THE TRUE MOTHER.

She Shall Surely Enjoy the Reward of Her Faithfulness.

A Warning to Society Mothers Who Neg lect Their Duty to Their Children-The Story of Hannah Held Up to Them as a Pattern.

In his latest Washington sermon Rev. Dr. Talmage gives some very wholesome advice to the mothers of the land and urges them to do their whole duty to their little ones. He selected as his text I. Samuel 2: 9: "Moreover his mother made him a little coat, and brought it to him from her husband to offer the yearly sacri-

The stories of Deborah and Abigail are very apt to discourage a woman's soul. She says within herself: "It is impossible that I ever achieve any such grandeur of character, and I don't mean to try"; as though a child should refuse to play the eight notes because he cannot execute a "William Tell." This Hannah of the text differs from the persons I just named. She was an ordinary woman, with ordinary intellectual capacity, placed in ordinary circumstances, and yet, by extraordinary piety, standing out before all the ages to come, the model Christian mother. Hannah was the wife of Elkanah, who was a person very much like herselfunromantic and plain, never having fought a battle or been the subject of would have been called a genius. Just what you and I might be, that was Elkanah and Hannah. The brightest time in all the history of that family was the birth of Samuel. Although no star ran along the heavens pointing down to his birth-place, I think the angels of God stooped at the coming of so wonderful a prophet. As Samuel had been given in answer to prayer, Elkanah and all his family, save Hannah, started to Shiloh to offer sacrifices of thanksgiving. The cradle where the child slept was altar enough for Hannah's grateful heart; but when the boy was old enough she took him to Shiloh, and took three bullocks and an ephah of flour and a bottle of wine and made offering of sacrifice unto the Lord, and there, according to a previous vow, she left him; for there he was to stay all the days of his life and minister in the sanctuary. Years rolled on; and every year Hannah made with her own hand a garment for Samuel and took it over to him. The lad would have got along well without that garmother made him a little coat, and when she came up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice."

trious mother. There was no need that us that he was the son of Jeroham, the ecstasy of infernal triumph. distinguished people, no doubt, or their names would not have been mentioned. Hannah might have seated herself in disheveled hair, read novels from year to year, if there had been any to read; but when I see her making that garment and taking it over to Samuel, I as well as from pleasure. God would not have a mother become a drudge or a slave; he would have her employ all the kids and the eaglets and the the helps possible in this day in the | whelps. rearing of her children. But Hannah ought never to be ashamed to be found | to-day as a Christian mother. From making a coat for Samuel. Most moth- her prayers, and from the way she coa-

and industry of motherhood. But there is a heathenish idea getting abroad in some of the families of the children be wonderful for their at-Americans; there are mothers who tainments, and make the house ring banish themselves from the home circle. For three-fourths of their maternal duties they prove themselves in. that house, if it be not also the resicompetent. They are ignorant of what | dence of a Christian mother. I bless their children wear, and what their children eat, and what their children read. They entrust to irresponsible persons these young, immortals, and allow them to be under influences which may cripple their bodies or taint heart to sympathize. Thousands of their purity or spoil their manners, or mothers have been led into the kingdestroy their souls. From the awkward cut of Samuel's cost you known the children. There are hundreds of his mother Hannah did not make it. | mothers to-day who would not have Out from under flaming chandeliers, and off from imported earpets, and down the granite stairs, there is coming a great crowd of children in this thought themselves: "This child God day, untrained, saucy, incompetent for all the practical duties of life, ready to be caught in the first whirl of crime being a Christian myself, how can I and sensuality. Indolent and un-faithful mothers will make indo-Lord, help me!" Oh, are there anxious lent and unfaithful children. You mothers, who know nothing of the incannot expect neatness and order in finite help of religion? Then I comany house where the daughters see | mend you to Hannah, the plous mother nothing but slatternliness and upside- of Samuel. Do you not think it absodownativeness in their parents. Let lutely impossible that your children Hannah be idle and most certainly come up iniquitous. Out of just such Samuel will grow idle. Who are the fair brows and bright eyes and soft industrious men in all our occupations hands and innocent hearts crime gets and professions? Who are they managing the merchandise of the world, building the walls, tinning the roofs, weaving the carpets, making the laws, governing the nations, making the earth to quake and heave and roar and rattle with the tread of gigantic enterprises? Who are they? For the most part, they descended from industrious ous possibilities; and whether that mothers, who, in the old homestead, child shall come forth in life, its heart used to spin their own yarn, and weave | attuned to the eternal harmonies, and their own carpets, and plait their own after a life of usefulness on earth go doormats, and flag their own chairs, to a life of joy in Heaven; or, whether and do their own work. The stalwart men and the influential women of this day, 99 out of 100 of them, came from earth it shall go to a home of impene-

knuckles and homespun.

