### Notes and Comments.

obliquity in comparing the present with the past is seen in a speech just delivered by the Chancellor of the German Empire, Prince Hohenlohe. At a banquet held in Berlin to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the founding of the Royal the belief of the progress of humanity, but that in recent times his confidence on this point has been shaken. "The indispensable battle for life," he declares, "has of late assumed so fierce and coarse a form that we are reminded of the wild and fantistic tales of animal life in the antediluvian ages. Instead of progress, retrogression seems to mark the beginning of the twentieth century." This is a plaint with which the world has grown familiar in the few centuries, but it is unusual to find it uttered by a statesman of the ability and sanity of the present German Chancellor.

Probably Prince Hohenlohe's doleful view of present tendencies has been largely incited by the wars which have recently taken place or are now under way. An English newspaper has just said that the spectacle at the dawn of a new century of the two most enlightened nations in the world, the United States and Great Britain, being in war simultaneously, the former on the border of Asia and the latter in through the ambition, or the supposed breaketh." ambition, of Bonaparte to bring the You see, in the first place, that and another.

and none of it has been done which the partition of Poland. Within the Christ, the Cross. For whom to close there has been a manumission of the slaves in the United States and slavery in that time, and an emancipa- plied," I am against the world." tion of the serfs in Russia. The dark ory Christian has his struggle. With of Africa ( has been financial misfortune you have had opened up to civilization. Prusyears man has made greater adthe world.

## ALCOHOL AND ANARCHY.

Prof. Cesare Lombroso recently had broke out into anarchistic threats. tears, "God help me!" hol had passed off.

## PREFERRED TO SUFFER.

You look awful sick, old man, I'll telephone out to your house that you are coming home early. Oh, no! Don't let my wife know. But why not?

She has been trying to get me home early for a month, to move some furni-

## IT WAS A FIST.

I thought you were satisfied that that palmist was a fake. You haven't been to see him again? Yes, and as soon as he looked a my hand he saw trouble in it.

Yes, I shook it under his nose.

# TRIALS OF GOD'S PEOPL

Rev. Dr. Talmage Talks of Their Struggles.

remarked that he had grown old in Jacob's Combat With an Unknown Visitor -- Men's Conflict With Evil Habits -- With the Help of the Lord They Triumph--Prosperity and Trouble Compared.

Rev. Dr. Talmage, preached from the following text:-" And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day. And when he saw that he prevailed not against him he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of me go for the day breaketh.' And he said, 'I will not let thee go except is a sad thing to see a man contend- struggle. It is appropriate for men" or "men who feared God, while ed him to understand our Lord's

The dust arose from a travelling herd of cattle, and sheep, and goats, halts by the brook Jabbock. But there ing ladder to let the angelb down jaws of death, rode the six hundred.' people, the day breaketh. The his side. He was rich also and generinto his dream; but a fierce combat, These heroes had the whole would to bigotries of the earth are perishing. ous. The "servant" was a slave, Africa, is an event of evil portent for that lasts until morning, with an un- to applaud, the struggle in that hum- if we wanted to get to heaven, we the coming age. But both the Ger- known visitor. They each try to throw, ble home. She fought for bread, for must be immersed or sprinkled; or we man statesman and the British the other. The unknown visitor, to re- clothing, for fire, for shelter, with must believe in the perseverance of clerk. Matthews says, "He lieth at journal would take a less gloomy view veal his superior power, by a touch aching head, and weak side, and ex- the saints, or in falling away from home." Dear unto him is literally of the present time if they should wrenches Jacob's thigh bone from glance back at the conditions which Its socket, perhaps maining him for it be that none would give her help? ans, in order to reach heaven. We him. The narrative throughout inprevalled a hundred years ago. Not life. As on the morning sky the clus- Had God forgotten to be gracious have all come to confess now that dicates the master's respect for and only were the two nations named en- ters of purple cloud begin to ripen, gaged in war a century ago, but many Jacob sees it is an angel with whom other countries were also involved in he has been contending, and not one of the night wind, in the ripple of hostilities in some part of the world. of his brother's coadjutors. "Let me the brook Jabbock,-the England and France were having a life go," cries the angel, lifting himself and death grapple at that time up into increasing light, "the day ringing down the sky: "Thy father- Communion. On the next Sabbath I

