## WORDS TO CONGRESS.

## REV. DR. TALMAGE ON "BEFORE THEY ADJOURN.

He Wants Some Things Done and Some More Undone-A Grand and Hopeful Sermon of Interest to National Legislators.

WASHINGTON, May 10,-Never was a timelier or more appropriate sermon than that preached by Rev. Dr. Talmage this morning. The subject was, "Before They adjoarn," having reference to the early dissolution of congress, and the text selected was Psalms cv, 22, "And teach his senators wis-

Senators in this text stand for lawmakers. Joseph was the lord treasurer of the Ezyptian government, and. among other great things which he did, according to my text, was to teach his senators wisdom, and if any men on earth ought to be endowed with wisdom it is senators, whether they stand in congresses, parliaments or reichstags or assemblies or legislatures. By their decisions nations go up or down. Lawmakers are sometimes so tempted by prejudices, by sectional preferences, by opportunity of personal advancement, and sometimes what is best to do is so doubtful that they ought to be prayed for and encouraged in every possible way, instead of severely criticised and blamed and excoriated, as is much of the time the case. Our public men are so often the target to be shot at, merely because they obtain eminence which other men wanted, but could not reach, that more injustices are hurled at our national legislature than the people of the United States can possibly imagine. The wholesale belying of our

By residence in Washington I have come to find out that many of our public men are persistently misrepresented, and some of the best of them, the purest in their lives and most faith ful in the discharge of their duties. are the worst defamed. Some day want to preach a sermon from the text in II Peter: "They are not afraid to speak evil of dignitaries, whereas angels, which are greater in power and might, bring not railing accusation against them before the Lord. But these, as natural brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the things that they understand not.' So constant and malignant is this work of depreciation and scandalization in regard to our public men that all over the land there are those who suppose that the city of Washington is the center of all corruption, while, what with its parks, and its equestrian statuary, and its wide streets, and its architectural symmetries, and its lovely homes, it is not only the most eautiful city under the sun, but has the highest style of citizenship. I have seen but one intoxicated man in the more than six months of my residence, and I do not think any man can give similar testimony of any cther city on the American continent.

The gavels of our two houses of national legislature will soon fall, and adjournment of two bodies of men as outbreaks which you have noticed only make more conspicuous the dignity, the fraternity, the eloquence, the fidelity, which have characterized those We put a halo around great men of

puclic men is simply damnable.

talented, as upright, and as patriotic as ever graced the capitol will take place. The two or three unfortunate two bodies during all the long months of important and anxious deliberation. form. the past because they were so rare in partiality, no attempt to help one sect their time. Our senate and house of presentatives have nve such men where once they had one. But it will not be until after they are dead that they will get appreciated. The world finds it safer to praise the dead than the living, because the departed, having a heavy pile of marble above them may not rise to become rivals. But before the gavels of adjournment drop and the doors of Capitol hill shut there are one or two things that ought to be done, and let us pray God that they may be accomplished. More forcibly than ever before congress has been implored to acknowledge God in our constitution. The Methodist church, a church that is always doing glorious things, has in its recent Wilmington conference requested our congress to amend the immortal document, which has been the foundation and wall and dome of our United States government, by insert-lng the words, "Trusting in Almighty God." If that amendment is made, it will not only please all the good people of the country, but will please the heavens. It was only an oversight or a mental accident that the fathers who made the constitution did not insert a divinely worshipful sentence. They all, so far as they amounted to any-thing, believed in "God, the Father Almighty, the Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son." The constitution would have been a failure had it not been for the divine interference. The members of the convention could agree on nothing until, in response to Benjamin Franklin's request that the meetings be opened by prayer, the Lord God was called on to interfere and help, and then the way was cleared, and all the states signed the document, a historical fact that all the rat terriers of modern infidelity cannot bark out of existence! I know that there was an exception to the fact that the prominent men of those times were good men. Tom Paine, a libertine and a sot, did not believe in anything good until he was dying, and then he shrieked out for God's mercy. And Ethan Allen, from one of whose descendants I have received within a few days a confirmation of the incident I mentioned in a recent sermon, as saying to his dying daughter that she had better take her mother's Christian religion than his own in fidelity. The article sent me says: "The story has been denied by some of the Allen family, but the Bronson family, some of whom were with the dying girl, affirms that it is substantially true. In such a matter one confirmation is worth more than many denials." So says the article sent me. There is no doabt that Ethan Allen was the vulgarest sort of an infidel, for, sitting in a Presbyterian church, his admirers say he struck the pew in front of him and swore out loud so as to disturb the meeting, and gentleman would do that. I on the north, south, east and west by do not wonder that some of his de the goodness of God. The Huguenots scendants are ashamed of him, but of took possession of the Carolinasin the no course they could not help it and are not to blame. But all the decent men of the Revolution believed in God, and our American congress, now assembled, will only echo the sentiments of the fathers when they enthrone the name of God in the constitution. We have now more reason for inserting that acknowledgment of divinity than our fathers had. Since then the continent has been peopled and great cities from the Atlantic to the Pacific built, and all in peace, showing that there must have been supernal supervisal. Since then the war of 1812, and ours the victory ! Since then the al said : "God forbid that prayer and great financial prostrations, out of praise should be an unusual noise in which we came to greater prosperity the encampment. You had better go than anything that preceded. Since and join them." Prayer at Valley then sanguinary 1862, 1863, 1864 and Forge. Prayer at Monmouth. Pray-

