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an advocate of the strenuous life and impossible to resist. It was really range are apt to be sicklied o'er with a mighty hunter of elephants and a defense and vindication of Chris- the pale cast of thought. And leavtrusts. Mr. Bryan, to judge from tian belief, thought and life, present- ing aside the factor of personality, last night, is an advocate of the re- ed from the point of view of a be- are not the evidences which Mr. ligious life, and a mighty hunter liever, with all the force of intellec- Bryan cites for belief in a sure if against trusts and trickery, and tual and moral conviction, with a gradual betterment irrefutable-the against the degrading theory of the freshness of illustration and forci- spread of education, the democratimonkey origin of man.

the great world missionary confer- that one never thought of oratory at these vivifying ideas among larger ence in Edinburgh next month as all. It seemed just like a simple talk, bodies sometimes seems to lower the one of thirty-six delegates from the words and ideas flowed as from a average expression of them; but, of great Presbyterian church of North limitless fountain, smooth and clear, course, it is a real gain that the America. He made a pause in his and without any apparent effort. judgments of what is right and fair journey to deliver his lecture, en-titled 'The Prince of Peace.' The not help recalling memories of our man to be and to do should no longlecture, like the lecturer, is a great own John Bright. No one who heard er be confined to speakers and writtraveler. It first saw the light in that great orator could fail to be ers born in the broadcloth, but 1904, and has since been a light to impressed by the beauty of the lan- should circulate through warehouse many audiences in many lands from guage, the limpid clearness of the and workshop. That is the tendency Canada to Cairo, from Mexico to sentences, the pleasant play of voice of the age, and, as Mr. Bryan con-Manila, from New Jersey to old Jeru- and features, the forcefulness and tends, it can not fail to be of promise salem, from Bombay until its latest, ease of the delivery and the sim- for progress in the best sense. but I hope not its last, scintillation plicity with which great truths were in Belfast.

Bryan on his way through Belfast and one had time to take a compreon his way to his latest, though per- hensive view of the whole matter confined to any class. He is enough haps not his last, presidential cam- and manner that he began to realize of an American to believe that the paign. He seems to me to be one the full brilliancy of the orator and dollars do matter considerably, but of those men who, like good wine- the beauty and charm of the oration. too much of a humanist to believe if there be such, which many doubt So was it with me last night. I -improve by age or get younger could think of nothing for the mo- tribution of them. An Edison may the more strenuous the life they ment but the charm of the delivery, lead. I admit I only saw him for a the freshness of the illustrations, the nity facilities and benefits which are few minutes coming off the Ardros- beauty and forcefulness of the almost priceless, measured in coin san boat, and then he seemed to me thought and the expression. It was of the realm; so may a great sura much older man than he appeared only when all was over, and I had geon like Lister or a great entreprelast night, and I can scarcely imag- time to contemplate the lecture as ine that a run from Ardrossan to a whole, that I was able fully to Belfast would have taken the fresh- realize that I had been listening to der to the community is in some inness out of such a seasoned voyager. one of the greatest orators of the It may be that the anxieties of the age, discussing the greatest theme coming fight might have imparted that could interest humanity with some lines in his face.

the platform of the Assembly hall with a manifest sincerity and earn-I could scarcely imagine that the estness that elevated alike the lechale, hearty, and jocund-looking turer and the lecture." gentleman who beamed on us in the full play of evening dress was the same gentleman whom I met only a year or two ago. As I looked at him I could not help imagining that he must have discovered the secret of happiness, as well as the secret of in the Bradford Mechanics' Institute any just and reliable measure of ex- The News-Herald, Overton, Ky. 1.50 perpetual youth, or at least of that is a good assurance that the star to jocundity which is supposed to be a special attribute of youth.

bleness of presentation that was not sation of government, the sharpening only captivating, but convincing. As of the moral sense among individuals "Mr. Bryan is now on his way to to the oratory, its great charm was and communities? The spread of pressed home by arguments, illustra- to his kite-to frame a working rule tions, facts, and experience that it of good citizenship-Mr. Bryan sup-"I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. was only when the orator sat down plied a corrective to the mercantile a nobility of thought and feeling, with a beautiful simplicity and ease "At any rate, when he ascended that was the perfection of art, and

