

DEATH OF REV. TALMAGE

Noted Presbyterian Divine Succumbed to Long Illness.

THE END CAME PEACEFULLY

His Last Rational Words Were to His Daughter, When He Said: "Of Course I Know You, Maud"—Short Sketch of His Life.

Washington, April 14.—Rev. T. De Witt Talmage, the noted Presbyterian divine, died at 9 o'clock on Saturday night, at his residence in this city. It had been evident for some days that



DR. TALMAGE IN HIS PULPIT.

there was no hope of recovery, and the attending physicians so informed the family. The patient gradually grew weaker, until life passed away so quietly that even the members of the family, all of whom were watching at the bedside, hardly knew that he had gone. The immediate cause of death was inflammation of the brain. He was 70 years of age.

Dr. Talmage was in poor health when he started away from Washington for Mexico for a vacation and rest six weeks ago. He was then suffering from influenza and serious catarrhal conditions. Since his return to Washington he has been quite ill. Until Thursday, however, fears for his death were not entertained. The last rational words uttered by Dr. Talmage were on the day preceding the marriage of his daughter, when he said: "Of course, I know you, Maud." Since then he was unconscious.

The funeral will take place at 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon from the Church of the Covenant. The services will be very simple. There will be no funeral sermon, but short addresses concerning the life and works of Dr. Talmage will be made by men who have been intimately associated with him. At 9 o'clock Wednesday morning the interment will take place in the family lot at Greenwood Cemetery, Brooklyn.

Silent tribute to the memory of Dr. Talmage was paid yesterday by thousands of people, who walked past the residence on Massachusetts avenue, where the visit of death was marked by a cluster of violets, tied with a streamer of black, hanging at the right of the entrance. Messages of sympathy from nearly every state in the union, and from England, Russia and other European countries came to the family during the day.

Sketch of His Career. Dr. Talmage was born in Bound Brook, Somerset county, N. J., January 7, 1832. His home was a small farm, and he was the youngest son of a family of 12 children. His parents were deeply religious people, and their greatest desire was to see some of their sons enter the ministry. Their hopes were fulfilled, for the eldest brother at the close of his college life went to China as a missionary, while another became a minister. Dr. Talmage himself entered law, but his parents never ceased to hope that he would eventually follow in the footsteps of his brothers. In 1853 he gave up legal practice and went to the college at New Brunswick to prepare for the ministry.

His first charge was at Belleville, N. J., where he spent three years. He then accepted a call to a church at Syracuse, N. Y., and remained there until 1862, when he accepted a pastorate in Philadelphia. This gave him his first chance of reaching the people of a great city. His success was instantaneous, and he finally received three simultaneous calls from Brooklyn, Chicago and San Francisco. Although the church which had called him to Brooklyn boasted only 17 members he chose that city, and the result of his choice is well known. Within a year it was necessary to erect a structure capable of holding 3,000 people. Two years later this church was burned to the ground.

An edifice that would seat 5,000 was then built, but was inadequate to accommodate the thousands that flocked to hear the famous preacher. For 15 years the church had wonderful prosperity, which was rudely broken by a second fire that laid it in ashes. Undismayed, a third tabernacle was built. It was completed in 1891, and

its dedication was a great public occasion.

The tabernacle was a grand and beautiful place of worship, with a vast seating capacity and perfect acoustic properties, but it was not destined to stand long. On Sunday, May 13, 1894, shortly after the close of the morning services, fire broke out and before it was under control had left the magnificent building a pile of smoking ruins.

Dr. Talmage was beyond a doubt the most popular preacher America has produced. When he had a church, his congregations were as enormous as those of Henry Ward Beecher, and he at the same time addressed another congregation of millions through the newspapers. When he was preaching in Brooklyn, there was no necessity of a stranger asking where Dr. Talmage's church was; all he had to do was to follow the crowd. For many years his sermons were preached both from the pulpit and through the newspapers, but after he gave up his pulpit in Washington the great divine spoke to his flock wholly through the public press, and there was hardly a town in the United States where his sermon in the daily or weekly newspaper was not eagerly awaited by scores of people. It is probably no exaggeration to state that his sermon was read each week by several millions of people. It appeared in at least six languages, and the combined circulations of the newspapers printing his sermons were estimated at 30,000,000.

