

THE TALMAGE SERMON

EASTER JUBILEE IN A METROPOLITAN CHURCH.

"Death is Swallowed Up in the Victory" Cor. 15:54—The Struggle Between Light and Darkness—The Defeats of Satan in the East.

BOUT EIGHTEEN hundred and sixty-one Easter mornings have wakened the earth. In France for three centuries the almanacs made the year begin at Easter.

In the Tower of London there is a payroll of Edward I., on which there is an entry of eighteen pence for four hundred colored and pictured Easter eggs, with which the people sported.

Ecclesiastical councils met at Pontus, at Gaul, at Rome, at Achala, to decide the particular day, and, after a controversy more animated than gracious, decided it, and now through all Christendom in some way, the first Sunday after the full moon which happens upon or next after March 21 is filled with Easter rejoicing.

My text is an ejaculation. It is spun out of halilujahs. Paul wrote right on in his argument about the resurrection, and observed all the laws of logic; but when he came to write the words of the text his fingers and his pen and the parchment on which he wrote took fire, and he cried out, "Death is swallowed up in victory!"

But one Christmas night his antagonist was born. As most of the plagues and sicknesses and despotisms came out of the east, it was appropriate that the new conqueror should come out of the same quarter.

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returned to us as they are now. We want to get rid of all their weaknesses, and all their susceptibilities to fatigue, and all their slowness of locomotion. They will be put through a chemistry of soil and heat and cold and changing seasons out of which God will reconstruct them as much better than they are now as the body of the rosiest and healthiest child that bounds over the lawn is better than the sickest patient in the hospital.

This view, of course, makes it of but little importance whether we are cremated or reburied. If the latter is dust to dust, the former is ashes to ashes. If any prefer incineration, let them have it without caricature. The world may become so crowded that cremation may be universally adopted by law as well as by general consent.

That far-up cloud, higher than the back flies, higher than the eagle flies, what is it made of? Drops of water from the Hudson, other drops from East river other drops from a stagnant pool out on Newark Flats.

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to state in brief death, giving the soul an excursion into the next world, from which it comes back—a furious and a hour's gratified from the conflict of life to which it must return.

I called at my friend's house one summer day. I found the yard all piled up with rubbish of carpenter's and mason's work. The door was off. The plumbers had torn up the floor. The roof was being lifted in cupola. All the pictures were gone and the paper-hangers were doing their work.

Only the bad disappear of the resurrection. A cruel heathen warrior heard Mr. Moffat, the missionary, preach about the resurrection, and he said to the missionary, "Will my father rise in the last day?"

Thomas A. Edison is engaged in a new invention which, if a success, bids fair to make all his other wonders fade into comparative insignificance. The proposition alone is enough to take an ordinary man's breath away.

Dr. J. C. Quinn, Mason City, Ia.: "God is light." (1 John. 1: 5.) In saying this the Holy Ghost would have us regard God as the unerring and omniscient recorder of all our deeds, words and thoughts.

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MRS. THEODORE HAVEMEYER AND HER HOMES.

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MIMENSE GLASS doors set in frames of bronze and curtained with heavy dull green velvet, open, and you stand in a marble corridor, a garden of golden genets and palms.

lead to Mrs. Theodore A. Havemeyer's drawing-room, seen through a wall of glass. She stands at its entrance, a tall, woman, commanding figure, with a round, full face, rather pretty, and of great strength and character.

weight in gold, are scattered everywhere. There is a glistering look to the assemblage, in brocade and satin, suggestive of gold.



MRS. HAVEMEYER.

tion of antiques. Then there is a Chinese-room, rich with wonderful carvings and exquisite porcelains from the Flowery kingdom.



GENEVIEVE HAVEMEYER.

Genevieve Havemeyer, the unmarried daughter is a handsome, dark-eyed, wayhaired beauty of 17. She is at present in Europe, the inmate of a French convent, the same one from which Anna Gould emerged to become the Countess de Castellane.

JAPANESE SOLDIERS' BIBLES.

How They Were Introduced and What the Officers Think of Them.

When it became evident that the contest between Japan and China would result in the defeat of the latter, strong hopes were expressed that the subjugation of the Chinese and the overthrow of their empire would open the gates to the introduction of civilization, and with it Christianity.



CORNER IN CHINESE ROOM. Which, like the high fence walling the whole off from the street, is of wrought iron. The house has square windows all over it at regular intervals, all curtained alike with looped-back white lace.

LUCKY TO BE AN AMERICAN. William Giles Kitchen Claims an Estate Under the Statutes.

William Giles Kitchen has reason to congratulate himself on the fact that he is an American citizen. He filed a bill for partition in the superior court of Chicago the other day in which he sets up the claim that on account of his citizenship he is the only heir at law of Mrs. Sarah Smith, his aunt, who died on the 15th of March.

Champagne and Gout. One of the latest medical theories is that champagne is responsible for much of the prevailing rheumatism and gout.

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