ANGELS.

ED MESSENGERS OF GOD.

guent Sermon on Angelology Dr. Talmage.

And the angel did wondrousty," on a rock. Magosh and his on a rock. Manoah and his re kindled the flames for sacriof flod and in honor of a guest supposed to be a man. But as rose higher and higher their stepped into the flame and by accorded into the skies. Then not be was an Angel of the Lord, and wondrously." d wondrously.

al and forty-eight times does refer to the angels, yet I never ad a sermon on Angelology. The jet is relegated to the reann weird, spectral and unknown. egroment is unscriptural and of their life, their character, their gs full length portraits, and why and absolute silence concern-Angelology is my theme.

each other: the nation of good e nation of bad angels. Of the dy speak to-day. Their capital, riers, their grand rendezvous, their empire is the universe. listing race of creatures. ever join their confrater-I want to be an angel," will er wish gratified. They are su-not they are of different grades tall on the same level, or the They have their superiors and I propose no guessing take the Bible for my Plato, the philosopher, vided angels into super-celes-ed sub-celestial. Dionysius, the sed, and divided the ed, and divided them into supreme, the middle and of these into three other

the angels were related to the sun. Fulgentius said suposed of body and spirit. they were incorporeal. Au-they had been in danger of are beyond being tempted, therity on this subject that they are divided into Cheru-Thrones, Dominations, Prin-ers, Their commander-in-Daniel called him Michael, m Michael. These supernal

re thoroughly organized than at ever marched. They are my cyclone that ever swept the we radiant than any morname down the sky. They have h your destiny and mine than universe except God. May New Covenant, who is the our eyes, and touch our soul, while we speak of their intelligence, their trength, their achievements, They had a cradle, but The Lord remem er were born, but no one shall eye extinguished, or their moor their existence termit of them has not a wrinkle, or a hindrages, as young ill years as at the close of Christ said of the good in can they die any more, for no the angels." Yes, deathiderful creatures of whom I will see world after world go shall be no fading of their own ea, after the last world has light they will be ready for the ough immensity, taking a in one sweep as easy as a a dovecot. They are never to never exhausted. They need hay are never tire I. At Gol's smots with death, in one ed and eighty-five thousand a bast, but no fatality can Awale, agile, multipotent,

aracteristic of these radiant she spoke to King David of an angel. We take in what bach eve and ear and nobut those beings have no ment and hence they are all il five feet thick is not solid to tar or crystal of sand. Knowlon them. They take it in at absorb it. They gather it hindermont. No need of hiem! The letters of their The dushes of their books The words of their books are The paragraphs of their books pictures of their books are ts, and midnight auroras, or on the white horse with His feet, and seas of glass. Their library is an open ed of telescope to see someinspect and explore it. All

sil geologies, all botanies, all t their fest. What an oppor-singence is theirs' What facilising everything and knowing it one thing that puts them to and the Bible says they have They have been studying it ages, and yet I warrant they risped it - the wonders of Restupendous, so magnificent, ence of angelhood is con-The apostle says: "Which desire to look into." That at excites inquisitiveness on is a theme that strains their utmost. That is higher than and deeper than they can on desire for something too prehension. "Which things to look into." But that does intelligence. No one but fully understand the wonintelligence.

tion. If all heaven should elemities they would get no A & C of that inexhaustible haveransacked and explored No one but God can tell they do not know. They have word of the last line of the inst volume of investigation. ats me most is that all their be at our disposal, and, comthan we can learn by one carriery surmising.

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under the figure of wings,

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superhumans are without Apressions are of course figur-it swiftness. The Bible tells th -wittness, was praying, and Gabriel flew and towned him before he got buses. How far, then, did haviel have to fly in those Daniel's prayer? Heaven to be the center of the uniun and its planets only the wheel of worlds. In a mo-agel Gabriel flew from that center shery. Je us told Peter He could e sixty thousand angels present or them. What foot of antelope satross could equal that velo gravitation, which grips all as no influence upon angelic Immensities before them open a fac. That they are here is no hey should not be a quintillion a the next minute. Our bodies at our minds can circle the earth Angelic beings are bodiless and imitation, God may with point down to some world on the outmost limits of and instantly an angelic here to help it. Or some co-estial saling at the furthermost outpost

of immensity, and God may say 'Come?' and instantly it is in His bosom. Abraham, Elijah, Hagar, Joshua, titleon, Manoah, Paul, St. John, could tell of their unkindered locomotion. The red feet of summer ligating are slow compared with their hegirss. This doubles in a set to the compared with their hegirs. ning are slow compared with their hegiras. This doubles up and compresses infinitudes into infinitudes into infinitudes and compresses in the astrononical heavens into a space like the balls of a child's rattle. This mingles into one the Here and the There, the Now and the Then, the Beyond and the Yonder.