whole of Europe under his sway, and God allows good people sometimes to "How is it that in such distress you church and knelt at the altar and re- petent physicians. every great nation and most of get into a terrible struggle. Jacob keep cheerful?" She said, "I do it by ceived the consecrated bread. I do the small ones in the Old World par- was a good man; but here he was left what I call cross prayers. When I not know which service I enjoyed the ticipated in that conflict at one time alone in the midnight to wrestle with a tremendous influence by the brook Jabbock. For Joseph a pit; for Dan- down and cry. But now I do not get As I look upon this audience, I see, the elders of the Jews. Omit "the" TROUBLES THAT NEVER ARRIVE. The Prince's own country furnishes iel, a wild beast den; for David, de- discouraged. If I go along the street, many who have passed through waves before "elders." It does not seem that a striking illustration of the march of thronement and exile; for John the progress in the century in which he Baptist, wilderness diet and the exeseems to see nothing but retrogres- cutioner's axe; for Peter, a prison; the street, and again I say, 'The Lord shall not go always saddened and of influence in the community. Verse sion. A little over 100 years ago Prus- for Paul, shipwreck; for John, deso- help me! And so I pray at every cros- heart-broken. God will lift your bur- 7 shows that, personal application sia engaged with Austria and Russia late Patmos; for Vashti, most insultin three divisions of Poland which ef- ing cruelty; for Josephine, banishfaced that hapless nation from the ment; for Mrs. Sigourney, the agony age. world's map, Bonaparte and other con- of a drunkard's wife; for John Wesquerors often changed the map in the ley, stones hurled by an infuriated people sometimes are surprised to find will rise. The morning star dead will rise. The morning star dead will rise that what they have been structured by the morning star dead will rise. The morning star dead will rise that what they have been structured by the morning star dead will rise they have been structured by the morning star dead will rise they have been structured by the morning star dead will rise they have been structured by the morning star dead will rise they have been structured by the morning star dead will rise they have been structured by the morning star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the morning star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise they have been structured by the star dead will rise the star dead will ri mob; for Catherine, the Scotch girl, earlier part of the present century, the drowning surges of the sea; for blossing of blossing of blossing. The last the sea is a last the sea in the sea i but comparatively little of that Mr. Burns, the buffetting of the Montwork has been done in recent years, real populace; for John Brown, of Edinburgh, the pistol-shot of Lord Claranks in international criminality with fold; for Latimer, the stake; for messenger to promise prosperity for of the Church. They could see no 4, 5. Instantly. Urgently. These There can only be so much of darkverhouse; for Hugh McCail, the scaflast half of the century which is soon rocks, the gibbets, the guillotines, the thumb screws? For the sons and daughters of the Lord Almighty. Some one said to a Christian reformer, "The in all the other nations which had world is against you." "Then," he re-

