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If the wail were only the expression of dissatisfied donothings in the world it would be of little account; but the cry regarding the ancient giants has connected with it an inference that no giants exist today, because there is no opportunity for giant life. This pseudo reverence for the great men of the past carries with it the poisonous pessimism that says, "There can be no glants now." It is discouragement boiled down and sugar-coated with a plous worship of ancient worthles.

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This is a fair specimen of the idle talk of men who pretend to appreciate the greatness of the fathers, and with this plous plaint unnerve the ambition of youth. Were this simply the silly talk of imbedity no protest from the pulpit would be in place, but in behalf of discouraged youth I purpose to enter an unqualified denial of the spirit of all this word. Did it not seem like implous rejection of sacred writ, I would affirm that there were no glants in those days. The men of yesterday were not so great as the men of to-day;

Physically men are better than ever before. The average men of to-day is too largs to wear the English armor discarded by giant warriors of a few centuries back. The collegian of to-day strongers and the men were easily noted. There are better preachers to-day than Wesley. Edwards is arsurpassed in truthful presentation of the word by modern sermon makers. Bismarck, Blaine and Giadstone overshaded wancient men in Statecraft. Macauley tells us that men usually put the golden age of the lack of erdin

Turning from this, we may bow with deference to the coning man. The youth of to-day may rise above the best of their fathers. There was never a greater call for giants than now; not a giant here and there, but a race of giants. Every profession is crowded with little men and is seeking for giants. Professions, like skyserapers, have vacant rooms on the top

roads are anxious for first class men; ial offices will give handsome salaries. To skilful writers; pulpits seek commanding preachers; corporations seek in vain for properly qualified counsel; the nation calls for better statesmen, the colleges for better teachers, the merchants for better salesmen, the manufacturers for better artisans. "Top floors for rent" is hung out at every corner, inviting boys who are willing and able to climb the old-fashioned stairs. There is no elevator for carrying idle seekers to the top of business and professional life. Men who work at the head of a profession or business must have strength, and that strength best comes by toiling up to the high places.

Giants are not born, they are made. Inherited adaptability will have some bearing, but earned qualities will have more. Common strength, common sense, common honesty are the first requisites. The genius of hard work, frugality of time and power, controlled by an indomitable "I will," must enter into the makeup of a great man. Time, money and nerve power dissipated by young men, not in true recreation and relaxation, but in idle lottering, would, if truly directed, make many great.

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### KIND OF PEOPLE NEEDED.

Talmage Describes the Style of Christian Character Required To-day. TEXT: "Who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"—Esther iv., 14.

ighty. But you need to be aggressive Christians.

SERMONS OF THE DAY.

RELIGIOUS TOPICS DISCUSSED BY PROMINENT AMERICAN MINISTERS.

"Giants" is the Subject of the Twelfth of the New York Heraid's Competitive Semona—Dr. Talmage Preaches on the Style of the Christian Character.

Text: "There were giants in those days."—Genesis, vi., 4.

This text represents the wall of the morbid man who refuses to enter into the activities of life and finds no fit leadership among the men of to-day. He views the men of yesterday, and, by comparing them with his own nothingness, calls them enter into the activities of life and finds no fit leadership among the men of to-day. He views the men fints. Unwilling to follow his rightful leaders, he pines for the mighty men of the past.

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garden of the Lord, so that the whole atmosphere could be aromatic with their Christian usefulness. What we want in the church of God is more strength of piety.