And who are these people in society, light as froth, blown every whither of temptation and fashion-the peddlers of filthy stories, the dancing-jacks of political parties, the scum of society, the tavern-lounging, store-infesting men of low wink and filthy chuckle, and brass breastpin, and rotten associations? For the most part, they came from mothers idle and disgusting, the scandal-mongers of society, going from house to house attending to everybody's business but their own; believing in witches and ghosts, and horseshoes to keep the devil out of the churn, and by a godless life sitting on the very verge of hell. The mothers of Samuel Johnson and of Alfred the year to year, when she came up with Great, and of Isaac Newton, and of St. Augustine, and of Richard Cecil, and of President Edwards, for the most part were industrious, hard-working mothers. Now, while I congratulate all Christians upon the wealth and the modern science which may afford them all kinds of help, let me say that every mother ought to be observant of her children's walk, her children's behavior, her children's books, her children's companionships. However much help Hannah may have, I think she ought every year, at least, make one garment for Samuel. The Lord have mercy on the man who is so unfortunate as to

have had a lazy mother!

Again: Hannah stands before you

to-day as an intelligent mother. From the way in which she talked in this chapter, and from the way she managed this boy, you know she was ina marvelous escape. Neither of them | telligent. There are no persons in a community who need to be so wise and well-informed as mothers. Oh, this work of cultering children for this world and the next. This child is timid, and it must be roused up and pushed out into activities. This child is forward, and he must be held back, and tamed down into modesty and politeness. Rewards for one, punishment for another. That which will make George will ruin John. The rod is necessary in one case, while a frown of displeasure is more than enough in another. Whipping and a dark closet do not exhaust all the rounds of domestic discipline. There have been children who have grown to glory without ever having had their ears boxed. Oh, how much care and intelligence is necessary in the rearing of children! But in this day, when there are so many books on this subject, no parent is excusable in being ignorant of the best mode of bringing up a child. If parents knew more of dietetics there would not be so many dyspeptic stomachs and weak nerves and inactive livers among chilment, for I suppose he was well clad dren. If parents knew more of physiolby the ministry of the temple; but ogy there would not be so many curved Hannah could not be contented unless | spines and cramped chests and inflamed she was all the time doing something throats and diseased lungs as there for her darling boy. "Moreover his are among children. If parents knew more of art, and were in spmpathy brought it to him from year to year, with all that is beautiful, there would not be so many children coming out in the world with boorish proclivities. Hannah stands before you, then, to- If parents knew more of Christ, and day, in the first place, as an indus- practiced more of his religion, there would not be so many little feet alshe work. Elkanah, her husband, was ready starting on the wrong road, and far from poor. He belonged to a dis- all around us voices of riot and blastinguished family; for the Bible tells | phemy would not come up with such The son of Elihu, the son of Tohu, the eaglets in the eyrie have no advantage son of Zuph. "Who are they?" you over the eaglets of a thousand years say. I do not know; but they were ago; the kids have no superior way of climbing up the rocks than the old goats taught them hundreds of years ago; the whelps know no more now her family, and, with folded arms and | than did the whelps of ages ago-they are taught no more by the lions of the desert; but it is a shame that in this day, when there are many opportunities of improving ourselves in the best know she is industrious from principle | manner of cultivating children that so often there is no more advancement in this respect than there has been among

ers need no counsel in this direction. secrated her boy to God, I known she The wrinkles on their brow, the pallor | was good. A mother may have the on their cheek, the thimble-mark on | finest culture, the most brilliant surtheir finger, attest that they are faith- roundings, but she is not fit for her ful in their maternal duties. The duties unless she be a Christian mothbloom and the brightness and the vi- er. There may be well-read libraries vacity of girlhood have given place to | in the house; and exquisite music in the the grander dignity and usefulness | parlor; and the canvas of the best artist adorning the walls; and the wardrobe be crowded with tasteful apparel; and with laughter and innocent mirth; but there is something wofully lacking in God that there are not many prayerless mothers. The weight of responsibility is so great that they feel the need of a divine hand to help, and a divine voice to comfort, and a divine dom of God by the hands of their litbeen Christians had it not been for the prattle of their little ones. Standing some day in the nursery they beits victims-extirpating purity from the heart, and rubbing out the smoothness from the brow, and quenching the luster of the eye, and shriveling up and poisoning and putrefying and scathing and scalding and blasting and burning with shame and woe.

