The Story of the Crossing of the Jordan Lessons Taught By the Destruction and Rebuilding of the Church.

Upon the dedication of his new taberto a great union meeting from the text: "What mean ye by these stones?" Joshua, iv. 6. The pastor sald:

The Jordan, like the Mississippi, has bluffs on the one side and flats on the not only the Acropolis, but Mars hill. other. Here and there a sycamore shadows it. Here and there a willow dips into it. It was only a little over waist deep in December when I waded us to go ahead. The Israelites had been | these stones?" going around for forty years, and they

soldier says to his comrade, "Joseph, stones?" can you swim?" And another says: "If the tramp of the great multitude.

abatement of the flood. Bad prospects! enough for Thee. ward! Now the priests have come within one step of the river. This time and Heaven, and hell. they lift their feet from the solid ground and put them down into the raging stream. No sooner are their feet there than the Jordan flies. On the right hand God piles up a great mounriver, for hours, halts and rears. The from that wall of floods and like a hun- on earth where there is a mingling of both timber of twenty-two years' dred cataracts they plunge and roar in all denominations it is our church. I thunderous triumph to the sea.

How are they to celebrate this passage? Shall it be with music? I suppose the trumpet and cymbals were all

been wandering about for a year and a tion: "One Lord, one faith, one baphalf worshiping in the Academy of tism." upon the waters. Some of the sympa- peace I give unto you." group of memorials. What mean you the church of the future. by those stones?" By permission of the Still further, you mean by these stones works were cutting up a large cherry

rent at the crucifixion. That heard the they had rather die than live another grudges" against their neighbors. It well worked in the whole became an ery, "It is finished." Was any church hour without his sympathy and love was usual to do this in the dead of excellent sandy loam, just the soil for

Sinal, he said, "we can easier bring two rocks than one, for we must balance get under its saving influence. "Come them on the back of the camel," and I thou and all thy house into the orb."

In the does not evaporate, wash away or become consumed in the growth of plants you the end of the boring) the two as with manure.—Western Rural.

did not think until the day of their ar- Do you think a man is safe out of rival how much more suggestive would Christ? Not one day, not one hour, not be the two because the law was written Dr. Talmage Discourses in His New on two tables of stones. Those two stones marked with the words "Mount ber, a train broke down a bridge on the Sinai," felt the earthquake that shook the mountains when the law was given. trophe they were looking around the The lower stone of the wall is from timbers of the crushed bridge and the Mars hill, the place where Paul stood fallen train and found the conductor. when he preached that famous sermon He was dying and had only strength to on the brotherhood of the human race, say one thing, and that was: "Hotst the declaring, "God hath made of one blood flag for the next train." So there come all nations." Since Lord Elgin took to us to-night, from the eternal word, nacle at Brooklyn Dr. Talmage preached the famous statuary from the Acropolis, the hill adjoining Mars hill, the Greek of departed spirits, crying: "Lift the government makes it impossible to warning; blow the trumpet; give the transport to other lands any Egyptian alarm; hoist the flag for the next train." antiquities, and armed soldiery guard

That stone I obtained by special permission from the queen of Greece, a You will never see so good a time for most gracious and brilliant woman, personal consecution as now. "Wha who received us as though we had been through it, but in the months of April old acquaintances. That suggestive your redemption from sin, and death and May the snows on Mount Lebanon tablet was sawed from the pulpit of and hell, by the power of an omnipo thaw and flow down into the valley, rock on which Paul preached. Now tent gospel." and then the Jordan overflows its banks. | you understand why we have marked Then it is wide, deep, raging and im- it "The Gospel." Long after my lips erected again. We came here to-night petuous. At this season of the year I shall utter in this church their last not to dedicate it. That was done this hear the tramp of 40,000 armed men message, these lips of stone will tell of morning. To-night we dedicate ourcoming down to cross the river. You the law, and the sacrifice and the selves. In the Episcopal and Methodist say, why do they not go up nearer the gospel. This day I present them to churches they have a railing around the rise of the river at the old camel ford? this church and to all who shall gaze altar and the people come and kneel Ah, my friends, it is because it is not upon them. Thus you have my answer down at that railing and get the sacrasafe to go around when the Lord tells to the question, "What mean you by mental blessing. Well, my friends, it

