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## THE DEAN AND HIS DAUGHTER.

CHAPTER XXV.

day looking in at the shop windows, rather take of the most sacred ordinances of the myself again within the hospitable portals as possible. than about me, when, for some reason or other, Church. That you should have done so is of Rawlings', tired with my journey, ready I threw my eyes across the road, and saw do not presume to question your conduct, too late that night to go to the play. approaching me on the other side of the or to impute to you for a moment any unway the Very Reverend the Dean of worthy motive. But other ministers of was my supper at any rate, and there are Salchester accompained by no less or other the Church might very well take a different worse things after a long journey than a an ecclesiastic than the Very Reverend the view, and probably would. Dean of Southwick, and my eyes met those went on, "of any desire to judge harshly and it was past ten o'clock the next morn-

akably directed to the Dean of Salchester | that it is advisable that you should leave alone, and intended to exclude his com- Salchester. Personally, I shall be sorry to panion, and then quickening my pace lose you, and I may say the same most walked into the very first shop which gave I cannot but feel, see that by stopping me a chance of retreat, and which, provi- here you will place many members of the dentially, was a milliner's and ladies' Chapter, together with their families, in a drapers.

Here I made several small purchases, of good feeling, if not indeed of positive loitering over them until I could see that duty, you ought to do your best at any the coast was perfectly clear, and then I personal sacrifice to avoid." sallied out, and, as quickly as I could, hurried home.

Meadowsweet trouble if I may so term it, was most probably doomed to a natural death as soon as it was seen that Mr. Meadowsweet and myself continued friends n earnest and not in seeming merely. But my father would be certain, out of mere malice, to tell the story from his own ice to drive me out of my little harbor of as the South Sea Archipelago itself, and far 39, as against 19 last year, and of spring point of view, and with his own embellish refuge. ments, to the Dean and to everybody else.

I felt certain that his vanit, had prompted I am in no way bound to do so, that I will life, but had heard that it was a very rehim to make an album, if only for the value leave Salchester as soon as I can possibly of the sentence in which the reporters make the necessary arrangements. I shall described the manifest emotion and positive be very sorry to go, and still more sorry to anguish with which he had given his evidence. And, when I came to recollect it what most agree with you that whether up to now years ago. A London physician liked the a malignant tissue of lies that evidence I have been acting rightly or wrongly, there had been, and how craftily framed to discredit me to the utmost possible extent.

This much I might take for granted Then came the question what would follow and here I was fairly puzzled. For the world, as an old proverb runs, is

divided into mea, women, and priests, and story of my marriage, and of my divorce, if the two first are apt at times to puzzle and to form your own opinion on it as to my you, you can certainly say of ecclesiastics ; as a class, that it is utterly impossible ever to tell how they will act under any given dent relief at seeing the business end as he set of circumstances, or even whether they had wished. "It is my duty, under the place; but he would only allow one public-

So I went back to my lodgings in a most unpleasant state of uncertainty. I was not going to sllow myself to be distressed at the matter, let it turn out how it might; but it

Early next morning, while I was still wondering what might happen, I was, I cannot but confess, astonished to be told that the Dean himself-not the Dean of Southwick, but the Dean of Salchester itself -would be glad to see me if I were disen- his foibles; a man to be admired. gaged. I, of course, replied that I should George Sabine I also told the truth. be delighted to see him, and in he came. I have hitherto omitted to describe Dr. of his College. In this capacity he had rest. preached several University sermons, which

After this he had been invited to preach what I believe are termed show sermons to fashionable and critical London congreganounced him to be, in these days of doubt in going, and were I you, I should not and difficulty, perhaps the very best man needlessly defer my departure. Let me that could have been selected for the pre- again assure you of my full belief in all you cise piece of preferment in question, and have told me, and of my sorrow and symhad gone on to draw a most learned and interesting parallel between him and Cyril

He shook hands very cordially and took of Alexandria, and Tillotson, and Keble, his leave, and some two hours afterwards

pert. He was a man of fine presence, if not altogether of handsome features, and would have made a capital field officer of Foot Guards. He was now, to all appear ances, just about the wrong side of fifty, but by very little, and now that I am recalling these details, I may as well add that he had a faultless seat in the saddle, and in many other respects contrasted more than favorably with the county squires of the

After a little exchange of sentences about nothing in particular, the Dean told me, as I had expected, that he came to speak to me as a matter of duty, upon a very painful and difficult subject.

