THE WILMINGTON MESSENGER SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 1898

THE GOOD SHEPHERD

A TALMAGE SERMON THAT PIC-TURES GREEN PASTURES

The Distinguished Divi e Discourses of the Shepard's Plaid, the Shepard's rook. The Shepherd's Dog, the Shepherd's Pasture Grounds and Flocks

In this wintry season Dr. Talmage refreshes us with this glowing pastoral until we can almost hear the bleating of the flocks in green pastures. The text is Psalms xxiii, 1, "The Lord is my Shepherd."

our pride in Southdown, Astrakhan his domestic blessings. Sickness drops pasture, fountain fed pasture, for all and Flemish varieties of sheep, there is no use now of the old time shepherd. Such a one had abundance of opportunity of becoming a poet, being out of doors 12 hours the day, and ofttimes waking up in the night on the hills. n:ercics of our troubles! You take up If the stars or the torrents or the sun or the flowers had anything to say, he was very apt to hear it. The Ettrick Shepherd of Scotland. who afterward

took his seat in the brilliant circle of Wilson and Lockhart, got his wonder- across the ocean, I got a cinder in my poetic inspiration in the ten years in eye, and several persons tried to get it which he was watching the flocks of out very gently, but it could not be Mr. Laidlow. There is often a sweet taken out in that way. I was told that poetry in the rugged prose of the the engineer had a facility in such Scotch shepherd. One of these Scotch cases. I went to him. He put his large, shopherds lost his only son, and he sooty hand on me, took a knife and knelt down in prayer and was overheard to say, "O Lord, it has seemed knife. I expected to be hurt very good in thy providence to take from me much but without any pain and inthe staff of my right hand at the time when to us sand blind mortals I seemed to be most in need of it, and how I shall climb up the hill of sorrow and auld age without it thou mays' ken, but I dinna."

DAVID, THE SHEPHERD BOY. David, the shepherd boy, is watching his father's sheep. They are pasturing on the very hills where afterward a Lamb was born of which you have heard much. "the Lamb of God. which taketh away the sin of the world." David, the shepherd boy, was beautiful, brave, musical and poetic. I think he often forgot the sheep in his reveries. There in the solitude he struck the harp string that is thrilling through all ages. David the boy was poet and David the man. Like other boys, David was fond of using his knife among the saplings, and he had not ced the exuding of the juice of the tree, and when he became a man he said, "The trees of the Lord are full of sap." David the boy, like other boys, had been fond of hunting the bird's nests, and he had driven the old stork off the nest to find how many eggs were under. her, and when he became man he said. "As for the stork, the fir trees are her house." In boyhood he had heard the terrific thunders prim that frightened the red deer into premature sickness, and when he became a man he said, "The voice of the Lord maketh the hinds to calve." David the boy had lain upon his back looking up at the like a piece of divine embroidery, the civine fingers working in the threads of light and the beads of stars, and he became a man and wrote, "When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers." When he became an old man seemed to hear the bleating of his fath-r's sheep across many years and to think of the time when he tonded them on the Eethlehem hills, and he cries out in the text, "The Lord is my shepherd."

eat, drink and be merry!" Business disaster comes to him. What is God going to do with him? Has God any grudge against him? Oh, no! God is throwing over him the shepherd's crook and pulling him back into better pastures. Here is a man who has always been well. He has never had any sympathy for invalids. He calls them coughing, wheezing nuisances. After awhile sickness comes to him. He does not understand what God is going to do with him. He says,."Is the Lord angry with me?" Oh, no! With the shepherd's crook he has been pulled back into better pastures. Here is a happy household circle. The parent does not realize the truth that pick up comfort where others can these children are only loaned to him. What with post and rail fences and and he forgets from what source came upon those children and death swoops upon a little one. He says, "Is God angry with me?" No. His shepherd's crook pulls him back into better pastures. I do not know what would have become of us if it had not been for the shepherd's crook. Oh, the

He says: "After awhile I shall be in-

dependent of all the world. O my soul,

apples and plums from under the shade of the trees, and the very best fruits of Christian character we find in the lep shade of .rouble.

USES OF ADVERSITY.

