THE BROOKLYN DIVINE'S SUNDAY

Text: "Unto one He gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability."— Matt. xxv., 15

Many of the parables of Jesus Christ were more grapic in the times in which He lived than they are now, because circumstances invo so much changed. In olden times, when a man wanted to wreak a grudge upon his neighber, after the farmer had scattered the seed wheat over the field and was expecting the barvest, his avenger would go across the same field with a suck full or the seed of darnel grass, scattering that seed all over the field, and of course it would sprout up and spoil the whole crop; and it was to that their streferred in the parable when He spoke of the tares being sown among the wheat. In this land our farms are feuced off, and the worker have been driven to the mountains, and we cannot fully understand the meaning of the parable in regard to the Shepherd and the lost seven in the same in Jerusalem as in New York. It means the same in Jerusalem as in New York. It means the same to the serf as to the Emperor. Whether it is made out of bone or brass, or iron or copper, or gold or silver, it speaks all languages without a stammer. The parable of the text runs in this wise: The owner of a large estate was about to leave home, and he had some money that he wished properly invested, and so he called together his servants, and said:

"I am going away now, and I wish you would take this money and put it to the very best possible use, and when I come back return to me the interest." To one man he gave 84804, to others he gave lesser sums of money, to the least he gave \$1800. He left home and was gone for years, and then returned. On his arrival he was anxious ho the called his serventy affairs, and here are \$18,830. You see I have doubled what you gave me." "That's very good," said the owner of the estate; "that's grandly done. I admire your faitfulness and industry. I shall reward you. Well done—well done." Other servants came up with smaller accumulate anything." "You have in other ways rightly employed it; and here are \$18,830. You see I have doubled what you gave me." That's very good, "said the owner o

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men and angues ne is a specimen of corresant patience, and he is really illustrating the power of Christ's Gospel, and is doing as much for the Church, and more for the Church, than many more positively active. If you have one talent, use that; if you have ten talents, use them, satisfied with the fact that we all have different qualifications, and that the Lord decides whether we shall have ten. I learn also from this parable that the grace of God was attended to be accumulative. When God plants an acoru, He means an oak, and when He plants a small amount of grace in the heart, He intends it to be growthful and enlarge until it overshadows the whole nature. There are parents who, at the birth of each child lay aside an amount of money, investing it, expectually by accumulation and by compound interest that by the time the child shall come to mid life this small amount of money will be a fortune, showing how a small amount of money will be a fortune, showing how a small amount of money will how the will foll up into a vast accumulation. Well, God sets aside a certain amount of grace for each one of His spiritual children at his birth, and it is to goon, and, as by compound interest, accumulate, until it shall become an eternal fortune. Can it be possible that you have been acquainted with the Lord Jesus for ten, twenty, thirty years, and that you do not love Him more now than you did before? Can it be that you have been cultured in the Lord's vineyard, and that Christ finds on you nothing but sour grapes? You may depend upon it, if you do not use the talent that God gave you it will dwindle. The rill that breaks from the hilbide will either widen into a river or dry up. The brightest day started in the dim twilight. The strongest Christian man was once a weak Christian. Take the one talent and make them ten; take ten a

to the man who has the least qualifications, by the grace of God he may be made almost omnipotent. The merchant whose cargoes come out from every island of the sea, and who, by one stroke of the pen, can change the whole face of American commerce, has not so much power as you may have before God, in earnest, falthful and continuous prayer. You say you have no faculty. Do you not understand that you might this afterneon go into your place of prayer, and kneel before God, and bring down upon your soul, and the souls of others, a blessing so wast that it would take eternal ages to compute it? "Oh," you say. "I haven't fleetness of speech. I can't talk well. I can't utter what I want to say." My brother, can you not quote one passage of Scripture? Then, take that one passage of Scripture? Then, take that one passage of Scripture; carry it with you everywhere; quote it under all proper circumstances. With that one passage of Scripture you may harvest a thousand souls for God. I am glad that the chief work of the Church in this day is being done by the men of one talent. Once in a while, when a great fortress is to be taken, God will bring out a great field-piece and ake all with the firey hail of destruction. But common muskets do most of the hard fighting. It took only one Joshua, and the thousands of common troops, under him, to drive down the walls of cities, and, under wrathful strokes, to make nations fly like sparks from the anvil. It only took one Luther for Germany, one Zwinglius for Switzerland, one John Knox for Scotland, one Calvin for France, and one John Wesley for England Dorcas as certainly has a mission to serve as Paul has a mission to preach. The two mites arropped by the widow into the poor-box will be as much applauded as the endowment of a college, which gets a man's name into the newspapers. The man who kindled the fire under the cluran offering in the ancient temple had a duty as imperative as that of the high priest, in magnificent robes, walking into the Holy of Holies under the clund of beh

