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The Dedication of the Temple.

Commentary.-I. Bringing in the ark (vs. 1-11). 1-5. Then Solomon assembled-The dedication was the one of the brightest days of Jewish themselves" (1 Kings viii. 1, 2). abode. Now, through David's Brought up the ark—The act of de- thoughtfulness and generosity, and dication began by carrying the ark the hearty co-operation of Solomon of the covenant in solemn procession, with his father's purpose, God had with the king at the head, into the a permanent, visible place of abode, temple, and putting it into "its and He had accepted it and showed place," the holy of holies. The ark the people that He had done so. The was the root and kernel of the whole king encourages and exhorts the sanctuary. It contained the moral people that their hearts "be per- dow,, yesterday." law, Jehovah's covenant, to dwell feet with the Lord," their "God, -to in the midst of his chosen people, walk in His statutes, and to keep While everything else was new, the His commandments." Solomon here same ark of the covenant was kept, shows himself a man of plety and cession is described in vs. 1-9 and interests of His reople.

the holy of holies. Under the wings high, which he had made, probably The outspread wings of the cheru- for the occasion, and spread forth bim extended across the whole width his hards, "and kneeled down area." It is not bush, \$1.50 to \$3. Apples, per like two stocks viewed from difference of the chest or back and makes them pushed across the whole width his hards, "and kneeled down area." It is not bush, \$1 to \$2. Dressed hogs, \$6 to ent sides. This was buckled in front bim extended across the whole width his hands, "and kneeled down upon ter is about the only thing that will produce of the pracle (chap. vi. 27), and their his knees before all the congregation quick relief and banish the pain. wings, touched one another in the of Israel," and offered one of the middle of the house. Beneath these most remarkable prayers of the Old wings that touched, the ark was set | Testament period. It breathes strong down .- Lumby. Drew out the staves | confidence in God's faithfulness and -The staves were used for the pur- appeals to him in behalf of his people pose of carrying the ark. "After the in case they should meet sorrow and mine doesn't give me the graceful ark was set down in the most holy trouble. He prays especially for figure the tailor claimed it would. place they drew the staves so far them if they should be smitten be- I'll have to have it altered. forward that their ends could be seen fore their enemies because of sin; if rom the sanctuary. The object of brought, or famine, or pestilence this cannot be determined with should befall them. He proceeds certainty. Two tables of stone- In upon the assumption that these ca-Heb. ix. 4, it is stated that the ark lamities would come, if at all, bealso contained the golden pot of cause of the sins of the people. His manna, and 'Aaron's rod that budded, prayer proceeded so far as to take in but these had probably been lost the case of Daniel, who in captivity while the ark was with the Philis- prayed to God toward the house of

10, 11. Cloud filled the house-"Now took place the most important event in the dedication -the manifestation of Jehovah in the new temple by the same symbol by which he had marked the ancient tabernacle as his earthly dwelling place. A shining cloud, outdazzling the morning sun, settled upon the house, 'so that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud; for the glory of the Lord and filled the house of God' (II. Chron. v. 13,14). Thus God accepts the temple as His ewn.'

II. Solomon's Blessing (vs. 12-21, 54-61). Both before and after the dedicatory prayer Solomon blessed the Lord and the people. He gave God glory, not for wealth, honor, or victory to Israel, but for "rest." Not one word of God's promises had failed (v. 56).

III. The Dedicatory Prayer (vs. 22-53.) In the act of dedication H. C. Doming. Each line is a quota-Solomon stood at the head of the tion from some standard author, and whole ceremony. He was the author of everything from beginning to end-speech, prayer and blessing. He did not take the place of i nous writings of 38 poets. Jehovah, but was his servant. He had erected a brazen scaffold, of five cubits (7% feet) long, five cubits of an hour? broad, and three cubits high (II. Chron. vi. 13), and on this he stood, a flower. raised above the people, to bless and instruct them, then kneeled to offer prayer, spreading his hands toward heaven to express "the fervor of his heart, and the largeness so nigh. of his expectations."

IV. The Sacrifices Offered (vs. 62- to be. was a burnt-offering, with its accom- | a tragedy. paniments, and being the first laid 7. But light cares speak when on the altar of the temple, was, as in | mighty griefs are dumb. the similar case of the tabernacle, 8. The bottom is but shallow whence consumed by miraculous fire from they come. heaven (II. Chron. vil. 12).

