

DR. TALMAGE'S SERMON.
SUNDAY'S DISCOURSE BY THE NOTED DIVINE.

An Appropriate Topic—The Great Need of Reform—Church—Religion That Will Make a Revolution in the Family.

Text: "These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also."—Acts xvii, 6.

There is a wild, howling mob around the house of Jason, in Thessalonica. What has the man done so greatly to offend the people? He has been entertaining Paul and his comrades. The mob surrounds the house and cry: "Bring out those turbulent preachers! They are interfering with our business! They are ruining our religion! They are actually turning the world upside down!"

The charge was true, for there is nothing that so interferes with sin, there is nothing so ruinous to every form of established iniquity, there is nothing that has such tendency to turn the world upside down as our glorious Christianity. The fact is, that the world now is wrong side up, and it needs to be turned upside down in order that it may be right side up. The time was when the men wrote books on "The Apologies for Christianity." I hope that day has passed. We want no more apologies for Christianity. Let the apologies be on the part of those who do not believe in our religion. We do not mean to make any compromise in the matter. We do not wish to hide the fact that Christianity is revolutionary, and that its tendency is to turn the world upside down.

Our religion has often been misrepresented as a principle of chains, and mildness, and fastidiousness, afraid of crossing people's prejudices; afraid of making somebody mad; with silken gloves, lifting the people up from the church pew into glory, as though they were Bohemian rascals, so very delicate that with one touch it may be demolished forever. Men speak of religion as though it were a refined imbecility; as though it were a spiritual chloroform, that the people were to take until the sharp cutting of life were over. The Bible, so far from this, represents the religion of Christ as robust and brawny—ransacking and upsetting ten thousand things that now seem to be settled on firm foundations. If I hear some man in the house say, "I thought religion was peace." That is the final result. A man's arm is out of place. Two men come, and with great effort put it back to the socket. It goes back with great pain. Then it gets a little better, and the man is disturbed and out of joint. It must come under an omnipotent surgery, beneath which there will be pain and anguish before there can come perfect health and quiet. I proclaim, therefore, in the name of my Lord Jesus Christ, and in the name of the Holy Spirit, that the religion of the Bible will make a revolution in the family. Those things that are wrong in the family circle will be overturned by it, while justice and harmony will take the place of the wrong.

A Bullet Its Own Doctor. In spite of the terrible increase in the destructiveness of modern warfare, the tendency of the times is to make a conflict as humane as possible. For this reason the use of copper-covered bullets has been captured. When a Philadelphia physician has a plan that he claims will wonderfully mitigate the suffering of a man whose body has been perforated by the modern small-caliber bullet. It is well established that the velocity and penetrating force of these bullets are so great that unless they chance to strike a bone they will pass entirely through a man's body without his knowing it. The physician's idea is to attach a small waad of antiseptic cotton to the rear of the bullet. This waad is held in place by the shell of the cartridge, and could not interfere with loading or firing. As the bullet passes through a person the waad will antisepticize the wound and prevent consequent suppuration. It may be possible to so adjust the adhesion of the waad to the bullet that as the missile passes out it will leave the waad to plug the hole and stop bleeding. Ultimately this system might do away with the necessity of a large medical corps, as each bullet would carry medical treatment for the unfortunate it wounded.—Philadelphia Record.

The Land of the Lazy. "In a late sojourn in Honduras," said Mr. L. B. Givens, "I came to the conclusion that it was a paradise for lazy men. Everything grows luxuriantly with but little labor on the part of the natives, and many crops do not need replanting more than once in eight or ten years. The country offers fine inducements to enterprising men, but it is hard on a white man used to civilized ways to go down there and dwell among an ignorant lot of natives who are 100 years behind the times. A man would have no congenial society, and might as well be in exile. The natives usually live in bamboo houses, though in the towns the dwellings are of adobe. Children go naked for the first two or three years of their life, and the attire of the adults is rather scant. The Government is liberal with concessions in order to encourage development of the country's resources, but there is no general rule governing the granting of privileges, all depends on how good a bargain may be driven. The climate is very salubrious, and laziness is about the only prevailing disease.—Washington Post.

EX-CONVICT CANNOT CURE. Doctors Who Commit Crime Prohibited From Practicing. The United States Supreme Court affirmed the constitutionality of the act of the New York Legislature of 1895 prohibiting persons who have been convicted of and punished for a crime from practicing medicine in the State.

The question arose in the case of Walker vs. the State of New York. Walker had served ten years in the State Penitentiary for an offense committed in 1878 and after his release set up as a physician, and at the time the law in question was enacted was practicing that profession. The Court held that it was within the police power of the State to enact such a law.

GOMEZ'S WIFE AN AMERICAN. She is a Daughter of Henry Martin, of Nall's Creek, East Tennessee. The wife of Maximó Gomez, commander-in-chief of the insurgent forces in Cuba, is an American woman. Her name before marriage to the great old soldier was Miss Mary Martin, and she was a daughter of Henry Martin, of Nall's Creek, East Tennessee.

