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# REV. DR. TALMAGE.

The Eminent Brooklyn Divine's Sunday Sermon.

Subject: "Moses and Miriam on the Banks of the Red Sea."

TEXT "And Miriam, the prophetess, the sis-ter of Aaron, took a timbrel in her hand, and all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances. And Miriam answered them, 'Sing ye to the Lord, for He hath tri-umphed gloriously; the horse and his rider hath He thrown into the sea."-Exodus xv., 20, 21.

Sermonizers are naturally so busy in get-ting the Israelites safely through the parted Red sea and the Egyptians submerged in the returning waters that but little time is ordinarily given to what the Lord's people did after they got well up high and dry on the beach. That was the beach of the Red sea, which is at its greatest width 200 miles and at its least width 12 miles. Why is the ad-jective "red" used in describing this water? It is called the Red sea because the mountains on its western coast look as though sprinkled with brick dust, and the water is lored with red seaweed and has red zoophyte and red coral.

roophyte and red coral. This sea was cut by the keels of Egyptian, Phœnician and Arabic shipping. It was no insignificant pond or puddle on the beach of which my text calls us to stand. I hear upon it the sound of a tambourine, for which the timbrel was only another name—an instrument of music made out of a circular hoop, with pieces of metal fixed in the sides of it, which made a jingling sound, and over which hoop a piece of parch-ment was distended, and this was beaten by the knowless of the performent

the knuckles of the performer. The Israelites, standing on the beach of the Red sea, were making music on their deliverance from the pursuing Egyptians, and I hear the Israelitish men with their deep bass volces, and I hear the timbrel of Miriam as she leads the women in their jubilee. Rather lively instruments, you say, for religious ser-vice, the timbrel or tambourine. But I think God sanctioned it. And I rather think we will have to put a little more of the festive into our religious services and drive out the dolorous and funereal, and the day may come when the timbre will resume its place in the sanctuary. But that which occupied the attention of all the men and women of that Israelitish host was the celebration of their victory. They had crossed. They had triumphed. They were free. More wonder was this victory and defeat

than when the hosts of Richard overcame the hosts of Saladin at Azotus, than when at Bannockburn Scotland was set free; than when the Earl of Northumberland was driven back at Branham Moor, than when at the battle of Wakefield York was slain, than when at Bosworth Field Richard was left dead, than when the Athenians under Miltiades at Marathon put the Persians to flight, for this victory of my text was gained with-out sword or catapult or spear. The weapon was a lifted and prostrated sea. "And The weapon sea, "And Miriam, the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a timbrel in her hand, and all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances. And Miriam answered them Sing ye to the Lord, for He hath triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider hath He thrown into the sea."

Brooklyn Tabernacle to-day feels much as Moses and Miriam did when they stood on the banks of the Red sea after their safe emergence from the waters. By the help of God and the generosity of our friends here and elsewhere our \$140,000 of floating church debt is forever gone, and this house, which, with the ground upon which it stands, represents \$410,000, I this day recon-secrate to God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost. A stranger might ask how could this church get into debt to an amount that would build several large churches? My answer is, Waves of destruction, stout as any that ever rolled across the

lant note is the moment the last Israelite puts his foot on the sand on the parted inland ocean. Alas, that when God's mercies have such swift wings our praises should have such leaden feet

Notice that Miriam's song in my text had for its burden the overthrown cavalry. It was not so much the infantry or the men on foot over whose defeat she rejoiced with ringing timbrel, but over the men on horseback—the mounted troops! "The horse and his rider hath He thrown into the sea." Tre-Tre mendous arm of war is the cavalry ! Josephus says that in that host that crossed the Red sea there were 50,000 cavalrymen. Epamin-ondas rode into battle with 5000 cavalrymen and Alexander with 7000. Mariborough de-pended on his cavalry for the triumph at Blenheim. It was not alone the snow that despoiled the French armies in retreat from Moscow, but the mounted Cossacks. Cav-alrymen decided the battles of Leuthen and Leipsic and Winchester and Hanover Court House and Five Forks. Some of you may have been in the relentless raids led on by Forrest or Chalmers or Morgan or Stuart of the southern side, or Pleasanton or Wilson or Kilpatrick or Sheridan of the northern The army saddles are the thrones of battle. Hurricanes in stirrups are the cavalrymen.