Again, if you want to be qualified to meet the duties which this age demands of you, you must, on the one hand, avoid reckless iconcelasm and, on the other hand, not stick too much to things because they are old. The air is full of new plans, new projects, new theories of government, new theologies, and I am amazed it osee how so many Christians want only novelty in order to recommend a thing to their confidence; and so they vacillate and swing to and fro, and they are useless and they are unhappy. New plans—secular, ethical, philosophical, religious, cis-Atlantic, trans-Atlantic—long enough to make a line reaching from the German universities to Great Sait Lake City. All, my brother, do not take hold of a thing merely because it is new! Try it by the irealities of the Judgment Day. But on the other hand, do not adhere to anything merely because it is new! Try it by the irealities of the Judgment Day. But on the other hand, do not adhere to anything merely because it is new! Try it by the irealities of the Judgment Day. But on the other hand, do not adhere to anything merely because it is new! Try it by the irealities of the Judgment Day. But on the other hand, do not adhere to anything merely because it is new! Try it by the irealities of the Judgment Day. But on the other hand, do not adhere to anything a large of the other to a single enter, lise of the church of the world but has sonetime been scoffed at. There was a time when men derided even Bible societies, and when a few young men met in Massachusetts and organized in this country there went laughter and ridicule all around the Christian Church.

All the great enterprises in and out of the Church have at times been scoffed at, and there have been a great multitude who have thought that the christian church of God would who have thought that the chere are those who have no patience with anything

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Nor will we forget that "Godliness is profitable." The giants spoken of in Genesis were grandsons of God. The strongest men are they that are strong in the Lord. Jesus is the giant of the age, and the charlot wheels of God's Gospel may when omiscience has lost its eyesight and hen earer related to Jesus the more gignantic is man. Christian qualities are realizable assets, for Christ rules to-day more than all earthly potentates. Men who seed fat religion desire Christlike qualies in their employes.

'aith, hope and charity are fit embleme the market, for commerce and the prodon. There are Calvarya along the 'top greatness; men must bear crosses y would rise. 'It is good for a man, ac bear the yoke in his youth.' It is at han good—it is essential; and the ist yoke is the typical emblem by which may work themselves, by the grace of to be present day giants.

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down, the grandest highest throne of earth His footstool.

I prepare this sermon because I want to encourage all Christian workers in every possible department. Hosts of the living God, march on! march on! His Spirit will bless you. His shield will defend you. His sword will strike for you. March on! march on! The despotisms will fall and paganism will burn its idols, and Mahometanism will give up its false prophet, and the great walls of superstition will come down in thunder and wreck at the long, loud blast of the Gospel trumpet. March on! march on! The besiegement will soon be ended. Only a few more steps on the long way: only a few more sturdy blows; only a few more sturdy blows; only a few more sturdy blows; only a few more buttle cries, then God will put the laurels upon your brow, and from the living fountains of heaven will bathe off the sweat and the heat and the dust of the conflict. March on! march on! For you the time for work will soon be passed, and amid the outflashings of the judgment throne and the trumpeting of resurrection angels and the upheaving of a world of graves, and the hosanna and the groaning of the saved and the lost, we shall be rewarded for our faithfulness or punished for our stupidity. Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting and let the whole carth be filled with His glory. Amen and amen. come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"—Esther iv., 14.

Esther the beautiful was the wife of Ahasuerus the abominable. The time had come for her to present a petition to her infamous husband in behalf of the Jessish nation, to which she had once belonged. She was afraid to undertake the work, lest she should lose her own life; but her cousin, Mordecai, who had brought her up, encouraged her with the suggestion that probably she had been raised up of God for that peculiar mission. "Who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

Esther had her God-appointed work. You and I have ours. It is my business to tell you what style of men and women you ought to be in order that you meet the demand of the age in which God has claim with the technicalities, but only with the practicallities. What we want is practical, carnest, concentrated, enthusiastic and triumphant help.

In the first place, in order to meet the special demand of this age, you need to be a unmistakable, aggressive Christian f half-and-half Christians we do not want any more. The Church of Jesus Christ will better without them. They are the ief obstacle to the clurch's advancent, I am speaking of another kind of tristlan. All the appliances for your beming an earnest Christian are at your quit, and there is a straight path for you and the appliances for your beming an earnest Christian are at your quit, and there is a straight path for you and the broad day light of God's forgive as. You may this moment be the bondisen of the world, and the next moment ou may be princes of the Lord God Altighty.

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## THE REALM OF FASHION.

