Always Willing to Oblige.

It was a Texas town, and a longlimbed Texan was making across the public square toward the courthouse with a revolver in his hand when he was stopped by a man, who asked: "Are you on your way to the court-

Yes sir; I am," was the reply.

"Going to shoot anybody? "Yes, sir-Lawyer Johnson. If it hadn't been for him I shouldn't have lost my case yesterday. Yes, sir, going to fill him full of lead." Are you in any great hurry about

"No special hurry, but when I have shooting on hand I like to get if off

my minds as soon as possible. Of course, but you see, Lawyer Johnson is now arguing a case for me and won't be through for forty minutes. He's going to win it for sure if not interrupted, and if you will only hold on for awhile you will do me a great favor.

Why, certainly—glad you mentioned No hurry about the shooting, so as it comes off to-day, and you can count on me. Have a drink with you? With the greatest of pleasure, and if Johnson is a particular friend of yours I'll shoot him as softly as I can and give him every show to die like a gentle-

Better Late Than Never.

"You may recall me, sir, as the man who eloped with your daughter about a

'Well, sir, what can I do for you?" "I may be a little bit tardy, but I have come to offer you my congratulations.

## ALARMING MORTALITY.

Noticeable Among the Weak and Ailing.

Spring the Time Death Reaps Its Largest Harvest.

There is a Way of Eluding the Grim Destroyer.

Every Spring it is noticeable how many people are taken away that we have been accustomed to see in our

daily life. Statistics show that at no other sea-

son of the year does so many deaths

Especially large is the mertality among weak and sickly people. The reason for this is apparent. The body that is weakened by age or disease has much to contend with during the Winter months. Insufficient exercise frequently has been taken. Too much starchy and fatty foods have been eaten. The system has been allowed to become run down, and when Spring comes with its bright, sunshiny days, older people will begin to realize that their vitality has become very low. The same thing is true of people who

are naturally sickly and weak. This is the season of the year when even a strong person feels at his worst. That tired, restless feeling is experienced by too many.

There need not be as many deaths this year as usually take place. A little care will ward off many Spring funerals. If one is weak or ailing they should take time by the forelock and take Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy. This great medicine has been in many cases, and will continue to be, the means by which the black angel of Death has been driven from the threshold. It dispels the grim destroyer in a scientific way, for it purifies the blood and gives strength and vitality to the nerves. It tones up and restores to a healthy condition all of the great life-giving organs of the body.

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town, N. Y., writes: 'I feel it my duty to tell how much good Dr. Greene's Nervura has done I was so run down that I could not sleep at night and everything worried me. I had no appetite and could not work, my head ached all the time there was an all-gone feeling in my stomach and I was always looking on the dark side of everything. I beto take Dr. Greene's Nervura od and nerve remedy and in less three weeks I felt like a new I can now do as much work as expected of a man my age. I advise any one who is troubled to take Dr. Greene's Nervura. Do not go to a doctor, but get a bottle of Dr. Greene's Nervura. It is cheaper than a doctor's

The latter part of Mr. Hynes's advice might be profitably disregarded. however, if you should feel you would like the advice of a physician. You can have such advice and have it free if you will write or call on the greatest known blood and nerve specialist, Dr. Greene, 35 W. 14th St., New York City.

The Arkansas Chaplain's Prayer. One of the strangest prayers that we remember to have read comes from Chaplain Noe, of the Arkansas House

of Representatives: "O Lord, we thank Thee that we are not in the lunatic asylum this morning. nor considered fit subjects for the same. The innuendo seems to be that some other morning the case might be differ-

If you want "good digestion to wait up-on your ppetite" you shou d always chew a bar of Alams' Pepsin Tutti Frutti.

The Chinese caligraphist uses two col-ors—black and red.

## THE PRINTED WORD.

Dr. Talmage Says Sacred Stupidity and Laziness is Rebuked by Christ.

& Call for a Warm Friendship Between Those Who Preach the Gospel and Those Who Make Newspapers.