THE MIDNIGHT WRESTLE. has gained a constitution Red-hot disasters have dropped into pursued by his own son, he was be- Selah." in this half century, the first your store from loft to cellar. What ing prepared to become the sweet which it ever possessed. The German states, under the leadership of Prusstates, under the leadership of Israel. The pit and the singer of Israel. The pit and the states, under the leadership of the pit and the states, under the leadership of Prusstates, under the leadership of Israel. The pit and the states are states as the pit and the pit and the states are states as the pit and the pit sia, have been welded into a great with long arms, and grip like death, hurricane that upset the tent, and nation. Italy, which was only a geo- took hold of you in an awful wrestle, killed Job's children, prepared the from which you have not yet escaped, man of Uz to write the magnificent gr phical expression as recently as and it is uncertain whether it will poem that has astounded the ages. Metternich's time, has been trans- throw you, or you will throw it. Here There is no way to get the wheat out formed into one of the great powers of is another soul, in struggle with some of the straw but to thresh it. There the earth. In the past 100 or 125 bad appetite. He knew now how steal- is no way to purify the gold but to thily it was growing upon him. One burn it. Look at the people who have hour he woke up. He said, "For the always had it their own way. They vancement politically and socially sake of my soul, of my family, and of are proud, discontented, useless, and than he did in all the previous ages of my children, and of my God, I must unhappy. If you want to find cheerstop this!" And behold he found ful folks, go among those who have himself alone, by the brook Jabbock; been purified by the fire. After and it was midnight. That evil ap- Rossini had rendered William Tell petite seized upon him, and he seized the five hundredth time, a company ed to keep out the sun, or a book upon it; and O, the horror of the con- of musicians came under his window flict! When once a bad habit hath in Paris, and serenaded him. They taper; or the room may be filled with an opportunity to test scientifically roused itself up to destroy a man. put upon his brow the effect of alcohol in developing and the man has sworn that, by the latent criminal tendencies. The sub- help of the eternal God, he will de- of laurel leaves! But, amid all the ject of his experiments was a man who stroy it, all heaven draws itself out applause and enthusiasm Rossini turnin long line of light, to look from ed to a friend and said, "I would give had surrendered himself to the police above, and all hell stretches itself in all this brilliant scene for a few days with the avowal that anarchists wish- myrmidons of spite to look up from of youth and love.' ed to make him their instrument for beneath. I have seen men rally themassassinating the King of Italy. The selves for such a struggle, and they trouble that saves. While the Israe- ing: the day breaketh. man seemed sane, but no corrobora- have bitten their lip, and clenched tion of his story could be obtained. their fist, and cried with a blood red privations and hardships, they be- am in no haste to be gone. I have no table are fist, and cried with a blood red privations and hardships, they be-Unexpectedly, after drinking wine, he earnestness, and a rain of scalding

Acting upon this hint, Professor Lom- From a wrestle with habit, I have broso administered alcohol to him in seen men fall back defeated. Calling carefully measured quantities, and for no help, but relying on their own discovered that after he had drunk a resolutions, they have come into the certain amount he developed violent struggle; and for a time it seemed as criminal tendencies, all recollection of | if they were getting the upper hand of which appeared to have vanished from their habit; but that nabit rallied his mind when the effect of the alco- again its infernal power, and lifted its soul from its standing, and with a force borrowed from the pit, burled it into outer darkness. First, I saw the auctioneer's mallet fall on the pictures, and musical instruments. and the rich upholstery of his family parlour. After a while I saw him fall into the ditch. Then, in the midnight, when the children were deaming their sweetest dreams, and Christun households are silent with slum- bone sprang from its socket, and the

THE SHARP SHRIEK that followed the stab of his own pionard. He fell from an honoured social position; he fell from a family circle of which once he was the grandest attraction; her fell from the house of God, at whose altars he had been consecrated; he fell-for ever! But, thank God. I have seen men prepare thank God, I have seen men prepare your way. You need not be surprised themselves for such a wrestling. They that those who have passed through laid hold of God's help as they went the fire do not feel as Many a contributor to the world's in to combat. The grant habit, rehistory doesn't know the first princi- galed by the cup of many dissipations

A despatch from Washington says: clenched. There were the writhings and distortions of a fearful struggle. But the old giant began to waver; and at last, in the midnight alone, with none but God to witness, by the brook Jabbock, the giant fell; and the triumphant wrestler broke the darkness with the cry, "Thanks be unto God, who giveth us the victory, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Jacob's thigh was out of joint as he There is a widow's heart, that first wrestled with him. And he said, 'Let | was desolated by bereavement, and since, by the anxieties and trials that came in the support of a family. It sorrow, is more affecting It was a has had its strongest props knocked turion was a man of lofty morals and and camels. They are the present that humble home; and passers by knew out. The tyrants of the earth are Jacob sends to gain the good-will of not that within those four walls were falling flat in the dust. The Church wide human sympathies, or his Jewish his offended brother. That night Jacob displays of courage more admirable of Christ is rising up in its strength neighbors, whose prejudices at the Alps, or in the Pass of Thermopylae, as the sun, and terrible as an army of him, would not have been won over to all this is inconsistent with the there." is no rest for the weary man. No shin- or at Balaklava, where, "into the banners." Clap your hands, all ye cheer them on; but there were none The time was when we were told that whose duties were those of a personal every line that, as Dr. Kendrick has No! contending soul. The midnight these are air is full of wings, coming to the rescue. She hears it now, in the sough