which they write home to their con-

heavens. As a matter of gratitude to Almighty God, gentlemen of the American congress, be pleased to insert the four words suggested by the Methodist con-Not only because of the ference! kindness of God to this nation in the past should such a reverential insertion be made, but because of the fact nothing, and opening before her opthat we are going to want divine in-

terposition still further in our national history. This gold and silver question will never be settled until God settles settles it. This question between the south, which are achieving for her east and west, which is getting hotter fabulous and unimagined wealth. and hotter and looks toward a republic of the Pacific, will not be settled until God settles it. We needed God n the 120 years of our past national ife, and we will need him still more in the next 120 years. Lift up your reads, ye everlasting gates of our gloious constitution, and let the King of Hory come in! Make one line of that immortal document radiant with omnipotence! Spell at least one word with thrones! At the beginning, or at the close, or in the center, recognize him from whom as a nation we have received all the blessings of the past, and upon whom we are depenput dent for the future. Print that word "God" or "Lord" or "Eternal Father" or "Ruler of Nations" somewhere between the first word and the last. The great expounder of constitution sleeps at Marshfield, Mass., the Atlantic ocean still humming near his pillow of

dust its prolonged lullaby. But is there not some one now living who, in the white marble palace of the nation on vonder hill not ten minutes away, will become the irradiator of the constitution by causing to be added the most tremendous word of our English vocabulary, the name of that being before whom all nations must bow or go into defeat and annihilation-'God?

Again, before the approaching ad ournment of our American congress, it ought to be decidedly and forever settled that no appropriations be made to sectarian schools, and that the courtship between church and state in this country be forever broken up. That question already seems temporarily settled. I wish it might be complete ly and forever settled. All schools and all institutions as well as all denominations should stand on the same level before American law. Emperor Alexander of Russia, at his Paterhof palace, asked me how many denominations of religion there were in America, and I recited their names as well as I could. Then he asked me the difference between them, and there I proke down. But when I told him that no religious denomination in

America had any privileges above the others he could hardly understand it. The Greek church first in Russia; the Lutheran church first in Germany; the Episcopal church first in England: the Catholic church first in Rome; Mohammedanism first in Constantinople. The emperor wondered how it was possible that all the denominations in America could stand on the same plat-But so it is, and so let it ever Let there be no preference, no

an inch higher than another. Wash-ington and Jefferson, and all the early the people of England, Ireland, Scotland, Italy, Norway, Sweden and presidents, and all the great statesmen Germany, working themselves to of the past, have lifted their voice death on small wages on the other against any such tendency. If a school side the sea, from coming to this land, or an institution cannot stand without where there are the largest compensa-tions under the sun. Why did God the prop of national appropriation, then let that school or that institution spread out the prairies of the Dakotas go down. On the other side of and roll the precious ore into Colora-do? It was that all the earth might the sea the world has had plen-ty of illustration of church and state come and plow and come and dig. united. Let us have none of the hypo-Just as long as the centrifugal force crisy and demoralization Lorn of that of foreign despotism throw them off relation on this side of the Atlantic. just so long will the centripetal force of Let that denomination come out ahead that does the most for the cause of And that is what is going to make this God and humanity, men, institutions the mightiest nation on the earth. Inand religions getting what they achieve termarriage of nationalities! Not cirby their own right arm of usefulness and not by the favoritism of governintermarrying nation. But it is going to be Italian and Norwegian, Russian ment. As you regard the welfare and perpetuity of our institutions keep and Celt, Scotch and French, English politics out of religion. and American. The American of 100 But now that I am speaking of na years from now is to be different from tional offairs from a religious standthe American of today. German brain, point I bethink myself of the fact that Irish wit, French civility, Scotch firmtwo other gavels will soon lift and ness, English loyalty, Italian aesthetics fall, the one at St. Louis and the other packed into one man, and he an Ameriat Chicago, and before those national can! It is this intermarriage of nationconventions adjourn I ask that they alities that in going to make the Ameracknowledge God in the platforms. ican nation the greatest nation of the The men who construct those platform ages. But what are we doing for the are here this morning or will read moral and intellectual culture of the these words. Let no political party 500,000 foreigners who came in one think it can do its duty unless it acknowledges that God who built this another year, and the 800.000 who continent and revealed it at the right time to the discoverer and who i as came in another year, and the 1,000,-000 who are coming into our various reared here a prosperity which has American ports? What are we doing been given to no other people. "Oh,' Well, we are doing a great says some one, "there are people in for them? deal for them. We steal their baggage this country who do not believe in a God, and it would be an insult to as soon as they get here. We send them up to a boarding house where them." Well there are people in this the least they lose is their money. country who do not believe in com-We swindle them within ten minutes after they get ashore. We are doing mon decency, or common honesty, or any kind of government, preferring a great deal for them. But what are anarchy. Your very platform is an in-sult to them. You ought not to re-gard a man who does not believe in we doing to introduce them into the duties of good citizenship? Many of them never saw a ballot box; many of God any more than you should regard a man who refuses to believe in common decency. Your pocket-book is not safe a moment them never heard of the constitution of the United States; many of them have no acquaintance with our laws. Now, I say, let the government of in the presence of an atheist. the United States so commanded by God is the only source of good govone political party or both political ernment. Why, not, then, say so parties, give to every immigrant who and let the chairman of the committee on resolutions in your national conlands here a volume, in good type and ventions take a penful of ink and with bold hand head the document well bound for long usage-a volume containing the Declaration of Independence, the constitution of the Uniwith one significant "whereas," ackted States and a chapter on the spirit knowledging the goodness of God in of our government. Let there be such the past and begging his kindness and a book on the shelf of every free libraprotection for the future. Why, my ry in America. While the American friends; this country belongs to God; Bible society puts into the right hand and we ought in every possible way to of every immigrant a copy of the Holy acknowledge it. From the moment that, on an October morning in 1492. Scriptuers,, let the government of the United States, commanded by some political party, put into the left hand Columbus looked over the side of the ship and saw the carved staff which of every immigrant a volume instructmade him think he was near an inhab ing him in the duties of good citizenited country and saw also a thorn and ship. There are thousands of foreigna cluster of berries (type of our hisers in this land who need to learn that tory ever since, the piercing sorrows the ballot box is not a foot stool, but a and cluster of national joys) until this throne-not something to put your hour our country has been bounded foot on, but something to bow before. But whether members of the national legislature or delegates to one of name of God. William Penn settled the national conventions or private Philadelphia in the name of God. citizens, let us cultivate Christian pa-The Hollanders took possession of triotism. Oh, how good God has been New York in the name of God. The to us as a nation! Just open the map pilgrim fathers settled New England of the continent and see how it is shaped for immeasurable prosperities in the name of God. Preceding the first gun of Bunker Hill, at the voice Navigable rivers more in number and greater than of any other land, rollof prayer all heads uncovered. In the war of 1812 an officer came ing all sides into the sea, prophesying to General Andrew Jackson and said, large manufactories and easy com-'There is an unusual noise in the merce. Look at the great ranges of camp; it ought to be stopped " Gen-eral Jackson said, "What is the noise?" The officer said, "It is the voice of prayer and praise." Then the genermountains, timbered with wealth on on the top and sides and metaled with wealth underneath. One hundred and eighty thousand square miles of coal One hundred and eighty thousand square miles of iron. The iron to pry smelt the iron. The land is contoured 1865, and notwithstanding the fact | er at Atlanta. Prayer at Scuth Mounthat all the foreign despotisms were tain. Prayer at Gettysburg. "Oh," or extreme cold. Climate for the most itors will be protected.

