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THE NEW YEAR'S PROMISES. BRIGHT BAB PREACHES A GENTLE SERMON ON LOOKING BACKWARD.

The Book of Tito-Past Boods Thomas

Last Day of the Yeal Greediness and Wealth-Counting as Old-Pashiendi the Bunefastern Que's Youth.

St. Louis Booublis

St. Louis moment. You and I may be thoughtless all the fear throught, but there comes a 'me when, waiting for the bells to lug in the New Year, we are forced and think. Not to dream about the masure of to-morrow, not to gloat for the delicate feasts, not to remem-ber the fuscination of the game, of the beautiful woman, of the dainty dishes, or the fus wines; but to face that in-ward monitor, the conscience, and or the flux wines; but to fnoe that in-ward monitor, the conscience, and wonder alsout the future. Somewhere, my friend, there is a Life Book that has, written upon the first page, your name. The preface this of all that is yours by heredity; of your environ-monts, and the temptations that, be-cause the firsh is weak, will most sure-by come to you. A greater being than ly come to you. A greater being than u put down the name and wrote the reface, but you have been filling the preface, but you have been dilling the leaves with your own writing, some-times clear, sometimes biurned; blurred, perhaps, with a wine stain. faded out with a tear drop, or made crimson by your heart's blood. And when that book is read, there will be smother book opened, and your fate will be told to you as the leaves of the great Judymont Book unfold. face with your hands.

THOUGHTS OF THE OLD YEAR.

To-night, take an hour to yourself-devote an hour, only sixty minutes, to thinking of the year gone by. Judge yourself by the laws written on the stone tablets so many thousand years ago, and see what the record would be killed gradually and skowly the good inst was in yon and you have buried whatyou killed in deep that I wouldr if, even, how, it can be resurned. That seventh law. What about the took in your life book if it were read by a stranger. Never mind whether you stranger. Nover mind whether you are argualated with theme laws in the order in whoth they were written or not-you know the difference betwern virtue and vior, between right and wrong, witheut absolute exactness Take up the book and look at it. You are fortunate my friend. Your life book is daintly bound, its corners are rich in ailwr glit and your name is wrought upon it in gems of grant of the press what about the foul story which caused the olubhouse to itud with laughter as you told it ?

Your neighbor's book is of common paper, with a poor binding But the great Judge does not decide up ap-pearances, and your neighbor has the ande chapes that you have, although. indeed, because of the Breams of the binding, because of the ease in which your life has been spent, more good deeds about he written in your book, aluges you inder based to steal for bread, or to is dishonaset for the same of a few dollars. These laws are old-fashined—stitut which comes after it is not a two fashion

-it is not a new fashion. Look at the first law; have you had Like at the dist is w; have you had one Give of any? Was it of more importance by you that you slept casily that you ab rich food, that you adured beautiful women, and, perhaps, made an idolof one who seemed to you a little more lovely than all the rest? Or did you how down to measure gods? Did you how the kneet to Did you bent the knee to

THE GOD OF OR BED THESS, of weak, at list, or did you worship yourself? What a mean god is self i he boar of touble could you tarn to any one of less, you chosen guds, for beip? Perhap you elected to have tor your guls those children of the brain, thosequeer, strange beliefs that lead you -where? Then, tarning over anotherieaf, do you have to write who is overflowing with happipees

her an occasional present, but there wither have entered into the bears of mover comes to you the thought of an the things which God hath pre-what you really might do, of what they housed for; of how they counted on is seemed that I must remind you, be-

