## PRAYER FOR RULERS.

REV. DR. TALMAGE CALLS THE NATION TO ITS KNEES.

He Gives Many Reasons Why We Should

before a mighty throng, goes forth from the capital, calling the nation to its knees. Before beginning his sermon Dr. Talmage made an eloquent appeal for American aid for the suffering millions of India. Eighty millions are affected by the famine, and unless America generously comes to the rescue millions of lives will be sacrificed. His text was I Timothy ii, 1, "I exhort, therefore, that, first of all. supplications, prayers, intercessions and giving of thanks be made for all men, for

kings and for all that are in authority.' That which London is to England, Paris to France, Berlin to Germany, Rome to Italy, Vienna to Austria, St. Petersburg to Russia, Washington is to the United States republic. The people who live here see more of the chief men of the nation than any who live anywhere else between Atlantic and Pacific oceans. If a senator or member of the house of representatives, or supreme court justice, or secretary of the cabinet, or representative of foreign nation enters a public assembly in any other city, his coming and going are remarked upon, and unusual deference is paid to him. In this capital there are so many political chieftains in our churches, our streets, our halls, that their coming and going make no excitement. The Swiss seldom look up to the Matterhorn or Jungfrau or Mont Blanc, because those people are used to the Alps. So we at this capital are so accustomed to walk among mountains of official and political eminence that they are not to us a great novelty. Morning, noon and night we meet the giants. But there is no place on earth where the importance of the Pauline injunction to prayer for those in eminent place ought to be better appreciated. At this time, when our public preciated. At this time, when our public who are in authority will not need the men have before them the rescue of our guidance of the God of nations. God national treasury from appalling deficits, only can tell the right time for nations and the Cuban question, and the arbitra- to do the right thing. To do the right men are taken important positons which to do the wrong thing at any time. Cuba are to them new and untried, I would will one day be free, but it will be after nage of emphasis—word; written by the government. To acknowledge Cuban in-scarred missionary to the young theolo-gian Timothy, "I exhort, therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, inter-cessions and giving of thanks be made of our government. But it will be when for all men, for the kings and for all that are in authority.' REASONS FOR PRAYER.

give you four or five reasons why the people of the United Staes ought to make earnest and continuous prayer for those in eminent place.

First, because that will put us in proper attitude toward the successful men of the nation. After you have prayed for a man you will do him justice. There is a bad streak in human nature that demands us to assail those that are more successful than ourselves. It shows itself in boyhood when the lads, all running to get their ride on the back of a carriage, and one gets on, those failing to get on shout to the driver, "Cut behind!" Unsuccessful men seldom like those who in any department are successful. The cry is, "He is a political accident!" or "He bought, his way up!" or "It just happened so!" and there is an impatient waiting for him to come down more rapidly than he went up. The best cure for such cynicism is prayer. After we have risen from our knees we will be wishing the official good instead of evil. We will be hoping for him benediction rather than malediction. If he makes a mistake, we will call it a mistake instead of malfeasance in office. And, oh, how much happier we will be, for wishing one evil is diabolic but wishing one good is saintly, is angelic, is godlike! When the Lord drops a man into depths beyond which there is no lower depth, he allows him to be put on an investigating committee with the one hope of finding something wrong. In genassemblies of the Presbyterian church, in conferences of the Methodist church, in conventions of the Episcopal church, in house of representatives and in senate of the United States there are men always glad to be appointed on the committee of malodors, while there are those who are glad to be put on the com-After you have mittee of eulogiums. prayed, in the words of my text, for all that are in authority, you will say, "Brethren, gentlemen, Mr. Chairman, excuse me from serving on the committee of malodors, for last night, just before prayed for those in eminent position, read that chapter in Corinthians about charity which 'hopeth all things' and 'thinketh no evil.'" The committee of malodors is an important committee, but I here now declare that those are incompetent for its work who have, not in spirit of conventionality, but in spirit of earnest importunity, prayed for those in high position. I cannot help it, but I do like a St. Bernard better than a bloodhound, and I would rather be a humming bird among honeysuckle than a crow swoop-

