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SOCIETIES.

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AROMATICS FOR EASTER.

DR. TALMAGE DESCRIBES SCENES OF CHRIST'S RESURRECTION.

The Adornments of the Tomb-The Innumerable Hosts of the Dead-The Glories of the Resurrection of the Righteous-The Life Beyond the Tombe

BROOKLYN, April 21.-A vast maltitude attended the Easter services at the Brooklyn Tabernacle this morning. The pews, the aisles and all the adjoining rooms were thronged and multitudes in the street could not gain an entrance. Rev. T. De Witt Talmage, D. D., preached on the subject "Aromatics for Easter." The pulpit and galleries of the church had elaborate floral decorations. The congregation sang the opening

We praise thee, O God, for the Son of thy love, For Jesus who died and is now gone above. Dr. Talmage took two texts, Luke xxiv, 1:

"Bringing the spices which they had prepared." I Corinthians xv, 52: "The trumpet shall sound." 'He said:

Enchanting work have I before me this Easter morning, for, imitating these women of the text, who brought aromatics to the mausoleum of Christ, I am going to unroll frankincense and balm and ottar of roses and cardamon from the East Indies and odors from Arabia, and, when we can inhale no more of the perfume, then we will talk of sweet sounds and hear from the music that shall wake the dead. Having on other Easters described the whole scene, I need only in four or five sentences say: Christ was lying flat on his back, lifeless, amidst sculptured rocks, rocks over him, rocks under him, and a door of rocks all bounded by the flowers and fountairs of Joseph's country seat. Then a bright immortal, having descended from heaven, quick and flashing as a falling meteor, picks up the door of rock and puts it aside as though it were a chair and sits on it. Then Christ unwraps himself of his mortuary apparel and takes the turban from his head and folds it up deliberately and lays it down in one place, and then puts the shroud in another place, and comes out and finds that the soldiers who had been on guard are lying around, pallid and in a dead swoon, their swords bent and useless. The illustrious prisoner of the tomb is discharged and five hundred people see him at once. An especial congress of ecclesiastics called pay a bribe to the resuscitated soldiers to say that there was no resurrection, and that while they were overcome of slumber the Christians had played resurrectionists and stolen the corpse. The Marysare at the tomb with aromatus.

SYMBOLISM OF THE FLOWERS. Why did not these women of the text bring thorns and nettles, for these would more thoroughly have expressed the piercing sorrows of themselves and their Lord! Why did they not bring some national ensign such as that of the Roman eagle, typical of conquest! No, they bring aromatics suggestive to me of the fact that the Gospel is to sweeten and deodorize the world. The world has so much of putrefaction and malodor that Christ is going to roll over it waves of frankincense and sprinkle it all over with sweet smelling myrrh. Thousands of years before this Solomon had said that Christ was a lily and Isaiah had declared that under the Gospel the desert would bloom like the rose, but the world was slow to take the floral hint. And so now the women of the text bring hands full and arms full of redolence and perhaps unwittingly confirm and emphasize the lesson of deodorization. When Christ's Gospel has conquered the earth the last offense to the olfactories will have left the world; sweet, pure air will have blown through every home and churches will be freed from the curse of ill ventilation and the world will become two great gardens, the empurpled and emblazoned and emparadised hemispheres. Sin is a buzzard, holiness is a dove. Sin is nightshade, holiness is a flower. If you are trying to reform the world open the windows of that tenement house and pour through it a draught of God's pure atmosphere and set a geranium or a heliotrope on the window sill; cleanse the air and you will help cleanse the soul. How dare the world so often insult that feature of the human face which God has made the most prominent feature in human physiognomy! To prove how he himself loves aromatics I bring the fact that there are millions of flowers on prairies and in mountain fastnesses the fragrance of which no human being ever breathes, and he must have grown them there for his own regalement. And for the compliment the world paid Christ by giving him a sepulcher in Joseph's garden he will vet make the whole earth a garden. Yes, he expressed his delight with fragrance in the first book of the Bible, when he said, "The Lord smelled a sweet savor;" and he filled the air of the ancient tabernacle and temple with sweet incense; and there are small bottles of perfume in heaven described in Revelations as golden vials full of odors. I preach an ambrosial gospel which will yet extirpate from the world all foulness and rancidity and the last noisomeness and the last mephitic gas. Glad am I that though the world had chiefly spikes for the Saviour's feet and thorns for the Saviour's brow, the magi put frankincense upon his cradle and the Marys brought

