A DASH FOR ZION.

Courageous Christians Needed for the Battle.

The Mounted Cavalry of Christ will Capture the World for God-If Christians Do Their Duty the Victory Will Soon be Won.

In his latest Washington sermon Dr. Talmage urged the followers of Christ to make a bold dash for the cause of on the text II. Kings 18: 23: "I will thou be able on thy part to set riders upon them."

Up by the water works, the upper reservoir of Jerusalem, the general of the besieging army and the generals of besieged Jerusalem are in consultation. Though Gen. Rab-shakeh had been tian. largely paid to stop the siege, he kept the money and continued the siegethe military miscreant! Rab-shakeh derides the capacity of the city to defend itself, and practically says: "You have not 2,000 men who can manage horses. Produce 2,000 cavalrymen and I will give you 2,000 cavalry horses. You have not in all your besieged city of Jerusalem 2,000 men who can mount them, and by bit and bridle control a horse." Rab-shakeh realized that it is easier to find horses than skillful riders, and hence he makes the challenge of the text: "I will deliver thee 2,000 horses if thou be able to set riders upon them."

Rab-shakeh, like many another bad man, said a very suggestive thing. The world is full of great energies and great opportunities, but few know how to bridle them and mount them and manage them. More spirited horses than competent riders! The fact is that in the church of God we have plenty of fortresses well managed, and plenty of heavy artillery, and plenty of solid columns of brave, Christian soldiery, but what we most need is cavalry-mounted troops of God-for sudden charge that seems almost des-

be by slow bombardment of argumengreat theological guns from the portholes of the church, but by gallop of sudden assault and rush of holy energy that will astound and throw into panie the long lines of drilled opposition, armed to the teeth. Nothing so scares that which they cannot tell, to work in a way that they cannot understand. They will be overcome by flank movement. The church of God must double expect us from the north we will great and numerous, but where are upon them."

The opportunities of saving America all consecrated? noticed the willingness of the printing press of the country to give the subject of evangelism full swing in column after column? Such work was formerly confined to tract distribution and religious journalism. Now the morning and evening newspapers, by hundreds and thousands of copies, print all religious intelligence and print most awakening discourses. Never since the word has stood has such a force been offered to all engaged in the world's evangelization. Of the more than fifteen thousand newspapers on this continent, I do not know one that is not alert to eatch and distribute all matters of religious information.

Oh, now I see a mighty suggestiveness in the fact that the first book of any importance that was ever published, after Johann Gutenberg invented the art of printing was the Bi-Well might that poor man toil on, polishing stones and manufacturing looking glasses, and making experiments that brought upon him the charge of insanity, and borrowing money, now from I artin Brether and now from Johann Faust, until he set on foot the mightiest power for the evangelization of the world. The statue in bronze which Thorwaldsen erected for Gutenberg in 1837, and the statue commemorating him by David D'Angers in 1840, and unveiled amid all the pomp that military processions and German bands of best music could give the occasion, were insignificant compared with the fact, to be demonstrated before all earth and all Heaven. that Johann Gutenberg, under God, inaugurated forces which will accomplish the world's redemption. The newspaper press will yet announce nations born in a day. The newspaper press will report Christ's sermons yet to be delivered, and describe His personal appearance, if as some think, He shall come again to reign on earth.

I think it is the cavalry of the Christian hosts, the grand men and women who, with bold dash and holy recklessness and spurred-on energies, are to take the world for God. To this army of Christian service belong the evangel ists. It ought to be the business of the regular churches to multiply them. Some of them you like, some of them you do not like. You say some are too sensational, and some of them are not enough learned, and some of them are erratic, and some of them are too vehement, and some of them pray too loud. Oh, fold up your criticism and let them do that which we, the pastors, can

never do. I like all the evangelists I have ever seen or heard. They are busy now; they are busy every day of the week. While we, the pastors, serve God by holding the fortress of righteousness and drilling the Christian soldiery, and by marshaling anthems and sermons and ordinances on the right side, they are out fighting the forces of darkness "hip and thigh, with great slaughter."