ing upon field carcasses, PERPLEXITIES OF PUBLIC LIFE. Another reason why we should pray for the only imposition that ever blessed the those in eminent place is because they have such multiplied perplexities. This city at this time holds hundreds of men who are expectant of preferment, and United States mail bags, as never before, are full of applications. Let me say I have no sympathy with either the uttered or printed sneer at what are called "office seekers." If I .. ad not already received appointment as minister plenipotentiary from the high court of heaven-as every minister of the gospel has-and I had at my back a family for whom I wished to achieve a livelihood, there is no employer whose service I would sooner seek than city, state or United States government Those governments are the promptest for their payments, paying just as well in her, for I do not like the music spoken of hard times as in good times and during but I will send her a deed to a house and summer vacation as during winter work. Besides that, many of us have been pay- in all cases answer in the way those who Jing taxes to city and state and nation for years, and while we are indebted for the protection of government, the government is indebted to us for the honest support we have rendered it. So I wish success to all earnest and competent men who appeal to city or state or hation for a that God answered only the northern place to work. But how many men in prayers, for there were just as devout high place in city and state and nation prayers answered south of Mason and are at their wits' end to know what to do, when for some places there are ten applicants and for others a hundred! Perplexities arise from the fact that citizens sign petitions without reference to the is not a good and intelligent man between qualifications of the applicant for the places applied for. You sign the application because the applicant is your friend. People sometimes want that for which they have no qualifications, as we hear people sing "I want to be an angel," when they offer the poorest material posisible for angelhood-boors waiting to be sent to foreign palaces as embassadors, and men without any business qualification wanting to be consuls to foreign ports, and illiterates, capable in one letter of wrecking all the laws of orthography and syntax, desiring to be put into posi-tions where most of the work is done by correspondence. If divine help is needed in any place in the world, it is in those places where patronage is distributed. In years gone by awful mistakes have been made. Only God who made the world out of chaos, could, out of the crowded pigeonholes of public men, develop symmetrical results. For this meason pray Almighty God for all those in authority. GOD TO THE RESCUE.

Then there are the vaster perplexities of our relations with foreign governments. For directions in such affairs the God of nations should be implored. The demand of the people is sometimes so heated, so unwise, that it must not be heeded. Hark to the boom of that gun which sends from the American steamer San Jacinto a shot tinguished southerners, with their secretaries and families, are on the way to them for the southern confederacy. After much protest the commissioners, who had wide open. The passing host did not even embarked for England and France, sur- set their feet wet. They passed dry shod rendered and were taken to Fort Warren, the bottom of the sea as hard as the pave-

near Boston. The capture was a plain invasion of the laws of nations and an-tagonistic to a principle for the establishment of which the United States government had fought in other days. However, so great was the excitement that the secretary of the United States navy wrote an applauditory letter to Captain Wilkes, commander of the San Jacinto, for his "prompt and decisive action," and the house of representatives passed a resolution of thanks for "brave, adroit and pa-Pray For Those In Authority-His Plea triotic conduct," and the millions of the For the High Tide of National Prosper- north went wild with enthusiasm, and all as he will with the great orbs of worlds, This discourse of Dr. Talmage, delivered ed, the former demanding that unless the star, star tossed after star, or sun and distinguished prisoners should be surren-dered and apology made for insult to the British fiag within ten days Lord Lyons must return to London, taking all the ar-chives of the British legation. War with England and France seemed inevitable, and war with England and France at that time would have made a restored American nation impossible for a long while, if not forever. Then God came to the rescue and helped the president and his secretary of state. Against the almost unanimous sentiment of the people of the north the distinguished confederates were surrendered, the law of nations was kept inviolate, the lion's paw was not lifted to strike the eagle's beak, and perhaps the worst disaster of centuries was

There came another crisis within the last two years, when millions of people demanded that American war vessels sail into Turkish waters and stop the atroci-ties against the Armenians. The people at large have no idea of the pressure brought upon our government to do this rash thing. Missionaries and other prominent Americans in and around Constantinople assembled at the office of the American legation and demanded that our minister plenipotentiary cable to Washington for United Staes ships of war, and they suggested the words of the cable-gram. Had our ships gone into those waters the guns of foreign nations, everlastingly jealous of us, would have been turned against our shipping, and our navy within a few years become respectable in power, would have crawled backward in disgrace. The proposition to do what could not be done was mercifully with-