ORDER OUT OF DISCORD. Notice also that Christ's mausoleum was opened by concussion. It was a great earthquake that put its twisted key into the involved and labyrinthine lock of that tomb. Concussion! That is the power that opens all the tombs that are opened at all. Tomb of soul and tomb of nations. Concussion between England and the thirteen colonies, and forth comes free government in America. Concussion between France and Germany, and forth comes republicanism for France. Concussion among the rocks on Mount Sinai and on two of them was left a perfect law for all ages. Concussion among the rocks around Calvary, and the crucifixion was made the more overwhelming. Concussion between the United States and Mexico, and a vast area of country becomes ours. Concussion between England and France, and most of this continent west of the Mississippi becomes the property of the American Union. Concussion between iceberg and iceberg, between bowlder and bowlder, and a thousand concussions put this world into shape for man's residence. Concussion between David and his enemies, and out came the psalms which otherwise would never have been written. Concussion between God's will and man's will, and ours overthrown, we are new creatures in Christ Jesus. Concussion of misfortune and trial for many of the good, and out comes their especial consecration. Do not, therefore, be frightened when you see the great upheavals, the great agitations, the great earthquakes, whether among the rocks or among the nations or in individual experience. Out of them God will bring best results and most magnificent consequences. Hear the crash all round the Lord's sarcophagus and see the glorious reanimation of its dead inhabitant. Concussion! If ever a general European war, which the world has been expecting for the last twenty years, should come, a concussion so wide and a concussion so tremendous would not leave a throne in

Europe standing as it now is. The nations of

the earth are tired of having their kings

frankincense for his grave.

born to them, and they would after a while elect their kings and there would be an Italian republic and a German republic and a Rusian republic and an Austrian republic, and out of the cracks and crevices and chasms of that concussion would come resurrection for all Europe. Stagnation is deathful; concussion is Messianic.

Notice also what the angel did with the stone after he had rolled it away from the mouth of the Saviour's mausoleum. The book says he rolled away the stone from the. door and sat upon it. All of us ministers have preached a sermon about the angel's rolling away the stone, but we did not remark upon the sublime fact that he sat upon it. Why? Certainly not because he was tired. The angels are a fatigueless race, and that one could have shouldered every rock around that tomb and carried it away and not been besweated. He sat upon it, I think, to show you and to show me that we may make every earthly obstacle a throne of triumph. The young men who get their education easy seldom amount to much. Those who had to struggle for it come out_ atop. There is no end of the story of studying by pine knot lights and reading while the mules of the towpath were resting, and of going hungry and patched and barefoot and submitting to all kinds of privation to get scholastic advantages. But the day of graduation came, and they took the diplomas with a hand nervous from night study and pale from lack of food and put their academic degree in the pocket of a threadbare coat." Then starting for another career of hardship, they entered a profession or a business where they found plenty of disheartenment and no help. Yet saying: "I will succeed; God help me, for no one else will;" they went on and up until the world was compelled to acknowledge and admire them. STRENGTH BY STRUGGLING.

