#### CONDITIONS IN NEBRASKA.

Corn Promises a Large Yield, Except in

the State's Garden Spot. McCook, Neb., Aug. 26 .- On crossing the Missouri River running to Lincoln, the Burlington land agents' party found a prospect which, from an agri-Cultural standpoint, could not be excelled. Corn is luxuriant and sturdy and every stalk shows large-sized ears sticking out from it. It is so far advanced that the uninitiated could be made to believe very readily that it is past all harm from any source. Notwithstanding its fine appearance, however, it is not yet out of danger of frost, and will not be for at least two weeks.

A fine crop of oats has been reaped in this section. Much of it is still in the shock and a good deal of it has been stacked. It is thrashing out from thirty to fifty bushels to the acre and will average about forty. The wheat crop has all been harvested, and farmof winter wheat.

about one-third an ordinary crop.

deal of it has already been cut for fod- time. Tears! Tears! der. Wheat in this section is thrashing out fifteen bushels to the acre.

#### TALMAGE'S SERMON.

"COMFORT" THE SUBJECT OF LAST WEEK'S TALK.

Golden Text: And God Shall Wipe Away All Tears from Their Eyes-Revelations, Chapter VII, Verse 17-A Stirring Appeal.

> **RAVELING** across a western prairie. wild flowers up to the hub of the carriage wheel, and while a long distance from any shelter, there came a sudden shower. and while the rain was falling in tor-

ers are now busy plowing their land shining as brightly as I ever saw it spectacle this is! So the tears of the

Leaving Lincoln the outlook is much Bible are not midnight storm, but rain less promising. Between Waverly and on pansied prairies in God's sweet and Fairmont, a distance of sixty miles, is golden sunlight. You remember that a stretch of country which has usually bottle which David labeled as containbeen described as the garden spot of ing tears, and Mary's tears, and Paul's Nebraska. Crops have always been tears, and Christ's tears, and the harabundant here, however poorly they vest of joy that is to spring from the may have been in other parts of the sowing of tears. God mixes them. God state. Last year and this year have rounds them. God shows them where been the only known exceptions to this to fall. God exhales them. A census rule. Somehow this belt has suffered is taken of them, and there is a record severely this year. It has rained copi- as to the moment when they are born, ously on all sides of it and all around and as to the place of their grave. it, but the clouds refused to give it a Tears of bad men are not kept. Alexdrop of moisture until too late to save | ander, in his sorrow, had the hair the corn crop. For a stretch of coun- clipped from his horses and mules, and try sixty miles long and sixty miles | made a great ado about his grief; but wide the corn crop is a comparative in all the vases of heaven there is not failure. It will only run from a quarter one of Alexander's tears. I speak of to half a crop, averaging as a whole the tears of God's children. Alas! me! they are falling all the time. In sum-

Oats have not faired so badly. They mer, you sometimes hear the growling are thrashing out from thirty-five to thunder, and you see there is a storm forty bushels an acre. Heavy rains fell miles away; but you know from the over this section at the end of last week drift of the clouds that it will not come They came too late, however, to save anywhere near you. So, though it may the bulk of the corn. Very much of it be all bright around you, there is a is wilted beyond redemption and a good shower of trouble somewhere all the