> PROMISE MADE SO LONG AGO, nothing to buy it with, I used to sit "The day breaketh."

grandest things that have ever hap- not we fear, though the earth be re- this. The Revised Version makes the made Paul what he was. When David be troubled, though the mountains because, "he loveth our nation, and was fleeing through the wilderness, shake with the swelling thereof. himself built us our synagogue. Re-

A GOLDEN CROWN

mark upon us. Jacob prevailed, but go-Let me go!" The day breaketh. 7. Neither thought I myself worthy that every time you see them they will the angel touched him, and his thighber, angel-watched, I heard him give good man went limping on his way. We must carry through this world the mark of the combat. What ploughed those premature wrinkles in your face f: What whitened your hair before it was time for frost? What silenced for ever so much of the hilarity of your household? Ah! it is because the angel of trouble hath

to bless and to save.

GAY AS THEY ONCE DID. eme out strong and defiant. They Do not be one with those sost.

who come not out of their despondency. They may triumph over their loss, and yet their gait shall tell you that they have been troubled-touch-Are we Stoics, that we can, unmoved, see our cradle rifled of the bright eyes and the sweet lips? Can we stand unmoved and see our gardens of earthly delight uprooted? Will Jesus, who wept Himself, be angry with us if we pour our tears into the graves that opened to swallow down what we love best? Was Lazarus more dear to Him than our beloved ple. "Sayings" here refers to the Serdead to us? No. We have a right to weep. Our tears must come. You shall not drive them back to scald original meaning of hearing; "the peothe heart. They fall into God's ple" are the multitudes that constant- a Master who simply exerted his will bottle. Afflicted ones have died be- ly thronged him; and the whole verse cause they could not weep. Thank God for the sweet, the mysterious relief that comes to us in tears! Under this of the Sermon on the Mount Jesus gentle rain the flowers of corn put went to his home in Capernaum. forth their bloom. God pity that dry, withered, parched, all-consuming grief that wrings its hands, and grinds its teeth, and bites its nails unto the officer in command of one hundred tells of our Lord's astonishment at quick, but cannot weep! We may men. Each of the several centurions this saying. Well might he "marvel," have found the comfort of the Cross, and yet ever after show that in the dark night, and by the brook Jabbock, favorably. It has been guessed that we were trouble-touched.

Again: we may take the idea of the text, and announce the approach of the day-dawn. No one was ever more glad to see the morning than is not probable, for proselytes are uswas Jacob after that night of ually referred to as either "devout God"; and his military authority helpages; but to see a delicate woman, cry out with this angel of the text, our Lord draws a definite line bewith helpless little ones at her back, "The day breaketh." The world's tween this heathen and the sons of fighting the giants of poverts and prospects are brightening. Popery the kingdom. But evidently this centhan that of Hannibal crossing the to go forth, "fair as the moon, clear beginning must have been all against uine astonishment. If one says that and we will see if the little girl is hausted strength, through the long grace, or a liturgy, or no liturgy; or "held in value by" or "precious to" night by the brook Jabbock. Could they must be Calvinists, or Armini-

NON-ESSENTIALS IN RELIGION During my vacation, one summer, I was in a Presbyterian audience, and it was sacramental day, and with grateful heart I received the Holy less children I will preserve them was in a Methodist church, and sat alive; and let thy widows trust in Me?" at a love-feast. On the following Some one said to a very poor woman, Sabbath I was in an Episcopalian

