TILMAGE'S SUNDAY SERMON

N ELOQUENT DISCOURSE.

a Boils, Bankruptey and a Fool But He Finally Escaped, Body Soul, From His Troubles-Thouof Others May Be Similarly Saved "I am escaped with the skin of "_Job xix., 20,

my teeth.

to has been some difference of mahout this passage. St. Jerome and pans and Drs. Good and Poole and ans and Drs. Good and Poole and the have all tried their forceps on teeth. You deny my interpretation sy, "What did Job know about the sy," What did Job know about the shout it. Dental surgery is almost about it. Dental surgery is almost as the earth. The mummies of thousands of years old are found to the state of t the sold filling in their teeth. Ovid Braze and Solomon and Moses wrote these important factors of the body. ther provoking complaints Job. I has added an exasperating tooth-and, putting his hand against the ad face, he says, "I am escaped with

ny narrow escape, you say, for Job's and soul, but there are thousands of the make just as harrow escape for al. There was a time when the in between them and ruin was no than a tooth's enamel, but as Job escaped so have they. Thank God! God!

expresses the same idea by a differare are by fire." A vessel at sea is pression to says that some people ared as by fire." A vessel at sea is pression of the ves-the boats have showed off. The advance. You can endure the heat er on your face. You slide down on sof the vessel and hold on with your until the forked tongue of the fire s to lick the back of your hand, and is that you must fall, when one of is that you must fail, when one of sheats comes back, and the passen-ary they think they have room for one intoit—you are saved. So some men arsued by temptation until they are f consumed, but after all get off— bias by ffe." s by fire

like the figure of Job a little better int of Paul, because the pulpit has mit out, and I want to show you, if rill help, that some men make narrow for their souls and are saved as the skin of their teeth."

the skin of their teeth." as easy for some people to look to as as for you to look to this pulpit. eath, tractable, loving, you expect a become Christians. You go over sore and say, "Grandon joined the i paterday." Your business com-"That is just what might have seted. He always was of that i." In youth this person whom was always good. He never s. He never laughed when it ange, to hever hughed when it opper to have he could ar in church, perfectly quiet, look-er to the right hand nor the left, ght into the eyes of the minister, is he understood the whole disshout the eternal decrees. He set things nor lost them. He to the kingdom of God so gradually supertain just when the matter

