HIMAGE'S SUNDAY SERMON.

A GOSPEL MESSAGE.

t: Practical Lessons From the L' of Joseph.

the pit and sold Joseph to the Islumel-twenty pieces of silver."—Genesis 28. "He is governor over all the Egypt."—Genesis xiv., 26.

annot keep a good man down. God reed for him a certain point of eleva-He will bring him to that though it is a thousand worlds. You sometimes n fearful they will not be properly ated. Every man comes to be valued what he is worth. You cannot write and you cannot write him down, acts are powerfully illustrated in my nets are powerfully illustrated in my
It would be an insult to suppose
it were not all familiar with the life of
how his jealous brothers threw him
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ints trudging along on their camels,
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there seld to Petiphar, a man of inwho carried him down hot Egypt, there sold to Potiphar, a man of in-and office; how by Joseph's integ-raised himself to high position in the ntil, under the false charge of a vie he was hurled into the penitentiary; prison he commanded respect and prison be commanded respect and pre, how by the interpretation of h's dream he was freed and became of man in the realm, the Bismarck of lary; how in the time of famine Josthe control of a magnificent store-which he had filled during seven plenty; how when his brothers, who plenty; how when his arctines, who see him into the pit and sold him ivity, applied for corn he sent them fathe bears of burden borne down e heft of the corn sacks; how the st their brother, which had so long en, came out at last and was reonly revenge he took

in the first place, that the world illed to honor Christian character, r was only a man of the world, yet rose in his estimation until all rose in his estimation until all hirs of that great house were com-to his charge. From his servant no or confidence was withheld. When was in prison, he soon won the heart keeper, and though placed there for secondrel, he soon convinced the hat he was an innocent and trust-man, and released from close conman, and received from close con-nt he became general superintendent son affairs. Wherever Joseph was whether a servant in the house of ar, or a prisoner in the penitentiary, e the first man everywhere, and is ration of the truth I lay down, that r. There are those who affect to a religious life. They speak of it a religious life. They speak dem of philebotomy by which the man of all his courage and nobility. They has bemeaned himself. They pretend a no more confidence in him since his n than before his conversion. is hypocrisy. There is a great deal ocrisy in the church, and there is a leal of hypocrisy outside the church. essible for any man not to admire fide in a man who shows that he has me a child of God and is what he ses to be. You cannot despise a son Lord God Almighty. Of course we admiration for the shame of religion. at a place a low hours after the rufad gone into the rail

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In the property of the second of the second of all our life. Ye was are to be happy together forever, I ave now, Ne brave, I will not say 'Geo ut' to you, for we shall soon be in the ki m of our Father together.' Persecuti hows the hetoes and heroines. I go in other department, and I find that it great demoninations of Christians whit awo been most-abused have spread the mandly. No good man was ever m violently maltreated than John Weslevelied and caricatured and slandered unthe day he stood in a pulpit in London, d a man arose in the audience and sat/You were drunk last night," and John aley said: "Thank God, the whole catalo is now complete. I have been charged heverything but that!" His followers hooted at and maligned and called very detestable name that infernal in ty could invent, but the hotter the pation the more rapidly they spread un ou know what a great host they have sme and what a tremendous force for and the truth they are wighting the way were. invent, but the hotter the pe tion the more rapidly they spread up on know what a great host they have me and what a tremendous force for and the truth they are wielding the wo sver. It was persecution that gave bland to Presbyterianism. It was perse on that gave our land first to civil libert in dafter-ward to religious freedom. Yea, night go farther back and say it was perse ion that gave the world the great salva of the gospel. The ribald mockery, the agering and thirsting, the unjust e.g. the ignominious death, when all tforce of hell's fury was hurled against these, was the introduction of that religiowhich is yet to be the earth's deliveranced our eternal salvation. The State somens said to the church, "Come, take my hat and I will help you." What was the ree. The gave our land first to civil libert id afterward to religious freedom. Yea, aight go farther back and say it was pers fon that gave the world the great salva of the gospel. The ribald mockery, the ngering and thirsting, the unjust e.ge, the ignominious death, when all there of heil's fury was hurled against the say was the introduction of that religiowhich is yet to be the earth's deliveranced our eternal salvation. The State sommes said to the church, "Come, take my hai and I will help you." What was the res. The church went back, and it lost if e.g. of the church you." What has been result? After the storms have spent the crust he church, so far from having is the property of the church, so far from having is the littley. force, has increased and is wor. Initely more after the assault than b. 80. Read all history and you will find that . The church is far more indebted to the cosition