## DEATH TO MANY.

fruits, its sparkling streams, and to say farewell to those with whom we played in childhood, or counselled in manhood. In that night, like Jacob, we may have to wrestle, but God will not leave us unblessed. It shall not be told in heaven that a dying soul cried unto God for help, but was not delivered. The lattice may be turnset to dim the light of the midnight the cries of orphanage and widowmourn over our going; but, if Jesus ing by the brook will cease; the hours of death's night will pass along: one every step that the Lord took names given to old diseases to couno'clock in the morning; two o'clock in the centurion realized with increas- teract the good influence of these four

lites were on the march, amid great So I would have it when I die. I Moody in his early Christian life, this Worry is a fine thing for the doctor, haved well. After awhile they prayed grudge against this world; The table examination in theology; but he as it breaks up the whole system, and for meat; and the sky darkened only fault I have to find with the had in his heart the "root of the mat- invites all kinds of troubles. We must with a great flock of quails; and world is, that it treats me too well. ter, the essence of faith, holy prin- not blame the doctors too much, since these quails fell in great multitudes But when the time comes to go, I trust ciples which doubtless were developed they must make a livelihood. I only all about them; and the Israelites ate to be ready, my worldly affairs all ed later into genuine Christianity. I wish that people would realize that and ate, and stuffed themselves un- settled. If I have wronged others, I am not worthy that thou shouldest they are not nearly so necessary as til they died. Oh, my friends, it is want then to be sure of their forgive- enter under my roof. His humility they think they are. not hardship, or trial, or starvation ness. In that last wrestling, my arm and his faith were equally remark- There is plenty of happiness and that injures the soul, but abundant enfeebled with sickness, and my head able. To his, view Jesus was a peculi- good in the world, as well as sorrow supply. It is not the vulture of faint, I want Jesus beside me. If there arly holy -rabbi. Rabbis generally and seeming badness; you can have trouble that eats up the Christian's be hands on this side of the flood avoided the houses of Gentiles as un- your shares as well as your neighbor. life; it is the quails! it is the quails! stretched out to hold me back, I want clean and association with them as Expect it, demand it, declare that you You will yet find out that your mid- the heavenly hands stretched out to defiling. "The higher this man placed can have it, that you will have it, and night wrestle by the brook Jabbock draw me forward. Then, O Jesus, help Jesus on the pinnacle of Judaism the then get it in the best and easiest way. is with an angel of God, come down me on, and help me up. Unfearing, un- more natural was it for him not to You won't be poor, or sick, or miserdoubting, may I step right out into expect the personal presence of the able long after you have learned that Learn again that, while our wrest- the light, and be able to look back Master."-Edensheim. The holiness- worrying does not pay, and that ling with trouble may be triumphant, to my kindred and friends, who would he believed Jesus to possess increased cheerfulness and loving kindness are we must expect that it will leave its detain me here, exclaiming, Let me the necessary distance between them. magnets as powerful as the sun, and

AT THE ART EXHIBITION.

painter of this-

self as the painter.

made this girl's frock.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON, APRIL 22.

'The Centurion's Servant Healed." Luke 7. 1-10. Golden Text. Psa. 103. 18. PRACTICAL NOTES.

Verse. 1. When he had ended all his sayings in the audience of the peomon on the Mount; "audience" has its simply means that at the conclusion 2. A certain centurion's servant. A

fondness of the slave. Was sick. Literally, "he was in bad condition," was ill; and Matthew tells us that he was palsied or paralyzed - and grievously tormented. His disease may have been progressive paralysis or tetanus, some form of nervous cramps. Ready to die. Apparently past all help,

