WOULD FREE HUMANITY

From the Graveclothes of Old Ecclesiastical Dogmas. Simple Faith In Christ the Test of Christianity.

At a time when the old discussion of creeds is being vigorously and somewhat bitterly revived this discourse of Dr. Talmage has a special interest. The text is John xi, 44: "Loose him and let him go."

My Bible is at the place of this text written all over with lead pencil marks made at Bethany on the ruins of the house of Mary and Martha and Lazarus. We dismounted from our horses on the way up from Jordan to the Dead sca Bethany was the summer evening retreat of Jesus. After spending the day in the hot city of Jerusalem he would come out there almost every were orphans, for the father and mother are not mentioned. But the son and two daughters must have inherited property, for it must have been, judging from what I saw of the foundations and the size of the rooms, an opulent home. Lazarus, the brother, was now at the head of the household, and his sisters depended on him and were proud of him, for he was very popular, and everybody liked him, and these giris housekeeper and Mary a spirituelle, somewhat dreamy, but affectionate and as good a girl as could be found in all Palestine. But one day Lazarus got sick. The sisters were in consternation. Father gone, and mother gone, they feel very nervous lest they lose their brother also. Disease did its quick work. How the girls hung over his pillow! Not much sleep about that house-no sleep at all.

From the characteristics otherwise developed, I judge that Martha prepared the medicines and made tempting dishes of food for the poor appetite of the sufferer, but Mary prayed and sobbed. Worse and worse gets Lazarus until the doctor announces that he can do no more. The shrick that went up from that household when the last breath had been drawn and the two sisters were being led by sympathizers into the adjoining room all those of us can imagine who have had our own hearts broken. But why was not Jesus there as he often had been? Far away in the country districts, preaching, healing other sick, how unfortunate that this omnipotent Doctor had not been at that domestic crisis in Bethany. When at last Jesus arrived in Bethany. Lazarus had been buried four days and dissolution had taken place. In that climate the breathless body disintegrates more rapidly than in ours. If, immediately after decease, the body had been awakened into life, unbelievcomatose state or in a sort of trance No! Four days dead

At the door of the sepulcher is a crowd of people, but the three most memorable are Jesus, who was the family friend, and the two bereft sis-We went into the traditional tomb one December day, and it is deep spoken of in the Bible there was present an excited multitude. I wonder door of the grave removed, and then he begins to descend the steps, Mary and after them. Deeper down into the shadows and deeper! The hot tears of Jesus roll over his cheeks and plash Were upon the back of his . hands. ever so many sorrows compressed into so small a space as in that group pressing on down after Christ, all the time bemoaning that he had not come be-

Now all the whispering and all the orying and all the sounds of shuffling feet are stopped. It is the silence of expectancy. Death had conquered, but now the vanquisher of death cofronted the scene. Amid the awill hush of the tomb, the familiar name which Christ had often had upon his lips in the hospitalities of the village home came back to his tongue, and with a pathos and an almightiness of which the resurrection of the last day shall only be an echo he cries, "Lazarus, come forth!" The eyes of the slumberer open, and he rises and comes to the foot of the steps and with great difficulty begins to ascend, for the cerements of tomb are yet on him, and his feet are fast and his hands are fast and | and you will get well and strong." the impediments to all his movements | there are people who are watching their are so great that Jesus commands: "Take off these cerements! Remove these hindrances! Unfasten these and sicklier in their faith all the time. graveclothes! Loose him, and let him

Oh, I am so glad that after the Lord raised Lazarus he went on and commanded the loosening of the cords that bound his feet so that he could walk and the breaking off of the cerement that bound his hands so that he could stretch out his arms in salutation and the tearing off of the bandage from sround his jaws so that he could speak. What would resurrected life have been to Lazarus if he had not been freed from all those cripplements of his body? I am glad that Christ commanded his complete emancipation,

saying, "Loose him, and let him go." The unfortunate thing now is that so many Christians are only half liberated. They have been raised from the death and burial of sin into spiritual life, but they yet have the graveclothes on them. They are, like Lazarus, hobbling up the stairs of the tomb bound hand and foot, and the object of this sermon is to help free their body and free their souls, and I shall try to obey the Master's command that comes to me and comes to said, "Sinners, of whom I am the every minister of religion, "Loose him,