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hear the rumbling of the g. The scaffolds of martyr-lom h Learn also from our subject come to exposure. Long, long a brothers sold Joseph into Egyps made the old father believe the child was dead. They had so crime, and it was a profound so erime, and it was a profound se by the brothers. But suddenly out. The old father hears that Egypt, having been sold there be of his own brothers. How their bave burned and their hearts flaming out of this long supper. The smallest iniquity has tongues, and they will blab a Saul was sent to destroy the their sheep and their oxen, but down there among the pastures. down there among the pastures fine sheep and oven too fat to thought he would steal then would know it. He drove sheep and oven toward home, sheep that oxen toward nome, to report to the prophet how outed his mission, when in the a sheep began to bleat and the oxe The secret was out, and Sanuel blushing and confused Saul: "V eth the bleating of the sheep that the bellowing of the cattle?" Ah you cannot keep an iniquity ati the wrong time the sheep will be exen will bellow. Achan cann

system. Great and marvelous are Thy works. Lord God Almighty! I was years ago in New Orleans at the exposition rooms, when a telegram was sent to the President of the United States, at Washington, and we waited some fifteen or twenty minutes, and then the President's answer came back, and the presiding officer waved his handkerchief, and the signal was sent to Washington that we were ready to have the machinery of the exposition started, and the President put his position started, and the President put his finger on the electric button, and instantly the finger on the electric button, and instantly the great Corliss wheel began to move, rumbling, rumbling, rolling. It was overwhelming, and 15,000 people clapped and shouted. Just one finger at Washington started that vast machinery, hundreds and hundreds of miles away, and I thought then, as I think now, that men sometimes touch influences that respond in the far distance, forty years from now, fifty years from now, 1000 years from now, 1,000,000 years from now, 1,000,000 years from now—one touch sounding through the ages.

only a few hundred dollars while you reap your thousands. Those are the seven years of plenty. Now Joseph has time to prepare for the threatened famine, for to almost every man there do come seven years of famine. You will be sick, you will be unfortunate, you will be defrauded, there will be hard you will be defrauded, there will be hard times, you will be uisappointed, and if you have no storehouse upon which to fall back you may be famine struck. We have no admiration for this denying oneself all personal comfort and luxury for the mere pleasure of hoarding up, this grasping, grasping for the mere pleasure of seeins, how large a pile you can get, this always being noor because as soon as a dollar comes in it is sent out to see if it can find another dollar, so that it can carry it home on its back, We have a contempt for all those things, but there is an intelligent and nobleminded fore-in will those cast which we love to see in mer who have families and kindred depending upon them sy had for the blessings of education and home, worite God sends us to the insects for a lesson, which, while they do not stint themselves in the present, do not forget their duty to forecast the future. "Go to the ant, thou slug-gard. Consider her ways, and be wise, which, having no guide, overseer or ruler, provideth her meat in the summer and gath-erth her food in the harvest."

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Now, there are two ways of laving un money. One of these is to put it in stock and deposit it in bank and invest it on bond and mortsage. The other way to lay up money is giving it away. He is the safest who makes both of those investments. There are in this house men who if they lose every dollar they have in the world would be millionaires for eternity. They made the spirit und investor. But the many strength of the spirit und investor.

THE SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON FOR APRIL 19.

Lesson Text: "The Lost Found," Luke xv., 11-24-Golden Text: Lake xv., 10-Commentary.

