Nature's Laboratory. The cream of tartar tree belongs to the category of plants yielding ready made products. They are members of the genus "Adansonia." The height of the tree is from forty to seventy feet, while the top is over one hundred and eighty feet across. A Venetian who has left us the most ancient description of the tree, tells us that in 1454 he found one at the mouth of the Senegal with a circumference of one hundred and twelve feet. The tree is very disproportionate, as may be gathered from the fact that Gregory-after whom the Australian species is named-saw one eighty-five feet in circumference at a height of two feet from the ground. The acid is found in the farinacious pulp surrounding the seed, and has at all times been highly esteemed by travelers, who mix it with a little water in order to make a refreshing beverage. The bark of the tree contains a remarkably strong fiber which in some parts is made into ropes, in others woven into cloth. A bitter principle, to which the name of "Adansonin" has been given, is extracted from the bark. It appears in fine white needles of a smell similar to that of aloes or gentian, and is extremely bitter in taste. It is interesting from the fact that it is the only product known up to the present that has an antagonistic action to the Strophanthus arrow-poison, a a deadly poisonous seed used by the natives on the west and east coasts of Africa, to insure their arrows in-

Counselor "Therefore."

flicting a fatal wound.

Sergeant Kelly, a celebrity of the Irish bar, had a remarkable habit of drawing conclusions d rectly at variance with his premises, and was consequently nicknamed "Counselor Therefore." In court, on one occasion, he thus addressed the jury: "The case is so clear, gentlemen, that you can not possibly misunderstand it, and I should pay your understandings a very poor compliment if I dwelt upon it for another minute; therefore, I shall at once proceed to explain it to you as minutely as possible.

### THE TRUST AFTER NO-TO-BAC.

Estimated That Half a Million Tobacco Users Will Be Cured in '94 by the Use of No-To-Bac, Causing a Loss of Many Millions of Dollars to Tobacco Manu-

CHICAGO. August 11—[Special.]—It was reported to-iny that a large sum of money has been offered the proprietors of the cure for the tobacco labit called "No-To-Bac," which is famous all over the country for its wonderful effect. This offer, it was said, was made by parties who desire to take it off the market and stop its sale, because of its injury to the tobacco business. Mr. H. L. Kramer, general manager of the No-To-Bac business, was interviewed at his office, 45 Randolph street, and when questioned promptly said:

"No. sir: No-To-Dac is not for sale to the tobacco trust." We just refused a half million from other parties for our business, Certainly No-To-Buc affects the tobacco business. It will cure over a half million people in 1894, at an average saving of \$50, which each would otherwise expend for tob amounting in round figures to \$25,000,000.
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## REV. DR. TALMAGE.

The Eminent Brooklyn Divine's Sunday Sermon.

Subject: "The Tragedy of Dress."

Text / "Whose adorning let it not be that outward afforning of plaiting the hair and the wearing of gold or of putting on of ap-parel, but let it be the hidden man of the heart."—I Peter iii., 3, 4.

That we should all be clad is proved by he opening of the first wardrobe in paradise, with its apparel of dark green. That we should all, as far as our means allow us, be beautifully and gracefully appareled is proved by the fact that God never made a wave but He gilded it with golden sunbeams, or a tree but He garlanded it with blossoms, or a sky but He studded it with stars, or alwed even the smoke of a furnace to ascend but He columned and turreted and domed and scrolled it into outlines of indescribable gracefulness. When I see the apple or-chards of the spring and the pageantry of the autumnal forests. I come to the conclusion that, if nature does ever join the church, while she may be a Quaker in the silence of her worship, she never will be a Quaker in the style of her dress. Why the notches of a fern leaf or the stamen of a water lily? Why, when the day departs, does it let the folding doors of heaven stay open so long when it might go in so quickly?

One summer morning I saw an army of a million spears, each one adorned with a diamond of the first water—I mean the grass, with the dew on it. When the diamond of the first water—I mean the grass, with the dew on it. When the prodigal came home, his father not only put a coat on his back, but jewelry on his hand. Christ wore a heard. Paul, the bachelor apostle, not afflicted with any sentimentality, admired the arrangement of a woman's hair when he said in his epistle, "If a woman have long hair, it is a glory unto her."

