of the church of Jesus Christ to come forth "clear as the sun," to illumine all earthly darkness, to ex-

plain, as far as possible, all mystery, and to make the world radiant in its brightness; and that which you thought was an aroused lion is found out to be a slumbering lamb; and the sepulcaral gates of your dead turn out to be the opening gates of neaven; and that which you supposed was a flaming sword to keep you out of paradise is an affect of light to become you in.

The lamps on her altars will cast their

glow on your darkest pathway and cheer

you until, far beyond the need of lantern or lighthouse, you are safely anchored within the veil. On, sun of the church, shine on until there is no sorrow to soothe, no tears to wipe away, no shackles to break, no more souls to be released! Ten thousand hands of sin have attempted to extinguish the lamps on her actura, but they are quenchless, and to silence her pulpits, but the thunder would lean and the lightning would flame.

The churca of God will yet come to full meridian, and in that day all the mountains

meridian, and in that the sacred mountains, of the world will be sacred mountains, touched with the glory of Calvary, and all treems will flow by the mount of God like cool Siloam, and all lakes no radiant with Gospel memories like Gennesaret, and all islands of the sea be crowned with apocalyptic vision like Patmos, and all cities be as Jerusalem, and all gardens luxurious as

paradise, with God walking in the cool of the day. Then the choruls of grace will drown out all the anthems of earth. Then the throne of Christ will overtop all earthly authority. Then the crown of Jesus will outflame all other coronets. Sin destroyed. Death dead. Hell deleated. The church authority. All the darknesses of sin, all the darknesses of trouble, all the darknesses of earthly mystery hieing themselves to "Clear as the sun! Clear as

Further, "Terrible as an army with ban ners." Take one more step in this subject and say that if you were placed for the defense of a feeble town, and a great army were seen coming over the bills with flying ensigns, then you would be able to get some idea of the terror that will strike the hearts of the enemies of God when the church at last marches on like "an army with ban-

You know there is nothing that excites soldiers' entousias n so much as an old flag. Many a man almost dead, catching a glimpse of the national ensign, has sprung to his feet and started again into the battle. Now, my friends, I don't want you to think of the church of Jesus Christ as a defeated institution, as the victim of infidel sarcasm-something to be kicked and cuffed and trampled on through all the ages of the world. It is "an army with banners." It has an inscription and colors such as never stirred the hearts of an earthly soldiery.

We have our banner of recruit, and on it Our banner of deflance, and on it is in-scribed, "The gates of hell shall not prevail against us?" Our banner of triumph, and on it is inscribed, "Victory through Lord Jesus Christ?" and we mean to that banner on every hilitop and wave it at the gate of heaven.

With Christ to lead us we need not fear, I will not underrate the enemy They are a tremendous nost. They come on with acutest strategy. Their weapons by all the inhabitants of darkness have been forget in fur-naces of everlasting fire. We contend not with flesh and blood, but with principalities and powers and spiritual wickedness in high places; but if God be for us who can be against us? Come on, ye troops of the Lord! Fall into line! Close up the ranks! On, through burning sands and over frozen mountain tops, until the whole earth sur-renders to Goi! He made it: He redeemed it; He snall have it. They shall not be trampled with hoofs, they shall not be cut with sabers, they shall not be crushed with wheels, they shall not be cloven with battle axes, but the marching, and the onset, and the victory will be none the less decisive

With Christ to lead us, and heaven to look down upon us, and angels to guard us, and martyr spirits to bend from their thrones, and the voice of God to bid us forward into the combat, our enemies shall fly like chaff in the whirlwind, and all the towers of heaven ring because the day is ours. I divide this army with banuers into two wings the American wing and the European wing. The American wing will march on across the wilds of the west, over the tablelands, and come to the ocean, no more stopped by the Pacific than the Israelites were stopped by the Red sea, marching on until the remaining walls of China will fall before this army with banners, and cold Siberia will be turned to the warm heart of Christ, and over lofty Himalayan peaks shall go tois army with banners until it halte

The European wing will march out to meet it, and Spanish superstition shall be overcome, and French infilelity shall be onquered, and over the Alps, with more than mannibal's courage, shall march that army with banners, and up through the snows of Russia, vaster in multitude than the hosts toat followed Napoleon into the conflict. And Hungary and Poland, by the blood of their patriots an i by the blood of Christ, shall at last be free. And crossing into Asia the law snall again be procaimed on Sinai, and Christ in the person of His ministers will again preach on Olivet and pray in Gethsemane and exhibit His love on Calvary. And then the army will halt in front of the other wing, the twain having conquered all the earth for God.