When I was on the steamer coming wrapped the lid of the eye around the stantly he removed the cinder. Oh, there come times in our Christian life when our spiritual vision is being spoiled and all gentle appliances fail! Then there comes some giant trouble and black handed lays hold of us and removes that which would have ruined our vision forever. I will gather all your joys together in one regiment of ten companies, and I will put them under Colonel Joy. Then I will gather all your sorrows together in one regiment of ten companies and put them under Colonel Breakheart. Then I will ask, Which of these regiments has gained for you the greater spiritual victories? Certainly that under Colonel Breakheart.

In the time of war, you may rememgathering the material for David the ber at the south and north, the question was whether the black troops would fight, but when they were put hearses. Your religion smells of the livered back to their opponents across into the struggle on both sides they did heroically. In the great day of eternity it wil be found that it was not the white regiment of joys that gained your greatest successes, but the black troops of trouble, misfortune and disaster. Where you have gained one spiritual success from your prosperity, you have gained ten spiritual successes from your adversity. There is no animal that struggles more violently than a sheep when you corner it and catch hold of it. Down in the glen I see a group of men around a lost sheep. A plowman comes along and seizes the sheep and tries to pacify it, but it is more frightened than stars and examining the sky, and to ever. A miller comes along, puts down his boyish imagination the sky seemed, his grist and caresses the sheep, and it seems as if it would die of fright. After awhile some one breaks through the thicket. He says, "Let me have the poor thing." He comes and lays his arms around the sheep and it is immediately and it is the last man undt comes? It is the shepherd. Ah, my friends, be not afraid of the shepherd's crook! It is never used on you save in mercy, to pull you back. The hard, cold iceberg of trouble will melt in the warm gulf stream of divine sympathy. There is one passage I think you misinterpret, "The bruised reed he will not break." Do you know that the shepherd in olden times played upon these reeds? They were very easily bruised, but when they were bruised And first the shepherd's plaid. It they were never mended. The shepwould be preposterous for a man going herd could so easily make another one, out t rough and besoiling work to put he would snap the old one and throw it on splendid apparel. The potter does away and get another. The Bible says not work in velvet. The servant maid it is not so with our Shepherd. When does not put on satin while toiling at the music is gone out of a man's soul, her duties. The shepherd does not God does not snap him in twain and wear a sylandid robe in which to go throw him away. He mends and reout ami the storms, and the rocks stores. "The bruised reed he will not

and we stand on sun gilt Sabbaths, and on hills of transfiguration, and we are so high up we can catch a glimpse of the pinnacles of the heavenly city. Then cold, wintry days of trouble come, and we go down into the valley of sickness, want and bereavement and we say, "Is there any sorrow like unto my sorrow?" But, blessed be God, the Lord's sheep can find pasture anywhere. Between two rocks of trouble a tuft of succulent promises: green pastures beside still waters: long, sweet grass between bitter graves. You have noticed the structure of the sheep mouth? It is so sharp that it can take up a blade of grass or clover top from the very narrowest spot. And so God's sheep can gather none. "The secret of the Lord is with them that fear him." Rich the flock of the Good Shepherd!

The hill of Zion yields A thousand sacred sweets Before we reach the heavenly fields Or walk the golden streets.

THE SHEPHERD'S FOLD.

Lastly consider the shepherd's fold The time of sheep shearing was a very glad time. The neighbors gathered together, and they poured wine and danced for joy. The sheep were put in a place inclosed by a wall, where it was very easy to count them and know whether any of them had been taken by the jackals or dogs. The inclosure was called the sheepfold. Good news I have to tell you, in that our Lord the Shepherd has a sheepfold, and those who are gathered in it shall never be struck by the storm, shall never be touched by the jackals of temptation and trouble. It has a high wall-so high that no troubles can get in, so high that the joys cannot get out. How glad the old sheep will be to find the lambs that left them a good many years ago! Million's of children in heaven! Oh, what a merry heaven it will make! Not many long meter psalms there! They will be in the majority and will run away with our song carrying it up to a still higher point of ecstacy. Oh, there will be shouting! If children on earth clapped their SERMON Gal 3

hands and danced for joy, what will they do when to the gladness of childhood on earth is added the gladness of childhood in heaven?