What is the use of them, anyhow? Why not substitute laughter? Why West of Fairmont the scene again not make this a world where all the changes and an ocean of waving corn, people are well, and eternal strangers strong and luxuriant, is to be seen as to pain and aches? What is the use of far as the eye can reach in every direc- an eastern storm when we might have tion. The crop from Hastings to the a perpetual nor'wester? Why, when western boundary of the state is prac- a family is put together, not have them tically made, and nothing but a killing all stay, or if they must be transplanted frost can now blight it. It will average to make other homes, then have them not less than sixty bushels to the acre, all live?-the family record telling a and very many large fields will yield story of marriages and births, but of no deaths. Why not have the harvests chase each other without fatiguing toil? Why the hard pillow, the hard crust, the hard struggle? It is easy enough to explain a smile, or a success, or a congratulation; but, come now, and bring all your dictionaries and all your philosophies and all your religions, and Winter wheat is thrashing out about help me explain a tear. A chemist will tell you that it is made up of salt and lime and other component parts; but he misses the chief ingredients-the acid of a soured life, the viperine sting of a bitter memory, the fragments of a broken heart. I will tell you what a tear is; it is agony in solution. Hear then, while I discourse of the uses of trouble. First. It is the design of trouble to keep this world from being too attractive. Something must be done to make us willing to quit this existence. If it worth in the market \$5 per ton, but to be a good enough heaven for me. You were not for trouble this world would and I would be willing to take a lease of this life for a hundred million years if there were no trouble. The earth cushioned and upholstered and pillared and chandeliered with such expense. no story of other worlds could enchant We would say: "Let well enough alone. If you want to die and have your body disintegrated in the dust, and your soul go out on a celestial adventure, then you can go, but this world is good enough for me!" You might as well go to a man who has just entered the Louvre at Paris, and tell him to hasten off to the picturegalleries of Venice or Florence. "Why." he would say, "What is the use of my going there? There are Rembrandts and Rubens and Raphaels here that I haven't looked at yet." No man wants to go out of this world, or out of any house, until he has a better house. To cure this wish to stay here, God must somehow create a disgust for our surroundings. How shall he do it? He cannot afford to deface his horizon, or to tear off a fiery panel from the sunset, or to subtract an anther from the water-lily, or to banish the pungent aroma from the mignonette, or to drag the robes of the morning in mire. You cannot expect a Christopher Wren to mar his own St. Paul's cathedral, or a Michael Angelo to dash out his own "Last Judgment," or a Handel to discord his "Israel in Egypt," and you cannot expect God to spoil the architecture and music of his own world. How, then, are we to be made willing to leave? Here is where the trouble comes After a man has had a good deal of trouble, he says: "Well, I am ready to go. If there is a house somewhere whose roof doesn't leak, I would like to live there. If there is an atmosphere somewhere that does not distress the lungs, I would like to breathe it. If there is a society somewhere where there is no tittle-tattle. I would like to live there. If there is a home circle somewhere where I can find my lost

there, and how they dress. He reads just lost her babe. Grandmother Revelation ten times now where he reads Genesis once. The old story, "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth," does not thrill him half as much as the other story, "I saw a new heaven and a new earth." The old man's hand trembies as he turns over this apocalyptic leaf, and he has to take out his handkerchief to wipe his spectacles. That book of Revelation is a prospectus now of the country into which he is soon to immigrate; the country in which he has lots already laid out, and avenues opened, and mansions built.

Yet there are people here to whom this world is brighter than heaven. Well, dear souls, I do not blame you. It is natural. But after awhile you will be ready to go. It was not until Job had been worn out with bereavements that he wanted to see God. It was not rents, the sun was until the prodigal son got tired living among the hogs that he wanted preparatory to putting in another crop shine; and I thought, What a beautiful to go to his father's house. It is the ministry of trouble to make this world worth less and heaven worth more.

> Again, it is the use of trouble to make us feel our dependence upon God. Men think they can do anything until God shows them they can do nothing at all. We lay out great plans, and we like to execute them. It looks big. God comes and takes us down. As Prometheus was assaulted by his enemy, when the lance struck him it opened a great swelling that had threatened his death, and he got well. So it is the arrow of trouble that lets out great swelling of pride. We never feel our dependence upon God until we get trouble. I was riding with my little child along the road, and she asked me if she might drive. I said, "Certainly." I handed over the reins to her, and I had to admire the glee with which she drove. But after awhile we met a team and we had to turn out. The road was narrow, and it was sheer down on both sides. She handed the reins over to me. and said, "I think you had better take charge of the horse." So we are all children; and on this road of life we like to drive. It gives one the appearance of superiority and power. It looks big. But after awhile we meet some obstacle and we have to turn out. and the road is narrow, and it is sheer down on both sides; and then we are willing that God should take the reins and drive. Ah! my friends, we get upset so often because we do not hand over the reins soon enough.