All success to them! The faster they gallop, the better I like it. The keener the lances they fling, the more I admire them. We care not what conventionality they infract if they only gain the victory. Moody, and Chapman, and Mills, and Jones, and Harrison, and Munhall, and Maj. Cole, and Crittenden, and a hundred others are now making the cavalry charge, and they are this moment taking New York and Philadelphia and Cincinnati for God, and I wish they might take our nation's capital. Hear the tremendous righteousness. His remarks were based facts: There are now in this country hearly 166,000 church congregations, deliver thee two thousand horses, if with nearly 21,000,000 communicants and seating capacity in church for more than 43,000,000 people; in other words, room in the churches for threefourths of the population of this country, and about one-third of the population of this country already Chris-

In other words, we have only to average bringing two souls to God during the next three years and our country is redeemed. Who can not, under the power of the Holy Ghost, bring two souls to God in three years? As so many will bring hundreds and thousands to God, most of you have to bring only one soul to God and the gospel campaign for this continent will be ended. If you cannot bring one soul to God, or two souls, or three souls, in three years, you are no Christian, and deserve yourself to be shut out of Heaven. The religious pessimists of this country are all the time depicting the obstacles as so great and our forces as so small, that we half of the time feel that we are attempting an impossibility. Take out of your pray-ers and preaching some of your stuffing of groans and put in something of ac-clamation and triumph, and the United States will be gospelized, and if the United States be gospelized America will be gospelized, and America gospelized, we will take Asia from the Pacific beach and Europe from the Atlantio beach, and not far from now the lost star we live on will take its place among the constellations that never fell. Let the more than 21,000,000 com-If Washington, if New York, if Lon- municants, as they lift the sacramental don are ever taken for God, it will not cup to their lips, take oath that they will not rest until the other 40,000,000 tation, or by regular unlimbering of are saved. The opportunies are all saddled and bridled. Where are the men and women to guide them? "I will deliver thee 2,000 horses, if thou be able to set riders upon them." What two men can do for good evil is impressed upon me the forces of sin as a revival that by the fact that two Scotchmen, going comes, they know not whence, to do to California, each took something that would remind him of his native country. The one took a thistle, the national emblem of Scotland. The other took a hive of bees. Years went by up their right or left wing. If they and the work of the two Scotchmen is widely seen. The curse of the Pacific take them from the south. If they ex- slope is the thistle, and the blessing of peet us at 12 o'clock at noon we will the Pacific slope is the honey found come upon them at 13 o'clock at night. everywhere in woods and fields. In The opportunities for this assault are your life are you responsible for honey or thistles, and if one man can do so the men? "I will deliver thee 2,000 much good, and another so much evil, horses, if thou be able to set riders how much could be done for the ransom of this country by 21,000,000 people

> we want in the senate and house of representatives and the supreme court is a pentecostal blessing that will shake the continent with divine mercy. There recently came into my hands the records of two congressional prayer meetings, on the rolls of which were the names of the most eminent senators and representatives who then controlled the destines of this republicthe one congressional prayer meetin 1857, and the other in 1866. The record is in the handwriting of the philanthropist, William E. Dodge, then a member of Congress. There 'are now more Christian men in the actional legislature than ever before Why will they not band together in a bligious movement which before the inauguration of the next president shall enthrone Christ in the hearts of this nation? They have the brain, they have the eloquence, they have the influence. God grant them the grace sufficient! Who in congressional circles will establish the capitolian prayer meeting in 1897? Let the evening of the last decade of this century be irradicated with such a religious splendor. There are the opportunities for a national and international change, all bridled and saddled. Where are the