planning for our demolition, we are a | says some infidel, "the northern peo- part bracing and favorable for brawn united people, and tomorrow you will ple prayed on one side and the south- and brain. All fruits. All minerals. find in both houses of congress the ern people prayed on the other side. All harvests. Scenery displaying aumen who fought for the north and the and so it did not amount to anything." tumnal pageantry that no land on south, now sitting side by side, armed And I have heard good Christian people earth pretends to rival. No South with no weapon except the pen, with | confounded with the infidel statement | American earthquakes. No Scotch when it is as plain to me as my right mists. No English frogs. No Egypstituents who want to be appointed hand. Yes, the northern people pray- tian plagues. The people of the Uni- ten January 26, 1882. It states the exposition at Chicago is proc-eding postmasters. The man who cannot ed in one way and the southern peo- ted States are happier than an people silver question in plain language, and see God in our American history is as ple prayed in another way, and God on earth. It is the testimony of every tells the whole story in a few words. blind of soul as he would be blind of answered in his own way, giving to man that has traveled abroad. For This letter was written before the first body if he could not at 12 o'clock of the north the re-establishment of the the poor more sympathy. For the election of Mr. Cleveland, when all an unclouded noon see the sun in the government and giving to the south industrious more opportunity. Oh, Democrats were supposed to be unani- B. E. Fernow, chief of division of forlarger opportunities, larger than she how good God was to our fathers, and had ever anticipated, the harnessing how good God has been to us and our crime of 1873:

of her rivers in great manufacturing children. To him-blessed be his glointerests, until the Mobile and the rious name. To him of cross and tri-Tallapoosa and the Chattahoochee are umph be consecrated the United States Mr H D. Barrows, Los Angeles, Cal. southern Merrimacs, and the unroll- of America.

There are three great reasons why ing of great southern mines of coal and iron, of which the world knew you and I should do our best for this this evening. Allow me to thank you country-three great reasons: Our for it. The subject is one of the gravportunities of wealth which will give father's graves, cur children's birth | est that now occupies the attention of at least 10,000 square feet. A great | control of the party machinery. From 99 per cent more of affluence than she right. When I say your fathers' Congress and the thinking men feature will be made of cotton, cotton ever possessed, and instead of the graves, your pulses run quickly. throughout the United States. black hands of American slaves there | Whether they sleep in city cemetery | reason that silver bullion has been dewill never be settled until God settles are the more industrious black hands or country graveyard, their dust is preciated since 1873 in this country is feet. It will comprise the earliest and trade will never be settled until God of the coal and iron mines of the very precious to you. I think they that Congress in February, 1873, struck most improved machinery and every lived well and that they died right.