No wonder that Miriam was chiefly grateful that the Egyptian cavalrymen, pursuing the Israelites down to midway the Red sea, were nsaddled, unstirruped, unhorsed. And I have to tell you, O child of God, that

the Lord, who is on your side now and for-ever, has at His disposal and under His com-mand all waters, all winds, all lightnings, all mand all waters, all winds, all lightnings, all time and all eternity. Come, look me in the face while I utter the word God commands me to speak to you, "No weapon formed against you shall prosper." Don't throw away your tambourine. You will want it as sure as you sit there and I stand here, and the tune you will yet play on it, whether standing on beach of time or beach of etern-ity will be the tune that Mirker a played whether ity, will be the tune that Miriam played when she cried "Sing ye to the Lord, for He hath triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider hath He thrown into the sea."

I expect to have a good laugh with you in I expect to have a good laugh with you in heaven, for the Bible says in Luke, sixth chapter, twenty-first verse, "Blessed are ve that weep now, for ye shall laugh." We shall not spend all eternity psalm singing, but sometimes in review of the past, as Christ says, we shall laugh. There is nothing wrong in laughter. It all depends' on what you laugh at, and when you laugh. Nothing, it seems, will more thoroughly kindle our heavenly bilarities after we have got inside the pearly gate than to see how in this world we got scared at things which

ought not to have frightened us at all. How often we work ourselves up into a great stew about nothing! The Red sea be-fore may bé deep, and the Egyptian cavalry behind us may be well mounted, but if we trust the Lord we will go through no more trust the Lord we will go through no more hurt by the water than when in boyhood we rolled our garments to the knee and bare-foot crossed the meadow brook on the old homestead. The odds may seem to be all against you, but I guess it will be all right with you if you have God on your side and all the angelic, cherubic, semphic and arch-angelic kingdoms. "If God be for you, who can be against you?" But let ma criticise Miriam a little for the

But let me criticise Miriam a little for the instrument of music she employed in the di-vine service on the sandy beach. Why not take some other instrument? The harp as a sacred instrument. Why did she not take that? The cymbal was a sacred instrument. Why did she not take that? The trumpet was a sacred instrument. Why did she not take that? Amid that great host there must have been musical instruments more used in religious service. No. She took that which liked the best and on which she could best express her gratulation over a nation's rescue, first through the retreat of the waves of the Red sea, and then through the clap-ping of the hands of their destruction. So I withdraw my criticism of Miriam. Let every one take her or his best mode of divine worship and celebration. My idea of heaven is that it is a place where we can do as we please and have everything we want. Of course we will do nothing wrong and want

nothing harmful. How much of the material and physical will finally make up the heavenly world I know not, but I think Gabriel will have his THE BODY AND ITS HEALTH.

BRAIN AND CLIMATE.-The scientific assertion seems to b(, borne out by recent investigations, viz., that the average weight of the brin of a man has a definite relation to the climate in which he lives, a heavier brain weight being found in cold than in warm countries. Thus it is found that, in proportion to their stature, the Lapps have the largest heads in Europe, the Norwegians next, then come the Swedes, Germans, French and Italians. In the Arab, the head is found to be smaller than any of those named.

MIXED OR HYBRID NATIONALITIES .---From observations of the mulatto race, extending over a period of more than thirty years, Dr. W. A. Dixon states that tuberculosis exists to an excessive degree among the descendants of mulattoes-they are inferior also in vitality,

intelligence and morality, and show a high rate of mortality. He has found it quite noticeable that mulatto girls develop much younger than either white or negro girls, and that as women they fade much sooner, with the additional fact. that after the second generation of pure mulatto breeding, practically all the children born are girls. Dr. Dixon remarks that it has already been proved in other races that human hybridity cannot be maintained without reversion or fresh supply from parental blood. The possi bility is suggested, too, of the danger that tendencies to tuberculosis and other strumous diseases may be increased in the United States by the large mixture of nationalities which is constantly going on-the immunity of the Jews and other unmixed races to such affections beng quite in point.

MOST DIGESTIBLE OF ALL FOODS .- In a lecture by M. Ch. Richet on the influence of the gastric juice on various kinds of food, the digestibility on milk is declared to exceed that of all other alimentary substances, and, after ingestion of a pint of that liquid, scarcely a trace is to be found in the course of an hour. It appears probable, M. Richet remarks, that milk contains some principle not yet isolated by chemists, the action of which is very similar to that of pepsin, and adds its influence to that of the latter in the phenomenon of digestion-the milk also supplying, at the same time, during this function, a certain amount of lactic acid which co-operates with the acid of the gastric juice. Further the milk of the cow is, during the function of digestion, precipitated in coarse clots of caseine, while that of woman and mares' milk are precipitated in much finer granulations, that are considerably easier to digest; hence the inapplicability of cow's milk to the nutrition of very young children, and also the advantage of mares' milk or asses' milk for cases of dyspepsia in persons of delicate constitution. For the young child, all authorities agree that the mother's milk can be replaced by nothing.