I had guessed as much, and I told him "That is why," he continued, I have taken the perhaps unusual course of calling alone, because I wish, if you desire it, that what passes between us should be known to no one but ourselves, unless you think

fit to make it public on your own ac-"I shall certainly respect your confi dence," I answered, "whatever it may be that you have to say."

"You are very kind," he replied "and I think you will be acting prudently. course you saw me vesterday with your father, who was somewhat surprised at seeing you here, and from whom I gathered with astonishment, and I must also of pain, that you had been stopping amongst us under a name, which you possibly acting move, and then stood watching it from the fully and went.

had but one opinion if you had in any way misled us by any positive and direct untruth. But it would be most unfair to from Sebastian Meadowsweet, with every whatever, except a large fire opal. The suggest for a moment that you have at | hearty good wish." tempted to do so. I have heard, more than once, that you have always spoken of so far as I was soncerned, all the world superstitious fancy for it. sorrowful and have begged to be excused friends and possibly even more.

the point as influencing my own judgment, sion,

but as one which might very well present Terminus at Paddington.

of your conduct, or to in any way dictate ing before I rang for my chocolate. I made a bow which was most unmis- to you. But I cannot help thinking, you will upon reflection agree with myself, position of the greatest difficulty and

It is refreshing to meet a gentleman, even though he may be bigoted. And I doubt, after all, whether clergymen are by What was I to do? I did not want to leave any means so bigoted as it is the custom to England was my better chance, though

"You are very kind," I said, looking him He would prefer them to the cruelly ful to you for the interest you have evinced of which I could say, with even more truth spring wheat in 43 of them. The general misleading reports in the papers, of which in me. I think, upon the whole, you are than the Tichborne Claimant said of Waplose several among you whom I have already learned to consider as my friends; but I alis now, at any rate, but one course open to

> "Believe me, it is so," he answered. "Obviously I shall keep my own counsel, continued, "as to the causes of my departure ; and in return for this promise, I have one favor to ask of you, and that is to let me now, and here, shortly tell you the true father's share in the events it contains." "You have a clear right to ask that of me," he answered, but with an air of evi-

Would any woman have done otherwise from beginning to end, leaving out nothing honorable and dignified manner in which my husband had acted throughout.

I spoke of him without a word of bitterness. I spoke of him in fact as I had always found him-honorable, and, but for my father I also told the truch, without Propert, and I may perhaps conveniently do avoiding anything that might be construed so at this point. Unlike my father, he had into vindictiveness. And I then added, taken a high University degree, and had what of course he knew, that I had come to for some years acted as a Fellow and Tutor | Saichester solely to hide myself and to

"And now, Mr. Dean," I concluded, rising without being markedly heterodox or mili- and offering my hand, "I must seek rest tantly orthodox, had yet given rise to con- and a hiding-place elsewhere. I shall go as siderable discussion of a character entirely soon as possible, and I can only hope that I it, gave my tastefull scope. I also, of course, shall be as soon as possible forgotten."

of Paul, are always seeking after something | the Deanery, Lady Craven," he said. "I new. This had led to his gracious notice have no secrets from my wife, but she and by a certain most exalted personage, I will always think well and kindly of you. through whose personal influence he had I can answer for her as certainly as for mybeen elevated to the Deanery of Salchester, self. Should chance bring us anywhere with the entire concurrence not only of the together again, pray remember that we fashionable world, but of Printing House consider you our friend, and hold you in the missed my consider you our friend, and hold you in the missed my consider that we drove a mile out up into the country, dis-Square, the inspired voice of which pro- list of our triends. I am sure you are right

and a dozen or so of other eminent ecclesi- his gardener brought round a lovely bouquet of flowers, attached to which was Mrs. Personally, fortune had favored Dr. Pro- Propert's card, and the intimation in her autograph that they came with her kindest

I saw the messenger myself, and with a heavy heart sent back a message of thanks. By noon next day I had completed all my arrangements, paid all my bills, disposed of my pony and carriage, and taken an affectionate farewell of my little maid, whose sorrow at having to leave me was only pected present of a Post Office savings bank deposit book, assuring her of the fact that five pounds stood to her credit. I took her round to the Post Office myself, and went through the necessary formalities.

The poor child was fairly amazed, but am sure that the present had nothing whatever to do with her manifestations of regret at my departure, which were very sincere and, in spite of herself, demonstrative. She was a nice bright girl, and I hope she has married or will marry a good hus-

I had written to Mr. Meadowsweet a request which he could hardly refuse, that he should be at the station to see me off. He was there as boldly and as regardlessly of possible Salchester opinion as need be. And flowers which I knew must have come down

platform until it turned a curve before I want to describe my dress. It was a

entirely matter for your own conscience. I for supper, and a little annoyed that it was I hadly missed my little maid, but there good English mutton cutlet and a glass of "I am sure you will acquit me," he champagne. My sleep that night was sound

CHAPTER XXVI.