It is time we got over these morbid ideas of how we shall get out of this world. You make your religion an undertaker planing coffins and driving

FUSILATE AT A FUNERAL.

The case of the state against Miles Washington and Frank Cathey at Dal-las court last week looked simple enough on the docket but there are more things in a court if se than the docket ever dreams of-up il they are brought out. The case above mentioned resulted from an affray and shooting scrap at a colored church near selmont not long ago. A colored broth, who was a Methodist, died and was buried. A large concourse of friends and relatives from far and near attended the obsequies to pay their last tribute it respect to the dead. The teams and v gons were on hand as at the regular, hurch services. The of-fice of quasic ineral orator was solemny borne bit Baptist neighbor, Miles Washington, the had already received elsewhere dis nguished mention in these low prices. columns.

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The grave had been filled and the mound made and the sad hour for the departure of he living had arrived. By way of conse ition to the bereaved family Washing to gave it as his deliberate and satisfact ry opinion that the soul of the degreed had "shore gone to" hebin." And there the trouble began. Frank Catheria deacon in Washington's church, in chose wool the dye was a little more folly set than it was in the orator's, dre ily remonstrated against such rank reresy. Says he, "Hol' on Brer Washington, you're sayin' too much dat man we, never put under water." It required is that few more words to ar-ray the friends of the deceased Metho-dist brother and the partisans of the Bentlet water. Baptist oratic on one side and the fol-lowers of G hey and the defenders of the faith from the other. They soon mixed up the pistols and rocks were brought quickly into requisition. In the fusillade the prator was of course, dis-posed to muce peace if possible, for it was no prote occasion for a deadly con-flict. But Mashington may tell his own

setory: "I tole 'an it was no proper occasion for such at us, and I didn't want noth-in' to do wall'it; but I didn't kyeer noth-in' about ? we shootin' a little ontwell dey got to gotin' todes my mule. Den I hoops out it y pistol, fer dey was shoot-in' right takes my mule! Dat uz when dey come of me and killed me twice dead-twick lead-didn't know nothin' dead-twice sead-didn't know nothin'! Fust time Sowuz knocked down in my life. Den ith in I come to I wuz 'saluted four times four times. See dat, and dat, and dat (sie ring knots on his head and face;) and lot i er here (turning his upper lip like a bologna sausage against his nose) and d'y (pressing his hands de-jectedly against his tummy) hit me ter-rible here.

Meanwhile the fusillade kept vigor-ously on. At bullets and other missiles went flying Tither and thither, the spectators and combatants did likewise. Some dods of behind trees, or teams, or wagons, and others found safe shelter behind torib lones; while no denial has yet come to sand that some of the dusky warriors hy behind more recently made

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m., Philadelphia 11:25 a. m., New York 2:03 p. m., Boston 9:00 p. m. DAILY No. 50-Passenger-Due Jackexcept sonville 4:13 p. m., New Bern Sunday 5:40 p. m. 2:25 p. m.

SOUTHBOUND.

Waccamaw 5:09 p. m., -Chad-bourn 5:41 p. m., Marion 6:43 p. :00 p. m. m., Florence 7:25 p. m., Sumter 9:10 p. m., Columbia 10:30 p. m., Denmark 6:12 a. m., Augusta 7:55 a. m., Macon 11:15 a. m., Atlanta 12:25 p. m., Charleston 10:50 p. m., Savannah 1:50 a. m., Jacksonville 7:30 a. m., St. Augustine 10:30 a. m., Tampa 5:25 p. m. AURIVALS AT WILMINGTON-FROM THE NORTH. DAILY No. 49-Passenger-Leave Bos-5:50 p. m. ton 11:03 p. m., New York *9:00 p. m., Philadelphia 12:05 a. m., Baltimore 2:50 a. m., Washinga. m., Petersburg 3:12 a. m., m., Petersburg 10:03 a. m., Nor-

"If God will belp me, I will talk to you of the shepherd's plaid, the shepherd's crook, the shepherd's dogs, the shepherd's pasture grounds, and the shepherd's fleeks.