PRACTICAL SURVEY. hundred and eighty years before the befall. building of the temple, the tabernacle, 11. Nature to each allots its proordered in the wilderness of Sinai, per sphere. had been God's visible dwelling place 12. Fortune makes fully her paramong His people. We say visible ticular care. dwelling-place, for he had been 13. Custom does not often reason among them from the time that He overrule. His servants again and again. To a fool. in giving the promise that in him permit to Heaven; "should all the nations of the earth | 16. Those who forgive most shall be blessed," and in the repetition of be most forgiven. this promise, as we'l as in His direc- 17. Sin may be clasped so close w tions concerning Sodom. So clearly cannot see its face. did God reveal Himself to Jacob at | 18. Vile intercourse where virtue Peniel that he was led to exclaim, has no place. "I have seen God face to face." Moses realized God's presence in the desert | however dear. of Midian, when the Lord would send; 20. Thou pendulum betwixt a smile him forth to the great work for and tear. which he had been raised up. At the 21. Her sensual snares let faithburning bush he learned from God less pleasures lay. Himself His name, I Am. For the hosts of Israel, however, a visible betray. dwelling-place for God must appear, and the pattern for the tablernacle stoop to rise. was shown to Moses in the mount, and it was constructed in accordance | we despise. with that patern. Through the hundreds of years between the giving of self-esteem! the pattern upon the mount and the erection of the temple the Lord saw | eur is a dream. no necessity for any material modifleation of the plan. After seven and cause 'tis brave. one-half years of labor upon the temple all was finished, even the min- to the grave. utest details and it was ready to be presented unto God as His abode.

Bringing in the ark-fhe ark of the covenant was the first and most im- and great. portant part of the furniture of the | 31. What's all the gaudy glitter temple, as it had been also the teber- of a crown? nacle. It was the symbol of the di- 32. The way of bliss lies not on vine presence and the repository of beds of down. the tables of stone. It had been in various places, and as the Iraelites but actions tellhad connected peculiar powers with 34. That man lives twice who lives it, so they had taken it out to the first life well. battle against their enemies, but to their sorrow, for it was captured by the Philistines, among whom was, wrought mischief during the several months of its stay. For years now it had been in Zion, the city of David, a place probably but a short distance, perhaps to the north of the temple. There it had been kept in a new tabernacle, the old one being at Gibeon. The ark had disappeared among the varied son; 20, Byron; 21, Smollett; 22,

and had come out, the whole tem-ple was so filled with the glory of the Lord that the priests could not minister. It is a blessed encouragement to the minister and to all devoted to the true worship of God, if occasionally, at least, "the glory of the Lord" fills "the house of

the Lord." Solomon's addresses. The time had sow come for words, and Solomor outlines briefly how the temple came to be built. The taberracle had at oest been but a temporary grandest ceremony ever performed affair. Its construction shows that. under the Mosaic dispensation, and It was easily taken down and set up. Directions had been given for Listory. Not only were the "elders | these acts. It was constructed while of Israel, the heads of the tribes, and Israel was on a journey, and durthe chief of the fathers" summoned, ing all these years no city had but "all the men of Israel assembled been chosen for its termanent

Solomon's prayer. He stood upon a 6-9. The oracle-By this is meant brazen scaffold, four or five feet

The sacrifices. Service acceptable to God is attended by sacrifice, and here unnumbered beasts were offered in sacrifice to God, a marvellous expression of the devotion of the king and his people to God. Sacrifice and true devotion to God's cause are inseparable. "So the king and all the children of Israel dedicated the bouse of the Lord."

David S. Warner.