After a couple of days again devoted to maps and guide-books, with their corresponding pros and cons, I decided upon Easthampton as my future abode.

I was very much in the position of chess-player who apparently has all the board open to him, while in reality every square is hopelessly blocked. There are plenty of foreign watering-places but in every one of them there was the certainty, rather than the risk, that my husband would be perfectly well known by reputation at any rate, and that I myself should be recognized.

Salchester if I could possibly help it. The represent them. And once again I could even in England there were difficulties. not help thinking of my father, and reflect. At one time I almost thought of the Chaning how meanly and shabbily he had be- nel Islands, where, so long as you pay your haved, not only all through his pitiful his. bills once a week with regularity, nobody tory, but in this last miserable incident in cares who you are, what you are, or what may be your destination, either in this Had there been a spark of manhood in world or the next. But the Channel Islands, spring wheat will be considerably in excess his soul he would have bitten off his tongue except for a very few weeks in each year, sooner than have used it of deliberate mal- are practically as remote from civilization certainly less enjoyable.

frankly in the face, "and I am very grate- as I have said, pitched upon Easthampton, spectable place.

Easthampton is on the South Coast, somewhere between the Solent on the east, and Plymouth on the west. It was originally a fishing village, and that too, not so many yield, and at one point 35 bushels per air and built himself a Swiss chalet there. Little by little he began to buy up the land "as an ox licketh up the grass of the field." Then he built one or two pleasant villas, which he let, on distinctly advantageous terms, to brother medical men. It was then discovered for the first time that the air of Easthampton would arrest consumption in its earliest stages, and was an absolute specific for all infantile diseases.

Fashionable valetudinarians flocked to it. The railway opened a branch line. Old Esculapius was wise in his generation : he intended to be a baronet, and to found a family. There were three hotels in the that the farmers of Ontario are dropping circumstances, to hear and to thoroughly house, and sternly refused so much as a consider and test anything you may have rood of land for a dissenting conventicle of better return. Out of 95 replies, 34 are to any denomination whatever.

that of Jacob Astor himself. The foreshore, which he had purchased by the acre, would be a distinct affectation to pretend for that told against me, and carefully doing he let out or building leases by the square justice, as I always have done and always foot. As there were no poor in the place, shall do in my own mind, to the highly no poor-rate, and nothing even remotely of increases in winter wheat rades say. "That is just what might have approximating to a slum, the average mora pier was built, not for the vulgar purposes and a landing place for yachts.

For me Easthampton had this great adown name, which I had no intention of do. dropped cultivation of spring wheat entirely. ing, and also that, although the place was though last year there was a fair quantity expensive, it was yet quite within my grown there.

so-called, Isuppose because it had no veranda, a second floor, and a set of garrets over that -and I furnished it modestly and unpretentiously, but very prettily, although I say three seats in the parish church, and subscribed liberally to all the charities; but "You will certainly not be forgotten at carefully avoided acquaintance of the minknew their "Debrett."

My exercise beyond the bungalow garden was a daily drive. If I wanted a walk I missed my carriage with intructions to the coachman to meet me again, and took my walk by myself among the lanes.

It was a dull life and yet a very pleasant | cuit which would take in the entire tele one. I had my flowers. I took to breeding graphic field of the world, touching at the canaries, and I had a regular supply of if I am told that my days must have hung point to another. Starting at San Francisco, heavily on my hands, I can only answer the route ran across the continent to New that I was busy and happy as compared York by Vancouver and Montreal. From with what I had been either at Ossulston, New York it followed the world's northern

I dwell upon all this, because I might south, it touched at Nagasaki in Japan, otherwise seem to be hurrying my story. Hong Kong in China, Singapore, Java and diary it would have been a blank for day crossed to Bombay, made a detour to Ceyafter day, little better or more significant | lon, then on to Aden, rounded the Cape of than the wooden cross of Robinson Crusoe, Good Hope, leaving the line at Zanzibar to with its six consecutive short notches call at Seychelles and Mauritius, mounted regularly followed by a deep one.