> riders to mount them? Here also are opportunities all ready for those who would enter the kingdom of God. Christ said that the kingdom of Heaven was to be taken by violence. By one flash you may enter. Quicker than any equestrian ever dashed through castle gate you may pass into the pardon and hope of the gospel. As quickly as you can think "Yes" or "No," as quickly as you can make a choice so quickly may you decide the question of eternal destiny. No one was ever slowly converted. He may have been thinking about it 40 years, but not one inch of progress did he make until the moment of assent, the very second in which he said: "I will." That instant decided all. Bring out the worst 2,000 men on earth, and here are 2,000 opportunities of immediate and eternal salvation. "I will deliver thee 2,000 horses, if thou be able to

set riders upon them." The cavalry suggests speed. When once the reins are gathered into the hands of the soldierly horseman, and the spurs are struck into the flanks, you hear the rataplan of the hoofs. 'Velocity" is the word that describes the movement-acceleration, momentum-and what we want in getting into the kingdom of God is celerity. You see the years are so swift, and the weeks are so swift, and the days are so swift, and the hours are so swift, and the minutes are so swift, we need to be swift. For lack of this appropriate speed many do not get into Heaven at all. Here we are in the last Sabbath of the year. Did you ever know a twelfth-month quicker to be gone? The golden rod of one autumn speaks to the golden rod of the next autumn, and the crocus of one springtime to the crocus of another springtime, and the snowbin's of adjoining years almost reach each other A WEEK'S, NEWS CONDENSED m unbroken curve. We are in too much hurry about most things. Business men in too much hurry rush into speculations that ruin them and ruin others. People move from place to place in too great haste and they wear put their nerves, and weaken the heart's action. But the only thing in which they are afraid of being too hasty is the matter of the soul's salva-

Oh, my friends, if all right for the

next world, the years cannot gallop past too rapidly. If it were possible for the centuries to take the speed of the years, and the years the speed of the days, and the days the speed of the hours, they could do us no harm. The shorter our life, the longer our Heaven. The sooner we get out of the perils of this life, if our work be done, the better. No man is safe till he is dead. Better men than we have been wrecked, and at all ages. Lord and Lady Napier were on korseback on a road in India. Lord Napier suddenly said to Lady Napier, "Ride on and fetch assistance and do not ask why." She sped on and was soon out of sight. The fact was a tiger's eyes glared on them from the thicket, and he did not dare to tell her lest, affrighted, she fall in the danger and perhaps lose her life. From all sides of us, on this road of life, there are perils glaring on us, from tigers of temptation, and tigers of aceident, and tigers of death, and the sooner we get out of the perils of this life the better. Let 1897 take the place of 1896, and 1598 the place of 1897, and our souls will, be landed where there shall be "nothing to hurt or destroy in all God's holy mount." "No lion shall be there, nor any ravenous beast shall go up thereon, it shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs, and everlasting joy upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away." Oh! will it not be grand when from the windows and doors of the "House of Many Mansions" we look out and see passing along the golden boulevards of Heaven the white horse eavalry that St. John describes in Revelation? John Wesley said he thought horses had souls, but take the story of Revelation as figurative or literal, you must admit that none but cavalry horses are mentioned as being in Heaven. John xvix. 14, "The armies which were in Heaven followed him upon white horses." You see they are mounted troops. Their leader is in deep crimson attire. His vesture, we are told. is "dipped in blood," not blood of human slaughter, as many other conquerors have their attire, but His own blood, blood of crucifixion agony, the blood by which He redeemed you and me. That deep red of garment is in vivid contrast with the snowy white charger on which our Lord is seated. And no saved sinner can gaze on that red and that white without remembering that though his sins were once red like crimson, they have become whiter than snow. Oh, those celestial cavalcades whom our Conqueror in scarlet shall lead on through the streets of and saving the entire planet were And now, standing as I do in this Heaven! Wide streets, hundreds of never so many, never so urgent, never 'national capital, let me say that what mounted troops abreast, long streets, thousands in sight followed by coming thousands through the long day of Heaven which hath no setting sun. Mind you, only the cavalry are in that shining procession, those who did work outside the forts, those who dared all things for God, those who had in them the spirit of hely dask. We who did