coul is a worthy servant, and he who does not it an unworthy servant. When the war tump pet sounds, all the Lord's soldiers must however fearful the olds against them. Under our Government we may have Colonels, and Captains, and Generals in time of peace, but a Captains, and Generals in time of peace, but last great victory shall have been sentitived and the sentitive of the property of of the prope

those who have rendered only half a service. Some of you are hastening on toward the reward of the righteous. I want to cheer you up at the thought that there will be some kind of a reward waiting for you. There are Christian people in this house who are very near heaven. This week some of you may pass out into the light of the unsetting sun. I saw a blind man going along the road with his staff, and he kept pounding the earth and then stamping with his foot. Isaid to him: "What do you do that for?" "Oh," he said, "I can rell by the sound of the ground when I am near a dwelling." And some of you can tell by the sound of our earthly pathway that you are coming near to your Father's house. I cengrafulate you. Oh, weather-beaten voyagers, the storms are driving you into the sarbor. Just as when you were looking for a friend, you came up to the gates of his house, and you were talking with the servant, when your friend hoisted the window and shouted: "Come in! come in!" Just so, when you come to the gate of the future world, and you are talking with death, the black porter at the gate, methinks Christ will hoist the window and say: "Come in! come in! I will make thee ruler over true cities." In anticipation of that land I do not wonder that Augustus Toplady, the author of "Rock of Ages," declared in his last moment: "I have nothing more to pray for; God has given me everything. Surely no man can live on earth after the glories I have witnessed." Oh, my brothers and sisters, how sweet it will be, after the long wilderness march, to get home. That was a bright moment for the tired dove in the time of the Deluge when it found its way safely into the window of the ark.

Hints About Horses.

It costs more to keep a poor horse than it does to keep a good one.

Change the feed for your horses often enough to make them relish it.

Improper feeding is the cause of pine.

Improper feeding is the cause of nine cut of ten cases of sickness among

horses.

Every time you worry your horses you shorten their lives and days of usefulness.

Sweat and dust cause the horse's shoulders to gall. So do poor, ill-fitting

The temperature of water for horses is not so much of an object as the purity of it. While it is best to have the water

not so much of an object as the purity of it. While it is best to have the water cool, it is more important to have it free from all impurities.

Mares in foal should have exercise and moderate work, and under no circumstances should they be subjected to harsh treatment, nor should they ever be allowed to go where they would be in danger of being frightened.

The horse which can plough an acre while another horse is ploughing half an acre, or that which can carry a load of passengers ten miles while another is going ave, independent of all considerations of amusement, taste, or what is called fancy, is absolutely worth twice as much to the owner as the other.

Affection cannot be pounded in. Kind treatment insures the affection of an animal, while rough treatment is sure to cause its hatred.

It is alike dangerous to other horses and men to spare the life of a glandered horse. Glanders is a highly contagious, incurable disease, and as a rule fatal in the human subject.

When horses are suffering from the bites of flies or stings of other insects, sponge the parts that cannot be protected by nets with water in which insect powder has been mixed—a table-spoonful to two gallons of water.

Of two colts similar in disposition and sense, one may develop into a steady and valuable iamily horse, while the other may be vicious, treacherous, and unsafe—all because of a difference in the men handling them.—Metical Classics.

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Newkirk's Valley, in the town of Hurley, N. Y., is a favorite hunting ground, and scores of partridges, woodcock, and other game have been bagged there recently. Hunter Dave Furnley had a rough sort of a time in the valley. His bag was plethoric with a diversity of game, but he was not yet satisfied, when his dog, which was some little distance away, began barking fiercely and pawing at the foot of a tree. Furnley went to reconnoitre, and a raccoon, closely followed by a wildcat, crossed his path.

