REV. DR. TALMAGE. THE EMINENT DIVINE'S SUNDAY DISCOURSE.

Subject: The Miracle at Cana-Lesson of Changing the Water Into Wine-Christ Teaches That We Should Not Shadow Joys of Others With Our Own Griefs-

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WASHINGTON, D. C. -A remarkable illustration of the ubiquity of English speaking people is furnished by the re-quests that have reached Dr. Talmage in Northern Europe for a sermon in out-of-the way places, where he did not expect to find a single person who could understand There, as here, he presents religion, as a festivity and invites all the world to come as guests and join in its holy merri-ment; text. John ii, 10, "Thou hast kept the good wine until now."

This chapter invites us to a marriage celebration. It is a wedding in common life, two plain people having pledged each other, hand and heart, and their friends other, hand and heart, and their friends having come in for congratulation. The joy is not the less because there is no pre-cension. In each other they find all the future they want. The daisy in the cup on the table may mean **cs** much as a score of artistic garlands fresh from the hot-house. When a daughter goes off from home with nothing but a plain father's blessing and a plain mother's love, she is missed as much as though she were a prinmissed as much as though she were a prin-cess. It seems hard, after the parents have sheltered her for eighteen years that in a few short months her affections should have been carried off by another, but her mother remembers how it was in her own case when she was young, and so she braces up until the wedding has passed and the banqueters are gone, and she has a cry all alone

Well, we are to-day at the wedding in Cana of Galilee. Jesus and His mother have been invited. It is evident that there are more people there than were expected. Either some people have come who were not invited or more invitations have been sent out than it was supposed would be acsent out than it was supposed would be ac-cepted. Of course there is not a sufficient supply of wine. You know that there is nothing more embarrassing to a house-keeper than a scant supply. Jesus sees the embarrassment, and He comes up im-mediately to relieve it. He sees standing six water pots. He orders the servants to fill them with water: then He waves High them with water; then He waves His hand over the water, and immediately is wine-real wine. Taste of it and see for yourselves; no logwood in it, no strychnine it, but first rate wine. I will not now be diverted to the question so often dis-cussed in my own country whether it is right to drink wine. I am describing the scene as it was. When God makes wine He makes the very best wine, and 130 gal-Ite makes the very best whe, and 150 gar-lons of it standing around in these water pots—wine so good that the ruler of the feast tastes it and says: "Why, this is really better than anything we have had! Thou hast kept the good wine until now." Beautiful miracle! A prize was offered to the person who should write the best es-ter about the miracle in Cane. Long mansay about the miracle in Cana. Long manascripts were presented in the competition, but a poet won the prize by just this one line descriptive of the miracle: "The conscious water saw its God and blushed.

We learn from the miracle, in the first that Christ has sympathy with housekeepers. You might have thought that Jesus would have said: "I cannot be bothered with this household deficiency of

rejoice, and the gloom of My face and of My sorrows shall be cast over all this group." So said not Jesus. He said to group." So said not Jesus. He said the Himself: 'Here are two persons starting out in married life. Let it be a joyful oc-casion. I will hide My own griefs. I will casion. I will hide My own griefs. I will kindle their joy." There are many not so wise as that. I know a household where there are many little children, where for two years the musical instrument has been kept shut because there has been trouble kept shut because there has been trouble in the house. Alas for the folly! Parents saying: "We will have no Christmas tree this coming holiday because there has been trouble in the house! Hush that laughing up stairs! How can there be any joy when there has been so much trou-ble?" And so they when so much trou-And so they make everything conble sistently doleful and send their sons laughters to ruin with the gloom they

throw around them. Oh, my dear friends, do you not know those children will have trouble enough of their own after awhile? Be glad they Keep back cannot appreciate all yours. of bitterness from your daughter's the cup of bitterness from your daughter's lips. When your head is down in the grass of the tomb poverty may come to her, betrayal to her, bereavement to her. Keep back the sorrows as long as you can. Do you not know that that son may, after awhile, have his heart broken? Stand between him and all harm. You may not between him and all harm. Fou may not fight his battles long. Fight them while you may. Throw not the chill of your own despondency over his soul. Rather be like Jesus, who came to the wedding hiding His own grief and kindling the joys of others. So I have seen the sun on a dark day struggling and chouds black ranged others. So I have seen the sun on a dara day struggling amid clouds, black, ragged and portentous, but after awhile the sun, with golden pry, heaved back the black-ness, and the sun laughed to the lake, and the lake laughed to the sun, and from zon to horizon, under the saffron sky, the water was all turned into wine.