11, "And He said, A certain man had two 11. "And He said, A certain man had two sone." In our last lesson we saw the messengers bidding the people to come to the feast, but in this chapter, which is all one story in several parts, we see the great first and continual secker of men showing us how it should be done. We see the leve of Christ in the shepherd, the love of the Spirit In the weman with the candle, and the love of God in the father receiving the penitent son. The lost sheep suggests our inclination to go astray, the lost money, our deadness to a sense of our condition; the lost son, our selfishness, ingratiture and rebellion, while selfishness, ingratitude and rebellion, while the elder son makes us think of the self righteousness and lack of sympathy of some

righteousness and lack of sympathy of some Christians.

12. "He divided unto them his living." The younger son's request, which led to the father's doing this, indicates a greater regard for the goods that for the father, more thought of possessions than of God. It is the proud, self willed spirit of insubjection and of independence of God, the L. me, mine spirit that wants its so called rights. God sometimes lets such spirits have their own way that they may in due time see themselves.

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13. There wasted his substance with riotous fiving." This is briefly the story of the younger son who took all he possessed into a lar country. Illustration far country. Illustrations may be found in Cain, Esau, Absalem, Manasseh, and can be seen in the lives of those about us who live only for themselves and the present world.

14. "He began to be in want." Those who

forsake the only fountain of living water will soon find that their broken disterns can hold no water (Jer. B., 12); that all that is under the sun fails to satisfy and is only vanity and vexation of spirit (Eocl. i., 14, ii., 11), and that there is a longing in the soul still unsatisfied.

15. "He sent him unto his fields to feed 15. "He sent him unto his fields to feed swine." See a son of a wealthy father joining himself to a citizen of a far country. The world is in its thoughts and ways a far country from our heavenly Father's home, and in chapter xix. 12, the heavenly country is spoken of as a far country from this world. When we receive the Lord Jesus Christ as

our Saviour, we become citizens of heaven (John 1, 12: Phil.int., 20, E. V.). 16. "No man gave unto him." He would fain have sought to satisfy his hungry body with the swine's food, and there was nothing with the swine's food, and there was nothing better for him, for no man cared for him. Those who have turned from God to feed on the husks that this world offers are indeed in dirs distress. Whether the prodical makes us think of the samer as one of the all who wandered through Adam's sin, or of the saved soul set.

SELECT RELIGIOUS READING.

PERFECT SALVATION.

Our salvation, so far as perfected in this life has a negative and a positive side—something is to be subtracted and something else to be added, to make it complete. Perfect salvation implies the elimination of the guilt of sin. Guilt is the trade mark of humanity; wherever you see a man you see one who has incurred guilt. In all history you find but one man who could stand up in the face of day and say. "I have not samped." The spirit convicts of sin. Under His realising light men are constrained to cry out for help and deliverance from the intolerable sense of guilt. In other his description of guilt it crushes men to the earth; it causes the soul to realize that no human hand can lift it. But, thanks to God, there is an Arm mightier! Jesus to God, there is an Arm mightier! Jesus Christ came into humanity and unbarred the Christ came into humanity and unbarred the gates of death on purpose to afford man deliverance from the guilt of sin. He is able. He is willing; at His touch your guilt will disappear. Ferfect salvation implies deliverance from the power of sin. Sin is a greattyrant; he had us in hold, barred and guarded, and loaded with chains. On the plea of faith Jesus breaks the bars and sets the captive free. But he issues out the chains. Though Jesus breaks the bars and sets the captive free. But he bears out the chains. Though often concealed under his clothing, he comes at length to find how heavy they are and what great power they have over him. He not only needs to get out of prison, but out of himself as well; tastes, passions and appetites are too much for him. Though pardoned out of sin's prison, sin somehow has a strange power over him. But Josus 1s a complete Savior; the work He began in you He is able to complete. He stands ready with His sharp sward to strike oil the fetters of sin and to complete. He stands ready with 11's starty sward to strike oil the tetters of sin and to make you an enturely free man. Lock to Him and live. Behold! now is the accepted hour and the day of deliverance. He who is a perfect, is at the same time a present Saviour. Perfect salvation implies, also, the incoming of the Divine failness. Subtraction incoming of the Divine fainess. Subtraction does much inddition does more. The removal of the guilt and power of sin is a great achievement, but the cauding of the Spirit of Gost is greater. The presence and power of the Spirit complete the work of our salvation. The fainess of Gost concess in to fill the caratim made by the easting out of exit. The soni is thus research to its normal condition. It was made for Gost, and can find its completeness ones in Him. The fulness of Gost gives us control ever ourselves over our pride and pussion and self-shoes and anilation—shorting us in our allegiance and devotion to Jesus Units, with the world and sin index our fives in the first with the world and sin index our fives and movements, gives direction to our labors, and powers to our