And there are domes of white blossoms where spread th- white tents, And there are plows in the track where the war wagons went. And there are songs where they lifted up

roughly, but it was a very good cradle Rachel's lament. to be rocked in. Oh, how much we Oh, you are a stupid man if you do owe to it. Our boyhood and girlhood. not understand how God answered it was spent in in this blessed country. Abraham Lincoln's prayer in the I never have any patience with a man White House and Stonewall Jackson's who talks against this country. Gloprayer in the saddle, and answered all rious place to be born in, and a glorithe cathedrals on both sides of Mason ous place to live in. It has been our and Dickson's line. God's country all cradle. Aye! It is to be our children's regulation and coinage we were prosbirthright. You and I will soon be perous in 1873. When silver was dethe way past, God's country new. Put his name in your pronunciamentos; put his name on your ensigns, more spring blossoms, and we will equivalent to gold at the ratio stated, his name on your city and state perhaps see a few more summer har- silver in the markets of the world was and national enterprises; put his name in your hearts. We cannot sleep well the last sleep until we are assured that the God of our American institutions lren as it was handed to us-a free in the past will be the God of our land, a happy land, a Christian land. American institutions in the days that They are not to be trampled by despotare to come. Oh, when all the rivers ism. They are not to be lacerated by that empty into Atlantic and Pacific cruelties. They are not to be frightseas shall pull on factory bands when all the great mines of gold and this government to them over the balsilver and iron and coal shall be laid ot box, over the school desk, over the equivalent to 25 8 10 grains of gold, bare for the nation; when the last swamp shall be reclaimed, and the last jungle cleared, and the last American desert Edenized, and from sea to sea hat would destroy it

the continent shall be occupied by more than 1,200,000,000 souls, may it be found that moral and religious ininto thy protection this nation. Remember our father's bleeding feet at fluences were multiplied in more rapid ratio than the population. And then there shall be four doxologies coming from north and south and east and west, four doxologies rolling toward each other and meeting midcon tinent with such dash of holy joy that they shall mount th throne.

Ard heaven's high arch resound again With peace on earth, good will to men.

I take a step farther and say that before the gavels of cur senate and house of representatives and our political conventions pound adjournment there ought to be passed a law or adopted a plank of intelligent helpfulness blood and tears of three wars-1776. for the great foreign populations which 1812, 1862-and more than all, rememare coming among us. It is too late now to discuss whether we had better all other groans, and the thirst that let them come. They are here. They are coming this moment through the stung worse than all other thirsts, and the death that was ghastlier than all Narrows. They are this moment takother deaths, the mount on which ing the first full inhalation of the free air of America. And they will confree. For the sake of all this human

tinue to come as long as this country is the best place to live in. You might as well pass a law prohibiting summer bees from alighting on a field of blossoming buckwheat, you might as well prohibit the stags of

the mountain from coming down to the deerlick, as to prohibit the hunger bittten nations of Europe from coming

to this land of bread, as to prohibit days are yet to come. STEPHENS ON SILVER.

The Great Commoner Was in Favor of its The South Will Fill the Largest Bul and How the Goldbugs Expect to Control the Free Coinage.

We print below a characteristic letter from Alexander H Stephens, writmous in their condemnation of the estry. United States agricultural de-

partment. National Hotel. Washington, D. C., Jan. 26, 1882. David T. Day, United States geological survey.

My dear Sir:-Your letter of the 14th instant with inclosed slips was received Dodge of the United States agricultural department.

Each of the foregoing will occupy The products and processes of manufacture, which will require about 20,000 square silver from the lists of money in the variety of cotton fabric. It is expect Never submit to have any government United States. The moment that this ed that this department will be under over their tombs other than that gov- act of Congress was passed gold was the direction of a widely known exernment under which they lived and made the only standard of values in pert and prominent inventor of cotton died. And then this country is our this country. That was a great error machinery.

The tobacco section will be planned cradle. It may have rocked us very and was attended with infinite mischief in the United States. In 1792 Mr. Hamilton and the patridirector of the United States experiotic statesmen of that day recognized ment station, Raleigh, N. C., and in our coinage the bimetallic system of Prof. C. F. Vanderford, secretary of money; that is, he and they recognized the United States experiment station. silver as money as well as gold at the Knoxville, Tenn., both of whom are ratio of about sixteen parts of silver as eminent authorities on tobacco cul equivalent to one of gold. Under this ture.

Prof. W. C. Stubbs, director. United States sugar experiment station, New through. We will perhaps see a few prived of its debt-paying power as an Orleans, has been requested to supervise the sugar exhibit. With these gentlemen will be assovests, and we will perhaps gather a at a premium over gold. It is useless ciated Prof. J. A. Holmes, State geol-

few more autumnal fruits, but we are to go into reasons why this change ogist of North Carolina, who has the to hand this government to our chil- was adopted in our system or by what best existing southern collection of unseen hands it was effected. The true | minerals and forest productions; Prof. policy of this country is to return to Yates, State geologist of Georgia; Messrs. Roche, Nesbitt, Lane and the system of our fathers. If the government should now, as it ought to, re-Stone, commissioners of agriculture of trace its steps and provide for the free South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama ened by anarchies. We must hand | coinage of silver as it does of gold and | and Mississippi. A conference of these and other make 4121 grains of standard silver gentlemen will be held in Washington

probably Saturday or Monday, when church altar, as we have received it, then silver would immediately return and charge them solemnly to put their to its original dignity in the markets preliminary plans for arrangement and division of space will be submitife between it and any keen stroke of the world in purchasing and debt-This is the real functed and final plans adopted by them. And thou, Lord God Almighty, we tion of money and in this country this These plans are now being drawn by Architect C. A. Maxwell of Augusta. put, with a thousand armed prayer, equality in this function at the ratio They provide for 12 States. and allow stated should be maintained. The debts and bonds of the United 10,000 square feet for each, and an

paying power.