At last, however, the time came. The egal, crossed the South Atlantic to Pernambarracks were finished, and the cavalry, a buco, traversed South America from Buenos regiment of Dragoons, and the infantry, a Ayres to Valparaiso, and then went north battalion from a double battlion Line through Mexico to New York. In a few regiment, came down to their new quarters, days, true to his promise, Mr. Preece had filling the whole place with animation and

fortably, it began to be known that the per word, Queen's Musketeer's intended giving a ball and inviting all the residents who were what might be officially described as upon the local Court Directory. I need not say that Mrs. Gascoigne-that is to say, myself-was among the number of those who received a card of invitation.

I hesitated for some time. Then I decided to accept but not to go, and to plead a large quantity of coins, rings, and bangles. from London, and with a copy of the hereafter be asked my reason for staying away. When the even ng came, either talking to me at the door, did not finally headache, or else must have forgotten it, for

I put the flowers by and opened the book. which its folds hang. It was trimmed with Right across the title-page he had written point-lace, and my jewels were my favorite in his own bold, clear hand, "Lady Craven, pearls. Beyond those I wore no jewelry stone is not one which ladies as a rule affect; He at any rate was not ashamed that, but for myself, I have always had a sort of

"You have, for instance, (not that I put being more or less appropriate to the occa- even of brands. I danced most of the square dances, de- much corroded.

So the train-it was the express-tore clined the round dances, was taken down on through the pleasant country until we to supper by the major himself, and yieldbegan to reach canals, and then brick-fields, ed to his entreaties that after supper I and then suburbs, and at last drew up in | would join the cotillon. I was then driven that busy focus of life, the Great Western rapidly home and went to bed with the proud consciousness that I had scored a itself most untavorably to the judgment of A brougham, for which I had written, was distinct triumph among the men, while giv-I was walking down the High Street one others), allowed yourself to publicly par- waiting for me, and I very quickly found ing the women as little occasion for jealousy

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

ONTARIO'S WHEAT CROP.

to the members of the Dominion Millers' skin of my teeth." Association in Ontario, making inquiries | Job had it hard. What with boils, and

comes to the tongue of the business men. and a large or short vield has an important

bearing upon the trade of the province. A collation of the data goes to indicate that the yield per acre of both winter and of that of last year's crop. The average yield of winter wheat is estimated at 22 25wheat, 163, as against 123 last year. Out So I gave the preference to England, and, of 95 districts covered by the replies, winter wheat was grown in 78 of them, and run of the replies estimate the vield of winter wheat from 20 to 25 bushels per acre, but in several instances superabundant yields are reported. Several points in the county of Grey report a yield of 30 bushels per acre. Several points in the county of Simcoe a thirty bushel per acre acre is expected. Around Hespeler, Waterloo county, the yield is put down to 25 to 30 bushels per acre. Haldimand stated to have an acreage 5 per cent. greater than that of last year, a yield of 30 bushels per acre. In the district around Tavistock there will also be a large yield, estimated at 28 bushels per acre. The crop in Grenville is reported much better than that of last year. The acreage is about the same and the yield of winter wheat is estimated at 25 bushels, as against 10 bushels last

year, and of spring at 20 bushels, as against The enquiry has brought out the fact wheat raising, and are turning their attention to lines that will yield them a the effect that the acreage of winter wheat The old land jobber's wealth grew like is from 5 to 75 per cent. less than that of last year, and in only five instances are of spring wheat range from 20 to 100 per cent.

Accordingly I took Sea View Bungalow- Sending a Message Round the World.

One day last April a telegram was put into the hands of the courteous chief engi- with an uncontrollable spirit. He kept neer of the British Postal Service, Mr. W. the nursery in an uproar. His mother started not a pony-basket, but a respectable H. Preece, with the request that he would found him walking on the edge of the house-The Dean was cordial in his manner, but victoria, with a strong sedate cob. I took say whether it could be sent round the There was no horse he dared not ride world by a certain route, and if so what no tree he could not climb. His boyhood it would cost per word. When the writer was a long series of predicament ; his manisters of the altar, who, with their wives of this article went a few days later to look and daughters, knew their "Crockford" as after the progress of the telegram, Mr. go over to the store and say, "Arkwright well as the members of the Irish peerage Preece shook his head. "The whole foreign Department are at it." he said. "and they are tearing their hair and pro-

Found Saxon Coins.