time of Christ, a land without com-3. When he heard of PJesus. Not heard that he was coming down a had my rent to pay, and nothing to most. "I believe in the communion of certain street, but heard of his pay it, with, and bread to buy and saints and in the life everlasting." teachings and miracles. See Matt. 4. 24, 25; Luke 6. 17. He sent unto him when I come to a corner of the street, of trouble that came up higher than these came to Jesus as rulers of the "Don't cross the bridge till you come I say. The Lord help me!' I then go their girdle. In God's name 1 pro- synagogue or ecclesiastical officers until I come to another crossing of claim cessation of hostilities. You of any sort; they were venerable men Ls a proverb old, and of excellent wit." sing; and since I have got into the den. God will bring your dead to was not, made because of the cen- If that bit of advice were only heedhabit of saying these 'cross prayers,' life. God will staunch the heart's turion's humility. He assumes that ed, how much better and happier the I have been able to keep up my cour- bleeding. I know He will. Like as a men of high rank can most readily world would be. Worrying is one of father pitieth his children, so the influence Jesus. Beseeching him that Learn again from this subject, that Lord pities you. The pains of earth he would come and heal. The afflict- the foes of life, it darkens what would out that what they have been strug- dead will rise. The morning star escaloui apress s, uojin uoo equ ealesqo the gentle mother cross, the father iran "angel of blessing.' Jacob gates of the east begin to swing of humility as Jesus approaches the house. His shrinking from meeting sad one. There is no need to worry, this strange personage was Luther and Melancthon were talking the Prophet develops into a shrinking for instead of advancing your cause not an enemy, but a God-despatched together gloomily about the prospects from even having him enter his home. it hinders it. him and for his children. And so, hope of deliverance. After a while, elders may not have been disciples of ness, rain or sorrow, and the glorious many a man, at the close of his trial, Luther got up and said to Melancth- Jesus, but were respectful of his powhas found out that he has been try- on, "Come, Philip, let us sing the ers; certainly, if they had been re- sunshine comes again. The little triing to throw down his own blessing. forty-sixth Psalm of David: "God is cognized as opponents, the centurion als of life are the sign-posts along If you are a Christian man, I will go our refuge and strength, a very pre- would not have selected them. He life's highway, showing the right road

vised Version. He was a foreigner you come to them.

It is prosperity that kills, and the morning; four o'clock in the morn- Master of nature. Like Dwight L. thy to medical pocketbooks.

died. There are people in our own don't worry. Mrs. A. before the full-length por- day who deeply reverence God and "Some of your griefs you have endurtrait of a girl-Oh, if I only knew the goodness, but who from undue diffidence or beclouded religious views Artist, stepping forward joyfully- shrink from identification with God's Permit, me, Madam, to introduce my- people. It may help us to get close to such if we can understand this Mrs. A.-What extraordinary good man's position, who, though classed luck! Now you will tell me, won't you as a pagan, was in full sympathy with touched you that you go limping on the address of the dressmaker who the Jews, and had the faith of a Christion. Every sinful sould should be a Experience comes high, but you will never outgrow the so-called "remany are willing to accept money as a intellect by the so-called tremany are willing to accept money as a intellect by the so-called tremany are willing to accept money as a intellect by the so-called tremany are willing to accept money as a intellect by the so-called tremany are willing to accept money as a intellect by the so-called tremany are willing to accept money as a intellect by the so-called tremany are willing to accept money as a intellect by the so-called tremany are willing to accept money as a intellect by the so-called tremany are willing to accept money as a intellect by the so-called tremany are willing to accept money as a intellect by the so-called tremany are willing to accept money as a intellect by the so-called tremany are willing to accept money as a intellect by the so-called tremany are willing to accept money as a intellect by the so-called tremany are willing to accept money as a intellect by the so-called tremany are willing to accept money as a intellect by the so-called tremany are will be a so-called tr ed has incidental faults as well as substitute.

