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SUNDAY'S SERMON.

ONE OF REV. DR. TALMAGE'S STERLING DISCOURSES.

Subject: "Gathering Around Christ."

TEXT: "Unto Him shall the gathering of the people be."—Genesis xlix., 10.

people be. —Genesis xiix, 10.

Through a supernatural lens, or what I might call a prophescope, dying Jacob looks down through the corridors of the centuries until he sees Christ the center of all popular attraction, and the greatest being in all the world, so everywhere acknowleded. It was not always so. The world tried hard to put Him down and to put Him out. In the year 1000 while accounter the second of the second world, so everywhere acknowledged world not always so. The world tried-hard to put Him down and to put Him out. In the year 1700, while excavating for antiquities fifty-three miles northeast of Rome, a copper plate tablet was found containing the death warrant of the Lord Jesus Ohrist, reading in this wife.

wise:
"In the year 17 of the empire of Tiberlus
Caesar, and on the 28th of March, I, Pontius
Pliste, governor of the Prestore, condemn
Jesus of Nazareth to die between two thieves,
Quintius Cornellus to lead him forth to the
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The death warmat was signed by several names. First, by Daniel, rabbi Pharisee; secondly, by Johannes, rabbi; thirdly, by Raphsei; fourthly, by Capet, a private citizen. This capital punishment was executed according to law. The name or the thief crucified on the right hand side of Christ was Pismas. The name of the thief crucified on the left hand side of Christ was Gestus. Pontius Pilate describing the tragedy says the whole world lighted candles from noon until night. Thirty-three years of maltreatment. A wall of the city, built about those times and recently exposed by archeologists, shows a carlecture of Jeeus Christ, or ideals, and the was held by many in His day, that carricature on the wall representing a cross and a done by many in His day, that carricature on the wall representing a cross and a done by male of the surface of the contempt of the contempt of the wall representing a cross and a done by male of the surface of the contempt of the contempt of the wall representing a cross and a done by male of the contempt of the contempt of the contempt of the contempt of the wall representing a cross and a done by male of the contempt o

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About the Mare not committed the unparausable sin. Mercy for you? Oh, the grace of God which bringeth salvation!

The grace of God! Let us take the surit, and he went height over beight, slittude above altitude, mountain above mountain, ahea sank down in discouragement and gave it up, for he saw Sierra Nevadas beyond and Matterhorns beyond, and waving his hands back to us in the pleains he says, "Past inding out; unsearchable, that in all things he might have the pre-enience." You notice that nearly all the staners mentioned as pardoned in the Bible were great sinners—David a great sinner, Paul a great elner, Rahab a great sinner, the produced son a great sinner, the world wall on a great sinner, the world wall of the bible were staner. The world easily understood how Ohrist could pardon a helf and helf sinner, but what the world wants to be persuaded of is that Christ will forgive the worst sinner, the most sinner, the most sinner, the most sinner, the most Is that Christ will forgive the worst sines; the hardest sines; the oldest sines; the hardest sines; the oldest sines; the hardest sines; the oldest sines; the worst sines; the hardest sines; the oldest sines; the condition of the condition of

more for a break and the second of the secon gone to work and the next of sympathy beass very irregularly. Plenty of sympathy when we do not wan it, and often when we are in appalling need of it, no sympathy. Here are multitudes of people dying for sympathy—sympathy in their work, sympathy in their fatigues, sympathy in their hardward in their sympathy in their fluandial losses, sympathy in their physical aliment, sympathy in their spiritual anxieties, sympathy in their spiritual anxieties, sympathy in deelitiant, sysme-wide, deep, high, everlasting, almighty sympathy. We also work and Ohrist gives it. That is the cord with which He is going to draw all Nations 1 cm.

and Ohrist gives it. That is the cord with which He is going to draw all Nations to Him.

At the story of punishment a man's eye flashes, and his teeth set, and his fist officers, and he prepares to do battle eren though it be against the heavens. Yet what heart so hard but it will succumb to the story of compassion! Even a man's sympathy is pleasant and helpful. When we have been in some hour of weakness, to have a brawny man stand beside us and promise to see us through, what courage it gives to our heart, and what strength it gives to our arm. Still mightler is a woman's sympathy. Let him tell the story who, when all his fortunes were gone and all the world was against him, came home and found in that home a wife who could write on the top of the empty flour barrel, "The Lord will provide," or write on the door of the empty wardrobe: "Ononsider the little of the field. If God so clothed the grass of the field, will the not clothe us and ours?"

