# ABOUT THE FUTURE. WITH DISCRETION

### Rev. Dr. Talmage Says You Will Be More Than Conqueror.

-Rev. Dr. Talmage preached from ation of these pine branches of the fitable day, and felt at peace with office?" the following text: Nehemiah viii, 15, gospol arbor he will find it buoyant, all the world. "Go forth unto the mount and fetch exuberant, undying, immortal health. olive branches and pine branches and But my text takes a step further, cules Bulpett, stout, ruddy of face, "Excuse me, Mr. Bulpett, you are myrtle branches of thick trees to and it says. Go into the mountain and comfortable in appearance, look- a client in this case, and I have make tooths."

on our way to the Canaan of eternal the water, standing and admiring don't know the handwriting. What "You fool! Do you think a mere Jews literally may be said figura- spring. No wild cherry, dropping "Suppose you open it, father ?" prevent me from carrying out my and branches of thick trees to make tame. insipid, satin slippered, nam- in the other, Hercules Bulpett went self, presumptuous upstart that

onism between a hound and a hare, between a hawk and a pullet, be- gin ?

Ch, it does not make much differglowing and everlasting relation- wrong our Father will help us, and "John will be Bulpett's Agency ship with the God of the whole uni- some day we rouse up, and we look some day, my dear," was the inverse! That is the joy that makes a halleluiah seem stupid. Why do fly at him, and we wrestle him down matter usually dropped. bring this olive branch God and all heaven come on our side. Peace My text brings us one step furth- men and industry. through our Lord Jesus Christ, and er. It says, "Go forth into the Kitty liked John, but she never no other kind of peace is worth any- mount and fetch, olive branches and said so to her father. The old man

it is very easy to get up a quarrel. well-I make this remark under the fact of the matter was, that he be- her knowing it." There are gunpowdery Christians all head of branches of thick trees-that gan to dread the time when another "No; you are quite right. But I and men attached to her, under the around us, and one match or pro- a booth or arbor made of slight love must fill her father's place in believe he will, somehow. The no- command of a rear-admiral. vocation will set them off. It is branches would not stand. The her young heart, and he trembled to tion of this ill-mannered brute quite Compared with the Victoria and But, my brother do you not think prostrate it. So then the booth or arbor must have four stout poles. In the makes me feel so— No. John, and leases about a million or so leave the asylum. She had, it appeared, fallen violently in the booth or larger must have four stout poles. In the makes me feel so— No. John, one years old, is quite a modern and leases about a million or so larger must have four stout poles. you had better have your horns saw- arbor must have four stout poles to ed off? Had not you better make an hold up the arbor or booth, and apology? Had not you better sub- hence for the building of the arbor mit to a little humiliation? "Oh," for this world we must have stout "until that man takes the first step I will never be at peace is in the gospel arbor. Blessed be til he is ready to take the first tianity, not one easily upset. The When would this world be saved if we want strong doctrine; not only Christ had not taken the first step? love, but justice; not only invita-We were in the wrong. Christ was tion, but warning. It is a mighty in the right, all right and forever gospel; it is an om-ipotent gospel. step. And instead of going and get- thick trees. ting, a knotty scourge with which to; Well, my friends, you see I have whip your antagonist, your enemy, omitted one or two poins not with God, peace with man. If you thick trees. The gospel arbor