> but will not be a part of it. There they pass! the equestrians, and equestriennes of Heaven, regiments of evangelists, of track distributors, of street preachers, of salvation armies, of once half starved home missionaries on the frontiers, of those who did incomspicuous service for Christ, and never had their name in the newspapers but once, and that in the notice of their own obsequies, a notice not accempanied by the request "Send no flowers" for there was no danger that there would be a profusion of flowers. As from the windows and doors of the "House of Many Mansions" we look on the passing spectacle some of us will wish that on earth we had had less salary and mere hardships, less comfort and more exposure, less caution and more courage, less shelter and more storm, less smooth sailing and more cyclone, and that we had dared all at the front instead of taking good care of ourselves in the rear. Forward, mounted troops! Favorites of Heaven! Cavalrymen and cavalrywomen of the Lord God Almighty. No chargers of Heaven too white, or too arched of neck, or too prancing of gait for those seated on

easy work may look at the procession,

If Job's war horse while the battle was going on said "Ha! Ha!" shall not these chargers now that the day is won, utter a more jubilant "Ha! Ha!" Forward under arches of triumph, by fountains rainbowed of eternal joy, and amid gardens abloom with unfading efflorescence, and along palaces where, after they have dismounted, these souls shall reign forever and ever, they march, they brandish their weapons with which they gained bloodless victory, and they rise in stirrups of gold to greet all the rest of Heaven gazing upon them from the amethystine balconies. A glorious Heaven it will be for all of us who anywhere, and anyhow served the Lord, but an especial Heaven, a mounted Heaven, a processional Heaven for those who have done outside work, exposed work, and belonged to the Lord's cavalry. "The armies which were in Heaven followed Him upon white horses."

Then let the creaking door of the closing year go shut. When that closes better doors will open. The world's brighest and happiest years are yet to come. Toward them we speed on in swiftest stirrup. Cavalry charge at Inkerman was not so rapid. At last the equestrians equal the chargers! At last the riders are as many as the

Output of Kimberly Mines. Over \$750,000 worth of diamonds are found in Kimberley every week.

Thursday, Dec. 31.

Japan has ordered two cruisers built in this country—one in Philadelphia, and one in San Francisco.

Governor-elect Tanner, of Illinois, was married yesterday at Springfield, Ills., to Miss Cora Edith English. It is expected that the deficit of the na-

tional treasury for the first six months of the fiscal year will be about \$85,000,000. The family of John Lichtenberg, a cloak-

maker, consisting of four persons, were asphyxiated in New York, and two chil-Forty-eight fourth class postoffices will be raised to the presidential class tomor-

row. Forty-five commissions of postmasters of presidential offices will expire during January.

Friday, Jan. 1. Secretary McCraith, of the American Federation of Labor, resigned yesterday. Eugene V. Debs announces his withdrawal from the People's party to join the socialists.

The official votes from all the states shows McKinley's plurality to be 630,745 and his majority over all 316,399.

William Park, representing the sugar trust, committed suicide by shooting at Duluth, Minn. He was \$7,000 to \$8,000 short in his accounts.

Comptroller of the Currency Eckels declares that recent bank failures should cause no apprehension.

Joseph B. McCullagh, managing editor of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, committed suicide by jumping from the third story of his residence. He had been ill for Saturday, Jan. 2.

Rear Admiral J. N. Skerrett, U. S. N., retired, died in Washington, aged 66. R. G. Dun's review of trade predicts a

strong revival in industries for the current George Jenkins, aged 2 years, fell into a tub of water at Philadelphia and was

Senator Wolcott, of Colorado, left New York for Europe today, to urge inter-

national bimetallism. The total losses in the Malagasy campaign were 7.498 men, which was nearly one-third of the whole French forces.

The state of Tennessee has raised the \$500,000 necessary to make the governmental appropriation for the centennial celebration recently passed by congress

Monday, Jan. 4.

In the French elections yesterday all the socialist candidates were defeated. Corn is only nine cents a bushel in Nebraska, and farmers are using it for

General Daniel E. Sickles, of New York, city, is seriously ill of nervous prostration and insomnia.

State Auditor Dunn, of Minnesota, reports that nearly half the state has been given away in railroad grants. Official dispatches from India say that the rains have benefited nearly all the

famine districts there, and that the price of grain is ten seres per rupee. John A. Wood, night porter at the Junction house, White River Junction,

Vt., disappointed in love, shot himself twice and then broke his neck by jumping from a fourth story window. Tuesday, Jan. 5.

The northwest has been visited by a severe blizzard, which has caused a general essation of business.