It is trouble, my friends, that makes us feel our dependence upon God. We | the next if you make them the bearer do not know our own weakness or of dispatches to your friends who are God's strength until the last plank breaks. It is contemptible in us when there is nothing else to catch hold of. that we catch hold of God only. Why, you do not know who the Lord is! He is not an autocrat seated far up in a palace, from which he emerges once a year, preceded by heralds swinging swords to clear the way. No. But a Father willing, at our call, to stand by us in every crisis and predicament in life. I tell you what some of you business men make me think of. A young man goes off from home to earn his fortune. He goes with his mother's consent and benediction. She has large wealth, but he wants to make his own fortune. He goes far away, falls sick, gets out of money. He sends for the hotelkeeper where he is staving, asking for lenience, and the answer he gets is, "If you don't pay up Saturday night you'll be removed to the hospital.' The young man sends to a comrade in the same building. No help. He writes to a banker who was a friend of his deceased father. No relief. He writes to an old schoolmate, but gets no help. Saturday night comes, and he is moved to the hospital. Getting there, he is frenzied with grief; and he borrows a sheet of paper and a postage-stamp and he sits down. and he writes home, saying: "Dear mother, I am sick unto death. Come." It is ten minutes of 10 o'clock when she gets the letter. At 10 o'clock the train starts. She is five minutes from the depot. She gets there in time to have five minutes to spare. She wonders why a train that can go thirty miles an hour cannot go sixty miles an hour. She rushes into the hospital. She says: "My son, what does all this mean? Why didn't you send for me? You sent to everybody but me. You knew I could and would help you. Is this the reward I get for my kindness to you always?" She bundles him up, takes him home, and gets him well very soon. Now, some of you treat God just as that young man treated his mother. When you get into a financial perplexity, you call on the banker, you call on the broker, you call on your creditors, you call on your lawyers for legal counsel; you call upon everybody, and when you cannot get any help, then you go to God. You say: "O Lord, I come to thee. Help me now out of my perplexity." And the Lord comes, though it is in the eleventh hour. He says: "Why did you not send for me before? As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you." It is to throw us back upon God that we have this ministry of tears. Again, it is the use of trouble to capacitate us for the office of sympathy. The priests, under the old dispensation, were set apart by having water sprinkled upon their hands, feet, and head; and by the sprinkling of tears

knows all about that trouble. Fifty years ago she felt it. At twelve o'clock of that day she goes over to comfort a widowed soul. She knows all about that. She has been walking in that dark valley twenty years. At 4 o'clock in the afternoon some one knocks at the door, wanting bread. She knows all about that. Two or three times in her life she came to her last loaf. At 10 o'clock that night she goes over to sit up with some one severely sick. She knows all about it. She knows all about fevers and pleurisies and broken bones. She has been doctoring all her life, spreading plasters and pouring out bitter drops and shaking up hot pillows and contriving things to tempt a poor appetite. Doctors Abernethy and Rush and Hosack and Harvey were great doctors, but the greatest doctor the world ever saw is an old Christian woman! Dear me! Do we not remember her about the room when we were sick in our boyhood? Was there any one who could ever so touch a sore without hurting it?

Have you any appreciation of the good and glorious times your friends are having in heaven? How different it is when they get news there of a Christian's death\_from what it is here! It is the difference between embarkation and coming into port. Everything depends upon which side of the river you stand when you hear of a Christian's death. If you stand on this side of the river, you mourn that they go. If you stand on the other side of the river, you rejoice that they come. Oh. the difference between a funeral on earth and a jubilee in heaven-between requiem here and triumph there-parting here and reunion there! Together! Have you thought of it? They are together. Not.one of your departed friends in one land and another in another land; but together, in different rooms of the same house-the house of many mansions. Together!