But you must not divert me from the you in circles around this altar. Then had enough of it. I do not know how question of the text as I first put it. I just bow where you are for the blessit is with you, my brethren, but I have have interpreted these four memorials ing. Aged men, this is the last church always got into trouble when I went on my right hand, but there are hun- that you will ever dedicate. around, but always got into safety when dreds of stones in these surrounding May the God who comforted Jacob and underneath us in the foundations the patriarch, and Paul the aged, make There spreads out the Jordan, a rag- and rising above us in the towers. The this house to you the gate of Heaven; ing torrent, much of it snow water just quarries of this and transatlantic and when in your old days you put on come down from the mountain top; and countries at the call of crowbar and your spectacles to read the hymn or the I see some f the Israelites shivering at chisel have contributed toward this Scripture lesson may you get preparathe idea of plunging in, and one old structure. "What mean ye by these tion for that land where you shall no

You mean among other things that | the warm sunshine of Heaven thaw the we get across this stream we will get they shall be an earthly residence for snow off your foreheads! Men in the there with wet clothes and with dam- Christ. Christ did not have much of a midlife, do you know that this is the aged armor, and the Canaanites will home when He was here. Who and place where you are going to get your slash us to pieces with their swords before we get up the other bank." But it born in an outhouse. Where is that peased, and your souls saved? is no time to halt. The great host hard breathing? It is Jesus, asleep on Do you know that at this marches on. The priests carrying the a rock. Who is that in the back part of altar your sons and daughters will ark go ahead, the people follow. Thear the fishing smack with a sailor's rough take upon themselves the vows of overcoat over him? It is Jesus, the the Christian, and from this place will The priests have now come within a worn out voyager. O, Jesus, is it not you carry out, some of you, your stone's throw of the water. Yet still time that Thou hadst a house? We precious dead? Between this baptismal there is no abatement of the flood. give Thee this. Thou didst give it to font and this communion table, you Now they have come within four or us first, but we give it back to Thee. will have some of the tenderest of life's field and know exactly how much it BACON-Hams. five feet of the stream, but there is no It is too good for us, but not good experiences. God bless you, old and contains.

It seems as if these Israelites that Is it not time that He who was born you have given to this church to-day crossed the desert are now going to be in a stranger's house and buried in a will be, I hope, the best financial indrowned in sight of Canaan. But "for- stranger's grave should have an earthly vestment you have ever made. Your ward" is the cry. The command rings house? Come in, O Jesus! not the corpse worldly investments may depend upon all along the line of the host. "For- of a buried Christ, but a radiant and the whims of the money market, or the

He lives, all glory to His name, He lives, my Jesus, still the same, O, the sweet joy this sentence gives-I know that my Redeemer lives.

Blessed be His glorious name forever! Again, if any one asks the question of tain of floods; on the left the waters the text: "What mean ye by these flow off toward the sea. The great stones?" the reply is, we mean the communion of saints. Do you know back waters, not being able to flow that there is not a single denomination over the passing Israelites, pile wave on of Christians in Brooklyn that has not wave until perhaps a sea bird would find contributed something toward the some difficulty in scaling the water building of this house? And if ever, the fuel for cooking and warmth, the cliff. Now the priests and all the peo-ple have gone over on dry land. The a man who shall try by anything he tion of its waste were the subjects of water on the left hand side by this time had reached the sea; and now that the different denominations of ward IV. there were enacted many the miraculous passage has been made, Christians, may his tongue falter stand back and see this stupendous pile and his cheek blanch, and his heart of waters leap. God takes the hand stop! My friends, if there is any church