the hunger, and the long march, and it was a great wrong to the taxpayers space now entered aggregate about the fever hospital; remember the fear- on whom rests the payment of the pub- 115,000 square feet. C. D. Parker, who had a prominent al charge at Bunker Hill; remember lic debts to strike silver from the list of lexington and Yorktown and King's money as was done in 1873. It was part in the installation of the govern-Mountain and Gettysburg; remember | that blow which changed the value of ment displays at Atlanta, will proba-Perry's battle on the lake, and Hamp- the property of the United States. bly be appointed chief of installation

ton Roads, where the Cumberland | More than half of the money of the for the south. Louisiana and Texas are waking up. went down: remember Washington's | world at that time consisted of silver. prayer by the campfire; remember The whole amount in the world in In response to urgent letters, ex Sena-Plymouth Rock, and the landing amid | 1873 was estimated at \$3,000,000,000, of tor Walsh will probably visit those the savages; remember Independence these \$4,500,000,000 were silver and States next week to assist in organizhall, and how much it cost our fathers \$3,500,000,000 were gold in round numing them. It is now certain that they to sign their names; remember all the bers. The ruinous consequences which will not be left out, despite the incaattended this bad act of administration pacity and inaction of their nominal were seen in the failures of mercantile committeemen who have done nothing ber the groan that was mightier than houses and business men amounting to to forward the work. Efficient work more than half the public debt of the is in progress in Kentucky and West United States within the last nine Virginia and Chicago can rely upon years. Now, I am for the free coinage it that the south will fill the biggest of silver bullion just as of gold. Gold building that can be secured. Jesus died to make all men happy and | and silver should be put upon a perfect

Killing at Clemson.

equality as of yore in the ratio of 16 to CLEMSON COLLEGE, May 13.-P. N. This would not only add to the indsay shot and fatally wounded value of real estate and all sorts of W. D. James, foreman of the farm at property in the United States, but it this place yesterday. The shooting occurred at the stockade, where the would greatly encourage and stimulate the mining of silver in this counconvicts of whom Lindsey is in charge try. In my view all the gold and silfuture. The Eternal God is on the ver that can be produced, to our mints are domociled. The shooting occurred at about 2 o'clock. There has side of this nation. Our brightest should be alike. The coin should be kept in the vaults of the treasury and been bad feeling between the two men those, selected by the free silver wing He hath sounded forth the trumpet that will certificates given in all cases where for some time, occasioned, it is said, by of the party." a difference of opinion in regard to the

A HIGH HANDED SCHEME.

Convention.

AUGUSTA. May 13 -- The organiza-The Chicago Record, which is a tion of exhibits for the Southern States gold-standard, independent paper with Republican leanings, prints the follow ing portentous editorial: The leaders of the silver forces in rapidly. The following general ex-

hibits have been decided upon, to show the products of the entire south Illinois will not be playing very good Forest Products-In charge of Prof. politics if they give their opponents a plausible pretext for taking a contesting delegation to the national convenion, for it is by means of contesting Mineral Products-In charge of Dr. delegations that the gole standard men eel assured of their ability to control he convention.

Fibers-Probably in charge of C R. "Two opposing delegations already have been selected in Nebraska. contesting delegation is looked for from Texas, where the silver men have

present indications the gold standard men are likely to take an opposing delegation to the national convention from Illinois. According to custom in case the delegates from these three States, number 94 will have nothing to say about the temporary organization or about their own right to seats

in the convention. With contests from these three States the gold standard men are to control the convention under the advice of Dr. H. P. Battle, at the start, with the result that they can decide contests to suit themselves, thus securing control of the permanent organization.

There is little doubt that anti silver delegations will be sent from Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island. Vermont, West Virginia, and Wiscon-The sin, with a total of 338 voies.

gold-standard men feel confident also of securing the delegations from Ohio and Kentucky, which will make 410 votes. Leaving Illinois, Texas and Nebraska out of consideration the remaining delegates in the convention will number 402, among which are the delegates from Indiana and some other States whom the gold standard men hope to capture. According to these igures, a silver delegation from either Illinois or Texas might give the control to the white metal men. But op posing delegations from both these States, as well as from Nebraska, which would prevent the silver delegations therefrom having any voice in the temporary organization, would

leave the control of the convention in the hands of the gold-standard men, Valley Forge; remember Marion and States provides for payment in gold or equal amount for general exhibits and and enable them to outline the policy Kosciusko: remember the cold, and silver coin at the then standard value; railroad displays. Applications for of the party. "So important is this matter that the fight of the convention is likely to come over the settlement of contests,

and it is not improbable that the bolt, if there is to be a bolt, will come immediately after the question has been passed upon by the convention.

"In Nebraska the factional fight dates back two years, during which time there have been two separate party organizations. In 1894 Mr. Bryan wanted to be elected United States senator. In order to secure for him the support of the Populist members of the legislature the Democratic con vention placed the names of the People's party candidates for State offices on its ticket instead of making separate nominations. Democrats who obected to this arrangement put up a icket which they labeled the straight Democratic ticket. It is this faction which will bring a gold-standard deegation to the Chicago convention. In this connection it is significant that Secretary Sheerin of the national committee, in furnishing The Record with a list of the delegates from Nebraska. gives the names of those composing the gold-standard delegation and not



lighest of all in leavening strength. -Latest United States Government ood Report.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER Co., New York City.

DINED WITH THE GOVERNOR. Mark Twain's Story of the Old Salt Who Knew Gov. Russell.