THE SHEPHERD'S PLAID. and the Lettles; he puts on the rough break." apparel appropriate to his exposed work. The Lord our Shepherd, coming out to hunt the lost sheep, puts on no regal apparel, but the plain garment of our humanity. There was nothing pretentious about it. I know the old painters represent a halo around the babe Jesus, but I do not suppose that there was any more halo about that child than about the head of any other babe that was born that Christmas eve in Judea. Becoming a man, he wore a seamless garment. The soissors and needle had done nothing to make it graceful. I take it to have been a sack with three holes in it, one for the neck and two for the arms. Although the gamblers quarreled over it, that is no evidence of its value. I have seen two ragpickers quarrel over the refuse of an ash barrel. No; in the wardrobe of heaven he left the sandals of light, the girdles of beauty, the robes of power, and put on the besoiled and tattered raiment of our humanity. Sometimes he did not even wear the seamless robe. What is that hanging ciples' feet are filthy from the walk on the long way and are not fit to be put upon the sofas on which they are to recline at the meal, and so Jesus washrugged work, hard work, and Jesus put on the raiment, the plain raiment of our flesh. The storms were to beat him, the crowds were to jostle him, the dust was to sprinkle him, the mobs were to pursue him. O Shepherd of Israel, leave at home thy bright array! For thee, what streams to ford, what nights all unsheltered! He puts upon him the plain raiment of our humanity, wears our woes, and while earth and heaven and hell stand amazed at the abnegation wraps around him theshepherd's plaid. Cold mountains and the midnight air Witnessed the fervor of his prayer.

When in the o'erhanging heavens of fate

The threatening clouds of darkness dwell,

Then let us humbly watch and wait, It shall be well, it shall be well.

And when the storm has passed away And sunshine smiles on flood and

fell How sweet to think, how sweet to say It has been well, it has been well!

THE SHEPHERD'S DOGS.

Next I speak of the shepherd's dogs. They watch the straying sheep and drive them back again. Every shepherd has his dog-from the nomads of the Bible times down to the Scotch herdsman, watching his flocks on the Grampian hills. Our Shepherd employs the criticisms and persecutions of the world as his dogs. There are those, you know, whose whole work it is to watch the inconsistences of Christians and bark at them. If one of for McKinley. They have the safety of God's sheep gets astray, the world this country as closely at heart as any about the waist of Christ? Is it a God's sheep gets astray, the world of their fellow citizens. badge of authority? Is it a royal coat herd's dog ever caught a stray sheep with seeking to embroit by the flanks or lugged it by the ears worldlings seize the Christian astray. It ought to do us good to know that we are thus watched. It ought to put us es their feet and gathers them up in on our guard. They cannot bite us, if the towel to dry them. The work of we stay near the Shepherd. The sharp saving this world was rough work, knife of worldly assault will only trim the vines until they produce better grapes. The more you pound marjoram and rosemary, the sweeter they smell. The more dogs take after you, the quicker you will get to the gate. You have noticed that different flocks of sheep have different marks upon them; sometimes a red mark. sometimes a blue mark, sometimes a straight mark and sometimes a crooked mark. The Lord our Shepherd has a sir, you couldn't get a finer or more apmark for his sheep. It is a red mark- propriate figure on which to exhibit the the mark of the cross. "Blessed are they that are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." Furthermore, consider the shepherds' pasture grounds. The old shepherds Next I mention the shepherd's crook. used to take the sheep upon the moun-This was a rod with a curve at the end. | tains in the summer and dwell in the which when a sheep was going astray valleys in the winter. The sheep being way it was pulled back. When the was better than if they had been kept herd would often use it as a sort of cot. Wells were dug for the sheep rake succeed as a gardner? sheep were out of the way the crook that the hot weather might not spoil was always busy pulling them back. | the water. And when the shepherd led He takes us in the summer to the Here is a man who is making too mountains and in the winter to the val- I blowing always find it difficult to raise much money. He is getting very vain. leys. Warm days of prosperity come the wind?

varnish of a funeral casket. Rather these stratige breast works. let your religion today come out and show you the sheepfold that God has provided for you. IAh, you say, there is a river between this and that! I know it, but that Jordan is only for the sheep washing, and they shall go up on the other banks snow white. They follow the great Shepherd. They heard his voice long ago. They are safe now -one fold and one Shepherd!