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 they are, but all the Bible accounts suggest their immense numbers. Companies

suggest their immense numbers. Companies of them, regiments of them, armies of them. mountain tops haice i by thom, skies populous with them. John speaks of angels and other beings round the throne as ten thou sand times ten thousand. Now, according to my calculation, ten thousand time; ten thousand are one hundred million. But these are only the angels in one place. David counted twen-ty thousand 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 ten thousand an-gels. I think they are in every battle, in every exigency, at every birth, at every pil-low, at every hour, at every moment. The low, at every hour, at every moment. The earth full of them. The heavens full of them. They outnumber the human race in this They outnumber ransomed spirits in When Abraham had his knife up giory. When Adrama an angel who ar-lifted to slay Isaac, it was an angel who ar-rested the stroke, crying: "Abraham Abra-ham." It was a stairway of angels that Jacob saw while pillowed in the wilderness. We are told an angel led the hosts of Israel ites out of Egyptian serfdom. 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 Sofom. It was an angel that shut up the mouth of the bungry mensters when Daniel was thrown the hungry mensters when Daniel was thrown into the caverns. It was an angel that fed Elijah under the juniper tree. It was an angel that announced to Mary the approaching nativity. They were angels that chanted when Christ was born. It was an angel that strengthened our Saviour in His ageny. 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 when the prison is the property of the property of the property of the product 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 that poured out the vials, and an angel standing in the sun. It will be an angel with uplifted hand, awearing that time shall be no longer. In the great final harvest of the world, the reapers are the angels. Yea, the Lord shall be revealed from heaven with mighty angels. Oh, the numbers and the might and the standard the standard the might and the standard 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.

This leads me to speak of the offices of these supernals. To defend, to cheer, to rescue, to except, to give victory to the right, and overthrow the wrong; that is their business. Just as alert to-day and efficient as when in Bible times they spead wine or when in Bible times they spread wing, or unsheathed sword, or recked down peniten-tiaries, or filled the mountains with horses of fire hitened to chariots of fire and driven by reinsmen of fire. They have turned your steps a hundred times, and you knew it not. You were on the way to do some wrong thing, and they changed your course. They brought some thought of Christian parentage, or of loyalty to your own home, and that arrested you. They arranged that some one should meet you at that cross, and process cometring homorable, and elevating or pose something honorable and elevating they took from your pocket some ticket to evil annusment, a ticket that you never found. It was an angel of God, and perhaps the very one that guided you to this service. and that now waits to report some holy impression to be this morning made upon your soul, farrying with one foot upon the doorstsp of your immortal spirit, and the other foot lifted for ascent into the skies. By some prayer detain him until he can tell of a repentant and ransomed soul! Or you were some time borns down with trouble, bereavement, persecution, bank-ruptcy, sickness and all manner of troubles beating their discords in your heart and life. You gave up; you said: "I cannot stand it any longer. I believe I will take my life Where is the rail train, or the deep wave, or the precipies that will end task toraien, of eartaly existence?" But suddenly your mind brightened. Courage came surging integrate your heart like occanie tides. You said "God is on my side, and all these adversa: He can make turn out formy good." So denly you felt a peace, a deep poace, the peace of God that passeth all understanding. mighty, and comforting angel of the Lord met you. That was all.