is another one, who started in life uncontrollable spirit. He kept the is an uproar. His mother found aking on the edge of the house roof the could balance himself. There The could balance himself. There shore that he dared not ride, no tree what elimb. His boyhood was a tries of predicaments, his manhood whes, his midlife very wayward. whe is converted, and you go over store and say, "Arkwright joined the lysterday." Your friends say: "It possible. You must be joking." You So;I tell you the truth. He joined uch." Then they reply, "There is trany of us if old Arkwright has be-ichristian." In other words, we Christian," In other words, we cept the gospel than for others. preaching to some who have cut the churches and Bibles and Sun-ad who no intention of becoming insthemselves, and yet you may uself escaping before you leave this s "with the skin of your teeth." I expect to waste this hour. I have stigge off from Cape May or Long and drep their nets and after awhile there without the pair awhile urches and Bibles and Sunhere, pulling in the nets without ranght a single fish. It was not a or they had not the right kind of But we expect no such excursion The water is full of fish, the wind handkerchief. In the small boat the crew pushed out to the wreck and found that it fight direction, the gospel net is 0 thou who didst help Simon and pushed out to the wreck and found that it was a capsized vessel, and that three men had been digging their way out through the bottom of the ship. When the vessel capsized, they had no means of escape. The captain took his penknife and dug away through the planks until his knife broke. Then an old nail was found, with which they attempted to scrape their way up out of the darkness, each one working until his hand was well nigh paralyzed, and he sank back faint and sick. After long and tedious work the light broke through the bottom of the ship. A hand-kerchief was holsted. Help came. They were taken on board the vessel and saved. Did ever men come so near a watery grave without dropping into it? How nar-O thou who didst help shathenet to fish, show us how to east the net fight side of the ship! of you in coming to God will have waist skeptical notions. It is use-people to say sharp and cutting those who reject the Christian re-I cannot say such things. By what of temptation or trial or betrayal el temptation or trial or betrayal ecometo your present state I know me aro two gates to your nature-of the head and the gate of the The gate of your head is locked its and bars that an archangel t brak, but the gate of your heart sally on its hinges. If I assaulted with weapons you would be as saved. Did ever men come so near a watery grave without dropping into it? How nar-rowly they escaped—escaped only "with the skin of their teeth." There are men who have been capsized of evil passions and capsized midocean, and they are a thousand miles away from any shore of help. They have for years been trying to dig their way out. They have been digging away and digging away, but they can never be delivered unless now they will hoist some signal of distress. However weak and feeble it may be, Christ will see it and bear down upon the helpless craft and take them on board, and it will be known on earth and in heaven how narrowly they have escaped—"escaped as with the skin of that rate is a start and the skin of with weapons, you would meet me pons, and it would be sword stroke stroke and wound for wound and blood, but if I come and knock at your house you open it and a best seat in your parlor. If I me at you now with an argument. d answer me with an argument; wasm, you would answer me with blow for blow, stroke for stroke al come and knock at the door art you open it and say, "Come er, and tell me all you know ist and heaven." as and heaven." a two or three questions. Are by as younsed to be when you be-hear the christian religion? a like to have your children travel had a relative who professed to that are have be professed to that any the professed to that any the professed to the second that are the professed to the second the second the second that are the second the s have escaped-"escaped as with the skin of their teeth." come to God must run between a great many business perplexities. If a man go over to business at 10 o'clock in the mornlan and was thoroughly consist-and dying in the faith of the gosmany business perplexities. If a man go over to business at 10 o'clock in the morn-ing and come away at 30'clock in the after-noon, he has some time for religion, but how shall you find time for religious con-templation when you are driven from sun-rise to sunset and have been for five years going behind in business and are frequent-ly dunned by creditors whom you cannot pay, and when from Monday morning until Saturday night you are dodging bills that you cannot meet? You walk day by day in uncertainties that have kept your brain on fire for the past three years. Some with less business troubles than you have gone crazy. The clerk nas heard a noise in the back counting room and gone in and found the chief man of the firm a raving maniae, or the wife has heard the bang of a pistol in the back parlor and gone in, stumbling over the dead body of her finsband—a suicide. There are men pursued, harassed, trodden down and scalped of business per-plexities, and which way to turn next they do not know. Now God will not be hard on you. He knows what obstaeles are in the way of your being a Chiefting and some id you not like to live the same and die the same peaceful death? whand a letter, sent me by one feeted the Christian religion. It mold enough the same peaceful death? a old enough to know that the easures of lite are evanescent ins the fact that it must be comold age to believe in something the future and to have a faith the future and to have a faith stem that proposes to save. I confass that I would be happler nercise the simple and beautiful is possessed by many whom I mot willingly out of the church faith. My state of uncertainty rest. Sometimes I doubt my yand look upon the deathbed as seene, after which there is noth-shall I do that I have not skepticism is a dark and dole-tmesay that this Bible is either tmesay that this Bible is either If it be false, we are as well it be true, then which of us is

the wickedness of its disciples. We admit some of the charges against those who pro-fess religion. Some of the most gigantic swindles of the present day have been car-ried on by members of the church. There are men standing in the front rank in the churches who would not be trusted for \$5 without good collateral security. They leave their business dishonesties in and sit at the communion. Having con-cluded the sacrament, they get up, wipe the wine from their lips, go out and take up their sins where they left off. To serve the devil is their regular work, to serve God a sort of play spell. With a Sunday sponges they expect to wipe off from their business shate all the past week's inconsistencies. You have no more right to take such a mon's life as a specimen of religion than you have to take the twisted irons and split timbers that lie on the beach at Coney is and as a specimen of an American ship, it is time that we draw a line between re-igion and the frailties of those who pro-

fess it.