just wish that John Calvin and Arminius, if they were not too busy, would come out on the battlements and see us. Sometimes in our prayer meetings worn out before this. Shall it be with I have heard brethren use the phrases banners waving? O, no; they are all of a beautiful liturgy, and we know faded and torn. Joshua cries out: "I where they came from; and in the same will tell you how to celebrate this: prayer meetings I have heard brethren Build a monument here to commem- make audible ejaculation, "Amen!" orate the event;" and every priest puts "Praise ye the Lord!" and we did not a heavy stone on his shoulder and have to guess twice where they came marches out and drops that stone in the from. When a man knocks at our divinely appointed place. I see the pile | church door, if he comes from a sect | growing in height, in breadth, in sig- where they will not give him a certifi- trees. nificance, and in after years men went cate, we say: "Come in by confession by that spot and saw the monument and of faith." While Adoniram Judson, the cried one to another, in fulfillment of Baptist, and John Wesley, the Methodthe prophecy of the text: "What mean ist, and John Knox, the glorious old Scotch Presbyterian, are shaking hands Blessed be God, he did not leave our in Heaven, all churches on earth can church in the wilderness! We have afford to come into close communica-

Music, Brooklyn, and the Academy of I saw a little child once, in its dying Music, New York. And some thought hour, put one arm around its father's we would never reach the promised neck, and the other arm around its land. Some said we had better take mother's neck, and bring them close this route, and others that. Some said down to its dying lips, and give a last we had better go back, and some said kiss. O, I said, those two persons will there were sons of Anak in the way stand very near to each other always that would cat us up; and before the after such an interlocking. The dying smoke had cleared away from the sky | Christ puts one arm around this denomiafter our tabernacle had been con- nation of Christians, and the other arm sumed, people stood on the very site of around that denomination of Christians, the place and said: "This church will and He brings them down to His dying never again be built." We came down lips, while He gives them His parting to the bank of Jordan; we looked off kiss: "My peace I leave with you. My

thy that was expressed turned out to How swift the heavenly course they run, be snow water melted from the top of Whose hearts, and faith and hopes are one. Lebanon. Some said: "You had better | I beard a Baptist preacher once say not go in; you will get your feet wet." that he thought in the millennium it But we waded in, pastor and people, would be all one great Baptist church; further and further, and in some and I heard a Methodist minister say way, the Lord only knows how, that he thought in the great millennial we got through; and to-night I go all day it would be all one great Methodaround about this great house, erected | ist church; and I have known a Presbyby your prayers, and sympathies, and terian minister who thought that in the sacrifices, and cry out in the words of millennial day it would be all one great my text: "What mean ye by these Presbyterian church. Now, I think stones?" It is an outrage to build a they are all mistaken. I think the house like this, so vast and so magnifi- millennial church will be a composite cent, unless there be some tremendous | church; and just as you may take the reason for doing it; and so, my friends, best parts of five or six tunes, and un-I pursue you to-night with the question | der the skillful hands of a Handel, Moof my text, and I demand of these zart or Beethoven, entwine them into trustees and of these elders and of all one grand and overpowering symphony, who have contributed in the building so, I suppose, in the latter days of the which was severely enforced, planted of this structure, "What mean ye by these stones?" But before I get your all denominations of Christians and down.—Nineteenth Century. answer to my question you point to the | weave them into one great ecclesiasticmemorial wall at the side of this pulpit al harmony, broad as the earth and An Old-Time Method of Getting "Square" and say to me, "Explain that unusual high as the heavens, and that will be