Now, what is suggested by the pine mountains to catch pifeons, and we thought that the overcoat of Her- take her, my boy, and be happy. I the crew speaks to me he gives me a win the "silver sculls." A native ly; but that it can still be done, and branch? The pine tree is healthy, it made our booth, and we sat in that is aromatic: it is evergreen. How booth and watched for the pigeons often the physician says to his in- to come. And we found flocks in the diculous a communication. "And the circumstances—" And, with a how's her head? valid patients: "Go and have a sky, and after awhile they dropped breath of the pines. That will invig- into the net, and we were successful. orate you." Why do such thousands So I come now to the door of this of people go south every year? It is gospel booth. I look out. I see not merely to get to a warmer cli- flocks of souls flying hither and flymate, but to get the influence of the ing thither. Oh, that they might helpfulness of our holy religion. It Come into the booth. full of health-health for all. health for the mind, health for the soul. I knew an aged man who had no capital of physical health. He had gine. He did not eat enough to keep ty of counsel assigned for their de- peace of mind, his unknown corres- what we are doing ?" muttered Herour holy religion. It is a healthy cost you nothing. gion, healthy for the eye, healthy The prisoner, however, held a dif- desk at the office, on his hall-table house. ealthy for the heart, healthy for mark that his lordship hadn't done Every day he received two or more last. God bless and keep you, Mrs. a man such peace, such quietness, judge. such independence of circumstances. Well, said the prisoner, you said as the detective's pretty daughter, and fectionately.

A despatch from Washington says: , a man take a full, deep, round inhal-

and fetch olive branches and pine ed entirely unlike the popularly-im- quite made up my mind to save you It seems as if Mount Olivet were branches and palm branches. Now, agined detective, with hatchet face, from the annoyance this ill-mannered unmoored. The people have gone the palm tree was very much honor- and long slim hands. He looked fellow is causing you, and to bring into the mountain and have cut off ed by the ancients. It had 360 dif- upon his business as a trade, and him to justice," tree branches and put them on their ferent uses. The fruit was conserved he himself looked far more like a Thank you. Thank you, Mervin—thank you. Thank you, Mervin—thank you. Thank you, Mervin—thank you. shoulders, and they come forth now the sap was a beverage, the stems respectable tradesman than like the You are very good. Excuse my ir- in a racing yacht, preferably with as the Coffee King. into the streets of Jerusalem and were ground up for food for camels. man of mysteries he was on the house tops, and they twist The base of the leaves was turned Things had gone very well with must admit." these tree branches into arbors or into hats and maskets, and Bulpett, and he was blessed with a booths. Then the reople come forth from the root to the top of the high- no inconsiderable portion of this smiling; "but do not let it inter- ious of steam yachts. from their comfortable homes and est leaf there was usefulness. The world's goods. He was blessed, too, dwell for seven days in those booths tree grew 85 feet in height some- with a charming daughter-Kitty-

well, it is a great lestal time. It is live leet long. It meant usefulness, down the half, and put her sweet I told him that you had some pre- ful vessel of her day, when she was itated no longer. "Mrs. Choate's asylum. the feast of tabernacles, and these and it meant victory — usefulness face up for her father's kiss anyone longer. "Mrs. Choate's asylum. the least of taternacies, and these and it meant victory — usefulness face up for her latter's kiss anyone vious knowledge of Lady Ver- launched at Pembroke Dock, forty- second husband," he said. Equally As his mania was incurable and leigh's lowels through another matdesert travel of their fathers and cause it was brought into celebra- disposed to envy Mr. Bulpett their deliverance from their trou- tions of triumph. And oh, how much daughter, far more even than his ter. when, traveling in the desert, they churches of Jesus Christ at this "Dinner ready, Kitten ?" he asked boy. Our own troubles must not be fiance were christened. when, traveling in the desert, they churches of Jesus Christ at this lived in booths on their way to the time! A great many Christians do for Hercules was a man of regular to big the public. Show the inspector in." lived in booths on their way to the time! A great many Christians do for Hercules was a man of regular the public. Show the inspector in... en paddle steam yacht of 2,470 tons; land of Canaan. And so these not amount to anything. You have hours, and liked to sit down to his That evening although John Merbooths also became highly suggestive to shove them off the track to let meals at stated times.