When the Prussian army came back from their war they were received in 1866 at the gates of Berlin, and a choir stood above the gates, and as the first regiment advanced and came to the gates the choir, in music, asked them what right they had to enter there. And then the first regiment, in song, replied, telling over the stories of their conflicts and victories. Then they marched in and all the city was full of gialness and triumph. But oh! the great joy when the army with banners shall come up to the gates of our King!

It will be choir to choir, music to music, iosanna to hosanna, halleluiah to halleluiah. Lift up your heads, ye everiasting gates, and let them come in. There will be spread the banquet of eternal victory, and the unfallen ones of heaven will sit at it, and all the ransomed of earth will come in and celebrate the jubiles with unfading garlands on their brows telling of earthly congnests. their brows telling of earthly conquests.

All the walls of that celestial mansion will

be a-glitter with shields won in victorious battle and adorned with the banners of God that were carried in front of the host. Harp shall tell to harp the heroism in which the conquerors won their palm, and the church that day will sit queen at the banquet. Her wanderings over, her victories gained, Christ shall rise up to introduce her to all the nations of heaven, and as she pulls aside her veil and looks up into the face of her Lord the King, Christ shall exclaim, "This is she that looketh forth as the morning, fair as the moon, clear as the sun and terrible as an army with banners?"

THE HELIOGRAPH

Low Communication Between Distant Points Is Reached by Reflecting the Sun's Rays.

Heliography is the name applied to the method of communicating between distant points in which usual signals are obtained by reflecting the rays of the sun from a mirror or combination of mirrors in the right direction. As a matter of course, the method can only be employed where the sky is free from clouds and the atmosphere clear for considerable periods of time, and the fact that no place is free from sudden atmospheric changes makes the establishment of permanent heliographic stations unadvisable. In military signalling heliography has been found to possess great advantages over other methods, particularly on account of the portability of the apparatus, and in coast and geodetic surveys it has been found invaluable. To those who have not studied the

phenomena attending the reflection of

sunlight it is quite astonishing, under favorable atmospheric conditions, at what great distance the flash can be seen, bright and distinct as a planet, which in appearance it very much resembles. Only the clouds and intervening obstacles ad mit the possibilities of heliography Equipped with the proper telescope and suitable mirrors, and stationed at the requisite elevation, with favorable conditions of atmosphere, and there is practically no limit to the distance at which signaling can be carried on. A little consideration of certain facts will make the truth of this statement plainly apparent. The sun's rays reach earth after traveling 92,000,000 miles. Striking a mirror simply alters their course, but makes very little difference in their energy, and hence does not seem remarkable that they should preserve sufficient vital force to carry them a hundred or two hundred miles further. The moon, which is not perhaps the best reflector, projects the sun's rays to us from a distance of 232,000 miles. The discovery of the principle involved in heliography is as old as the time of Alexander the Great, whose fleet is said to have been piloted along the Persian Gulf by mirrors. The aborigines of North America long ago adopted the policy of sun-flashing from polished surfaces, and the Russians made use of suntelegraphy for important signaling at the siege of Sebastopol.