The fact was that the obstacle between their discouraging start and their complete success was a rock of fifty tons, but by resolution, nerved and muscularized and re-enforced by Almighty God, they threw their arms around the obstacle and with the strength of a supernatural wrestler rolled back the stone, and, having become more than conquerors, they sat upon it. Men and women are good and great and useful just in proportion as they had to overcome obstacles. You can count upon the fingers of your one hand all the great singers, great orators, great poets, great patriots and great Christians who never had a struggle. That angel that made a throne of the bowlder at Christ's tomb went back to heaven and I warrant that, having been born in heaven and always had an easy time, he now speaks of that wrestle with the rock as the most interesting chapter in all his angelic lifetime. O, men and women with obstacles in the way, I tell you that those obstacles are only thrones that you may after a while sit on. Is the obstacle in your way sickness? Conquerit by accomplishing more for God during your invalidism than many accomplish who have never known an allment. Are you persecuted! By your uprightness and courage compel the world to acknowledge your moral heroism. Is it poverty? Conquer it by being happy in the companionship of your Lord and Master, who in all his live owned but sixty-two cents, and that he got from a fish's mouth and immediately paid it all out in taxes to the Roman assessor; and who would have been buried in a potter's field had not Joseph of Arimathea contributed a place, for he who had not where to lay his head during his life had a borrowed pillow for the last slumber. There is no throne that you are sure to keep except that which you make out of vanquished obstacles. An ungrateful republic at the ballot box denied Horace Greeley the highest place at the national capital, but could not keep him from rising from the steps of a New York printing office, on which he sat one chilly morning waiting for the boss printer to come that he might get a job, until he mounted the highest throne of American journalism. He rolled back the stone and sat upon it. A poor orphan boy, picking up chips at Richmond, Va., accosted by a passing sea captain and invited to come on board his vessel, drops the chips and starts right away and is tossed from port to port, and homeless and friendless, wanders one day along Tremont street, Boston, and sees Park Street church open, and speaking of it afterward on a great occasion and using sailors' vernacular, as was usual with him, he says: "I put in, I up helm, unfurled sail, and made for the gallery and scud under bare poles to the corner pew. Then I

hove to and came to anchor. A NAUTICAL SERMON. "The old man, Dr. Griffin, was just naming his text. Pretty soon he unfurled the mainsail, raised the topsail, ran up the pennants to free breeze, and I tell you the old Gospel ship never sailed more prosperously. The salt spray flew in every direction, but more especially did it run down my cheeks. Satan had to strike sail, his guns were dismounted or spiked, his various crafts by which he led sinners captive were all beached, and the captain of the Lord's bosts rode forth, conquering and to conquer." Before that sailor boy was poverty, but he conquered it; and orphanage, but he conquered it; and ignorance, but he conquered it; and the scoff of the world, but he conquered it; and he rose till every sailors' bethel in the world blessed him and great anniversary platforms invited him, and Daniel Webster and Charles Dickens and Frederika Bremer and poets and orators and senators sat electrified at his feet, and his gospelized influence will go on until the last jack tar is converted and the sea shall give up its dead. All the obstacles of his life seemed gathered into one great bowlder, but Edward T. Taylor, the world renowned sailors' preacher, rolled back the

stone and sat upon it. Yet do not make the mistake that many do of sitting on it before it is rolled away. It is bound to go if you only tug away at it. If not before, then I think about 12 o'clock noon of resurrection day you will see something worth seeing. The general impression is that the resurrection will take place in the morning. The ascent to the skies will hardly occur immediately. It will take some hours to form the processions skyward, and we will all want to take a look at this world before we leave it forever and see the surroundings of the couch where our bodies have long been sleeping. On that Easter morning the marble, whether it lay flat upon your grave or stood up in monument, will have to be jostled and shaken and rolled aside by the angel of Resurrection, and while waiting for your kindred to gather and the procession to form, your resurrected body may sit in holy triumph upon that chiseled stone which marked the place of your protracted slumber. On that day what a fragile thing will he Aberdeen granite and column of basalt and the mortar which will rattle out of the wall of vaults that have been sealed a thousand years, and the Taj, built for a queen in India, a sepulcher two hundred and seventyfive feet high, and made of jasper and cornelian and turquois and lapis-lazuli and amethyst and onyx and sapphire and diamond, which shall that day rain into glittering dust on groves of banyan and bamboo and palm. And all under what power? Ponderous crowbars wielded by giants? No. Thunderbolt cleaving asunder the granite? No. Battering ram swung against the walls of cemeteries? No. Dynamite drilled under the foundations of ceno-

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