'Alas for those who are finally found outside the inclosure! The night of their sin howls with jackals. They are thirsting for their blood. The very moment that a lamb may be frisking upon the hills a bear may be looking at it from the thicket.

WHAT WAS THE SONG?

The musician can scarcely conceive how it is possible for a human being to be so devoid of musical ear as not to know one tune from another, but instances of such swers cites an amusing common. An-

Two sailors, returned from a long voy-age, strolled into a public house near the docks. Above the rumble of the traffic on the street could be heard at intervals the loud, unmusical voice of a huckster. After listening intently for a minute one of the sailors turned to his companion and said:

"Eh, Jack, lad; it's a long time since we heard that song."

"What song?"

"The one that fellow's singing in the street-'The Light of Other Days.' "Stow it!" ejaculated the other, gruffly. "That fellow aint singing 'The Light of Other Days' at all, man. I've been listening to him. He's a-piping 'The Banks 'of Allan Water.' "

Each sailor was certain he was right, and with characteristic contempt for money a wager was made-a month's wages depending on the result.

"Here, Tommy!" called out one of the men to the little son of the landlord, "run out and get to know what that fellow's singing.'

Tommy departed on his errand, which did not take many minutes. "Well," demanded Jack, when the "which of us is youngster returned, right?'

"Nayther of ye," replied Tommy, grinning. "The fellow's not singing. He's hawking fly papers.

A LIBEL ON THE SILVER VOTERS.

One curious 'effect of the war scare is seen in the fact that some of the socalled conservative element in the community, while deprecating war talk themselves, change upon the "silver party" the purpose of exciting war. They intimate that the silverites would welcome was as a means of forcing the silver standard upon the country. This is the wildest and most incredible notion that has come to the surface through the shaking up which the Maine disaster has produced. It implies that a party numbering nearly one-half of the citizens of this country is plottink against the general welfare in order to compass a political end. But the fact is that the 6,506,835 men who voted for Bryan are as true patriots as the 7,104,244 who voted

There is no reason to charge these men

and. thus protected, de crave mor

The tum'il and the shouting dies. The noise of table is hushed, the warriors are now departed, and white-winged peace hower, over the lately disturbed city of the dead. Washington and Cathey have been stuled into court and have received that respective sentences; but where the stul of the deceased is—that is still'a dispeted point.-Gastonia Gazette

THE INDEMNITY-PEACE!

Secretary cherman is quoted as saying that if Spin's responsibility for the de-struction (f, the Maine is established, the

government of the United States will demand a hea a cash indemnity. Heaven jo oid! On the live ground of "business" alone what is the bod of "indemnity" that will

not indemi is a of "satisfaction" that cannot satisfy, a settlement that will settle nothing?

tle nothing? Suppose we are able to squeeze \$50,000,-000 of blood from the Spanish turnip, who would be the better for it? Would it immortalize the martyrdom of our dead seamen? Would it wipe out the immeas-urable insult to our flag? Would it give prote to the work of the constrain-relations, commercial, and otherwise, with Spain? Should we not be constrainwith Spain? Should we not be constrained to send a other battleship to Havana? Would not se enforcement of our neutrality laws continue as now a heavy expense to har treasury and a constant source of indication to our people?

No! Mr. S. erman, this is one of those affairs of broor and sentiment that do not admit it a "cash" settlement. In the matter & a great international crime. perpetrated gainst liberty in the interests of tyrenny; the American people have a soul pove the dollar mark-Mark Hanna to the contrary notwithstanding! It is false and futile to say that the destruction et the Maine has no relation to the gove iment of Cuba. Why was the battlesh, sent to Havana except to protect Am clean citizens against the threatened autoreak of Spanish sav-agery? Why was the Maine blown up and two hun red and sixty of her crew murdered in heir sleep except as an expression of S anish hate? Will this sav-agery be les aned, will this hate be di-minished, will the danger of a war to which the e. sting situation exposes us be decreased by exacting a cash indem-nity and lea, ng the Cuban question unsettled? National 1, hor and dignity and self-

interest; the nevitable sympathy of our people with heroic struggle for freedom; the haror and indignation with which we have too long and too pass-ively witnes ed the barbaric cruelty of a war of extermination against a brave people close to our southern shores—all these unite in demanding freedom for Cuba.

