The Sunday Sermon as Delivered by the Brooklyn Divine.

Text: "Let us make three tabernacles."
—Luke ix., 33.

Our Arab ponies were almost dead with fatigue, as, in December, 1839, we rode near the foot of Mount Hermon in the Holy Lind, the mountain called by one "a mountain of ice." by another "a glittering breastplate of ice," by another "a glittering breastplate of ice," by another "the Mont Blanc of Palestine." Its top has a almost unearthly brilliance. But what must it have been in the time to which my text refers? Peter and James and John were on that mountain top with Jesus when, suddenly, Christ's face took on the glow of the moonday sun, and Moses and Elijah, who had been dead for centuries, came out from the heavenly world and talked with our Savlour. What an overwhelming three—Moses, representing the law, Elijah, representing the prophets, and Christ, representing all worlds.

Impetuous Peter was so wrought upon by the presence of this wondrous three, that, without waiting for time to consider how preposterous was the proposition, he cried out, "Let us make three tabernacles—one for Thee, one for Moses and one for Blijah," Where would they get the material for building one tabernacle, much less material enough to build two tabernacles, and still less, how would they get the material for building three? Where would they get the hamberial for building three? Where would they get the hamberial place would have been an undertaking beyond human achievement, and Peter was propounding the impossible when he cried out in enthusiasm, "Let us build three tabernacles" and yet that is what this congregation has been called to do and has done. The

beilding was impossible for religious purposes, as it would not be churchly, and would subject themselves and us to ruinous criticism; in other words, they were not ready for a revolution in church architecture. Utterly disheartened as to my favorite style of architecture, I said to the trustees, 'Build anything you pleasa, and I must be satisfied.' But one morning a young architectappeared at my house and asked if we had yet selected a plan for our church. I said, 'No, and what we want we cannot get.' What kind of building do you want?' he asked. And taking out a lead pencil and a letter envelope from my pocket, in less than a minute by a few curved lines I indicated in the rough what we wanted. 'But,' I said, 'old architects tell us it can't be done, and there is no use in you trying.' He said, ''I can do it. How long can I have to make out the plans?' I said, '''I have to make out the plans?' I said, '''I have to make out the plans?' I said, '''I have to make out the plans?' I said, '''I have to make out the plans?' I said, '''I have to make out the plans?' I said, '''I have to make out the plans?' I said, '''I have to make out the plans?' I said, '''I have to make out the plans?' I said, '''I have to make out the plans?' I said, '''I have to make out the plans?' I said, ''This evening at 8 o'clock everything is to be decided.''

At 8 o'clock of that evening the architect presented they were unanimously adopted. So that I would not be in the way of the runtese and I have he work I went to Ray well aligh done. But there came in a staggering hindrance. We expected to pay for the new church by the sale of the old building. The old one had been sold, but just at the time we must have the money the purchasers backel out and we had two churches and no money.

By the help of God and the indomitable and unparalletel energy of our trustees there and there one c't then present to-day, but the most in a bette word, we got the building ready for consecurative and indimitation of the plans of the purchasers backel out an

ing to another denomination, responded with heartiness, as though we were used to the liturgy, "Good Lord, deliver us!"

During the short time we occupied that building we had a constant downpour of religious wakening, Hosannah! Ten million years in heaven will have no power to command the million years in heaven will have no power to command the million years in heaven will have no power to command the million years in heaven will have no power to command the million years in the state of the given of the invasion of the sunal style of church architecture, was called by some "Talmage" Hippodro na. by others, "Church of the Holy Circus," and by others million perfect for acoustics, and stood long enough to have its imitation in all the large cities of America and to completely revolutionize caured architecture. People saw that it was the obmon sense way of seating an audience.

