

REV. DR. TALMAGE.

The Eminent Brooklyn Divine's Sunday Sermon.

Subject: "The Gambling Evil."

Text: "Let My people go that they may serve Me; for I will at this time send all My plagues."—Ex. ix., 13, 14.

Last winter, in the museum at Cairo, Egypt, I saw the mummy or embalmed body of Pharaoh, the oppressor of the ancient Israelites. Visible are the very teeth that he gnashed against the Israelites...

Brooklyn, New York, and Jersey City, though called three, are practically one. The bridge already fastening two of them together will be followed by other bridges...

I have noticed that men never like a place where they have not behaved well. Men who have traveled to New York, New Jersey, and New York like the city that furnishes the vehicle...

In infancy the great metropolis was laid down by the banks of the Hudson. Its infancy was as feeble as that of Moses sleeping in the bulrushes by the Nile...

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est in such an organization. I am in no wise affected by that evil. At that very time his son, who was his partner in business, was one of the heaviest players in Hearne's famous gambling establishment...

Mr. Porter? Who consoled him on the loss of his estate? What gambler subscribed to put a stone over the poor man's grave? Not one!

But these dishonesties in carrying on of the game are nothing when compared with the frauds which are committed in order to get money to go on with the nefarious work. Gambling with its greedy hand has snatched away the widow's mite and the orphan's pittance...

It is estimated that every day in Christendom eighty million dollars pass from hand to hand through gambling practices, and every year in Christendom one hundred and twenty-three billion one hundred million dollars change hands in that way...

Then you come to the second class gambling establishments. To it you are introduced by a card through some "proprietor" having entered, you must either gamble or fight. Sanded cards, dice loaded with quicksilver, poor drinks, will soon help you to get rid of all your money to a tune in short meter with staccato passages...

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THE NEWS.

An ice gorge caused the town of Schenectady, N. Y., to be flooded. Fire at Nashville, Tenn., caused a loss of \$25,000. Win. Drummey, a milk dealer at Cambridge, Mass., died of hydrophobia.

Chicago's city council are considering ordinance to reduce street-car fares to three cents. A cold wave prevails throughout the South. The first snow of the season fell in Alabama.

The floods in South California and Arizona were more disastrous than first reported. Miles of farm lands were inundated, whole villages swept away and the courses of small rivers changed by the tremendous overflow.

A miner at Wilkesbarre fell one thousand feet and was instantly killed. Frank Gabel, tax collector of Texas township, Pa., has gone off, leaving a shortage of \$22,000.

The white squadron, Admiral Walker commanding, has arrived at Pensacola. General Robert McAllister, a distinguished volunteer soldier, died at Belvidere, N. J.

Oliver Reilly, who was lynched by a mob at Saluda, Col., was the innocent party, he having killed Sullivan to save his own life.

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THE National Miners' Convention, at their recent session in Columbus, Ohio, decided to consolidate the general and defense funds and have a per capita tax of 20 cents per month, 80 per cent of which is to be used for defensive purposes.

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STATE OF TRADE.

A Decrease in the Volume of Business. One of the Features.

Large Shipments of Wheat—Failures for the Week in the United States Show a Falling Off.

The volume of general trade has tended to decrease rather than the reverse during the week. Telegrams to Bradstreet from Philadelphia, Duluth, Omaha, and Chicago notably point in that direction.

Business failures in the United States this week number 243, against 260 last week, and 253 this week last year. The total January 1 to date is 2504, against 2353 last year.

Exports of wheat (and flour as well) both coasts, this week, aggregate 2,096,878 bushels, against 2,236,283 bushels last week, and 2,372,849 bushels in the like week 1890.

Bank clearings at fifty-five cities for the week were \$1,016,443,938, an increase over this week last year of 9.1 per cent.

FOSTER THE MAN.

The Ex-Governor of Ohio Selected as Mr. Windom's Successor.

The nomination of Ex-Governor Charles Foster of Ohio, to be Secretary of the Treasury was sent to the Senate by President Harrison.

Mr. Foster has been twice elected governor, and has served several terms in Congress, where he made a very good record. He was a member of the ways and means committee and other important committees while in Congress.

DIDN'T MIND HANGING.

A Young Man Who Murdered His Sweetheart.

Harry Marsh was hanged at the jail in Ebensburg, Pa., for the murder of his sweetheart, Clara Shakeshaft, on July 5, 1890. Since his conviction Marsh had exhibited the utmost indifference to his fate, and declared that he was ready to die.

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SHE STRUCK THE ROCKS.

Eighteen Men Lost in the Wreck of Big Ship Off California.

The ship Elizabeth, of New York, which went ashore on the rocks at North Head California, had twenty-five men on board—the captain, two mates, the cook and sixteen sailors; also, the captain's wife and two children.

Just as the second hawser was made fast she struck the rocks. Then Captain Colcord lowered the boat to take his wife and children off. As the boat struck the water it capsize, and the captain and his wife were drowned.

SENATOR WILSON DEAD.

The Eminent Marylander Expires Suddenly in Washington.

Senator Ephraim K. Wilson, of Maryland, died suddenly at the Hamilton House, Washington, at 10:10 o'clock P. M., of heart failure.

Mr. Wilson had had a severe attack of cholera morbus, but was much better, and his illness was not regarded as at all serious. He had another attack, however, which left him extremely weak, and was seized with heart trouble.

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THE Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate was at once notified, and took charge of the remains. Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms Reed notified the President and Vice-President.

Senator Wilson was born in Snow Hill, Maryland, December 22, 1831. He was graduated at Jefferson College in 1851, studied law, was admitted to the bar, and in 1857 was elected to the Legislature.

MRS. E. O. DUFFY, a young woman about twenty years old, is one of the largest importers of and dealers in wild animals in this country. She is the daughter of a Dublin druggist, and has a natural liking for the business.