I never more appreciated that thought than when we laid away in her last slumber my sister Sarah. Standing there in the village cemetery, I looked around and said: "There is father, there is mother, there is grandfather, there is grandmother, there are whole circles of kindred;" and I thought to myself, "Together in the grave-together in glory." I am so impressed with the thought that I do not think it is any fanaticism when some one is going from this world to gone, saying: "Give my love to my parents, give my love to my children. give my love to my old comrades who are in glory, and tell them I am trying to fight the good fight of faith, and I will join them after awhile." I believe the message will be delivered; and I believe it will increase the gladness of those who are before the throne. Together are they, all their tears gene. My friends take this good cheer home with you. These tears of bereavement that course your cheek, and of persecution, and of trial, are not always to be there. The motherly hand of God will wipe them all away. What is the use, on the way to such a consammation-what is the use of fretting about anything? Oh, what an exhilaration it ought to be in Christian work! See you the pinnacles against the sky? It is the city of our God, and we are approaching it. Oh, let us be busy in the days that remain for us! I put this balsam on the wounds of your heart. Rejoice at the thought of what your departed friends have got rid of, and that you have a prospect of so scon making your own escape. Bear cheerfully the ministry of tears, | and exult at the thought that soon it is to be ended.

Highest of all in Leavening Power .- Latest U.S. Gov't Report



#### Irrigation in Texas.

In Texas the irrigation fever is at full height. The favorite plan in that that the little things in life are what state seems to be to build a pond or make it easy or hard? A few pleasant dam on some high point on the farm words, a warm hand-clasp, a cordial and pump the water into it-to be dis- letter are simple things, but they are tributed later by means of ditches. mighty in their influence on the lives Most of thes reservoirs are filled from of those about us, adding a ray of hope streams or low lakes. With a steam or to many disconsolate hearts, giving gas engine this water is readily pumped courage to disappointed, weary ones, to a point that gives the necessary fall and helping at the same time to make over the level land of the farm, This our own lives sweeter. Few people seems to work better than the scheme realize how much the little attentions of pumping through a hose directly of every-day life mean to their associupon the land. Rural New Yorker, ates in the home, society and the place commenting on the foregoing, say's, of business. It is generally a lack of "This plan of thoroughly watering a consideration that makes one forget few level acres of the farm is one thing the tiny pleasantries; but lack of con-

to keep up with the procession."

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#### Can a Woman Change Her Mind?

trate woman's tendency to change her mind. A young and well dressed woman entered Charing Cross telegraph office the other day and wrote out a dispatch to be sent to Manchester. She read it over, reflected for a moment, and then dropped it on the floor and wrote a second. This she also threw away, but was satisfied with the third, and sent it off. The three telegrams read: First-"Never let me hear from von again!" Second-"No one expects whole life. If mothers would give their you to return!" Third-"Come home, children definite religious instruction dearest-all is forgiven!"

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#### Grenadines and Gauzes.

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The new mousseline with the satin face and Face, Cold Sores, &c

Why is it that we so easily forget you must look forward to if you expect sideration is really one form of selfishness, and selfishness is not a desirable quality. Remember that the little things in life, either good or bad, count for more with those we love than we ever know, and we should be watchful

Little Things of Life.

Many influences combine to reduce health A London paper tells a story to illus-Parker's Ginger Tonic best overcome these ills.

> Opportunity is not the kind of thing that stands around waiting to be embraced.

> Everyone knows how it is to suffer a ducivo to suffer with corns, and they are not conducive to graceful walking. Remove them with 1.1. dercorns.

#### Mother and Son.

The boy's first idea of a woman is his mother, and unless she fail to win his love and respect he has a chivalrous devotion to her which will cover his by word and example and rule them wisely, lovingly, methodically and firmly in habits of obedience, self control, purity and truth, boys would less develope into uncontrolled, lawless, unchivalrous men and selfish husbands. and girls would not grow into frivolous, vain, self-asserting, fast women. Homes would be happier, the world would be raised, reformed, ennobled.

