Subject: "Re-enforcement."

TEXT: "Lord, increase our faith."-Luke

"What a pity he is going there!" said my friend, a most distinguished general of the army, when he was told that the reason for my not being present on a celebrated day in Brooklyn was that on that day I had sailed for the Holy Land. "Why do you say that?" inquired some one. My military friend re-plied, "Oh, be will be disillusioned when he gets amidst the squalor and commonplace scenes of Palestine, and his faith will be shaken in Christianity, for that is often the The great general misjudged the

I went to the Holy Land for the one purpose of having my faith strengthened, and that was the result which came of it. In all our journeying, in all our reading, in all our associations, in all our plans, augmentation rather than the depletion of our faith should be our chief desire. It is easy enough to have our faith destroyed. I can give you a recipe for its obliteration. Read infidel books, have long and frequent conversations with skeptics, attend the lectures of those antagonistic to religion, give full swing to some bad habit, and your faith will be so completely gone that you will laugh at the

idea that you ever had any.

If you want to ruin your faith, you can do it more easily than you can do anything else. After believing the Bible all my life I can see a plain way by which, in six weeks, I could enlist my voice and pen and heart and head and entire nature in the bombardment of the Scriptures and the church and all I nowhold sacred. That it is easy to banish soon and forever all respect for the Bible I prove by the fact that so many have done it. They were not particularly brains nor had special force of will, but they so thoroughly accomplished the overthrow of their faith that they have no more idea that the Bible is true, or that Christianity amounts to anything, than they have in the truth of the "Arabian Nights" Entertainments" or the existence of Don Quixote's "windmills." They have destroyed heir faith so thoroughly that they never will have a return of it.

Fifty revivals of religion may sweep over Fifty revivals of religion may sweep over the city, the town, the neighborhood where they live, and they will feel nothing but a silent or expressed disgust. There are per-sons in this house to-day who 20 years ago gave up their faith, and they will never re-sume it. The black and deep toned bell of doom hangs over their head, and I take the hammer of that bell, and I strike it three times with all my might and it sounds times with all my might, and it sounds, woe! woe! But my wish, and the wish of most of you, is the prayer expressed by the disciples of Jesus Christ in the words of "Lord, increase our faith."

The first mode of accomplishing this is to study the Bible itself. I do not believe there is an infidel now alive who has read the Bible through. But as so important a document needs to be read at least twice through in order that it may be thoroughly under-stood, and read in course, I now offer \$100 reward to any infidel who has read the Bible through twice and read it in course. But I cannot take such a man's own word for it, for there is no foundation for integrity except the Bible, and the man who rejects the source of truth how can I accept his truth-

So I must have another witness in the case before I give the reward. I must have the testimony of some one who has seen him read it all through twice. Infidels fish in this Bible for incoherencies and contradic-tions and absurdities, and if you find their Bible you will see interlineations in the book of Jonah and some of the chapters of that unfortunate prophet nearly worn out by much use, and some parts of II Samuel or I Kings you will find dim with finger marks, but the pages which contain the Ten Command-ments, and the Psalms of David, and the sermon on the mount, and the book of John the Evangelist, will not have a single lead pencil

stroke in the margin, nor any finger marks showing frequent perusal.

The father of one of the Presidents of the United States was a pronounced infidel. I knew it when many years ago I accepted his invitation to spend the night in his home. Just before retiring at night he said in a jocose way, "I suppose you are accustomed to read the Bible before going to bed, and here is my Bible from which to read." He then told me what portions he would like to have me read, and he only asked for those portions on which he could easily be face-

You know you can make fun about anything. I suppose you could take the last let-ter your father or mother ever wrote and find something in the grammar or the spelling the tremor of the penmanship about sich to be derisively critical. The internal evidence of the truthfulness of the Bible is so mighty that no one man out of the 1,600,000.

mighty that no one man out of the 1,600,000,000 of the world's present population or the vaster millions of the past ever read the Bible in course, and read it prayerfully and carefully, but was led to believe it.