people of my beloved charge I recently the salvation of the people. We did not tree at the circular-saw bench when visited the Holy lands, and having in build this church for more worldly re- something squirted in the sawyer's face mind by day and night during my ab- forms or for an educational institution, and ran over the bench in all directions. sence this rising house of prayer, I be- or as a platform on which to read The engine was stopped, and an examthought myself, "What can I do to make essays and philosophical disquisitions, ination showed that the saw had struck that place significant and glorious?" | but a place for the tremendous work of a cavity in the tree and liberated a con-On the morning of December 3 we soul saving. O, I had rather be the siderable quantity of quicksilver, after were at the foot of the most sacred means in this church of having one estimated as half a gill. The log was mountain of all the earth, Mount Cal- soul prepared for a joyful eternity than carefully examined, and it was found vary. There is no more doubt of the 5,000 souls prepared for mere worldly that many years previously a hole had locality than of Mount Washington or success. All churches are in two been bored in a slanting downward di-Mount Blanc. On the bluff of this classes, all communities in two classes, rection through the heart of the tree, mountain which is the exact shape of the human skull, and so called in the lievers and unbelievers. To augment carefully plugged. The rings of the Trible "the place of a skull," there is the number of the one and subtract tree showed that it was ninety years room for three crosses. There I saw a from the number of the other we built old, and that after the hole had been stone so suggestive that I rolled it down this church; and toward that supreme plugged the growth had covered the the hill and transported it. It is at the and eternal idea we dedicate all our head of the plug with several inches of top of this wall, a white stone with sermous, all our songs, all our prayers, solid wood. As it was known the tree crimson veins running through it, the all our Sabbath hand-shakings. We came out of an old cherry orchard at white typical of purity, the crimson want to throw defection into the Allerton, Yorkshire, where yearly "a suggestive of the blood that paid the enemy's ranks We want to make them cherry feast" used to be held, it was price of our redemption. We place it either surrender unconditionally to thought the quicksilver had been put at the top of the memorial wall, for Christ or else fly in rout, scattering the in the tree in connection with some old Thomas, we had three or four inches of above all in this church for all time, in way with canteens, blankets and knap- ceremony, but later it was found that sand carted on part of a garden, the sermon and song and prayer shall be sacks. We want to popularize Christ. up to thirty or forty years ago quick- soil of which was too clayer for the the sacrifice of Mount Calvary. Look We would like to tell the story of his at it. That stone was one of the rocks love here until men would feel that or other trees by those who had den vegetables. When this sand was

one minute, not one second.

Three or four years ago, you rememway to Albany, and after the catasvoices of God, voices of angels, voices Oh, that to-night my Lord Jesus would sweep His arm around this great audience and take you all to His holy heart. mean ye by these stones?" We mean

Well, the Brooklyn tabernacle is would take more than a night to gather

more see through a glass darkly. May young, and middle aged. The money

honesty of business associates; but the money you have given to the house of the Lord shall yield you large percentage, and declare eternal dividends long after the noon-day sun shall have gone out like a spark from a smitten

anvil and all the stars are dead. OLD-WORLD FOREST LAWS. Stringent Regulations For the Protection either end to the ground. This pole is

of Trees. In early times, when houses were built of wood and all the ships were made of wood, and when wood formed cultivation of timber and the prevenstatutes for the planting, securing, cutting and ordering of woods, copses and underwoods. By act of Queen Elizagrowth was exempted for a longer period from the payment of tithe, "to render it complete and more effectual

to their improvement." In the seventeenth century no farmer to set the points at six or seven feet for was permitted in the Duchy of Luxem- laying out raspberry rows. bourg to fell a timber tree without his being able to show that he had planted another, and a custom existed at that time around Frankfort, spoken of as inviolable, under which the young farmer, before he had leave to marry, was obliged to produce a certificate of his having set a number of walnut

Under the law of Edward IV., wood in parks forms the subject of special mansion house, could be interfered side of a building. with. In parts of Germany, where a dinarily fertile-"a constant and plentiful mast bearer"-there were laws to prohibit its being felled without special leave; and in England owners of

down timber "without view of officers." The iron industry, dependent then as it is now upon the neighborhood of fuel for its manufacture, flourished in the Weald of Sussex on account of the extent and amount of oak timber. In wood was going to be felled an officer would first mark for ship timber certain trees to be spared. In Biscav. again, every proprietor, under a law

"SPITING" A NEIGHBOR.

Workmen employed at a chair-making on earth honored with such a memorial?

Beneath it are two tables of stone which I had brought from Mount Sinai be the day of emancipation of all important where the law was given. Three where the law was given. Three was given. Three was given to do this in the dead of night. A piece of bark was first carefully taken off, the hole bored, quick-silver poured in, the hole plugged, and it was done in winter when there was prisoned souls. My friends, do not last the bit of bark was carefully reliable of the man and team to do, where the law was given. Three prisoned souls. My friends, do not last the out of park was carefully recamels were three weeks crossing the desert to fetch them. When at Cairo, ters in Noah's time who helped to build of the sap began to wither. In the Egypt, I proposed to the Christian Arab the ark, but did not get into it. God present case the attempt was a failure, will for a century to come, as the sand that he bring one stone from Mount forbid that you who have been so gen- for except where the quicksilver had does not evaporate, wash away or be-

AGRICULTURAL HINTS. MEASURING LAND.