THE CAUSES Of INFLUENZA. - There is an interesting contribution on this subject in the March number of the Zeitschrift fur Hygiene by Dr. R. Pfeiffer, of the Institute for Infectious Diseases at Berlin. After describing the bacillus of influenza, the best methods of staining

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#### Wanied to Amuse the Boys:

George Butler, Canon of Winchester Cathedral, was the son of Dr. Butler, headmaster of Harrow. The boy grew up to be a dignified and serious man, a power in philanthropy and the church, but that he had ademure sense of humor is shown by one anecdote of his earliest years. Doctor Butler wore a tine suit of black, with knee-breeches and sloth gaiters, and with his powdered hair was a figure to move any school-boy to admiration and awe.

One morning little George watched him, as he set out for school, and observed that his father wore one gaiter. When Doctor Butler returned, he said to the lad:

"You were here, George, when I went away this morning. Didn't you see that I had only one gaiter?"

"Yes, papa." "Then why didn't you tell me?" "Because," answered George, innocently, "I thought it would amuse the boys !"

## The Queerest of Railroads.

One of the queerest railroads on this continent is the Salisbury and Havey, in New Brunswick. It is but twenty miles long, and although it connects with the Intercolonial Road, an admirably constructed line. it is confessedly unsafe. A printed notice hung up in the cars cautions passengers that it is well to get out and walk on reaching a certain bridge, and it was long the custom to push the cars over this crazy structure before the mighty engine was trusted upon its rotten timbers.

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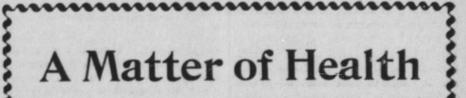
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These Are Queer Words.

Filibuster, freebooter and buccaneer are words curiously interrelated. The French and the English sea adventurers once made common cause against Spanish settlements in the new world, and all three of these words came in time to describe the rude sea soldiers who despoiled the Spanish main and the towns upon the coast of the Spanish possessions. Filibuster is said to be the result of an attempt to make a French word of freebooter, and the English borrowed it back from the French because it sounded less frankly brutal than the English word. Buccaneer was originally French in form, and it meant at first one who hunted the boucan or wild cattle and hogs of the West Indies; then one who made jerked meat of their flesh, and finally, because this meat was used to provision the ships of the sea rovers, a filibuster or freebooter.

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Red sea of my text. Examine all the pages of church history and all the pages of the world's history and show me an organization, sacred or secular, that ever had to build three great structures,

trumpet, and David his harp, and Handel his organ, and Thalberg his plano, and the great Norwegian performer his violin, and Miriam her timbrel, and as I cannot make music on that ever had to build three great structures, two of them destroyed by fire. Take any of your biggest life insurance companies, or your biggest storehouses, or your biggest banks, or your biggest newspaper establish-ments and let them have to build three times on the same foundation, and it would cost them a struggle if not demolition. My text speaks of the Red sea once crossed, but one Red sea would not have so much overcome us. It was with us Red sea after Red sea. Three Red seas! Yet to-day, thanks be to God, we stand on the shore, and with organ and cornet in absence of a timbrel we chant "Sing ye unto the Lord, for He hath triany of them I think I will move around among all of them and listen. But there are our friends of the Scotch Covenanter chu who do not like musical instruments at all in divine worship, and they need not have

What a day it will be when we stand on the beach of heaven and look back on the Bed sea of this world's sin and trouble and celebrate the fact that we have got through and got over and got up, our sins and our troubles attempting to follow gone clear down under the waves.

and cornet in atsence of a timbrel we chant "Sing ye unto the Lord, for He hath tri-umphed gloriously; the horse and his rider hath He thrown into the set." But why the great expense of this structure? My answer is the immensity of it and the firmness of it. It cost over \$34,000 to dig the under the waves. Oh, crimson floods roll over them and drown them, and drown them forever! In this world we have so little time for that, I am looking forward to eternal socialities. To be with God and never sin against Him. To be with Christ and forever feel His love. To walk together in robes of white with those with whom on earth we walked together in black raiment of mourning. To gather up the cellar before one stone was laid, reaching as the foundation does from street to street, and the foundation does from street to street, and then the building of the house was con-structed in a way, we are told by experienced builders who had nothing to do with it, for durability of foundation and wall such as characterizes hardly any other building of this city. To the day of your death and mine, and for our children and grandchildren after us, it will stand here a house of God and a raiment of mourning. To gather up the members of our scattered families and emrace them with no embarrassment, though all heaven be looking on.