John Murray, the famous book publisher of Edinburgh, and the intimate friend of Southey, Coleridge, Walter Scott, Canning and Washington Irving, bought of Moore, the poet, the "Memoirs of Lord Byron," and they were to be published after Byron's death. But they were not fit to be published, although Murray had paid for them \$10,000. That was a solemn conclave when eight of the prominent literary people of eight of the prominent literary people of those times assembled in Albemarle street those times assembled in Albemarle street after Byron's death to decide what should be done with the "Memoirs," which were charged and surcharged with defamations and indelicacies. The "Memoirs" were read and pondered, and the decision came that they must be burned, and not until the last word of those "Memoirs" went to ashes did the liferary company separate.

But suppose, now, all the best spirits of all ages were assembled to decide the fate of the Bible, which is the last will and testament of our Heavenly Father and these

ment of our Heavenly Father, and these memoirs of our Lord Jesus, what would be the verdict? Shall they burn, or shall they live? The unanimous verdict of all is, "Let them live, though all else burn." Then put together on the other hand all the debauchees and profligates and assassins of the ages, and their unanimous verdict concerning the Bible would be, "Let it burn."

Mind you, I do not say that all infidels are

Mind you, I do not say that all infidels are immortal, but I do say that all the scrape-graces and scoundrels of the universe agree with them about the Bible. Let me vote with those who believe in the Holy Scripture. Men believe other things with half the evidence required to believe the Bible. The distinguished Abner Kneeland rejected the Scripture and then put all his money into an enterprise for the recovery of that hocus pocus "Captain Kidd's treasures," Kneeland's faith for doing so being founded on a man's statement that he could tell where those treasures were buried from the looks of a glass of water dipped from the Hudson ss of water dipped from the Hudson

The internal evidence of the authenticity of the Scriptures is so exact and so vivid that no man, honest and sane, can thoroughly and continuously and prayerfully read them without entering their discipleship. So I put that internal evidence paramount. How are you led to believe in a letter you received from husband or wife or child or friend? You know the handwriting. You know the style. You recognize the sentiment. When the letter comes, you do not summon the postmaster who stamped it, and the postmaster who brought it to your door to prove that it is a genuine letter. The internal evidence settles it, and by the same process The internal evidence of the authenticity

tension. So I will this morning turn this house into a courtroom and summon witnesses, and you shall be the jury, and I now impanel you for that purpose, and I will put upon the witness stand men whom all the world acknowledge to be strong intellectually and whose evidence in any other courtroom would be incontrovertible. I will not call to the witness stand any minister of the discussion is abroad as for who wrote. tension. So I will this morning turn this house into a courtroom and summon witnesses, and you shall be the jury, and I now impanel you for that purpose, and I will put upon the witness stand men whom all the world acknowledge to be strong intellectually and whose evidence in any other courtroom would be incontrovertible. I will not call to the witness stand any minister of the Gospel, for he might be prejudiced.

There are two ways of taking an oath in a courtroom. One is by putting the lips to the

Bible and the other is by putting the lips to the Bible and the other is by holding up the right hand toward heaven. Now, as in this case it is the Bible that is on trial, we will not ask the witness to put the book to his lips, for that would imply that the sanctity and divinity of the book is settled, and that would be begging the question. So I shall ask each witness to lift his hand toward heaven in affirmation. in affirmation.

Saimon P. Chase, chief justice of the su-preme court of the United States appointed by President Lincoln, will take the witness stand. "Chief Justice Chase, upon your oath, please state what you have to say about the book commonly called the Bible." The witness replies: "There came a time in my life when I doubted the divinity of the Scrip-tures, and I resolved, as a lawyer and judge. would try the book as I would try anything in the courtroom, taking evidence for and against. It was a long and serious and pro-ound study, and using the same principles of evidence in this religious matter as I al-ways do in secular matters I have come to the decision that the Bible is a supernatural book, that it has come from God, and that the only safety for the human race is to follow its teachings." back again to your pillow of dust on the banks of the Ohio

Next I put upon the witness stand a President of the United States—John Quincey Adams. President Adams, what have you to say about the Bible and Christianity?' The President replies "I have for many years made it a practice to read through the Bible once a year. My custom is to read four or five chapters every morning immediately after arising from my bed. It employs about an hour of my time and seems to me the most suitable manner of beginning the day. In what light soever we regard the Bible, whether with reference to revelation, to history or to morality, it is an invaluable and

inexhaustible mine of knowledge and virtue."