Few men were capable of doing as much literary work in a day as the famous preacher. When nearing three score and ten, he often dictated as many as 20,000 words in a day, and on many occasions he has worn out two or three stenographers during that time. His sermons were all first preached to a stenographer, and when he was in the throes of composition he walked tirelessly up and down his study preaching and gesticulating exactly as he did later in the pulpit and almost with as great rapidity. Each week he read thoroughly by the two 50 and 100 papers, wrote the editorials for his religious weekly, the Christian Herald; dictated sermons, correspondence, letters and books, saw scores of friends, business callers, admirers, cranks and impostors, and during his lecture season lectured at least once a year in most of the large and many of the small cities of the country.

He once tried dictating his sermons to a phonograph; but as walking about the room was practically a necessity and as he could not very well carry the machine with him, he abandoned the scheme. He often said that in all his life he had never written a line or spoken a word with the aid of a stimulant. At one time he was a habitual smoker, but ceased one day with a sudden resolution that was typical of his whole life.

Dr. Talmage was a voluminous writer on religious subjects. He was the author of a number of lectures, and his sermons have been published in 30 volumes. Among the better known of his works were "From Man to Throne," "Sparks From My Anvil," "Crumbs Swept Up," "Sports That Kill," "Night Sides of City Life," "The Poetry of Life" and "Old Wives Dog Out." It is estimated that for many years his royalties netted him the princely income of \$20,000 a year.

WILL PROBE THE BEEF TRUST

U. S. Attorney Bethea Ordered by President to Make Inquiries. Chicago, April 15.—United States Attorney S. H. Bethea, following instructions given by President Roosevelt and Attorney General Knox, will make a searching inquiry into the workings of the so-called beef trust in Chicago in relation to the Sherman anti-trust law. The investigation will be secret, and when finished a full report will be furnished to Washington for the use of the attorney general in deciding what course his department will take against the packers charged with being in the combination.

Particular attention will be paid to the charge that territory in the various states has been parceled out among the members of the so-called trust, with the result of a sharp advance in prices to the retailer. An effort will also be made to secure proof of the existence of an agreement between the local packers to maintain a schedule of prices.

GAVE BIRTH TO FIVE GIRLS

Mrs. James McGowan Establishes a New Record. Poughkeepsie, N. Y., April 15.—Isaiah Rhodes, of Bailey's Gap, Ulster county, announced in this city yesterday that his daughter, Mrs. James McGowan, aged 28, of Tucker's Corners, a hamlet in Ulster county, Sunday gave birth to five children, all girls, and that all are doing well. Mrs. McGowan's other children are a son and a pair of twins.

New Mint Superintendent.

Washington, April 15.—The president yesterday nominated John H. Landis to be superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia, vice H. K. Boyer resigned. The appointment was confirmed. The senate also confirmed the nominations of Albert A. Norris, to be coiner of the Mint at Philadelphia.

Archbishop Ryan Appointed.

Washington, April 15.—The president has appointed Archbishop Ryan, of Philadelphia, a member of the board of Indian commissioners. He succeeds Bishop Whipple, the eminent divine, who died recently, and is the first Catholic prelate appointed on the board.

A Short Winter Wheat Crop.

Washington, April 11.—The condition of winter wheat is 78.7, against 81.7 April 1 last year, according to the government crop report, made public yesterday afternoon.

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of Levari Facias, Fieri Facias, Venditio Exponas, and Levari Facias sur Mechanic Lien, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Centre county, Pa., and to be directed, there will be exposed to Public Sale, at the Court House, in the borough of Bellefonte, on

MONDAY, APRIL 28, 1902.