I learn from this miracle that Christ is not impatient with the luxuries of life. was not necessary that they should have that wine. Hundreds of people have been married without any wine. We do not read that any of the other provisions fell short. When Christ made the wine it was not a necessity, but a positive luxury. I do not believe that He wants us to eat hard bread and sleep on hard mattresses unless we like them the best. I think, if circum-stances will allow, we have a right to the luxuries of dress, the luxuries of diet and the luxuries of residence. There is no more religion in an old coat than in a new There is no We can serve God drawn by golden harness as certainly as when we go afoot. Jesus Christ will dwell with us under a fine ceiling as well as under a thatched

What is the difference between a Chinese mud hovel and an American home? What is the difference between the rough bearskins of the Russian boor and bearskins of the Russian boor and the outfit of an American gentleman? No difference except that which the gospel of Christ, directly or indirectly, has caused. When Christ shall have vanquished all the world, I suppose every house will be a mansion, and every garment a robe, and every horse an arch necked courser, and every carriage a glittering vehicle, and every man a king, and every woman a queen, and the whole earth a paradise, the glories of the natural world harmonizing with the glories of the material world until the very bells of the horses shall jingle

the praises of the Lord. I learn, further, from this miracle that I learn, further, from this miracle that Christ has no impatience with festal joy; otherwise He would not have accepted the invitation to that wedding. He certainly would not have done that which increased the hilarity. There may have been many in that room who were happy, but there was not one of them that did so much for wine. It is not for Me, Lord of heaven and of earth, to become caterer to this feast. I have vaster things than this to attend to." Not so said Jesus. The wine prive out, and Jesus, by miraculous power.

KEYSTONE STATE.

LATEST NEWS GLEANED FROM VARI-OUS PARTS.

II HURT IN PITTSBURG FIRE.

Blazing Walls Crash Down Without Warning and Bury a Dozen Brave Firemen in the Debris, One Perishing Instantly-Loss to Property Amounts to \$300,000-Miners Put Dynamite in Powder Keg.

In one of the fiercest fires Pittsburg has ever seen one fireman was killed and eleven others were injured, while property to the amount of \$300,600 was destroyed.

The flames were first discovered in the plant of the Best Manufacturing Company. The origin of the fire is a mystery. It was discovered by a passerby and before the night watchman could be awakened the entire third and fourth stories of the factory were a mass of flames. Burning brands were wafted high in the air, and the surrounding buildings, that comprise one of Pittsburg's most congested manufacturing centres, were in danger of being destroyed.

In an incredibly short space of time the fire had been communicated to the entire structure. On one side a fireescape ran from the street to the top, and upon this a score of daring firemen had taken their stand. Three streams of water were being poured into the seething mass of flames, when the bystanders uttered a cry of warning. The wall was seen to totter, and in an instant it fell, burying a dozen firemen. Williams was crushed about the head, and when a rescuing party fought its way through the falling de bris it was found that he was dead. The others who were injured were taken to the West Penn Hospital, and the surgeons in charge say that all will recover.

Because of the intense heat the firemen were unable to get near the blaze, and their efforts were confined to sav ing the surrounding property. After three hours', hard work the flames were subdued, but not until the Best plant had been entirely gutted. In addition to the loss to the structure the company lost a great number of valuable patterns.

After Thieving Gang.

There has been an epidemic of highway robberies throughout Middletown Township during the past year, evidently by an organized gang. The citi zens have become tired of the almost nightly thefts which occur and determined to stop them, presented a petition before Judge Johnson, signed by large number, asking that twelve deputy constables be appointed to act as policemen, to endeavor to capture at least some of the rogues. The Court cranted their prayer.

There have been three hold-ups in the vicinity of Elwyn Station in the past three months, in each case the victim being relieved of all his money and valuables. Hen roosts have been completely relieved of every fowl. In one case a live pig was taken from the pen, and in another several sets of as were taken. The citizens have

FACTS AS TO WINKS. Solentists Confess That Why We Do So is a

Mystery. No satisfactory determination has been made of the reason we wink. Some suppose that the descent and return of the lid over the eye serves to sweep or wash it off; others that covering of the eye, gives it a rest from the labor of vision, if only for an inappre-

ciable instant. This view borrows some force from the fact that the record of winking is considerably used by experimental physologists to help measure the fatigue which the eye suffers