Ex-Congressman Tom L. Johnson, of Cleveland, is now in control of all of De-James Duffy, who was knocked sense-

less by George Justus in a New York prize fight Saturday night, died yesterday. Martin Royan, Joe Cox, Tom Curry, William Bisby and Simon Pitt were killed by a mine explosion at Alderson, I. T.

Arthur F. Dennett, superintendent of Dr. Parkhurst's Society for Preventing Crime, in New York, is to be examined as tention-one that far supasses in to his sanity.

At Jersey City Bob Fitzsimmons signed the agreement for a fight with James J. March 17, at a place to be hereafter named. Corbett has already signed.

Wednesday, Jan. 6. Brazil has sold the cruiser Almirante

Darrozo to Japan. Near Babcock, Wis., three children of Ole Delia, the oldest 5 years old, perished in a fire which burned his house

Many Canadians are now in most distressing circumstances in Sao Paulo, Brazil, as a result of glittering promises held out to immigrants.

The price of codfish in the European market has dropped alarmingly, and exporters at St. John's, N. F., are very apprehensive of the result-At Middleboro, Ky., an attempt was made to assassinate L. C. Combs. He

John Hensley, and wounding another. STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKETS

fired at the crowd, killing his nephew,

Closing Quotations of the New York and Philadelphia Exchanges.

New York, Jan. 5.-Business in stocks was again today of very slender proportions, with an irregular movement, and the market freently bordered on stagnation. Closing bids Baltimore & Ohio 161/4 Lehigh Valley .. Chesa. & Ohio. . . . 16% New Jersey Cen . . 1013 Del. & Hudson . . . 120% New York Cen . . . 923 Pennsylvania. , L. & W +155% Lake Erie & W Lebigh Nav. *All ass'ts paid. †Ex-dividend.

General Marketa.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 5 .- Flour firm; winter superfine, \$2.80@3.10; do. extras, \$3.25@3.50 Pennsylvania roller, clear, \$4.25@4.40; do. do. straight, \$4.55@4.65; western winter, clear \$4.25@4.50. Wheat weak; January, 94@94/4c Corn steady; January, 271/4@27%c. Oats quiet January, 281/4@23%c. Hay dull; choice timothy \$8.50@10. Pork dull; family, \$10.210.50. Lard quiet; western steam, \$4.07\\\ \text{y}. Butter steady; western creamery, 13@30c.; do. factory, 7@14c.; western creamery, 13633c.; do. factory, 7@14c.; Elgins, 21c.; imitation creamery, 11@16c.; New York dairy, 10@16c; do. creamery, 13@19c.; extra state prints, wholesale, 23c.; prints jobbing at 23%36c. Cheese quiet; large and small,75%105,c.; part skims, 40%c.; full skims, 25%36c. Eggs steady; New York and Pennsylvania, 19621c.; western fresh, 14@19c.

Live Stock Markets.

New York, Jan. 5.—Cables quote American steers at 10½611½c., dressed weights; sheep at 8½60½c.; refrigerator beef at 768c. Calves weak for all sorts; veals, \$467.50; barnyard calves, \$363.25; good western, \$3.50. Sheep and lambs active; sheep ½c. higher; lambs ½c. stronger; sheep, \$364.25; lambs, \$5.2565.80. Hogs steady at \$3.7064.10.

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EAST LIBERTY, Pa., Jan. 5.—Cattle steady prime, \$4.90,65.10; feeders, \$3.60,64; bulls, stage and cows, \$2.25,63.65. Hogs steady; prime pigs, \$3.75,63.80; best light Yorkers and mediums, \$3.70,63.75; common to fair, \$3.60,63.65; heavy, \$3.45,63.60; roughs, \$2.25,63.25. Sheep ruled slow at about unchanged prices; choice lambs, \$5.20,65.35; common to good lambs, \$5.20,65.35; common to good lambs 13.75@5; veal culves, \$6.50@7.

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Many women will recognize the fol- ing one bottle of it. I began to get lowing expressions: "I am so ill I better. I have now taken three bottles really believe there is not a well spot and am now almost well. I am glad to in my body. I honestly think my lungs know that there is a medicine that will are diseased, my chest pains me so; but cure female troubles. I cannot help



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