

DR. TALMAGE'S SUNDAY SERMON

AN ELOQUENT DISCOURSE

The Eleventh of the New York Herald's Competitive Sermons is on "The Sin of Despising Others"—Dr. Talmage Preaches on "Traps For the Unwary."

"He that despiseth his neighbor sinneth." Prov. xiv., 21.

There is a great deal of sin in the world which the ordinary conscience neither recognizes nor condemns. With most of us the standard of right and wrong is purely conventional. If we do not break the letter of the Ten Commandments; if we keep clear of acts which public opinion forbids; if we maintain our character upon which society sets its brand; then we feel at peace within ourselves and make sure that we are God's elect.

We do not see what subtle and far-reaching things good and evil are doing in their intercourse themselves into all our acts, our words and motives, and secret thoughts even; and how they depend, not upon the fashion of the hour or the place, but upon eternal and unchanging principles which enlighten and sensitive conscience would see sin in a thousand things which pass with the majority as indifferent, if not actually praiseworthy. It is not in nice points of religious observance that place our moral character above suspicion half so much as in those weightier matters of justice and mercy and truth which are involved in all our business and intercourse of daily life.

There is no such thing as real independence. And hence for any man to despise his neighbor is just as wrong and foolish as it would be for the heave to set other feet. "I have no need of you," for his influence, as far as it goes, operates to the disorganization of society—to the breaking up of that unity and sympathy upon which the general happiness and well-being depend. Despising your neighbor is to sin against your own soul. By such conduct the great forces ever operating for the formation of your own character and the shaping of your destiny are undervalued. We depend upon each other.

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TRAPS FOR THE UNWARY.

Various Pitfalls Exposed by the Rev. Dr. Talmage.

TEXT: "I did but taste a little honey with the end of the rod that was in my hand, and lo, I must die."—I Samuel xiv., 45.

FEW MEN TAKE A VALUABLE PRIZE. NAMES FORGOTTEN.

Names Forgotten.

An Unarmed Transport Captures a Blockade Runner.

Among the many brave acts of the rank and file of the Union army during the civil war that are seldom if ever mentioned was the capture of the blockade runner Emma in August, 1863.

The capture was one of the most unique and interesting of domestic life that the war, writes a veteran in the National Tribune. It was accomplished through a "big bluff," resulting in a prize of \$50,000, and the most interesting episode of August 2, 1863.

The attention of the Arago's Captain was called to it, and after a close run, both the steamship and the blockade runner either a rebel or an English ship. He at once gave chase.

The crew of the Emma were under the influence of liquor, and the faucet of a whisky barrel was turned and the deck was being flooded with liquor. The Captain and crew had been transferred to the Arago, the Emma was taken in tow and brought to New York, and the ship and its cargo were soon after condemned and sold by the government for the sum of \$50,000.

Lathrop was a member of Co. B, 6th Conn., and had just been discharged for a temporary disability. Later, he entered the Regular Army in the 14th U. S. Cavalry and remained until 1867.

His Interpolated Prayer.

In the new Polychrome Bible the name of the Deity is given as Jhvh. This vowelless form being as near the original Hebrew as the English alphabet can express it.

OUR INDUSTRIES.

THE TOTAL PRODUCTION OF IRON IN 1897.

The American Iron and Steel Association gives the total production of pig iron in 1897 as 9,652,880 gross tons, against 8,222,127 tons in 1896, a 16.5 per cent. increase.

Negotiations are now in progress by which the large plant of the Potstow Iron Company at Potstow, Pa., will resume operations in full at an early date.

The Youngstown, O., Steel Roofing Company, which started with a capital of \$100,000, has decided to increase the stock to \$500,000 and make a number of important improvements to increase its capacity for production.

The Wilkes rolling mill, Sharon, Pa., which has been idle for three years, resumed operations last week.

Charles Miner, a 12-year-old West Charleston (W. V.) boy, threw a stone at some hogs the other day, but it went wild and hit a pet dog.

Kansas City has a cable road of which the driving power is an electric motor.

THE FARM GARDEN.

Value of Hog Manure.

Hog manure is a valuable fertilizer, and is very rich in phosphorus and nitrogen. It is especially valuable for growing corn and other crops.

Apple Pomace as Feed.

There is considerable nutriment in pomace as it comes from the mill. Stock will eat it quite readily if fed before it begins to ferment.

Rye After Turnips.

Turnips are the latest crop to be harvested, and as they continue to grow after light frosts, there is not much chance to put in a later crop after them.

PHILADELPHIA.

Table of market prices for flour, wheat, and other commodities in Philadelphia.

CINCINNATI.

Table of market prices for flour, wheat, and other commodities in Cincinnati.

NEW YORK.

Table of market prices for flour, wheat, and other commodities in New York.

LIVE STOCK.

Table of market prices for various types of live stock.

Statisticians claim that the earth will not support more than about 5,000,000,000 people.

A Huge Commercial Fleet.

The Hamburg steamship line owns sixty-two steamers at present.

THE FARM GARDEN.

Care of the Garden.

If the garden is thoroughly under-drained, as it always ought to be, it should be fall plowed in ridges and the surface left rough, so as to expose the soil as much as possible to freezing.

Late Grown Turnips.

There is no crop grown so easily and with so little cost as late-grown turnips in a field of well-cultivated corn.

Cherry Trees Standing in Grass.

Our experience with cherry trees is that they do not require cultivation. Those we had in the garden were always more liable to rot and to be affected by insects than the trees that stood in dry places and surrounded by grass.

Warning to Dairymen.

The Country Gentleman, under the heading, "Beware of Aniline Butter Color," publishes a column of affidavits to prove that a little child about two years old got hold of a bottle of one of the fashionable makes of butter color, got some of it in its mouth, and in a few hours died from plain symptoms of poisoning.

Dehorned Cattle Sell Better.

A circular issued by a cattle commission company that is in no way supposed to be prejudiced on the subject beyond making more money for both buyer and seller says: "Dehorned cattle sell better than horned cattle for all purposes. They are preferred by shippers, feeders and packers."

Dublin Lawyer's Remark.

A Dublin lawyer, writing of an estate he has just bought, said: "There is a chapel upon it, in which my wife and I wish to be buried if God spares our lives."

Linseed vs. Cotton-Seed Meal.

While fully grown animals with strong digestive organs can eat cotton-seed meal properly diluted with straw or hay without serious injury,

MARKETS.

PITTSBURGH.

Table of market prices for flour, wheat, and other commodities in Pittsburgh.

DAIRY PRODUCTS.

Table of market prices for various dairy products.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Table of market prices for various fruits and vegetables.

POULTRY, ETC.

Table of market prices for various types of poultry and other items.

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