Do you not feel that the Bible, take it all in all, is about the best book that the world has aver seen? Do you know any book that has as much in it? Do you not think, upon the whole, that its influence has been benethe whole, that its influence has been bene-fleent? I come to you with both hands ex-tended toward you. In one hand I have noth-ing. This Bible in one hand I will surren-der forever just as soon as in my other hand you can put a book that is better. I invite you back into the good old fash-foned religion of your fathers, to the God whom they worshiped, to the Bible they read, to the promises on which they leaned, to the cross on which they hang their eter-nal expectations. You have not been happy a day since you swung off. You will not be happy a minute until you swing back. Again, there may be some who in the at-tempt after a Christian life will have to run against powerful passions and appetites.

tempt after a Christian life will have to run against powerful passions and appetites. Perhaps it is a disposition to anger that you have to contend against, and perhaps, while in a very serious mood, you hear of something that makes you feel that you must swear or die. I know a Christian man who was once so exasperated that he said to a mean customer, "I cannot swear at you myself, for I am a member of the charch, but if you will go downstairs my partner in business will swear at you." All your good resolutions heretofore have hear

partner in business will swear at you." All your good resolutions heretofore have been torn to tatters by explosion of temper. Now, there is no harm in getting mad if you only get mad at sin. You need to bridle and saddle those hot breathed pas-sions and with them ride down injustice and wrong. There are a thousand things in the world we ought to be mad at. There is no harm in getting radhet if you can be is no harm in getting redhot if you only bring to the forge that which needs ham-mering. A man who has no power of righteous indignation is an imbedie. But be sure it is a righteous indignation and

not a petulancy that blurs and unravels and depletes the soul. and depletes the soul. There is a large class of persons in mid-dle life who have still in them appetites that were aroused in early manhood, at a time when they prided themselves on be-ing a "little fast," "high livers," "free and easy," "hail fellows well met." They are now paying in compound interest for troubles they collected twenty years ago. Some of you are trying to escape, and you will, yet very narrowly, "as with the skin of your teeth." God and your own soul only know what the stringgle is. Omnipo-tent grace has pulled out many a soul that was deeper in the mire than you are. They was deeper in the mire than you are. They line the beach of heaven—the multitude whom God has rescued from the thrall of whom God has rescued from the thrall of suicidal habits. If you this day turn back on the wrong and start anew, God will help you. Oh! the weakness of human help! Men will sympathize for a while and then turn you off. If you ask for their par-don, they will give it and say they will try you again; but, falling away again under the power of temptation, they east you off forever. But God forgives seventy times seven; yea, seven hundred times; yea, though this be the ten thousandth time, He is more earnest, more sympa-thetic, more helpful this last time than when you took your first mistep.

when you took your first mistep. If with all the influences favorable for a right life men make so many mistakes, how much harder is it when, for instance, some appetite thrusts its iron grapple into the roots of the tongree and pulls a man down with hands of destruction? If, under such circumstances, he breaks away, there will be no sport in the undertaking, no holiday enjoyment, but a struggle in which the wrestlers move from side to side and bend and twist and watch for an oppor-tunity to get in a heavier stroke, until with

and Ridley were not the greatest mariym, but Christian men who went up incorrupt from the contaminations and perplexities of Pennsylvania avenue, Broad street, State street and Third street. On earth they were called brokers or stock jobbers, or re-tailers, or importers, but in heaven Chris-tian herces. No fagots were heaped about their feet; no inquisition demanded from them recantation; no soldier aimed a pike at their heart, but they had mental tor-ture compared with which all physical consuming is as the breath of a spring morning.