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Washington, D. C.—In this discourse Dr. Talmage calls for a warm friendship between those who preach the gospel and those who make newspapers, the spoken word and the printed word to go side by side; text. Luke xvi. 8, "The children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light."

Sacred stupidity and solemn incompetency and sanctified laziness are here rebuked by Christ, He says worldlings are wider awake for opportunities than are Christians. Men of the world grab occasions, while Christian people let the most valuable occasions drift by unimproved. That is the meaning of our Lord when He says, "The children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light."

A marked illustration of the truth of that maxim is in the slowness of the Christian religion to take possession of the secular press. The opportunity is open, and has been for some time open, but the ministers of religion are for the most part allowing the golden opportunity to pass unimproved. That the opportunity is open I declare from the fact that all the secular newspapers are glad of any religious facts or statistics that you present them. Any animated and stirring article relating to religious themes they would gladly print. They thank you for any information in regard to churches. If a wrong has been done to any Christian church or Christian institution, you could go into any newspaper office of the land and have the real truth stated. Dedication services, ministerial ordinations and pastoral installations, cornerstone laying of a church, anniversary of a charitable society will have reasonable space in any secular journal if it have previous notice

If I had some great injustice done me there is not an editorial or reportorial room in the United States into which I could not go and get myself set right, and that is true of any well-known Christian

Why, then, does not our glorious Christianity embrace these magnificent oppor-tunities? I have before me a subject of first and last importance: How shall we secure the secular press as a mightier reenforcement to religion and the pulpit?

The first thing toward this result is

cessation of indiscriminate hostility against newspaperdom. You might as well denounce the legal profession because of the shysters or the medical profession because of the swindling bargain makers as to slambang newspapers because there are recreant editors and unfair reporters and unclean columns. Gutenberg, the inventor of the art of printing, was about to de-stroy his types and extinguish the art bestroy his types and extinguish the art because it was suggested to him that printing might be suborned into the service of the devil, but afterward he bethought himself that the right use of the art might more than overcome the evil use of it, and so he spared the type and the intelligence of all following ages. But there are many to-day in the depressed mood of Gutenberg, with uplifted hammer, wanting to pound to pieces the type, who have not reached his better mood in which he saw the art of printing to be the rising sun of the world's illumination.

If, instead of fighting newspapers, we

If, instead of fighting newspapers, we spend the same length of time and the same vehemence in marshaling their help in religious directions, we would be as much wiser as the man who gets consent of the railroad superintendent to fasten a car to the end of a rail train shows better sense than he who runs his wheelbarrow up the track to meet and drive back the Chicago limited express.

The silliest thing that a man ever does

is to fight a newspaper, for you may have the floor for utterance perhaps for one day in the week, while the newspaper has the

Napoleon, though a mighty man, had many weaknesses, and one of the weakest things he ever did was to threaten that if the English newspapers did not stop their adverse criticism of himself he would, with 400,000 bayonets, cross the channel for their chastisement.

Don't fight newspapers. Attack provokes attack. Better wait until the excitement blows over, and then go in and get justice, for get it you will if you have patience and common sense and equipoise

It ought to be a mighty sedative that there is an enormous amount of commo in the world, and you will eventually

there is an enormous amount of common sense in the world, and you will eventually be taken for what you are really worth, and you cannot be puffed up, and you cannot be written down, and if you are the enemy of good society that fact will come out, and if you are the friend of good society that fact will be established.

I knew what I am talking about, for I can draw on my own experience. All the respectable newspapers, as far as I know, are my friends now. But many of you remember the time when I was the most sontinuously and meanly attacked man in this country. God gave me grace not to answer back, and I kept silence for ten years, and much grace was required. What I said was perverted and twisted into just the opposite of what I did say. There were millions of people who believed that there was a large sofa in my pulpit, although we never had anything but a chair, and that during the singing by the congregation I was accustomed to lie down on that sofa and dangle my feet over the end. Lying New York correspondents for ten years misrepresented our church services. But we waited, and people from every neighborhood of Christendom came there, to find the magnitude of the falsehoods concerning the church and concerning myself. A reaction set in, and soon we had justice, full justice, more than justice, and as much overpraise as once we had underappreciation, and no man that ever lived was so much indebted to the newspaper press for opportunity to preach the gospel as I am.