In another line of investigation Herr S. Garten has attempted to measure the length of time occupied by the different phases of a wink. He used a specially arranged photographic apparatus, and affixed a piece of white paper to the edge of the eyelid for a mark. He found that the lid descends quickly. and rests a little at the bottom of its movement, after which it rises, but more slowly than it fell. The mean duration of the downward movement

was from 75 to 91 thousandths of a second; the rest with the eye shut lasted variously, the shortest durations being 15 hundredths of a second with one subject and 17 hundredths of a second with another; and the third phase of the wink, the rising of the lid, took 17 hundredths of a second fore, making the entire duration of the wink about 40 hundredths, or four-tenths of a second. The interruption is not long enough to interfere with distinct vision. M. V. Henri says, in L'Annee Psychologigue, that different persons wink differently-some often, others rarely; some in groups of 10 or so at a time,

when they rest a while; and others regularly, once only at a time. The movement is modified by the degree of attention. Periods of close interest, when we wink hardly at all, may be followed by a speedy making up for lost time by rapid winking when the tension is relieved .- Popular Science Monthly.

Pror Air and Poor Living.

When "Jim" Bridger, the famous scout of the plains, grew old, he thought he would like to retire from the somewhat arduous life of a plainsman and settle down to the case of "the East"-which to him meant Missouri. So he used his best endeavor to find a competent man to fill his place, and went back to Missouri.

A year or two passed, and one day Captain Russell, the commandant of the post which Bridger had left, was surprised to see the old scout heave in sight. When he came in, the captain

About Tetterine. Dr. M. L. Fielder of Eclectic P. O., Elmore Co., Ala., says: "I know it to be a radical cure for tetter, salt rheum, eczema and all kindred diseases of the skin and scalp. I never prescribe anything else in all skip troubles." Send 50c. in stamps for a box of it, postpaid, to the mannfacturer, J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga., if your druggist doesn't keep it.

A Boctor's Advice Free!

Sensible Advice.

C. P. Huntingdon, who after a phenomenal career in business became a Pacific railway president, through the columns of Success says these sensible words to boys and young men who are ambitious for honorable achievement: Advice is thrown away on a boy or young man who considers it beneath him to work at anything which hardens the hands or soils the garments, but who prefers a clerkship in a store or office at starvation wages. Good clothes should not be worn at the expense of a career. To the man who is not afraid of downright hard work, I would suggest frugality, investing surplus earnings, if only a dime a day, in a savings bank, and reading useful books during leisure hours.

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Persia has as yet no railroad systems, but the Eassian syndicates appear to have se-cured a concession for the construction of ratiroads in that courtry.

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The canker worm has been playing havoe among the orchards in P.att county, Mo. Farmers do not expect to produce more than one-fourth of the usual crop.

Conductor E. D. Loomis, Detroit, Mich., says: "The effect of Hall's Catarrh Cure is wonderful." Write him about it. Sold by wonderful." Druggists, 75c.

The favorite theatrical play in India is the presentation of the exploits of some god.

Don't drink too much wat r when cyling. Adams' Pepsin Tutti Frutti is an excellent substitute.

Among the clocks to be seen at the Paris Exposition is one of the year 1580, which be-longed to Henry 11L.

Piso'e Cure is the best medicine we ever used for all affections of throat and lungs .-- WM. O. ENDSLEY, Vanburen, Ind., Feb. 10, 1900. Last month's import of gold into Eugland

from South Africa was only \$10,000, against \$8,737,000 in May, 1899.

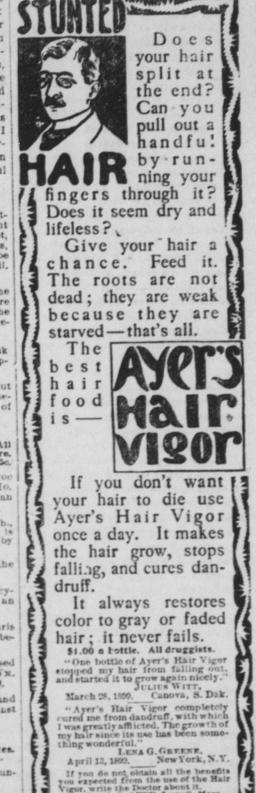
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Where the Paint Went

The Philadelphia Press tells a mory of a house painter who seems to have a very pretty wit. "I thought you were working on Jay Krank's new house," said the house painter's friend. "I was going to," replied the house painter, "but I had a quarrel with him and he said he'd put the paint on himself." "And did he do it?" "Yes, that is where he put most of it."