The rcute planned was rather erratic. It asked that the message be sent by a cirmost remote points, but never leaving the books from London through the railway land line or the cable; that is never being days, and who have at present no intention habits. If you this day turn your back on or in St. James's Square, or even at Sal- telegraphic boundaries through England, Norway, Sweden, Russia and Siberia Going Long Branch, and drop their nets, and power of temptation, they cast you off forever. But for the present, at any rate, I am in Sumatra, crossed Australia and landed in It was not a good day. or they had not the the ten thousandth time He is more earnest, the wind is in the right direction; the Gos- step. the West African coast to St. Louis in Sen-

A man working the other day at ed in Derby road, Douglas, Isle of Man, unearthed a stone receptacle containing a sick headache as an excuse, if I should ever The man, being short-sighted, did not ob- But if I come and knock at the door of your was something on it that looked like a sea. With one earnest cry for help, put your serve what his find was until some of the house, you open it, and give me the best gull, but was afterward found to be a way. cause into the hand of Him who helped He saw me into my carriage, remained I must have thought better of the sick bystanders seized some of the coins and seat in your parlor. If I should come at ing handkerchief. In the small boat the Paul out of the breakers of Melita, and ornaments and appropriated them. He you to-day with an argument, you would crew pushed out to the wreck, and found who, above the shrill blast of the wrathiest shake hands until the train had begun to I most certainly dressed myself very care- then took possession of as manyas he could, casm, you would answer me with sarcasm; men had been working their way out shook the ocean, can hear the faintest imnearly a shovelful. They were apparently blow for blow, stroke for stroke; but when through the bottom of the ship. When ploration for mercy. I shall conclude, reaching the bridge over the river, and so high-cut black velvet of that kind which all of silver. The spot where they were I come and knock at the door of your heart the vessel capsized they had no means of feeling that some of you, who have conannounces its excellence by the way in found is about six yards from the high brother, and tell me all you know about dug away through the plank until his knife again, and that with a blood-red earnest-

925-965-that is a century later than Al- !igion ? Would you like to have your child- sank back faint and sick. After long and but saved ! Just got through, and no more ! fred. They belong to the reigns of Athel- ren travel on in the road in which you are tedious work, the light broke through the Escaped by the skin of my teeth.' your past life as having been sad and should know we had been the closest of I knew as I entered the room that there stan (A. D. 948), Edwy now traveling? You had a relative who bottom of the ship. A handkerchief was was not a woman in it better dressed than (A. D. 955), and Edgar, the first king of professed to be a Christian, and was thor- hoistered. Help came. They were taken from making any reference to it. This I do not mind confessing that I kissed myself, or, to speak quite candidly, with all England (A. D. 959). One example of oughly consistent, living and dying in the on board the vessel and saved. Did ever shows an honorable in:ention on your part, the volume and put it tenderly by in my anything like my taste. And men have an Athelstan has the legend "Elelstan re to faith of the Gospel. Would you not like men come so near a watery grave without but if there has been no suggestio fulsi, there has been no suggestio fulsi, there has certainly been a suppressio veri, which has certainly been a suppressio veri, which I had purchased at the bookstall as very nearly approaches to it.

The coins were of course. The coins were of course of the coins were of course. The coins were of course. The coins were of course of the coins were of course. The coins were of course of the coins were of course. The coins were of course of the coins were of course. The coins were of course of the coins were of course. The coins were of course of the coins were of course of the coins were of course.

## THE SKIN OF HIS TEETH.

JECT OF " NARROW ESCAPES."

nother Great Lesson From the Book of Job and From an Incident in the Life of the Prophet-Other Expressions of

harvested, the prospect of the spring wheat of a wife, he wished he was dead; and I profess it. You are a lawyer. In your frequently dunned by creditors whom you crop, and the area sown with winter and do not blame him. His flesh was gone, profession there are mean and dishonest cannot pay, and when, from Monday mornspring wheat. Replies have been received and his bones were dry. His teeth wasted men. Is that anything against the law? ing until Saturday night you are dodging away until nothing but the enamel seemed You are a doctor. There are unskilled and bills that you cannot meet? You walk from 95 representative millers, situated in left. He cries out, "I am escaped with the contemptible men in your profession. Is day by day in uncertainties that have kept

ing trade, but the whole business public. Schultens, and Doctors Good, and Pool, thing against merchandise? Behold, then, noise in the back-counting room, and gone How much an acre will our wheat fields and Barnes, have all tried their forceps on yield? is the question which most readily Job's teeth. You deny my interpretation, ity the wickedness of its disciples. We advantage merchandise: Denoid, then, uoise in the back-counting room, and gone ity the unfairness of charging upon Christian-ity the wickedness of its disciples. We advantage maniac; or the wife ha sheard the Other interests have developed largely in thing about it. Dental surgery is almost swindles of the present day have been carlate years, notably dairying, but wheat as old as the earth. The mummies of ried on by members of the Church. There to-day three hundred men pursued, harassraising is still one of our basic industries, Egypt, thousands of years old, are found are men in the churches who would not be ed, trodden down, and scalped of business wrote about these important factors of the dishonesties in the vestibule of the church hard on you. He knows what obstac'es

