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REV. DR. TALMAGE Preaches a Sermon to the Poes of Evangelical Doctrines.

How Different Religious Creeds are Distorted by Those Who Do Not Understand Them—The Ignorance of the Scoffers—A Terrible Plague.

Rev. Dr. DeWitt Talmage's recent sermon was on "Slanders Against Religion Answered." His text was: "And I took the little book out of the angel's hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth sweet as honey; and as soon as I had eaten it my belly was bitter. And he said unto me, Thou must prophesy again unto many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings." Rev. x. 10-11.

But one day the evangelist of whom I speak, sitting at the mouth of a cavern on the hill-side, and perhaps half asleep under the drone of the sea, has a supernatural dream, and before him pass, as in panorama, time and eternity.

Who the angel was and what the book was no one can tell. The commentators do not agree, and I shall take no responsibility of interpretation, but will tell you that it suggests to me the little book of creeds which shepherds take and chew up and find a morsel of meat to their children.

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when they leave this world go right into glory; I wonder if in the temple of the skies Charles Guitou and John Wilkes Booth occupy the same pew? Your common sense demands two destinies! And then as to the Presbyterian Church believing there are infants in perdition, if you will bring me a Presbyterian of good morals and sound mind who will say that he believes there ever was a baby in the lost world, or error will be, I will make him a deed to the house I live in, and he can take possession to-morrow.

So the Episcopal Church is misrepresented by the enemies of evangelism. They say that church substitutes forms and ceremonies for heart religion, and it is all a matter of liturgy and genuflection. False again. All Episcopalians will tell you that the forms and creeds of their church are worse than nothing unless the heart go with them.

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that book." He said: "I have neglected this book as you have neglected it for many years, and don't know where to find it, but I know it is somewhere between the lids." Then he began to turn over the leaves and struck a beautiful to say, his eye struck upon this passage: "Neither do I condemn thee; go and sin no more." She said: "It isn't possible that is there?" "Yes," he said, "that is there." He held it up before her dying eyes, and she said: "O, yes, I see it for myself; I accept the promise: 'Neither do I condemn thee; go and sin no more.'" In a few hours he was dead.

A few years ago a ship captain came in here and sat under a gallery. He came in with a complaint for the church of God and was a special dislike for Talmage. When an opportunity was given he arose for prayer, and as he was more than six feet high, when he arose for prayer no one doubted that he arose! That hour he became a Christian. He went out and told the ship owners and the ship's crew that a great change had been wrought in him, and scores and scores have been brought to God through his instrumentality.

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OUR FARMER FRIENDS, SESSION OF THE STATE GRANGE PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY.

Spring Meeting of the State Agricultural and Mechanical Society—resident Humbert's Address—Report of the Secretary and Treasurer—Meeting of the Executive Committee.

(From the Columbia Daily Register, Feb. 7.) The seventeenth annual session of the State Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry was held in this city yesterday at the Agricultural Building.

There was a very good attendance, there being present representatives of fifteen Granges from the Counties of Aiken, Chester, Kershaw, Marion, Florence, Newberry and Oconee.

The session of the State Grange was with closed doors, but the following particulars of the proceedings were learned from the officials of the organization:

The President, Mr. W. K. Thompson of Liberty Hill, presided and delivered an address which is highly spoken of by those who had the pleasure of listening to it. He spoke of the condition of the order in the State as on the whole satisfactory and of the prospect for the future as encouraging.

He made appropriate allusion to the death of the late Worthy Master of the National Grange, Mr. Put Darden of Mississippi, who died in July of last year.

The reports of the Secretary and the Treasurer were presented and the financial condition of the order shown to be excellent. While the past year, for various reasons, such as the prevailing political interest and the formation of Farmers' Alliances, has been a trying one, the order has held its own and in some Counties there has been an increase of membership.

A considerable amount of routine business was transacted, and various matters pertaining to the good of the order received due attention.

The matter of the time and place of the summer meeting was left to the executive committee to decide in conference with the executive committee of the State Agricultural Society.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: Master, W. K. Thompson, Liberty Hill, Kershaw; Overseer, B. B. McWhite, Florence; Lecturer, L. L. Clyburn, Kershaw; Steward, E. M. Atkinson, Chester; Assistant Steward, J. H. Stone, Tugaloo; Chaplain, Rev. J. G. Richards, Liberty Hill.

The term of W. P. Russell of Camden as member of the executive committee expired, he was re-elected to the position.

Two sessions were held, the first beginning at 11 o'clock a. m. and concluding at 2 p. m., the second was from 3 to 7 p. m., when final adjournment was made.

State Agricultural and Mechanical Society. The spring meeting of this society was held in the old Senate chamber at the Agricultural Building last night. Between thirty and forty members being present.