And what was said to the their long lashes in the glassy ever can it be ?"

we must go into the mount of God's me 500 men and women fully conse- blue-eyed, merry as the kitten her from me." crated to Christ, and we will take father loved to call her, Kate had and whatever else we must have we this city for God in three years, always tried to replace, and had could talk of nothing but the letter must have at least two olive Give me 10,000 men and women fully thoroughly succeeded in replacing, during dinner; and when, after gobranches, peace with God and peace up to the Christian standard. In ten that gentle, blue-eyed mother whom ing together to the kitchen door with man. When I say peace with years 10,000 of them would take the she scarce remembered, and Hercules just before nine, to try and catch a God, I do not mean to represent whole earth for God. But when are Bulpett, in his home-life, as in his glimpse of the messenger, and lay God as an angry chieftan, having a we going to begin? We all want to business, had much reason to be Kitty and John Marris attended is almost Spartan in its equipment grudge against us, but I do mean to be useful. There is not a man in grateful. affirm that there is no more antag- the pews that does not want to be "What I should do without you at useful. When are we going to be- home, Kitten, and John Mervin in

are all sin there must be a treaty, means victory. Well, now, we are ping his coffee, and playing with his there must be a stretching forth of by nature the servants of satan. He daughter's golden hair. stole us, he has his eyes on us, he to break loose from this doing of of the virtues of John Mervin." the black tyrant in the face, and we variable answer; and there the we want to have peace through our and we put our heel on his reck, John Mervin, at the time of sin is covered."

bran hes of thick trees. And so it Nothing will be done un- God that we have a brawny Chris-You are a pretty Christian. storms of life will come upon us, and

you had better get up on the radi- cause I forgot to present them but ant mount where Christ suffered for because I have not time to present his enemies and just take an olive them. I have shown you here not stripping off the soft, is the olive branch of peace, here cool, fragrant leaves, leaving them is the pine branch of evergreen gosall on, and then try on them that pel consolation, here the palm tree rospel switch. It will not hurt branch of usefulness and of victory, them, and it will save you. Peace and here are the stout branches of cannot take these two doctrines, you done. The air is aromatic of heaven. The leaves rustle with the gladness But my text goes further. It says of God. Come into the arbor. Come "Go up into the mountain and fetch into the booth I. went out at difolive branches, and pine branches." ferent times with a fowler to the pine. There is health in it, and this come like clouds and as doves to the pine branch of the text suggests the window. Come into the booth.

#### HIS OPINION OF COUNSEL.

Prisoners at the assizes have occahad all the diseases you could ima- sionally but little faith in the abilia child alive. He lived on a beverage fence. Not long ago a prisoner was pondent had no intention of allow- cules Bulpett, in perplexity. hosannas. He lived high, for he informed by the judge that his de- ing himself to be fotgotten. During The wedding day arrived, and al- the rejoinder. ed every day with the King. He fence would be undertaken by Mr. X. the next day or two anonymous let- though the whole of Bulpett's staff kept alive simply by the force and, added his lordship, that will ters simply rained on him. He were in the church, no stranger was WORLD'S WHEAT CONSUMPTION.

the hand, healthy for the feet, ferent view, and was heard to re- at home, and in his letter-box.

possessed it, that we possessed it it was a-goin' to cost me nothing. doing. The thing became a perfect Mervin. ow ! I mean it is healthy if a man If that's my counsel, he continued, nightmare to him; and finally, after Just as the train which was carryts enough of it. Now, there are indicating the rather diminutive receiving seven letters in one day, ing the happy couple away on their people who get just enough gentleman who had been set apart he determined to consult John Mer- honeymoon began to move, Hercules jor to bother them, just enough for the defence. I can see it's a-goin' vin on the matter. ton to make them sick, but if | o cost me ten years, and no less. | "We must track him out, and stop looking envelope.

## AND DESPATCH.

Square with his latchkey, and hung suspect anybody?" his hat up on the wall on its accustomed peg. He had had a pro-

or arbors. Why do they do that? times, and it spread leaves four and as that daughter came dancing the to be married to a young doctor, and wants to see you about history in ship construction; all names of the great ones of the

-I will not say they are necessarily the Lord's chariots come along.

