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The Eminent Brooklyn Divine's Sunday Sermon.

Subject: "The Brilliance of Religion." Text: "The crystal cannot equal it." Many of the precious stones of the Bible have come to prompt recognition. But for the present I take up the less valuable crystal, Job, in my text, containing wisdom with a specimen of topaz. An infidel chemist or mineralogist would pronounce the latter worth more than the former, but Job makes an intelligent comparison, looks at religion and then looks at the crystal and pronounces the former as of superior value to the latter, exclaiming, in the words of my text, "The crystal cannot equal it."

luminescence and irradiate. Job was right. It is a glorious transparency. "The crystal cannot equal it." I remark again that religion surpasses the crystal in its beauty. That lump of crystal is put under the magnifying glass of the crystallographer, and he sees in it indescribable beauty—snowdrift and splinter of hoar frost and corals and crystals and stars and crowns and castellations of conspicuous beauty. The fact is that crystal is so beautiful that I can think of but one thing in all the universe that is so beautiful, and that is religion of the Bible. No wonder this Bible mentions that religion as the day-break, as the apple blossoms, as the glitter of a king's banquet. It is the joy of the whole earth.

People talk too much about their cross and not enough about their crown. Do you know the Bible mentions a cross but twenty-seven times, while it mentions a crown eighty times? Ask that old man what he thinks of religion. He has been a close observer. He has been culturing an aesthetic taste. He has seen the sunrise of half a century. He has seen an early riser. He has seen a miser of emeralds and corals and all kinds of beautiful things. Ask him what he thinks of religion, and he will tell you, "It is the most beautiful thing I ever saw." "The crystal cannot equal it."

Beautiful in its symmetry. When it presents God's character it does not present Him as having love like a great proberance on one side of His nature, but makes that love in harmony with His justice—a love that will accept all those who come to Him, and a justice that will by no means acquit the guilty. Beautiful religion in the sense that it implants! Beautiful religion in the hope it kindles! Beautiful religion in the fact that it proposes to garland and enthrone and immortalize an immortal spirit. Solomon says it is a life. He says it is a crown. The Apocalypse says it is a fountain kissed of the sun. Ezekiel says it is a foliaged cedar. Christ says it is a bridegroom come to fetch home a bride. While Job in the text takes up a whole mass of precious stones—the topaz and the emerald and the chrysoberus—and he takes out of this beautiful vase just one crystal, and holds it up until it gleams in the warm light of the eastern sky, and he exclaims, "The crystal cannot equal it."

Oh, it is not a stale religion, it is not a stupid religion, it is not a toothless hag, as some seem to have represented it; it is not a Meg Merrilies with shriveled arm come to scare the world. It is the fairest daughter of the sun, and she wears a crown of diamonds and the gems that would grieve you the gems of despair, and the flags that would wave at your arrival would be the black flags of death. O, my brother, you must either kill sin or sin will kill you. It is no wild exaggeration when I say that an ungodly woman that wants to be saved may be saved. Tremendous choice! A thousand people are choosing this moment between salvation and destruction, between light and darkness, between heaven and hell, between charred ruin and glorious crystallization.

TRANSFORMED INTO A STATUE. A Case of Complete Petrification of a Human Body in an Ohio Cemetery. A remarkable story of petrification of human remains comes from Youngstown, Ohio. Mrs. John Cregan died there March 15, 1888, and her body was buried in the village cemetery. Her husband, wishing to remove the body to another grave, caused it to be exhumed last week. On reaching the outer box containing the coffin the diggers found it filled with water. The coffin was intact, but they were surprised at its enormous weight. They concluded to lift it to the surface before opening it, though it required the united efforts of six men to hoist it.

THE NEWS.