consuming is as the breath of a spring morning. I find in the community a large class of men who have been so cheated, so lied about, so outrageously wronged, that they have lost their faith in everything. In a world where everything seems so topsy tury they do not see how there can be any God. They are confounded and frenzied and misanthropic. Elaborate arguments to prove to them the truth of Christianity or the truth of anything else touch them nowhere. Hear me, all such men. I preach to you no rounded periods, no ornamental discourse, but put my hand on your shoul-der and invite you into the peace of the gospel. Here is a rock on which you may stand firm, though the waves dash against it harder than the Atlantic, pitching its surf clear above Eddystone lighthouse. Do not charge upon God all these troubles of the world. As long as the world stuck to God God stuck to the world, but the earth seceded from His government, and hence all these outrages and all these woes. God is good. For many hundreds of years He has been coaxing the world to come back to Him, but the more He has coaxed the more violent have men been in their resistance, and they have stepped back and stepped back until they have imped into ruin. Try this God, yew who have had the bloodmorning.

dropped into ruin. Try this God, ye who have had the blood-Try this God, ye who have had the blood-hounds after you, and who have thought that God had forgotten you. Try Him and see if He will not help. Try Him and see if He will not pardon. Try Him and see if He will not save. The flowers of spring have no bloom so sweet as the flowering of Christ's affections. The sun hath no warmth compared with the glow of His heart. The waters have no refreshment heart. The waters have no refreshment like the fountain that will slake the thirst stands with his lip and nostril thrust in the cool mountain torrent, the hunter may be cool mountain torrent, the hunter may be coming through the thicket. Without crack-ling a stick under his foot. He comes dose by the stag, aims his gun, draws the trig-ger, and the poor thing rears in its death agony and falls backward, its antlers crash-ing on the rocks. But the panting hart that drinks from the water brooks of God's promise shall never be fatally wounded and shall never die.

shall never die. This world is a poor portion of your soul. O business man! An eastern king had graven on his tomb two fingers, represented as sounding on each other with a snap, and under them the motto, "All is not worth that." Apiclus Codius hanged himself be-cause his steward informed him that he had only £80,000 sterling left. All of this world's riches make but a small inheritance for a soul. Roberniers attempted to win shall never die for a soul. Robespierre attempted to win the applause of the world, but when he was dying a woman came rushing through the crowd, crying to him, "Murderer of my kindred, descend to hell, covered with the kindred, descend to hell, covered with the curses of every mother in France!" Many who have expected the plaudits of the world have died under its anathema maranatha. Oh, find your peace in God! Make one strong pull for heaven. No half-way work will do it. There sometimes comes a time on shipboard when everything must be sacrificed to save the passengers. The cargo is nothing, the rigging nothing. The captain puts the trumpet to his lips and shouts, "Cut away the mast!" Some of you have been toseed and driven, and you have, in your effort to keep the world, well nigh lost your soul. Until you have, decided this matter let everything else go. Over-board with all those other anxieties and burdens. You will have to drop the sails of your pride and cut away the mast. With one earnest cry for help put your cause into the head of the schema to the side of the sails of your pride and cut away the mast. With one carnest cry for help put your cause into the hand of Him who helped Paul out of the breakers of Melita, and who, above the shrill blast of the wrathiest tempest that ever blackened the sky or shook the ocean, can hear the faintest imploration for merey. I shall close this sermon feeling that I shall close this sermon feeling that some of you who have considered your case as hopeless will take heart again, and that with a blood red earnestness, such as you have never experienced before, you will start for the good land of the gospel-at last to look back, saying: "What a great risk I ran! Almost lost, but saved! Just got.through, and no more! Escaped by the skin of my teeth."

THOUGHT HE WAS A HERO.

Dilamma of the Man Who Held a Burst Bathtub Together.

One of the most ridiculous situations which at the time bring the coldest sweat out of a man's brow, and ever after remain with him as a constant source of mirth, occurred to a Shelton merchant a few days ago. He thought he would take a bath, and as his flat is minus one of the chief requisities for the job- a bathtub-he extemporized one out of a small washtub and enjoyed a cooling ablution.

He had-just concluded and stepped from the tub for the towel, when suddealy the top hoop of the tub burst with a sharp report, and the man saw to his horror that the whole contents of the tub would soon be flooding the floor. At the same moment he thought of the store beneath and the amount of damage the water would do as it ran down through the ceiling. He is a man of quick thought, and in a moment he did the only thing possible, threw himself down beside the tub and, clasping his arms around it, held the already fast swelling staves together. He was successful in keeping the water in-but what a situation. He dared not yell, for he was hardly in a condition to receive callers, especially as he knew that all in the block at the time were of the gentler sex, and he realized at once that the only thing left for him was to stay in that position until the return of his wife, who was out on a shopping expedition.