and let him go!" Many are bound hand and foot by religious creeds. Let no man misinterpret me as antagonizing creeds. I have eight or ten of them-a creed about religion, a creed about art, a creed about social life, a creed about government, and so on. A creed is something that a man believes, whether it be written ards about death. If a plank fall from or unwritten. The Presbyterian church a scaffolding and just grazes our hat is now agitated about its creed. Some how pale we look! If the Atlantic good men in it are for keeping it because it was framed from the belief of ing it toward the heavens and letting John Calvin. Other good men in it it suddenly drop, how even the Chriswant revision. I am with neither par- tian passengers rester the steward or ty. Instead of revision I want substi- or stewardess as to whether there is any tution. I was sorry to have the ques- danger and the captain, who has been tion disturbed at all. The creed did all night on the bridge and chilled

has not interferred with me one minute. | weather. And hany of the best peo-But now that the electric lights have been turned on the imperfections of that creed-and everything that man My brothers and sisters, if we made fashions is imperfect-let us put the full use of our religion we would soon old creed respectfully aside and get a get over this. brand new one.

good man, but he died 336 years ago. come since then, and explorers have done their work, and you might as well to ignore all the exegetes and the phil- | cal limitation having ceased. ologists and the theologians of the last

the feet of the sixteenth. evening to the house of his three friends.

I think the occupants of that house as the present student of the Scrip- say, that may be true, but I am so gone to making daguerrectypes and the cord between soul and body. photographs. It is the same old water; all the surgeons and physicians and there is such a thing as the damnation opens the soul simply puts out its of infants. A man who believes in wings and soars. the damnation of infants himself dekissed them. When some you grown

no "ifs" or "buts" or guesses. We must remember that good John and says, "I will show you the structure of the rose," and he proceeds to take it apart and pulls off the leaves and he says, "There are the petals," ers might have said he was only in a says, "Just look at the wonderful your grave clothes on, get rid of them. as they held you and taked you in the structure of these floral pillars!" and and by some vigorous manipulation or | then he cuts the stem to show you the | him go." powerful stimulant vitality had been juices of the plant. So logic or meta- The only part of the journey I made and most patriotic men of this party physics takes the aromatic rose of the Christian religion and says, "I will dreaded was the landing at Joppa. That just show you how this rose of religion is the port of entrance for the Holy was fashioned," and it pulls off of it a Land, and there are many rocks, and in piece and says, "That is the human rough weather people cannot land at all. will," and another piece and says, The boats taking the people from the down and dark, and with torches we and says, "This is sovereignty," and reefs that looked to me to be about 50 explored it. We found it all quiet another piece and says, "This is free feet apart, and one misstroke of an that afternoon of our visit, but the day agency," this is this, and that is that. oarsman or an unexpected wave has And while I stand looking at the frag- sometimes been fatal and hundreds of ments of the rose pulled apart, one souls have perish along those reefs. Bewhat Jesus will do? He orders the whom the Marys took for a gardener sides that, as we left Port Said the even comes in and presents me with a criming before, an old traveler said: "The son rose, red as blocd, and says, "In- wind is just right to give you a rough Martha close after him, and the crowd hale the sweetness of this; wear it on landing at Joppa: indeed I think you your heart, and wear it forever." I will not be able to land at all." The

> full bloom to the rose pulled apart. Again, there are Christians who are under sepulchral shadows and fears and the water was as still as though it had hoppled by doubts and fears and sins been sound asleep a hundred years, and long ago repented of. What they need | we landed as easily as I entered this is to understand the liberty of the sons | pulpit. Well, your fear have pictured of God. They spend more time under for you an appalling arrival at the end the shadow of Sinai than at the base of of your voyage of life, and they say Calvary. They have been singing the that the seas will run high and that the only poor hymn that Newton ever breakers will swallow your up, or that

'Tis a point I long to know; Oft it causes anxious thought: Do I love the Lord or no? Am I his or am I not?