By decision of the Illinois Supreme Court the Illinois Central Railroad Company has been put in possession of the freight-house and grounds occupied by the Baltimore and Ohio. —Antone Schindler, in prison at Utica, N. Y., for beating his wife, threw himself over the balcony, breaking his neck. —The car strikers in Detroit again prevented the running of cars, and the police had considerable difficulty in subduing the mob. —When the sheriff attempted an eviction of a striker's family in the Connellsville coke regions, both men and women attacked him and his deputies, and women and himself were wounded. —Many Sioux Indians have enlisted in the Sixth Cavalry. —Gen. Greely of the Signal Service office, is inspecting at San Francisco. —It is proposed to provide a fund for Gen. Banks. —Some of the rivers in Arkansas and Texas are rising. Miss Gabrielle Greely and Rev. Frank M. Clendenen were married at Pleasantville, N. Y. —Mrs. Isabella Smith Cooper, the oldest gipsy in the United States, died at South Hadley Falls, Mass., aged ninety-five. —Major Peyton Randolph, third vice-president of the Richmond and Danville Railroad Company, died in Washington. —The steamer Advance from the West Indies brought yellow fever to New York. —The British forces advancing upon Manipur, India, had an engagement with a large number of the rebels and routed them. —The Jews have been ordered to leave St. Petersburg by May 3. —The Third Battalion of the famous Grenadier Guards of England, quartered at Chelsea Barracks, London, have followed the example of the Second Battalion, and revolted against the excessive drills and other treatment to which they have been subjected. A number of the mutineers were placed under arrest. —The natives of Portuguese Guinea have revolted and massacred the Portuguese officers and soldiers. —A jury at Fairfield, Ia., acquitted Lawson J. Baldwin of the murder of Mattie Redabaugh. —The story telegraphed from New York that Ann O'Delia Diss De Bar, the notorious "spook medium," was going to California under the patronage of Senator Stanford is indignantly denied by both Senator Stanford and his wife. —The Farmers' and Merchants' Bank of Clarksville, Tenn., is the first national bank of America to resume after once having passed into the hands of a receiver. —Fire in the St. Louis Smelting and Refining Company's carbon warehouse did \$50,000 damage. —Captain Daniel T. Foster, Republican, was elected mayor of Bloomington, Ill., by 45 plurality over D. S. Dyson, Democrat, and U. O. Andrus, Prohibitionist. —Prof. B. W. Evermann, of the State Normal School at Terre Haute, goes to Washington, where he will be assistant chief of the division of exploration of lake and river basins in the United States Fish Commission. —A cyclone struck Pittsburg, Tex., destroying two residences and killing one woman. —The wet weather in Eastern Kansas has ruined the oats and potatoes, but the wheat looks well. —The Edgar Thomson Steel Works at Pittsburg resumed operations after ten weeks of idleness, giving employment to two thousand men.

NINE PERSONS KILLED.

Frightful Wreck on the Lake Shore Railroad Near Cleveland. The List of the Dead Includes Two Engineers, Six Postal Clerks and a Fireman—No Passengers Hurt. A frightful wreck occurred on the Lake Shore railroad at Kipton Station, about 40 miles west of Cleveland, Ohio, early the other evening in which six postal clerks and two engineers were killed. The Fast Mail, No. 14, bound east, collided with No. 21, the Toledo express, just as the latter train was about to pull on the siding to let the fast mail pass. The fast mail was running at full speed, and the force of the collision was so great that both engines, three mail cars and one baggage car were completely wrecked. HOW IT HAPPENED. It was the custom for these two trains to pass at Kipton, the Toledo express taking the sidetrack for the fast mail, which usually went through Kipton without slackening its speed. The Toledo express was a few minutes late, and had just come to a stop when the fast mail came in sight. There is scarcely any curve at the station, but on one side of the track was a line of freight cars and on the other the station. These might have obstructed the vision of the engineer of the fast mail. He applied the air-brakes when he saw that a collision was inevitable, but the speed of the train was not checked materially. The engine of the Toledo express was knocked squarely across the track, and that of the fast mail reared in the air, resting on the top of the other. The fast mail consisted of three mail cars and two parlor cars, and the Toledo express of five coaches and two baggage cars. The first and second mail cars were telescoped and smashed to kindling wood, and the third crashed into the first two and rolled over on the station platform, breaking the windows of the building. The baggage cars of the Toledo express were knocked from the track, but did not turn over. The force of the collision was so great that of the 64 revolving chairs in the two parlor cars only four remained attached to the floors, all the others being broken and hurled about in confusion. The passengers were thrown to the floors and badly shaken, but none were seriously hurt. THE WORK OF RESCUE, and with a corps of physicians from the town ministered for the few who were injured. All but one of the dead were beyond human assistance as soon as the collision occurred. The bodies were horribly crushed and mutilated, arms and legs being torn off, and the corpses were almost beyond recognition. Charles Tupton, the engineer of the fast mail, remained bravely at his post, and was found with his hand on the throttle, dead. His hands and face were so badly scalded that the blackened flesh dropped from the bones when his body was taken out. Fireman Stanley, of the fast mail, jumped from the train and escaped with a broken leg and dislocated shoulder. The doctors said he would recover. The poor postal clerks had not a chance to escape. They were caged like rats, and the telescoping of the cars crushed the life out of them without a moment's warning. It is difficult to locate the blame for the accident, as both the engineers are dead. It is said, however, that No. 21, was ordered to stop at Oberlin, but went on to Kipton, which is six miles farther west, and had not sufficient time to make the side track.