Yes, father, differ sum of \$682,000. Since typical, but highly suggestive—of our Usefulness is typified by the palm typical, but highly suggestive—of our Usefulness is typified by the palm typical. The box draward out of your overcoat." typical, but highly suggestive—of our Usefulness is typified by the palm and—On, here's a letter, which she was found under Bul-she was found under Bu march toward heaven and of the fact tree. Ah, we do not want in the about \$225,000 has been spent on rethat we are only living temporarily church any more people that to table?

In the same asylum there is anin the has dropped out of your overcoat.

Something I forgot to posts? No, pett's napkin when they went to table ?

The prefers a favorite briar is anin the same asylum there is anin the post is some. here, as it were, in booths or arbors, merely weeping willows, sighing into it's addressed to me. H'm! I table !

Jews literally may be said figura- spring. No wild cherry, dropping suppose you open it, latter any such literally may be said figura- spring. No wild cherry, dropping suppose you open it, latter any such list substant whether any substant when substant whether any substant whether any substant whether any unto the mountain and fetch olive holding something for God, some- table, and the soup is getting cold." in spite of you, and in spite of him, unto the mountain and fetch olive holding something for God, something for man. And, with one hand on his branches and pine branches and thing for angels, something for man. myrtle branches and palm branches I am tired, and sick of this flat, daughter's shoulder, and the letter self prosumptuous unstart that he

succeed in building this gospel arbor it is destruction for eternity. Give blonde of twenty. Fair-haired and back-door at nine this evening

the office, I really do not know," tween elephant and swine, than there | But the palm branch also meant was a favorite phrase of Bulpett's is hostility between holiness and sin. victory. You all know that. In all after dinner, as he sat in his capa-And if God is all holiness and we ages, in all lands, the palm branch clous armchair by the fire-side, sip-

"Oh, John Mervin !" Kitten would from our Father that if we will try pretty head. "I'm tired of hearing letter appointments. But although these rance made the \$90 meet all his

we say, "Victory, victory, through been nine years with Bulpett, and return, and Bulpett spoke as fol- Royal Princesses and Princes, in- years he has caught the same 'bus our Lord Jesus Christ !" Oh what had made himself quite indispens- lows : tured so much as a sword or a cav- a grand thing it is to have sin un- able. In fact, he was the real direcalry stirrup or twisted off one of der foot and a wasted life behind tor of the agency, for-of late years, the wheels of the chariot of his om- our backs. "Blessed is he whose at all events-its success in many nipotence. But the moment we transgression is forgiven and whose intricate pieces of businesss had marry Kitten-he dares to call my elaborately furnished, but by no been entirely due to his unaided acu-

keeping powers. face, as he read it might have stood self before the fortnight expires." for a model of amazement to any John Mervin grew pale, and then painter.

"Read this !" he gasped, handing clean-shaven, manly face. And this—written with a typewriter, he said, "it is a very unkind one." capable of steaming, under normal day. Jacobus Willems De Wet lived there by relatives who wish to get on blue commercial paper—is what "It is not a joke, my boy. I conditions, twenty knots an hour. in Haarlem at the end of the six- them out of the way. As you know, Kitty Bulpett read aloud :

And yet he took the first These are the stout branches of your daughter, and intend to marry ter, and do not try to find me out. In good time I shall tell you my name and position; but then it will be too late to interfere." There was no signature of any kind.

Kitty broke into peals of silvery laughter, and blushed a little. "Why, it's a joke, father !" she

"A joke ? It will prove a poor the wedding day, John joke for the writer, I can tell you! "Then I accept, sir. The more so, him the master asked: One of those boys you met at Mrs. I may add, that I have long wor-Howlett's, I suppose, who sent you shipped your daughter from a disflowers afterwards. I-I'll trace him tance; although, of course, I should tar, very gruffly. out, and-and rufn him !" shouted never have--"

though that made it worse. and then think it over," said Kitty, in. me before dessert.

next morning had almost forgotten and bore the following words : the impudent letter of the evening

found them in his pockets, on his discovered, either there or at the

this nuisance." said the young man firmly. "Miss Kitty must not annoyed by the misplaced wit

some coarso practical joker."