There will be a fashion in beaven as earth, but it will be a different kind of fashion. It will decide the color of the dress. population of that country, by a beautiful law, will wear white. I say these things as a background to my sermon to show you that I have no prim, precise, prudish or cast iron theories on the subject of human apparel. But the goddess of fashion has set up her throne in this world, and at the sound of the timbrels we are all and at the sound of the timbrels we are all expected to fall down and worship. The Old and New Testament of her Bible are the fashion plates. Her altars smoke with the sacrifice of the bodies, minds and souls of 10,000 victims. In her temple four people stand in the organ loft, and from them there comes down a cold drizzle of music, freezing on the ears of her worshipers. This goddess of fashion has become a rival of the Lord of heaven and earth, and it is high time that we unlimbered our batteries against this idolatry. When I come to count the victims of fashlop, I find as many masculine as feminine. Men make an easy tirade against woman, as though she were the chief worshiper at this idolatrous shrine, and no doubt some men in the more conspicuous part of the pew have already cast glances at the more retired part of the pew, their look a prophecy of generous dis-tribution. My sermon shall be as appropriate for one end of the pew as for the other.

Men are as much the idolators of fashion as women, but they sacrifice on a different part of the altar, With men the fashion goes to cigars and clubrooms and yachting parties and wine suppers. In the United States the men chew up and smoke \$100,-000,000 worth of tobacco every year. That is their fashion. In London not long ago a man died who started in life with \$750,000, but he ate it all up in gluttonies, sending his agents to all parts of the earth for some rare delicacy for the palate, sometimes one plate of food costing him \$300 or \$400. He ate up his whole fortune and had only a guinea leit. With that he bought a woodcock and had it dressed in the very best style, ate it, gave two hours for digestion, then walked out on Westminster bridge and threw himself into the Thames and died, doing on a large scale what you and I have often seen done on a small scale. But men do not abstain from millinery and elaboration of skirt through any superiority of humility. It is only because such appendages would be a blockade to business. What would sashes and trains three and a half yards long do in a stock market? And yet men are the disciples of fashion just as much as women. Some of them wear books so tight there Some of them wear boots so tight they can hardly walk in the paths of righteousness. And there are men who buy expensive suits of clothes and never pay for them, and who go through the streets in great stripes of color like animated checkerboards. I say these things because I want to show you that I am impartial in my discourse, and that both sexes, in the language of the surrogate's office, shall "share and share alike."

As God may beip me, I shall show you what are the destroying and deathful influences of inordinate features.

of inordinate fashion. The first baneful influence I notice is in fraud, illimitable and ghastly. Do you know that Arnold of the revolution proposed to sell his country in order to get money to support his wife's wardrobe? I declare here before God and this people that the effort to keep up expensive establishments in this keep up expensive establishments in this country is sending more business men to temporal perdition than all other causes combined. What was it that sent Gilman to the penitentiary and Philadelphia Morton to the watering of stock, and the life insurance presidents to perjured statements about their assets, and has completely upset our American finances? What was it that overthrew the United States secretary at Wash threw the United States secretary at Washington, the crash of whose fall shook the continent? But why should I go to these famous defaultings to show what men will de in order to keep up great home style and expensive wardrobe when you and I know scores of men who are put to their wits' end and are lashed from January to December in the attempt? Our politicians may theorize until the expiration of their terms of office as to the best way of improving our monetary condition in this country. It will be of uo use, and things will be no better until we can learn to put on our heads and backs and feet and hands no more than we can pay for. continent? But why should I go to these fa-

can pay for.