Again: Hannah stands before you

Every child is a bundle of tremend-

such an illustrious ancestry of hard | trable darkness and an abyss of immeasurable plunge, is being decided by the nursery song and Sabbath lessons and evening prayer, and walk and ride and look and frown and smile. Oh, how many children in glory! crowding all the battlements and lifting a million-voiced hosanna-brought to God through Christian parentage! One hundred and twenty clergymen were together, and they are telling their experience and their ancestry; and of the one hundred and twenty clergymen, how many of them do you suppose assigned, as the means of their conversion, the influence of a Christian mother? One hundred out of the hundred and twenty Philip Doddridge was brought to God by the Scripture lesson on the Dutch tile of the chimney fireplace. The mother thinks she is only rocking a child; but at the same time she may be rocking the destiny of empires-rocking the fate of nations-rocking the glories of Heaven. The same maternal power that may lift a child up may press a child down.

A daughter came to a worldly mother and said she was anxious about her sins, and she had been praying all night. The mother said: "Oh, stop praying! I don't believe in praying. Get over all those religious notions, and I'll give you a dress that will cost \$500, and you may wear it next week to that party." The daughter took the dress, and she moved in the gay circle, the gavest of all the gay that night; and sure enough, all religious impressions were gone, and she stopped praying. A few months after, she came to die; and in her closing moments said: "Mother, I wish you would bring me that dress that cost \$500." The mother thought it was a very strange request, but she brought it to please the dying child. "Now," said the daughter, "mother, hang that dress on the foot of my bed," and the dress was hung there on the foot of the bed. Then the dying girl got up on one elbow and looked at her mother and then pointed to the dress and said: "Mother, that dress is the price of my soul!" Oh, what a momentous thing it is to be a mother! Again, and lastly: Hannah stands

before you to-day, the rewarded mother. For all the coats she made for Samuel; for all the prayers she offered for him; for the discipline she exerted over him, she got abundant compensation in the piety and the usefulness and the popularity of her son Samuel; and that is true in all ages. Every mother gets full pay for all the prayers and tears in behalf of her chil-That man useful in commercial life; that man prominent in the professign; that master mechanic-why, every step he takes in life has an echo of gladness in the old heart that long ago taught him to be Christian and heroic and earnest. The story of what you have done or what you have written, of the influence you have exerted, has gone back to the old homesteadfor there is some one always ready to carry good tidings-and that story makes the needle in the old mother's tremulous hand fly quicker, and the flail in the father's hand come down upon the barn floor with a more vigorous thump. Parents love to hear good news from their children. Do you send them good news always? Look out for the young man who speaks of his father as the "governor," the "squire," or the "old chap." Look out for the young woman who calls her mother her "maternal ancestor," or the "old woman." "The eye that mocketh at his father, and refuseth to obey his mother, the ravens of the valley shall pick it out, and the young eagles shall eat it." God grant that all these parents may have the great satisfaction of seeing their children grow up Christians. But Oh, the pang of that mother who, after a life of street gadding, and gossip-retailing, hanging on her children the fripperies and foilies of this world, sees those children tossed out on the sea of life like foam on the wave, or nonentities in a world where only brawny and stalwart character can stand the shock! But blessed be the mother who looks upon her children as sons and dau, hters of the Lord Almighty! Oh, the satisfaction of Hannah in seeing Samuel serving at the altar; of mother Eunice in seeing her Timothy learned in the Scriptures. That is the mother's recompense; to see children coming up useful in the world, reclaiming the lost, healing the sick, pitying the ignorant, earnest and useful in every sphere. That throws a new light back on the old family Bible whenever she reads it: and that will be ointment to soothe the aching limbs of decrepitude, and light up the closing hours of life's day with the glories of an autumnal

sunset. There she sits-the old Christian mother-ripe for Heaven. Her eyesight is almost gone; but the splendors of the celestial city kindle up her vision. The gray light of Heaven's morn has struck through the gray locks which are folded back over the wrinkled temples. She stoops very much now under the burden of care she used to carry for her children. She sits at home to-day, too old to find her way to the house of God; but while she sits there, all the past comes back, and the children that 40 years ago trooped around her armchair with their little griefs and joys and sorrows-those children are all gone now. Some caught up into a better realm, where they shall never die, and others out in the broad world, attesting the excellency of a Christian mother's discipline. Her last days are full of peace; and calmer and sweeter will her spirit become, until the gates of life shall lift and let the worn-out pilgrim into eternal spring-tide and youth, where the limbs never ache, and the eyes never grow dim, and the staff of the exhausted and decrepit pilgrim shall become the palm of the immortal

Beer and Size of Feet-

The very peculiar theory has of late been propounded that all women who partake to any extent of malt drinks have large feet! The women of Hol land, Germany, are quoted as ex-amples, while the women of the wine countries—France, Spain and Italy— are, on the other hand, famed for their small and shapely feet.

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