ABOUT NOTED PEOPLE.

Rev. F. B. Meyers, of England, a preacher who has successfully labored among the working people of London, is coming across to visit Mr. Moody this summer. Mrs. Frank Leslie was born in a writer before she married her late husband. It was as a contributor to his periodicals that she became personally acquainted with Mr. Leslie. LORD RANDOLPH CECIL, finding that there is no scope just now for his report on the duties of his office as Lord Chamberlain of the Exchequer, has returned to England and other parts of Africa, for the purpose of studying the natives on the spot. SIR PROVO WILLIAM PARRY WALLER, the "father of the royal navy," is 100 years old. It was he who won the famous victory over the brave Captain Lawrence, of the American navy, whose last words were: "Don't give up the ship!" THE late King Kalakaua held a \$5,000 membership in an American life insurance fraternal order, and many a lodge member throughout Ohio and other States, therefore, received official notice of the monarch's demise. The notice gave the name of the order as "King" and his residence as Honolulu. CAPTAIN HOBE thinks an incorrect impression exists with regard to Tipu Tib, the great Arab leader in Central Africa. He says that Tipu Tib never has been a large slave-raider, but that on account of his power and influence many natives have voluntarily placed themselves under his care, and are voluntarily his servants. THE elder two of Emperor William's sons show, as yet, very little of their imperial father's cold and domineering disposition. In their friendliness they much more resemble their gentle grandfather, the late Emperor Frederick. They are ready to make a comrade of any lad they meet, especially if he shows a lively and dashing spirit. MISS LONGSHORE POTTS was lecturing in Cleveland some evenings ago, and, finally, asked the gentlemen in her audience to show by a standing vote whether they opposed the carrying of revolvers in public places. The vote was in favor of the carrying of any kind of arms, and all the men in the hall arose at once. Mrs. Potts did not dare risk a vote by the gentler part of her audience. THE late Gen. Albert Pike conducted deep researches into ancient Aryan literature in pursuit of hints of early Masonic practices. The seventeen quarto volumes of translation which are the fruit of his labor are in manuscript, written in an elegant manner upon fine paper. There is not a blot or an erasure from one end to the other, and the writing done with a quill pen of the old-fashioned kind, is like copper-plate. Each volume numbers 1000 pages. THE Sheriff of Wazan, head of Islamism in Morocco, has taken to drink, and has separated from the English lady to whom he was married some years ago. His favorite tipple is champagne, and there is no scandal in his drinking it, because, as he is actually in exile, he is forbidden to drink it. The champagne in the bottle is intoxicating, but when poured into the glass in his hand it becomes as simple as water. TOLSTOY has found a few fanatical followers—principally ladies of high rank in Russia—to join his "Shenovolotetski" colony, and to live like the simple peasants by which they are surrounded. It may be taken for granted that these ladies have been crossed in love or are economizing for the seaside season. Ladies of high birth don't mingle with fen-bitten monks, or drink tea from cast-iron samovars, unless there is some serious cause for self-abnegation. THE Grand Duke Michael, who has by marrying the woman he wanted, offended the Czar, is thirty years of age. He was sent to England in 1887 with a hope that he would fancy a daughter of the Prince of Wales, and make a match. As soon as it was discovered in St. Petersburg that he had no such intention he fell into disfavour. The mother of his bride was a Russian woman, and before marrying Duke Nicholas of Nassau, secured a divorce from her first husband.

IRON AND STEEL.