LIFE-LITERARY CURIOSITY

DECELLER Remarkable compilation by Mrs. represents the result of years of laborious search among the volumi-

1. Why all this toil for triumphs 2. Life's a short summer, man's

3. By turns we catch the vital breath and die-4. The cradle and the tomb, alas!

5. To be is better far than not 62, 63. Offered sacrifice-This 6. Though all men's lives may seem

9. Your fate is but the common fate of all. A dwelling-place for God. For four 10. Unmingled joys to no man here

called Abraham and had appeared to 14. And throw a cruel sunshine on Abraham He had manifested Himself | 15. Live well; how long or short,

19. Then keep each passion down. 22. With craft and skill to ruin and

23. Soar not too high, to fall, but 24. We masters grow of all tha

27. Think not ambition wise be-28. The paths of glory lead but

ious cheat. 30. Only destructive to the bray

33. How long we live not years

35. Make then, while yet you may, your God your friend. 36. Whom Christians worship, yet not comprehend.

37. The trust that's given, guard, and to yourself be just, 38. For live we how we can, yet die we must.

The lines are contributions from: 1, Young; 2, Dr. Johnson; 3, Pope; now contained nothing but the ta- 4, Prior; 5, Sewell; 6, Spencer; 7 bles of stone. What had become of Daniel; 8, Sir Walter Scott; 9, Long-"the golden pot that had manna and fellow; 10, Southwell; 11, Congreve; Aaron's rod that budded," mentioned | 12, Churchill; 13, Rochester; 14, in Hebrews ix. 4, we are not inform- Armstrong; 15 Milton; 16, Bailey; 17, ed, but it is not strange that they Trench; 18, Somerville; 19, ThompWith Your Breakfast, With Your Dinner, With Your Supper

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Her Sympathy. "What's the matter?" she asked. asked.

"Nothing," replied the departing caller severely, "except that your dog has bitten me." "Oh!" she exclaimed. "Poor Fido!" -Chicago Evening Post.

Where is the Sun Going?

There is a popular notion that the planets in our solar system revolve about the sun. This is only half | sales at \$6 to \$6.25. true, points out Prof. Harold Jacoby, of CColumbia University, in a re- bush, 72 to 73c; do. red, bushel, 79c; short, and if rubbed the right way markable article in Harper's Weekly bush., 65c. Oats, bush., 31 to 31%c. A calfskin stock was covered with of November 28th. The sun, like the Barley, bush., 42 to 48c. Hav, tim- reddish brown hair on one side, while planets, says Prof. Jacoby, as in othy, per ton, \$9 to \$10.50; do. | the other side was covered with motion, are also the so-called "fix- clover, \$6 to \$8. Straw, per ton, \$9 white hair-just as the spots came ed" stars; and, reasoning from this to \$10. Seeds, alsike, bush., \$4.50 to upon the calf-and this presented a basis, he discusses the fascinating \$6; do red clover, \$5.25 to \$6; do. curious appearance, for it loked generally known among laymen that \$6.25. Eggs, new laid, per doz., 40c. under a brass buckle. astronomers have found it possible Putter dairy, 20 to 22c; do. cream- A very neat belt is the pigskin to determine approximately the po- ery, 22 to 26c. Chickens, per ib., 10c. belt, and there are all the crushable sition on the sky of the agex of \$Ducks, per lb., 10 to 12c. Geese, per kid belts of the year, died in red solar motion, or in other words, Ib., 8% to 10c. Turkeys, per Ib., 13 and green, brown and black. that roint towards which our solar to 14c. Potatoes, per bag. 70 to The popular taste runs just at presystem is at present travelling. It 75c. Cabbages, per doz., 40 to 50c. sent toward the belt which must is the constellation Hercules. "We are | Cauliflower, per doz., \$1. Celery, per | be crushed down in the back, for it obliged to assume that our path for dozen, 35 to 45c. Beef, hindquarters, is too wide to fit the waist. The we mean that 'moment' which com- \$6 to \$8; do. forequarters, \$4 to front is cut tapering. This belt is merced about 1750, when the first \$6: do. medium, carcase. \$5.50 to \$6; hooked around the waist, is fastened star catalogue of modern precision do. choice, carcase, \$6.50 to \$7. Lamb, low in front, and is pushed down was begun, and which will end long | yearling, \$6 to \$7. Mutton, per cwt., as far as possible, for the low front Miss Plumpleigh-Oh, no, they're after present generations of men \$5.50 to \$6.50. Veal, per cwt., \$7 is still the vogue. The back and bave rassed away. So mighty is the to \$9. orbit in question that many centuries must come and go before we can hope to detect the orbit's curvature." The article is illustrated by some unusual astronomical pho- higher. tographs.