The two instrument generally used in heliography are the heliograph and the heliotrope. The latter is sometimes confounded with the heliostat, but a heliostat proper is an instrument operated by clockwork in such a way as to reflect the sun's rays in a fixed direction. By the use of this instrument, the mirror is so adjusted that, et a particuler hour of the day, arranged beforehand, the light of the sun is reflected to the surveyor's station. The heliotrope, however, is operated by hand, and it is the instrument which, in its more or less improved forms, is used by Prof. Davidson in coastsurvey work, Heliotropes are usually placed upon a stand or table and adjusted to the distant signal station by the end, so that when the shadow of the centre rim shows upon the rim of the focus, and when the sun is in front of the operator, that is all there is to it. When the sun is in the rear, however, it is necessary to make use of another mirror, placing it where it will reflect the sun on to the heliotropic mirror and

thence through the rings. This creates a steady light which has already been described as like a bright star, but in order to keep it continuous, the operator has to adjust the mirror every moment or two with his hands to conform to the motion of the earth. In triangulation the operator usually begins work at sunrise, and keeps his heliotrope in focus until the day's work is practically over. The triangulator, having that bright daylight star for his basis, has by that time been able to lay out considerable drawing, and he signals the heliotropist to shut up shop by passing his hat over the rays of his own instrument a given number of times. Each party on survey work prearranges its own signals. There is no regular code made use of in this work, but in the army it is quite differ-

The heliotrope had been in use nearly half a century when, in the autumn of 1839 at the Jack telegraph station in Beloochistan, Henry C. Nance, now Sir Henry, adapted the principle of the heliotrope, or heliostat, to the modern instrument since then known as the heliograph. He conceived the idea of converting the fascicle of reflected sun's rays which had previously been regarded, in a signaling sense, as entirely passive, into active speaking agents. This he accomplished by adapting to a mirror the means of imparting to the reflections the character of pulsations of varied durations, in accordance with the Morse code. Nance's heliograph, as now perfected for field signaling, is the one now used in the United States army. The mirrors are not always of the same size. The greater the mirror the more powerful the flash. There are usually two tripods, one bearing the mirror to reflect the sun to the signaling mirror when necessary. The stand for the signaling mirror has a sighting bar, by means of which a perfect alignment can be made by looking through a hole made by scraping off a little of the silver from the centre of the back of the mirror. The obstruction is obtained by giving a small angular motion to the screen miror, or shutter, causing the reflected beam to travel through twice the angle and completely disappear from the distant point, Its working is made very similar to that of a Morse key. Soveral important improvements on the heliograph have been made by Lieut. John P. Finlay, United States army, now in charge of the weather bureau in this city, all of which are in practical use in the army signal corps. Lieut. Finlay has also published a manual for the use of the heliograph, from whi h a portion of the material for this article has been taken .- San Francisco Chron-

A STRAY deg at Delta, Ohio, was so tormented and tortured by cruel boys that he ran toward a noisome pool at the edge of the town. Stopping an instant the animal looked around, then deliberately plunged in and died-an undoubted

HE IS STILL BOSS.

Chere Have Been Many Glants, but Chang Is the Tallest Now Living. Turner the naturalist, declared that he once saw, upon the coast of Brazil, a race of gigantic savages, one of whom was 12 feet in height. M. Phevet, of France, in his description of America, published at Paris in 1575, asserted that he saw and measured the skeleton of a South American which was 11 feet 2 inches in length. The Chinese are said to claim that in the last century there were men in their country who measured 15 feet in height. Josephine mentioned the case of a Jew who was 0 feet 2 inches in height. Pliny tells of an Arabian giant, Gabara, 9 eet 9 inches, the tallest man in the avs of Claudius.

John Middletown, born at Hale, in ancashire, in the time of James I., as 9 feet 3 inches in height; his and was 17 inches long and 84 ches broad, says Dr. Platt, in his listory of Staffordshire." The Irish ant, Murphy, contemporary with )'Brien, was 8 feet 10 inches. A keleton in the Museum of Trinity College. Dublin, is 8 feet 6 inches in neight, and that of Charles Byrne, in the museum of the College of Surgeons, London, is 8 feet 4 inches. The tallest living man is Chang-tu-Sing, the Chinese giant. His height is 7 feet 3 inches. -- Tid-Bits.