> body and soul ; but there are thousands of Sunday sponge they expect to wipe off from heaven. Gather up all your energies. men who make just as narrow escape for their business slate all the past week's in- Tighten the girdles about your loins. Take their soul. There was a time when the consistencies. You have no more right to an agonizing look into the face of God, partition between them and ruin was no take such a man's life as a specimen of re- and then say, "Here goes one grand effort thicker than a tooth's enamel, but, as Job ligion than you have to take the twisted for life eternal," and then bound away for finally escaped, so have they. Thank God! irons and split timbers that lie on the heaven, escaping "as with the skin of your

> ent figure when he says that some people line between religion and the frailties of Hugh Latimer, and John Knox, and Hussare "saved as by fire." A vessel at sea is | those who profess it want to show you, if God will help, that not been happy a day since you swung off; lost faith in everything. In the world where some men make narrow escape for their souls, and are saved as "with the skin of

It is as easy for some people to look to the Cross as for you to look to this pulpit. increases reported. Out of the same num. Mild, gentle, tractable, loving, you expect ber there were 29 instances of decreases them to become Christians. You go over anger that you have to contend against; in the spring whea; acreage, and only two to the store and say, "Grandon joined the and perhaps, when in a very serious mood, you are in the counties of Brant, Durham, rades say, "That is just what might have tality was astonishingly low. And at last Simcoe, Peel and North Ontario. The been expected; he always was of that turn acreage in spring wheat is reported to of mind." In youth, this person whom I of commerce, but to afford a p omenade have increased in Hastings and some parts describe was always good. He never broke of Grenville. The decreases in the acreages things. He never laughed when it was Church; but if you go down stairs my improper to laugh. At seven he could sit vantage-that I should not be likely to be In the vicinity of Burlington, county of an hour in church, perfectly quiet, looking identified unless I went into society in my Halton, the farmers are reported to have neither to the right nor to the left, but straight into the eyes of the minister, as though he understood the whole discussion about the eternal decrees. He never upset things, nor lost them. He floated into the kingdom of God so gradually that it is uncertain just when the matter was decid-

Here is another one who started in life hood was reckless; his midlife very wayjoined the church yesterday." Your friends say, "It is not possible! You must be joking !" You say, "No ; I tell you the truth. He joined the church." Then they reply, There is hope for any of us if old Arkwright has become a Christian !"

In other words, we all admit that it is more difficult for some men to accept the lospel than for others. of becoming Christians themselves, but the wrong, and start anew, God will help just to see what is going on; and yet you vou. Oh, the weakness of human help may find yourself escaping, before you Men will sympathize for a while and then hear the end, as "with the skin of your turn you off. If you beg for their pardon teeth." I do not expect to waste this hour. they will give it, and say they will try you I have seen boats go off from Cape May or again ; but falling away again under the after a while come ashore, pulling in the But God forgives seventy times seven; yea, he had only twenty thousand pounds sterright kind of a net. But we expect no such | more sympathetic, more helpful this last excursion to-day. The water is full of fish; time than when you took your first mis-

the answer ready. The telegram could be sent. It would require about fifty-six heart swings easily on its hinges. If I last, as with the skin of his teeth.

enough to know that the joys and pleasures | evil passions, and capsized mid-ocean, and | that it does not matter much."

REV. DR. TALMAGE ON THE SUB- that proposes to save. I am free to con- they can never be delive that is possessed by many whom I know. will see it, and bear down upon the helpless

is one of unrest. Sometimes I doubt my rowly they escaped"-"escaped as with the immortality, and look upon the death-bed skin of their teeth. BROOKLYN, July 29th, 1894.—Rev. Dr as the closing scene, after which there is There are others who, in attempting to Talmage has selected as the subject of his nothing. What shall I do that I have not come to God, must run between a great It Will be Considerably in Excess of That sermon for to-day, through the press; ful land. Let me say that this Bible is over to business at 10 o'clock in the morn-"Narrow Escapes," the text being taken either true or false. If it be false, we are ing and comes away at 3 clock in the Recently communications were sent out from Job 19: 20, "I am escaped with the as well off as you; if it be true then which of afternoon, he has some time for religion;