Or let that young man tell the story who has gone the whole round of dissipation. The shadow of the pentlentiary is upon him, and even his father says. "Be off a lever come home again." They cover home gogain. They cover home gogain the whole round of dissipation. The shadow of two pentlentiary is upon him, and wown his father says. "Be off a lever come home again." They cover home gogain for plant on her knew the governor begging for plant of the safet hopeless. Or let her tell the story who, under villainous allurement and impartient of parental restraint, has wandered off trom a home of which she was the

all others are hopeless. Or let her tell the story who, under villationus allurement and impatient of parental restraint, has wandered off from a home of which she was the idea that the state of the state of which she was the idea that murky and thunderous midnighted the state of the state

aroused with excitement when a little onlow was kidapped from one of the streets? Why were whole columns of the newspapers filled with the story of a little child? It was because we are all one in sympathy, and every parent said: "How if it had been my hizzle? How if it had been my Mary? How if it had been my Mary? How if it had been my mad? How if it had been my child? How if there had been one unoccupied pillow in our trundle bed to-night? How if my little one—bone of my bone and flesh of my flesh—were to-night carried eaplive into someden of vagabonds, never to come back to my little one—bone of my-bone and flesh of my flesh—were to-night cargiod espitive into some den of vagabonds, never to come backto me? How if it had been my sorrow looking out of the window watching and waiting—last sorrow worse than death? Then when they found her, why did we declare the news all through the households, and sworybody that knew how to pray sadd, "Thank God?" Because we are all one, bound by one great golden chain of synaphy. Oh, yes, but I have to tell you that I would be the second of the second

La Place saye he saw one world in the Northern Hemisphere sixteen months burning. Tycho Brahe said he saw another world burning. A French astronomer says that in 300 years 1500 worlds have disappeared. I do not see why indides find it so hard to believe that two worlds stopped in Joshua's time, when the astronomers tell us that 1500 worlds have stopped. Even the moon is a world in ruins. Steller, iunar, solar catastrophes innumerable. But it seems as it the most sorrows have been reserved for our world. By one toss of the world at Teluboro, of 12,000 inhabitants only twenty-six world. By one toss of the world at Liebon in five minutes 60,000 perished, and 200,000 before the eart's stopped rocking. A mountain falls in Italy in the night, who ment a fall in Italy in the night, when her erland, burying the village of Goldau, a mountain fails in Italy in the night, wan 2000 people are asleep, and they near grouss. By a convulsion of the earth Japak broken off from China. By a convulsion of the nearth the Caribbeas I slands broken off from America. Three islands near the mouth-of-the Gangbea, with 369,000 inhabiting the mouth-of-the Gangbea, with 369,000 inhabiting them, and 214,000 perish that day. Alas, alas, for our poor world! It has been recently discovered that a whole continent has such, a continent that connected Europe and America—part of the inhabitants of that continent going to Europe, part coming to America over the tablesiands of Mexico, up through the valley of the Mississippi, and we are induling now the remains of their mounds and their otties in Mexico, in Colorado and the safe of the West. It is a matter of demonstration that a whole conti-

which we live may be and intended and inventions by which through quick and lastantaneous communication all cities and all communities and all lands will be brought together, and then in another period perhaps these inventions which have been used for worldly purposes will be brought out for gospel invitation, and some great prophet of the Lord will come and snatch the mysterious, sublime and miraculous telepsone from the hand of commerce, and, all lands and ting-doms connected by a wondrous wire, this prophet of the Lord may, through telephonic communication, in an listent aurounce to all Nations pardon and sympathy and life through Jeaus Christ, and then, putting the wondrous tube to the ear of the Lord with graph and the suppose, the response shall come

putting the wondrous tube to the ear of the Lord's prophet, the response shall come back, "Ibellevein God, the Father Almichty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son."!

You and I may not live to see the day. I strink those of us who are over forty years of age can scarcely expect to see the day. I expect before that time our bodies will be sound asleep in the hammocks of the old gospel ship as it goes sailing on. But Christ will wake us up in time to see the achievedment. We who have sweated in the hor harvest fields will be at the door of the garner when the sheaves come in. That work for which in this world we toled and wept and struggled and wore ourselves oat shall not come to consummation and we be oblivious of the achievement. We while a shall not come to consummation and we be oblivious of the achievement. We what the sailored to come out and shall not come to consummation and with the victors. We who fought in the sailored to come out and shall not come to consummation and with the victors. We who fought in the sarller battles will shall of the following the horizontal shall not come to consummation and with the victors. We who fought in the sarller battles will also the sailor who could not be a strong of the street of the sailor of cold water in the last Armageddoo. Ah, yea, those who could only oax a poor waif of the street to go back home to her God; those who could only oax a poor waif of the street to go back home to her God; those who could only will tail it little or a wounded soldier; those who could for the street of the

While everlasting ages roll Eternal love shall feast their soul And scenes of bliss forever new Rise in succession to their view.

London, Feb. 24 .- It is believed that Ahe past week has bro ence of the Venezuelan boundary dispute much hearer to arbitration. It is said that the only remaining obstacle is the definition of the term "settled districts" in regard to which negotiations are proceeding. ıry.

Deep Draught Vessel at Galveston.

Galveston, Tex., Feb. 24.—The Brit-ish ship Khyber, Capt. Saul, 109 days from Calcutta, with a cargo of 15,000 bales of jute butts, crossed the bar yesterday, drawing twenty-one feet and three inches the deepest draught of any vessel that ever came into or of any vessel that ever cam went out of Galveston harbor

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ieory: "No dietetic reform would, I bella

wealthier chisses these rules prevail table, and at schools and public bon ing establishments they receive a reinforcements from economical

a matter of necessity there is in more to be said than that it is often costly economy. Enfeebled health me enhall a far heavier expense than more liberal breakfast table from have done. Cod liver oil costs more than butter, and it is, besides, often a recorded do until too late.