What an incentive to purity and righteonsness is this doctrine that we are continually under angelic observation. Eyes ever on you, so that the most secret misdeed is com-mitted in the most of an audience of im-mortals. No doors 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 appland 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, stitch at your fidnity! Mother of household, stitch-ing, mending, cooking, dusting, planning, up haif the night or all night with the see 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 toil ing, angels about the sick cradle and all in

Railroad engineer, with hundreds of lives hanging on your wrist, standing amid the cinders and the smutch, round the sharp curve and by appalling declivity, discharges and disgraced if you make a mistake, but no 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 overlanging crar, angels bracing the racing wheels off the precipies, angels when you mount the Hunderbolt of a train and angels when you dismount! Can you not hear them, fourier than the jammin, the car coupling, louder than the bell at crossing, louder than the whistle that sounds like the scream of a flying flend, the an-gelic voices saying. "You did it well." You did it well." If I often speak of engineers it is because I ride so much with them. I always accept their invitation to join them on their locomotive, because i not only get to my destination sconer, but because they are about the grandest men

Men and women of all circumstances, only partly appreciated, or not appreciated at all never feel lonely again, or unregarded again Angels all around: angels to anyeave, angels to help, angels to remember. Yea, waile all the good angels are friends of the good, there is one special agent your body guard. 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. 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 his angel." So these disciples, in special nearness to Christ, evidently 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 these to keep thee in all thy ways." Angol thee, to keep thee in all thy ways." Angol snielded, angel protected, angel guarded, angel canopied, art thou. No wonder that Charles Wesley hymned these words:

Which of the petty Kings of earth Can beast a guard like ours, Encarcied from our second birth

Encircled from our second on With all the heavenly powers? Valerius and Rufinus were put to death for Christ's sale in the year 287, and, after the day when their bodies had been whipped and counded into a ielly in the night is pris on

and before the next day when they were be executed, they both bought they sat ancels standing with two glittering crowns saying: "Be of good cheer, valiant soldiers 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

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 treed, and amid blazing 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 your languishing pillow, or the place of your fatal accident, and says: "Hail, immortal one! All is well; God hath sent me to take you home;" and without treunor or slightest sense of peril you will away and upward, further on and further on, until after awhile heaven heaves in sight, and the rumole of chaciot wheels, and the roll of mignty harmonics are heard in the distance, and never you come and proper coronet of eternal reward. mighty harmonies are heard in the dis-tance, 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, for-ever free, foraver well, forever rested, for-ever united, forever happy. Mothers, don't think your little children go alone when they quit this world. Out of your arms into an-gelic arms. Out of sickness into health. Out gelie arms. Out of siexness into head of the cradle into a Saviour's boson. Not an instant will the darlings be alone between the that his of earth and the first two kisses, the last hiss 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. Fut yourself now in accord with him. When he suggest the right, follow it. When he warns you against the wrong, shim it. Sent forth from God to help you in this great batforth from tool to help you in this great bat-tle against sin and death, herept his deliver-ance. When tempted to a feeling of loneli-ness and disheartenment appreciate the promise: "The angel of the Lord encampeth around about them that fear Him and deliv-creth them." Oh, I am so giad that the spaces between here and heaven are thronged with these supernaturals taking tidings home, bringing message here ralling back obtains bringing messages here, rolling back obstacle from our path and giving us defense, for ter rific 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 side. Paul had it right when hesaid: "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 re-enforcement. We want all their wings on our side, all their swords on our side, all their charicits on our side, all

their chariots on our side.

Thank God that these who are for us are mightier than those who are against us! And mighter than those who are against us! And that thought makes me jubilant as to the final triumph. Beigium, you know, was the battle ground of England and France. Yea, Beigium more than once was the battle ground of opposing nations. It so happens that this world is the Belgium or battle ground between the angelic nations, good and had whether the angelic nations, good and ground between the angelic nations, good and bad. Michael, the commander-in-chief on one side; Lucifer, as Byron calls him, or Mephistopheles, as Goethe calls him, or Satan, as the fibble calls him, the commander-in-chief on the other side. All pure angel-head under the one leadership, and all abandones angelnood under the other leadership. Many a skirmish have the two armies had, but the great and decisive leating is set to be

but the great and decisive battle is yet to be fought. Either from our earthly homes or fought. Either from our earthly homes or down from our supernal residences, may we come in on 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 opensal! Chernbin, Seraphim, Tarones, Dominations, Princi-palities and Powers are beginning to ride down their foes, and until the work is com-pleted, "Sun, stand thou still upon Gideon. pleted, "Sun, stand thou still upon Gideon, and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon."