THE RIGHT THING. There will not be a year between now and the next twenty years when those tion question, and in many departments | thing at the wrong time is as bad as like to quote my text with a whole ton- she has shown herself capable of free what does not exist. The time may come when the Hawaiian islands may be a part they have decidedly expressed the desire for annexation. In all national affairs there is a clock. The hands of that clock are not always seen by human eyes. But If I have the time and do not forget God sees them, not only the hour hand, some of them, before I get through I will but the minute hand, and when the hands announce that the right hour has come the clock will strike, and we ought to be in listening attitude. "The Lord reigneth. Let the earth rejoice; let the multitudes of the isles be glad thereof.

You see there are always in places of authority unbalanced men who want war, because they do not realize what war is, or they are designing men, who want war for the same reason that wreckers like hurricanes and foundering ships, because of what may float ashore from the ruins You see that men who start wars never themselves get hurt. They make the speeches and others make the self sacrifices. Notice that all those who instigated our civil war never as a consequence got so much as a splinter under the thumb nail, and they all died peacefully in their beds. I had two friends—as thorough friends as old men can be to a young man -Wendell Phillips and Robert Toombs They were not among those who expected anything advantageous from the strife, but took their positons conscientiously They both had as much to do with the starting of the war between the north and the south as any other two men. A million brave northern and southern dead were put in the grave trenches, but the two illustrious and honest men I have mentioned were in good health long after the ending of things at Appomattox, and if those who advocated measures recently that would have brought on war between our country and Spain or England or Tur-key had been successful in bringing on the wholesale murder, they themselves would now have been above ground, as ! hope they will be, to celebrate the birth of the twentieth century. If God had not interfered, we would have had three wars within the last two years-war with England, war with Spain and war with Turkey, this last joined by other nations transatlantic. To preserve the peaceful equipoise which such men are disturbing we need a divine balancing, for which al good men on both sides the sea ought to be every bay praying.

A MIGHTY SERVICE. Again, prayer to God for those in au thority is our only way of being of any practical service to them. Our personal advice would be to them, for the most part, an impertinence. They have all the facts as we cannot have them, and they see the subject in all its bearings; and we can be of no help to them except through the supplication that our text advises. In that way we may be infinite re-enforcement. The mightiest thing you can do for a man is to pray for him. If the old Bible be true, and if it is not true it has been world, turning barbarism into civilization and tyrannies into republics-I say if the old Bible be true, God answers prayer You may get a letter, and through forget fulness or lack of time not answer it, bu God never gets a genuine letter that he does not make reply. Every genuine prayer is a child's letter to his heavenly Father, and he will answer it, and though you may get many letters from your child before you respond, some day you say: "There! I have received ten letters from my daughter, and I will answer them all now and at once, and though not in just the way that she hopes for, I will do it in the best way, and though she asked me for a sheet of music, I will not give it to lot, to be hers forever." So God does not sent the prayer hoped for, but he in all cases gives what is asked for or something better. So prayers went up from the north and the south at the time of our civil war, and they were all answered at answered south Dixon's line as north of it, and God gave what was asked for, or something as much more valuable as a house and lot are worth than a sheet of music. There the gulf of Mexico and the St. Lawrence river who does not believe that God did the best thing possible when he stood this nation down in 1865 a glorious unity, never to be rent until the waters of the Ohio and the Savannah, the Hudson and the Alabama, are licked up by the long, red tongues of a world on fire. Yea! God sometimes answers prayers on a large In worse predicament nation never was

than the Israelitish nation on the banks of the Red sea, the rattling shields and the clattering hoofs of an overwhelming host close after them. An army could just as easily wade through the Atlantic ocean, from New York to Liverpool, as the Israelites could have waded through the Red sea. You need to sail on its waters to realize how big it is. How was the crossing effected? By prayer. Exodus xiv, 15: "And the Lord said unto Moses: Wherefore criest thou unto me? Speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward"-that is, "Stop praying and take the answer." And then the waters began to be agitated and swung this way and that way, and the ripple became a billow, and the billow climbed other billows, and now they rise into walls of sapphire, and invisible trowels mason them into firmness, and the walls become like mountains, topped and turreted across the bow of the British merchant and domed with crags of cystal, and God steamer Trent November 3, 1861. Two dis- throws an invisible chain around the feet of those mountains, so that they are obliged to stand still, and there, right