Next I put upon the witness stand Sir Isaac Newton, the author of the "Principla and the greatest natural philosopher the world has ever seen. "Sir Isaac, what have you to say concerning the Bible?" The philosopher's reply is, "We account the philosopher's reply is, "We account the Scriptures of God to be the most sublime

Next I put upon the witness stand the en-chantment of letters, Sir Walter Scott, and when I ask him what he thinks of the place that our great book ought to take among other books he replies, "There is but one book, and that is the Bible."

Next I put upon the stand the most famous geologist of all time, Hugh Miller, an elder of Dr. Guthrie's Presbyterian church in Edinburgh, and Faraday and Kepler, and they all testify to the same thing. They all say the Bible is from God, and that the mightiest

influence for good that ever touched our world is Christianity.

"Chancellor Kent, what do you think of the Bible?" Answer: "No other book ever addressed itself so authoritatively and so pathetically to the landers and the landers which have for ages been wrong.

Increase our faith, not by a fragile addition, but by an infinitude of recuperation. Let us do as we saw it done in the country while we were yet in our teens, at the old pathetically to the judgment and moral sense mankind

"Edmund Burke, what do you think of the Bible!" Answer: "I have read the Bible morning, noon and night, and have ever since been the happier and the better man for such reading."

Next I put upon the stand William E. Gladstone, the head of the English government, and I hear him saying what he said to me in January of 1890, when in reply to his telegram, "Pray come to Hawarden to-morrow," I visited him. Then and there I asked him as to whether in the passage of years his faith in the Holy Scriptures and Christianity was on the increase or decrease, and he turned upon me with an emphasis and enthusiasm such as no one who has not conversed with him can fully appreciate and expressed with him can fully appreciate and expressed. him can fully appreciate and expressed by voice and gesture and illumined countenance his ever increasing faith in God and the Bible and Christianity as the only hope of our ruined world. "That is all, Mr. Gladstone we will take of your time now, for, from the reports of what is going on in England just

now, I think you are very busy. The sulphurous graves of mains of the tower of Rabel have been found. Assyrian documents lifted from the sand and Behistun inscription hundreds of feet high up on the rock eeho and re-echo the truth of Bible history. The signs of the time indicate that almost every fact of the Bible from lid to lid will find its corrobovation in ancient city disentombed, or ancient wall cleared from the dust of ages, or ancient

document unrolled by archæologist.

Before the world rolls on as far into the twentieth century as it has already rolled into the nineteenth an infidel will be a man who does not believe his own senses, and the volumes now critical and denunciatory of the Bible, if not entirely devastated by the book-worms, will be taken down from the shelf as curiosities of ignorance or idiocy. shelf as curiosities of ignorance or idiocy. All success to the pickaxes and crowbars and powder blasting of those apostles of archeological exploration. I like the ringing defiance of the old Huguenots to the assailants of Christianity "Pound away, you rebels! Your hammers break, but the anvil of God's word stands."

How wonderful the old book hangs gether. It is a library made up of 66 books and written by at least 39 authors. It is a supernatural thing that they have stuck together. Take the writings of any other 39 authors, or any 10 authors, or any 5 authors. and put them together, and how long would they stay together? Books of "elegant ex-

writings of at least 39 authors, has kept together for a long line of centuries when the natural tendency would have been to fly apart like loose sheets of paper when a gust of wind blows upon them? It is because God stuck them together and keeps them together. But for that Joshua would have wandered off in one direction, and Paul into another, and Ezekiel into another, and Habakkuk into another, and the 39 authors into 39 directions.

to 39 directions. Put the writings of Shakespeare and Tennyson and Longfellow, or any part of them, together. How long would they stay together? No book bindery could keep them together, But the cannon of the Scripture is loaded now with the same ammunition with which prophet and apostle loaded it.

