

BRICKS WITHOUT STRAW.

SERMON PREACHED BY THE REV. T. DEWITT PALMASE.

Although the Popular Divine Has Preached Twenty-four Years in Brooklyn, His Audiences Were Never Larger—'The Harvest of Egypt' His Text.

Brooklyn, Nov. 10.—The Tabernacle was thronged to-day for the morning. The vast edifice filled to its utmost capacity with eager listeners...

What is all this excitement about in the streets of Brooklyn, this December morning in 1891? Stand back! We hear loud voices and see the crowds of people retreating to the sides of the street...

That would be the revival in this land of old Egyptian tyranny for which God has never had anything but red hot thunderbolts. But through such wise processes Israel was enslaved in Egypt...

Now, my hearer, in this course of sermons I am only serving you as footman, and I am learning the way for your coming to the wonders of Egyptology, a subject that I would have you study far beyond anything that can be said in the brevity of pulpit utterance...

On other Sabbaths I left you studying what they must have been in their glory; the Hypostyle hall of Karnak, the architectural miracles at Luxor, the Colonnade of Horemph...

Now we arise and arise on and along the Nile a box workman roughly smite a subordinate who did not please him. It is no rare occurrence to see long lines of men under heavy burdens passing by taskmasters at short distances, lashing them as they go by into greater speed...

Now you see how the Pharaohs could afford to build such costly works. It cost them nothing for wages—nothing but the tears and blood of the toilers, and blood is a cheap price for devils.

That governmental outrage has always been a characteristic of Egyptian rulers. Taxation to the point of starvation was the Egyptian rule in the Bible times as well as in our own time. A nation that gives the laborer concerning the cultivation of servitude concerning the value of the field of the field is as follows:

Clear produce..... 808 1/2 Taxes..... 493 Amount cleared by the farmer 315 1/2 On no charity declared, servant's part of what the Egyptian farmer makes is paid for taxes to the government. Now that is not so much taxation as assassination.

AND THEN BOTH, ONE OF WHICH WILL PUT A MAN IN WRETCHES, CAME IN CLUSTERS FROM THE TOP OF THE HEAVS TO THE SOLE OF THE FOOT.

You say, "Did they stand still because of this?" To stand still? You are some back in the world's traffic there was a famine in Egypt, and old Jacob and his sons came to Egypt for bread. The oldest son, Joseph, was prime minister, and Joseph—I suppose the father and the brothers called him Joe. It does not make any difference how a man is addressed in worldly success...

Now is Israel's change. The Israelites, however, were untouched. But these homes were full of preparation, for now is your chance. O ye wretched Hebrews! Snatch up these pieces of food you can get, and eat them. It is better than the bondage you have suffered. Its scorpions will not sting so sharply as the wrongs that have stung you all your lives. Away! The man who was crucified in the basket of straw...

Then began slavery in Egypt. The government owned all the Hebrews, and let modern lunatics who, in America, propose handing over telegraph companies and railroads and other things to be run by government, see the folly of it. I would rather trust the people than any government the United States ever had or will have. We worth the day when legislator and congress and administration get possession of anything more than it is necessary for them to have.

That would be the revival in this land of old Egyptian tyranny for which God has never had anything but red hot thunderbolts. But through such wise processes Israel was enslaved in Egypt, and the long line of agonies began all over the Nile. Heavier and sharper fell the lash, hunger and chastisement were the work of an hour and longer went up the prayer, until three millions of the enslaved were crying: "Ya, Allah! Ya, Allah!" O God! O God!

On other Sabbaths I left you studying what they must have been in their glory; the Hypostyle hall of Karnak, the architectural miracles at Luxor, the Colonnade of Horemph, the concrete of Greece; the mother of Rome; the mother of our own land. According to that, Egypt is our great-great-grandmother.