what you really might do, of what hay hoped for; of how they counted on your being when you were a man. not only the dearity belowd som, but the friend and the counselor; the one to whom they could turns with their sor-rows and find sympathy; the one to man they could turns the being in another year, and the source you are to look at that old-fashiourd ploture of you mother that is in an old album armong some papers that are never disturbed, where you, an awkward boy, are, in the picture, leasing b-side her. You had just gotten over a long illiess, and the ploture of you was taken be cause both father and mother feared that death might claim you for fits own, and they loved you as well they wanted to have you always at least in a picture. Drath basn's taken you ware divers owne you always as least in a picture. Drath basn's taken you the world with its solishness and its greediness owne you as entirely that the prostness to interfight that the picture of you was taken be that death might claim you for fits you have forguited the mother who the world with its solishness and its you have forguited the mother who the world with its solishness and its you have forguited the mother who the world with its solishness and its you have forguited the mother who the world with its solishness and its you have forguited the mother who the world with its solishness and its you have forguited the mother who the world with its solishness and its you have forguited the mother who the world with its solishness and its you have forguited the mother who the world with its solishness and its you have forguited the mother who the world with its solishness and its you have forguited the mother who

TO HIDE YOUR SHAME.

And then, what about the women wouse inhids you have stained? You

pride yourselt on never having led an innormt woman into committing ab-solute evil. But you, and man like

STEPS TO WICKEDNESS VERY BASY.

What do you think you would have been if your last investment had failed

and you had been discovered. The police world would have called you an

emiessier-the more crude people would have said you were a thief, but

you, make he

greediness owns you so entirely that you have forgutau the mother who here you in puin and the father who A Washington dispatch says that Senator-elect Money, of Mississippi, at present a member of the foreign re-lations committee of the house, left for Cubs last Saturday to investigate the situation on the island on his own loved her because she was your mother more than he did when she was simply his wife. You were the tis between two loving hearts, and what have you the situation on the island on his own account. He was erned with the necessary letters, passports, etc., and it was his intention, after learning all he could in Havana, to ask for a Span ish escort to take him into the interior under a flag of trace. In the event the flag and recort are denied, he mays he will proceed on his own responsibility word the best he can to get all the information possible. As the rea-son for his visit be says that be can get bo official information from President Surwu as an evidence of your gratitude to them ? My friend, when that page of your life is road you will cover your

TO HIDE YOUR SHAME. You think stout number. Thut, of the flag and emoort are denied, he mays course, is counted out of your life-is its and do the best he can to get all it? How many tices have you struck its ind formation possible. As the rea-time have you hitrt with bitter works? And what have you killed in yourself? Your ishonepon, your hope and your faith. You have murdered the best of rourself; and you stand a murderer as faith. You have burnered the vest of yourself; and you stand a murderer an great in the eyes of God as that one who killed his fellow man. He did it in the quick sustained abger. You have killed gradually and slowly the good that was in you surd you have buried whatyou resolutions now pending.

Nellinley as Uncle Sam. St. Louis Negunilo

It is stated with patriotic gusto that the suit of clothes Major McKinley will wear at the inaugustica will be made wholly of American material by 111 49 made American workmen. An Bastern manufacturar is now making of wool clipped from the tack of American shows a piece of cloth just barge enough for one suit. The cloth will be suit to Major McKinley's tail or and will be made into a suit in which all the material will come from American shows.

which all the material will come from American shops. We refrain from suggesting that under the system of protection for which McKinley was responsible the representative American suit was made of shoddy; and that he ought to stick to his material in his insuggraf

BTLPS TO WICKEDNESS VERY RASY. You my her the doub ful compliment -you mourdar to ser the jest that has double meaning, and you unde her to cultivate an easy meaner with men that certainly makes the descent to the devil very much quicker. How does that page look? Take up another. Are you innocent of stealing? Where is the titbe you should have given to the poor? How about the doubtful deal in the stock market? What o you think you would have onthis. Democratic reform has made it possible to get an all wool American

If remainly to get an all wool American sait for the speaks of protection, al-though the price is still high. But the President elect should not stop with an American suit in taking stage as the representative of Ameri-canism. His syndicate manager did not besitate to appropriate the American flag and degrade it to the uses of politics. Major McKinley should emborate the idea and have a red white-and-blue shirt and coller, with a fundana handkerobief to match. The typical American headgest is the com System A merican besograf is the com-skin cap. A coon-skin cap, a pair of Uncle Sam boots and the great seal of State for a watch charge would com-plete a costone which would be calcu-lated to fire the American heart with matricits pride

patriotic pride. When a statesman starts out to be the typical American be ought to be the typical American he ought to go the whole typical hog. Major Mc. Kinley taking the cath of office in the rule of Uncle Saro, clothed in Ameri-

ARP ON CHURCHES.

