

DR. TALMAGE'S SERMON.

HE PREACHES ON THE GLORIES OF RELIGION.

The Queen of Sheba Was Amazed at the Magnificence of Solomon, but Not So Much as the Newly Converted Christian Is Sure to Be Surprised.

Tabernacle Truths.

Dr. Talmage's text was I Kings, x, 7. "Behold, the half was not told me."

Solomon had resolved that Jerusalem should be the center of all sacred, regal and commercial magnificence.

The three great products at Palestine which passed there.

Wine pressed from the richest clusters and celebrated all the world over; oil which in that country is the entire substitute for butter and lard.

He went down to Eylon-geber and ordered a fleet of ships to be constructed, oversaw the workmen, and watched the launching of the flotilla which was to go out on more than a year's voyage to bring home the wealth of the then known world.

Stand back now and see this long train of camels coming up to the King's gate, and the ox trains from Egypt, gold and silver and precious stones.

Here we find ourselves amid a collection of buildings on which the King had lavished the wealth of many empires.

Three branches—so Josephus tells us—three branches scultured on the marble, so thin and subtle that even the leaves seemed to quiver.

Why, my friends, in that place they trimmed their candles with snuffers of gold, and they cut their fruit with knives of gold.

Of course the news of the affluence of that place went out everywhere by every caravan and by wing of every, until soon the streets of Jerusalem are crowded with curiosity seekers.

The Queen of Sheba alights. She enters the palace. She washes at the bath. She sits down at the banquet.

So religion is always a surprise to any one that gets it. The story of grace—an old story. Apostles preached it with rattle of chain; martyrs declared it with arm of fire; deathbeds have affirmed it with sighs and groans.

I appeal to those in this house who are Christians. Compare the idea you had of the joy of the Christian before you became a Christian with the appreciation of that joy you have now since you have become a Christian.

been related. It exceeds everything that I could have expected. The half—the half was not told me."

Learn from this subject what a beautiful thing it is when social position and wealth surrender themselves to God.

If there are those here to-day who have been favored of fortune, or, as I might better put it, favored of God, surrender all you have and all you expect to be to the Lord who blessed the Queen of Sheba.

Well, there is coming a greater surprise to every Christian—a greater surprise than anything I have depicted, Heaven is an old story. Everybody talks about it.

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speak out and say in regard to the discoveries you have made of the mercy and the grace and the goodness of God.

Well, we hear a great deal about the good time that is coming to this world.

It is the old story. Everybody tells it. It is the old story. Everybody tells it.

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UNDER THE NEW LAW.

VOTERS INSTRUCTED HOW TO CAST A BALLOT.

Any Man Eligible Can Run for Office—How Nominations Are to Be Made—Form of the Ballot—A Comprehensive Compilation of General Instructions.

A Secret Ballot.

Any man eligible can run for office who can secure a caucus nomination, or who will get up a nomination paper.

No certificates of nomination will be valid except those of regularly called caucuses of political parties, which cast at least two per cent. of the entire vote cast in the town at the last general election.

A nomination paper may be filed in behalf of one or two candidates only; a full ticket is not necessary.

THE BALLOT.

As nearly as practicable the ballot shall be in the following form:

Form of a ballot with columns for Democratic, Republican, and Prohibition parties, listing candidates for various offices like State Secretary, Treasurer, and Judges.

(And continuing in like manner as to all candidates to be voted for at such election.)

No name shall be put on the ballot except those regularly sent in by nomination papers or by certificates of caucus nominations.

The ticket of each caucus nomination will be printed in full on the ballots, and when the ballot is composed entirely of caucus nominations, each group may be printed full, regardless of repetitions.

In case a candidate duly nominated does not decline to run, or when certificates of nomination or nomination papers are held to be insufficient or inoperative; the vacancy may be filled by another petition of the persons making the original nomination.

All objections to certificates of nomination or nomination papers after they have been filed must be made in writing; and all questions arising in relation to them shall be settled by the Board, and the decision of a majority of the Board shall be final.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS. Give your name, and if required, your residence to the judges of the election.

If your name is on the register, you will be permitted to enter the inclosed space in the ballot box.

When you have received a ballot, retire at once alone into one of the voting booths, unfold your ballot and prepare it for the ballot box by marking it thus, X.

be counted for all the candidates nominated by your party.