There are clerks in stores and banks on There are clerks in stores and banks on limited salaries who, in the vain attempt to keep the wardrobe of their family as showy as other folks' wardrobes, are dying of muffs and diamonds and shawls and high hats, and they have nothing left except what they give to cigars and wine suppers, and they die before their time, and they will expect us ministers to preach about them as though they were the victims of early piety, and after a high class funeral, with silver handles at the side of the coffin of extraordinary brightness, it will be found out that the undertaker is cheated out of his legitimate expenses. Do not send to me to preach the funeral sermon of a man who dies like that. I will blurt out the whole trute and tell that funeral sermon of a man who dies like that. I will blurt out the whole trute and tell that he was strangled to death by his wife's ribbons. Our countries are dressed to death. You are not surprised to find that the putting up one public building in New York cost millions of dollars more than it ought to have cost when you find that the man who gave out the contracts paid more than \$5000 for his daughter's wedding dress. Cashmeres of a thousand dollars each are not rare on Broadway. It is estimated that not rare on Broadway. It is estimated that there are 10,000 women in these two cities who have expended on their personal array

What are men to do in order to keep up such home wardrobes? Steal? That is the only respectable thing they can do! During the last fifteen years there have been innumerable fine businesses shipwrecked on the wardrobe. The temptation comes in this way: A man thinks more of his fartily than of all the world outside, and if they spend the evening in describing to him the superior wardrobe of the family across the street that they cannot bear the sight of the man is thrown on his gallantry and on his price of family, and without translating his feelings into plain language he goes into ex-

penmanship in writing someboly else name at the foot of a promissory note, and they all go down together—the husband to the prison, the wife to the sewing machine, the children to be taken care of by those who were called poor relations. Oh, for some new Shakespeare to arise and write the tragedy of human clothes!

Will you forgive me if I say in tersest shape possible that some of the men have to forge and to perjure and to swindle to pay for their wives' dresses. I will say it whether you forgive me or not!

Again, inordinate fashion is the foe of all Christian almsgiving. Men and women put so much in personal display that they often ave nothing for God and the cause of suf-fering humanity. A Christian man cracking his Palais Royal glove across the back by shutting up his hand to hidethe cent he puts the story of the Hottentots, crying copious tears into a \$25 handkerchief and then giving a two cent piece to the collection, thrusting it under bills so people will not know but it was a \$10 goldpiece. One hundred dollars for incense to fashion; two cents for God. God gives us nigety cents out of every God. God gives us ninety cents out of every dollar. The other ten cents by command of His Bible belong to Him. Is not God liberal according to His tithing system laid down in the Old Testament? Is not God liberal in giving us ninety cents out of a dollar when He takes but ten? We do not like that. We want to have ninety-nine cents for ourselves and one for God

Now, I would a great deal rather steal ten cents from you than from God. I think one reason why a great many people do not get along in worldly accumulation faster is because they do not observe this divine rule. God says, "Well, if that man is not satisfied with ninety cents of a dollar, then I will take the whole dollar, and I will give it to the man or woman who is honest with Me."

The greatest obstacle to charity in the Christian church to-day is the fact that men expend so much money on their table, and wo-men so much on their dress, they have got nothing lett for the work of God and the world's betterment. In my first settlement at Belleville, N. J., the cause of missions was being presented one Sabbath, and a plea for the charity of the people was being made when an old Christian man in the audience lost his balance and said right out in the midst of the sermon, "Mr. Talmage, how are we to give liberally to those grand and glorious causes when our families dress as they do?" I did not answer that question.

was the only time in my life when I had nothing to say. Again, inordinate fashion is distraction to public worship. You know very well there are a good many people who come to church just as they go to the races—to see who will come out first. What a flutter it makes in church when some woman with extraordinary display of fashion comes in! "What a love of a bounet !" says one. "What a per feet fright!" says 500. For the most merciless critics in the world are fashion critics. Men and women with souls to be save a passing the hour in wondering where that man got his cravat or what store that woman

In many of our churches the preliminary exercises are taken up with the discussion of wardrobes. It is pitiable. Is it not won deriul that the Lord does not strike the meeting bouses with lightning? What distraction of public worship! Dying men and and women, whose bodies are soon to be turned into dust, yet before three worlds strutting like peacocks, the aw'u! question of the soul's destiny submerged by the ques-tion of navy blue velvet and long lan train skiri, long enoug to drag up the church aisle, the husand's store, office, shop, fac-tory, fortune and the admiration of half the people in the building! Men and women me late to church to show their clothes

personal array, to sing . Rise, my soul, and stretch thy wings; Thy better portion trace. Rise from transitory things