OUOTES DEAN SWIFT ON A PAS-TOR WITHOUS A POLLOWING.

Before to Judges And Secto-He Die excases the Mothods of Several Benominations in Calling Pastors and Malt-Ing Chinage Bill Arp in Atlanta Constit

There is an old English rhyme which

"A pastor without any people Is like a obscob without a slasple." Dean Swift added two lines, which

"A people without a pustor Are like a dog without a master.

This fits us better for we have lost This fits us better for we have lost ours and are now grouing sround in search of another one. Calling a preacher is always a perplexing and embarrassing thing to do. What is the best mude of procedaro has long been a vaxed question among the charches. There are some objections to every m-thod that has been tried. It is like the election of judges of our courts; blue times in my recollection the mude of their election has been ob-mged in Georgia and now the press and the puople are howing for another ohange. But the charches don't change. They think is better to enchanged in Georgia and now the press and the puople are howing for another obange. But the churches don's change. They think is better to en-durable objections rather than abaodon the faith and formula of their fathers. The Methodists get their pre-obers from the bishops and the people have un confee in the selection. If they are disappointed they make no complaint, for they know that the year will soon pass and a change will come. The rotation must go on. There is no interregation. They are never without a prescher. This plan saves the people some embarrassment. It is hard upon the preschers, and especially apon their wives and children. No perasent alods; no home attennishes; no vins and fig tree; no meighbors of long standing who have been true and tried in sickness and health. By the time they begin to know them and they must separate. Dr. Johnsun, the great philosopher, asid: "I have always hoked spon it as the wrost onidition of the spon it as the wrost on disting have always how they and they must separate. Dr. Johnsun, the great philosopher, asid: "I have always hoked spon it as the works are so often term assunder just as they become happy to each other's society " Meth odust prescher's wire, and children are

often tern assunder just as they become happy in each other's sourcely "Meth adist presenters' wives and children are the gyp-les of the courch. I have al-ways sympachized with them. Another objection to the Wesleyan method is the bishop's lack of informa-tion as to the nearly of the different churches and the qualifications of the preachers to be assigned. Of course he have their favorites, their college matted, their likes and dislikes, and the appoint meuts sometimes are disappoint-uents and cause heart burnings that appoint carbon and cause heart durings, and the appoint carbon sometimes are disapoint-ueuts and cause heart burnings that are smothened, but telt. We use by the papers that Bev. Robert Toombs Dubuse, a grand one of hot Toombs out from church to church would endanger his life. It looss like some-tody maght to have known this before. Some 40 years ago a Mr. Grave wrote a saroastic, unkind book about the power of the bishops over the pople, and plotured a great iron wheel revolv-ing horizontally and the bishops sitting ou it is dignifed case, while the wheel rested on the bowed shoulders of the humble preachers.

could is strictly democratic for every member has a vice, tut after the call is made and the preacher ordered as

Corcibler has a vide, tuit after the sail is made and the preacher indeined al paster the preseptery looks the deor and puts the key in its protet and says now that you have got him you must keep him till I say uo. Is is like the haw of marriage and diverse. It is easy enough to zet married, but it used to be quite a difficult thing to got an married. I may "it used to be." It is not much trouble now, neither is it as preacher to get diverged from his church. If he year tired he goes. If the bas a cours inviting call be goes. If the bas a cours inviting call be goes. If the bas a more inviting call be goes. If the bas a more inviting call be goes. If the bas a more inviting call be goes. If the bas a more inviting call be goes. If the bas a more inviting call be goes. If the bas a more inviting call be goes in a late paper that a premeter anys the reason why he resigned his pasterate and is as-fing another is that he hes disished his work in that community. That is what the paper cald. I would like to see that church. Everybody eainted, I reeken, and no cutsiders to be sainted. Surely be didn's any that. When a Presbyterian paster has made up his mind to change his base the poo-ple had just as well submit as grass fully as they can, for the presbytery will ratify it. No congregation should try to keep an unwilling. disstinded pastor, and they don't. Framebars are just human and will seet to set the ther condition. The best preseners are in the taken there is always ruom at the top. I was reminating about these things