all heaven be looking on. A mine in Scotland caved in and caught amid the rocks a young man who in a few days was to have been united in holy mar-riage. No one could get heart to tell his affianced of the death of her beloved, but some one made her believe that he had changed his mind about the marriage and willfully disappeared. Fifty years passed on, when one day the miners delving in the earth suddenly came on the body of that young man, which had all those years been kept from the air and looked just as it was the day of the calamity. Strong, manly, noble youth, he sat there looking as on the gate of heaven. For me personally this is a time of gladness more than tongue or pen ortype can ever tell. For twenty-four years I had been building churches in Brooklyn and seeing them burn down until I felt I could endure the strain no longer, and i had written my resignation as pastor and had appointed to read it two Sabbaths ago and close my work in Brooklyn forever. I felt that my chief work was yet to be done, but that I could not do it with the Alps on one one shoulder and the Himalayas on the other. But God' has interfered, and the way is clear, and I am here and expect to be here until my work on earth is done. the day of the calamity. Strong, manly, noble youth, he sat there looking as on the day he died. But no one recognized the

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#### Shakspeare in German.

During the year 1892 twenty-four framas of Shakspeare were produced in Germany by 129 companies in 640 performances. Among them the "Merchant of Venice" seemed to enby the greatest popularity with 77 performances, succeeded by "Hamlet" and "Othello" with 75 and 71, and Richard III." and "As You Like It" with 37 and 39, respectively. "Corio-ianus" was only produced twice and "Henry IV." once.

and the manner in which he overcame the difficulties, hitherto insurmountable, in cultivating this enemy of mankind, Dr. Pfeiffer details the results of numerous investigations and points out the following practical deductions to be made from them. The bacillus grows very rapidly in pure cultures on a suitable soil, but no growth takes place at a temperature under 26 degrees C. (78.8 degrees F.) or over 43 degrees C. (109.4 degrees F.). In water at ordinary temperatures (60 degrees F.) the bacillus dies rapidly (in eight hours). In bouillon it retains its vitality from fourteen to eighteen days. Hence sputum, etc., if not allowed to dry, is probably infectious for at least fourteen days; and we may here find the explanation of cases, recorded by competent observers, in which the infection appears to have been communicated by means of letters, clothing, etc. The bacillus is very rapidly affected by drying. Cultures exposed to dry air at a temperature of 37 degrees C. did not survive for more than two hours, and even in moist air usually not more than eight hours and never more than twenty. Sputum, if dried, was quite sterile in thirty-four to forty hours. Dr. Pfeifer draws the following conclusions from these facts: (1) The influenza bacillus is not capable of multiplication outside the human body, either in water or in earth. (2) The spread of influenza by dry sputum can occur but sel-dom. (3) Infection is, as a rule, effected by means of the still moist secretions of the air-passages. Dr. Pfeiffer considers the catarrhal form of influenza to be by far the most frequent. In mild cases, scarcely to be distinguished from ordinary catarrh, he found the bacillus in enormous numbers in the secretions of the nose, whereas in cases of simple catarrh the secretion is almost sterile and certainly contains no bacterium to be mistaken for influenza bacillus. During the acute stage the bacillus is present in the expectoration in large numbers. It sometimes persists in it for weeks, or en noted especially among the tuberculous individuals. The general symptoms are to be regarded as the result of the absorbtion of influenza toxine. The bacillus may reach the pleura and there excite a pleuritis. No animal is known to be spontaneously affected by influenza. Guinea pigs are very susceptible to the influenza toxine, exhibiting symptoms of fever, dyspnoea, and extreme muscular weakness, strikingly resembling the clini-cal appearances in man. In conclusion, Dr. Pfeiffer points out the importance of thorough ventilation in all places where many people are assembled, such as the-atres, schools and barracks, since every cough or sneeze expels infectious ma-terial into the air. He further suggests the use of disinfecting washes for the nose and mouth and the inhalation of antiseptic vapors, and concludes by ex-pressing the hope that the knowledge of the cause of this remarkable disease may

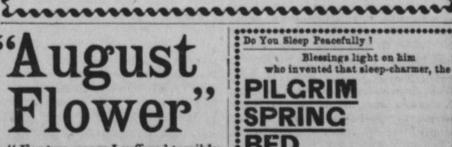
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