Like the boy who saved Holland, he manfully remained in his most uncomfortable position until relief in the shape of his wife appeared. Then to cap the climax, when he asked her to get a rope or any old thing to tie about the tub, she, after a long fit of uncontrollable laughter, asked him why he didn't carry the tub and contents out to the sink room and pour out the water. With a look that froze the smile on her face he did as she said, and without a word donned his clothing and wandered out into the cold, unfeeling world, a crushed and humiliated man.-Ansonia Conn., Sentinel,

Curious Lands in Florida.

Payne's Prairie, three miles south of this city, covers an area of 50,000 acres. A large proportion of the prairie is now covered with water, but there are thousands of acres around the borders of the lake which has been formed on which horses and cattle graze. There is no way of estimating the number of cattle, but there are many thousands, and they are in fine condition. The prairie, or savanna, which it really is, occasionally goes dry, the water passing out through a subterranean passage called the sink. Where the water goes to has never been determined. When the sink is open the lake goes dry, and when the outlet becomes gorged or choked, a lake from five to seven miles wide and about eighteen miles long is formed. When the waters of the lake suddenly leave it, thousands of alligators, snakes, fish, and turtles are left with nothing but mud for their places of abode. The fish and turtles perish, but the sausians and reptiles seek and find other quarters. For miles along the northern border of the lake there is a succession of sinks, averaging in depth all the way from 25 to 100 feet. Subterranean passages run in every direction, leaving the ground in the shape of a honeycomb. The ground Is liable to give way at any time, creating a new sink. The scenery around the lake, especially on the north side, is unique and grand, and is an attractive feature to strangers who visit this city. The sink has for many years been a popular resort for citizens of Gainesville, who go there to fish, boat ride, and in other ways enjoy themselves. It is said that this vast area of land could be drained at trifling expense, and were it drained it would be the largest as well as the richest tract of productive land in Florida. It is for the most part a bed of muck. The land is owned by various individuals .--Gainesville Sun.

So Particular. "They seem quite particular in Paris," said an attache of the state department, "about having the French language used by any representative of the United States."

"Yes," replied Miss Cayenne: "I understand they go so far as to insist on putting French labels on American wines."-Washington Star.

Without Effort.

Anxious Mother-I don't understand how it is, Bertie, that you are always at the foot of your class.

Bertie-I don't understand it myself; but I know it's dreadful easy .- Boston Transcript.

Getting at the Root of Things. Lea (sadly)-I don't know what to do with that boy of mine. He's been two years at the medical college, and still he keeps at the foot of his class.

Perrins (promptly)-Make a chiropodist of him.-Tid-Bits.

Yokon and Klondike Gold Field

Tukon and Klondike Gold Fields. Parties intending to visit the Klondike Gold Fields or invest in stock companies operating in that country, are advised to get the Cana-dian Government Alaskan Boundary Com-missioner, Prof. Oglivie's, Report on the Yu-kon and Klondike Gold Fields, before doing so. This is the official report made last spring which so astounded the Canadian Government that they did not publish it till Prof. Oglivie confirmed it personally on his arrival in Otta-wa. The report is very extensive, abounding in Photogravures and Maps and giving the most reliable information as to routes, climate, and the indescribable wealth awaiting the miners. Seat, postage paid, on receipt of Se. In stamps, by the Toronto Newspaper Union Publishers, 44 Bay St., Toronto, Canada.

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Pistols and Pestles.

The duelling pistol now occupies its proper place, in the museum of the collector of relics of barbarism. The pistol ought to have beside it the pestle that turned out pills like bullets, to be shot like bullets at the target of the liver. But the pestle is still in evidence, and will be, probably, until everybody has tested the virtue of Ayer's sugar coated pills. They treat the liver as a friend, not as an enemy. Instead of driving it, they coax it. They are compounded on the theory that the liver does its work thoroughly and faithfully under obstructing conditions, and if the obstructions are removed, the liver will do its daily duty. When your liver wants help, got "the pill that will."