This is the only atonement for a crime without precident. This affords the sole security for the future. This alone will satisfy the true American spirit and the national sence of justice. It will be a settlement that will go into history as the most une lish and the most glorious in all the ar tals of time.

Freedom fc Cuba means peace foreve between Spin and the United States. Let the inder aity for the Maine be peace through free m.-New York World.

HOW THE WITNESS CAME TO TIME

"What time was it," asked a Georgia e Atla

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leave Wilson 6:22 a. m., Goldsboro 7:01 a. m., Wersaw 7:53 a. m., Magnolia 8:05 a. m. DATE I No. 51-Passenger- Leave New except Bern 9:00 a. m., Jacksonville Sunday 10:26 a. m.

12:15 p.m. FROM THE SOUTH. DAILY No. 54-Passenger-Leave Tam. 1:20 p. m. pa 8:10 a. m., Sanford 3:27 p. m. Jacksonville 7:40 p. m., Savan-nah 1:45 a. m., Charleston 6:33 a. m., Columbia 6:45 a. m., Atlanta 8:20 a. m., Macon 9:00 a. m., Augusta 2:30 p. m., Denmark 4:25 p. m., Sumter 8:12 a. m., Florence 9:58 a. m., Marion . 10:36 a. m., Chadbourn 11:38 a. m., Lake Waccamaw 12:09 p.m.

Daily except Sunday.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3:55 p. m., Halifax 4:30 p. m., arrives Scotland Neck at 5:20 p. m., Greenville 6:57 p. m., Kinston 7:55 p. m. Returning leave Kinston 7:50 a. m., Greenville 8:52 a. m., arriving Halifax at 11:18 a. m., Weldon 11:33 a. m., daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8:20 a. m. and 2:30 p. m., arrive Parmele 9:10 a. m. and 4:00 p. m., returning leave Parmele 9:35 a. m. and 6:30 p. m., arrive Washington 11:00 a. m. and :20 p. m. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday 5:30 p. m., Sunday 4:15 p., arrives Plymouth 7:40 p. m. and 6:10 p, m. Returning leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday 7:50 a. m., and Sunday 9:00 a. m., arrives Tarboro 10:05 a. m. and 11:00 a. m. Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro daily except Sunday 7:10 a. m., arriving Smithfield 8:30 a. m. Returning leaves Smithfield 9:00 a. m.; arrives at Goldsboro 10:25 a.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4:30 p. m., arrives Nashville 5:05 p. m., Spring Hope 5:30 p. m Returning leaves Spring Hope at 8:00 a m., Nashville 8:35 a. m., arrives at Rock Mount 9:05 a. m., daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, 11:20 a. m. and 4:15 p. m. Returning leaves Clinton 7:00 a. m. and 3:00 p. m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 10:09 a. m., arrive Latta 10:26 a. m., Dillon 10:38 a. m., Rowland 11:54 a. m., returning leaves Rowland 6:13 p. m., arives Dillon 6:33 p. m., Latta 6:46 p. m., Pee Dee 7:10 p. m. daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub 8:30 a. m., Chadbourn 11:43 a. m., arrive Conway 2:03 p. m., leave Conway 2:45 p. m., Chadbourn 5:45 p. m., arrive Hub 6:26 p. m. Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6:27 p. m., Manning 6:55 p.

Georgetown and Western Railroad Leave Lanes 9:30 a. m. and 7:55 p. m., arrive Georgetown 12:00 m., 9:14 p. m., leave Georgetown 7:00 a. m. and 3:00 p. m., arrive Lanes 8:25 a. m. and 5:25 p. m., daily except Sunday.