the top. I was reminating about these things the top. I was reminating about these things because we have first our presencer and are looking around for another. He had a call to a bigger and maybe a bet-ter pince with a larger addry, and he accepted before we hardly have ha was called. He hade's finished up this church and he have it, but I resk-ou was afraid that is would finish tim ap if he staid, for the times were so hard we could the best we could. Freschers want their salary in the bank, and it ought to be. I was pre-ent once when a prescher was order ad. After the caragency, sturn the people went up to give him their basis and they for the dark poor. And they fild. For 40 years I have been booking for a country church that pad the prescher a sufficient ealary and pad it premptly. Paying the preacher is the unpole would there bend that basis and there were preacher to the the prescher a sufficient ealary and pad it premptly. Paying the preacher to the the most and there were preacher to the over since there were preacher to the the most we with keep you pror." And they fild. For 40 years I have been working for a country charch that pad the prescher a sufficient ealary and pad it premptly. Paying the preacher to the the most of there were preacher to the wave, for they have a hard time here. Gold-amith tells ne of the village preacher: "A stan be way to all the county danr. And passing rich tory pounds a year."

A stan be was to all the country done, and pas-lug rich at forty pounds a year."

"A sum by was to all the country doar, And pastur rich at forty pounds a year." "So great and gaved a man as Jonathan : Ed wards after 24 years of faithful ser-vice at Northampton was voled out of his palpit, and like an old horse turned out to graze and die. We find a good deal of fauls with the preachers and aucotimes with their wires and chil-dren, but after all they are as a class the best puple we have got and set no the best puple we have got and set no the best puple we have got and set no the best puple we have got and set no the best puple we have got and set no the best puple we have got and set no the best puple we have got and set no the best puple we have got and set no the best puple are as a class. They have their likes and dislikes, and perhaps their favorites in the church, and so do we. In the old times they preached for smaller salaries. The ealary was a secondary consideration, but now it is the first. Over 30 years ago I went to achool to an Irishman who auddenly toot a notion that he would guit teaching and go to preach-ing. If a structure and not preach-

MBRAT EVENTS OF SURA of Loss Year's H Tork Pape New-York The

What were the pre-sublectly mem-orshin de-ds and events of the year 1886? We should make up the list in

L In international relations: this way: 1. In intervational relations: (a) The mg-distion of a treaty arbitration between Great Britian and the United States. (b) The suscensful application of the Mourus dostrine in the bound-ary dispute between Great Britain and Vouesue's first asserted by Mr. Oleve-hand on Dec. 17, 1885, but carried out during the past year. 9 In domestic politics, including all countries: The defeat of Bryan and his platform. 3. In adresso: The discovery of the so-called X may by Professor Ropat-gen of Wirtsburg. 4. In interature: Radyard Kip-ling's volume of poems, "The Seven Seas." 5. In commerce and industry: (a) The distant application on a large seals of the electric power generated by Niagura Falla. (b) The opening of a sound through the Iron Gates of the Daubh, making that river savigable to counserve from the Binck Sea to the Bavarian frontier. 8. In advisor (incensificant)

Christmas was colderated Christmas was colderated bossellas fashion at the bossellas fashion at the ous, housellie Stables at the House. The obliding set only Provident, but of the satisfy o direct, ball high samples is the House library. A solut is the store library. A solut is the set of the satisfy of the big manife room, which the big manife satisfy and so thick and house almost filed the large room. Unter late in the sight many hand hands his worked, under May hand's direction, in heatility