will change that and say, "What a God

What power put its hands upon astron-cmy in Joshua's time and made the sun and moon stand still? Joshua x, 12, "Then spake Joshua unto the Lord." Prayer! As a giant will take two or four great globes and in astounding way swing them this way or that; or hold two of them at arm's length, so the Omnipotent does the newspapers and churches joined in with wheeling constellations and circling moon held out at arm's length, and perfectly still, as in answer to Joshua's prayer. To God the largest world is a pebble.

RIGHTEOUS SELFISHNESS. Another reason why we should obey the Pauline injunction of the text and pray for all that are in authority is that so very much or our wwn prosperlity and happiness are involved in their doings. A selfish reason, you say. Yes, but a you to take care of your health and preserve your own life. Prosperous govern-! ment means a prosperous people. Damaged government means a damaged people. We all go up together or we all go down together. When we pray for our rulers, we pray for ourselves, for our nomes, for the easier gaining of a livelihood, for better prospects for our chil-dren, for the hurling of these hard times so far down the embankment they can never climb up again. Do not look at anything that pertains to public interest as having no relation to yourself. We are touched by all the events in our national history, by the signing of the compact in the cabin of the Mayflower, by the small ship, the Half Moon, sailing up the Hudson, by the treaty of William Penn, by the hand that made the "Liberty bell" sound its first stroke, by Old Ironseller solowing the high seas. plowing the high seas. And if touched by all the events of past America, certainly by all the events of the present day. Every prayer you make for our rulers, if the prayer be of the right stamp and worth anything, has a rebound of bene-diction for your own body, mind and soul.

ment of Pennsylvania avenue, or New York's Broadway, or London's Strand. Oh, what a God they had! Or I think I secration? Are we not ready to become a ago quit earthly scenes, and the lips of the great orator of that hour are dust, and the grand master of that occasion long ago put down the square and the level and the plumb with which for the last time, he pronounced a cornerstone well laid. But 'what most interests are now is that inside that cornerstone, in a glass jar, hermetically sealed, is a document of national import, though in poor penmanship. It is the penmanship of Daniel Webster, which almost ruined the penmansup of this country for many years, because many thought if they had Daniel Webster's poor penmanship, it might indicate they had Webster's genius. The document reads as follows:

"If it shall hereafter be the will of God that this structure shall fall from its base, that its foundation be upturned and this deposit be brought to the eyes of men, be it then known that on this day the nation of the United States of America stands firm; that their constitution still exists unimpaired and with all its righteous selfishness like that which leads original usefulness and glory, growing every day stronger and stronger in the affection of the great body of the American people, and attracting more and more the admiration of the world, and all here assembled, whether belonging to public life or to private life, with hearts de-voutly thankful to Almighty God for the preservation of the liberty and the happiness of the country, unite in sincere and fervent prayers that this deposit, and the walls and arches, the domes and towers, the columns and entablatures now to be erected over it may endure forever. God save the United States of America! Daniel Webster, secretary of state of the

A NEW CONSECRATION. tension of the capitol fifty-eight years after the cornerstone of the old capitol had been laid. Yet the cornerstone of our republic was first laid in 1776, and at the re-establishment of our national government was laid again in 1865. But are we not ready for the laying of the cornerON HATTERAS BEACH.

Our Correspondent Visits and Describes this Point so Dreaded by Mariners-He Views the Land and Sea From the Lofty Light House-His Visit to Hatteras Vil-

(Special Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., April 17. This is a continuation of the story of is shining brightly. a trip through the North Carolina sounds. In the last letter the reader was left at Hatteras light house.