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rection for our labors, and powers to our words and example. With all this, the futness of God is our grand, source of comfort a source which never falls us, is never inatequate, is always the resource and help a lapted to the hour and exigency.

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13. "And am no more worthy to be called thy son." It is an excellent thing for as when we have come to see that we are "no more worthy." that in us—that is, in our flesh—dwelleth no good thing (Rom, yil., 18), for as long as we think that there is a pirticle of good in us we cannot appreciate the Lord Jesus, as revealed in the word of God, will be sacrible which Jesus has provided in the lord of the British and the substitution of Jesus, as revealed in the word of God, will be analyzed and work will be commenced at one. It will be large chough to seat several thousand people. George C Fagan, Democrat, was inaugurated as mayor of Bradford, and appointed Mathew Ended Charles and Jesus has been raised and work will be commenced at one. It will be large chough to seat several thousand people.

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to dwell upon what Christ has done for him.

Now all the stars are out, Arcturus with hit some and the bords of Orton; the great places by like is upon't running with their to hear there is no thin between us, they hang out of heaven the living spirits. No summer stringers ever stripped so bare of even a breath between. How near the constallations are, how we seem a part of them, to be going on with them, how they swing down towards us out of the Mikky Way, the Path of souls up which our imagination translations. travels towards universes beyond and yet travels towards universes beyond and yet beyond, and somes out upon the far silpermailight, while the wind sings by us as if it knew the way! And they grow palar and the moon sends a glory before her as she floats up, up, up so low she rode in summer, so high she rides to night! In the middle of the highest sky she would be refer, the correct becomes spreads her wings like a great hevering, brooding mother, while far, far off and faint the stars still lung like distunt palace What broad lasters, what sharp shadows on the snow, what reflection into heaven, what height, what depth, what tenderness in the midnight blue, what sense of divine pre-ence—for exacted and ensured to all the limit of our vision on this winter night, we see the say is full of God! Harriet Pre-ott Spofford, in Congregationalist.

Among all the spiritual guests that cross our thesheld desus is not only in our arably the best by the excellence of his divinity, but also the most intimate by the presence of the same divinity. If any one receive him into his sour, Jesus comes to have a place of his own that has no parallel to life of the same divinity. led in life and which has no proof save in experience. White the public come and go through the house in the busy dayline this guest keeps his room, but in the quiet hours he sits with us. We make him the hours he sits with us. We make him in-confident of our secrets, but in the end he tells us things about our sives we have not known. We turn to him for help, but find that he has promised what we were about that he has promised what we were about to ask. We declare a good intention, only to remember that it was his suggestion. His presence is an I redstible condomnation of wrongdoing, a peopetual inspiration of well-doing.—John Watson.

The greatest evils are from within us and from ourselves also we must look for our greatest good, for God is the fountain of it, but reaches it to us by our own hand, and when all things look badly around about us, then only we shall find how excellent a for-tune it is to have God for our friend, and of all friendships that only is created to support us in our needs. -Jeremy Taylor.

These two thoughts together the divine love perfected and manifested in submission and sacrifice, the human sympathy with all actual sortows—seem to me to constitute the mystery of Passion Week.—F. D. Maurico

KEYSTONE STATE NEWS CONDENSED.

DYNAMITE DROPPED.

And Frank Grannell Was Blown to Pieces by the Explosion.