Trains on C. & D. R. R. leave Florence Darlington 10:28 a. m., Cheraw 11:40 a. m. Wadesboro 12:35 p. m. Leave Florence. daily except Sunday 8:00 p. m., arrive Darlington 8:25 p. m., Hartsville 9:20 p. m. Bennettsville 9:21 p. m., Gibson' 9:45 a. m., Leave Florence Sunday only 9:55 a. m. arrive Darlington 10:27 a. m., Har ville 11:10 a. m. Leave Gibson daily except Sunday 6:35 a. m., Bennettsville 6:59 a. m., arrive Darlington 7:50 a. m. Leave Hartsville daily except Sunday 7:00 a. m., arrive Da-lington 7:45 a. m., leave Darlington' 8:55 ... m., arrive Florence 9:20 a. m. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4:25 p. m., Cheraw 5:15 p. m., Darlington 6:20 p. m., ar-rive Florence 7:00 p. m. Leave Hartsville Sunday only 8:15 a. m., Darlington 9:00 a. m., arrive Florence 9:20 a. m. Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 2:20 p. m., 11:16 p. m., arrive Sel-ma 3:15 p. m., Smithfield 3:22 p. m., Dunn 4:00 p. m., Fayetteville 4:47 p. m., 1:14 a. m., Rowland 6:13 p. m., returning leave Rowland 10:54 a. m., Fayetteville 1218 p. m., 10:15 p. m., Dun 1:01 p. m., Smithfield 1:39 p. m., Selma 1:47 p. m., arrive Wilson 2:35 p. m., 12:09 a. m. Manchester & Augusta R. R. trains leave Sumter 4:29 a. m. Creston 5:17 a. m., arrive Denmark 6:12 a. m. Returning leave Denmark 4:25 p. m., Creston 5:30 p m., Sumter 6:25 p. m. Daily. Pregnails Branch trains leave Creston 5:45 a. m., arrives Pregnalls 9:15 a. m. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10:00 a. m., arrives Creston 3:50 p. m. Daily except Sunday. Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 11:10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., arrive Lucknow 1.00 p. m. and 8:30 p. m. Re-turning, leave Lucknow 6:05 a. m. and 2:00 p. m., arrive Elliott 8:25 a. m. and 3:00

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Train 41.-Leaves Wilmington \$:20 p. m. arrives Lumberton 5:26 p. m., Pembroke 5:46 p. m., Maxton 6:12 p. m., Laurinburg 6:23 p. m., Hamlet 6:53 p. m. Connects at Hamlet with train 41 for Charlotte and Atlanta, and with train 402 for Portsmouth, Richmond, Washington and points North.

Train 41.-Leaves Portsmouth 9:20 a. m. arrives Weldon 11:41 a. m., Raleigh 3:30 p m., Sanford 5:03 p. m., Hamlet 6:53 p. m. Rockingham 7:39 p. m., Wadesboro 8:11 p. m., Monroe 9:12 p. m., Charlotte 10:25 p. m., arrives Lanes 7:36 p. m., leaves Lades m., Athens 3:45 a. m. and Atlanta 6:20 a. 8:34 a. m., Manning 9:08 a. m., arrive m. Connection at Weldon with train from Sumter 9:37 a. m. daily. Richmond and all Northern points. Pullman sleeper, Portsmouth to Nashville, Tenn.

Train 403.-Leaves Washington 4:10 p. m. Richmond 8:56 p. m., Portsmouth 8:45 p. m. Arrives Weldon 11:10 p. m., Raleigh 2:07 a. m., Sanford 3:35 a. m., Hamlet 5:10 a. m., Rockingham 5:23 a. m., Wadesboro daily except Sunday 9:55 p. m., arrive a. m., Lincolnton 19:20 a. m., Shelby 11:18 . m., Rutherfordton 12:30 noon, Athens 1:15 p. m., Atlanta 3:50 p. m. Connections at Atlanta for all points South and West. Pullman Sleeper, Washington to Atlanta, and Portsmouth to Chester. Train 38.-Leaves Hamlet 8:20 a.m. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 a. m., Maxton 9:05 a. m., Pembroke 9:31 a. m., Lumberton 9:53 a. m., Wilmington 12:05 noon. Connects at Hamlet with trains from Wash-