The prevalent opinion of Cape Hat teras is of an awful, desolate, windswept place, with the wreck and ruin of great ships as a feature. The reality, from. on a bright day, as was April 2nd, was very different. The "banks," or vast barrier of sand which separates the ocean from the sounds, is almost treeless north of Hatteras. Here and there are stunted live oaks, and at places on the banks are the stumps and remains of thousands of them, showing that, perhaps centuries ago, the banks were well wooded. But while all is bare down to Hatteras light, yet there a new really, westward,) all the way to Hatteras village and light house, twelve miles away. These woods are picturesque in the extreme, with splendid pines and live oaks, with fan palmettoes among the undergrowth and innumerable holly trees, crimson with berries. The light house rises from a grassy

meadow to a height of 200 feet. It was built in 1870, and cost \$175,000. The old light stood 200 yards nearer the point of the cape. It was blown up that year and a mass of ruins marks its site; a great mound of brick and concrete perhaps forty-five feet high, left as it fell. The light which surmounts the light house is of the first class, cost \$35,000, is by Lepaute, of Paris, is ten feet high and six and one-half feet in suspended from a steel rope, extending when run down in a recess at the bottom of the tower. In the long nights seven and one-half gallons of oil are consumed. The lamp is four feet high and has five circular wicks. These do not reach into the oil, but the latter is pumped up to them. The light is fixed -that is, does not revolve-and is white. It is often seen at Roanoke island, fifty miles away. The view from the top of the tower

s a wide and grand one, and the pencil was kept busy recording observations. First of all, one wishes to see the dreaded shoals, the terror of this cape. For two centuries or more Hatteras has been a name dreaded by mariners. It is a graveyard of ships, and well does it keep the secrets of the grave. "The great steel vessels, the "tramps," which strike these go absolutely to pieces in twenty-four hours, not a trace remain-

But, on this beautiful day, the shoals do not show their fangs. They smile at the kisses of the sunshine. The shoals are known as the "inner" and "outer diamond." From the point of the cape to the "outer diamond" is ten miles, and the latter is only eighteen miles from the gulf streamthe nearest point on the Atlantic coast. The beacon, or range light, known as piling. When built it was high and dry. made to put a caisson there. This was towed there from Norfolk there was not enough concrete ready to fill it, nor was there haste in bolting the other cylinders. A storm came, the caisson was tipped over and sank. The sand literally swallowed it. Then an experimental structure, a skeleton beacon, was put up, as a test of the power of the wind and water. A storm tipped it to one side, then it sank. Now it, too, The sand is not a quicksand. It is

simply in motion all the while. The water is like a lather, with sand instead of soap in suspension. When a breaker on these shoals tumbles into a boat it leaves a large quantity of sand. This sand adds to the natural heaviness of the water. Nothing can withstand such a force. But, April 2nd, the shoals were not

threatening in aspect. In a storm the seas smite each other there and are tossed to a height of fifty or seventy. five feet. It is also a notable place for the formation of water spouts. It s true that there are often storms at Hatteras while fifty miles away there is bright sunshine.

Near the light house there are the keels of two wooden vessels, looking merely like a couple of beams. Near the life saving station is the wreck of the Altona, a big ship. These are all the outward and visible signs.

The government years ago kept a light ship at Hatteras. Now another one is to be put there. It is doubtful whether it will stay. It does not seem possible that it could stand the awful pounding of the seas on the "outer diamond." The light ship will have to be put in what is known as the "lead," where ships go and where the water is twenty-five to thirty feet in depth. But it must be remembered that at Hatteras the seas break in thirty feet water-a phenomenon.

With the powerful telescope in use by the keepers five life saving stations are in view. Near the light house are fresh water ponds and in these are gardens, reclaimed and dyked, producing a most picturesque effect when

viewed from the great height. Your correspondent is the guest at Hatteras light of Keeper T. F. Smith and wife, and is pleasantly entertained. The keeper of the "Bug" light is Mr. A. W. Simpson, who was in the legislature of 1883 as the member of the lower house from Dare county. Dare is, by the way, the biggest county in the state, including land and water. Mr. Simpson is a sort of Pooh Bah on this long stretch of beach, the banks. He is United States commissioner, and is the only officer save one with a seal between Hatteras and Oregon inlets. He was first met at Little Kinnekeet life saving station enjoying Keeper Hooper's good fare, and he illustrated the beach way of changing diet. He makes what he terms pilgrimages. At Big Kinnekeet he gets corned fish, at Little Kinnekeet corned beef and white potatoes, at Gull shoal wild fowl