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to counterns from the Binet Sas to the Bavarian frontier. 6. In affictive dispensations: (a) The great tidel wave an Japan, on June 19, which deskoyed 37,000 homan lives and d-vastated 70 miles of coast line. (b) The trampling to desth of 1.500 persons on the Khodynsky Plain during the coronalian factors at Moscow on May 30. (c) The cyclone at St. Louis. on May 27, by which 500 per-a-na were kill-d. (d) The staking of the E-stille steamer Drummoud Cas-tle, on June 17, drowning 376 persons. 7. In exploration and discovery: Nameu's jonu-ov over the low to a print only 225 miles distant from the north pute land'e Ubrist Names in jour over over the less to a point only 225 miles distant from the north pole. In the religious world there has been nothing; in music and the drams noth-ing that so overtops other schleve-toents as to make the prediction affe that is overtops other schleve-toents as to make the prediction affe that is overtops other schleve-toents as to make the prediction affe that is will be remembered down the ages. Jumeson's raid and the tragie doings of Turkey in Armonic and of Spain in Cuba may claim at least a Fontnote on the page which history de-votes to the year 1896. A word of Gaution may be appro-priate us to our estimate of the per-manent rank of Mr. Kipling's posma. It would be unafe to brepait for them now an excited place in the whole body of English itterature. We amert of them simply that they display more elemental force than any other book produced during the year in the Eng-ited language, in Freuch, in German or in Italian. tree worthy of the With even b that lay piled up the true and over t Dg over

atookings, which w Glied by Stata Claus, After brushtast the arrive, children of the of the little day's on begun. These wer fairly b math of the little once from Ma and, and in then most form Ma brought pretty tokens of runs for the Okreshed shifteen and Both, who have gotten al-ly in the study of German, m pretty resistant, and there w Obristing shoring toke an Christing shoring toke an Christing shoring toke an Christing and share

lish Language, in Freuch, in German or in Italian, There will probably be no dispute about the two treatles negotisted and new awaiting signature as the result of Mr. Cleveland's Venezuelan mes-aage and Mr. Olney's arguments. No future historian will be likely to overatchaoged presents, as has been practice ever aloce their marriage all of the amployees of the House received some appropriat useful token of esteem.

recont election, about which not an bas bren said, is that Bryan, strin mpeaking, estried more Santes th Muktuley. A good many people a not adout this, oven when the flat are laid before them, but it is tra The efficial counts show that the gave ber of States entried by Bryan is 1 and the number estried by Bryan is 1 and the number estried by Merris

Attany and BiTAD, as the latter a new electoral vois in moot of them.
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humble preachers. The Episcopalians get their preach-ers from the bishops, too, but they don't rotate, neither do they get far.

over another leaf, do you have to write yourself down a blasphener? Have you solled your lips with jests against One av much greater than yourself that you ought acarcely to meution His same are with reversatial bow? How would you like to hear these jests and there woked words come from the lips of the chid that bears your name? lips of the child that bears your name? always How would you like to have them said BEAUING FALRE WITNESS AGAINST

by the wom'n whom you love best in all the work Y You laugh a little uneasily. Yot mutter something about nonreense; but it isn't nonreense, my friend; there is very much of good sense in it.

sense in it. Close your eyes and imagine you were a boy sgain, and see yourself hap-py in your yuday suit, dressed to gu to church, and clinging, like the shy her you was to the set boy you were, to the hand of your er. Then you sang hymns and raised your toice .a praise of God, and after that you came home and enjuyed the day in a golet way, hearing, proba-bly some of the Mories of the great and bly some of the wortes of the great aut good peo who have lived, as well as of one Man who was a boy like you, in that be wan homan, and who could sympathize with you because of that humanity; and fet because ho knew all humanity; and fet because he knew all of your desires and disappointments, because of His divinity. He could lead you to greater subition and cousele you under greater disappointments. Theo, when night dropped its curtain and the stam planed it up, you went to sleep easily, because you were bappy and you were and you were

GOOD WOMEN.