Mark Twain told a capital story capitally the other day, which he said had never been in print, but which deserves to be if for no other reason than to allow it to fail into the hands of the self-appointed managers of the embryo presidential boom of its hero. It was on the ship coming home from Europe at the entertainment given in aid of poor sailors that Mr. Clemens recalled the tale in response to the encore demanded after he read a selection from his own writings. Naturally he turned to the sea and seafolk for inspiration. This was the story, robbed perforce of all the inimitable features of the telling peculiar to Mark Twain in his happiest mood, when the words drawl their slow length along fairly floating in their humor, which s frequently far more in the style o utterance than in the matter itself.

He had the tale from an old salt he met once en route to Havana. The old salt, who was a Nantucket fisherman and for many years master of a craft of his own, was reminiscing about the queer characters and odd experiences he had encountered first and last in his day. Shortly before the Nantucketer and Mark Twain came across each other the old captain, just

home from a long voyage, together with the mate of his vessel, had gone up to Boston to see the sights. Among them they concluded to take a luncheon at a swell hotel just to see what a swell hotel was like. After many meanderings they fetched up at the Tremont house, now soon to be no more, and got fairly seated at one of the tables in the main dining-room. While they were waiting for their best substitute for plum duff they noticed that a great deal of attention was being paid to a gentleman who had just come in, accompanied by two ladies. They were so impressed by this that the captain asked his waiter who the important personage was, and he learned that he was the governor of Massachusetts. When he named the governor the captain's memory was stirred, and. with his seaman's love of dramatic effects, he turned to his mate and "bet a fiver" that he'd go over and shake hands with the governor. The mate bet a fiver he "dassent." But the captain wasn't daunted: he added that

> hands with him but would ask him to dinner. The mate accepted this wager

men "larn," and got up.

he was ready to bet another fiver that

the governor would not only shake

In telling the story he said he almost

felt ready to lose his wager after he

started, but he didn't want to make a

fool of himself, as he went over to the

governor's table and made his best bow

and said: "How do you do?" The gov-

ernor said: "How do you do?" too, but

went on to say that he wasn't able to

place the face, and so on. The captain

had his pedigree all ready; it consisted

of his own name and the name of his

vessel. The mate, who was looking

on, saw a change come over the face of

the governor, and waiters and all were

much surprised to see the stated digni-

tary leave his chair at a step, grasp the

hand of the queer-looking old codger

and shake it vigorously. The captain

was asked at once to sit down and have

some luncheon, but he said he couldn't,

as he'd left his mate over aft there.

"Well, go get your mate," said his ex-

cellency; "there's room for all of us;

if there isn't we'll have room made;

The upshot of it was that the first

here. waiter-"

TO DO CREDIT TO HERSELF.

that Can be Secured.

never call retreat He is sifting out the hearts of men before the judgment seat.

Be swift, my soul, to answer him, be jubilant my feet! Our God is marching on.

back, let him be accuresd.

ANOTHER RIVER TRAGEDY.

divine sacrifice, O God, protect this 1.

nation. And whosoever would blot it

out, and whosoever would strike i

down, and whosoever would turn his

Go home today in high hopes of the

Eleven Lives Lost-Sunk in Less Than Fiv Minutes.

VICKSBURG, Miss., May 11.-One of the most terrible disasters of recent pay in coin and are often issued in American institutions draw them here. years occurred last night about 25 miles below this city. The tow boat Harry Brown of Pittsburg upward bound from New Orleans, exploded the certificates would in no case repcle, intermarrying circle, and nation her boilers at 11 o'clock. The boat resent anything but dollar for dollar. was a complete wreck and sunk in less than five minutes. Eleven lives are now. I will barely add that the presknown to have been lost, including ent depreciation of silver bullion and Pilot Norman X. Dravo; G. W. Baras-ley, steersman; Wm. Dougherty, chief engineer; Tom Judge and William Wilson, firemen. The bodies of declare, as it ought to, that 4121 grains First Mate William Fitzsimmons, second Mate Geo. Keirn and Wm. Kelley, lamp trimmer, were recovered and its purchasing and debt-paying power, brought to this city by the steamer and instantly silver will be on a par. Wash Honshell, which fortunately if not above par, compared with gold. was in sight of the Brown at the time of the accident. The survivors and the present dollar of 412<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> grains up to also the wounded were brought to this 450 grains, to make it equivalent to the year, and the 600,000 who came in city on the Honshell. Six of the officers sad crew of the Harry Brown are of gold would be a great wrong to the in the marine ward of the Vicksburg laboring masses in the Union whose hospital, as follows:

Captain John E. Keirn, master, seriously injured Wm. Cramme, carpenter, leg broken; John Hardy, badly scalded and otherwise seriously injured, Don Delaney, second engineer, badly scalded and otherwise seriously injured internally, Pilot Dravo, who was lost, was of Pittsburg.

The tow boat Honshell was so near the scene when the explosion occured that her vawls were lowered at once and were promptly manned and saved many lives that would have been lost if it had not been for the pompt service.

Captain Keirn, the master of the Brown, also seriously injured remained on the afterpart of the cabin roof of silver. I will send you a copy of this the Brown, where he had been blown in a few days when it comes from the by the explosion. This portion of the press.

cabin floated off from the hull as it sank. Keirn and Pilot Dravo were in the Brown's pilot house when the explosion occcurred. Captain Keirn states that it would be impossible for any one to tell how many of the crew perished, as the darkness prevented any one seeing anything. He said it seemed to him that the hull went down in less than a minute Captain Keirn says that he has no blame to attach to any one, as the cause of the explosion will never be known, as the chief en gineer, Wm. Dougherty, who was on watch, was lost.