President Humbert presided and Col. Thos. W. Holloway, the Secretary and Treasurer, was at his post, as is always the case. Among others present were noticeable the following: G. Leaphart, Lexington; A. P. Butler of Columbia, B. E. Crayton of Anderson, J. Wash Watts of Laurens; C. S. McCall of Bennettsville; W. G. Hinson of Charleston, E. R. Mover of Palmetto, Darlington County; J. C. F. Sims, L. D. Childs, J. S. Dunn of Columbia; E. L. Roche of Charleston, Thomas O. Sanders of Hagood, R. A. Love of Chester, T. W. Woodward of Fairfield, N. C. Robertson of Winnsboro, Samuel Vance of Laurens and Gov. J. P. Richardson, Col. J. P. Thomas, Charles Logan and others of this city.

As soon as the meeting was called to order President Humbert delivered his annual address, which was as follows: *Greetings of the State Agricultural and Mechanical Society.*

It becomes my pleasant duty to meet you again on this occasion. But three short months have passed since we separated. I see before me many who were present at our last meeting, who are still active in pressing forward the various industries of our State, while some have passed away. The angel of death has made his levy upon our ranks, and in sadness we submit to his unerring wisdom. Hon. B. H. Massey, who has rendered effective service officially, and J. H. Kinard, a faithful superintendent, are no more. Their families face and wise counsel will be greatly missed, and the duties they performed will fall upon others less qualified to fill their places; but we have a rich legacy left us in their high appreciation of character.

Having performed the work assigned them as faithful soldiers, we place them aside in their honored robes, to await the reward of the Master—"Well done." We leave the past, with its sadness and misfortune, and closing our eyes we go forward in the work of advancing the objects of our society. Apparently, the more done, the greater the research and investigation; often we gather truths as diamonds from the great deep, that prove to be but pebbles on the shore, and life is too short to be spent with such failures. The question then arises, how can we accomplish these things, how can we reach the greatest good to the greatest number?

As to the present condition of the agricultural and mechanical interests of the State, with its success or failure, evils and remedies, we must leave for a more convenient time. In referring to our last exposition, while upon the whole it was deemed quite a success, still in some departments there was a want of interest manifested. I allude especially to the field crop department. That department has never been represented as its importance demands and the interest of the State requires. Therefore, I would suggest that increased inducements be offered to better farmers of the States of their fields; and, also, that premiums be offered to the amateur farmers and gardeners. I would make the same recommendation for the household department. As a State, we are sadly deficient in our dairy products. I would suggest that inducements be offered to manufacturers of dairy implements to exhibit their goods that the farmers may be posted as to the success on that line in other sections, for we believe that to be the coming industry of our State, and we shall strive, with your help, to make our next fair better than any preceding one. We cordially invite aid and support from every enterprise, remembering that the prosperity of the State depends upon the success of her varied industries.

At the conclusion of this address, Col. Holloway presented his report as Secretary and Treasurer, referring to the report of the auditing committee for details.

Colonel John P. Thomas for that committee reported that the books and vouchers of the Secretary and Treasurer had been examined and found in every way correct.

The following classification of the receipts and disbursements for the twelve months from February 1, 1888, to February 1, 1889, was presented:

Balance, Feb. 1, 1888.....\$1,272 00  
Life members..... 90 00  
Entrance fees..... 238 00  
Trading privileges..... 499 75  
Lutheran bazar..... 47 00  
Ladies' Baptist Society..... 25 00  
Rent..... 19 20  
Race receipts..... 1,056 00  
Gate receipts..... 1,890 74  
Coupons for admissions..... 3,471 83  
State appropriation..... 2,500 00  
Total.....\$11,109 55

DISBURSEMENTS.....\$1,912 51  
Race purses and expenses track..... 1,454 00  
Insurance..... 217 48  
Music..... 150 00  
Printing..... 321 75  
Expenses..... 198 40  
Drayage..... 182 25  
Incidental expenses..... 85 20  
Expenses of officers..... 308 10  
Clerks..... 196 00  
Other employees..... 517 57  
Secretary and Treasurer..... 600 00  
Premiums..... 4,888 87  
Total.....\$10,981 03

Balance..... 128 52  
Total.....\$11,109 55

This report was accepted and ordered spread on the minutes.

On motion of Col. J. L. F. Sims, J. C. Robertson of Columbia and Richard Singleton of Eastover were elected members of the society.

President Humbert announced in the absence of the chairman of the committee appointed at a previous meeting to investigate the status of the society's title to its property in Columbia, that the original title had to be made to Colonels Palmer, J. P. Thomas and Wm. Wallace as trustees, the arrangement being that they should turn it over to the society when it should become an incorporated body; that a proper deed for the transfer of the property to the society had been drawn up and would be executed at once.

This was received as information and ordered spread on the records.

Some discussion ensued as to the technical right of the society to elect a Vice President in place of B. H. Massey of Fort Mill, deceased, but finally Col. R. A. Love of Chester was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy. Mr. A. H. White of Rock Hill was elected a member of the executive committee to fill the vacancy created by Col. Love's promotion.