Instead of putting them in an angular church, where each one chiefly saw the book part of somebody else's head, the audience were arranged in semicircle, so that they could see one another's facey, and that all torium was a great family circle seased around a fireplace, which was the pulpit. It was an iron structure, and we supposed fireproof, but the in-arance companies looked as it, and after we had gone too far to stop in its construction they declined to insure it become of roo. If the limit of the construction they declined to insure it are the construction they declined to insure it become of roo. If the limit of the construction they declined to insure it are the construction they declined to insure it are the construction they declined to insure it are they are they have been any we deneated and sent out from a lay college under our charge some twelve hundred young men and women, many of them becoming evangelists and many of the members, at the risk of his life, rushed in was about to preach, until some one rushed up

not disture in the cupola of my house acceptance was putting on red wings.

I scouted the idea and turned over on the pillow for another sleep, but a number of excited voices called note to the roof, and I went up and saw clearly defined in the night the flery catafalque of our second Tabernacle. When I saw that I said to my family:

Surely the Lord will not call a minister to build three churchles in one city. The building of one church generally ends the usefulness of a pastor. How can any one preside at the building of three churches? But before twenty-four hours had passed we were compelled to cry out, with Peter of my text, "Let us build three tabernacles." We must have a home somewhere. The old site had ceased to be the center of our congregation, as near as we could find it, is where we now stand.

Having selected the spot, should we build on it a barn or a tabernacle, beautiful and commodious? Our common sense, as well as one building the common sense as well as one as a sense as a sens

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 10.

"The King in Zion," Psalm ii, 1-12.
Golden Text: Psalm ii, -12. Commentary.

1. "Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?" This has been called the psalm of Messiah the Prince. It describes the tumult of the people against the Lord annointed; the determinate purpose of God to exalt His own Son, and the ultimate reign of that Son over all His enemies. As we read of the heathen, or nations, raging, we may think of Pharaoh and his hosts, Sennacherib and his army, and all others who vainly sought to overthorow Israel. But in Acts iv, 25, 26; these words are used in reference to the rage of Herod. Plate, the Gentiles and Israel against Ohrist, and truly that was the consummation of all

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RELIGIOUS READING.

Beloved! when we pass away
From this familiar spot,
I wonder who will come and stay
In the deserted cot.
Beneath these eim trees who will stand
And think that home is sweet,
When we have gone into that land
Where parted households meet?

Oh, who will walk beside the stream,
Or sit beneath the pine.
To dream again life's little dream,
When 'tis not yours, nor mine?
Will some one fell my favorite tree,
Pull down the mossy wall:
The things so dear to you and me,
Will they destroy them all?

Whose name will be on yonder door?
Whose pictures deck the walls?
Whose fet press roughly on the floor
Where your dear footstep falls?
And when the years to centuries swing,
Till all we love are dead,
Will any echo backward bring
The words that we have said?

I hope the brook down there will miss
An-old familiar tune,
When in a happier home than this
We talk with all our own.
For oh, this little home is sweet,
Each corner is so dear;
Can Heaven without it be complete?
I would that Heaven were here.

I almost think that from the skies,
If I this dome can see,
I shall watch those with envious eyes
Who live here after me.
"Hush! hush! we shall not care," you say,
Dear heart! if may be true;
We shall not then, but oh, today
My life is here, with you.
—[Julia H. May.

PURIFY YOUR THOUGHTS.

A nobler career depends on the treatment given to the infant ideas that are born in the soul. A person is known by the company he keeps. So the thoughts which we harlow within us, and which go out through the doors of our mouths and our hands, determine our real character.

One of the highest of spiritual luxuries is the enjoyment of exhibitanting and sublime thoughts; to such a devout and cheerful thinker a prison may be a palace. "It hought of Jesus," said holy Rutherford, "until every stone in the wall of my cell shone like a ruby."—[Dr. T. L. Cuyler.

FAITH'S OFFICE.

Faith is truly a light in a soul, but it is a light which shines only upon duties and not upon results or events. It tells us what is now to be done, but it does not tell us what is to follow and accordingly it guides us but a single step at a time; and when we take that step under the guidance of faith, we advance directly into a land of surrounding shadows and darkness. Like the patriarch Abraham, we go, not knowing whither we go, but only that God is with us. In man's darkness we nevertheless walk and live in God's light, a way of living blessed and glorlous, however mysterious it may be to human vision.—[Thomas C. Upham.