People sitting down in a pew or taking up a

hymnbook, all absorbed at the same time in

Toward heaven, tay native place, I adopt the Episcopalian prayer and say,

"Good Lord, leliver us!"
Insatiate fashion also belittles the intel-lect. Our minds are enlarged or they dwindle just in proportion to the importance of the subject on which we constantly dwell, Can you imagine abything more dwarfing to the human intellect than the study of fashion? I see men on the street who, judging from their elaboration, must have taken two hours to arrange their apparel. After a few years of that kind of absorption, which one of McAllister's magnifying glasses will be powerful enough to make the man's character visible? They all land in idiocy.

I have seen men at the summer watering places, through fashion, the mere wreck of what they once were. Sallow of cheek. Meagre of limb. Hollow at the chest. Showing no animation save in rushing across room to pick up a lady's fan. Steeperin along the corridors the same compliment they simpered twenty years ago. A New York lawyer at United States Hotel, Samtoza, within our hearing, rushed teross a room to say to a sensible woman. "You are as sweet as peaches!" The foois of fashion are myriad. Fashion not only destroys the

are myriad. Fashion not only destroys the body, but it makes idictic the intellect. Yet, my friends, I have given you only the milder phase of this evil. It shute a great multitude out of heaven. The first peal of thunder that shook Sinal declared. "Thous shall have no other God before Me," and you will have to choose between the goldess of fashion and the Christian God. There are a great many souls in heaven, and the of fashion and the Christian God. There are a great many seats in heaven, and they are all easy seats, but not one seat for the devotee of fashion. Heaven is for these who think more of their souls than of their bodies. Heaven is for those who have more joy in Christian charity than in dry goods religion. Why, if you, with your idolatry of fashion, should somehow get into heaven, you would be for putting a French roof on the "house of many mansions." Give up this idolatry of fashion or give up heaven. What would you do acanding beside the Countess of Huntington, whose joy it was to build chapels for the poor, or with that Christian woman of Boston who feel 1500 children of the street at Faneuii Hali on New Year's day, giving out as a sort of doxology at the end of the meeting a pair of shows to each end of the meeting a pair of shors to each one of them, or those Dorcases of modern society who have consecrated their needle to the Lord, and who will get eternal reward

for every stitch they take? Oh, men and women, give up the idolatry of fashion! The rivalries and the competitions of such a life are a stupendous wretch-edness. You will always find some one with

brighter array and with more palatial residence, and with lavender kid gloves that make a tighter fit. And if you buy this thing and wear it you will wish you had bought something else and worn it. And the frets of such a life will bring the crow's teet to your temples before they are due, and when you come to die you will have a miserable time. I have seen men and women of fashion die, and I never saw one of them die well. The trappings off, there they lay on the tumbled pillow, and there were just two things that bothered them—a wasted life and a coming eternity. I could not pacify them, for their body, mind and soul had been exhausted in the worship of fashion, and they could not appreciate the gospel. When I knelt by their bedside, they were mumbling out their regrets and saying: "O Godal O God!" Their garments hung up in the wardrobe, never again to be seen by them. Without any exception, so far as my memory serves me, they died without hope and went into eternity unprepared.

The most ghastly deathbeds on earth are theone where a man dies of delirium tremens and the other where a woman dies after having sacrificed all her faculties of body, mind and soul in the worship of fashion. My friends, we must appear in judgment to answer for what we have worn on our bodies as well as for what repentences we have exercised with our souls.

On that day I see coming in Beau Brummel of the last century, without his cloak, like which all England got a cloak, and without his cane, like which all England got a cane, without his snuffoox, like which all dence, and with lavender kid gloves that