# Novel Facts About Railroads,

The fastest long-distance run ever made was on August 13, 1888, on the Him on and Northwestern, from London to Edinburgh, 400 miles. Three stops were made, and the average speed at-tained while in motion was 55 4-10 miles per hour. Four successive miles were done in 471, 471, 47, and 47 seconds, or a speed of 765 miles an hour. This performance closed a series of "races" tween the Great Northern and the London and Northwestern, each company tighting for the supremacy of fast time between the points named.

The Michigan Central Road claims the fastest time made by any train in the United States-107 miles in 93 minutes running time, an average of 69 8-10 miles per hour. The Baltimore and Ohio regular trains between Baltimore and Washington attain a speed of 534 miles

In the following countries no trains attain a speed exceeding 29 miles an hour, including stops: Brazil, Peru. Algeria, Asia Minor, Bulgaria, Grecce, Montenegro, Norway, Portugal, Servia, Spain and Tunis.

The Great Western is the largest Euglish line in extent of miles 2460 miles The longest line operated by one sunle system in the world is that of the Pennsylvania ... 75814 miles. The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe comes next with 7531 miles.

The shortest steam railway is the Island R. B. at Buffalo, N. Y. One-

eighth mile long. The most difficult section of railway in the world to operate is on the Southeastern Railway between London Bridge and Cannon street and Charing Cross. Here there is a constant crossing and recrossing of tracks, causing at times much delay, Nevertheless 850 loaded trains go in and out of Cannon street and Charing Cross stations daily.

Manchester, England, claims a greater number of trains daily in and out of her stations than any other city in the world.

St. Paneras, of the Midland Railway in London, is the largest passenger station in the world. The Central station at Amsterdam is said to be the finest in Europe, if not in the world, and it enjoys at the same time an unequaled site. The ratiroads of the United States

transported in 1888 451,353,655 passsen gers, each of whom traveled on an average 244 miles; the average fare paid was 21 cents per mile. These railways also carried in 1888 590,000,000 tons of freight. To carry these passengers and this vast amount of freight required 29, 400 locomotives, 21,430 passenger cars. and 1,012,000 other cars.

The nine principal countries in the order of their prominence in mileage extent are United States, Germany, France, Great Britain, Russia, Austria, British India, Canada and Italy,

Already in the United States there are 640 miles of electric railways (with 520 more in course of construction) and 1240 cars being operated. - Chatter.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON FOR SUNDAY MARCH 30

Review of the Lesson of the Quarter-Golden Text, Acts iv. 12.

REVIEW EXERCISE.

Superintendent.-What did an angel prom ise Zacharias?

School.—A son who should be the forerun-ner of the Saviour.
Supt.—How did Zacharias begin his song at the birth of John the Baptist?
School—Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for He hath visited and redeemed His people Supt.—What did he predict concerning his infant son?
School—Theo about the supplementation.

School.—Thou shalt be called the prophet School.—Thou shalt be called the prophet of the Highest; for thou shalt go before the face of the Lori to prepare his ways. Supt.—What good tidings of great joy did an angel bring to the shepherds of Bethle

School.-Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the

Supt.-What was the song of the angels at Supt.—What was the song of the larth of the Saviour? School.—Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good-will toward men. Supt.—What did Simeon say when he took

Supt.—What did Simeon the child Jesus in his arms? School.—Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word; for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation.

Supt.—Where did Jesus live during His childhood

School, -With His parents at Nazareth, a town of Galilee.
Supt.—Where did His parents go every chool.-His parents went to Jerusalem

every year at the feast of the passover. Supt.—When did they take Jesus with School, - When He was twelve years old. -What took place when they re-

School.—Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem, Supt.—Where did His parents find Him? School.—After three days they found Hun in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them

questions.
Supt.—Where did Jesus then go with His School-He went down with them to Naza-

reth, and was subject unto them.