Now we arise and arise on and along the Nile a box workman roughly smite a subordinate who did not please him. It is no rare occurrence to see long lines of men under heavy burdens passing by taskmasters at short distances, lashing them as they go by into greater speed, and then there workmen, exhausted and with the blinding heat of the day, lying down upon the ground, suddenly chilled with the night air, crying out in prayer: "Ya, Allah! Ya, Allah!"

Now you see how the Pharaohs could afford to build such costly works. It cost them nothing for wages—nothing but the tears and blood of the toilers, and blood is a cheap price for devils. "Bricks without straw" will not suggest so much as "straw" will not suggest that the bricks "without straw" made with the feet of the men in the thrashing, and this crushed straw, denied to the workmen, they had to pick up here and there a piece of stubble or gather rushes from the water-side. This story of the Bible is confirmed by the fact that many of the brick walls of Egypt have on the lower layers brick made of mud, but the higher layers are made of mud mixed with straw or rushes from the river bank, the truth of the Book of Exodus thus written in the brick walls discovered by the modern explorers.

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LAST WEEK'S ELECTIONS.

A DRAWN BATTLE BETWEEN THE TWO GREAT PARTIES.

New York Gives a Handsome Democratic Majority, but Ohio Goes Republican. The Result in Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Other States.

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A MUSS IN BARNWELL.

ALLEGED ATTEMPT TO DEFRAUD THE STATE.

Reward Claimed for the Arrest of a Merchant, who Voluntarily Surrendered to the Sheriff, and Wants the Money to Pay a Lawyer to Defend Him.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Nov. 4.—It will be remembered that during the early part of last summer E. C. Burpee, town marshal of the town of Midway, Barnwell County, was shot and killed by one Wm. L. McFall, a full account of which was published in The Register at the time it occurred. McFall "skipped," so to speak, and was not heard from until the time of the killing until last Sunday when his appearance at Barnwell Court House gave no little surprise. Besides this there is considerable evidence of opinion as to the cause of his appearance, it being claimed by some that he was captured, and by others that he voluntarily surrendered himself. These differences of opinion assumed definite shape yesterday morning when officer H. H. Hill called upon Governor Tillman and claimed the reward offered for McFall's capture. "You are very truly,"

Previous to Mr. Hill's arrival, however, Governor Tillman had received communications from Robert Aldrich, Esq., one of McFall's counsel, and Mr. H. C. Folk, acquainting him with the fact that McFall had "surrendered" voluntarily, and also stating that there was some collusion between Hill and McFall to the end that the reward money would be used for the purpose of defense. The first of these communications is from Robert Aldrich, Esq., of date November 2, and is as follows: "I beg to remain very respectfully yours, ROBT. ALDRICH."

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QUEER LEGAL TANGLE THAT IS TAKING THE NEW YORK BARGE OFFICIALS.

New York, Nov. 5.—General O'Brien is in a quandary. As Acting Superintendent of Immigration at the Barge office in the absence of Colonel Weger, who has gone home to Buffalo to vote, the General is required to pass upon a case presenting some very peculiar and unprecedented features.

A family by the name of Muller arrived Saturday from Mecklenburg, on the steamer Fuerst Bismarck. The family consisted of a mother, a daughter, a son and a son-in-law. All had tickets for Elgin, Ill. The daughter, Marguerite Muller, was detained at the Barge office because of her condition. According to the custom which obtains at the port of entry in such cases, some one must sign for her bonds must be given for her support. It appears that the knowledge of this requirement came to the family on shipboard, and the brother, John Muller, agreed to marry his sister.

After the brother-in-law had gone West yesterday, and in the temporary absence of Mrs. Muller, John and Marguerite were married by Pastor Keyl, of the Lutheran Mission in State street, in the presence of General O'Brien. Upon the mother's return the discovery of the fraud was made, and both brother and sister were detained at the Barge office for further action. General O'Brien said this morning that he had been grossly imposed upon and that he would have the deceiving couple on board ship in less than twenty-four hours, and would see that they were sent back to Europe.