A LAYMAN'S SERMON

The high-toned and stimulating address which Mr. Bryan delivered the difficult question whether there is which Emerson advised us to hitch

In the endeavor to attach a string view of life, an error which is not in the millennium through a redisbring within reach of the communeur like Lesseps. The worth of the services which individuals may renstances incalculable. But quite certainly these magnificent donors are the exceptions, and Mr. Bryan recommends as the only safe rule in monetary matters the resolve to give good value for all that is received. This ideal of service running over the bushel will, he conceives, reduce the main chance to its proper proportions. It is Mazzini's counsel over again, that democracy will be saved not by insisting on its rights, but on its duties, and the message is no doubt timely. It leaves aside change between the utility of service rendered and the means of material enjoyment, but it does so by proour wagons has not suffered from the pounding a doctrine which if faith-"In my younger days, when my comets. Probably every nation in fully followed would render the other superfluous. it is still, of course, were working for the common good guarantee that result. It is a very comfortable assurance; but although it may be true, as Mr. Bryan argues, modern transcendentalists and such the world hitherto they have been a unique example of democratic the response of his intuitions to some call of the mind or the spirit, some recognition of the worth of an ideal .--- The Yorkshire Observer.

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mind and eye were filled with por- turn has produced some fine enthutraits and caricatures of Abraham siast to keep in view this beacon a counsel of perfection, but therein Lincoln, I regarded all Americans as of all mankind's wanderings. Since it certainly does not differ from all lank, livery, cadaverous-looking gen- the death of Mr. Gladstone the dic- the Utopias of the political perfectlemen, with firm, half-shaven jaws, tates of idealism have been rather at tionists. The socialistic state would surmounting a chin decorated with a a discount on the public platforms assuredly fall to pieces very speedily goatee that seemed to be like nothing of this country, and at the first blush unless in the great majority of inon earth that I had been accustomed it seems a little strange that the ac- stances its component officials obto. Age destroys the illusions or cents should be evoked anew by the served Mr. Bryan's principle to give delusions of youth. It has been my representative of a country which is better than they got. Its advocates good fortune to meet hundreds of commonly thought of as embodying reply that the knowledge that they Americans in my mature years, but to an unparalleled extent the worif I may judge from them, the Yan- ship of the almighty dollar. Yet would be a sufficient inducement to kee body and beard that I associated there is, of course, nothing new in with Americans in my youth are as the paradox. More than sixty years extinct as the Dodo. The majority have passed since Emerson urged the of Americans that I have met have Young American to obey his heart that a change of vision may suddenbeen representatives of strong, vigor- and be the nobility of the land. The ly transfigure the whole motive and ous manhood, rotund, rubicund, well same community which has produced mood of a man, such conversions lined and well livered, with whom the Vanderbilts and the Rockefellers do not commonly come about by acts good digestion seemed to wait on also nourished that greatest of the of parliament. In all the history of appetite, and health on both.

looks every inch a man, from the Mr. Bryan, too, proclaims himself sole of his boots to the top of his on the side of the angels, and no head. He seems to carry a fine one could listen to his earnest dehead on substantial shoulders and fense of generous ideas-enforced by body; a man on whom cares and many a shrewd and pregnant saying life sat lightly, a man who is neither --without feeling him to be a man wearied of the world, nor worried of insight and conviction. Such by it, a man who looks the optimist testimony is no small matter. Here he says he is. And what he says on is one who bears all the lineaments that point I have no hesitation in be- of a strong man, who has seen the lieving.

cult to characterize it. It was practi- verdict is soberly but firmly optimfscally a sermon, relieved by touches tic and altruistic. Such an assurof humor, but punctuated by ap- ance can not fail to bring encourageplause which the audience found it ment to some who in their narrower!

"Mr. Bryan is one of those. He statesmanship as Abraham Lincoln. life of communities in many lands, has participated at close quarters in "Coming to the lecture, it is diffi- the vicissitudes of his own, and his

Discreet

'May I-may I kiss you, dear?" Said he.

First I want one thing made clear." Said she.

'Have you e'er kissed maid before. Or tried?"

"No," he answered-she was sure He lied.

Then, with willing lips, she whis-Pered, "Well,

Yes, you may, since you don't kiss And tell."-Boston Transcript.

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