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Young men in the ministry, young men in all professions and occupations, wait. You can afford to wait. Take rough mis-representation as a Turkish towel to start up your languid circulation or a system of massage or Swedish movement, whose pokes and pulls and twists and thrusts are salutary treatment.

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There is only one person you need to manage, and that is yourself. Keep your dispositions sweet by communion with Christ, who answered not again, get society of genial people and walk out in the sunshine with your hat off and you will come out all right. And don't join the crowd of people in our day who spend much of their time damning nawspapers.

Again, in this effort to secure the secular press as a mightier re-enforcement of religious information. If you would secure the press as a mightier re-enforcement of religion and the pulpit extend widest and highest Christian courtesies to the representatives of journalism. Give them easy chairs and plenty of room when they come to report occasions. For the most part they are gentlemen of education and refinement, graduates of colleges, with families to support by their literary craft, many of them weary with the push of a business that is precarious and fluctuating, each one of them the avenue of infomation to thousands of readers, their impression of the services to be the impression of the very service to the feature of the first time that the hands printing the tre

ministers of religion as by reporters. Put all journalists into our prayers and ser-mons. Of all the hundred thousand sermons. Of all the hundred thousand sermons preached to-day there will not be three preached to journalists and probably not one. Of all the prayers offered for classes of men innumerable the prayers of-

classes of men innumerable the prayers of fered for the most potential class will be thought a preacher's idiosyncrasy. There are many journalists in our church memberships, but this world will never be brought to God until some revival of religion sweeps over the land and takes into the kingdom of God all editors, reporters, compositors, pressmen and newsboys. And if you have not faith enough to pray for that and toil for that you had better get out of our ranks and join the other side, for you are the unbelievers who make the wheels of the Lord's chariot drag heavily. The great final battle between truth and error, the Armageddon, I think, will not be fought with swords and shells and guns, but with pens—quill pens, steel pens, gold pens, fountain pens and before that the pens must be converted. The most divinely honored weapon of the past has been the pen, and the most di-The most divinely honored weapon of the past has been the pen, and the most divinely honored weapon of the future will be the pen—prophet's pen, and evangelist's pen and apostle's pen, followed by editor's pen and author's pen and reporter's pen. God save the pen! The wing of the Apocalyptic angel will be the printed page. The printing press will roll ahead of Christ's chariot to clear the way.

"But." some one might ask, "would you "But," some one might ask, "would you make Sunday newspapers also a re-enforcement?" I have learned to take things as they are. I would like to see the much scoffed at old Puritan Sabbaths come back again. I do not think the modern Sunday will turn out any batter was and women.

again. I do not think the modern Sunday will turn out any better men and women than were your grandfathers and grandmothers under the old-fashioned Sunday. To say nothing of other results, Sunday newspapers are killing editors, reporters, compositors and pressmen. Every man, woman and child is entitled to twenty-four hours of nothing to do. If the newspapers put on another set of heads that papers put on another set of hands, that does not relieve the editorial and reportorial room of its cares and responsibili-ties. Our literary men die fast enough without killing them with Sunday work. All things are possible with God, and my faith is up until nothing in the way of

the newspaper printing presses of the earth are going to be the Lord's, and telegraph and telephone and type will yet an graph and telephone and type will yet announce nations born in a day. The first book ever printed was the Bible, by Faust and his son-in-law, Schoeffer, in 1460, and that consecration of type to the Holy Scriptures was a prophecy of the great mission of printing for the evangelization of all the nations. The father of the American printing press was a clergyman, Rev. Jesse Glover, and that was a pro-phecy of the religious use that the gospel ninistry in this country were to make of the types.

