

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

His text was taken from Luke vi, 17: "And he came down with them and stood in the plain."

Christ on the mountain is a frequent study. We have seen him on the Mount of Olives, Mount of Beatitudes, Mount Moriah, Mount Calvary, Mount of Ascension, and it is glorious to study him on these great natural elevations.

Now, that is what the world wants today more than anything else—a Christ on the level, easy to get at, no ascending, no descending, approachable from all sides—Christ on the plain.

The question among all consecrated people today is, what is the matter with the ministers? Many of them are engaged in picking holes in the bible and apologizing for this and apologizing for that.

The reason christianity has not made more rapid advance is because the people are asked to believe too many things. There are, I believe, today, millions of good christians who have never joined the church and are not counted among the Lord's friends.

And see how he made an immortal liturgy out of the publican's cry: "God be merciful to me, a sinner," a prayer so short that the most overwhelmed offender can utter it, and long enough to win celestial dominions.

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The full change will have to come from the rising ministry. We now in the field are too set in our ways. We are lumbered up with technicalities. We have too many pedias and systems of theology on our head to get down on the plain.

Come on, young men of the ministry. Take this pulpit, take all the pulpits and in the language of the street and the market-place and the family circle, preach Christ on the plain.

Johnstown freshet and disaster, when a government station was opened for the supply of bread, and it took the officers of the law to keep the sufferers in line, because of the great rush for food.

Astronomers have been busy measuring worlds, and they have told us how great is the circumference of this world and how great is its diameter, yea, they have kept on until they have weighed our planet and found its weight to be six sextillion tons.

Christ on the plain, I care not from what side you approach him, you can touch him and get his help. It is mental depression you suffer? Remember him who said: "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"

That Christ is in sympathy with all who have trouble with their eyes and that is becoming an almost universal trouble through much reading in rail cars and the over-pressure of study in schools where children are expected to be philosophers at 10, boys and girls at 14 with spectacles.

Witness blind Bartimeus. Witness the two blind men in the house. Witness the two blind men near Jerico. Witness the man born blind. Did he not turn their perpetual midnight into noon, till they ran up and down clapping their hands and saying, "See! I see!"

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experiences is ready to help all, and rescue all.

A Christ easy to get at! No armed sentinel to challenge you. No ruthless officer to scrutinize the papers you present. Immediate response. Immediate forgiveness.

So Scientists Say. There is a species of ant in Australia that makes honey. The Indian cocorus also makes honey and does not belong to the bee tribe.

The cormorant is still occasionally used for fishing in preserved waters in England. The bird generally wears a light collar to prevent it from swallowing the fish.

Almonds are such near cousins to peaches that one can be grafted upon the other, and the analogy is made plainer in this instance because the almond on the tree is also covered by a pulp.

Large heads do not always indicate intellect. Prof. Virchow, the German scientist points out that the Greeks, one of the most intellectual of nations, are also one of the smallest headed of nations.

More than 5,000 visitors have been registered on the Lick observatory books in the few years of its existence and to visit Mt. Hamilton means a stage ride of fifty miles, an expense of two days in time and of something over \$10 in money, at the least.

Fish That Kill Each Other.

One of the queerest sharks in the thrasher, which has the upper lobe of its tail so much developed as to equal in length the body of the fish itself.

Pies Without an Upper Crust.

When you make a pie without an upper crust it is always desirable to have a very heavy edge; make this by wetting the edge and laying on a narrow strip, pinch it up together and when cutting the crust around the edge of the pan hold the knife well under the outer edge of the pan and pinch it between the thumb and finger right on top of the pan.

A Practical Father.

Wife—"Why shouldn't Mr. Goodson make a nice husband for our daughter?" Husband—"Won't do. He's a miserably paid, wage-earning producer."

Mining 300 Tons of Salt Daily. The immense salt deposit on Carmen island, Gulf of California, is being developed by a company which recently bought it for \$500,000. The output is about 300 tons de y. Much of it will be sent to Mazatlan, to be used in the mines of Cinaloa for the reduction of refractory ores mined in that district.

Brushes from Cocoanuts.

A use to which the husk of the cocconut is put is that of making brushes, and especially scrubbing brushes for household purposes, and these called "porcupine wood" of the cabinmaker is not obtained from the dense and heavy wood near the root of the tree.

FARM DEPARTMENT.

Feeding the Cows.

Does the feed affect the quantity of milk? The question can be readily answered by anyone if he will experiment in the matter. We recognize the conspicuous part that the cow herself plays in giving quality to the milk.

We have seen very good cows in the city under the management of those who knew nothing about a cow, that in consequence of poor feeding—that is feeding upon food of poor quality—would give milk that was as thin as an invalid's milk.

Preparing Poultry for Market.

Before killing, poultry should never be stuffed or starved; feed moderately, so that the crop is not distended. It is evident that when being killed after being heavily fed, the undigested food in the crop is apt to spoil, and thus lessen the market value.

Chickens the killing of chickens should always be done by bleeding in the mouth or severing the jugular vein afterward hanging by the feet until the blood has ceased to flow.

For scalding, use water almost boiling; remember to pick the leg while dry, before immersing the chickens in the water and never dip the head or feet. Contract of the head with the water will discolor the comb and deaden the look of the eyes, thus lessening the market value.

Turkeys observe the same instructions in feeding as given in the case of poultry before killing, and always dry pick them while warm and before bleeding has ceased.