The Harry Brown was built in 1882 and was owned by the big coal firm of Brown & Co. of Pittsburg. The boat was in perfect order, and had just cleaned boilers at New Orleans. Captain Keirn says she was running a her usual speed, under no special pres sure. The boat carried a list of 4S offi cers and crew, all white. She had in tow six barges and two fuel boats

icans.

## Killed by the Indians.

HERMOSILLO, Mex., May 11.-Advices from Ures in the southern part of the State say that John Lenoir and "arch fiend of hell." who had caused Forest Mosse, two young men who left Nogales, Ariz., two months ago, to walk to Guatemela, were killed by

the Yaqui Indians. Both were Amer

Not Enough Silver. WELLINGTON, Kan., May 14 .- The Summer National bank closed its doors out the coal. The coal to forge and this morning. Abe Eranaman is its president. The comptroller was notithat extreme weather hardly ever lasts fied. No statement of liabilities is struck by lightning and burned to the some unknown person. The body was more than three days-extreme heat given out, but it is believed the depos- ground. Two of its occupants perish- discovered by a boy who took his dined in the flames.

These coin certificates are p certificates should be the currency of management and disposition of the the country, it would be the best in convict labor. I can say that I know the world. In this age we do not wish the convicts are well provided for, and they themselves seem to apprecito burden with the weight of either ate the fact. It seems that on Sungold or silver in the ordinary business day last there were some words extransactions extending to distant changed between the two men during places in the county, but we do want a paper currency which is redeemable marked that he (Lindsey) had reportat the will of the holder in coin dollar ed him (James) to the authorities, and for dollar. Bank bills which are so that he would get even with him. common in use are only promises to Lindsey remarked that he had reportamounts of two and sometimes to have any disturbance about the matter. three for one of the coin in the vaults; but under the plan advocated by me After a few more words they parted. Yesterday at about 2 o'clock James I haven't time to say more to you of the silver standard dollar arises solethe only eve-witness (a convict.) Lindly from the degrada ion of silver by act of Congress in 1873. Let Congress may a chair in his office when the congress of the set of when the quarrel first commenced and of standard silver is and shall be on him from the door. It was just as James entered that the shooting be equivalent to 25 8 10 grains of gold in iff Douthit of this county, who hap-To increase the quality of silver in pened to be on a visit to the college. James wounds are fatal. He is now suffering from peritonits and the end present current value of 25 S 10 grains is near. Both are men of families and the affair has been a source of deep retaxes have to neet the public debt; the gret to the authorities and the inhabitants in general. James died at 7:13 holders of the public debt at the time this evening.-State. they received the bonds received them Daring Bank Robbery,

under the express stipulation that they were to be paid in United States coin, SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 14 .- The gold or silver, at its then standard most daring bank robbery which has value, and all that is wanting to make ever occurred in this part of Illinois gold and silver equal, to make 4121 was perpetrated at noon today at Bufgrains of silver equal in the markets of falo, thirteen miles East of this city. the world to 25 S 10 gold, is for Conthe cashier being bound and gagged gress to put silver back on the list of gress to put silver back on the list of moneys of the United States as it was in 1572. Laze lataly made report to in 1873. I have lately made a report to A. Pickerell & Co. This noon, two the House of Representatives upon our masked men entered the bank, just as coinage, in which I urge not only the restoration of silver to its debt paying power, but also the adoption of metric coinage applicable alike to gold and Yours truly,

ALEX. H. STEPHENS,

A Drop too Much. building today. They were Gus Pur-dy and Val Johley. Both men were working at the bottom of an elevator shaft. Other workmen engaged at the country has been scoured by mounted men without success. Wreck Near Savannah.

ped a steel jack weighing 40 pounds and an iron bolt weighing five pounds. SAVANNAH, May 11 .- The north The jack struck Purdy on the head, oound New York and Florida Limited fracturing his skull, and the bolt frac-Express on the Florida Central Penintured Johley's skull. Both men exsula Railroad was thrown from the pired shortly after being removed to track at Anderson, a small station ten the hospital. miles south of here today, by a mis-

Tillman in Florida.

GAINSVILLE, Fla., May 11.-Senator Tillman addressed an audience of about six hundred people in the court house here today on the financial questhem fatally. tion. He spcke for about two hours and some parts of his speech were re

ceived with vociferous applause. His remarks were along the same line as those made in the West and elsewhere. He denounced Cleveland and Carlisle to 108, to place themselves on an equaliand referred to John Sherman as the

more suffering than any man on earth. Killed by Lightning.

NORFOLK, May 14.-This morning between 3 and 4 o'clock, during the so far as that. terrific electrical storm which raged in

AIKEN. May 8.-Thirteen miles this vicinity, a large frame house sitnorth of here today, J. R. Quattlebaum uated on the farm of T. J. Cramer. about a mile and a half this side of a farmer, was shot from ambush while Ocean View, on the county road, was plowing. He was shot in the back by ner to him.