nherent merits, and the fault of the revival methods' is that they too often deal with souls by the wholesale, and regard sinners in mass. No two subjects of Christ's saving power are alike or need exactly the same manifestation of grace. Sunday school teachers especially should keep this in mind, and take a timely lesson from the notable fact that Jesus never spread out his hands over a town to cure all its sufferers at once. Individual needs must be individually met Say in a word, and my servant shall be healed. He saw that this Healer was neither a physician using reme dies nor a magician using rites, but

to banish disease and infirmity. 8. I also am a man set under authority, having under me soldiers. That is to say, Like you, I both obey authority and exercise authority. Go. and he goeth: . . . . . . Come, and he cometh;. . . Do this, and centurion in the Roman army was an he doeth it. The next verse

of the New Testament is mentioned for probably, not another man in Palestine would have thus frankly acknowledged the nature and sweep this centurion was in the army of of Jesus's power. The centurion's Herod Antipas. He was a Gentile, unquestioning obedience to the king Matt. 8. 10. That he was a "proselyte" or emperor, helped him to understand our Lord's unquestioning obedience to God, "Lo, I come to do thy will, O, mastery of winds and waves and demons and mobs and fevers and blindness and strokes.

9. He marveled. It will not do to say that Jesus here expresses a wonder which, he does not feel. The words turned him about, and said are that all this is inconsistent with the omniscience of divinity, the reply is servant, possibly of a confidential expressed it, "the Lord's divinity and his humanity stand in einexplicable packages, boxes, baskets, umbrellas, who could silently will the dying man back to life was really ttaken by surprise at what this centurion said. I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel. The one other occasion where Jesus is said to have marveled was at unbelief! Mark. 6. 6. This is essentially a commendation of his ing in the fervent embrace of her tearcharacter, for no one can be full of faith in God without being faithful Palestine is to-day, as it was in the

10. Found the servant whole that had been sick. That was just what the centurion has asked for. "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye moments, and the natural tendency of and it shall be given you; seek, and ye the children is to stray away and take shall find; knock, and it shall be in the strange sights of the store on opened unto you.'

back in your history and find that the sent help in trouble. Therefore will was worthy for whom he should do to take in the future; you may have pened to you, have been your trials. moved, and though the mountains be phrase more dramatic, "He is worthy taken the wrong one at first; if so, Nothing short of scourging, impris- carried into the midst of the sea; that whou shouldest do this for him." you will know better the next time. onment, and shipwreck, could have though the waters thereof roar and Worthy from the elders' point of view, Take a different course, and you will not worry or cross any bridges until up by our nerviest floor walker, and an

by blood, a heathen in religion, and "Everything goes wrong," you say, dog, not the foor walker. We triced behavior he had won the friendship of ing everything to go wrong, have you rival of his owner. But he wouldn't our future hope is. It is a bitter the loyal religionists and hot-headed not? "The baby is sure to have the thing to look upon this fair world, and patriots of Galilee-a truly remark- colic," you say, or "Johnny is sure to know that we shall never again see able man. He had "himself" built soil his clean waist," or "Maudie is its blossoming spring, its falling this house of worship-that is, entirely sure to forget to practice her lesson.' at his own expense. A little of Gali- Why is it that you are not sure that lean free air and largeness of concep- the baby will keep well, that Johnny tion, as well as much of the centur- will keep clean, and that Maudie will the morgue. ion's nobility, is hinted at by the very practice? There is just as much fact that a heathen was permitted to reason to believe that they will as to and everybody went on a still hunt for build so holy a structure. Such a worry and expect trouble; trust a litthing would hardly have been toler- the more and the day will be bright-

6. Jesus went with them, Promptly Hope, cheerfulness, happiness and responded to the faith of the centur- health are as contagious as the smallion and the messengers. "I will come pox or scarlet fever; the only reason and heal him," he said. He was now that the fact is not better known is morgue's accumulations. not far from the house. Near enough that one does not to have to employ hood; or the Church of Christ may for one of the elders to hasten back a doctor in these cases, and they do to the centurion with the news that not put the dollars into the doctor's calls, all is well. The strong wrestl- the great Rabbi was coming. The pockets. Therefore new germs have to centurion sent friends to him. With be invented now an dthen, or new ing intensity the awfulness of this contagions, which are so very unheal-

to come unto thee. This man is one draw health, happiness and prosperity of a type, and should be carefully stu- to you. Therefore, whatever you do.