Supt.—How did John the Emptist foretell
the Messiah? School—One mightier than I cometh; He shall bestize you with the Holy Ghost and

Supt.-What took place at the baptism of

School—The heaven was opened, and the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove, upon Him. -What was the Father's testimony

at His haptism:
School.—Thou art My beloved Son; in
Thee I am well pleased.
Supt.—Where did Jesus go after His baptism? School,—Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, being forty days tempted of

Supt -Townst place did Jesus come School.—He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. Supt.—How were the people affected by His preaching? School.—They wondered at His words and

said: Is not this Joseph's son? Supt.—Where did Jesus go when rejected at Nazareth

-He came down to Capernaun, a What did Jesus do on the Sabbathday in Capernaums

School.—He taught in the synagogue, cast out demons, and cured many that were sick. Supt.—Whom did Jesus find at the Lake School.-Simon and Andrew his brother,

and James and John, whom He had before called to be His disciples. Supt.—What did Jeons say to Simon after the draught of fishes? School.—Fear not; from henceforth thou shalt catch in

Supt.—What did these disciples then do? School.—They forsoon all, and follows:

pt.-What did Jesus say to one sick of

the palsy?
School.—Man, thy sins are forgiven thee.
Supt.—How did He prove His power on earth to forgive sins?
School.—He said unto the sick of the palsy,

School.—He said unto the sick of the palsy, I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy couch and go unto thine house. And imme-diately he rose up before them, and task up that whereon he lay and departed to his own house, glorifying God .-- Westminster Ques

# KEYSTONE STATE CULLINGS.

The State board of pardons has commuted the death sentence of William H. Smith, the Pittsburgh murderer, to imprisonment for life. This was expected, especially in view of the letter of Judge White recommending such action, and the petition for lemency by the jury that found him guilty.

The Co oner's jury has fixed the responsibility for the Bay View disaster on the officers and agents of the Lake Shore company,

The Board of County Commissioners of Fagette has fixed the rate of compensation of the County Treasurer at I per cent of the county funds paid out. For several terms the rate has been 11 per cent.

On Saturday two deck hands on the steam er Bostona engaged in a quarrel when the steamer was just above Mason City. Both men drew revolvers, and one of the men, named Marshall, was instantly killed.

Councilman M. K. Frankenberry, of i niontown, who was convicted of furnishing supplies to the borough while a member of Councils, has been sentenced to pay a nominal fine and costs of prosecution, and his seat in Councils was declared to be vacant.

Prof. John Collins, for three years superintendent of the Millin township schools, has accepted the presidency of the schools at Beaver, Pa.

Policeman Wallis, guarding the Berwinde White Coal Company's store, near Reynoldsville, was fatally shot by burglar: last Sunday night.

Rev. Joseph M. Duffy, pastor of the Mansfield First Presbyterian church, has been made a doctor of divinity by the Western Theological Seminary.

Crafton, is experiencing an epidemic of chicken-pox. There are 2003 inhabitants with only two doctors.

Relic nunters along the river at Johns town found \$26 in gold and silver that had been unearthed by the high water.

The dwelling and furniture of V. Bauer at Bellefonte was destroyed by fire Sunday night. The less will amount to about \$3000. A lot of Philadelphia snobs mistook Alexander Kleczieviski, the valet of Count Pappenheim, who is coming over to marry Philadelphia girl, for the Count himself, and

An endemic which appears to be simila, to or identical with influenza has appeared in Fernancy, India, and is spreading rapidly.

geously.

# RELIGIOUS READING.

A MEDITATION OF SAINT AUGUSTINE. Woe to that soul which having let Christ go. Some better thing than he is hopes to find!

For in uncertain wanderings to and fro (As one whose eyes are blinded walks be-

A groping leader that himself is blind). Its hunger, still unsatisfied, shall grow, Its cry shall ring unanswered on the

And only endless sorrow shall it know. Be not, O soul of mine! this lost, sail thing: But as a bird flees to the mountains, flee

Rejoicing to the cross on Calvary, find thy refuge with thy Lord and And Only the Crucified can make thee whole

Fix there, fix there thy resting-place.

My soul!

Sunday School Times.

WHAT MAKES THE DIFFERENCE? "You ferget yourself today, did you not? You preached forty-live minutes," said a member to his pector, after the sermon. "Maybe I did; but oh, the human souls before me—their value and their danger. It may be, in my zeal for their salvation, I talked a few minutes over my time, thought so," said the member,

"Such a speech! I never heard the like of it before. I stood for two hours, the crowd being suggest I could not find a seat, and I believe I could have stood another hour without getting tired." So said the same member to his pastor a few slays after the complaint at the leave a the complaint at the length of his sermon. The speech referred to was made by a Mr. A., a politician, before the political club of

The pastor thought On one hand the The pastor thought On one hand the question of salvation, the cause of humanity, of the church, of God, the great vertices of life, death and judgment, and fired at 45 minutes with a comfortable seat! On the other hand, the success of a political party, and two hours, no seat, and not tired.—Mithesial Monitor.