FERSONAL HOLINESS.

Every individual should feel, that while his influence over other men's hearts and characters is very bounded, his power over his own heart is great and constant, and that his seal for extending Christianity is to that he seal for extending the through his own mind and life. Let him remember that he as truly enlarges God's kingdom by invigorating his own moral and reniglous principles, as by communicating them to others. Our first concern is at home, our chief work is in our own breasts. It is tille to talk of our anxiety for other men's souls, if we neglect our own. Without personal virtue and religion, we cannot, even if we would, do much for the cause of Christ. It is only by purifying our own conceptions of God and duty, that we can give clear and useful ylews to others. We must first feel the power of religion, or we cannot recommend it with an unaffected and prevalent geal.—[Channing.

How to read the bible.

You cannot be holy unless you do in secret live upon the blessed Word of God, and you will not live on it unless it comes to you as the sacred word of His mouth. The Bible is not a book only, but a speaking trumpet through which God speaks from afar to you, so that you may catch the very tones of His voice. You must read the Word of God to this end, for it is while reading, meditating and studying, and seeking to dip yourself into its spirit, that it seems suddenly to change from a written book into a talking book or phonograph; it whispers to you or thunders at you as though God had hidden Himself among its leaves and spoke to your condition; as though Jesus, who feedeth among the liling, bud made the chapter to be lily beds, and bat come to feed there. Ask Jesus to cause His word to come fresh from His own mouth to your soul, and if it be so, and you thus live in daily communion with a personal Christ, you will then with your feet take hold upon His steps; then you will never decline to go back from His commandments, but you will make good speed in your pilgrim way to the eternal city—[Spurgeon.

11. "Serve the Lord with fear, and response points with trembling." The first step is to need the state of th

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This statement of Treasurer Boyer for the month ending March 3I show a balance of 46,490,003 75 in the state treasury, exclusive of moneys appropriated to the sinking fund. This amount is distributed among forty-two banks.

THE first nomination paper filed in the office of the secretary of the commonwealth under the new ballot law was that of B. K. Focht, editor of the Lewisburg Saturday News, to-day.

News, to-day.

The bark sheds at Kistler Bros.' tannery, Lock Haven, were burned last night, involving a loss on bark estimated at \$60,000, with \$45,000 insurance.

FIRE yesterday destroyed the residence and barn, near Huntingdon, of Alexander Riley, a lockey. \$390 in greenbacks were burned. No insurance.

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The report of the Bardsley Investigating Committee was presented to the Philadelphia Councils Committee of Finance for action. The committee advises certain changes in regard to city finances, and reports that Mr. Wanamaker had no dealings with Bardsley, and was in no way responsible for the wrecking of the Keystone bank. The city's loss by Bardsley's transactions will be \$581,554.

Howard D. McNebry, of Renovo, fell up-on the wheels of a moving freight train and was mangled so badly that he died three hours later,

The large barn on the Jerry Kimmell farm, east of Greensburg, was destroyed by fire. The fire is supposed to be the work of an incendiary. The loss is about \$3,000. No insurance.

At the hearing of the deferred license applicants at Huntingdon Judge Furst decreed that no sales of liquor shall be made over the bar in flasks, except to hotel gues's who may be sick and to other persons who will take it out of the city. He also ordered that all screens should be removed from saloon windows and doors and that 10 P. M. should be the hour of closing.

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REV JOSHUA SCHULTZ, while assisting in the funeral services of Abraham Krauss, at Palm station near Reading, died suddenly in the pulpit.

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MARSHALL G. KENNEDY, a Republican member of the lower house of the Pennsylvania legislature from Philadelphia, died at Philadelphia, aged 49 years. He was elected for the first time in 1891.