and further up clams and oysters. In the mid-afternoon your correspondent left the light house and was driven across the beach by one of the assistant keepers to the boat, the Bracebridge Hall, which was at anchor in the sound. Sail was hoisted and the Bracebridge bore away for Hatteras village, twelve miles distant. The wind was light and it was 6 o'clock when the village was reached. It was found to be the most picturesque place

istered to revisit it during the summer. The place has perhaps 800 people. It is literally screened by live oaks. No part of it is over eight feet above the sea level. Directly upon arrival a visit is made to Durank's life saving station. The walk to it leads directly through the town and is delightful G. N. Burrus is the keeper of the station. The light of Hatteras light house A very important United States signal office is at Hatteras. It is of the

seen on the trip, and a vow was reg-

first class. An ingenious device for showing at a glance the direction of the wind is in the telegraph room. A circle, with the points of the compass, is laid off on the ceiling, and a big arrow revolving shows where the wind is

The weather observer says that in great tides all the place is under water save the hillocks and the houses, and hip rubber boots are quite necessary to pedestrians on such occasions. Two years ago, during a very high tide in intensely cold weather, ice formed, and when the tide receded the whole place was literally wrapped in a sheet of ice which reached from tree to tree, house to house and hillock to hillock. Walkaspect begins, and there are heavy footsteps were merely a series of holes. ing in this was laborious indeed, and woods, which reach southward (or, Mr. Homer W. Styron, a leading citizen, said such ice formations have several times occurred at this queer

little town. The weather officer says that, taking the winter through, it is 10 degrees warmer on these banks than on the mainland, and that during the summer it is 10 degrees cooler. He regards it as a delightful climate, and gave your correspondent full blown roses from his garden as a proof.

(To be continued.)

### A Desperate Situation.

Once when the Pensacola was coming up to San Francisco from the south seas, somewhere off Honolulu she met a gale that almost laid her down. Carpenter McGloin, a privileged character, diameter. Kerosene oil is used. Only who invariably became sick in heavy a few years ago it was considered im- weather, promptly went to bed. Finalpossible to use this oil. Now it is found by it was reported to the captain that to be the best. The feeding of the light something was wrong with the foretopis effected by clock-work, the weight, mast. The captain sent for McGloin, and the carpenter staggered on deck.

"Get up there," commanded the captain, "and see what's the matter at the foretop.' "Up that mast?" gasped McGloin.

The proposition so dazed him that he lost his breath. "Up that mast," reiterated the captain, "and find out what's the matter

at the foretop." "Captain," said McGloin, in a last despairing protest, "do you really mean that you want me to go up that mast in this storm, with this ship going this way, and see what's wrong with that

foretop?" "You heard what I said." exclaimed the captain, losing patience at last: "now get up that mast, and be quick about it, too."

"Captain," said McGloin, solemniy, "if there was a four-inch plank from here to Brooklyn, I'd walk home."-Argonaut.

### Some Favorite Authors,

A noted firm of publishers, with a strong provincial clientele, has printed a collection of titles of works demanded by correspondents, in many cases evidently taken down phonetically from verbal orders. "The Republic of Flats. the "bug," is low, and stands on steel by Jowett," which suggests something interesting about the present dwellers Now it is in the surf at ordinary high in such habitations, turns out to be only tide. There are three keepers of the a misreading for Plato, such as a philight house and one of the "Bug" light. losopher's handwriting might very well Now, the aim has been to mark the excuse. "Pharaoh's Life of Christ," 'outer diamond." First, an attempt was | which raises expectations of an entirely new view of the subject, is only a phoan immense steel cylinder, to be filled netic rendering of Dean Farrar's well with concrete and to which other sections were to be riveted until it formed the Calendar," again, might recall to a light house. But when the cylinder of the lower part of the caisson was endar, and in Murray's "Handbook to-Algebra and Tunics," a hint of Algiers and Tunis may be dimly discerned. But who would be likely to detect in "God aim us by a Farmer" a booked called Gaudeamus; or in "Jewel Logs," Duologues; or in "Founders and Heretics," Mr. Ruskin's "Frondes Agretes"?-Household Words.

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## More Trouble for Spain.