She married a Georgia man, and after he died she went to Havana, and there met Gomez, whom she married shortly afterward. As the Martin family was an old and wealthy one, Mrs. Gomez has had all the advantages, social and educational, of a refined and cultured American woman.

CUBA'S FUTURE. It Will Be Under the Stars and Stripes Until Peace Is Restored. President McKinley has authorized assurances to be given that everybody's rights will be respected, and that, when the people of Cuba establish their government, it will be under the supervision of the military authorities of the United States, and all qualified electors, whether combatants or non-combatants, will be invited to participate in the formation of the constitution. The island of Cuba will be under the Stars and Stripes until peace is restored and some guarantee can be given that no outrages will occur.

A Great Year For Comets. The year 1898 is the time appointed for the return of a number of periodic comets, sand soldiers, but all of those three hundred thousand soldiers, excepting teamsters, were in their tents, or securing their muskets, or cooking rations. You would say, "Of course, defeat must come in that case." Is it worse than that in the church. Millions of the professed soldiers of Jesus Christ are cooking rations, or asleep in their tents, while only one man here and there goes out to battle for the Lord. I saw in some paper an account of a church in Boston in which, it is said, there were a great many plain people. The next week the trustees of that church came out in the paper, and said it was not so at all; they were elegant people and highly-conditioned people that went there. Then I laughed outright; and when I laugh, I laugh very loudly. "Those people," I said, "are afraid of the sickly sentimentality of the churches."

A TEMPERANCE COLUMN.

THE DRINK EVIL MADE MANIFEST IN MANY WAYS.

The Seven Stages of Rum—The Unanswerable Reason Why the Allowance of Grog to the Bluejackets in Our Navy Was Discontinued.

All the world's a tavern, and all the men and women merely drinkers; They have their cocktails and their whisky straight. And one man in his time drinks many quarts. His course being seven stages. At first a clear head, Sober and steadfast in all good resolves; And then the morning blitters, with cherry quarts. And a slice of mellow pine, creeping like a snail. Unwillingly to work. And then the tippler, Sneaking back again, with a woful story, And bringing the mighty population of our cities to the knowledge of God, then I cry, Revolution! It is coming fast. I feel it in the air. I hear the rumbling of an earthquake that shall shake down, in one terrific crash, the arrogance of our modern Christianity.

The talk is, whether Protestant churches or Roman Catholic churches are coming out ahead. I tell you, Protestants, this truth plainly: that until your churches are as free as are the Roman Catholic cathedrals they will beat you. In their cathedrals the millionaire and the beggar kneel side by side. And, until that time comes in our churches, we can not expect the favor of God or permanent spiritual prosperity.

Where and when will that Revolution begin? Here, and now. In your heart and mine. Sin must go down, our pride must go down; our worldliness must go down, our Christ must come up. Revolution! "Except a man be born again, he can not see the Kingdom of God." Why not now let the revolution begin? Not next Sabbath, but now! Not to-morrow, when you go out into commercial circles, but over. The Bible, so far from this, represents the religion of Christ as robust and brawny—ransacking and upsetting ten thousand things that now seem to be settled on firm foundations. If I hear some man in the house say, "I thought religion was peace." That is the final result. A man's arm is out of place. Two men come, and with great effort put it back to the socket. It goes back with great pain. Then it gets a little better, and the man is disturbed and out of joint. It must come under an omnipotent surgery, beneath which there will be pain and anguish before there can come perfect health and quiet. I proclaim, therefore, in the name of my Lord Jesus Christ, and in the name of the Holy Spirit, that the religion of the Bible will make a revolution in the family. Those things that are wrong in the family circle will be overturned by it, while justice and harmony will take the place of the wrong.

Temperance in the Navy. Now that the course of events has brought into prominence the ships of our navy and the sailors who man them, it will be interesting to know that the practice of serving out a ration of liquor daily to United States man-of-war's men was discontinued many years ago. It was found to be a bad scheme, for while many of the men used the rum in moderation, the ration of liquor only served to stimulate an appetite for more, among a great number of the bluejackets. When this fact was satisfactorily proven, the serving out of "grog" to United States man-of-war's men was discontinued. Sailors in all other of the world's great navies still receive their daily "grog," though temperance reform in Great Britain has been going on for many years working to put a stop to its distribution on the ships of her Britannic Majesty. It is claimed that much injury is done to the apprentices aboard the ships—creating the appetite for liquor among the crew, and this claim is not without foundation, for the lads get the same amount of rum from the boatswain as the oldest sailor. Another reason for discontinuing this practice is now being considered by the British admiralty office. It seems that British bluejackets have, many of them, got into the habit of accumulating their grog, instead of drinking it as it is served out. When they have aggregated a large quantity, they enter on a debauch for one or two days, and generally wind up in the "brig" in double irons for sobering-up purposes. It is considered probable that grog, as a part of the British naval rations, will soon be cut out for this reason. It is gratifying to know that the temptation has been removed from the men of our navy, and that the navy of another nation may soon be free of it also.