The tendency of criticism in the theological seminaries is to file off from our young men all the sharp points and make them too smooth for any kind of execution. What we want, all of us, is more point, less humdrum. If we say the right thing in the right way the pross will be thing in the right way, the press will be glad and echo and re-echo it. Sunday school teachers, reformers, young men and old men in the ministry, what we all want if we are to make the printing press an ally in Christian work is that which the reporter spoken of suggested—points, sharp points, memorable points. But if the thing be dead when uttered by living voice it will be a hundredfold more dead when it is laid out in cold type.

That Providence intends the profession

of reporters to have a mighty share in the world's redemption is suggested by the fact that Paul and Christ took a reporter along with them, and he reported their addresses and their acts.

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Luke was a reporter, and he wrote not only the book of Luke, but the Acts of the Apostles, and without that reporter's work we would have known nothing of the Pentecost, and nothing of Stephen's martyrdom, and nothing of Tabitha's resurrection, and nothing of the jailing and unjailing of Paul and Silas, and nothing of the shipwreck at Melita. of the shipwreck at Melita.

Strike out the reporter's work from the Bible, and you kill a large part of the New Testament. It makes me think that in the future of the kingdom of God the

in the future of the kingdom of God the reporters are to bear a mighty part.

About twenty-five years ago a representative of an important New York newspaper took his seat in my Brooklyn church one Sunday night about five pews from the front of the pulpit. He took out pencil and reporter's pad, resolved to caricature the whole scene. When the music began, he began, and with his pencil he derided that, and then derided the prayer, and then derided the reading of the Scriptures, and then began to deride the sermon. But, he says, for some reason Scriptures, and then began to deride the sermon. But, he says, for some reason his hand began to tremble, and he, rallying himself, sharpened his pencil and started again, but broke down again and then put pencil and paper in his pocket and his head down on the front pew and began to pray. At the close of the service he came up and asked for the prayers of others, and gave his heart to God. And, though still engaged in newspaper work, he is an evangelist and hires a hall at his own expense and every Sunday afternoon preaches Jesus Christ to the people.

And the men of that profession are

And the men of that profession are going to come in a body throughout the country. I know hundreds of them, and a more genial or highly educated class of men it would be hard to find, and, though the tendency of their profession may be toward skepticism, an organized common sense gospel invitation would fetch them to the front of all Christian endeavor.

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Men of the pencil and pen in all departments, you need the help of the Christian religion. In the day when people want to get their newspapers at two cents, and are hoping for the time when they can get any of them at one cent, and as a consequence the attaches of the printing press are by the thousand ground under the cylinders, you want God to take care of you and your families.

Some of your best work is as much unappreciated as was Milton's "Paradise Lost," for which the author received \$25, and the immortal poem "Hobenlinden" of Thomas Campbell when he first offered it for publication, and in the column called "Notices to Correspondents" appeared the words: "To T. C.—The lines commencing "On Linden when the sun was low are not up to our standard. Poetry is not T. C.'s forte."

O men of the pencil and pen, amid your

operation of the pencil and pen, amid your unappreciated work you need encouragement, and you have it. Printers of all Christendom, editors, reporters, compositors, pressmen, publishers and readers of that which is printed, resolve that you will not write, set up, edit, issue or read anything that debases body, mind or soul. In the name of God, by the laying on of the hands of faith and prayer, ordain the printing press for righteousness and liberty and salvation. All of us with some influence that will help in the right direction, let us put our hands to the work, imploring God to hasten the consummation. In a ship with hundreds of passengers approaching the South American coast the man on the lookout neglected his work, and in a few minutes the ship would have been dashed to ruin on the rocks. But a cricket on board the vessel that had made no sound all the voyage set up a shrill call at the smell of land, and the captain, knowing that habit of the insect, stopped the vessel in time to avoid an awful wreck. And so insignificant means may now do wonders, and the scratch of a pen may save the shipwreck of a soul.

Are you all ready for the signing of the contract, the league, the solemn treaty proposed between journalism and evangelism? Let it be a Christian marriage of the pulpit and the printing press. The ordination of the former on my head, the pen of the latter in my hand, it is appropriate that I publish the banns of such a marriage. Let them from this day be one in the magnificent work of the world's redemption.

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