Long to know, do you? Why do you not find out? Go to work for God, and you will very soon find out. The man who is all the time feeling his pulse and looking at his tongue to see whether it is coated or not is morbid and cannot be physically well. The doctor will say, "Go out into the fresh air and into active life and stop thinking of yourself, spiritual symptoms, and they call it self examination, and they get weaker Go out and do something nobly Christian. Take holy exercise and then examine yourself, and instead of Newton's saturnine and bilious hymn that I first quoted you will sing Newton's other hymn:

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me! once was lost, but now am found: Was blind, but now I see.

A man who was once called Saul, but afterward Paul, declared, "This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief." Mark that-"of whom I am hats, and I will take care of them while you kill Scephen." So Saul said to the stoners of the first martyr. "I do not care to exert myself much, but I will guard your surplus appearel while you do the murder." The New Testament account says, The witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul." No wonder he

Again, my text has good advice concerning any Christian hampered and bothered and bound by fear of his own dissolution. To such the book refers when it speaks of those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. The most of us, even if we have the Christian hope, are cowocean plays with the steamship, pitchnot hinder us from offering the pardon | through, coming in for a cup of coffee,

and the comfort of the gospel to all is assailed with a whole battery of ques-

men, and the Westminster Confession | tions as to what he thinks of the ple are, as Paul says, throughout their lifetime in bondage by fear of death.

Backed up by the teachings of your It is impossible that people who Bible, just look through the telescope lived hundreds of years ago should some bright night and see how many fashion an appropriate creed for our worlds there are and reflect that all you times. John Calvin was a great and have seen, compared with the number of worlds in existence, are less than the The best centuries of Bible study have fingers of your right hand as compared with all the fingers of the human race. How foolish, then, for us to think that have the world go back and stick to ours is the only world fit for us to stay what Robert Fulton knew about steam- in. I think that all the stars are inboats and reject the subsequent im- habited and by beings like the human provements in navigation, and go back race in feelings and sentiments and the to John Gutenberg, the inventor of the difference is in lung respiration and art of printing, and reject all modern heart beat and physical conformation, newspaper presses, and go back to the their physical conformation fit for the time when telegraphy was the elevating climate of their world, and our physical of signals or the burning of bonfires on | conformation fit for the climate of our the hilltops and reject the magnetic world. So we shall feel at home in any wire which is the tongue of nations as of the stellar neighborhoods, our physi-

336 years and put your head under the this world, a thousand per cent better, sleeve of the gown of a sixteenth cen | a million per cent better. Take the tury doctor. I could call the names of gladdest, brightest, most jubilant days 20 living Presbyterian ministers of re- you ever had on earth and compress ligion who could make a better creed | them all into one hour, and that hour than John Calvin. The nineteenth | would be a requiem, a fast day, a gloom, century ought not to be called to sit at a horror, as compared with the poorest hour they have had in heaven since its "But," you, "it is the same old Bi- tower was built or its first gates swung tures." Yes; so it is the same old sun afraid of crossing over from this world in the heavens, but in our time it has | to the next, and I fear the snapping of

but in our century it has gone to run- soientists declare that there is no pang ning steam engines. It is the same at the parting of the body and soul, and old electricity; but in our time it has all the restlessness at the closing hour of become a lightning footed errand boy. | life is involuntary and no distress at So it is the old Bible, but new applica- all. And I agree with the doctors, for tions, new uses, new interpretations. what they say is confined by the fact You must remember that during the that persons who were drowned or were the motives of the gallant men who conwere splendid girls-Martha a first rate last 300 years words have changed submerged until all consciousness detheir meaning, and some of them now parted and were afterward resuscitated of the great mass of the people of the mean more and some less. I do not declare that the sensation of passing think that John Calvin believed, as into unconsciousness was pleasurable some say he did, in the damuation of rather than distressful. The cage of infants, although some of the recent | the body has a door on easy hinges, and | hot disputes would seem to imply that when that door of the physical cage and taught it the doctrine of a higher