> A very narrow escape, you say for Job's to serve God a sort of play-spell. With a unsaleable goods, block up your way to beach at Coney Island as a specimen of an teeth.' Paul expresses the same idea by a differ- American ship. It is time that we draw a In the last day it will be found that

in flames. You go to the stern of the ves- Do you not feel that the Bible, take it but Christian men who went up incorrupt sel. The boats have shoved off. The all in all, is about the best book that the from the contaminations and perplexities flames advance ; you can endure the heat world has ever seen? Do you know any of Wall Street, Water Street, Pearl Street no longer on your face. You slide down book that has as much in it? Do you not Broad Street, State Street, Third Street, on the side of the vessel and hold on with think, upon the whole, that its influence Lombard Street and the Bourse. On earth your fingers, until the forked tongue of has been beneficent? I come to you with they are called brokers, or stock-jobbers, the fire begins to lick the back of your both hands extended towards you. In one or retailers, or importers; but in heaven, hand, and you feel that you must fall, hand I have the Bible, and in the other I Christian heroes. No fagots were heaped when one of the lifeboats comes back and have nothing. This Bible in one hand I about their feet; no inquisition demanded the passengers say that they have room for will surrender forever just as soon as in my from them recantation; no soldier aimed a one more. The boat swings under you -you other hand you can put a book that is better. spike at their heart; but they had mental drop into it-you are saved. So some men To-day I invite you back into the good tortures, compared with which all physicare pursued by temptation until they are old fashioned religion of your fathers-to al consuming is as the breath of a spring partially consumed, but after all get off- the God whom they worshipped, to the morning. "saved as by fire." But I like the figure Bible they read, to the promises on which I find in the community a large class of of Job a little better than that of Paul, be- they leaned, to the cross on which they men who have been cheated, so lied about, cause the pulpit has not worn it out; and hung their eternal expectations. You have so outrageously wronged that they have

> swing back. Again: There may be some of you who, in the attempt after a Christian life, will have to ran egainst powerful passions and appetites. Perhaps it is a disposition to you must swear or die. I know of a Christian man who was once so exasperated that he said to a mean customer, "I cannot swear partner in business will swear at vou." Ail your good resolutions heretofore have been torn to tatters by explosions of temper. Now there is no harm in getting mad if you only get mad at sin. You need to bridle and saddle those hot-breathed passions, and with them ride down injustice and wrong. There are a thousand things in the world that we ought to be mad at. There is no harm in getting red hot if you only bring back; until they have dropped into ruin. A man who has no power of righteous in-

There is a large class of persons in midwere aroused in early manhood, at a time when they prided themselves on being a "little fast," "high livers," "free and easy," "hail fellows well met." They are now paying in compound interest for troubles collected twenty years ago. Some of you are trying to escape, and you willyet very narrowly, "as with the skin of your teeth." God and your own soul only know what the struggle is. Omnipotent grace has pulled out many a soul that was deeper in the mire than you are. They line I may be addressing some who have cut the beach of heaven—the multitude whom

pel net is strong. O, thou who didst help If, with all the influences favorable for Simon and Andrew to fish, show us to-day a right life, men make so many mistakes, how to cast the net on the right side of the how much harder it is when, for instance, some appetite thrusts its iron grapple into Some of you in coming to God, will have the roots of the tongue, and pulls a man to run against sceptical notions. It is use- down with hands of destruction. If, under less for people to say sharp and cutting such circumstances, he break away, there Oh, find your peace in God. Make one things to those who reject the Christian will be no sport in the undertaking, no strong pull for heaven. No half-way work religion. I cannot say such things. By holiday enjoyment, but a struggle in which will do it. There sometimes comesa time As soon as they had settled down com- hours, and would cost about 90 francs (\$18) trayal, you have come to your present state bend, and twist, and watch for an oppor- sacrificed to save the passengers. The car-I know not. There are two gates to your tunity to get in a heavier stroke, until, go is nothing, the rigging nothing. The nature: the gate of the head and the gate with one final effort, in which the muscles captain puts the trumpet to his lip and of the heart. The gate of your head is are distended and the veins stand out, and shouts, "Cut away the mast !" Some of you locked with bolts and bars that an arch- the blood start, s the swarthy habit falls have been tossed and driven, and you have, angel could not break, but the gate of your under the knees, of the victor-escaped at in your effort to keep the world, well-nigh assaulted your body with weapons, you The ship "Emma," bound from Gotten. this matter, let everything else go. Over would meet me with weapons, and it burg to Harwich, was sailing on, when the board with all those other anxieties and would be sword-stroke for sword-stroke, man on the look-out saw something that he burders ! You will have to drop the sails