WILLIAM BLAKE, a well-known butcher, and William Gardner began quarreling in the shop, and a fight resulted, during which Gardner struck Blake on the head with a cleaver, inflicting a probably fatal wound. Gardner fied at once.

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GEORGE HARRAUGH, an employe of the Standard mines, Westmoreland county, was killed while dropping cars.

THE Rev. Mr. Hunter, of Fairchance, is about to organize a branch of the Law and Order Society, and begin war on Sunday newspapers.

Chief Burgess E. A. Bloser, of Newville, declares the Sunday sale of newspapers lilegal, and has forbidden their sale in that town.

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EMMA Fox, aged 20, was found on Gospel Hill, an outlying district of Altoona, dying from the effects of a revolver shot in the abdomen. She was unconscious, and died without speaking. The revolver was found ten feet away. The girl is of good parentage, and why she should kill herself, if she did, is a mystery.

THERE were 832 prisoners in the Western Penitentiary, Pittsburg, on Tuesday night, the largest number on record. The prison will accommodate 1,140 males and 40 females.

SUSTAINED THE NEW BALLOT LAW—Judge

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Sustained the New Ballot Law.—Judge McPherson, at Lebanon, rendered his opinion in the suit of Meredith et al., citizens and taxpayers, against the County of Lebanon, William F. Bension and others, commissioners, refusing the injunction asked for to restrain the commissioners from carrying into effect the provisions of the Baker election law. The case was speedily decided so that an appeal to the Supreme Court may be heard on April 18, when the Seranton and Philadelphia cases will be argued.

An insurance of \$500,000 has been placed on the public buildings at Harrisburg, in several companies.

COLONEL W. HAYES GRIER, of Columbia was appointed superintendent of public printing in place of Major Barton D. Evans, of West Chester. The commission will date from April 1.

Mrs. Rosanao Heinz, a demented woman of 75 years, was burned to death at Erie. While lighting her pipe she set fire to her clothing and then knelt down by her bed. When found she was in the attitude of prayer.

Jan Wah, a Chinese laundrymau of Wilkesbarre, has sued the Scranton Tribune for \$10,000 for printing a notice to the effect that he was afflicted with leprosy.

The Citizens' National Bank, of Pottstown, was authorized to begin business with a capital of \$100,000.

HENRY M. KULP, of Dublin, near Doylestown, has caused a great sensation by distown, has caused a great sensation by dis-appearing from his family and home. He was a prominent man in his neighborhood, and it now transpires that he has committed some extensive forgeries. One of his vic-tims is the Rev. Abraham F. Myers, a Men-nonite midister. The sheriff of Bucks coun-ty is searching for Kulp, Executions amount-ing to several thousand dollars were issued against Kulp.

THE L. and O. people have begun their work on the sale of Sunday papers at Johns-

town.

The dry house, lumber house and stable of the planing mill company at Freeport was burned last night. Loss \$6,000, partly insured. It is believed that dydamite was used to fire the buildings.

Dr. Jackson, of Clark's Mills, drank sul-phuric acid in mistake for water. He can-not eat or speak. His suffering is terrible. However, there are chances for his recov-

MAYOR STUART, of Philadelphia, vetoed the ordinance giving the Philadelphia Traction Company permission to introduce the trolly system on a large number of streets. The Councils passed the measures over the

The pardon of John A. Meilon and William H. Porter of the Beaver Star, for libeling Senator Quay, was ordered by Governor Pattison, and the editors are now free.

April 14 and May 16 have been fixed as Arbor days by Governor Pattison. The jury in the Mills murder case at Butler, returned a second degree verdict.

Muse DeLLA CLINEFALTER died very sud-denly from blood poisening, at New Castle. About three months ago she scaled her leg and foot badly. She put on a pair of hose for the first time early this week, and last night she suddenly expired, the black stocking on the injured foot having caused blood poisoning, which went at once to the heart.

An icicle fell in the Hekla mine, near Greensburg and instantly killed &dward