The Drunkard. Under the above caption a recent number of the New York Independent has an article from which we make the following extracts: "That the drunkard should destroy his own body and consume it in the fires of alcohol is bad enough, but the cruellest side of the picture is the suffering he causes other innocent people. Heartbroken fathers, and weeping mothers, and wives whose lives are one protracted tragedy, could alone adequately describe the needless misery."

Singular Statement. From Mrs. Rank to Mrs. Pinkham. The following letter to Mrs. Pinkham from Mrs. M. RANK, No. 2,354 East Susquehanna Ave., Philadelphia, Pa., is a remarkable statement of relief from utter discouragement. She says: "I never can find words with which to thank you for what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me."

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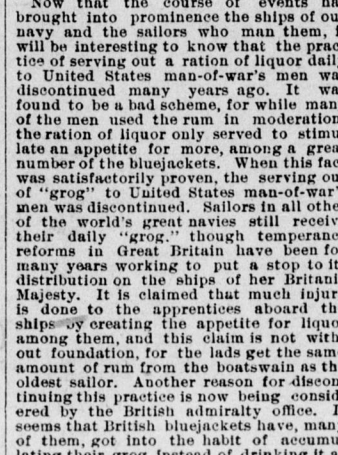
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At Allahabad eight cuttings of grass are taken during the season, which begins early in the monsoon, and lasts, say, from the middle of June to the middle of March. From manured land the total weight varies from fifteen to forty tons per acre, according to the quality of the soil and the number of years which have elapsed since the manure was applied. The jhabau, a native hook which resembles a scythe blade, is preferred to the grass mower drawn by bullocks, as the clean cut of the former is less injurious to the grass stubble than the clipping action of the latter, which reduces the number of cuttings from eight to two. On poor, unmanured land only one crop can be cut for hay in October.

The President's War Map. Not many of the President's visitors are admitted to the war room. Those who are thus favored see something novel in the way of war planning. A very large map has been prepared and mounted with a wooden back. It shows the Atlantic Ocean with the coasts of both sides and the islands between. The map covers that part of the ocean from the banks of Newfoundland to the mouth of the Amazon. When the measurements are given some idea can be formed of the scale. The length of the map is perhaps eighteen feet and the width is ten feet. Little paper ships have been cut with the names plainly printed. These ships, representing the two navies, are fastened in their places on the map with pins, and are moved from day to day to correspond with the movements of the ships. The President, the Secretaries of War and the Navy, Lieutenant-General Schofield and members of the War Council and Strategy Board have before them the exact positions of the navies up to the latest information as they discuss the plans from day to day. The whole game of war, so far as the Atlantic is concerned, with the locations of the pawns, is before them.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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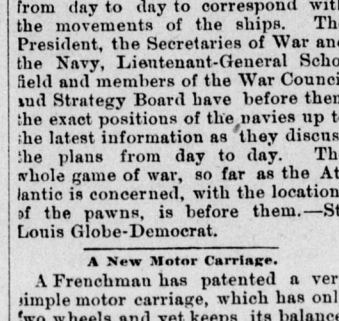
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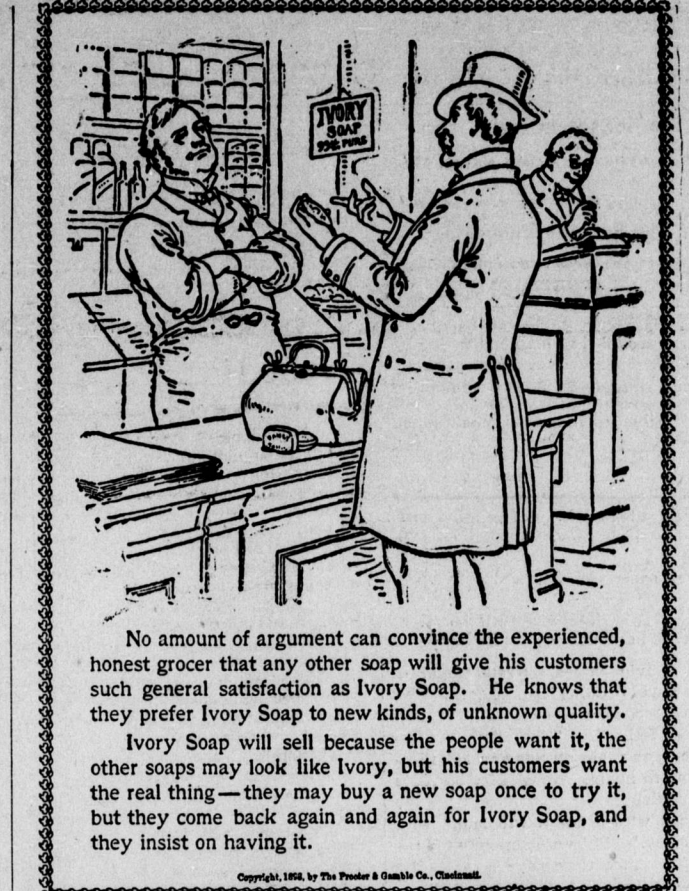


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