

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

"A KING EATING GRASS" SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

From the Text—"And He Was Driven from Men and Did Eat Grass as Oxen, and His Body Was Wet With Dew from Heaven."—Daniel 4:33.

BETTER shade your eyes lest they be put out with the splendor of Babylon, as some morning you walk out with Nebuchadnezzar on the suspension bridges which hang from the housetops, and he shows you the vastness of his realm.

You see there is a great variety in the Scriptural landscape. In several discourses we have looked at mountains of excellence, but now we look down into a great, dark chasm of wickedness as we come to speak of Nebuchadnezzar.

On a certain night, a little while after these captives had been brought to his city, Nebuchadnezzar is scared with a night vision. A bad man's pillow is apt to be stuffed with deeds and forebodings which keep talking in the night.

comes in with the interpretation just in time to save the wise men and the Jewish captives. My friends, do you not see that pride and ruin ride in the same saddle?

Remember that we can be as proud of our humility as of anything else. Antisthenes walked the streets of Athens with a ragged cloak to demonstrate his humility, but Socrates declared he could see the hypocrisy through the holes in his cloak.

Do you not also learn from the misfortune of the king of Babylon what a terrible thing is the loss of reason. There is no calamity that can possibly befall us in this world so great as derangement of intellect.

See also in this story of Nebuchadnezzar the use God makes of bad men. The actions of the wicked are used as instruments for the punishment of wickedness in others or as the illustration of some principle in the Divine government.

spend their money were left without money to spend. Laborers went home for want of work, to see hunger in their chair at the table and upon the hearth.

Again, let us learn the lesson that men can be guilty of polluting the sacred vessels of the temple and carrying them away to Babylon. The sacred vessels in the temple at Jerusalem were the cups and plates of gold and silver with which the rites and ceremonies were celebrated.

He who breaks the Sabbath not more certainly robs God than robs himself. Inevitably, continuous desecration of the sacred day ends either in bankruptcy or destroyed health.

Rev. William Jay met a countryman who said to him, "I was extremely alarmed this morning, sir. It was very foggy and I was going down to a lonely place and I thought I saw a strange monster. It seemed in motion, but I could not discern its form."

ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE

REPORTED BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

February 8.

The house met at 5 o'clock this afternoon, with less than a quorum present. The session continued only a few minutes. Bills were introduced as follows: By Mr. Barnes—To legalize the judicial proceedings of the March terms of 1886 and 1887 of the Clay County Circuit Court.

February 9. Representative Weidmaler introduced a two-cent railroad fare bill today. It requires railroad companies to sell thousand-mile tickets at two cents a mile, good on all railroads in Illinois.

In the Senate to-day Senator Crawford presented two petitions, one from the judges of the Superior Court of Cook County, and one from a large number of the members of the bar of Chicago, asking for the repeal of the mechanics lien law.

February 10. Immediately after the reading of the Journal in the senate a message was received from the governor, asking that he be authorized to borrow the sum of \$250,000, with which to meet the current expenses of the state.

February 11. Senator Templeton's bill authorizing the governor to borrow \$250,000 was favorably reported by the appropriations committee, with the amendment that the money be borrowed for not longer than two years.

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escape commissioner at a salary not to exceed \$3,000 per year and an assistant at a salary not to exceed \$1,500. By Senator Payne—To indemnify the owners of sheep in cases of damage committed by dogs.

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PLANETARY GOSSIP.

WHAT THE STARS SAY OF THE EARTH'S INHABITANTS.

It is a Good Idea to Consult the Astrologer When About to Enter Into Matrimony—Answers to Requests—Instructions for Applicants to Go By.

IF PEOPLE should consult an expert astrologer before falling in love, marriages would be more harmonious. The astrologer is often requested to compare the horoscopes of man, and wife to find out the cause of the existing inharmonious and assist in patching up their differences, etc.

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According to data furnished the zodiacal sign Aquarius, which Uranus rules, was rising at your birth; therefore Uranus is your ruling planet or signifier.

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Words of Great Men. To choose time is to save time; and an unseasonable motion is but beating the air.—Bacon.