#### FAMILY ALTABA

The family alor is the oldest religious trine. The patriarchs had no other temple shrine. The patriarchs had no other temple than their home, and the father of the fam-ily was the unmitered but Divinely ap-pointed priest of the household church, and pointed priest of the household church, and his altar was a family aftar. A family with-out a family aftar can not be a Christian family, and yet there are thousands households whose members belong the church where the family al is not created. The time was when in church, such a family was not known, and if known not tolerated. But how is it new? We fear there are, hundreds of Evangelical families who neglect this means of grace. If this matter is not looked after, religion itself will gradually die out among us. We do not behere it possible to maintain the spirituality of the church, without blassing alter-files in the homes of the people. Religion lives in the family, if it lives at all. The church lives in the homes and in the every day lives of the people. A live church in the families will not be a dead church in the pews of the sanctuary. Let our motto be a family altar in every Evangelical household, and family prayers every day. Frangelical Messenger. families who neglect this means of grac-

Bear up, brave heart 1 Let peace get hold of thy heart strings. Your boy is not yet saved, but give him over to God as guardian for you; then keep on praying. It took twenty-four years of prayer to get me to the Cross, but I got there. Mother prayed me, the prodigal, in. I met a young man in Atlanta whose mother had been praying for him for thirty years, since the day of his fine for thirty years—since the d y of his birth. She was put in her could without seeing her son saved; but one day, from the other side, she looked down on a some that broke my heart for joy. He took my hand, held tight while he prayed for forgiveness and salvation, then said: "Mr. Yatman, I'll and salvation, then said. "3 meet my mother in heaven.

Don't get discouraged, mother. He whom ve, may get away from you, but he ca not get away from your prayers or your

Just the other day another boy, for whom him why be did it then. Said he: stand it to light against mother's prayers. Don't get your eye on evangelists, pas-tors meetings or anything else to reach hom. Look straight to Jesus. He is the 'mighty to save. Ace York Observer

# RELEGION ON STREET,

This is a poor kind of religion; none of it for me, if you please, and if I had my way, there would be none of it for you. The idea of putting the promises and the power, and the preciousness of Christ, and the comforts of the Comforter, up-so high above the walks offevery slay life, that there is no sweetness nor utility in them for this world.

No. no. Christ walks with the humble over dusty roads. He will as soon help a washer-woman at the tub as a preacher in the study. The Holy Ghost will lead ploughmen as well as philosophers. A Monday religion is much better than a Sinday profession. The coal digger and the capitalist stand on par when it comes to the capitalist stand on par when it comes to the benefits of the Greepel. There is oftinges more piety in the kitchen than in the par-lor. For power in prayer, do not look al-ways to the middle seat in the center aisie. Lat the preacher take a glance in the amen corner, or gallery, or back by the door, and he will find religion on its kness. he will find religion on its knees.

Some people have lots of religion and no Some people have lots of religion and no Christ, and these folks always own stilts. I am getting in that mood when I want less and less to do with a mere formal religion any way. Give me Christ. That is better than all else, for He is precious and walks on the same level with poor tempted me.—Her. C. H. Yutman, in New York Observer.

TEMPERANCE NEWS AND NOTES. In the new State of Washington the license fee ranges from \$550 to \$1000 a year. Every year Germany spends 430,000,000 marks for its army and 406,000,000 marks for

its alcoholic drinks. There were 684 arrests for illegal liquor selling in Boston last year, 804 seizures and 8500 gallons of alcoholic stuff were forfeited. Neal Dow's testimony is to the effect that in the old rum days Maine was the poorest State in the Union; now it is one of the rich-

A young Harvard graduate is getting up a series of five and ten cent concerts at Beston to keep the poor out of the saloons. The admission tickets entitle the holder to a bun and a cup of coffee.

A temperance society has been formed at Berlin under the patronage of members of the Imperial family and the city aristocracy. Members are described as "Knights of the Blue Cross." The President is Colonel Von Knobelsdorf.

There are less than 1000 licensed saloons in There are less than 1000 hoensed saloons in Philadelphia, and, according to the Times, there are 4000 others that work the police, and pay no license. These latter go by the instructive name of "speak-easies"—that is, you must not make too much noise while you drink.