Will Beat the Thomas Cat. An old trapper has been bringing from the mountains for two weeks a number of peculiar little animals that have puzzled a good many people to tell what they were. They are about the size of a common cat and have large bushy tails like that of a raccoon. Their bodies are long and slender and well protected by a thick growth of brownish-colored hair. Their eyes are black and snapping, and when teased they growl and spit like a cat, showing a row of teeth as sharp as cambric needles. The name of these little animals is the Bessaris, and they are a species of the civet cat, ranking between the fox and the weasel. They are better than all the pussies in creation as rat exterminators, and about twenty of them have been turned loose in different warehouses and livery stables in this city.-Marysville Appeal.

Glving All Honor to His Wife.

The German Emperor loses no opportunity of winning favor with the ladies with his gallant speeches. One of the prettiest of these courtierlike utterances was delivered in answering a toast to his wife in the province where she was born: "The bond that unites me to this province and chains me to her in a manner different from all the others of my empire is the jewel that sparkles at my side, her Majesty the Empress. sights over the uprights. The centre | Sprung from this soil, the type of the it is to her I owe it if I am able to meet the severe labors of my office outer ring, the flash may be said to be in | with a happy spirit and make head against them.'

> Etiquette. The word "etiquette" is Anglo-Norman, and primarily had a somewhat different meaning from its present one. It formerly meant simply the ticket which was tied to the neck of bags or fastened to packages, to note their contents. Finally it seemed that the word came to be applied to cards given out at an entertainment, with certain rules of behavior for guests printed upon them. Thus behavior was or was not "the ticket," or "etiquette," and the slang term, "just the ticket," and our elegant word "etiquette" have the same derivation.

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GEORGIA GOLD FIELDS.

The Property and Prospects of the Atlanta Gold Mining Co. Fully Described.

The two articles appearing recently in your journal have called forth such a floot of inquiries in relation to the plans, prospects, etc., etc., of the Atlanta Gold Mining Company, that the company has requested your correspondent to answer through the medium of the press the many questions which otherwise would require a score of letter writers.

The property upon which the Atlanta Gold Mining Company proposes to begin operations is situated about 3½ miles east of Dahloneza, Ga. consists of a forty-acre tract of land, which is crossed in a direction eligibity cost slightly east of north by the famous Cal-houn Gold Belt, having on this lot a width of about 150 feet. The entire belt is composed of alternate strata of soft s'ate and quartz, all bearing more or less gold. At different times within the past twenty years more or less mining has been done upon this lot, and while the work has mainly been confined to a very small portion of the vein and has always been of a cru le and desultory character, the returns in gold have been extremely gratifying, and in several instances of sufficient magnitude to put the miners, who, from time to time, have held leases upon the lot, in very strong financial circumstances. The total cost of all the work thus far done upon the lot would not under the direction of a competent mining ongineer, provided with proper appliances, exceed \$5000, and the total gold derived from this work, covering not over two acres of the forty acres, is considerably over \$60,-

The vein or lead is well defined throughout the whole length of the lot, about one quarter mile, and has been explored at a number of places by shafts and tunnels proving its continuance in size and richness from one end of the lot to the other, a fact which is further evidenced by the valuable and rich mining properties lying upon the extension of this lead, both north and south of the property of the Atlanta Gold Mining Company. The shafts sunk upon this lead have gone to a depth of about forty feet, and have, without exception, followed down quartz veins which grad unlly increased in s z and richness as depth was attained. Hitherto the mining has been conducted principally with water, except where shafts were sunk, and the ore passed through sluice boxes depending solely for a means of separation upon the gravity of the gold, and consequently allowing much of the fine gold and all the gold contained in the undecomposed sulphurets to run to waste. This loss, resulting from causes noted above, has amounted to fully one-half the assay value of the ore, as demonstrated by determinations made with great care and exactness by the company.

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working capital. A portion of this treasury stock, sufficient to cover the cost of the mill and such other improvements as the company has in contemplation, is now offered for sale at 50 per cent. of its par value, or \$5 per snare. The Southern Banking and Trust Company of Atlanta, Ga., is the transfer agent of the pany, and all orders for shares should be addressed to them or to the Atlanta Gol ! Mining Company, No. 7 North Pryor street,

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