Hercules Bulpett, of Bulpett's Pri- sible, and try to discover who it is foiled in my most cherished scheme. her, and at a charity bazaar two vate Detective Agency, opened the who uses your pockets in this un- Now I shall not lose either of you. paintings done by her sold for \$5,door of his private house in Belsize precedented fashion. You don't Cheque enclosed to be spent during on apiece.

"Nobody at home, or in the

"No, John-no. Don't cross-ex-A widower of four-and-fifty, Her- amine me, man ! I'm not a client!'

ritation. It is very natural, you himself at the helm, than of sitting Mr. Choate, the American Ambas- tarily immured herself as a lunatic,

whipper-snapper like Mervin will is! Tell Miss Kitty that the bou-

Bulpett grew purple with rage. He with a bouquet of splendid pink more homely and comfortable vessel carnations, and a line, typewritten affort.

letter saying that the unknown in- rooms, and, in fact, all the rooms needs, and he bought a book or two

fortnight." This was the climax. on the evening of its arrival, but ings of the Queen's bed are exceed- and tells a Scotch story with no end he was summoned to his employer's ingly pretty. private office immediately on his Other rooms bear the names of morning for the last twenty-seven

end to this. You see this letter ? simple, if comfortable and tasteful. The-scoundrel says that he will The drawing-room which is more he will do it."

carrying out his threat, and that carries powerful engines of 3,000 more. fish, Bulpett opened his letter. His him. You must marry Kitten your- repairs a sum of nearly \$700,000 Meuvs, gives some information about could not accompany her into free-

flushed rosy red under the tan of his

"Sir," said the letter, "I love spoken to Kitten."

"She made a little fuss at first, of course; but ultimately she consent- BOTH WERE TAUGHT SOMEed. She's always been a good daughter, has my Kitty." "Well, Mr. Bulpett," said John

cules Bulpett, private detective, had hoped not to have had to part from title of respect. Don't you think of Belfast, Sir William Thomson, as often is done, I give you my word. been made a post-office for so ri- Kitty for some time; but, under you ought to do so, too? Now, the eminent inventor and electrician Then again some of the men who anonymous, too !" he added, as sigh, Bulpett immersed himself once Nor' by nor'-east, I tell yer! created a baron, held the chair of charged with murder are really as more in the letters he had been shouted the tar, displaying not a Natural Philosophy in Glasgow Uni- sane as the counsel who defend them "Well, finish your dinner, father, reading whon John Mervin had come little irritation.

> "I shall be at the wedding. I, not Mervin, intend to be the bridegrcom !"

Unfortunately for the detective's "How does the scoundrel know

"We have foiled him, John, at els of wheat are required annually of them, all couched in the same Mervin !" said the father of the such holy equipoise. Oh, that we all the Court would provide counsel, and his certainty of succeeding in so "We have indeed, sir," said John which it grows, and to have bread

Bulpett handed his soa-in-law a fatple on an average.

"There's something for you two. be God bless you !" he said.

enclosed letter together. "Exactly, exactly, John !" said "As I thought that if you two Bulpett pettishly; "but how can we did not marry I might lose you both, I myself wrote those myste- always an admirable artist. At "Well, to begin with, I will keep rious letters which were always Windsor one room is entirely hung you in sight myself as much as pos- turning up. I was not going to be with exquisite water-colors done by

> Hercules Bulpett." "Nor will he ?" they said.