The matter of the time and place was referred to the executive committee and a committee of three, consisting of Col. Love, G. J. Patterson and W. G. Hinson, was appointed to draft memorial resolutions in relation to late Vice President Massey. The meeting then adjourned.

A meeting of the executive committee was held immediately after the adjournment of the society, and the premium list for the fair next fall was discussed in detail and at such length that adjournment was finally found necessary to conclude the task at a meeting to be held this morning at 9 o'clock.

A GOSPEL TABERNACLE, In Which Commendable Christian Work is to be Carried On.

(From the Columbia Daily Register, Feb. 8.) Some time since a charter was secured by parties in this city and elsewhere for the establishment here of a Gospel Mission for the carrying on of a Christian work in a field now almost wholly neglected.

Prominent among the moving spirits of the enterprise were the Rev. R. C. Oliver and his estimable wife, Mr. C. D. Stanley, R. M. Anderson and others, some of whom have been identified with the South Carolina Holiness Association.

The Rev. Mr. Oliver and his wife, who are really at the head of the movement, have removed to this city, which they intend to make their future place of residence, it is understood, and it is further stated that the chartered company or its representatives now have deposited their credit some \$45,000 in a Columbia bank, and that the proposed work is to be at once inaugurated.

The fine lot on the Southeast corner of Assembly and Taylor streets has been purchased for a site for the buildings to be erected, and a contract, has been awarded to Mr. J. G. Feaster, the contractor, for the erection of a six-room cottage on the Eastern end of the lot referred to.

This cottage is to be built of wood, and work upon it will be commenced at once. When completed it will be used as a residence for the superintendent of the mission.

Upon the front end of the lot, facing on Assembly street, with a side entrance on Taylor street, will be erected a brick building, 40 by 82 feet and three stories high.

This building is to be known as the Gospel Tabernacle, and a space forty by sixty feet of the front portion of the ground floor will be used as a reception room and a hall for the holding of religious services.

An arrangement of a movable curtain or of folding doors will be put in to enable the size of the hall to be regulated to the proportions of the meeting held. At the rear of the building a basement will be put in, and this room will be utilized as a press room for the printing office, which will be a part of the equipment of the Mission.

From this printing office, the composing room for which will be located on an upper story, probably, a weekly religious paper will be issued, and large quantities of religious tracts will be printed.

The paper, the name of which has not yet been fully determined on, will discuss all religious themes from a non-denominational standpoint, and will advocate a broad platform.

On the second story will be located a suite of rooms for the use of a printer's home for the residence of the employees in the printing office, and the third story will be utilized as may be found most desirable.

The object of the mission will be the carrying on of evangelical work among the classes that do not attend any church and who are not visited by any clergyman in any way now approached, with a view of improving their moral welfare and awakening in them a desire to lead a better life.

No class and no individual will be excluded, but among the poor and needy, the abandoned and depraved, the work will go on, and in the work the aid of volunteers will be asked from among the Christians of every denomination in the city.

Bible readings will be held at the Tabernacle, as well as prayer meetings and preaching services. Those enlisting in the work will be expected to visit and all who may be likely to be benefited by the stretching forth of a hand to save and the carrying to them the promises held out to repentant sinners in the Word.

It is not proposed to make the institution a home for those "plucked like brands from the burning," but such will be secured homes elsewhere where they will have an opportunity to begin a new life, and all possible encouragement will be given to any and all into whom can be instilled a desire for reformation or the leading of a more religious life.

The institution will depend for its support on an endowment, an encouraging nucleus for which has already been secured, and upon voluntary contributions from any one who may see fit to aid so noble a work as that to which it is dedicated.

Certainly the proposed institution is one deserving of success and of all the aid and co-operation which can be given it, and it cannot be doubted that Columbia's citizens will not be behindhand in doing what they can to advance its usefulness.

THE CAUSE OF DIPHTHERIA. It is Believed That Cause Can be Prevented by Means of Vaccine Virus.

PARIS, Feb. 5.—The *Figaro* says that two professors connected with the Pasteur Institute have succeeded in identifying the generative microbe of diphtheria. The discovery of a preventive of this disease by means of vaccine virus is expected to follow.

Gov. Thompson's Appointment. It is said that the President desires to appoint Assistant Secretary Thompson of South Carolina to the vacancy existing in the Civil Service Commission, and his nomination was to have been sent to the Senate last week; but several Republican Senators were consulted on the subject, and stated that while they had no personal objection to Mr. Thompson, they were inclined to believe that the committee on civil service would refrain from reporting the nomination. Under the circumstances the President is unwilling to subject Mr. Thompson to the possibility of rejection in that way.

West Virginia Dead-lick. CHARLESTON, W. Va., Feb. 8.—The ballot was taken today in joint assembly for United States Senator and returned as follows: Goff 39, Kenna 38, Carr, 2, scattering 4; necessary to a choice 42.

Earthquake on the Pacific Coast. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 7.—A slight earthquake shock was felt here at 9:20 last night from Los Angeles and San Bernardino. At Colton, Cal., two distinct shocks were felt. No damage done.