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Bring me all the Bibles of the earth into one pile, and blindfold me so that I cannot tell the difference between day and night, and put into my hand any one of all that Alpine mountain of sacred books, and put my finger on the last page of Genesis and let me know it, and I can tell you what is on the next page—namely, the first chapter of Exodus; or while thus blindfolded put my finger on the last chapter of Matthew and let me know it, and I will tell you what is on the next page. and I will tell you what is on the next page—namely, the first chapter of Mark. In the pile of 500,000,000 Bibles there will be no exception. In other words, the book gives me confidence by its supernatural adhesion of writing to writing

Even the stoutest ship sometimes shifts its cargo, and that is what made our peril the greater in the ship Greece of the National line when the cyclone struck us off the coast of Newfoundland, and the cargo of iron had shifted as the ship swung from larboard to starboard, and from starboard to larboard. But, thanks be to God, this old Bible ship, though it has been in thousands of years of tempest, has kept its cargo of gold and precious stones compact and sure, and in all the

The discussion is abroad as to who wrote those books of the Bible called the Pentateuch, whether Moses or Hilkiah, or Ezra or Samuel, or Jeremiah, or another group ancients. None of their wrote it. G ancients. None of them wrote it. God wrote the Pentateuch, and in this day of stenography and typewriting that ought not to be a difficult thing to understand. The great merchants and lawyers, and editors and business men of our towns and cities dictate nearly all their letters; they only sign them after they are dictated. The prophet and evangelist and apostic were Jehovah's stenographers or typewriters. Jehovah's stenographers or typewriters. They put down only what God dictated; he signed it afterward. He has been writing his name upon it all through the vicissitudes of

But I come to the height of my subject But I come to the height of my subject when I say the way to re-enforce our faith is to pray for it. So the disciples in my text got their abounding faith. "Lord, increase our faith." Some one suggests, "Do you really think that prayer amounts to anything?" I might as well ask you, is there a line of telegraphic poles from New York to Washington, is there a line of telegraphic wires from Manchester to London, from Cologne to Berlin? All the people who have sent and received messages on those lines know of their existence. So there are millknow of their existence. So there are millions of souls who have been in constant communication with the capital of the universe, with the throne of the Almighty, with the great God Himself, for years and years and

There has not been a day when supplica-tions did not flash up and blessings did not flash down. Will some ignoramus, who has never received a telegram sent one, come and tell us that there is no such thing as telegraphic communication?
Will some one who has never offered a prayer
that was heard and answered come and tell
us that there is nothing in prayer? It may
not come as we expect it, but as sure as an honest prayer goes up a merciful answer will

During the blizzard of four or five years ago, you know that many of the telegraph wires were prostrated, and I telegraphed to Chicago by way of Liverpool, and the answer after awhile came round by another wide circuit, and so the prayer we offer may come back in a way we never important and if we back in a way we never imagined, and if we ask to have our faith increased, although it may come by a widely different process than that which we expected, our confidence will surely be augmented.

Oh, put it in every prayer you ever make between your next breath and your last gasp, "Lord, increase our faith"—faith in Christ as our personal ransom from present guilt and eternal catastrophe; faith in the omnipo-tent Holy Ghost; faith in the Bible, the truest volume ever dictated or written or printed or read; faith in adverse providences, har-monized for our best welfare; faith in a judgment day that will set all things right

farmhouse after a long drought, and the well had been dried, and the cattle moaned with thirst at the bars, and the meadow brook had ceased to run, and the grass withered, and the corn was shriveled up, and one day there was a growl of thunder, and then a congregation of clouds on the sky, and then a startling flash, and then a sky, and then a startling flash, and then a drenching rain, and father and mother put barrels under every spout at the corners of the house and set pails and buckets and tubs and pans and pitchers to catch as much as they could of the shower. For in many of our souls there has been a long drought of confidence and in many no faith at all. Let us set out all our affections, all our bones, all our contemplations. our hopes, all our contemplations, all our prayers, to catch a mighty shower. increase our faith."