#### PEEP AT ROYAL YACHTS.

King Edward's Yachts Are Neither Speedy Nor Luxurious.

passion for the sea, it takes rather ers, and has forty miles of light rail- In a certain asylum I know there placidly on a deck-chair on the deck sador to Great Britain, paid a and all for the sake of love. When "Of course it is," said Mervin, of even the fastest and most luxur- charming compliment to his wife the she was a young and beautiful girl,

such obsolete and antiquated men-of- up at a gallery full of ladies "Now him the devoted girl, who was an or-"Quite right-quite right, my war as the Black Prince and the De- I understand," he said, "what the phan and an heiress, determined to

That evening, although John Mer- she is slightly over 336 feet long The King of the Belgians is said lunatics, so that she might see and meals at stated times.

"Yes, father, dinner's quite ready, vin walked home with his employer, and 40 feet wide, and cost the rather to be the most scholarly monarch in meet him occasionally and brighten pairs, so that her total cost is some- and every morning a quaint tobacco- any day, for she is perfectly sane.

thing like \$907.000. date it is doubtful whether any suc- his smoking-room at Laeken is filled impulse to poison her husband, and he their happiest earlier memories are connected with it. When the King Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to is worth nothing for this world, and Now, if we are to-day going to its world, and Now, if we are to-day going to its world, and Now, if we are to-day going to its world, and Now, if we are to-day going to its world, and Now, if we are to-day going to its world, and Now, if we are to-day going to its world, and Now, if we are to-day going to its world, and Now, if we are to-day going to its world, and Now, if we are to-day going to its world, and Now, if we are to-day going to its world, and Now, if we are to-day going to its world, and Now, if we are to-day going to its world, and the now are to-day going to its world, and the now are to-day going to its world, and the now are to-day going to its world, and the now are to-day going to its world, and the now are to-day going to it press Frederick, was onlyfifteen, and the Duke of Connaught had not long passed his fifth birthday.

Compared with many of the magnificent private yachts of to-day, the

VICTORIA AND ALBERT

as before, saying : "Did you think | Queen Victoria's bedroom is a very I would wait for your spies, you simple apartment, furnished with a plain iron bedstead, a few ordinary Days grew into weeks, and weeks choirs, a common-place washstand. into a month, and no trace of the and a few pictures; and the Prince ence of Mr. A. M. Torrance, chairanonymous disturber of Hercules Consort's room, which is still ex- man of the London County Council, Bulpett's peace of mind had yet been actly as he left it at the close of the when at the age of sixteen, his cafound. At length, after five weeks of last voyage, is even plainer in its reer began in Glasgow. Mr. Tortended "to marry Kitten within a in the yacht, are of a striking simpli- besides, which he almost learned by city, their decoration of white and heart. He admires punctuality, John Mervin was away from town gold and the rose and green hang- loves a Scotch song above all things

cluding the Prince of Wales and the from Highbury and he always reach-"John, I am determined to put an Princess Royal, and all are equally es his office by nine o'clock

within a fortnight, and I-I believe room 26 feet long and 181 feet wide, and the dining and other rooms are "Absurd! How?" said Mervin, all both comfortable and commodpine branches and myrtle branches was by no means unselfish, and was laughing. "Anonymous letters and ious, but with a marked avoidance But then we must have that other and palm branches and branches of disposed to frown at any youths presents are well enough, but he can of the luxurious and ostentatious. thick trees." Now, you know very who came to see Miss Kitty. The hardly marry your daughter without Although she rarely leaves her anchorage she has nearly 200 officers

horse power; while for building and

has already been spent on her. also Victoria and Albert, is an im- famous military leader in the South There are also many sane patients posing ship of 4,700 tons, carrying African "Orange-Vrystatt" was a who, is spite of the stringent laws engines of 11,000 horse-power, and painter of considerable note in his that regulate admission, are sent really mean it. And-and I have When the alterations are complete teenth century and the beginning of before a patient can be admitted to the King will have a yacht worthy the seventeenth. The name of the an asylum he must be "What did she say ?" asked Mer- alike of himself and the country he artist stands first in the family re-

