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A NATIONAL FEAST.

Thanksgiving Day the Subject of Dr. Talmage's Sermon.

mospheric thunders were not louder than the roarings of the guns at Vicksburg and Gettysburg and Atlanta and Petersburg. The worst flashes of atmospheric lightning never blinded the eyes as badly as did the flames of burning homes in the southland or the sheets of fire leaping out of the cannons' mouths and the sharpshooters' rifles. "Aha!" again cried the political wiseacres of Europe. "The government for the people and by the people has at last heard its funeral knell!" But the dark clouds rolled away, the sword was turned into the plowshare and the spear into the pruning hook, and, thank God, the government "for the people and by the people" still lived.

Now, my friends, there have been foreign depreciators of our form of government, and there have been domestic depreciators also. There have been political agitators, decade after decade, who have tried to convey the idea that this government of ours was built upon the quicksands, that the corner stone of our national capitol would be toppled over unless this or that man was elected president of the United States. These domestic political agitators had their heyday in the first half of the past century. When Henry Clay was defeated for the presidency in 1844, my grandfather cried like a little child. My father said [illegible] that he [illegible] thought that [illegible] day of this [illegible] try was forever [illegible] over. [illegible] to the time of the election of [illegible] over a Greeley and a Garfield over a Hancock and a Cleveland over a Blaine we have heard the old story that the prosperity or the failure of our government depended upon the election of this or that man. Now, thank God, as a nation we have lived long enough to know that the strength of this country is not dependent upon any one man, any one hundred men or any one thousand men. The strength of our country today is vested in the masses of the people, the common people, and as long as the people, the common people, remain true to God so long will the government at Washington gloriously live. The responsibility of the chief executive grows greater as the influence of the country increases. May we ever seek out the wisest and best of our statesmen for that high office. But let us never be unduly alarmed. The destinies of this great nation are in the hands of the King of kings. To him on this coming Thanksgiving day we bend the knee and commit to him the future of our beloved country. Though through a political blunder a bad or a foolish man were elected to the presidential chair and as a consequence peril menaced the nation, yet, if we held fast our faith, out of the fire the government would emerge purified and triumphant, preserved by the almighty power of the God of our fathers.

Lastly, we have cause for thanksgiving in the homage now being paid to this nation by other governments. Our power and our rectitude are come to recognition, and on all hands our friendship is sought. Our former enemies are now our most enthusiastic friends, and instead of detraction we are greeted with approbation and adulation.

The time, also, has passed away when any one great nation can live a hermits life. The laws of trade and commerce have made all nations next door neighbors. Commodore Matthew C. Perry in 1854 gained immortal fame by opening the doors of Japan to the United States merchant ships. Now all national doors are swung upon hinges. They swing in. They swing out. Thus China's commercial doors are unrolled to the commerce of the world. English capitalists hold sovereign securities and American capitalists are investing in China and Japan and Italy and in English and German securities. The purse strings of the world are more and more becoming international. Any financial flurry here gives the Bank of England a chill, puts the Australian money market in a fright and causes financial trembling at Paris, St. Petersburg and Berlin. If Turkish bonds are refused liquidation the Mediterranean waters are blackened with foreign men-of-war coming to collect their bills. Thus more and more the interests moral and temporal, of the different nations are being bound together by fetters of gold. More and more the different governments are having to treat each other kindly and helpfully because when a nation strikes at another nation it is beating the life out of its own heart. War is becoming so costly that it is almost a forbidden luxury. The blessings of peace are becoming more and more universal—peace, which will make our fields gold-en with grain, our houses happy with love, our hearts aglow with a desire for the best welfare of our neighbors, both national and international, and which will keep our altars sacred to the God, the great Father above, from whom all blessings flow. Oh, the happiness, the joy, which should attend our Thanksgiving day of 1903!

On this glorious Thanksgiving day let us give God the praise for what he has done for us as a nation during the past twelve months. We rejoice that the fear of ruining international commerce is putting a restraint on kings ambitious for war. The real potentates of the world are the kings of the harvest field, the mines and the foundries, on whom the crowned heads of the nations must depend for their resources. These are in the control of the King of kings, whose is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. To him we offer our adorations and in him we trust. To him may sincere thanksgiving be upon every lip and song in every heart. May we praise him! Praise the Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit! Praise the triune God. Praise him! Praise him! Praise him! "Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord. Hallelujah, for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth!" Hallelujah, amen and amen!

and gubernatorial appointment, we call to mind our national mercies and as a nation render thanks to him who has crowned the year with his goodness.

ing; one fact to be "land rich," another fact to be "land poor." Many and many a man has been hurled against a financial wall and his business life squeezed out in the bankruptcy courts because he did not own a farm. [illegible] our business is extensive and diversified as ours there have been losses and perils and ominous disturbances, but we have survived them and the general trend has been prosperous. They tell us that our citizens receive two and one-half times as much as those of England, three times as much as in France, four times as much as in Germany, five times as much as in Russia and six times as much as in Italy. They tell us that in some parts of Europe the peasants have to watch roots and that there are countries where the wives and mothers and daughters of farmers are swallowed himself to gather in the [illegible] the fields. They tell us that in India a capitalist can hire a slave at a penny for twenty hours a day to work for them, and upon that a man can support his poor wretch has to begin himself. He lives for the most part upon a daily handful of rice, and when a time of scarcity comes which [illegible] starves to death. But though foreign labor may receive but a mere pittance for its services some of us can remember during the panic days of 1893 when hundreds and thousands of men here could not get work at any price.

general or prince or king or cardinal, but that of father and mother, husband, wife, brother, sister, son, daughter, grandchild. So honored are the domestic terminologies among us that one of the greatest encomiums ever given to any national president, William McKinley, was that he was a "model husband." He was that, he was a model father, he was a model son, he was a model brother, he was a model man, he was a model president, he was a model Christian, he was a model citizen, he was a model everything that is noble and good, but the name that touched most deeply the hearts of his countrymen was that by which his wife called him, "Husband." Oh, the power of the domestic relations! Besides the American home is [illegible]

Another cause for national gratitude: Our national solidity and political perpetuity. This was not always self evident. When the United States government was formed there were thousands of foreign statesmen who derisively shook their heads. These wiseacres said: "That nation will never be run successfully. No people were ever competent to govern themselves." But, strange to say, just as the scientific wiseacres argued against the practicability of Robert Stephenson's locomotive, and it ran after all, so after the Revolutionary war, the United States government ran smoothly and successfully. It ran in spite of the evil prophecies that kings and princes and European statesmen uttered against it.

Then came the dark clouds of the civil war. Oh, how dark and how threatening were those clouds! The cannonadings of the most awful at-

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