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# **KEEP WATCH OVER US**

We Are Guarded by Angels Says Dr. Talmage.

Supernal Beings Who Give Warning When Evil Approaches-Next to God, They Control Our Destiny.

(Copyright, 1899, Louis Klopsch.) Washington, Oct. 29. The brilliant beings supposed by

some to be imaginary are by Dr. Talmage in his sermon shown to be real and to have much to do with our everyday life. The text is Judges 13:19: "And the angel did wondrously."

Fire built on a rock. Manoah and his wife had there kindled the flames for sacrifice in praise of God and in honor of a guest whom they supposed to be a man. But as the flame rose higher and they would get no further than the higher their strange guest stepped into the flame and by one red leap ascended into the skies. Then they knew that was edge they have ransacked and explored an angel of the Lord. "The angel did and compassed. No one but God can wondrously."

Two hundred and forty-eight times does the Bible refer to the angels, yet I never heard or read a sermon on angelology. The whole subject is relegated to the realm mythical, wierd, spectral and unknown. Such adjournment is un-Scriptural and wicked. Of their life, their character, their habits, their actions, their velocities, the Bible gives us full length portraits, and why this prolonged and absolute silence concerning them? Angelology is my theme.

There are two nations of angels, and they are hostile to each other-the nation of good angels and the nation of bad angels. Of the former I chiefly speak to-day. Their capital, their headquarters, their grand rendezvous, is Heaven, but their empire is the universe. They are a distinct race of creatures. No human being can ever join their confraternity. The little child who in the Sabbath school sings: "I want to be an angel," will never have her wish gratified. They are superhuman, but they are of different grades and ranks, not all on the same level or the same height. They have their superiors and inferiors and equals. I propose no guessing on this subject, but take the Bible for my authority. Plato, the philosopher, guessed and divided angels into supercelestial, celestial and subcelestial. Dionysius, the Areopagite, guessed, and divided them into three classes, the supreme, the middle and the last, and each of these into whree other classes, making nine in all. Philo said angels were related to God. as the rays of the sun. Fulgentius said that they were composed of body and spirit. Clement said they were incorporeal. Augustine said that they had been in danger of falling, but now are beyond being tempted. But the only authority on this subject that I respect says they are divided into cherubim, seraphim, thrones, dominions, princichief is Michael. Daniel called him ever marched. They are swifter than any cyclone that ever swept the sea. They are more radiant than any morning that ever came down the sky. They have more to do with your destiny and mine than any being in the universe except God. May the Angel of the New Covenant, who is the Lord Jesus, open our eyes and touch our tongue and rouse our soul while we speak of their deathlessness, their intelligence, their numbers, their strength, their achievements. Yes, deathless. They had a cradle, but will never have a grave. The Lord remembers when they were born, but no one shall ever see their eye extinguished or their momentum slow up or their existence terminate. The oldest of them has not a wrinkle or a decrepitude or a hindrance, as young after 6,000 years as at the close of their first hour. Christ said to the good in Heaven: "Neither can they die any more, for they are equal unto the angels." Yes, deathless are these wonderful creatures of whom I speak. They will see world after world go out, and there shall be no fading of their own brilliance. Yea, after the last world has taken its last flight, they will be ready for the widest circuit through immensity, taking a quadrillion of miles in one sweep as easy as a pigeon circles a dovecote. They are never sick. They are never exhausted. They need no sleep, for they are never tired. At God's command they smote with death, in one night, 185,000 of Sennacherib's host, but no fatality can smite them. Awake, agile, multipotent, deathless, immortal! A further characteristic of these radiant folk is intelligence. The woman of Tekoah was right when she spoke to King David of the wisdom of an angel. We mortals take in what little we know through the eye and ear and nostril and touch, but those beings have no physical incasement, and hence they are all senses. A wall five feet thick is not solid to them. Through it they go without disturbing flake of mortar or erystal of sand. Knowledge! It flashes on them. They take it in at all points. They absorb it. They gather It up without any hinderment. No need of literature for them. The letters of their books are stars. The dashes of their books are meteors. The words of their books are constellations. The paragraphs of their books are galaxies. The pictures of their books are sunrises and sunsets and midnight auroras and the Conqueror on the white horse with the moon under his feet. Their library is an open universe. No need of telescope to see something millions of miles away, for instantly they are there to inspect and explore it. All astronomies, all geologies, all botanies, all philosophies at their feet. What an opportunity for intelligence is theirs! What facilities for knowing everything and knowing it right away!

them to their wits' end, and the Bible says they have to study that. They have been studying it through all the ages, and yet I warrant they have not fully grasped it-the wonders of redemption. These wonders are so high.