Best Record in Production Last Year Ever Made. The annual statistical report of the American Iron and Steel Association has just been published. This week's Bulletin of the Association says: We now present the exact record, as shown by our annual report, of the production of leading articles of iron and steel in the United States in 1890, in which year we made the best record in the production of iron and steel that has ever been made by any country. Not even Great Britain has ever achieved such remarkable results in the production of iron and steel in one year as were accomplished in this country in 1890; and to show how many fold we are our own growth in production in that year, we give in comparison the statistics of 1889, which was regarded at its close as a remarkably active year. Our statistics are in net tons. Net tons of 2,000 lbs. (Except nails.) 1889. 1890. Pig iron, including Spiegel..... 8,516,079 10,307,028 Spiegeleisen..... 85,829 149,162 Bessemer steel ingots..... 3,281,629 4,131,585 Bessemer steel rails..... 1,691,264 2,061,978 Open hearth steel ingots..... 419,483 574,890 Open hearth steel rails..... 3,846 4,918 Crucible steel ingots..... 84,269 79,716 Rolled iron (except rails) 2,576,127 2,894,829 Rolled steel (except rails) 1,584,364 1,829,227 Iron rails..... 10,258 15,548 Pig scrap and iron blooms..... 36,290 38,783 Kegs of iron cut nails..... 1,778,082 1,806,130 Kegs of steel cut nails..... 4,082,676 3,834,816 Kegs of wire nails..... 2,435,000 3,145,911 Iron and steel wire rods..... 407,513 611,591

POISONED BY A CENTIPEDE.

A Family of Five Campers Die in Terrible Convulsions. News has just reached Little Rock from Baxter county, Ark., that a family of five campers, named Baldwin, from Tipton county, Tenn., en route for Texas, died in awful convulsions. The citizens suspected that a band of gypsies, who had been poisoning cattle in adjoining counties, had poisoned the spring near which the family had camped, lynching of the band had been imminent. The remains of a large centipede was found in the coffee pot out of which the campers had drunk, and this deadly poison undoubtedly caused their death.

AWFUL CRIME OF A MADMAN.

He Murders His Little Brother and Eats Parts of His Body. News has been received in Havana of a horrible affair which recently happened at Macagua, Cuba. A madman, in one of his most frenzied moments, attacked his little brother with a knife, cutting off his head and otherwise mutilating him in the most terrible manner. He then proceeded to eat portions of the body, and had devoured the fingers, liver, heart and eyes when discovered. In reply to questions as to why he had committed the horrible deed, the madman declared that his brother had died and that he was making an autopsy on the boy's body.

A DOUBLE SUICIDE.

Unrequited Affection Brings Death to Two Susceptible Ohioans. A white man and a colored man committed suicide in a sensational manner in Findlay, Ohio, because the woman they loved refused their attention. Frederick Jackson, the colored man, inflicted thirteen cuts in his head with a hatchet, from which he shortly afterward died. Adolph Schumberger, the white man, first put a bullet into his head, then cut his throat with a razor, and ended the fight with life by throwing himself into the river.

A SEWER'S DEADLY WORK.

Five Men Die After Drinking Water From a Poisoned Well. Laborers at the Gilbert Hedge & Co., lumber yards, in Burlington, Ia., drank freely of water drawn from an old well in the vicinity and as a result of poison from sewage, five of them are dead and several others are not expected to live.

A DUEL TO THE DEATH.

The Trespassing of Cattle Leads to a Fatal Feud in California. Silvestre Triado and Francisco Olives fought a duel at Cantua Canyon, eight miles from Fresno, Cal. Olives was killed and Triado has been arrested and brought to Fresno. The men owned adjoining sections of land and had had numerous disputes about trespassing cattle and finally agreed that the next time they would fight it out. Both were armed with revolvers and commenced firing at each other at a distance of forty yards. They closed in at twenty yards. Triado sent a bullet through Olives' neck.

MARKETS.