And the snarpest you still have sur-

But what torments of pain you endur-From evils that never arrived."

LOST BABY AND FRANTIC MOTHER A COMMON OCCURRENCE.

Dogs That Have Eluded Their Owners, and Even Cats and Birds That Have Gone Astray, Have to Be Cared

For In the "Morgue." "Have you seen anything of a beautiful little girl with fluffy golden hair and a blue frock?" anxiously inquired a young woman of the clerk in charge of the linen counter in a great depart-

"Why, no! Are you sure you brought her in here?"

"Indeed I am! I left her sitting before those 98 cent damasks to look at those \$1.43 shirt waists marked down from \$1.50, and now I can't find her anywhere. I'm worried to death!"

ment store.

"Don't be alarmed," remarked the clerk, consolingly. "She'll turn up all right. I expect she's up in the dead room by this time."

"The what?" "The dead room-the morgue, you

"The morgue? Oh, my Irene! Oh, my darling!"

"Sh-h-h, madam," softly commanded a floor walker, for a commotion seemed imminent. "Your child is safe enough, I'll venture. The 'morgue' is simply the cant name of our lost and

The young woman followed to a long room, the door of which was labeled "Lost and Found," and there, sure enough, seated upon a monument of union." Jesus was not an actor. He canes and other articles, sat a tiny golden haired girl in a blue frock, contentedly kicking her small feet against a pasteboard bonnet box.

"That's the second kid and contingent sensation I've had today." confided the keeper of the mergue to me commendation of the soldier's faith as the recovered child, lustily screamful parent, was carried away. "No, it's nothing unusual. It's almost a daily occurrence. In the excitement of bargain rushes persons very frequently lose sight of their children for a few their own hook. Of course they might wander out of the establishment, and to prevent this the floor walkers invariably send to me every child they find unaccompanied by a guardian.

"I don't know if there is any portable article, animate or inanimate, which does not find its way to the morgue," continued the keeper reflectively. "No class of people loses things so readily as shoppers do. You see, they become so interested in looking at bargains that they lay down whatever they may happen to have in their hands and perambulate between counters with hardly a thought as to their actions.

"Suddenly they discover their loss, and a mild panic seizes them. They go flying about from one counter to the other, prosecuting their inquiries without stopping to think whether they have visited these same counters before or not. Therefore the morgue has become a valuable and indispensable department in every large store."

"Some of the things which drift into this place would amuse you. Last week a great Dane dog was brought ugly customer he was, indeed-the Instead he took a stand, braced himself and let out a howl which froze the souls of some half dozen saleswomen within earshot. Then he broke his chain and started in to clean out

"What did I de? Oh. I adjourned. the owner of the dog. We eventually found her, and she came up and lambasted us for abusing her precious darling, with never a word about the rough way be had handled the

"Dogs of all sorts and conditions are constantly brought to the morgue and now and then a pet cat, which has escaped from a basket. I've even had a cage of canaries left on my hands to feed for a week before the careless owner, who had left the cage down in the crockery department during a special sale, appeared to claim ber prop-

"Watches, purses, babies, parasols, bundles and even diamond rings are parts of my stock in trade here. I'd have horses, too, I verily believe, were our customers permitted to bring them into the store. I'd like to set up in business with the things brought to the morgue. I'd get rich, sure.

"Yes, fully two-thirds of the things are claimed, and nothing worth coming after remains in our possession long. Neither do many other things which are not worth hunting up. We keep lest articles a month from date of turning in, and then, if it is found that they were originally sold in our store, we put them in steek. Frequently lost articles of serious value are advertised at the end of a month." -Cincinnati Enquirer.

## HIS ORDER.

What else have you got?" asked Cholly, looking languidly over the bill of fare for something to tempt his jaded appetite. Well, replied the waitress, we have

That'll do, said Cholly, resting his intellect by tossing the bill of fare aside. Bring me a bot biscuit stew.