Three Devices Which Enable Every Farm-At odd times in the last few months ! have been amusing myself in accurate bearing it. This is a mistake. The ly measuring different fields and plan- "M" stands for Morgan, George T. tations on my place, previously esti- Morgan, who is the originator of the mated by pacing. I can on nearly level design. Upon the same side there is ground pace quite accurately five paces another "M," also the initial of the deto the rod, as for example a rhombus signer. This is to be found in the wavshaped piece which I paced and made ing locks of the fair goddess, and is so to contain 140 rods, measured when cleverly concealed in the lines of the tested with a rod pole 137 rods. I im- design that it can only be seen after a agine that a good many berry growers long scrutiny. A prominent mint ofas well as farmers have only a vague ficial, in speaking of this other initial, idea of just exactly how large any par- said that he had it shown to him scores ticular field is, and therefore in stating of times, but could never find it unasvields either wrong themselves or the sisted -Philadelphia Record. public. Not many months ago I saw a

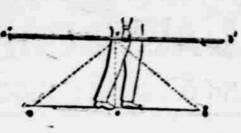
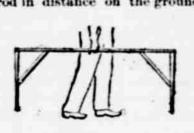


FIG. 1 .- MEASURING LAND.

and therefore his large yields had been still larger. To the unthinking reader this doubtless reflected additional glory to that writer.

"Here is a man," they would say, who has been getting nearly fortyfour bushels of wheat to the acre and he has contented himself with stating that he got thirty-eight; he surely does not overstate things." To the thinking, careful reader, however, this difference of more than an acre in the estimate of a twelve-acre field will bring distrust and doubt. A man who has for curacy, making them the corner stones | WHEAT-No. 7 red...... of successful farming, has no business to make such an error. He should know to the very last square yard how | KIE-No. 1 excuse for making erroneous statements by estimates. It is not difficult CHEESE-Full cream to rapidly and accurately measure a EGGS-Choice.

The most rapid but not most accurate LARD. is illustrated in Fig. 1; a b represents a POTATOES half rod in distance on the ground, a'



b' represents a pole just long enough to measure this distance by touching just as long as from a to e added to CORN-No. 2 the distances from e to b. The pole is first touched to the ground at a, then tilted over without moving the position of the hand until he touches the ground, thus measuring the half rod of course. The length of the measure will vary as the person is tall or short. Used In this way, a person does not have to stop at every measure. Fig. 2 is simply a pair of wooden compasses with legs eight or ten feet long, connected with a stay rod so that the points are eight feet three inches apart, measuring half a rod at a time. The stay rod should be detachable at one end and there may be other holes so as

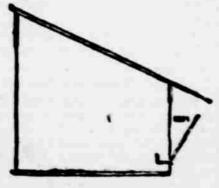
When not in use it may be folded up fruit house. It is put together with light carriage bolts. Fig. 3 represents the most accurate and convenient

for nearly level land, there being no legislation. Cattle and colts were not chance for error. It can be used among allowed to graze the woods until four growing crops as well as bare ground. years after a fall; and to prevent the It should be strong and light, and so destructive razing and converting of securely framed and braced as to make woods into pasture, no wood of two the points unyielding. When not in acres and above two furlongs from the use it may be hung on two pegs on the

Money and time is often saved in single tree was observed to be extraor- knowing just how large a field is, especially where the seeds are bought to sow it or plants to plant it. Nothing is quite so annoying as to have a shortage of a trifle, especially when a little forewoods within chases were forbidden, to thought and exact knowledge would use the phraseology of the time, to cut have prevented it. - Popular Gardening.

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may be built near the sheds, so that the work of feeding will not take much time. Rough stakes three inches apart keep the hay from falling into the shed. and through them the sheep feed. At the bottom a small box runs the length of the rack. It is ten inches from the ground and made tight, so it will catch all the broken hay and clover leaves. Here also the grain may be fed. The most expensive part of many structures is their roof. This one has no stone underpinning and the roof has such a steep pitch that boards may take the place of shingles. Such a roof may be made warmer by nailing battens over the cracks, and more durable by soaking it with crude petroleum.-Hollister Sage, in N. E. Homestead.

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