Let the limit be the power of gestion and the tendency to biliousness.

Most children may be allowed to fold their own inclinations, and will a take more than is good for them. In butter should be of the best and mi -Cincinnati Enquirer.

Dispatches from the East not info quently contain allusions to the oper tions of a class of Turkish soldie termed the Bashu-Bozouks. The ter termed the Bashu-Bozouks. The tendeserves a few words of explanatic Bashu Bozouk literally means head is spoiled" or "worthless" a readily became the popular designate of irregular provincial bands of the ers who had no "head" for scient warfare. This class of irregulars, however achieved some celebrity at warfare. This class of irregulars, ho ever, achieved some celebrity a reputation under the lead of British ficers in the Crimean war. But in Bulgarian insurrection of 1876 se atrocities were practiced by horles Bashu-Bozouks, let loose to ray right and left, as to 'lead to a chap of title for these unattached gued bands, who have since been offied bands, who have since been offied the program of the property of the statement of to do so, it can curb the zeal of t wild campaigners, but of late it has

The continual graiting of the pix of Interest; as revealing something the conditions of Xfe of his wild awrors. A herd of swine scattered in long grass or among the brackens of European forest would soon loss so fone another. But the grunts of would still advertise his present his neighbors, and so the indirid members of the herd would not be touch with the main body. Then the are grunts and grunts. If one of readers will imitate the ingenious. Garner and take a phonograph to nearest pigsty he might get material make up a book on the language grammar of the heg. However the jungle, the wild hog could, by ing note of the pitch and emplass the grunts to right and left of tell pretty much what his hidden leagues were thinking about.—No American Review. The continual grunting of the pig American Review.

Birthplace of the Flag.

There seems at last a reasonable tainty that the Betsy Ross House tainty that the Betsy Ross Hoss Philadelphia will be purchased preserved as a historic relic. Mary feared that this quaint old bulks where the sprightly widow fashed the first American Flag, would ful fore the march of improvements cause a few months ago Council clined to appropriate money for in chase. But Schuylkill Council Junior Order of American Mechas, as the Philadelphia Ledger s. has, as the Philadelphia Ledger started a movement to acquire and sent the building to the publi a good example by pledging ward the neces ary 🤄

The Lawyer Beats Himself. The are telling of a Boston (but not Roston type-of man) went to his lawyer and told him went to his lawyer and told him all his property in his wife's and fix it so that even he coul-get if. When the lawyer present bill, he said: "I can't pay that his have not a cent to my name." LACCING GIANT CYPRESS.

PECULIAR INDUSTRY IN SOUTHERN SWAMPS.

Gridle and Fell Trees While Standing Waist Deep in Water-A Cypress Church With Cypress Furniture.

préss logging is an amphibious sort business, says The New York Sun. cypres-4886. As The New York Sunbusiness, adys The New York Sunbusiness, adys The New York Sunbest of the trees grow in so-called
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tows where clear running water cirbusiness where clear running water cirbusiness There are hundreds of such
test in Florida and Louisiana.
Live cypress timber is so heavy that
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sinks if felled when green, and con-quently the lumbermen have to work on eight months to a year in advance the cutting to prepare the timber by ding the trees and thus preventing circulation of the sap. Thousands trees are thus killed in advance of felling. Girdling is both archives res are thus killed in advance of felling. Girdling is both arduous dangerous work. It is done by red choppers, who stand often waist of in water in the haunts of the ded mocrasin snake, the alligator wildcat, to say nothing of the the willicit. To say not many of the requalrestiferous insects. The men endurethe hardships for \$1 a day, and instter, when the cold wave swept
ough the South, and the temperathese hardy fellows were kept work of girdling and logging. they were constantly wet to a their day's task was over. to go to

picturesque er in Florida, one phase of the cy-ss humber industry is seen to the tadvantage. This wonderful river feel by clear, cold springs of, tre-dons volume, and it winds for my miles through endless acres of driped cypress trees. It has hunis of loops, or brunches, which leave tone point only to return to it at ther, between its source and its cion with the St. John's.

ween the main river and the etween the main river and the cubes, which are all more or less igable, is flooded forest land ugh which the water slowly circu-ts to the depth of two or three and etimes four or five feet. It is in flooded tracts that the cypress grow to perfection. One company, leadquarters at Palatka and an an acre, and several years to the work. Soon the dark Ocklawaha Swamp reprodiguous splash into the he swamp. Then, above all, cheard the rattling, jarring and as it snaked the huge logs recesses of the swamp to the

a bunk boat with a kitchen at-and a pull boat. The pull boat as a powerful hosting engine, secured with its square bow to k against a tall and sturdy cy e, denuded of branches and with a band of red cloth near Stretching away from an ele-oint upon this tree to a similar quarter of a mile back in the is a taut steel cable from which a trolley or carrier attached to from the boat is a wellfrom the boat is a ... traversed by the trolley. lane soon radiates from t. When five or six lanes made the tract has been

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