> "But," you say, serves to loose heaven. I do not think | the future is so full of mystery." Well, any good man could admit such a pos- I will tell you how to treat the myssibility. What Christ will do with all teries. The mysteries have ceased the babies in the next world I conclude | bothering me, for I do as the judges of from what he did with the babies in your courts often do. They hear all Palestine when he bugged them and the arguments in the case and they say, "I will take these papers and give you people go out of this world, your doubt | my decision next week." So I have ful destiny will be an embarrassment | heard all the arguments in regard to the to ministers officiating at your obse | next world, and some things are uncerquies, who will have to be cautious so usin and full of mystery, and so I fold as not to hurt surviving friends. But up the papers and reserve until the when the darling children go there are next world my decision about them. are today waging a war of conquest I can there study all the mysteries to against an unoffending people 10,000 better advantage, for the light will be Calvin was a logician and a metaphysi- | better and my faculties stronger, and I cian, and by the proclivities of his na- will ask the Christian philosphers, who ture put some things in an unfortunate | have had all the advantages of heaven | the field of Camden and Yorktown and Logic has its use and metaphys- for centuries, to help me, and I may ics has its use, but they are not good at | be permitted myself humbly to ask the making creeds. A gardener hands you Lord, and I think there will be only one a blooming rose, dewy, fresh, but a se- mystery left; that will be how one so vere botanist comes to you with a rose | unworthy as myself got into such an enraptured place. Come up out of the sepulchral shadows. If you are not Christians by faith in Christ, come up into the light; and if you are already and he takes out the anthers, and he like Lazarus, reanimated, but still have and taxing them without representation The command is, "Loose him, and let | days of reconstruction. It is a healthy

> years ago to Palestine that I really are protesting against this usurpation "This is God's will," and another piece steamer to the docks must run between must confess that I prefer the rose in fact was that when our Mediterranean steamer dropped anchor near Joppa and we put out for shore in the small boat, if you reach Cansan at all, it will be a very rough landing. The very opposite will be true if you have the eternal God for your portion. Your disembarka. tion for the promised land will be as smooth as ours at Palestine. Christ

> > land with a hosanna on one side of you and a halleluiah on the other. "Land ahead!" Its fruits are waving O'er the hill of fadeless green And the living waters laving

Shores where heavenly forms are seen Rocks and storms I'll fear no more When on that eternal shore. Drop the anchor, furli the sail!

I am safe within the veil!

A Crazy Printer. A dispatch from Yorkville to the Cowhile all others were out of the office, H. H. Gallaher, a printer, temporarily mother heard a scream and ran to the over her boy. She snatched him from the man and ran into an adjoining said American Historical association, room, fastening the door. The little out of any money in the treasury not boy has a gash on his neck an inch long, barely missing the jugular vein. Gallaher is in jail, and said if he had chief." "Put down your overcoats and known they were going to imprison him the said American Historical associa-

Hangs Himself. Theo Troutman, a traveling salesman for John E. Hurst & Co., of Baltimore, hanged himself in a room in the Duncan hotel in Nashville, Tenn., Wednesday night. He took a leather strap from his valise, fastened one end to the top hinge of the door and the other around his neck, and in this way choked himself to death. In a letter to his wife, who lives in Baltimore, he to a gold standard Republican. The expressed great despondency because of his inability to make sales.

Gainesville, Ga., Dec. 8, 1899 Pitts' Antiseptic Invigorator has been used in my family and I am perfectly satisfied that it is all, and will do all, you claim for it. Yours truly, A. B. C. Dorsey.

P. S .- I am using it now myself. It's doing me good.—Sold by The Murray Drug Co., Columbia, S. C., and all

A kingdom for a cure.

You need not pay so much. A twenty five cent bottle of L. L & K Will drive all ills away. See ad. and try it-never fails.

REPUBLICAN PANATICS.

Governor Candler's Plain Talk to Old Confederates.