Frank Grannell, son of C. A. Grannell, of Smithheld, Fayette county, was blown to pieces by an explosion of dynamite at Greensburg. His father has a contract for the Badebaugh tunnel, and Frank had charge of the teams. While he and three other men were unlocaling some dynamite, it exploded with terrille force, killing young Grannell instantly, and badly injuring John Marshall, of Biairsville, and a man named Charles Parker. Grannell shot and killed John Me-Dowell at Dunbar during a dance more than a year ago, and was sent to the Huntington reform school. He was released from that institution a few months ago.

FIRE AT WILDERBUSON

The general offices of the Westinghouse Airbrake Company and the Young Men's Christian association rooms, are quartered in a building known as the Club House, at Wilmerling, were totally destroyed by fire Westnesmay morning. The building was probably the thest in the borough and its destruction will entail a loss of \$70,000. The interior was elegantify furnished and with the contents a total loss of \$70,000 is estimated. Valuable papers belonging to the commany were furriedly piaced in a fireproof safe when the flames were discovered and thus saved.

NEW BALLBOAD.

A charter was granted at Harrisburg to the Butler and Pittsburg Bailrond company, with an authorized capital of \$5,000,000. The new line is to connect the Pittsburg, Shenan-ge and Lake Eric road at Butler with the Union railroad owned by the Carnegie Steel company which will thus find a more direct and spicker roate for ore and coal shipments

A PENELLIBRARY HOLD

The sale of the law alteracy of the late Samuel Graffith of Merser, was renemded Wednesday. It was one of the finest libraries in Western Fernsylvania. Among the buyers were Judges Waines, of New Castle, Green, of Butler, and Wilson, of Reaver. It netted about \$2,000.

With the opening of the spring term over 700 students made their appearance at the State Normal school at Loca Haven so that the present attendance is the largest ever known. The teaching force has been incremed by the action of Miss Lilla Herries, the Camerin against apparentended of the the Cameron county superintendent at pub-lic schools, Junes Lidon and V. J. Crist. There are new students from New York, Kanas, Mostssippi, Indiana, Maryland and

Mike Bayaria, a Slave employed at Macamata, is dying from a wound inflicted by a fellow country man named Parento storing a fight. A pick was driven buto Boyaria's size. The foreign element of the village was contracting the bribling of one of the hamber and beer and whisks were there in abundance, causing a riot. Parento has been arrested.

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Canada, y dol such great wor. ... money has all been raised and work will be commenced at once. It will be large chough to seat several

Mass Kate Story, of Greensburg, has dona-ted ner valuable collection of minerals, fossits and botament specimens to the Greens logic high school. A number of colleges of report barge sums of money for the collection, which is known as the "Kate Story Collec-

At Kittanning Justice William Drown has decided that the impure food act does not en ower justices with summary jurisdiction to impose these upon convection. Accord-ingly be hold for court fairin which and

Jose Nell treasurer of the Shifting ten-Bangs of scale syndicate, node an assumment to Francia de Sancia Officer Nell. The latitude is considered one of the braviost in the lines. tory of the Lablah sints regions.

Colon I William B. Wallace, of near Litera-turg, was structed by a train and died. He was 80 years of age, a scaller in the late war.

The Central Productorian compregation at the to M tower, with a study chair, and his

Eve utions of \$45,461 were issued against form 1. Heintheft, a point dealer of Lancaster. The assets are \$20,000, encounsered with \$25,000 heatingles.

Reaver court best a memorial mession, at which addresses were made and resolutions amount deporting the death of Altorney E.

Fire decreeyed the large burn of D.C.Cound in Pyroutuning township, near Sharon. The less including wheat and other articles will

A wrealing grow at work hour Languager was run into by a frenglet. Charles Lorain and Patrick viceligan were alied.

G arge Windish, of knowns county, will be bunged on June 30 next, that date having been fixed by the governor.

Lev. W. F. Shermer, of Jeannette, has desimed the call of the connellsville Baptist An execution for \$1,962.62 was issued

against George W. Feelmer, a jeweier at Cu-The Licensor from works at Holidaysburg

William Williams was fatally injured by a fall in the Hill Farm mine at Dunbar.