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one final effort, in which the muscles are distended and the veins stand out and the distended and the veins stand out and the blood starts, the swarthy habit fails under the knee of the victor—escaped at last as "with the skin of his teeth." The ship Emma, bound from Gottenburg to Harwich, was salling on when the man on the lookout saw something that he pro-nounced a vessel bottom up. There was something on it that looked like a sea guil, but was afterward found to be a waving handkerehief. In the small boat the crow

There are others who in attempting to

Masses of Ice Wonderfully Adorn the New Discoveries.

ICE CAVES IN COLORADO.

Further discoveries have been made of Further discoveries have been made of the wonderful ice caverns opened up at the foot of Cow Mountain, about two miles from Gillett, Col. Three remarkable chamers have been opened. The first is about fourteen by sixteen feet, heavily hung with fourteen by sixteen feet, heavily hung with fcicles in every conceivable form, resemb-ling stainctites. From the first chamber a small passage leads to still another more wonderful and beautiful in which the ice

wonderful and beautiful in which the fee blends in varied colors, under the light of a candle, reflecting the rays as from the face of a thousand mirrors. From this cave a passage scarcely large enough to admit the body of a man was discovered leading down at an angle of about forty degrees to a large cavern per-haps 200 by 300 feet. Clinging to the cell-ing are great masses of ice like billows, and banked along the sides of the walls many feet in thickness are tons of ice taking on the most grotesque forms imaginable and casting avesome shadows. casting awesome shadows. In the center of the room there is a lake

In the center of the room there is a lake about forty by sixty-live feet, clear as cry-stal and quite deep. There must be some outlet, for water drips constantly from the celling, yet the lovel of the body never rises nor overflows. The water is sweet and pure, and as cold as the ice-conted walls of the room in which it is situated, 200 feet underneath the surface of the ground. There are undoubtedly other caves which have not yet been opened. have not yet been opened.

1200 CHEROKEES TO MARCH.

They Will Invade Kentucky to Do Hono? to One of Their Ancient Chiefs.

Early in September 1200 Cherokee braves will take the road in the Indian Territory, and will march into Kentucky, accompanied by Captain Baleigh of the United States

Army. A strong and muscular man, with high A strong and muscular man, with high check bones and copper countenance, was seen on the streets of Frankfort, Ky., re-cently. But few realized that he was an Indian, though he was the full-blooded Cherokee, Charley Parker, a nephew of the celebrated chief Quannah Parker. He was mounted on a beautiful bay thoroughbred. He was the forerunner of the invasion of the 1200 Cherokee warriors, and was here to see the Governor. They will enter Ken-tucky at Shawneetown and march to a place about three miles from Russellville, where they will find the grave of a great chef of the Cherokees who was killed in battle with the Shawnees in 1749. There they will do his memory honor. This batthey will do his memory honor. This bat-they will do his memory honor. This bat-tie took place on a prairie near Pond River, and the old chief was wounded and carried back into what is now Logan County, where he died and was buried.

A Unique Jubilee.

A midwife at Stolpe, near Berlin, Ger-many, celebrated the 6006th occasion on which her services had been required by inviting all the children she had helped into the world to dinner at her house. They afterward formed a torchlight procession and marched through the town.

Florida's New Industry.

Estimates place the tobacco grop of Plorida this year as the largest in the State's history. It will be worth several bundred thousand dollars. Much of the planting way arguing untal.

Where the Office Sought the Man.

Talk about Poo Bahs, Representative King of Utah claims to carry the prize for officeholding.

"I once held six offices at the same time," he said yesterday to a reporter. "In the early days of Fillmore City, in my State, we actually had more offices than men, consequently I was City Assessor and Collector, City Recorder, City Attorney, County Attorney, member of the Board of Education, and member of the State Legislature. That was a pretty good handful for a young man not 22 years of age."-Washington Post.

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