At 1 o'clock, p. m., the following described real estate to wit:

All that certain lot of ground situate in the Borough of Bellefonte, at a point at the intersection of Allegheny street as laid out and Curtin street, thence by extension of Allegheny street north 30 feet, thence by a line parallel to said Curtin street east 20 feet to the extension of Decatur Alley, thence by said Decatur Alley north 20 feet to Curtin street thence by said Curtin street 20 feet to the place of beginning, containing 444 1/9 superficial square yards. Thereon erected a large Stone dwelling house, stable and other outbuildings.

ALSO

All that certain message tenement and tract of land situate in College township, Centre county, Pa., bounded and described as follows to wit:—On the north by land of William Crust, on the east by land of Weister Estate, and on the west by land of Robert Valentine, containing 2 1/2 acres more or less. Thereon erected a two story dwelling house, bank barn, wagon shed and other outbuildings.

ALSO

All that certain message tenement and tract of land situate in Benner township, Centre county, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit:—On the north by land of Adam Wagner, W. Fred Reynolds, John Kaufman and J. H. Hoyer, on the east by land of Solomon Poorman, H. A. Hoyer, Robert Valentine, on the south by lands of William Crust, Ezra Smith, Mrs. Salterfield and Shugert, and on the west by land of Robert Valentine, containing 1 1/2 acres more or less. Thereon erected a two story Stone dwelling house, bank barn, wagon shed and other outbuildings.

ALSO

All that certain message tenement and tract of land situate in Benner township, Centre county, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit:—On the north by land of William Crust, on the east by land of Lewis Heckerik and Henry Zimmerman, on the south by land of Weister Estate, and on the west by land of Robert Valentine, containing 50 acres more or less.

ALSO

All that certain message tenement and tract of land situate in Spring township, Centre county, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit:—On the north by land of Jacob Valentine and W. J. Dale, on the south by land of H. Williams and Mrs. Salterfield, and on the west by land of Robert Valentine, containing 2 1/2 acres more or less. Thereon erected a two story dwelling house, bank barn, wagon shed and other outbuildings.

ALSO

All that certain message tenement and tract of land situate in Benner township, Centre county, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit:—On the north by land of Robert Valentine, on the east by land of Robert Valentine, on the south by land of Robert Valentine, containing about 3 acres. Thereon erected a dwelling house, stable and outbuildings.

ALSO

All that certain piece of land situate in Spring township, Centre county, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit:—On the north by land of Thomas Staemmer, on the east by land of A. G. Morris, on the south by 5th Avenue and on the west by land of Benjamin Shaffer, containing one acre more or less. Thereon erected a two story dwelling house.

ALSO

All that certain piece of land situate in Spring township, Centre county, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit:—On the north by land of John P. Hoyer, on the east by land of Shugert Estate, William Benkin, Thomas Rhoads and B. Shaffer, containing 5 acres more or less. Seized, taken in execution, and to be sold as the property of Robert Valentine.

ALSO

All that certain tract or piece of land situate in the township of Benner, county of Centre and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a stone corner on the bank of Spring creek, thence north one and one half degrees west along the bank of said creek, five and five tenths perches to the top of a stone, and thence north 61 degrees, east 11 perches to stones. Thence north 78 degrees, east fourteen perches to stones, thence south 37 degrees, east 13 1/2 perches to stones, thence south 48 degrees, east 15 1/2 perches to a post, thence east about lands of formerly of (A. K.) Hoyer north 78 degrees west 18 perches to the place of beginning, containing 2 acres and 84 perches to wit:—On the east, being the same premises which Henry Brockerhoff and M. C. H. wichey their indenture dated the 11th day of July A. D. 1851, recorded in the office for the record of deeds, &c. in and for the said county of Centre in deed book "H" No. 2, page 28 &c. and grant and confirm unto the aforesaid Louis Haas and to his heirs and assigns forever, as in and by the said inpart recited indenture, relation being thereunto had more fully and at large appears, having thereon erected a dwelling house, barn, Brewery, Beer Vault and other outbuildings.