"It was a deliberate fraud," he said, "perpetrated for the sake of getting the girl out of the Barge office. I did not know that she was not compelled to marry the girl and had Pastor Keyl tell him the same thing. They insisted, however, upon the marriage ceremony being performed and went through with all apparent reverence. The discovery of the actual relations of the pair was an astounding revelation. I will consult with the United States District Attorney's office to-day and learn what must be done, if anything, to have the marriage annulled."

The office of the United States District Attorney it was said this morning that the case had not been brought formally to their attention, and that until it was no opinion could be passed upon it. Mr. Frederick R. Couder, the well known international lawyer, was asked to give an opinion upon the case. "I think," said Mr. Couder, "that great leniency should be shown to the girl, who was undoubtedly attracted from a worthy motive and under extreme pressure. He saw no other way of getting his sister to her destination and saving her from open disgrace, and to send her back in the steerage at this season of the year might possibly result in her death. As to the law in the case, if the couple, as I understand it, were, at the time of the alleged marriage, within the jurisdiction of the State, the law still under consideration, then no Federal law which covers the case. It seems to me that the best way is to drop the whole business and let the people proceed to their destination. I certainly would never take part in the prosecution of such a case."

Chicagoans Preparing for War. LONDON, Nov. 4.—The latest advices from Valparaiso state that there is no diminution of the popular animosity against Americans, and that no real effort is being made to bring Chileans to justice for the killing of the American sailors. While the American negotiators are pending, the Junta has ordered the Chilean war vessels to be ready for service, and the forts defending Valparaiso harbor are being strengthened. These steps are being taken very quietly, as if with a view to avoid attracting attention. The Baltimore maintains great vigilance, and Capt. Schley is evidently on the lookout for a treacherous attack. The opinion is expressed that, should the situation not culminate before the 15th instant, the new president, probably George Montt, may bring matters to a settlement. Montt is believed to be the best disposed to Americans of any of the revolutionary leaders. The correspondent of the London Times at Valparaiso is said to be a writer who has been noted in the past for his hostility to the United States. The Times articles continue to be the subject of unfavorable comment in London, as calculated to stir up bad blood between the United States and England.

Horrible Death. ST. PAUL, Minn., Oct. 31.—Mrs. Lucy Todd Gilbert, mother of Bishop Gilbert, was found yesterday morning lying in a pool of blood in front of the Bishop's residence. It is supposed that she arose in the night, and not being accustomed to the house (she had just arrived from New York), fell out of the window. She was 78, and feeble.

Dear Sir:—I wrote you last night that Wm. L. McFall had voluntarily surrendered to the sheriff, and any claim for the reward offered would be an attempted fraud upon the State and should be disregarded. I was moved to write you as I did without any knowledge of the fact, or even any rumor having reached me of such an attempt being contemplated on the part of one, but simply some certain suspicious circumstances attending the surrender. It has come to my hearing today that one Hill obtained from Sheriff Lancaster a certificate that he had arrested McFall and that he had delivered him up, and that upon the next train Hill left, presumably for Columbia. My suspicions are now confirmed, and I hope my letter reached you in time to frustrate this swindler's attempt to make the reward money his own. I am glad to hear that you know that he has fully intended, all the time, to surrender upon the eve of the court, which begins here next Monday, and only avoided arrest because he feared he would not be able to get bail, and naturally preferred to stay out of jail than in it.

"I know also that Hill could no more have arrested McFall, without his consent, than could an infant have captured an eagle warrior and brought him to prison, and the force of Hill capturing McFall is only surpassed by the audacity of the fraud attempted or may be commuted on, and you the State. If he has succeeded, I am clearly of the opinion, and can furnish the proof, that it is a case of obtaining money under false pretences. As a citizen, this swindling operation upon the State excites my ire, and being perpetrated in a case which has such a national and international recognition, I shall be at your service and at that of the attorney general when required. I beg to remain very respectfully yours, ROBT. ALDRICH."

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