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THE BROOKLYN DIVINE'S SUNDAY SERMON.

Subject: "Evils of Idleness."

Text: "The slothful man roasteth not that which he hath in hunting..."

David and Jeremiah and Ezekiel and Micah and Solomon of the text showed that some time they had been in the hunt for a position. Spears, lances, swords and nets were employed in this service.

A sportsman arrayed in a garb appropriate to the wild chase left the blood-thirsty hounds from their kennels, and mounting his feet horse, with a halloo and the yell of the ground pack, they are off and away through brake and bog, over marsh and moor, across chasms where a mistop would hurl horse and rider to death.

The first picture I ever bought was an engraving of Thorvald's "Autumn." The clusters of grapes are ripe on the vine of the homestead, and the returned hounds, panting from the chase, are lying on the porch.

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Now, what are the causes of idleness and what are its evil results? I knew a man who was never up to time. It seemed impossible for him to meet an engagement. When he was to be married he engaged the train.

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costly yacht may do well enough on the smooth sea, but cannot live an hour amid a chopped sea.

Another cause of idleness is severe discouragement. There are those around us who started life with the most sanguine expectations.

In most cases these persons have been honest and upright all their lives, for rogues never get discouraged, as there is always some other plot they have not laid and some other trap they have not sprung.

Reverie is also a cause of idleness. There are multitudes of men who expect to achieve great success in life, who are entirely unwilling to put forth any physical, moral or intellectual effort.

Let no young man begin life with reverie. There is nothing accomplished without hard work. Do not in idleness expect something to turn up.

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The microphone is the latest absolute test for death. Recently a St. Petersburg (Russia) woman, who was subject to fits of catalepsy, apparently ceased to breathe, and was looked upon by her friends as dead.

A new means has been found for shutting off an electrical current without injury to the dynamo when wires happen to get crossed or there is overheating from any cause.

A Boulder Redhot From the Skies. Frank Newell, a citizen of Eagle County, Chocoma Nation, Indian Territory, reports that a large meteor fell on the prairie the other day.

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