THE SHEPHERD'S CROOK. was thrown over its neck and in that out of doors perpetually, , their wool sheep were not going astray, the shep- in the hot atmosphere of the sheep crutch, leaning on it, but when the and covered with large stones, in order All we, like sheep, have gone astray, his flock wherever he would; nobody and had it not been for the shepherd's disputed his right. So the Lord our crook we would have fallen long ago Shepherd has a large pasture ground. over the precipices.

with seeking to embroil the United States in war. Like the rest, they "suspend judgment," and the silence of Mr. Bryan himself on the question is a dignified protest against any such suspicion.-Boston Post.

FROM A PRACTICAL POINT OF VIEW

He stood long before a representation of the Venus of Milo. "I see that you appreciate art," said

another visitor to the gallery. "Appreciate art!" he exclaimed. "Say!

I can hardly tear myself away from that stature. If I only had it-'

"I suppose you would never tire of looking at it."

"I'd have it up in the store window in just about two shakes if I had it. Why, sleeveless undershirts we are putting on the market .-- Chicago Post.

WHY?

Why isn't a medical glass a sanitary measure?

Why isn't the bookkeper's lunch the bite of an adder?

Why shouldn't the sailor's accounts be cast up by the sea?

Why shouldn't the man who is a

Why does a man always promise to be good when he's too sick to be bad? Why don't some bad debt agency undertake to collect the living the world owes a man?

Why does the man that is always

Constitution when you si covered the prisoner committing the et me?" "Well, sund, replied the witness, "ef 1 doan disreme iber, hit wuz co'n-plantin' time."

"I mean-w it o'clock was it?"

"Dar wa'n sono clock there, suh. Dar "Dar wa'n sono clock there, suh. Dar wuz a clock or, but hit wuz one er dese heah instant ht-plan clocks, what you fails to meet le notes on, en dey comes en takes hit eway, en you lose all what you has paids ad, you!" exclaimed the

lawyer, "I as led you to tell what was the hour of t e day." "Well, sul," replied the witness, "sence

you so ha'd to' onderstan,' I'll make the matter plait i r you: Comin' en gwine-dis way en d t way-long en short, hit wuz erbout sichours en a half by sun!"

DIETING ON THE SIDE.

A certain st)ut lady resolved to consult a phylic in about her corpulence. She had not previous experience with "banting" of ny sort. The doctor drew up a careful jetary for her. She must eat dry to st, plain boiled beef and a few other this is of the same lean sort, and in a month return and report the result. At the end of the time the lady came

and was so sout she could hardly get through the do r. The doctor was aghast "Did you so what I told, you?" he asked. "Religiously," she answered. His brow we nkled in perplexity. Sud-denly he had i flash of inspiration. "Did you eat anything else?" he asked. "Why, my rdinary meals!" said the lady.-Parson's Weekly.

There is he - for the boy who, what-ever his failin - still reveres his mother. -Nashville C. istian Advocate.

ington, Portsmouth, Charlotte and At-Janta.

Train 402 .- Leaves Atlanta 1:00 p. m. Arrives Athens 3:16 p. m., Monroe 9:30 p. m. Leaves Rutherfordton 4:35 p. m., arrives Shelby 5:55 p. m., Lincolnton 6:56 p. m., Charlotte 8:18 p. m., Monroe 9:10 p. m., Wadesboro 10:31 p. m., Rockingham 11:05 p. m., Hamlet 11:20 p. m., Sanford 1:02 a. m., Raleigh 2:16 a. m., Weldon 4:55 a. m., Portsmouth 7:25 a. m., Richmond 8:18 a. m., Washington 12:31 noon. Pullman Sleepers, Atlanta to Washington and Chester to Portsmouth.

Train 18.-Leaves Hamlet 7:15 p. m., arrives Gibson 8:10 p. m. Returning, leaves Gibson 7:00 a. m., arrives Hamlet 7:50 a. m. Train 17 .- Leaves Hamlet 8:40 a. m., arrives Cheraw 10:00 a. m. Returning, leaves Cheraw 5:00 p. m., arrives Hamlet 6:20 D. m.

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