The master of a sailing vessel who there in 1711, leaving five children. Mervin, flushing again, "this is all prided himself on his good manners | Lord Kelvin, who is seventy-seven will certify that a man is insane very extraordinary, and very un- and delighted to teach politeness to years of age, has the distinction of expected. Are my future prospects his crew, and one day at the wheel having occupied a University Chair than they are. I have known cases such as to warrant Miss Kitty-" a man who, though an old and ex- for a longer consecutive period than where a dozen doctors have been "You shall become my partner on perienced seaman, was a new hand any other University professor now tried before the necessary certificate on board this ship. Going up to living. In his 'Varsity days, though has been procured, and where the

How's her head?

My man, sauvely expostulated the won for him the proud position of Of course, this is not done on any-Bulpett, growing very angry as he "Of course, John-of course, Well, master, on this craft when one of Second Wrangler, he found time to thing like the same scale as former-

Come, I'm afraid you don't quite with exception of Sir G. G. Stokes) have been committed when in a state laughing still. "He won't marry During the preparations for the understand me, responded the master he is the oldest Fellow of the Royal of excitement amounting to tempor wedding, the typewritten letters be- kindly. Let me relieve you at the Society. And, laughing at his daughter's came less frequent, and the presents wheel, and then you take my place point of view, Bulpett managed to ceased entirely. One letter, however, and ask the question. I will then dine about as well as usual, and was repeated at half-daily intervals, show you how it should be answered. They changed places.

'Ow's 'er 'ead? roared the tar.

Then keep her so, my man, while I derstood.

goes forrard and has a smoke, was

## Twenty-three hundred million bush-

It had lips, but it couldn't-Speak, said the children-It had a nose, but, it couldn'tby the 517,000,000 bread-eaters of the world. We each consume a barhealthy for the whole man. It gives What do you mean? asked the strain as the first, and all expressing blushing bride, folding his daughter rel of flour (41 bushels) a year. and the teacher had to pause in her to dominate the entire species, rethe writer's intention of marrying to his heart, and kissing her af- Great Britain eats in thirteen weeks lesson in order to recover her com- marked Mr. Meekton. all the 73,000,000 bushels of wheat posure. during the rest of the year must

#### PERSONAL POINTERS.

of John Mervin and Kitty read the Notes of Interest About Some Creat People.

The late Empress Frederick was

the world. He owns four million could be free to-morrow if they Although King Edward VII. has a coffee plants, employs 6,000 labor- would.

other day. He was asked whom he one of the most charming girls Bible means when it says, Thou share his imprisonment, and sought

jar in the shape of an elephant. Her reason for entering the asylum Although she has long been out of which stands on the mantelshelf of was that she felt an unaccountable tuous, will supplant the Victoria and bird's-eye tobacco. A curious fact that she insisted on placing hercrown, consequently there is never a many years ago; but she has got so coronation, the King merely taking used to her life in an asylum, and

> bureau in the Imperial Palace of To- of her fancied homicidal impulse. kio, says that the Emperor of Ja- that she elects to spend the rest of pan's love of poetry increases with her days years. Scarcely an evening passes that His Majesty does not compose from twenty-seven to thirty-one syllabled couplets called "wa-ka." These are handed to Baron Takasaki for examination. Baron Takasaki has held his present position since 1892, and he declares that the number of couplets composed by His Majesty up to the end of last March was 37,000.