Annie, the 8-year old daughter of Andreas Long, of Reading, was killed by a trolley Fred Bernad, an H-year-old boy, of Union-

town, died from injuries incurred while paying leapfrog. At Export, a Slav named Morosco was fa-

tally shot by a man named Wineski. The

Honry Jewell had both feet amputated in the Conway vards.

New Wrinkle in Advertising. A new wrinkle in Berlin, Germany, in ad-

vertising is for the firm to insure, free of cost, its patrons in life and fire insurance companies, provided the purchase exceeds a certain amount. One firm in Frankfort-on-Main, to outdo its rivals, insures even when the goods are bought on credit.

Vesuvius Spouting.

Vesuvius is again active, liquid lava flowing from many little outlets from the crater opened last July, and making the mountains very picturesque at night. Visitors climb no

and noble in your soul rises up into ion, and you cannot help it. Though n be as far beneath you in estate as ptian slave of whom we are diswas beneath his rulers, by an irre-

law of your nature, Potipher and will always esteem Joseph. Endoxia, the empress, threatened com with death, he made the reply. ene as that compels the admiration There was something in and Felix which demanded their reul, the rebel against government. of they would willingly have yield-ffice and dignity for a thousandth it true heroism which beamed in and beat in the heart of that unconostle. Paul did not cower before tix cowered tefore Paul. The infl-worldling are compelled to honor in arts, although they may not eulogize or lips, a Christian firm in persecu-I find Christian s; Howard passing from dungeon

poverty, trustful in losses, ions and occupations, and I find ected and honored and successful. derick Oberlin alleviating ignorance tto with healing for the body Elizabeth Fry going to the profit-Newgate prison to shake its obdur-the angel came to the prison at driving open the doors and snap-se the chain, as well as the lives of ds of followers of Jesus who have themselves to the temporal and welfare of the race are monuments Christian religion that shall not while the world lasts. A man said the cars: "What is religion? Judgthe character of many professors of I do not admire religion." I said ose we went to an artist in the , and while in his gallery asked , and while in his gallery asked , the art of painting? Would at is the art of painting?" out in a low alley and show us a of a pretender at paintings, or take us down into the corridors is the Rubens, and the Raphnels, Michael Angelos? When we asked Michael Angelos? When we asked at is the arr of painting? he would the works of these great masters 'That is painting.' Now, you pro-fled the mere caricature of religion, fter that which is the mere preten-holy life, and you call that religion. holy life, and you call that religion. ou to the splendid men and women cospei has blessed and lifted and Logk at the masterpleces of divine Look at the masterpieces of Josep Thatse from this story of Joseph result of persecution is elevation. been for his being sold into Egyptge by his malicious brothers and aprisonment Joseph never would as a governor. Everybody accepts se, "Blessed are they that are perrighteousness sake, for theirs is om of heaven," but they do not fact that this principle applies to well as spiritual success. It is departments. Men rise to hig sitions through misrepresentatio se is all that some of our publi had to rely upon for their elections brought to them what tale utive force could not have achiev those who are making great effand power will never succeed jo hey are not of enough importanted. It is the nature of men-ti

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cution is elevation. Helen Sti. martyr, standing with her ha e place of execution, said. Hi a rejoice to-day. We have liv

it was found that Francis L. (d not Ameril, was the fool. Instead of a sulting as to the best way of getting it sin, you had better consult as to whether ou will be able to get out of it. If the wald does not expose you, you will tell it parself. There is an away to pose you and the sulfarself. an awfur power in an artised consci-A highwayman plunged out upon White-field as he rode along of horseback, a sack noney that he had of money on the horse of money on the horse-noney that he had raised for orphan asylvas—and the high-wayman put his hand on the gold, and Whitefield turned to his and said: "Touch that if you dare, that selongs to the Lord Jesus Christ." And he ruflian slunk into the forest, Conscience! Conscience! The ruflian had a pistol but Whitefield shook at him the finger of dom. Do not think you can hide any great had protracted sin in your heart, my brother In an unguarded moheart, my brothen In an unguarded mo-ment it will slip of the lip, or some slight action may for the moment set ajar this door that you wanted to keep closed. But sup-pose that in this life you hide it, and you get along with this transgression burning in your heart, as a ship on fire within for days hinders the flames from bursting out by keeping down the hatches, yet at last in the judgment that iniquity will blaze out before

