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The Eminent Brooklyn Divine's Sunday Sermon.

Subject: "The Fire Worshipers."

Text: "There came wise men from the East to Jerusalem."—Matthew II, 1. These were the Parses or the so-called fire worshippers, and I found their descendants in India last October. Their heathenism is more tolerable than any of the other false religions and has more alleviations, and while in this round the world series I have already shown you the worst forms of heathenism to-day I show you the least offensive.

of the dead. The wealthy people of Malabar hill have made strenuous efforts to have these strange towers removed as a nuisance, but they remain and will no doubt for ages remain. I talked with a learned Parsee about these mortuary customs. He said: "I suppose you consider them very peculiar, but the fact is we Parses reverence the elements of nature and cannot consent to defile them. We reverence the fire, and therefore will not ask it to burn our dead. We reverence the water and do not ask it to submerge our dead. We reverence the earth and do not ask it to bury our dead. And so we let the vultures take them away."

of the dead and the ceremony of espousal. And so the tear meets the smile, and the dove meets the vulture. Thus I have set before the best of all religions of the heathen world, and I have done so in order that you might come to a higher appreciation of the glorious religion which has put its benediction over us and over Christendom. Compare the absurdities and mummeries of heathen marriage with the plain "I will" of Christian marriage, the hands joined in pledge "till death do you part." Compare the doctrine that the dead may not be touched with as sacred and tender and loving a kiss as ever given, the last kiss of lips that never again will speak to us. Compare the narrow bridge Chinat over which the departing Parsee soul must tremblingly cross to the wide open gate of heaven through which the departing Christian soul may triumphantly enter. Compare the twenty-one books of the Zend Avesta of the Parses which even the scholars of the earth despair of understanding with our Bible, so much of it as is necessary for our salvation in language so plain that "a way-faring man, though a fool, need not err therein."

Neither One Nor the Other. An elderly Irish woman who was in a Madison avenue car yesterday wished to get out at Forty-second street. The conductor was on the front platform, so the woman, addressing a gentlemanly looking young man opposite her, said: "Shut the car."

Trouble Breaks Out Again. "There is no bigger lie in the world," growled the exchange editor, jabbing his shears vindictively into an offending newspaper before him, "than an old proverb. I've been it rain lots of times when it didn't pour."

Roumanian Humility. According to a Roumanian custom, when a servant has displeased his master the offender takes his boots in his hands and places them before the bedroom door of his master. It is a sign of great submission.

Suggestive Announcement. A New York undertaker occupies the store on the first floor of a flat house. His show window lately contained, beside a coffin, this suggestive advertisement: "Apartments to Let."

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Wild Fires. The devastation and suffering caused by the flames of the wild prairie and forest fires in the West, last summer, has a horrible detail in the loss of life and destruction of property. Men, women and children, by scores, choked by smoke and roasted alive; their homes destroyed and human limbs maimed and crippled. It is painful to contemplate, but still important and charitable to make it known that St. Jacobs Oil, used according to directions, is one of the best cures for burns and scalds, and should be kept on hand. There is no household that should be without the great remedy for pain, for there are none without the need of it. Little things like slight cuts and wounds, it heals and cures like magic and helps the heavy work on.

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Something Missing. The other night a young couple, newly married and evidently fresh from the country, put up at one of the leading hotels, and after being assigned to a room, went up stairs. A few minutes later the young man came down stairs, and, approaching the clerk, said: "That room is very nice, and all that, but there is something missing that should be there."

"What is it?" asked the clerk, surprised. "Well," answered the young man, leaning over the desk and whispering, "to tell the truth, there is no comb and brush there."

It was as much as the clerk could do to keep a straight face. "You haven't travelled much?" he inquired. "No," answered the man; "this is the first hotel I've ever been in."

"Then," said the clerk, "the comb and brush are in the washroom on this floor—for public use, but we do not supply tooth-brushes."

The young man went away pleased.

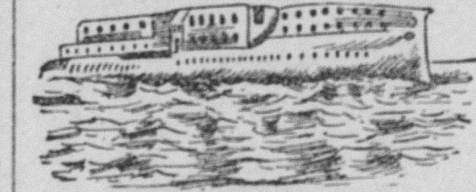
Compulsory Education. An original sentence was given lately by a magistrate in Missouri. A man who did not know how to read and write, convicted of a slight offense, was sentenced to imprisonment until he had learned to read. Another offender, who had a good education, was sentenced to keep him company until he had taught him to read. After three weeks they were discharged, as they had fulfilled their task to the full satisfaction of the magistrate.

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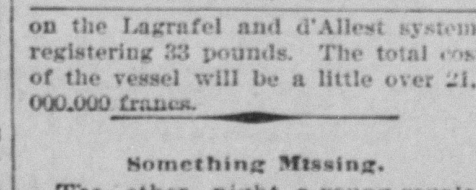
FRANCE'S LATEST WAR VESSEL.

The Carnot, a Unique Work of Military Naval Construction. The Carnot, a new armored vessel for the French navy, has just been launched at Toulon. The ship was built on the plans of M. de Saglio, director of naval construction, and the late President Carnot fastened the first bolt. It was to have been called the Lazare Carnot, after his great-grandfather.



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The hull of the Carnot is composed of two parallel walls, dovetailed into each other without a break as far up as the armored plate. The double hull is divided lengthwise by seven partitions; it has five longitudinal bulkheads and eighteen transverse bulkheads. There are three decks, the armored deck, the gun deck, and the main deck. The armored hurricane deck is constructed of a double thickness of sheet iron four-tenths of an inch thick, and covered with armor three inches thick. The length of the vessel between perpendiculars is 364 feet; its breadth 66 feet. The armament of the Carnot will consist of two 12-inch guns in the forward and central turrets of the vessel, two turrets for the 10 1/2-inch guns, eight turrets, four on either side, for the 5 1/2-inch long-range guns, and six rapid-fire guns on the upper decks. The turrets are protected by armor 16 inches thick. The exterior armor will rest on a backing of tank 11 inches thick and will be 17 inches thick. She is expected to make 17 knots an hour. She will have two vertical triple-expansion engines, with a maximum of 15,000 horse power. Steam will be generated by 24 cylindrical boilers, with double grates.



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