\$\tag{\}\ "Hand Harness" Made of Gems,

When the dictate against gloves went forth, the new "harness" for the hand was evolved from some brilliant



HAND COVERED WITH JEWELED HARNESS

brain, and it is the ultimate barbar brain, and it is the ultimate Darbarism. On every finger is worn a ring, with emeralds, rubies, diamonds and any other stone that happens to belong to the fortunate owner. Even the thumb has a ring, and all those on

left side, but the jacket is none the left side, but the jacket is none the less simple and easy of construction because of the fact. The broad backs and under-arm gores are unlined, but the fronts are made over a fitted, unboned lining which extends to the waist. The fulness of the outside is arranged in gathers at the neck and again at the waist line, where it is stiched to the lining. The right side laps well over the left and is finished with a full jabot of lace, beneath the closing is effected. The sleeves are one-seamed and comfortably loose. The fulness is arranged in gathers at are one-seamed and comfortably loose. The fulness is arranged in gathers at the arm's-eyes and again at the wrists where the sleeves are finished with simple bands and frills of lace that fall over the hands. At the neck is a straight high collar with an upstanding frill of lace at the back. The model, which is of drap-d'ete in deep, warm red, is finished by ribbon included in the under-arm seams and passed across the front only and bowed at left side; but if preferred can be passed round the waist.

To make this jacket for a lady in the medium size will require four and one-fourth yards of twenty-seveninch material.

Spring and Summer Styles.



LADIES' DRESSING JACKET.

enough in the family safe deposit vault

There is another design for the newest new in jewelry, and that is made by running the spun gilt chains from each ring down the back of the hand to the wrist, and there attaching it to the bracelet. When this style is adopted the chain is set with round semi-precious stones, the topaz, gar-net, carbuncle and some others form-ing a rope or twist where every color of the rainbow is to be found. Violet, yellow, purple, red, white, pink, blue and green are some of the list that form the new harness chains for the beautiful white hands of the belle and

the bud.

the bud.

The triple rings that go with this affair are curiosities in themselves. They are evidently made in this shape in order to facilitate the donning of this somewhat complicated bit of daintiness. That is, it is complicated when the harness is off of the hand and lying in its purple satin nest.

The rings when off of the fingers look like three golden loops, soldered, as they are, in the making. These are set closely with gems of every known variety—the more colors the better, apparently, and the larger the diamonds, the clearer the ruby and the more expensive the sapphire the better, too.

For those who please, there may be added to this already glorious vision of splendor "gold caps" for the finger tips, These are shaped something like a thimble, and are closely set with emeralds and diamonds and all the rest of the list.

Comfortable Dressing Jacket The model shown in the large illustration and described by May Manton, is at once tasteful and wholly controlle. The closing is placed at the is airy and beautiful.

the fingers are joined together like the old-fashioned brass knuckle.

From each ring there runs a fine gold chain that connects it with the large turquoise ornaments in the centre of the back of the hand, and then the chains run along through this jewel, which is set around with large diamonds, something like a brooch, and connect with the bracelet beyond on the wrist. It completely covers the hand and forms a blazing armor that will flash and dazzle the eyes.

The harness, when finished and adjusted, resembles nothing so much as a glove, the delicate short chains forming the stitching. Some women want the harness for only one hand, claiming it is in better taste, though both hands may be encased in this golden chain armor if there are jewels enough in the family safe deposit vault the fingers are joined together like the principally in flowered muslin with



LADIES' LEGGINS.

reaching above the knees; of medium length, or above the ankles only, making gaiters, as preferred. The three sections are joined by means of three sections are joined by means of curved seams, which secure a perfect fit. The edges are underfaced and the front outside portion laps well over the back. The closing is effectover the back. The closing is effected by means of buttons and buttonholes. All the edges are finished with machine stitching and each seam is stitched open after pressing. A strap of the material or leather, as preferred, is stitched to the edge of the inside foot portion and passes through a buckle sewed to the outside edge, so holding the leggins in place.

To make these leggins will require three-fourths of a yard of fifty-four three-fourths of a yard of fifty-four inch material.

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