The coon sought refuge in a hole among some rocks, and the cat followed after, both animals being hotly pursued by the dog. The dog caught the cat when part way in the hole, and drawing it out, gave it an unmerciful shaking. The dog would, in all probability, have killed the cat if another big cat had not appeared on the scene. The new-comer was an ugly brute and it bit and scratched the dog until, as Dave said, "it fairly guv in and rolled over dead."

The hunter had left his gun on his game bag when he follolwed the dog, so he had no weapon but his jackknife and a stout stick with which he laid blow after blow on the cats. They turned simultaneously on the hunter and their sharp claws stick with which he laid blow after blow on the cats. They turned simultaneously on the hunter and their sharp claws made ugly gashes in his flesh. His coat was literally torn from his body. At last the hunter succeeded in plunging his knife in one of the wildcats and killed it. The other clung to him and bit and scratched until he got it by the throat and choked it to death.—New York Times. York Times.

Hippophagy in New York

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Up to a few years ago horse flesh was an almost unknown commodity in American markets, but now it seems to have become very popular. Several shops in the French quarter of this city display steaks and roasts cut from the flanks of horses, and in some restaurants this treat is served as a regular course in a table d'hote dinner. A reporter went into a Bleecker street butcher shop and asked the proprietor if he kept horse fle-h.

"Sartangmong, misieur," he replied.
"All ze bong tong butchaire soil ze harse. Eet ees ze cream of ze meat, and ze distingay Frenchman always get cet."

Going to a large ice chest he brought forth a quarter of what looked very much like venison.

"Zat ees ze harse meat," said he, "and ze price eest wanty cantz a pound."

The meat is a good deal darker than ordinary beef, and there seems to be a good sale. It is imported, so the dealers say; but it is alt-gether probable that the portions of the carcasses of some of the overworked car horses serve as entrees or roasts on some tables.—New York

A dairyman in Clayton, Mo., has a dog that can milk cows.

SELECT SIFTINGS.

Amber is obtained by divers. The day was first divided into hours in 293 B. C.

The only place in which amber is found in paying quantities is said to exist in the Baltic Sea.

If you can truthfully swear that you are not worth \$250, you cannot be compelled to do jury duty.

The Chinese word for "hash" is the longest and most difficult word to pronounce in the language.

Previous to the introduction of water clocks into Rome, 158 B. C., the hours were announced by public criers.

A turkey gobbler at Darlington, S.C., sat upon some guinea fowl eggs, hatched a broad of chickens, and is now taking proper care of them.

A Scot, being shown Niagara Falls, was asked if he had seen aught so beautiful and strange. He replied: "Weel, for bonny, I'll no say; but. ch mon, for queer, I ance saw a peacock wi' a wooden leg at Peebles."

The native inhabitants of Washington at certain seasons of the year eat large quantities of salted herring to counteract the malaria of the Potomac flats. The fish is considered the best medicine to avert or cure chills.

Drawing-room cars from the United States have been placed on the Chilian railway between Valpariso and Santiago. It is found to be very difficult to prevent passengers from smoking in them, although a smoking car has been added.

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A gentleman in Portland, Oregon, has succeeded in training a young elk to drive in harness. When he gets out on the trotting ground he is a sure victor in speed, as he can frighten the horse that his steed is not fast enough to pass.

The Atlanta Constitution tells of a lovesick spider. He seems to be enamored of some married women, and spends his time working her name into his web. About fifty people have come to watch him. At last accounts he had completed the letters Mrs. W. W. W. V.

While searching through his father's effects Ticket Agent Moffett, of Knoxville, Tenn., found a gourd over a hundred years old. It contained many old papers, and among them a note from Davy Crockett, payable to William Moffett, for 1 shilling and 3 pence for a barrel of whisky and keg of cider.

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There recently died at Flint, Mich., a man who had made careful preparation that nothing should be said at his funeral that would not meet with his own approval. He had written his own funeral sermon, the hymns to be sung at his funeral, the words of consolation to his friends and the epitaph for his tombstone.

One of the medals awarded by the One of the medals awarded by the Massachusetts Humane Society bore the inscription: "To Harold Nowell, four years old," and was given to the little fellow, as another inscription said, "in recognition of his remarkable presence of mind and courage in saving from drowning Cora Robinson, on December 16, 1887."

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