The observance or Memorial day in Atlanta was made notable by a speech delivered by the governor of Georgia in which he scored Republican "fanaties" and criticised the war in the Philippines, the speech was made at the presentation of crosses of honor to the veterans and was loudly cheered. Gov. Candler said in part:

"You fought not to promote the ambition of a crowned head, not for conquest, not to force your government upon an unwilling people, but for the God given right of local self-government. You rebelled against the domination of a sectional political party, led by fanatics who did not and do not believe in this cardinal doctrine and who were the sworn enemies of you and your interests and your institutions. Blinded by fanaticism the leaders of Heaven is 95 per cent better than this party either could or would not do you and your section justice. You were maligned and abused and reviled and slandered.

'It is a singular fact, as has been justly said by a distinguished Republican senator a few years ago, that the nerthern conscience was never quickened to a full realization of the enormity of slavery until their own slaves had been converted into gold and the gold had found a safe lodgment deep down in their pockets. The southern people were goaded into secession in spite of their love for the constitution and the union.

"Perhaps both sides sinned as the confict grew fiercer. Let the question rest where the legend on the beautiful badge you are to wear places it. Deo vindice, let God judge between us. I do not mean to disparage nor impugn fronted us on a hundred battlefields, nor non-seceding States. I am denouncing the fanatics who presided at the birth of the Republican party, and nursed the bantling into vigorous manhood law and to disregard the limitations of the constitution, reverse the precedents of a hundred years, and who, disregarding the golden rule, preached from the pulpit the dectrine of hate instead of 'peace on earth and good will to man.'

"This breed of fanatics has not run None of them were ever killed in battle, for they didn't go. They are still in congress and in the pulpit, and are preaching the same unholy gospel. They still dominate the party of Lincoln and Seward and Chase, which denied to you in 1860 the blood-bought right of local self government, and who miles away, and denying to them the rights for which Washington and Marion and Sumter and the Lees fought on Compens and King's Mountain, and for which you fought as no men have fought in twothousand years at Manassas and Shiloh, Gettyburg and Chickamauga. The same party, drunk with its excesses of usurpation, are in violation of the spirit of the constitution, holding a million people on the island of Puerto Rico in a state of vassalage sign however, that some of the ablest of power and this abandonment of the teachings of the fathers and the traditions of the republic."

THE COLONIAL RECORDS.

Congressman Stokes Has Presented a Bill in Regard to Them.

For quite a long time Congressman Stokes has been engaged in the laud able effort of having the United States government make some provision for he printing in permanent form of the valuable colonial records on file in the office of the secretary of state in the capitol. No State has a more valuable or interesting collection of such documents than South Carolina. Students of American history come to Columbia time and again and spend days and even weeks going through these records. All express the greatest surprise that such documents have never been printed and made accessible.

Congresman Stekes writes from Washington to Mr. D. H. Means stating that he has hit upon the proper plan for accomplishing the desired purpose. The following is the bill he has introduced in congress, which was on April

25 referred to the committee on library: To provide for the investigation of will meet you far out at sea and pilot the historical archives and public reyou into complete safety; and you will cords of the several States and Territories and of the United States, with a view to their preservation and publica

Be it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled. That the American Historoical association be, and it is hereby, directed to investigate the character and condition of the historical archives and public records of the several States and Territories, and of the United States, and the provisions which have been lumbia State says at noon Thursday | made by law for the preservation and publication of the same, and to report to congress, through the secretary of crazy, tried to cut the throat of Miller | the Smithsonisn Institution, the re-Drakeford, the 7-year-old son of the sults of such investigation, together editor of The Yeoman. The child was | with suggestions of such legislation as playing in the composing room. His the said American Historical association may deem necessary and proper; door in time to see an uplifted knife and that the sum of \$5,000 be, and the same is hereby, appropriated to the otherwise appropriated, for defraying the expenses of such investigation and report: Provided, That no member of he would have cut off the child's head. | tion shall receive any compensation for his services in connection with the said investigation and report other than the reimbursement of such expenses, including clerical assistance, as shall be necessarily incurred in the prosecu-

> tion of the work. No One Cares Little Joe Sibley, of Pennsylvania, says that nobody has a right to ask why he changed from a free silver Democrat Atlanta Journal says "we have never heard of anybody who cared about the

why and wherefore of this gyration. Where to Find Out.