About 1,200 n groes in Jamaica and ad-jacent islands have been engaged to help uild a railroad from Quito to the coast of Ecuador.

Tennessee pays the chief justice of its Su-preme Court a salary of \$3,500.



down and cry. Don't go out and fret, but go to Him who stood in the house in Cana of Galilee. Pray in the parlor! Pray in the kitchen! Let there be no room in all your house unconsecrated by the voice of prayer. If you have a microscope, put home! I have seen all thy sorrows. In prayer. under it it one drop of water and see the insects floating about, and when you see that God makes them and cares for them and feeds them come to the conclusion that He will take care of you and feed you.

He will take care of you and feed you. A boy asked if he might sweep the snow from the steps of a house. The lady of the household said, "Yes; you seem very poor." He says, "I am very poor." She says, "Don't you sometimes get discouraged and feel that God is going to let you starve?" The lad looked up in the wom-an's face and said, "Do you think God will he me starve when I trust Him and will let me starve when I trust Him and then do the best I can?" Enough theology for older people! Trust in God and do the best you can. Amid all the worri-ments of housekeeping go to Him, He will help you control your temper and su-pervise your domestics and entertain your ruests and manage your home economies. There are hundreds of women weak and nervous and exhausted with the care of housekeeping. I commend you to the Lord Jesus Christ as the best adviser and the efficient aid-the Lord Jesus who

for the deficiency. I think certainly they must have had enough for half the guests. One gallon of wine will do; certainly five gallons will be enough; certainly ten. But Jesus goes on, and He gives them thirty gallons and forty gallons and fitty gallons and seventy gallons and 100 gallons and 130 gallons of the very best wine. It is just like Him-doing everything on the largest and most generous scale. Does Christ, our Creator, go forth to make leaves? He makes them by the whole forest full-notched like the fern or silvered like the aspen or broad like the palm, thickets in the tropics, Oregon forests. Does He go forth to make flowers? He

may endure for a hight, but joy content solo in the morning. I remark, further, Jesus does not shadow the joys of others with His own griefs. He might have sat down in that wedding and said: "I have so much trouble, so much poverty, so much persecu-tion, and the cross is coming. I shall not

attend to." Not so said Jesus. Inc while grave out, and Jesus, by miraculous power, came to the rescue. Does there ever come a scant supply in your household? Have you to make a very close calculation? Is it hard work for you to carry on things de-cently and respectably? If so, don't sit down and the travent to find the travent to find the way out. You said down and the travent to find the way out. You said down and the travent to find the way out. You said down and the travent to find the way out. You said down and the travent to find the way out. You said down and the travent to find the way out. You said down and the travent to find the way out. You said down and the travent to find the way out. You said the way out. You said the way out. You sat down and

this the hour of thy extremity I offer thee pardon and everlasting life!"

pardon and everlasting file: Trouble came. You were almost torn to pieces by that trouble. You braced yourself up against it. You said, "I will be a stoic and will not care." But before you had got through making the resolution it broke down under you. You felt that it broke down under you. all your resources were gone, and then

Jesus came. "In the fourth watch of the night." the Bible says, "Jesus came walking on the sea." Why did He not come in the first watch or in the second watch or in the third watch? I do not know. He came in the fourth and gave deliverance to His sciples. Jeaus in the last extremity?

I wonder if it will be so in our very ast extremity. We shall fall suddenly last extremity. We shall fail suddenly sick, and the doctors will come, but in vain. We will try the anodynes and the stimu-lants and the bathings, but all in vain. Something will say, "You must go." No one to hold us back, but the hands of eternity stretched out to pull us on. What ? Jesus will come to us, and as we 'Lord Jesus, I am afraid of that wathen housekeeper. I learn also from this miracle that Christ does things in abundance. I think a amall supply of wine would have made up for the deficiency. I think certainly ther wave, taking us on down, deeper, deeper, deeper, and our soul will cry, "All Thy waves and billows have gone over me." They cover the feet, come to the knee and They cover the feet, come to the knee and pass the girdle and come to the head, and our soul cries out, "Lord Jesus Christ, 1 cannot hold Thine arm any longer." Then Jesus will turn around, throw both His arms about us and set us on the beach far beyond the tossing of the billows. Jesus in the last extremity!

in the last extremity! That wedding scene is gone now. The wedding ring has been lost, the tankards have been broken, the house is down, but Jesus invites us to a grander wedding You know the Bible says that the church is the Lamb's wife, and the Lord will af-ter awhile come to fetch her house. There <text><text><text><text>

asked their suspicions and a wholesale arrest is looked for.