Life on \$90 a year was the experiof "pawky" humor. Every week-day

The Cattle King of Australia is he almost idolized, and when the Samuel M'Caughey, an Irishman, boy developed symptoms of insanity who went to Australia in 1856 with and it was necessary to confine him, practically nothing. He did not suc- the father elected to accompany him ceed well at first, but started again and for years he has watched over with a small flock, and from year him with a tenderness that is very to year has added to his holdings, touching. until now he has more sheep than Of course in all these cases the paany other man in the world. He has tients are people of means, who can more acres of land than sheep, and afford to pay for being asylum inhis possessions are in the best parts mates. of Australia. One of his farms on In another case a female patient, the Darling Downs is thirty-six miles when she had recovered her sanity, long and forty miles wide. Altogeth- refused to leave the asylum. She

The Dutch antiquarian, Peter van fear, always will be; and as he The lately built Royal yacht, called the most eminent predecessor of the same roof with him. gisters of the old Kaapland families.

A Jacobus De Wet, his descendant and namesake, settled on the River Liesbeck, in South Africa, where he married a Josina Pretorius, and died

bridge, in spite of the work which was known until 1892, when he was successfully plead insanity when versity from 1846 till 1899 and although the crime may doubtless

#### NOT EXACTLY WHAT SHE for concluding that a man was in-WANTED.

A teacher was instructing a class Nor' by nor-east, sir, replied the of infants in the Sunday school, and captain, with a gentle emphasis on was letting the children finish her sentences to make sure that they un-The idol had eyes, she said, but it

> See, cried the children. It had ears, but it couldn't-Hear, said the class.

Collector-This is the fifth time, It seems so. But when I am at give \$100,000,000 to the United sir, I've brought you this bill. Cus- home and Henrietta is out lecturing States\_and smaller sums to India tomer-Well, haven't I always re- I get my book of choice selections ceived you affably? Collector-I and read, The hand that rocks the 100 English houses hold 532 peo- don't want affability, sir, I want cradic rules the world. And then I

TOLD BY SUPERINTENDENT OF A LUNATIC ASYLUM.

Hundreds of People Spend Their Lives in Mad Houses Who Are Quite Sane.

It will probably be a shock to you M. Santos-Dumont, the young Bra- and many others, said the superinzilian aeronaut, whose flying-machine tendent of a well-known lunatic asyis creating such a sensation in Paris, lum, to learn that there are scores was born at Rio de Janeiro in 1873. and even hundreds of people who He is the youngest of a family of spend their lives within the walls of ten sons, and his father is a coffee- mad-houses who are every bit as planter in San Paulo. He is now sane as you or I, and the remarkprobably the largest coffee farmer in able thing is that many of them

an oath to protect the constitution. shrinks so much from returning to Baron Takasaki, chief of the poets' the world and a possible repetition

#### IN A MADHOUSE

Another inmate of the same asyago, was widely known for his eloquence and zeal. Although he was, and is, a very devout man, he declared that whenever he was preaching he always heard the devil prompting him to blaspheme. No doubt it was a case of unstrung nerves; but the fear of disgracing himself before his congregation mined to give up his ministry, and retire from the world and temptation within the walls of an asylum.

All this happened many years ago; but, although the morbid fancy has long left him, he prefers to remain where he is rather than return to a world where, as he says, he is forgotten, and where he might have to face the old trouble again

Another asylum patient (if I may call him so) is a lawyer who was once of some eminence in his profession. He had an only son whom

#### CERTIFIED INSANE

with asylums. The medical profession, unfortunately, has its share of black sheep, and it thus happens that it is quite possible to procure two doctors who even when he is perhaps more sane the fact is forgotten. Lord Kelvin potential patient has been trapped was an athlete of much more than in moments of excitement deliberate-Nor' by nor'-east, answered the old ordinary prowess, and at Cam- ly brought on by those who seek to

ary insanity. If there is any plausible ground sane when he committed the act both judge and jury are not slow to give the prisoner the benefit of any doubt there may be, and he is committed to an asylum instead of, to the gallows. Many of these men spend the rest of their lives under quite comfortable conditions in Broadmoor, without showing any recurrence of the insanity that sen them there.

### REASSURED.

Wipe it! shouted the little ones, They claim that women are trying

Well, women are becoming very agfeel perfectly content.