so deep, so grand, so stupendous, so magnificent, that even the intelligence of angelhood is confounded before it. The apostle says: "Which things the angels desire to look into." That is a subject that excites inquisitiveness on their part. That is a theme that strains their faculties to the utmost. That is higher than they can elimb, deeper than they can dive. They have a desire for something too big for their comprehension. "Which things the angels desire to look into." But that does not discredit their intelligence. No one but God Himself can fairly understand the wonders of redemption. If all Heaven should study it for 50 centuries, A B C of that inexhaustible subject. But nearly all other realms of knowltell them anything they do not know. They have read to the last word of the last line of the last page of the last volume of investigation, and what delights me most is that all their intelligence is to be at our disposal, and, coming into their presence, they will tell us in five minutes more than we can

learn by 100 years of earthly surmis-Another remark I have to make concerning these illustrious immortals is that they are multitudinous. Their census has never been taken, and no one but God knows how many there are, but all the Bible accounts suggest ( their immense numbers-companies of them, regiments of them, armies of them, mountain tops haloed by them, skies populous with them. John speaks of angels and other beings round the throne as ten thousand times ten thousand. Now, according to my calculation, ten thousand times ten thousand are 100,000,000. But these are only the angels in one place. David counted 20,-000 of them rolling down the sky in chariots. When God came away from the riven rocks of Mount Sinai the Bible says He had the companionship of 10,000 angels. I think they are in every battle, in every exigency, at every birth, at every pillow, at every hour, at every moment, the earth full of them, I the heavens full of them. They outnumber the human race in this world. They outnumber ransomed spirits in glory. When Abraham had his knife uplifted to slay Isaac it was an angel who arrested the stroke, crying: "Abraham, Abraham!" It was the stairway of angels that Jacob saw while pillowed in the wilderness. We are told an angel led the hosts of Israelites out of Egyptian seridom. It was an angel that showed Hagar the fountain where she filled the bottle for the lad. It was an angel that took Lot out of doomed Sodom. It was an angel that shut up the mouth of the hungry monsters when Daniel was thrown into the cavpakties, powers. Their commander in erns. It was an angel that fed Elijah under the juniper tree. It was an angel Michael. St. John called him Michael. that announced to Mary the approach-These supernal beings are more thor- ing nativity. They were angels that oughly organized than any army that chanted when Christ was born. It was an angel that strengthened our Saviour in His agony. It was an angel that encouraged Paul in the Mediterranean shipwreck. It was an angel that burst open the prison, gate after gate, until Peter was liberated. It was an angel that stirred the pool of Siloam, where the sick were healed. It was an angel that John saw flying through the midst of Heaven, and an angel with foot planted on the sea, and an angel that opened the book, and an angel that sounded the trumpet, and an angel that thrust in the sickle, and an angel that poured out the vials, and an angel standing in the sun. It will be an angel with uplifted hand swearing that time shall be no. longer. In the great final harvest of the world the reapers are the angels. Yea, and the Lord shall be revealed from Heaven with mighty angels. Oh, the numbers and the might and the glory of these supernals-fleets of them, squadrons of them, host beyond host, rank above rank, millions on millions, and all on our side if we will have them ! What an incentive to purity and rightcousness is this doctrine that we are continually under angelic observation! Eyes ever on you, so that the most secret misdeed is committed in the midst of an audience of immortals. No door so bolted, no darkness so Cimmerian. as to hinder that supernal eyesight. Not critical eyesight, not jealous eyesight, not baleful eyesight, but friendly eyesight, sympathetic eyesight, helpful eyesight. Confidential clerk of store, with great responsibility on your shoulder and no one to applaud your work when you do it well and sick with the world's ingratitude, think of the angels in the counting room raptured at your fidelity! Mother of household, stitching, mending, cooking, dusting, planning, up half the night or all night with the sick child, day in and day out, year in and year out, worn with the monotony of a life that no one seems to care for, think of the angels in the nursery, angels in all the rooms of your toiling, angels about the sick cradle, and all in sympathy! Railroad engineer, with hundreds of lives hanging on your wrist, standing amid the cinders and the smutch, rounding the sharp curve and by appalling declivity, dicharged and disgraced if you make a mistake, but not one word of approval if you take all the trains in safety for ten years, think of the angels by the throttle valve, angels by the roaring furnace of the engine, angels looking from the overhanging crag, angels bracing the racing wheels off the precipice, angels when you mount the thunderbolt of a train and angels when you dismount! Can you not hear them, louder than the the bell at the crossing, louder than the whistle that sounds like the scream of a flying fiend, the angelic voices saying: "You did it well, you did it well?" If I often speak of engineers, it is because I ride | Ainion!"