How to Extinguish Fire. too, and the captain "gave a hitch to his trousers," which is a trick all sea-

An intelligent physician said to me a few days ago, "I think I can give you a good item," and I replied that I was always on the lookout for useful information. He then said that he had studied the subject very carefully, the course of which James re- and was convinced that it would be well for every house to keep its own fire extinguisner, and it could be easily done. It would certainly be invaluable to persons living in the country ed him and that he did not wish to and far removed even from neighbors. The doctor then told me that he would give me the exact recipe of the solution now used in the fire extinguishers went to the stockade and during alter- now being offered for sale: Take cation brought on by his using some twenty pounds of common salt and abusive language, was shot three ten pounds of sal animoniac, (muriate times; once in the abdomen and twice of animonia, to be had of any drug of ammonia, to be had of any drug in the head. This is the testimony of gist) and dissolve in seven gallons of water. When dissolved it can be bottled and kept in each room in the house, to be used in an emergency. arose to meet James, who advanced up | Ia case of a fire occurring, one or two bottles should be immediately thrown with force into the burning place so gan. Lindsey immediately after the as to break them and the fire will cer-shooting surrendered himself to Sher- tainly be extinguished. This is an exceedingly simple process, and cer tainly worth a trial. We give it, hoping it may prove successful to any

lady in the Bay state and her sister and his excellency, the governor, and the captain and his mate ate together who may take the trouble to try it. in peace and harmony and a flood of old-time memories, and the mate\_lost Cut His Head Off. his two fivers. The governor was Wil-EDGEFIELD, May 13 - A few days ago liam E. Russell, Massachusetts' "boy" a white man named Gary Dorn and a governor, who filled the executive

negro got into an alternation near chair with his democratic presence so Donisville in this county. They well that he filled it for three years in fought with axes, and Dorn broke the that proverbially republican state.-N. negro's arm with the first blow, cut Y. Commercial Advertiser. him on the arm, then knocked Bonors Were Easy. him in the head; and after he was down chopped of his head. Trial jus-Some say the Scotch people have no tic Abe Gilchrist acted as co.oner and appreciation for humor. This is harddecided that it was justifiable homiv true-at least there are exceptions. cide, and turned the prisoner loose.-Many years ago Lord Harry Brougham and Rev. Dr. Thomas Chalmers, two

State. Expelled from Cuba.

Carl Kloppenburg, the cashier, was HAVANA, May 7 .- James Creelman. locking up the safe preparatory to 10locking up the safe preparatory to 10-ing to his dinner. K oppenburg was here, and Frederick W. Lawrence, the only person in the bank at the correspondent of the Journal of New York, have been expelled from the behind, bound and gagged him and island on the ground that they have then took all the money in the bank, amounting to \$11,000. Wm. P. Daw the government and the army and the government and the army and have attributed insurgents' crimes to later, saw Kloppenburg lying on the the Spanish army. They have been ordered to leave Cuba by the first steamer sailing.

A Cruel Coward. BERLIN, May 14 .- The Vossische

Zeitung publishes a dispatch from Constantinople which says that owing to the sultan's fear that he will be asrassinated, as was the shah of Persia. 200 Armenians have been arrested in the city during the last few days. It is credibly stated that the prisoners have been duly tortured.

Ex-SEN. Kellogg of Louisiana, a placed switch. The entire train, with lelegate to the St. Louis convention. the exception of the body of the ensays that if the St. Louis convention refuses to recognize silver and if the Chicago convention follows suit, there will be a third or silver ticket in the field, and it is his belief that the electoral college will fait to elect, and that would throw the election in the House of Representatives. In such a concessful attempts, the house voted 130 tingency he believes that enough

States could be secured to elect the ty with the senate in respect of the silver man. He counts on the entire matter of providing themselves with South with the possible exception of Maryland. clerks the year round, instead of for the sessions of congress only. It was Frightful Storm. not until 1893 that the house went even

ST. PAUL, MINN., May 15 .- Reports indicate that perhaps \$100,000 worth of property was destroyed in Western Wisconsin by a great storm, which raged there all last night. There were cloudbursts at Colfax and Bloomer and great damage done. Many build-

the truth like that you may be a partings were undermined. At least twenty bridges are reported washed out in Western Wisconsin. ner in the firm one of these days."-

of them dropped his cane and both stooped simultaneously to pick it up, with the result that their heads came ogether with a resounding whack. "Eh. but that made my head ring," said Dr. Chalmers. "That's a sign it's empty," respondd Lord Brougham. "Did'na yours ring?" asked the doc or.

"No," said the great advocate. "Weel," responded Chalmers, "that's sign it's crackit."-Chicago Chronicle.

warm friends, met on the street in Ed-

inburgh and stopped for a chat. One

How to Keep Plates Hot. One of the latest adaptations of

electric heating is the electric "hot plate," for keeping food hot during dinner. The metal plate is electrically heated before being brought to the table; but should it be necessary to renew the heat a plug is inserted at the side of the plate, connection is made with a socket on the table and the current 's kept on as long as needed. A 1. w form of hot plate for kitchen use has three disks fitted in a row into a stand, electrical connection being established by a socket under each plate. The stands are nickelplated and the plates are each eight inches in diameter .- N. Y. Sun.

How He Judged Character. "So you want a situation?" said the business man.

"Yes, sir," replied the applicant. "Hum-do you ever go fishing?" "Occasionally." "When were you fishing last?" "Day before yesterday."

"Catch anything?" "Not a thing."

"You can come to work next Monday if you like. If you keep on telling

gine, was derailed and rolled over an embankment. One child was killed and 26 people were injured, none of Vote Thomselves Clerks. WASHINGTON, May 8. -After several rears' discussion and as many unsuc

Shot from Ambush.

time. The robbers seized him from

son, who entered the bank some time floor bound and released him. Kloppenburg could give but a meager de-

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 15 .- Two men were killed at the Ellicott Square top of the shaft, ten stories up drop-