Grosvenor says the president bowed to the will of congress in changing his mind on the Porto Rican question. If any one desires to know to whose will congress bowed let him inquire of the sugar and tobacco trust people.

Will Be a Winner. The Spartanburg Herald says "there going to make a winning race.'

REVENUE CUTTER SERVICE.

A Good Opportunity For Some of Our Bright Young Men. The United States Civil Service Com-

mission that on May 17-18-19, 1900; examination will be held in any city in the United States where it has a board of examiners, for the position of cadet in the Revenue-Cutter Service. The examination will consist of the subjects mentioned below, which will

be weighted as follows: Subjects.

1. Spelling (first grade) ... 2. Geography of the United States.... History and constitution of the United States..... 4. Grammar, composition, and

rhetoric Arithmetic (first grade) Algebra Geometry..... Trigonometry Physics .

Chemistry (inorganic only) ...

General information.....

Three days of seven consecutive hours each will be allowed for this examination, as follows: The first five subjects will be given on the first day, the 6th; 7th, and 8th subjects on the second

day, and the remaining subjects on the

third day. Under the regulations of the Treasury Department, applicants must be not less than 18 nor more than 25 years of age, of vigorous constitution, physically sound and well formed, not less than 5 feet 3 inches in height, of good moral

character, and upmarried. While it is not a prerequisite to eligibility, all applicants for the position of cadet who have served at sea, or who have served as deck officers of seagoing vessels of the United States merchant marine, should file with their applications a certificate or certificates showing such service from the master of the vessel with whom they have served, or from the Ship Masters' Association. It is proposed to give applicants credit for such service when satisfactorily shown. Applicants are advised that cadets

may be commissioned by the President as lieutenants after two years' satisfactory service. The salary of a cadet is \$500 per annum and one ration per day. There are in the Reveue Cutter Service commissioned officers as follows: Captains, about 36, at a salary of \$2,500 per annum; first lieutenants, about 36, at a salary of \$1,800 per annum: second lieutenants, about 36, at a salary of \$1.500 per annum; third lieutanants, about 12, at a salary of \$1,200 perannum. It will thus be seen that this examination offers to young men possessing the requisite qualification a most excellent opportunity for entrance

to a very desireable part of the service. As a result of this examination, it is expected that about five appointments will be made, in the early part of June next, to the position of cadet. It may he stated that the Commission has heretofore experienced difficulty in securing a sufficient number of eligibles for this position, all persons who have passed thus far having received appointment. It will thus be seen, judging from the past, that for those who pass the examination the opportunity for appointment is most excellent. This examination is open to all citisens of the United States who comply with the requirements and who desire to enter the service. All such persons are invited to apply. Applicants will

regard to any consideration save their ability as shown by the grade they attain in the examination. Persons who desire to enter this examination should at once apply to the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., for application form 304, the medical certificate of which must be executed by a regularly commissioned surgeon or assistant surgeon of the U. S. Marine-Hospital Service, which should be properly

be examined, graded, and certified with

entire impartiality and wholly without

executed and promptly filed with the Commission, Applicants are advised that if they will communicate with the Commission, either by letter or telegraph, in sufficient time to ship examination papers, arrangements will be made to examine them conditioned upon the subsequent filing of their applications in proper

form. April 18, 1900.

JUMPED TO FIERY DEATH.

Suicide Leaps Into a Coke Oven and Literally Destroys Himself.