When scalding thin turkeys, plump them up. Scald all the scallaways and plump up after picking. Cool off before packing and pack them by themselves. Invariably, turkeys should be dry picked; throw out all scallaways if they don't bring over half price.

Ducks and geese observe the same directions as given in the scalding of chickens, leaving them in the water longer, however, to loosen the feathers. It is the custom of some, after scalding, to wrap in blankets, but very great care should be taken while thus steaming, that the flesh should not be cooked.

Before packing or shipping see that poultry is dry and cold, but not frozen. Pack snugly either in boxes or barrels holding from 100 to 200 pounds. Straighten out legs and body. Never put different kinds in the same package, if possible; mark plainly the exact contents of the package and weight thereof, and giving shipping directions carefully and plainly on the cover.

About Poultry.

After they are hatched, says the Farmer and Stockman, I leave them in the nest under the hen twenty-four hours; and during that time I do not feed them, for the yolk of the egg furnishes all that is needed.

When a miner finds a vein of ore that looks promising, he works it until he finds whether it will pay or not; if it pays, he works it so long as it is profitable, then he stops and pays no further attention to it. A farmer should always be on the lookout for promising leads in his business, and poultry is one of the leads that he should work at faithfully until he is sure whether there is any "pay dirt" in it for him.

Two Smart Answers.

"A smart answer" is good when unpremeditated. "I could write like Shakespear if I had a mind to," said Wadsworth to Lamb.

Tobacco a Valuable Antiseptic.

It has long been a popular opinion that tobacco is an antiseptic, and this belief seems to have some solid basis of fact. Professor Vincenzo Tassinari, of the hygienic institute of the university of Pisa, has made some very interesting experiments on the supposed germicidal virtues of tobacco smoke, which seemed to show that it had a destructive action upon the growth of bacilli.

Professor Tassinari observed the action of the fumes upon several different kinds of bacteria—the so called cholera bacillus, the cattle distemper bacillus, the pus coccus, the Finkler-Prior bacterium, the typhus and pleuro pneumonia bacillus and the blue pus bacillus.

Wishing to imitate as closely as possible the processes going in a smoker's mouth, the professor passed tobacco fumes through a horizontal tube into a receptacle kept moist by damp cotton wool, which contained also a colony of bacilli.

My dear sir or madam, if you cannot walk briskly along the pave, I don't see that you are to be blamed for it. But there is one thing you can do, namely to walk in a straight line, give others a chance to pass you. Don't worry the life out of them by vibrating like a pendulum from side to side. Keep in a straight line. Don't wobble.—Exchange

Walk Straight.

In New York city during the year 1891 the number of births was 46,004, as against 39,820 reported in 1890, of deaths 43,624, the number in 1890 having been 40,220.

AFFAIRS OF

Russian serge, to be made of a fine fabric, so thoroughly durable, firm and closely woven, made of the material for a drop skirt nor foundation is cut in bell shape and

The bodice made with the very long sleeves, the fashion of corsages bygone days of Hannah More at various receptions, dinners, but they are not popular, and never will stand the fact that they smiled upon them.

The Gretchen corsets fashionable this winter, more popularly worn, toilettes, and it will not be according to individual taste it can be cut to a shapely rather high, or rounded, to look like a supplement to very low, especially under the corset it is easily made, a full pretty undergarment can be made to look as if it were a picture.

The favorite gown of the princess and its growing is a matter of congratulation, is no style of dress so simple elegance may be effect that no other can. These gowns should be fast and fasten invisibly. The popular for evening, a street wear. A beautiful model is of pale pink scattered over with brilliant flowers; it fits front and is fastened in box plait that sweep down low cut neck and form a train. A pelisse of gold with gold, falls out over round neck, and the skirt of pink lisse, made by pushed up in wrinkles. Pretty princess dresses are made from crepon in crimson and trimmed with bands. And for street graceful dresses come in materials, with the pelisse velvet and corduroy.

Women's Watch

Women's watch pocket difficulty to their makers. Our fickle sex of the bangle watch, which not very feasible without sleeves. The newest watch, tiny pocket inside the chest, where it can fit or cause an unsightly short chain are not worn little idealized fob arranged four inches in length and a small ball. These are the dress above where the inserted. Long chains grandmothers rejoiced in just as are other fashionable jewelry.—Chicago Herald.

Such a season as it is dull claret, mahogany or but the warm, rich tint of the flower and the gray, bright the soldiers wear. Soul, with a marbled meat that scarlet always is the in every leap year.

The tallest woman in the world, the giantess Rosita, who was in Vienna twenty-six years ago now on exhibition in the height is 8 feet 3 inches tall, 351 pounds.

Novelties in thimbles and royal Worcester, Dresden manufacture. These are white with garland of colors on the border.

One of the delegates to the United States to the United States congress held at Rome by Mrs. Mary Ormsby Frost, of city.

The woman who attended everything, every hour of the day filled up with some or becomes wearied and

Alcohol or benzine is a clean glass, and clean paper than any cloth, sponge or paper leaves an excellent

Dieting and the complexion. Sometimes a strictly fruit diet, avoiding carbonaceous and vegetable fats, will produce a complexion when the most common in bathing and all the physician are of no avail. Dieting need be adhered to for a few weeks and then one may gradually to one's ordinary membership, however that of rich pastries, cakes and eggs eaten promiscuously between times, will tend to ruin the complexion in the world.

To make a good lotion and hands grate a fresh egg put it in a cloth and squeeze the milk and rub the skin with a few moments with a soft flannel cloth.