Seized, taken in execution, and to be sold as the property of George Haas, Executor &c., of Louis Haas deceased.

ceased with brick and located at Snow Shoe Intersection, Boggs township, Centre county, Pennsylvania, on a lot or piece of ground bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning at a pine in the public road leading from Unionville to Milesburg at a corner of land of P. B. Crider, formerly J. M. Weaver, Est., and James H. Davidson Grantor hereto; thence along public road in a westerly direction 60 feet; thence in a northerly direction 60 feet; thence in an easterly direction 60 feet to the dividing line of P. B. Crider and Grantor hereto; thence in a southerly direction along said line 60 feet to the place of beginning; being the same lot of ground which James H. Davidson and Viola M., his wife by their deed dated January 16, 1887, recorded in Deed Book, Centre county in Deed Book, Volume 7, page 56, granted and conveyed to the Calvary United Evangelical Church of Snow Shoe Intersection; the said building fronting on the main road leading from Unionville to Milesburg 32 feet in length and 40 feet in width on the main road square church tower and entrance on the south east corner of said church building 15x15 feet fronting on said public road.

Seized, taken in execution and to be sold as the property of George W. Heiney, William E. Eckert and Sylvester M. Summers Trustees of the Calvary United Evangelical Church, of Snow Shoe Intersection in Boggs township, and Thomas Murray, William C. Eckert, Sylvester M. Summers, Henry Smoyer, David Deltz and Rev. George W. Heiney, acting Committee of the Calvary United Evangelical Church, at Snow Shoe Intersection, owners or reputed owners.

ALSO

All that certain lot or piece of ground situate in the village of State College, county of Centre and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a post at corner of lot of W. F. Strause, thence along lot of said Strause, 60 1/2 degrees east 10 feet to post, thence along land of Wm. Foster south 49 1/2 degrees west 50 feet to post, thence along W. W. Homan, north 12 degrees west 193 feet to post on public street, thence along said street north 49 1/2 degrees east 50 feet to place of beginning, containing 1000 square feet net measure. Thereon erected a two story frame dwelling house and outbuildings.

Seized, taken in execution, and to be sold as the property of B. F. Houpp.

ALSO

All that certain message, tenement and tract of land situate in Boggs township, Centre county, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: On the north by land of Mary Baney, on the west by land of McCoy and on the south by land of McCoy and on the east by land of Robert Spoler, containing 6 acres more or less. Thereon erected a log house and other outbuildings.

Seized, taken in execution, and to be sold as the property of Mollie Hassard and William Hassard.

ALSO

All that certain piece or tract of land situate in the township of Burnside, county of Centre and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Being a portion of a tract of land in the warrant name of Walter Stewart containing the West Branch of the Susquehanna river, containing 12 acres, more or less, and generally known as the Hale and Mulholland Beach.

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Seized, taken in execution, and to be sold as the property of Godfrey Fisher.

TERMS.—No deed will be acknowledged until purchase money is paid in full.

Sheriff's Office, BELLEFONTE, PA., APRIL 15, 1902. CYRUS BRUNGART, Sheriff.

COURT PROCLAMATION.—Whereas the Honorable J. G. Love, President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the 6th Judicial District, consisting of the county of Centre and the counties of Berks, Lehigh and Northampton, has issued his precept, bearing date the 7th day of March 1902, to me directed, for holding a Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery and Quarter Sessions of the Peace in Bellefonte, for the county of Centre and to commence on the

4TH MONDAY OF APRIL, being the 28th day of April, 1902, and to continue three weeks, notice is hereby given to the Coroner, Justices of the Peace, Aldermen and Constables of said county of Centre, that they are to attend in their proper persons, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of the 28th day of April, 1902, at the Court House, with their records, inquisitions, examinations, and their own remembrance, to do those things which to their office appertain to be done, and those who are bound in recognizances to prosecute against the prisoners that are or shall be in the jail of Centre county, to appear there to prosecute against them as shall be given under my hand, at Bellefonte, the 7th day of March in the year of our Lord, 1902, and the one hundred and twenty fourth year of the independence of the United States.

CYRUS BRUNGART, Sheriff.

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