There is only one thing that puts | so much with them. I always accept tacir invitation to join them on their locomotive, and among them are some of the grandest men and.

Men and women of a... elreum stances, only partly appreciated or not appresinted by all, never feel lonely again or unregarded again! Angels all around; angels to approve, angels to help, angels to remember. Yea, while all the good angels are friends of the good, there is one special angel your bodyguard. This idea until this present study of angelology I supposed to be fanciful, but I find it clearly stated in the Bible. When the disciples were praying for Peter's deliverance from prison and he appeared at the door of the prayer meeting, they could not believe it was Peter. They said: "It is an angel." So these disciplet, in special nearness to Christ, evidency believed that every worthy soul has an angel. Jesus said of his followers: "Their angels behold the face of my Father." Elsewhere it is said: "He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways." Angelshielded, angel-protected, angel-guarded, angel-canopied, art thou! No wonder that Charles Wesley hymned these words:

Which of the petty kings of earth Can boast a guard like ours, Encircled from our second birth With all the heavenly powers?

Valerius and Rufinus were put to

death for Christ's sake in the year 287 and after the day when their bodies had been whipped and pounded into a jelly in the night in prison and before the next day when they were to be executed, they both thought they saw angels standing with two glittering crowns. "Be of good cheer, valiant solsaying: diers of Jesus Christ! A little more of battle, and then these crowns are yours." And I am glad to know that before many of those who have passed through great sufferings in this life some angel of God has held a blazing coronet of eternal reward. Yea, we are to have such a guardian angel to take us upward when our work is done. You know, we are told an angel conducted Lazarus to Abraham's bosom. That shows that none shall be so poor in dying he cannot afford angelic escort. It would be a long way to go alone, and up paths we have never trod, and amid lazing worlds swinging in unimaginable momentum, out and on through such distances and across such infinitudes of space we should shudder at the thought of going alone.

But the angelic escort will come to our languishing pillow or the place of your fatal accident and say: "Hail, immortal one! All is well. God hath in China between the English, Germans sent me to take you home." And with- and Americans and the Chinese is done out tremor or slightest sense of peril you will away and upward, farther on and farther on, until after awhile Heaven heaves in sight and the rumble of chariot wheels and the roll of mighty harmonies are heard in the distance, and nearer you come, and nearer still, until the brightness is like many mornings suffused into one, and the gates lift, and you are inside the amethystine walls and on the banks of the jasper sea, forever safe, forever free, forever well, forever rested, forever united, forever happy. Mothers, younger had gone out. do not think your little children go alone when they quit this world. Out

### THE HEAVIEST TRAIN.

Great Accomplishment of an Engine on the Baltimore & Ohio Road.

When the receivers of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad began the now famous series of improvements of the physical condition of the entire system, their object was to increase both the trainload and the number of revenue tons per mile, and at the same time reduce the cost of transportation. Much has been done, and by the lowering of grades, elimination of curves, laying of new steel rails and the purchase of heavy motive power they have very materially added to the number of cars per train. But it was not until the 17th of March last that a demonstration was made of what might be expected of the new Baltimore & Ohio railroad. Enough new 50-ton capacity steel cars had been delivered to give the operating department a chance to experiment. Fifty steel cars, each weighing 34,000 pounds, were loaded with an average of 98,000 pounds of coal. To them was coupled a new 22x28-inch consolidation locomotive weighing 168,700 pounds and having 54-inch driving wheels.

The start was made from Cumberland, Md., and the destination was Brunswick, Md., on the Second division. In his report General Superintendent Fitzgerald says the train was pulled with comparative ease and that the class of engines used will be able to handle 50 cars of 50 tons' capacity each on that division without trouble.

Hitherto the trainload on that division has been 325 units of 61% tons each, or about 2,200 tons, a 40 per cent. increase over that of five years ago. The 50-car train was computed as containing 497 units, or 6,458,100 pounds gross. The net weight of coal in the train was 4,758,100 pounds. It was by far the heaviest train ever

hauled over the line and demonstrated that heavy power, modern equipment with safety appliances, and a good track, mean more revenue tons per mile and a decreased cost of transportation.

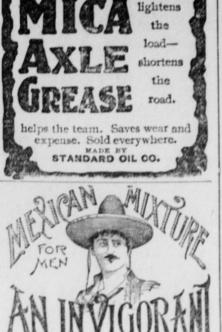
PIDGIN ENGLISH.