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even the ark itself had been pre- ter Deverant; 28, Gray; 29, Willis; | sure monthly suffering - all womb and ovarian troubles, and all the ills served during these several centuries. It had lost none of its sacredries and power, for after the priests rick: 35, William Mason: 36, Hill;
had placed it in the most holy place 37, Dana; 38, Shakespeare.

The Markets.

Toronto Farmers' Markets smaller, with few changes in prices.

Wheat weaker, with sales of 200 bustels of white at 79c. 300 bushels of red winter at 79c, and 400 bushels of goose selling at 42 to 48c. Oats the moment, are made of akin of one are unchanged, with sales of 1,000 bushels at 31 to 31 1-2c. Rye steady. 100 bushels selling at 54c.

There was a good supply of vegetables, poultry, and butter. Good to choice dairy butter sold at 20 to 22c per lb. Eggs 40c per dozen for strictly new laid.

for timothy, and at \$6 to \$8 for inches wide in the back, tapeling a mixed. Straw sold at \$9 for bundled, little toward the front, where it fas-

Wheat, white, bush., 79c; do. goose, white places upon it. The hair was do., spring, bush., 77 to 82%c. Peas, felt very silky.

English Apple Market market firmer, but not quotably first.

17s; Baldwins, 11s to 14s 6d; Spies, and there are stocks that are made 11s to 15s; Russets, 11s 6d to 14s 6d. of silk while a velvet strap goes Leading Wheat Markets. Following are the closing quota-

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Duluth, No. 1, Nor. ---

Bradstreet's on Trade. Business in Montreal this week has been fairly active for this season. ful piece of industry. The fine winter weather has improved the sorting trade. Holiday for belts, and wonderful patterns are goods are moving quite freely now worked in the canvas with the outand orders for the spring are com- side-filling in the pattern-done in ing to hand nicely. Money is circu- | bright silks or in beads. The bead lating a little more freely and county | belts have by no means gone out, remittances are improving. The and the new ones are prettier than mills this week advanced the prices the old. Particularly good are the of cottonades, ticks, demins, shirt- Apache belts, which are made in the ings, ginghams, flannelettes, tow- most intricate designs. els and stakers, 2% to 10 per cent. There are a few sealskin belts to One of the mills has withdrawn its match the sealskin cloaks, but this

prices on heavy cottons. been a fair amount of activity in vious. Each hat must have its belt, wholesale trade. Values are very and the belt, no matter what may firm with advances in some domes- be its material, must match the hat At Quebec, business in wholesale

circles, particularly amongst the dry-goods people, has been quiet. Failures, although fully as numerous as preceding years, have been the rounds of one of the larger small and the losses are below the cities concerns a young and very minimum. The outlook for spring is bright and trade conditions have a healthy tone.

at the Pacific Coast, as reported to several theatrical openings occur-Bradstreet's, is quite active. now. Retailers are busy with cur- was able to "cover" only three out

spring trade are bright. busy this week with orders calling in a new play, and the young refor prompt attention, such as in holi- porter was assigned to the story. and shipments have been larger. The | the office. The city editor greeted conditions of trade are generally him with astonishment. healthy. Values are firm. The gen- "Why, how's this?" he exclaimed, eral prospects for the spring busi- "Didn't you get any story?" ness are encouraging.

week. Payments are looking up a footpad as she was leaving her car-

is being experienced at Ottawa at performance was off; so I didn't present. Reports of the business wait."-Harper's Weekly. for the past year are satisfactory. Values of domsetic staple goods are very firm. Only a "Super."

to be found among the supernum-He is old and white-headed, with a peculiar pallid complexion. He of the uncivilized world, is a gradhim to keep. That lesson was learned on the race track, where he saw the "ponies go round" and made the wrong guess.

Courage and Clothes.

would never face the dangers with to exist for a quite indefinite period have been those who would have lions of years-a fraction of a second frightened them out of their cor- in an eternity .- London Academy. sets; others have predicted blindness from the use of spotted veils; pneumonia, by this time, would have decimated the female population if all the prophecies concerning the lice was shot into with buckshot blouse had been fulfilled. Still, wo- last week by the local grocer beman fearlessly follows fashion .- | cause in his ad reading "A fresh

are apt to make her weary.

YEAR OF STOCKS'AND BELTS.