answer me with an argument; if with sar- that it was a capsized vessel, and that three tempest that ever blackened the sky or you open it and say, "Come in, my escape. The captain took his penknife and sidered your case hopeless, will take heart broke. Then an old nail was found, with ness, such as you have never experienced The coins are silver skeatta or pennies, the | Listen to two or three questions: Are | which they attempted to scrape their way | before, you will start for the good land of common Saxon coinage. Such as have been you as happy as you used to be when you out of the darkness, each one working until the Gospel-at last to look back, saying. examined proved to an of the period A.D. believed in the truth of the Christian re- his hand was well nigh paralyzed, and he "What a great risk I ran! Almost lost,

of life are evanescent, and to realize the they are a thousand miles away from any fact that it must be comfortable in old age shore of help. They have for years been to believe in something relative to the trying to dig their way out. They have future, and to have a faith in some system been digging away, and gging away, but fess that I would be happier if I could they will hoist some some some some exercise the simple and beautiful faith However weak and feeble it may be Christ I am not willingly out of the Church or craft, and take them on ward; and it will out of the faith. My state of uncertainty be known on earth and in heaven how nar-

but how shall you find time for religious Let me also ask whether your trouble has contemplation when you are driven from regarding the winter wheat crop now being bereavements, and bankruptcy, and a fool with the inconsistent character of some who years going behind in bus ness, and are not been that you confounded Christianity sunrise until sunset, and have been for five that anything against medicine? You are your brain on fire for the past three years. facts which will interest not only the mill- There has been some differences of opin- a merchant? There are thieves and de- Some, with less business troubles than you, and say, "What did Job know about the mit some of the charges against those who bang of a pistol in the back parlor, and gone enamel of his teeth?" He knew every- profess religion. Some of the most gigantic in, stumbling over the dead body of her to-day with gold-filling in their teeth. trusted for five dollars without good colla- perplexities, and which way to turn next Ovid, and Horace, and Solomon, and Moses teral security. They leave their business they do not know. Now, God will not be body. To other provoking complaints Job, as they go in and sit at the communion, are in the way of your being a Christian, I think, has a ided an exasperating tooth- Having concluded the sacrament, they get and your first effort in the right direction ache, and, putting his hand against the in- up, wipe the wine from their lips, go out, He will crown with success. Do not let flamed face, he says, "I am escaped with and take up their sins where they left off. Satan, with cotton-bales and kegs, and To serve the devil in their regular work; hogsheads, and counters, and stocks of

you will not be happy a minute until you everything seems so topsy-turvy, they do not see how there can be any God. They are confounded and frenzied, and misanthropic. Elaborate argument to prove to them he truth of Christianity, or the tratt rounded periods and ornamental discourse but I put my hand on your shoulder, and invite you into the peace of the Gospel, Here is a rock on which you may stand firm, though the waves dash against it harder than the Atlantic, pitching its surf clear above Eddystone Lighthouse. Do not charge upon God all these troubles of the world. As long as the world stuck to God. God stuck to the world ; but the earth seceded from His government, and hence is good. For many hundreds of years He has been coaxing the world to come back to Him ; but the more He has coaxed the more violent have men been in their resistance. and they have stepped back, and stepped

Try this God, ye who have had the blood dignation is an imbecile. But be sure it is that God had forgotten you. Try Him, and a righteous indignation, and not a petu-lancy that blurs, and unravels, and de-lancy that blurs, and unravels, and de-if He will not help. Try Him and see if He will not save. The flowers of spring have no bloom so sweet as the flowering of Christ's affections. The sun hath no warmth compared with the glow of His heart. The waters have no refreshment like the fountain that will slake the thirst of thy soul the thicket. Without cracking a stick under his foot, he comes close by the stag, aims his gun, draws the trigger, and the poor thing roars in its death agony and falls backward, its antiers crushing on the rocks ; but the panting heart that drinks shall never be fatally wounded, and shall

> This world is a poor portion for your soul, oh, business man? An Eastern king had graven upon his tomb two fingers, rea snap, and under them the motto, " All is not worth that." Apicious Colius hanged hima small inheritance for a soul. Robespierre attempted to win the applauseoithe world; but when he was dying a woman came rushing through the crowd, crying to him, " Murderer of my kindred, descend to hell, France!" Many who have expected the

lost your soul. Until you have decided

## One Comfort.

Struggling Poet (gloomily)-"All my verses have been sent back.' Wife-"Well, I wouldn't worry, dear. "Eadgar re." The coins were, of course, Christian religion. It says, "I am old There are men who have been capsized of They pay so little when they accept them