God and the univere, Learn alse from this subject that there is an inseparable connection between all events, however remote. The universe is only one thought of God. Those things which seemed fragmentary and isolated are only different parts of that great thought. How far apart seemed these two events—Jo-seph sold to the Arabian merchants and his rulership of Egypt—yet you see in what a mysterious way God connected the two into one plan. So the events are linked together. You who are aged men look back and group together a thousand things in your life that once seemed isolated. One undivided chain of events reaches from the garden of Eden to the cross of Caivary, and thus up to the kingdom of heaven. There is a relation be-tween the smallest insect that hums in the summer air and the archangel on his throne. God can trace a direct ancestral line from the blue jay that this spring will build its nest in the tree behind the house to some one of the flock of birds which, when Noah hoisted the ark's window. with a whir and a dash of bright wings, went out to sing over Mount Ararat. The tunes that bloom in the garden this spring were nursed by the snowlakes. The fartness star on one side of the universe could not look toward the farthest star on the other side of the universe and say, "You are no relation to me," for from that bright orb a voice of light would ring across the heavens responding, "Yes, yes, we are sisters." Nothing in God's universe swings at loose ends. Accidents are only God's way of turning a leaf in the book of His eternal decrees. Fr our cradie to our grave there is a path all marked out. Each event in our life is con-nected with every other event in our life. Our losses may be the most direct road to Our defeat and our victory are twin brothers.

The whole direction of your life was changed by something which at the time seemed to you trifling, while some occurseemed to you trifling, while some occur-rence which seemed tremendous affected you but little. God's pians are magnifleent be-yond all comprehension. He molds us and turns and directs us, and we know it not. Thousands of years are to Him as the flight of a shuttle. The most terrifle occurrence does not make God tremble. The most trium-phant achievement over not lift. Him phant achievement does not lift Him into

after baptism, had an altar of Chriscrifice and an altar for sacrifice to and there are many men now ating the same thing—half a heart for bublic indignation and the angles of the deathand the public indign ing the same thing—half a heart for adding the same thing—half a heart for the world—and it is a caricature of read failure, and it is a caricature of read failure, a have treasures in heaven. Amen'

COMPRESSED FOOD FOR SOLDIERS.

A Board is Trying to Solve How to Main-

A board is now meeting at the War Department. Washington, trying to solve, for the benefit of the army, the problem of how to maintain a soldler strong and healthy upon the smallest possible amount of food. The way the matter will finally be settled

will, of course, be by means of compressed food. There are so many different varieties of this material that it will be a matter to select the best, especially in view of the great number of recommendations which have been made by the Major-General commanding the army, the Commissary General of Subsistance and the Boards which were assembled some months ag in the several departments to make suggestions as to the character of an emergency ration for the

The reports of these Boards were accom-panied by samples of the food they recom-mend, and the room in which the Board re-cently appointed is sitting is littered with any quantity of food products, all of the compressed type,

PLENTY OF HAY IN THE COUNTRY Reports From Points Throughout the Leading States.

Reports from points throughout the leading hay States and Canada, received during the present week by the Hay Trade Journal, of Canajoharie, N. Y., indicate that about twenty-live per cent, of the marketable hay is still to come forward. In the face of the short crop of last year, the paper says this is considered a large percentage, but he craims considered a large percentage, but as grains of all kinds have brought low prices, farm-ers have used grain and coarse fooder, of which there was an abundance, and fed sparingly of hay. This, together with large sulpments into the seaboard markets from Canada, accounts for the present surplus. Advanced prices of \$2 to \$3 a ton over last season have drawn to the markets an ample supply, and, as Canada has about thirty per cent, of her crop stid on hand and warm weather is approaching, the scale of prices is being barely maintained.