GOOD WOMEN. It is part of your mean, cycloal belief to deny purity to women. It is part of your dastardly unfaith to claim that no man is decent. You are sure that every kindness shown has a hid-den motive. Ot, how smeared this page is I Solled and smirched nutil reading it becomes abominable. Laded, I drop the book, I, who am human, cannot try you any longer with those some tablets as the questioners. But you will be tried, and that book will make or mar your future. But always there is given to you a choice. God is more merciful than men. He story of your life unfold, and He suys: "Hepent and do better while there is yet time." What are you go-ng to do? Now the time has come for you to decide. The new Book is white and clean, and on it is written: "The Story of 1897." A year's record. What will it be ? You are to write it, and is in your power to fill it with a history of kind-ness done, of mercies shown, of good gifts given, of an increasing faith, and of a sweet and pure life. How can It is part of your ment, cyulcal belief

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over where it ought to have been and saw no signs of it. The interest of this disappearance used not be polated out to any friend -and who is not his friend ? - of Bubin-

and who is not his friend ? - of Eubin-son Grasse. Explorers and geograph-ers have described Juan Fernandez and marked it on the maps, but it was Crusse who made it known to the world, and it is on his second only that it is remembered. If DeFoe had a successor what a chance there would be for a successor what a chance there would be for a supplementary voyage and an account of the miraculous escape from

and tried to be devout for the first time in his life. After the service was

time to bis life. After the service was over he took the pressiver by the hand and said: "Well, parson, I promised to come, and I come. I didn't and stand much of what you was saying and doing, but I ris and not with you the lost I could." I have always thought that there was much too much the last I could." I have always thought that there was most too much fising "an' sottan' in that church, and not enough in the others. We look a little city boy with us to church hast Sunday. It was his first adventure of that kind, but he had been going to mathees. "Aunty, what' are they are sying their prayers," she replied. So he boyed his bred and repeated: "Twinkle, twinkla, little star." The Baptistshays the more start. It is

The Baptists have the most democrate ic method of saling a preacher. It is the very source of alphalouty. They pall when they please and every mon-bar has a vote. Thuy keep him as hong as it is mutanily agreeable, and either party can discove the relationship at pleasure. Of pourse, there is always again embarramment shout methog rid of ap promptome prospher, but there is one way that is provider. This method will nouve him as effectually as southing a rabbit out of a ballow true.

Will move him as the country as soulling a rabbit out of a hallow true, The Presbyterian mode of salling a preacher has used to countrated it after it is happily done, but is best with em-barrament in the doing of it. The

<text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text> mingle for a day or two with the pro-ple. This is a bard experience on any sensitive Christian man, for he values that he is on trial and that the jury in complised of perhaps 100 men and women to whom he is a stranger and who know nothing of isls inner life, bis emotions, his straightes and mis-fortuses. The situation is against him, for people will maturally winder why he does not deay where he is if he is the right surt of a men. Mawhe he does not wear well and his people are tired of him. And no he is a suspect. The test of a preader from a grapher sermon and a day's arguaintange is a wary unfair trial toth to preader and people. But what size can be done ? The result not marrogamity is that one or both are disappointed and monther change is wanted. The church is split up. There are anjorities and ministra-ties ustil dually the superriptions fall off and the preader has to go or starve. Maney is the shows of church prosperity as well as of war. The law of money is the root of all -vil and the land paralyze the split.

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The Fors and Gherrier says that Judge E. Boytin and Mr. Armi-Ston Jonne, of Balangh, have formed a copart assubly and will practice inv "Or tarpeds basts, built and building, we have now 21. These are of the most madern construction and could blow the Spanish Navy out of the ses in no hour should the opportunity prepent itself.

There is No.