I like the way that the minister's widow did in Elisha's time, when, after the family being very unfortunate, her two sons were about to be sold for debt, and she had nothing in the house but a pot of oil, and at Elisha's direction she borrowed from her neighbors all the vessels she could borrow, els and kept on pouring until they were all full, and she became an oil merchant with more assets than liabilities, and when she cried, "Bring me yet a vessel," the answer came, "There is not a vessel more." So let us take what oil of faith we have and use it until the supply shall be miraculously multiplied. Bring on your empty vessels, and by the power of the Lord God of Elisha they shall be filled until they can hold no more of jubliant, all inspiring and triumphant faith. What a frightful time we had a .few days-ago down on the coast of Long Island, where

I have been stopping. That archangel of tempest which, with its awful wings, swept the Atlantic coast from Florida to Newfoundland did not spare our region. A few miles away, at Southampton, I saw the bodies of away, at Southampton, I saw the bodies of four men whom the storm had slain and the sea had cast up. As I stood there among the dead bodies I said to myself, and I said aloud: "These men represent homes. What will mother and father and wife and children say when they know this?"

Some of the victims were unknown. Only the first name of two of them was found out Charley and William. I wondered then and I wonder now if they will remain unknown and if some kindred far away may be waiting for their coming and never hear of the rough way of their going. I saw also one of the three who had come in alive, but more dead than alive. The ship had become helpless six miles out, and as one wave swept the tracts" compiled from many authors are proverbially short lived. I never knew one such book which, to use the publisher's phrase, "had life in it" for five years.

Why is it that the Bible, made up of the writings of at least 39 authors, has kept to cather for a long line of centuries when the contract of the shore, and, if not, well, we must all go some cather for a long line of centuries when the

shore, and, if not, well, we must all go some time."

Of the twenty-three men who put on the life preservers, only three lived to reach the beach. But what a scene it was as the good and kind people of Southampton, led on by Dr. Thomas, the great and good surgeon of New York, stood watching the sailors struggling in the breakers. "Are you still alive?" shouted Dr. Thomas to one of them out in the breakers, and he signaled yes and then went into unconsciousness. Who should do the most for the poor fellows and how to resuscitate them were the questions that ran up and down the beach at Southampton.

How the men and women on the shore stood wringing their hands, impatiently waiting for the sufferers to come within reach, and then they were lifted up and carried indoors and waited on with as much kindness and wrapped as warmly as though they had been the princes of the earth. "Are they alive?" "Are they breathing?" "Do you think they will live?" "What can we do for them?" were the rapid and intense questions asked, and so much money was sent for the clothing and equipment of the unfortunates that Dr. Thomas had to make a proclamation that no more money was needed. In other words, all that day it was resuscitation.

And this is the appropriate word for us this morning as we stand and look off upon this awful sea of doubt and unbelief on which hundreds are this moment being wrecked. Some of them were launched by Christian parentage on smooth seas and with promise for prosperous voyage, but a Voltaire cyclone struck them on the other side, and a bad habit cyclone struck them on the other side, and a bad habit cyclone struck them on the other side, and a bad habit cyclone struck them on all sides, and they have foundered far away from shore, far away from shore, far away from shore with no spiritual life left in them.

But, thank God, there are many here to-

you can forever settle the fact that the Bible is the handwriting and communication of the infinite God.

Furthermore, as I have already intimated, we may increase our faith by the testimony of others. Perhaps we of lesser brain may have been overcome by superstition or eajoled into an acceptance of a hollow pre-

#### LATER NEWS.

THE Valkyrie, Lord Dunraven's yacht, which will contest with the Vigilant for the America's Cup, arrived at New York from England after a voyage of twenty-nine days eighteen hours and fifty-two minutes. The yacht was in a hurricane, but was only slightly damaged and will be ready to race by October 5.

THREE new cases of yellow fever were reported at Brunswick, Ga.