Opposite, to the left, of each name on the ballot, you will find a square. If you do not want to vote for any of the candidates of any party "straight," place a cross in the square, opposite the name of the candidate of your choice, but do not mark a cross in the circle opposite the name of the party, and your ballot will be counted only for the names marked.

Or, you can write in the name of the candidate of your choice in the blank space on the ticket, making a cross opposite thereto.

If you want to vote for the candidate of a party, with some exceptions, make a cross X mark in the circle opposite the party name, and then make a cross X mark in the square, opposite the name of any candidate of another party, and your ballot will be counted for the candidates of the party marked, except as to the candidates marked under another party title, and these will be counted for the party so marked.

In voting for Representatives to the General Assembly, and the number of votes to be given each candidate is printed on the ballot, place a cross X mark opposite the name, and the ballot will be counted as printed.

Do not mark your ballot in any other way than as indicated above.

Leave the booth and hand your ballot to the judge in charge of the ballot-box, who, without making it in any way, must deposit it in the box.

You will not be allowed to occupy a voting booth with another voter.

You will not be allowed to re-enter the inclosed space, after you have voted, during the election.

You will not be allowed to take a ballot from the polling place before the close of the election.

You will not be allowed to vote any ballot except the one you receive from the judges of the election.

If you spill a ballot in preparing it, you must return it and get another in the place of it.

If you will declare upon oath that you cannot read the English language, or for any reason of physical disability you are unable to mark your ballot, you will be assisted by two officers, appointed for that purpose, of opposite political parties.

Intoxication will not be regarded as a fact of the case, and persons are intoxicated who will receive no assistance in marking your ballot.

The polls will open at 7 o'clock in the morning and close at 5 o'clock in the evening, except in cities having a Board of Election Commissioners, where they open at 4 o'clock in the morning and close at 4 o'clock in the evening.

ILLINOIS INCIDENTS.

SOBER OR STARTLING, FAITHFULLY RECORDED.

Fulfilled His Pledge at the Grave—A Reuelcher Man Sandbagged—Exactly the Same Treatment for a Lot of Rascally Tramps.

From Far and Near.

J. H. STICHTMAN, of Greenview, died suddenly of heart disease.

DAVID COBE, of Carlinville, announces himself a candidate for Democratic nomination for Auditor of Public Accounts.

At Cairo, Ellen Grant was given thirty-five years in the penitentiary for killing her worthless husband.

CHICAGO MARK ADDITION, an alleged "wild" gambler, a rascal of the name of C. E. Kern and L. M. Lott, for his cargo, at from \$200 to \$400 per load, turned out to be located in an inaccessible swamp—a part of the Kankakee marshes.

THOMAS ADAMS, an employe of the Springfield rolling-mill, was drowned while attempting to cross the Sangamon River in a skiff.

GEORGE GREENWOOD, a well-to-do and prominent farmer of Lawrence County, was suddenly stricken with apoplexy and died in his chair.

E. W. EVANS, a prominent citizen of Reuelcher, was sandbagged and robbed. He was watching with two sick children, and late at night started to the well for water.

Six tramps who had grossly insulted a number of ladies of Mound City because they had refused to supply them with food were captured by the indignant husbands of a woman.

A COMPACT made in half just was carried out in solemn earnest at Mascoutah. Two years ago Adolph Hansing left an estate valued at \$500,000 to his friend, William Peth, a prominent citizen.

At Turkey Hill, H. Wilderman, a prominent bachelor farmer, died. He leaves an estate valued at \$500,000 to his two brothers.

The congregation of Dr. W. S. Danley, of the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church of Lincoln, has requested him not to leave, but he has accepted the charge of the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church of Kansas City, May 1.

TWO REPRESENTATIVES of a syndicate of Eastern capitalists have been at work in the city of Lincoln, Mo., for some time. They have been divulging in the report that they have secured options on the plants of the Deere Plow Company, the Moline Plow Company, and the Deere & Manton Corn Planter Company.

NEAR Sumner, George Corrie, a farmer, killed himself. Three or four years ago he married Jane Wright, and from appearance she was living in a comfortable home. In a few weeks they quarreled and separated.

MISS CARRIE LOUIS, the handsome daughter of the Postmistress of Lebanon, was returning home from church when Mat Hendrickson, a burly negro, sprang out from a side street and seized her.