TO TRAIN PIGEONS FOR WAR. Homing Birds to Be Utilized by the Navy

Department. Secretary Herbert, of the United States Navy, added a novel chapter to our naval strategic tactics when he signed the order adopting a messenger pigeon service for coast adopting a messenger pigeon service for coast defenses. Many hundreds of homing pigeons are shortly to be di-tribated in groups among about twenty different points along the Atlantic Coast. Here they will be kept in coops until educated to regard their new quarters as permanent homes, to which they will return when liberated from vessels plying the semboard. Having these these forms ing the seaboard. Having been thus domes-ticated they will be placed aboard coasting vessels and carefully trained to find their homes without losing time. The coops will all be placed in telegraphic connection with Wasnington.

Two Dead in a Burning Room. rapture. That one great thought of God goes out through the centuries, and Nations rise and fall, and eras pass, and the world changes, but God still keeps the undivided mastery, linking event to event and century to century. To God they are all one event, one history, one plan, one development, one

will druse us to see you unworthness. Com-page 1-st. 11, 5, 3 de kill, 5, 6, ban. x. 8. 20. 'And he are se and came to his lather.' If was a good thing to say, 'I will arise,' but it was far better to arise and come. Many say the first who never do the inst. It was when he are so that the father saw him afar

when he are see that the latter saw him also off and ran to meet him. Jesus, who knew the father's heart so well, here gives us a pic-ture of His love to the erring and His wel-come for them when they return. See Jer. ill., 12-11, thus, viv., 1, 2.
21. "Pather, Universitized against heaven and in thy sight and are to more worths to be called thy son." That was as far as he get with what he had thought to say. Com-

pare verse 12. It is a great thing to be a ser-vant of God and of Jesus Christ our hord, and in one sense we cannot seek anything higher, but our reinficustup to God is in Christ, that of children and noise from with, to the property of the second country of the on him." What a royal welcome from the father whose love he had so slighted and

whose possessions he had wasted. It seems impossible, but our Lord here shows forth the Father's heart toward every returning penilent, and as we have said, none knew the Father's heart as Jesus did, for He was "God manifest in the Hesh," and He could telly say, "He that bath seen Me bath seen the Father" (I Tim. iii., iii. John xiv., 9).
23. "Let us cut and be merry." The best clothing, a token of endoes love, and abundance of food with great lov. If the son but ance of food with great joy. If the son had said, "Father, I am more thankful than I can tell," it would have only been right, but to see the wronged and ill treated father showering such love upon the penitent son and to hear him say, "Lef us eat and be merry," is more than human love as ordinarily seen. May we know and believe such amazing love as manifested in our Lord Jesus Christ, and hearing Him say to us the words of Canti-cles v., I, let us reply with the words of Isa,

1xi., 19.

24. "And they began to be merry." And have not finished yet, for the joy over the penitent sinner is unending. See verses 7 and 10 and compare isc. xxxv., 10, and flev. vii., 17, as suggestive of the eternal joys of the redeemed. But whatever we may now know of these joys as revealed by the Spirit we know only in part until with all the re-deemed we shall see somewhat of the breadth and length and depth and height of His love (Eph. iii., 18, 19).-Lesson Helper.

A man is entitled to a good living in this world, and the saloon endeavors to deprive him of it, says the C. T. A. News. He is entitled to the comforts of his home, and the saloon would take these from him. He is entitled to the love of the members of his family, and the saloon would rob him of them. He is entitled to the sounder and He is entitled to the comfort and usolation of his religion, and the saloon would render him a stranger to them,

SAFE TRAVEL WHEN EMPLOYES DON'T DRING The Nickel Plate is another railroad that has issued strict prohibitory orders to its em-ployes concerning the drinking of liquor or frequenting saloons. It is said since this or-der was enforced on the Nickel Plate that accidents are of rare occurrence, and that a better class of employes has been secured, insuring better service than ever before wn. Railroad companies are finding out t people would rather travel on a milroad that is conducted on the anti-drinking plan

Important Railroad Decision

The United States Supreme Court has deeided that parallel and competing railroads have no right to consolidate.