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Around McCook is where the disasters of last year were most severely felt. The gains of this year have more than made up for the losses then sustained. The whole section of country looks like a veritable garden, and the people feel buoyant beyond expression. twenty bushels to the acre and the best fields are yielding thirty bushels. Spring wheat is running from twelve to eighteen bushels to the acre. Oats average from fifty to sixty bushels, the hest fields thrashing out 100 bushels.

Alfalfa is a new crop here with which the people are delighted. All kinds of live stock eat it with relish. and it is proving to be fattening fodder. The first year it yields one ton to the acre, but after the third year it yields three crops a year, which foot up seven and one-half tons to the acre. It is feed cattle the results have shown it to be worth \$70 per acre. It is the coming crop all along the the flats of the Republican valley.

#### CURRENT NOTES.

Cohn-Einstein is failing rapidly. Solomon-Vat a glorious death!"-Life. The man who can impartially judge himself is fit to govern the world .- Milwaukee Journal.

Jones-Come, go fishing with me, old chap. Brown-Can't do it; just signed the pledge .- Judge.

Silence is golden, especially when you cannot think of a good answer on the spur of the moment .-- July.

Maud-That stupid fellow proposed to me last night. He ought to have known beforehand that I would refuse him. Marie-Perhaps he did .- Brooklyn Life. Jasper-Caesar and his wife are con-

stantly quarreling. Jumpuppe-Yes, they have different theories as to what each should do to make the other happy.-Boston Post.

"Fame," said Uncle Eben, "am er good deal laik any udder kin' ob advertisin'. Tain' no use ter a man onless he had de right kin' ob goods to back it up wid."-Washington Stat.

Teacher-Can you tell me, Johnny, why Satan goes about the earth like a roaring Hon? Johnny-'Cause he can't cut any ice in the place where he lives when he's at home .-- Boston Transcript.

Child-Who is that sad-eyed man, mother? Mother-He's a poor pensioner, my child. Child-And who is that jolly man, mother? Mother-He is a

There we shall march up the heavenly street.

And ground our arms at Jesus' feet.

#### SENATOR HILL ON THE PRESS.

"It is impossible to overestimate the influence of the press in shaping the politics of a free government like ours. It is indeed the prominent, the conspicuous, the controlling feature in American politics today, largely overshadowing all other instrumentalities. It has to some extent superseded the political orator, because it speaks constantly while he talks only occasionally.

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## GREAT MEN ON EATING.

In good eating there is happiness .-Apicius.

Thou shouldst eat to live, not live to eat.-C'erro.

Eating to repletion is bad, but what we eat should be good of its kind .- Dr. S. S. Fitch.

It is not the cating, but the inordinate desire thereof that ought to be blamed. -St. Augustine.

Animals feed, man eats; tell me what you eat and how you eat, and I will tell you what you are: the man of intellect alone knows how to eat .-- B. Savarin.

Eat not for the pleasure thou mayest find therein: eat to increase thy strength; eat to preserve the life which thou hast received from heaven .-- Confucius.

We have not Leen without Piso's Cure for Consumption for 20 years.—Lizzie Ferrer., Camp St., Harrisburg, Pa., May 4, '94.

Some men work modesty too hard and are generally disliked.

A man often pretends to charge his nature, but he never does.

In addition to some beautiful and distinguished late summer toilettes in Harper's Bazar to be issued on August 24th, there will be a specially prepared and very practical and detailed paper entitled "Early Autumn Fashions for Men." A striking portrait of Miss Winnie Davis, accompanied by a short biographical sketch, will interest people who wish to know something of the charming personality of the author of The Veiled Doctor. The same number of the Bazar will have a supplement containing a brilliantly illustrated story entitled "The Possessed Princess of Bekhten," by E. A. Wallis Budge. Harper & Brothers, publishers, New York, August 13, 1895.

A man doesn't like to have a woman use his love for her as a club.

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