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His Own Story of His Younger Days.

Plymouth Church and His Pastorate There-His Political Career-Trips to England-His Devotion to the Union. [Special Correspondence.] NEW YORK, March 7.

"Henry Ward Beecher is dying!" was the news passed from mouth to mouth in the metropolis Saturday afternoon. And the intelligence spread rapidly—so rapidly that by the time the newspapers were out with their "extras" it had seemingly reached the remotest part of the big city.

There was, of course, a general disinclination to believe the report at first, so often have similar rumors been set afloat before, but this time the statement was true. One of the greatest preachers of the times-by many held to be the greatest-was suffering from his last illness. It might be a few hours and it might be days before the end should come, but it was certain to be not very far away.



HENRY WARD BEECHER.

To everybody the news came with a shock, which was rendered the more intense because | enjoyed it. of the robust health Plymouth's pasior had

and detailing the particulars of his sickness, w re eagarly bought up the next morning. The seems at Plymouth church on Sunday was most impressive. Whatever views may by held by others regarding Mr. Beecher's remarkable career, it is certain that the members of his own flock are loyal to him to the

Most people who will read this have already become familiar with the cardinal dates in Mr. Beecher's life

Hawas born at Litchfield, Conn., June 24, 1413, being the fourth son of Lyman Beecher and Roxana Forte Beecher. He studied first at a La in school in Boston, then entered Amberst college, from which he was graduated in 1831, and then took a theological course under his father at Lane Theological semierv, Curinnati, O. He first settled as a Presbytecom minister in Lawrenceburg, Ind,. n Isii, ransved two years later to Indianmalis, and became nastor of the Pirmouth Congress on at courch, Brooklyn, in 1847, and all raign his wanderful talents and his currinous capacity for work have made him on a at as a journ dist, a lecturer and a politrum, he has always been pre-emmently a preceder, and in many respects the foremost previous in America. He was married in 1 37 to Eunice White Bullard at about the time he received the call to his first pasto ate at Lawrenceourg. Of the ten children born to Mr. and Mrs. Beecher, but four are now living.

### BEECHER'S YOUNGER DAYS.

The Story of His Youth as Told By Him-

A New York newspaper man, a reporter for The World, went to Henry Ward Beecher one day to get from his own lips a story of his life.

"My childhood," he said, "was perhaps no different from that of others seventy years ago, The little ones in those days were not given the consideration that is now accorded them, and properly so, too. A literature for children was not dreamed of. There were no children's festivals and holidays; no Christmas and New Year's parties. The only time that brought us any especial favor was Thanksgiving, when New England housewives vied with one another in the composition of unique pies in limit less quantity.

"I didn't have any jumping jacks, nor tops, nor marbles, nor toys of any kind. It doesn't seem to me that I knew any boys to play with, either. We lived in a part of the village where there didn't seem to be any boys, "And so I was let alone. My father was kept busy with his pastoral duties, and my mother had so many other children to attend to that little attention was paid to me. Still Mr. I was not lonesome. I was not fond of reading, but I used to like to tramp about the woods and down by the breoks and among for sweet flag and sassafras, and I knew just | it was enlarged in 1850, a year after it was where to find the squirrels. I found plenty to | built. It is a buge brick building of great

"Sometimes my father would whip me. I remember that he used to tell me that the whipping hurt him more than it did me. It pacity of 2,300. In marked contrast with the was hard to believe, because he was a strong otherwise plain interior is the immense organ, man, but I believed it, and it used to make | which cost \$27,000. In the rear of the church me cry to be told so; then of course I had to | is a building that will accompodate over 1,000 cry when the whipping began, and, all in all, Sunday school children. those were very doieful episodes,"

his first teacher was known as "the Widow | 1821 by the First Presing terian church, was Kilbourn:" "A hazy image of myself comes purchased by John T. Haracl with the idea back to me-a lazy, dreamy boy, with his of establishing a Congregational church. On hend on the desk, half lulled asleep by the | May 8, 1847, David Hale, of New York, Ira buzzing of a great bluebottle fly, and the low- Parne, John T. Howard, Charles Low hard, ing of the cows and the tinkling of their David Griffin and Henry C. Bowen met at bells, brought in the open door across the | the house of the latter, resolved the medves

sister's school for girls—the only boy among at once. Mr. Beerber spake at the anniverforty young lasses-and had studied a year | sary of the American Home Mission reciety at the Boston Latin school, that he made up during the next week, and made so good his mind that he wanted to go to sea. Of this | an impression that he was invited period in his life he said:

"My father let me read the stories of Nelson and Capt. Cook. The adventure fever that often seizes boys took hold of me. I had all sorts of fancy drawn pictures of what might do in the jungles and deserts of the

used to lounge about the docks and wharves in Boston and listen to the shouts of the sailors and watch the great merchantmen make ready for their ve age to the Indies.