A prize of fifty dollars for the best essay on the relation of the temperance question to political economy, has been offered for the competition of college undergraduates by the National W. C. T. U. department of organzation and instruction in the higher institutions of learning.

Henry Kepp leaned against the bar in a St. dined and wined and adored him most gor-Louis saloon and confidently wagered that be could drink a balf beer glass of gin and then put seven ponies of whisky on top of it. He successfully carried out his part of the pro-gramme to the amusement of many cronics. and was then carried home, where he died

#### TEMPERANCE.

MARCHING ON. Our land is full of weeping, while this curse

goes marching on.
Temperance men, the watch are keeping,
while the curse goes marching on—
While the demon we pursue, with the victory close in view, There is work for all to do, while this curse

goes marching on, goes marching on, goes marching on, goes marching on, goes marching on.
Oh, the good we should be doing while this curse goes marching on.

Poor drunkards, they are dying while this curse goes marching on.

Their wives and children crying while this curse goes mareling on Kind words may some one win from these wretched paths of sin; We may bring the wanderers in while this curse goes marching on.

Goes marching on, goes marching on, goes
marching on, goes marching on,
Oh, the good we should be doing while this

curse goes marching on. Let us strengthen one another while this curse goes marching on.
Seek to raise a faller brother, while this curse goes marching on.
This is work for every hand, till throughout our happy land.
Temperance armies strong shall stand, while

this curse goes marching on.

Goes marching on, goes marching on, goes marching on, goes marching on; Oh, the good we should be doing while this curse goes marching on.

Our friends strong drink pursuing, while this curse goes marching on.

Are daily led to ruin, while this curse goes

marching on. Now let one and all turn out and put this demon rum to rout.

And then we'll alt join in and shout, while the year goes rolling on. Goes rolling on, goes rolling on, goes rolling on, goes rolling on.
Oh, the goest we shall be doing while the

#### years go rolling on. G. W. Cook, in "Buttle Axe for Temperance." A UNIQUE BROTHERHOOD,

Among the many cluberganizations in this city is one called "The Liberal Brotherhood," city is one called "The Liberal Brotherhood," an organization of barkeepers, "for elevating the character of the men engaged in the basiness," and to improve their condition "morally, socially an imaterially." The fifth annual ball of this Barkeepers, "Brotherhood" was given at the Metropolitan Opera, House on the 17th ult. They admit to membership "any white man who has practical hership "any white man, who is a practical barship 'any white man, who is a practical bars-keeper over the age of twenty-one years, re-gardless of nationality, politics, or religion it." They have club-rooms, and in the way of "secial recreation" for the members, 'the fourth Sunday evening of each month, from September till May, is set apart as ladies' night, when the club-rooms are thrown open to the wives and lady friends of member. members. A collation is served, and mem-bers of the leading theatrical troupes give bers of the leading theatrical froupes give their services in the way of recitations, music and song. They care for their membership in case of sickness or distress—"provided such sickness or distress was not caused by immoral conduct or intemperance." This Barkeepers—"Britherhood" is unique among the club associations of the metropolis. But their lusiness is against their moral and social elevation while they continue in it.—
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#### National Advocate. ABOUT ADVICEBATED LIQUORS.

Is it true, asked ! Howard Crosby in the Areas, that it is the ministerated liquor that ruins the demkers? Is not the pure whisky the flend that ruins body and soul? Can adulteration and anything to make it worse? Would the care of adulteration care drunkeness? We have the lestimany of one of the most distinguished chemists in New York, that he collected promisemondly from a hundred groupows in that city, vinis of the whisky they add over the bar, and in each case the whisky was pure or diluted with water! The bard drinks are not adulterated. It is the expensive wines that are adulter. Is it true, asked ! Howard Crosby in the water! The mark divines that are adulter-it is the expensive wines that are adulter-ated, of which the saleons have no sale. He nesured, Mr. George and Mr. Townsend, that the stoppage of a dulteration in liquous would have no more influence in preventing the deadly evils of intemperance than the clean-ing and polishing a bayonet would provent

# An Unexpected Transformation.



1-"Snyder, stop your fooling, or you throw me down.





3-"G-r-reat Scott! vot is it!"-Munsey's Weekly.