#### The Grotesque Gibberish Used in China Between Foreigners and Natives.

The nondescript tongue known as your business by "pidgin-English" is almost the only medium of communication between foreigners and the Chinese, and ninetenths of the enormous business done through this grotesque gibberish. Mr. Chester Holcombe, in his "Real Chinaman," gives two amusing anecdotes to show how absurd it is.

A young foreigner who called upon two young ladies, also foreigners, was informed by their Chinese servant: "Thal two piecey girlo no can see. Number one piecey top side makee washee, washee. Number two piecey go outside, makee walkee, walkee." He meant to say that the elder of the two was taking a bath upstairs, and the

waiian islands, visited Shanghai, he oc- -When samples are asked forcupied a suite of rooms up one flight of stairs at the Astor house. Two American gentlemen called to pay their respects one morning, and meeting the proprietor, inquired if the king was in. "I will see," replied the landlord, and shouting to a Chinese servant at the head of the stairs, asked: "Boy! That piecey king top side, had got?" "Hab got," laconically answered the servant. "Gentlemen, his majesty is in. Pray



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of your arms into angelic arms, out of sickness into health, out of the cradle into a Saviour's bosom! Not an instant will the darlings be alone between the two kisses-the last kiss of earth and the first kiss of Heaven. "Now, angels, do your work!" cried an expiring Christian.

Yes, a guardian angel for each one of you. Put yourself now in accord. with him. When he suggests the right, follow it. When he warns you against walk up," said the landlord. the wrong, shun it. Sent forth from God to help you in this great battle against sin and death, accept His deliverance. When tempted to a feeling of loneliness and disheartenment, appropriate the promise: "The angel of the Lord encampeth around about them that fear Him and delivereth them." Ob, I am so glad that the spaces between here and Heaven are thronged with these supernaturals taking tidings home, bringing messages here, rolling back obstacles from our path and giving us defense, for terrific are the forces who dispute our way, and if the nation of the good angels is on our side the nation of bad angels is on the other. Paul had it right when he said: "We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." In that awful fight may God send us mighty angelie reenforcement! We want all their wings on our side, all their chariots on our side.

Thank God that those who are for us are mightier than those who are against us! And that thought makes me jubilant as to the final triumph. Belgium, you know, was the battleground of England and France. Yea, Belgium more than once was the battle-ground of opposing nations. It so happens that this world is the Belgium or battleground between the angelic nations, good and bad. Michael, the commander in chief, on one side: Lucider, as Byron calls him, or Mephistopheles, as Goethe calls him, or Satan, as the Bible calls him, the commander in chief on the other side. AM pure angelhood under the one leadership and all abandoned angelhood under the other leadership. Many a skirmish have the two armies had, but the great and decisive battle is yet to be fought. Either from our earthly homes or down from our supernal residences may we come in or the right side, for on that side are God and Heaven and victory. Meanwhile the battle is being set in array, and the forces celestial and demoniacal are confronting each other. Hear the boom of the great cannonade already opened! Cherubim, scraphim, thrones, dominations, principalities, and powers are beginning to ride down their foes, and, until the work is completed, "Sun, stand thou still upon Gibcon, and thou, moon, in the valley of WEDDED TO FILTH.

Bath Tubs Are Unknown and Ho Stabled in the Houses of Some Cubans.

Dr. John Morgan Williams, of Louisville, Ky., a member of the hospital staff of the Third Kentucky, recently established three hospitals at Matanzas, and was one of a board of physicians to look after the sanitary matters of that city.

"Everywhere among the natives," said Dr. Williams, "I encountered the greatest obstinacy and objection to the advanced methods of the American, from the penniless peasant to the wealthy nobleman. They regard scientific plumbing as a foolish fad of the Americans. They seem positively wedded to filth. I'm afraid that it will take a long time to get them to take the precautionary measures to prevent contagious diseases.

"The richer families of Matanzas, which is a town of 80,000 inhabitants, keep their horses and carriages under the same roof in the houses in which they sleep. In many cases the horse is stabled in the front room and can be plainly seen from the street. A modern bath tub is something not to be found in the city."

Diagnose by Description." Medical practitioners in China probably do not hanker after royal patients. A Chinese physician who was recently called to prescribe for the emperor was not permitted to look at his august patient, much less to ask him questions. The dowager empress told him how the emperor felt, as accurately as she could describe his condition, and the physician had to base his diagnosis on her guess.

Mourning for a Dead Dog.

A London lady, who mourns the loss of a pet poodle, has deemed it necessary to have special "In Memoriam" cards printed in memory of the dog's virtues.

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