The new stocks and belts possess the distinguishing characteristic of being novel. They are really and truly different from any ever seen The offerings of grain to-day were before, and marvellous to relate, they are less expensive than you expect to find them.

The most fashionable belts, just at

kind or another. The very wide suede belt, which is crushed down around the figure and which fastens with a big leather buckle in front, is one of the best of belts and it comes in a great variety of colors one can always find something to suit. Hay less active at steady prices; calfskin belt, with the hair left on. 20 loads sold at \$9 to \$10.50 a tom A belt of this kind was about three tened with a little round brass Dressed hogs are unchanged, with buckle. The color was a reddish brown, a regular calf color, with

sides take on little natural wrinkles until a waist is formed. It is important to put the belt on care-Messrs. Woodall and Co., Liverpool, fully the first time, for the creases. cabled Eben James-27,000 bbls. sold. will remain just as they were at

The stocks are departing from h ir The Manchester Fruit Brokers' simplicity, for they show the oddest Limited, cabled-Greenings, 12s to of features. Many are partly of fur arer the silk and hooks in front.

The Armenian belts and stocks are wonderfully conspicuous, for they tions at important wheat centres to- consist of linen embroidered in many colors. Some of them are as vivid as gorgeous silks can make them, and 85 3-4 are carried out with a degree of 82 1-8 native fidelity that is surprising. . 87 1-4 The embroidering of a handsome belt 813-4 makes a fascinating piece of fancy work, and the woman with time on her hands and skill in her finger tips can get busy on this very use-

Old-fashioned canvas is used again

makes the waist too bulky for There has, at Toronto this week, beauty. The lesson, however, is obin color or in design.

There Wasn't Any Story.

A newspaper story that is going green reporter, who had just been taken on the staff of the town's The movement in the jobbing trade leading daily. It happened that red on the same night, and the staff Business through Manitoba is good of the paper's dramatic department rent trade. The prospects for the of the four events. Space was reserved for a story on Madame Mod-Hamilton wholesale trade has been jeska, who was to open that night goods and heavy winter goods | About 9 o'clock he strolled into

"No." explained the reporter; London reports to Bradstreet's "there wasn't any story. "I saw show some expansion in trade this | Madame Modjeska attacked by a riage at the stage door, and as she A brisk demand for holiday goods didn't come to, I knew that the

Men and Eternity. For what is it that Dr. Wallace asks us to believe, and has written Interesting men and women, often this most paralogistic of books in reduced gentlemen and ladies, are the attempt to prove? It is that, erories of the stage. There is a at some distant period—and Dr. Walman of aristocratic bearing, who lace makes much of its distance, as occasionally gets a job as an "ex- an argument in his favor-this unitra" in a popular uptown theatre. verse was called into existence by the will of a Creator, for a specific purdeclares that he has never tasted pose, the production of man. Assumliquor, but has had a lesson that ing the initial fact, we must agree has cost him \$350 000. He has been with Dr. Wallace in assigning hunall over the civilized world, and part | dreds of millions of years to the age uate of Harvard and a B. A. His of the universe. Then there arrived knowledge of St. Petersburg, Mel- man. He has been here for a few bourne, Tasmania, Borneo, Rio de hundreds of thousands of years, He Janeiro, Terra del Fuego, Siberia, has still a few-a very few-millions Egypt, Arabia, Mexico City and of years to run. It is true that in other out-of the way places is pro- one place br. Wallace speaks of him found. His relatives are million- as "permanent," but elsewhere he aires, and he lives in hopes of hav- repeatedly admits that there must ing another fortune handed out to come-and that comparatively soon him, which his lesson has taught |-a period to man's existence. But he has apparently never asked himee'f, "What then?" We know that matter and energy are indestructible. We have every reason to believe that the universe will exist for ever, and Dr. Wallace suggests no alternative. Yet he believes that the hundreds of millions of stars were called into If women were not brave, they | existence acons ago and will continue which they are constantly threat- to come, in order that man might ened by doctors and others. There live upon the earth for a few mil-

Perils of the Printer Man.

A St. James, Mo., newspaper of stock of dairy butter daily" the printer used an "h" instead of a Stays are supposed to brace a girl "d" in the word "dairy." The printer up, but the stays of some young men I takes more chances than any man