SEVERAL World's Fair buildings were damaged by a sudden storm of wind and rain,

NINETEEN miles north of Birmingham, Ala., limited express train No. 1, Queen and Crescent route, was wrecked by unknown persons removing a rail from the track. The engine, baggage car and mail cars were demolished. Engineer Frawley, Fireman Waite, Postal Clerk Stockton, Flagman Bailey and Porter Howell were all hurt, but none fatally. Two hundred passengers were aboard, but few were injured.

A sugge bouquet of flowers, accompanied by an elegantly bound address, was received by the President and Mrs. Cleveland from the delegates of France and Algiers to the World's Fair, who sent it "with respectful homage" to commemorate their arrival upon American soil on September 10. The album is bound in white seal skin and the address As uprising has taken place in the Argen-

tine Republic, and thirty radical leaders have been arrested for conspiring to overthrow the Government.

FURTHER rioting has occurred among the striking miners in England.

GREAT volcanie eruptions and earthquake shocks have visited Ecuador. Many casualties and deaths are reported in the interior.

THERE were nine new cases of cholera in Hamburg, with two deaths; eight deaths from the disease occurred at Brest and one in England.

THE British Parliament adjourned until November 2.

In many instances the man who spends his life waiting for his ship to tract the extravasated blood by leeches come in wastes his time, because he originally omitted to send any ship out

THE Wisconsin forest fires have covered an area of about two hundred square miles, a surface one-fifth as large as Rhode Island.

#### THE MARKETS.

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# Baking Powder

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Some Queer Occupations.

In a city like New York the men and women who earn their livelihood by odd occupations form a vast army. About a dozen men make a good living among the working jewelers in the vicinity of Maiden Lane and in less pretentious localities demagnetizing watches. The tasters form another class of men with odd occupations. They congregate around Pearl street, at the appraisers' stores, and are to be found on the floors of the Produce and Fruit Exchanges. They never drink much care of their palate as a prima donna does of her voice.

Within the past two years a number of men have started into the business of visiting, without invitation, the rooms of young men in boarding-houses, furnished rooms and flats, asking them if they have anything to sell, and concluding a cash transaction on the spot. This system saves the modesty of the dude and insures the privacy of the transactions. The painting of black eyes is a flourishing business. Only a year ago there was only one professional who made the treatment of discolored optics a special business. Now that profession is no longer confined to down-town, and there are four establishments above Twenty-fourth street, each employing as many assistants as a popular barbar's shop. The usual treatment is to exand then to paint the skin. When this is carefully done the "sign of the blackguard," as Thackeray called it, is well nigh obliterated. The tattooers are to be found only in the dime museums and on the water front near Coenties slip. Those on South street are ex-sailors, and their principal customers are sea-going men. - San Francisco Chronicle.

#### Digging Fish From the Ground.

In a monograph on the anatomy and physiology of the African lungfish, by Professor W. N. Parker, we have novel statements as to the habits of these singular animals, which are the types of a primitive group standing nearly midway between Ganoid fishes and Amphibians. The material was obtained in Germany, having been received alive direct from the Gambia River. While in the torpid condition about a hundred specimens were dug out, each surrounded by a clod of mud, the clods being packed in open crates and forwarded to Freiburg. is well known that these fish, which reach four feet in length, bury themselves in the mud during the dry season, where, by their movements, they form a sort of cell or nest in which they live in a torpid state, breathing by their lungs till the rains raise the river, when they swim about actively, respiring by their gills. This fish is said to live to a great age, and some specimens have been found six feet long. Its South American ally, Lepidosiren, is said to attain a length of three feet. - New York Independent.

The total production of coal in 1891 is estimated to have been 500,000,000



### KNOWLEDGE

Brings comfort and improvement and tends to personal enjoyment when rightly used. The many, who live bet-ter than others and enjoy life more, with less expenditure, by more promptly adapting the world's best products to the needs of physical being, will attest the value to health of the pure liquid laxative principles embraced in the remedy, Syrup of Figs.

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