England got a snuffbox—he, the fop of the ages, particular about everything būt his morals, and Aaron Burr without the letters that down to old age he showed in pride to prove his early wicked gallantries, and Ab-salom without his hair, and Marchioness Pompadour without her titles, and Mrs. Arnold, the belle of Wail street, when that was the center of fashion, without her frip-

peries of vesture. And in great haggardness they shall go away into eternal expatriation, while among the queens of heavenly society will be found Vasnti, who wore the modest veil before the palatial bacchanalians, and Handah, who annually made a little coat for Samuel at the temple, and Grandmother Lois, the ancestress of Timothy, who imitated her virtue, and Mary, who gave Jesus Christ to the world, and many of you, the wives and mothers and sisters and daughters of the present Christian church, who, through great ribulation, are entering into the kingdom of Christ announced who would make up the royal family of heaven when He said, "Wnosoever doeth the will of God, the same is My brother, My sister, My mother,'

### CABLE SPARKS.

Six fresh cases of cholera and five deaths from the same disease are reported from Maestricht, Holland.

An immense warehouse on Grosse Richen Strasse, Hamburg, has been destroyed by fire. The loss will exceed a million marks, A POLITICAL surprise was sprung in New-

foundland by the government party, which won over a number of Whitewayite sup-THE \$50,000 in gold stolen while in transit between New York and Paris has been found hidden in a coal pile near the railroad sta-

tion at Havre. JABEZ BALFOUR, the fugitive ex-member of Parliament, has been surrendered by the Argentine authorities to the representatives

of the British Government. MR. GLADSTONE has replied to the committee which invited him to visit America, stating that the operation upon his eye, which has not been completed, makes it impossible

for him to accept the invitation. Word has been received from the Wellman polar expedition, which has taken to the ice and is working northward. The supply steamer has been crushed by the ice and

THE Emperor of Japan has declared war against the Emperor of China, and formal notice has been served upon foreign powers. It is feared that the Chinese treaty ports during the present trouble will be closed. An official statement has been issued at Yokohama concerning the naval battle in which the Kow Shing was sunk.

In an engagement between Japanese and Chinese troops near Seoul the former are said to have been defeated with the loss of 2,000 men. Twenty thousand Chine setroops Lave entered Corea from Manchuri. A decisive naval battle is imminent near Aran. The Japanese government has issued a statement defining its position on the Corean

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which were figures. "What is that for?" the man who was making the rounds asked.

"vy, don't you know vot dot's for? Ef I got von tollar a tay I takes hold of him like dot." And suiting the action to the word he grasped the handle, near the head of the hammer, down over the dollar mark, and pounded away about as effectively as would a red-headed woodpecker.

"But of I got tree tollar I takes hold of him like dot." And he grasped the handle at its extreme end and of and most worthy of encourageswung the hammer with a force that would have driven a cold chisel a quarter of inch into steel at every blow. Anybody who has had much experience in handling men will readily see in the German mechanic's hammer handle a very suggestive object lesson. - Railway Record.

Curious Marriage Statistics.

Some curious marriage statistics of England and Wales have recently been made public. Taking all persons above 15 years of age, there are 8,716,363 unmarried males, 4,851,548 married males and 484,990 widowers, against 8,908,665 unmarried females. 4,916,649 married females, and 1,124,-310 widows. English scientists have these rather puzzling questions to answer: Why does the number of widows so greatly exceed that of the the widowers? And again, how can there be 4,916,649 married females and only 4,851,548 married males, unless some 100,000 or so persons have been guilty of bigamy?

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The Academie Francaise was 1635, lived long enough to snub Corneille and Moliere, was abolished in 1793, was revived two years later and made a useful body by Napoleon in 1803. Since then it has been a part of the Institute of France. It elects its own members, who are now known as the Forty Immortals. Its duties are to preserve the purity of the French language, to encourage and preserve French literature, and to distribute several queer prizes, such, for instance, as \$2,000 each year to that member of the working class who has performed the most virtuous action of the year, and \$300 every other year to the rising genius who is considered to be most in need ment. The members are supposed to meet twice a week, and are paid 13.87-a Napoleon-for every meeting they attend. They receive, besides, a salary of \$300 a year. Zola, who has been rejected some six or seven times, holds to the tradition that membership in the Academy is the highest literary bonor that can be bestowed upon a Frenchman.

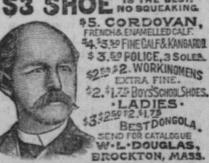
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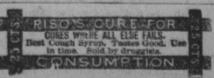
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