At last I could . .... it no were it. I ......

seem. He advised me to go to Mt. Pleasant academy, at Amherst, and prepare myself, by the study of navigation and mathematics, for a seafaring life. And to Mt. Pleasant I went, and in a little while I forgot all about my bovish freak. There I did study, and when I left. I was fitted to enter Amherst College. At college I studied what I liked and didn't study what I didn't like. Much of my time was spent in running about among the hills and gorges near the quaint old town. I was a powerful young fellow, with wind and perspiration up to high water mark. I was a runner and a gymnast and fond of kicking the football. And I was very fond of a good time; full of jokes and jollity of all kinds and always ready for anything that promised fun."

It was while at college that he fell in with Fowler, who afterward became prominent as a phrenologist. A great friendship sprung up between the two, and they used often to go out and lecture to the country people about Amherst on the science of the "bumps." But he declared that his efforts in that line were "only in fun."

Of his first pastorate Mr. Beecher said:

"How poor we were! "There were only about twenty persons in the flock. I was janitor as well as pastor of the little whitewashed church. I bought some lamps and I filled them and lighted them. I swept the church and dusted the benches and kindled the fire, and I didn't ring the bell only because there wasn't any.

"It doesn't occur to me now that Lawrenceburg was remarkable for anything but a superabundance of distilleries. I used to marvel how so many large distilleries could be put in so small a town. But there they were, flourishing right in the very face of the gospel that my little flock and I were preaching in the shadows of the chimneys.

"Well, my next move was to Indianapolis. There I had a more considerable congregation, though I was still far from rich in the world's goods.

"I remember very well how I borrowed a paint pot and brushes and gave my house a fresh coat-it was yellow, I believe.

"I always had a fondness for journalistic work, especially if it was of an agricultural nature. At Indianapolis I edited the farm column of a newspaper and found it pleasant and remunerative. I suppose, though, that all newspaper work is like that. That, at any rate, was my dearest recreation-I thoroughly

"I believe I was very happy during my enjoyed of late. Newspaper "extras" met, eight years out there. I liked the people. with a large sale all the evening, and the | There was a hearty frankness, a simplicity in Sunday newspapers, which all contained long | their mode of life, an unselfish intimacy in ticles recounting the incidents of his life | their social relations that attracted me. They were new people-unharrowed and uncultured, like the land they lived on-but they were earnest and honest and strong.

"But the ague shook us out of the state. My wife's health gave way and we were forced to come east."

#### BEECHER'S FIRST SERMON.

The Quaint Rural Church in Which it was Delivered.

Henry Ward Beecher preached his first sermon, if we may believe the traditions of the place, at Batavia, O., in 1°35. His brother George was pastor of the church at Batavia at the time, and Henry Ward, who was not yet ordained, passed a part of a vacation there. The young pastor was indisposed one similar and invited his brother to fill the pul-1016. The request was complied with, and the congregation was very much pleased with the section that was preached. Henry Ward Beecher was but 22 years of age then, and there are old residents of Batavia who still remember the young man's bright, boyish face, his sweet, resonant voice and the earnestness and the enthusiasm of his manner. The old church has for many years now been a livery stable, and the cut given shows the building in the days of its late degradation. the it has been torn down by this time.



THE OLD CHURCH AT BATAVIA. George Lescher's curver was closed while still a young man. He was passionately fond of shooting, and one day, when out on an expedition of this sort, he blew into his loaded gun, which discharged, and he was instantly killed.

It was held by many, who knew both brothers, that George Beecher, had he lived, would have developed greater power as a preacher than Henry Ward.

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In 1846 a lot of land on Cranberry street, He gave this picture of himself at school; Brooklyn, which had been occur in since sunny fields and meadows." into an association of trustees of the new It was after he had passed some time at his | church, and decided to begin holding services to preach at the opening service of Plymouth church. His sermon was so well received that he was invited to become paster of the new organization, and he accepted. It is quite likely that he was influenced much in his decision by a feeling that had arisen in Indianapolis that he was somewhat too radical in the expression of his views upon slavery. Some of Mr. Beecher's most program of

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# mined to go to sea, and had actually made all arrangements when my father discovered my purpose by chance. "He did not oppose me, strange as it may SPECIAL BENEFIT

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