BALTIMORE—Flour—City Mill, extra \$5.69 @5.75. Wheat—Southern Falls, \$1.14@1.16. Corn—Southern White, \$2@2.50. Yellow, \$2@2.50. Rye—Maryland and Pennsylvania 95@98c. Hay—Maryland and Pennsylvania \$11.00@12.00. Straw—Wheat, \$8.00@9.00. Butter—Eastern Creamery, 25@29c. Fancy Cream, 12@13c. Western, \$8@10c. Eggs—\$1.40@1.50. Tobacco, Leaf—Inter, \$1.00@1.50. Good Common, \$4.00@5.00. Middling, \$6.00@8.00. Good to fine red, \$9.00@11.00. Fancy, \$12.00@13.00. NEW YORK—Flour—Southern Good to choice extra, \$4.25@5.50. Wheat—No. 1 White \$1.10@1.20. Rye—\$2@2.50. Yellow, \$2@2.50. Corn—\$2@2.50. Butter—State, 26@27c. Cheese—State, 7@9c. Eggs—15@16c. PHILADELPHIA—Flour—Pennsylvania Fancy, \$4.25@4.50. Wheat, Pennsylvania and Southern Red, \$1.21@1.22. Rye—Pennsylvania, \$2@2.50. Corn—Southern, Yellow, \$2@2.50. Butter—State, 25c. Cheese—New York Factory, 10@10c. Eggs—State, 14@15c. CATTLE. BALTIMORE—Beef—\$5.25@5.75. Sheep—\$5.00@6.50. Hogs—\$5.50@6.00. NEW YORK—Beef—\$5.00@6.00. Sheep—\$5.50@6.50. Hogs—4.50@5.50. EAST LIBERTY—Beef—\$4.40@4.70. Sheep—\$4.00@5.50. Hogs—\$4.40@5.50. Mrs. JENNIE M. LOZIER, the new president of Sorosis, is a physician herself, the wife of a physician, and daughter-in-law of the noted Clarence Lozier, one of the first women physicians in America. She has given up her practice and is devoted to philanthropy.

MISS GREELY MARRIED.

The Old Editor's Daughter Weds an Episcopal Minister. Miss Gabrielle Greely, daughter of the late Horace Greely, founder of the New York Tribune, was married at 10 o'clock the other morning to the Rev. Frank Montrose Clendenin in St. John's P. E. Church, Pleasantville, N. Y. The Rev. B. T. Hall, the rector of the church, officiated. The church was crowded with well-known people from New York and other cities, as well residents of Pleasantville, Chappaqua (Horace Greely's old home), and the surrounding villages. All are warm friends of Miss Greely and her sincere well-wishers. There is probably no woman in Westchester county, young or old, who is more highly esteemed than the bride. She has led a quiet and unostentatious life since the death of her father. Much of her time has been devoted to doing good among all who need her aid, and she has won the very appropriate title of the "Lady Abbess." She was the patron saint of the sick and poor of Chappaqua. After the bridal trip the bride and groom will reside at the rectory of St. Peter's Church in Westchester village, where Mrs. Clendenin will continue her good work among the people of the church. The rectory has been thoroughly overhauled, repaired and refurnished, for the occupancy of the bridal couple. It is the intention of Mr. and Mrs. Clendenin to reopen the old home at Chappaqua. It is understood that the big barn that Mr. Greely built at a cost of \$6,000 is to be made into a dwelling-house.

OUTLAWS RUN TO EARTH.

Six Mexican Desperados Attack a Ranch and Kill an American. A special despatch from San Antonio, Tex., gives the particulars of the capture of the band of six outlaws who have been terrorizing the border near what is known as the Peninsula. These are the outlaws who made a raid two weeks since on the ranch of Victoriano Hernandez, in Presidio county, Texas. They arrived at the Hernandez ranch intending to kill the proprietor and assault his wife and three daughters. An American, Frank Drake, who happened to be there, was killed by the first fusillade, and Hernandez, wounded so that he died later. The bandits were beaten off by a son of the ranchman, who wounded two of them. One of the prisoners has confessed and the gang will be tried in Chihuahua and be shot or sent to the salt mines.

GRAZED BY FEAR.

Serious Results of Boys Whittopping a Companion. At Northeast, Pa., a party of 12-year-old boys decided to whittop a certain boy against whom they had a grudge. They tied handkerchiefs over their faces, caught the doomed boy, and taking him to the park engaged him and tied him to a tree and left him to his fate. When liberated at daylight, it was found that through fright and exhaustion he had become delirious. The perpetrator were "scorched."