The Spanish government probably has another revolution on its hands, the people of the island of Porto Rico having taken up arms against Spanish rule. The information comes through Dr. J. Julio Henna, president of the Porto Rican revolutionary committee in New York, who fully confirms the truth of dispatches from the island announcing the beginning of the revolution. Dr. Henna says the spirit of the people in Porto, Rico at the present time is such that their effort to overthrow Spanish rule will necessarily succeed. Spain is evidently in hot water pretty nearly all around the globe, and is even threatened with Carlist troubles at home. The young king is indeed growing to manhood in a turbulent age, knowing not what he may call his own when he reaches his majority.-Baltimore Sun.

Warships as President's Pleasure Boats The New York Sun, in speaking of the presidents using government vessels ley's recent trip on the Dolphin:

If the Dolphin's boiler should burst, sparing the skins of the presidential deadhead party, but scaring Mr. Mc-Kinley out of all thought of nautical enterprise at the public expense, it would be about the best thing that could happen under the circumstances for the president and for the country.

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Another reason for obedience to my text better Sabbath keeping, peace loving, virsthat the prosperity of this country is tue honoring, God worshiping nation? is that the prosperity of this country is on its coming. At any rate I do. It is a Yes. I was there! I was in the brigade that stormed those heights. I enemy into flight!" Well, the day will come when all the financial, politicaland moral foes of this republic will be driven that are now on their way, but which come with slow tread and in "fatigue dress" when we want them to take "the double quick." By our prayers we may stand on the mountain top and beckon them on, and show them a shorter cut. Yea, in answer to our prayers the Lord God of Hosts may from the high heavens command them forward swifter than mounted troops ever took the field at Eylau or Austerlitz.

to come in. In answer to the prayers offered the tide, as never before, was detained twelve hours, and before that 12 hours had passed a hurricane swooped upon the enemies' ships and destroyed them, and Holland was saved. If God detained the high tide in answer to prayer, will he not hasten it in answer to prayer? Surely it has been low tide long enough. May the Lord hasten the high tide of national welfare. American citizens, our best hold is on God. We have all seen families in prayer and churches in prayer. What we want yet to see is this whole nation on its knees.

WORDS OF WEBSTER. The most of them are dead-those who in 1851, moved in that procession that marched from the city hall of Washington down Louisiana avenue to Seventh street, and then through Pennsylvania avenue to the north gate of yonder capitol, to lay the cornerstone of the extension of that capitol. The president, who that day presided, and solemnly struck the stone three times in dedication, long

coming, and we want a hand in helping Are we not ready for such a cornerstone laying? Why not now let it take place? matter of honest satisfaction to a soldier, With long procession of prayers, moving after some great battle has been fought from the north and the south the east, and some great victory won, to be able to and the west, let the scene be made august beyond comparison. The God of nations, who hath dealt was in that bayonet charge that put the with us as with no other people, will preside at the solemnization. By the square

and the level and the plumb of the everlasting right let the cornerstone be adback and driven down by the prosperities justed. Let that cornerstone be the masoning together of the two granite tables on which the law was written when Sinal shook with the earthquake, and inside that cornerstone put the Sermon on the Mount and a scroll containing the names of all the men and women who have fought and prayed and toiled for the good of this nation, from the first martyr of the American Revolution down to the last woman who bound up a soldier's wounds in the field hospital. And let some In 1672 Holland was assailed. Her peo- one, worthy to do so, strike the stone three ple prayed mightily. The ships of her times with the gospel hammer, in the enemies waited for the high tide on which name of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost. Then let the building rise, one wall laved by the Pacific ocean, and the other washed of the Atlantic, until its capstone shall be laid amid the shouting of all nations, by that time as free as our own divinely founded, divinely constructed and divinely protected republic, the last throne of op-pression having fallen flat into the dust, and the last shackle of tyranny been hung up in museum as a relic of barbaric ages. The prayer that the great expounder wrote to be put in the cornerstone at the extension of the capitol. I regulate as our own supplication, "God save the United States of America!" only adding the words with which Robert South was apt to close his sermons, whether delivered before the court at Christchurch chaple or in Westminister Abbey, at anniversary of restoration of Charles H or

on the death of Oliver Cromwell amid the

worst tempest that ever swept over England: "To God be rendered and abscribed,

as is most due, all praise, might, majesty

and dominion, both now and forever.