To Blow Up a Man.

His enemies conspired to kill a Pojish miner named John Kostock, em ployed in Laurel Hill Mine, but their plot was frustrated. Some miners, it is alleged, are jealous of Kostock's success at his work, and in order to get revenge placed dry sticks of dynamite in a keg of powder which he was using. The dynamite was arranged in such a way that when Kostock would remove an iron rod placed in the keg the entire charge would explode. The plot was suspected and the powder removed without being exploded. The same conspirators also placed dualin caps under the railroad bed near where Kostock worked. A number of arrests will be made.

Town's Money Saved.

A rocking chair and a wakeful young woman saved the borough's money from falling into the hands of a burglar at Renovo. A burglar entered Borough Treasurer David Russell's house through a second-story window. While tiptoeing across a room occupied by Miss Theresa Burke, a sister of Mrs. Russell, the burglar fell over rocking chair. This awakened Miss Burke, who gave the alarm. The burglar jumped from the window and made his escape. There was a large amount of the borough's cash in the house.

In-ane Over a Bull.

A dispute over ", bull has sent Jean Gentear to the insane asylum at Danville. The ownership of the bull in question has for several years been a bone of contention between Gantear and Frank Ingall, each declaring himto be the rightful owner of the cnimal.

Gantear has long been quite demonstrative in his declarations of ownership of the bull, and it appears to have been the absorbing topic of his life. Recently his friends recognized that his mental condition was becoming impaired. Meanwhile the ownership of the bull is still unsettled.

Violent Wind Storm.

A fierce windstorm, almost a cyclone in violence, passed over Monroe county. Many trees and fences were blown down and several persons had a narrow escape from serious injury. Jacob Ganz had a close call. The wind lifted a cupola off the barn and whirled it within an inch of Ganz's head. The fact that little or no rain fell in the west end of the county saved the standing crops. At the Water Gap, Shawnee and other villages nearby, many trees were uprooted.

Whole Family Poisoned.

Ralph, the three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Shawley, of Plymouth. died of trichinosis, caused by eating pork. His parents, four brothers and sisters and two guests at the house are just recovering.

The family ate pork for dinner and soon afterward were overcome by extreme pains and severe sickness. Doctors were called and all were saved except the three-year old boy, who was most violently affected and who died Friday morning. The others are very sick, but will recover.

"Well, Bridger, what brings you

back here? "Captain," said Bridger, "I want to go back to scouting again." "Indeed? Why, I thought you had

settled down in the East for the rest of your life." "Well, cap'n, I'll tell you how it is.

went back to old Missoura, and if you'll believe it, they've got a railroad station within ten mile o' the old place yes, sir, a railroad station! And what's more, they've got a ranch now in every four mile. I tell you what, cap'n, theair aint pure down there no more."

"Is that possible? But I thought you'd like the good things to eat they have down there-you like good things to eat, I remember."

"Good things to eat! Why, cap'n. I didn't have a br'iled beaver-tail the whole time I was there!"

A Collection of Wall Papers.

There is a vast deal more in wallpapers than meets the eye, says the Pall Mall Gazette. They are a record and comment of the various fashions in decorations that have succeeded each other through the centuries. The difficulty is that they are so liable to destruction that a complete collection is impossible. There is a certain M. Follet, however, who has given all his time to collecting wallpapers. With the utmost patience he has wandered down the centuries in search of old walls. And he has got back as far as the beginning of the seventeenth century. Wallpapers were then painted or engraved by hand, and were a luxury which could only be indulged in by the rich. But in the year of the glorious revolution one Jean Papillon invented a printing press for the pro duction of wallpapers which brought them within the reach of limited incomes, and the sometimes hideous sometimes beautiful, passing whim of the moment.

Germans Use Movable Targets.

In the German army movable tar gets are used. The targets are drawn forward by the aid of ropes and pulleys, and the targets rest on small skids. As the trucks move forward the infantry, kneeling down, fires at them. This gives them a practice which enables them to familiarize themselves with the best methods of repelling a cavalry attack.

A Dyspeptic Epigram.

The wee-begone man who rumor says has been hardly treased by one of the cruel sex, observed: "You never know who your friends are until you need 'em. And then you find out who are not your friends."-New York Commercial Advertiser.

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