A dispatch from Connelsville, Pa., says leaping high into the air as an expert diver would in taking a fancy plunge into the water, an unknown man committed suicide Wednesday morning at the foundry works of the H. C. Frick Coke company. by diving into a coke oven. In less than a minute what had been a man apparently in the tull vigor of life had mingled with the curling smoke of the ovens, distinguishable only by its bluish A more tragic death never occurred

brown color and nauseating odor from the gas smoke of the burning coal. in this region. The coke workers saw him only for an instant as he prepared for the leap. He was well dressed, of all terrible Blood Diseases. Persistent medium height and weight and smooth shaven. For the slightest possible space of time he seemed to pause on he sloping ground behind the ovens, hen quick as a flash he ran down the slope, taking the quick short steps of a trained athlete, who gauges them precisely for the jump he intends taking. Eight feet from the oven-tops the man | to bad blood, and hence easily cured shot into the air, his hands poised above his head in the fashion of a diver, and descending swiftly, dropped head first into the tunnel head of an oven that had burned to the sizzling white five months. B. B. does not conheat of coke, just before it is drawn. tain vegetable or mineral poison. For an instant the body clogged the One bottle will test it in an case. For tunnel head and the legs were wriggled sale by druggists everywhere. Large as though a desperate effort was being | bottles \$1, six for five \$5. Write for made to squirm through and meet free samplebottle, which will be sent, death quickly in the blazing oven. A prepaid to Times readers, describe rush was made for the oven door by simptoms and personal free medicaf the horrified coke drawers. All there advice will be given. Address Blood was to show for the man, who but a Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. few seconds before had been in life. was a charred mass of flesh not three feet in length. There is no means of

A Good Work.

identification.

The Columbia Record says "Col. John D. Frost is about finishing a very important work which he undertook on the mountain and filled the small valhis own responsibility to preserve a ley with debris. Great masses of valuable historical record. Enclosed granite were split by crevices four feet in a glass frame there has been for wide and seventy-five feet deep. The years in the adjutant general's office a falling mass was upheaved as it fell, manuscript list of the members of the giving the earth the appearance of a famous Palmetto regiment. It was mighty convulsion. The theory of lomade years ago and the ink was so old cal geologists is that a vacum under seems to be a wonderful unanimity of and dim that in some cases the name the mountain, caused by drawing off opinion among the State papers that | could barely be deciphered. Colonel Governor McSweeney ought to have a Frost took out the manuscript and has gasses tore through the crust of the full term. Unless all signs fail he is spent some time in retracing the names mountain and produced the earthquake

The Philippine War, The war now in progress in

the Philippines seems to be a

kind of now you see it and now you don't affair. Several months ago President McKinley issued a proclamation that the insurrection was over, and that in a very short time every thing would be tranquil in the archapelago. Nothwithstanding this declaration of the President fresh troops were sent right on to the Philippines. Since the President's remarkable statement several other high officials have assured the country that the insurrection was over, but fresh troops were still being sent to the front. Now comes the Republicans of the State of New York, in convention assembled, with a platform which declares that the insurrection in the Philippines has been suppressed and that organized resistance to the authority of the United States no longer existed. The newspapers which contained this declaration of this convention contained also the follow-

ing item of news: Twelve hundred Tagals attacked Case's battalion headquarters of the Fortieth regiment at Cagayan, Island of Mindanao, on the 7th. The Ameri cans had fifteen casualties, while of the attacking force fifty were killed and thirty wounded or taken prisoners. The enemy. numbering 150 riflemen, the remainder being bolomen, archers and mounted spearmen, swooped down in a howling mass at daylight, surprising and killing three of the sentries. They swarmed the streets in small parties, some wearing scaling ladders, by means of which they attempted to enter the houses. The Republican idea of a sup-

pressed insurrection appears to be rather a curious one. It is an expensive one, as well, for only a day or two before the New York Republicans had suppressed the insurrection, the adjutant-general of the army issued a statement saying that the troops now in the Philippines numbered 63,585, an increase since March 1 of 308. Transports bearing some 3,000 men are now on the way thither, these figures do not include, of course, the navy forces in the islands. If a suppressed insurrection requires the active service of so many soldiers, we may well contemplate with some apprehension the size of the army which would be necessitated should the insurrection really gain in force. Up to date and since the happy establishment of "peace," American casualties in the Philippines as reported from Washington are as follows, the last report being dated April 18:

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Schley Wins. The Philadelphia Record says, that

the Sampson Sobley controversy is officially ended, and that Schley wins. It appears that the way the settlement was brought about was this, in brief: Gen. Felix Agnus, owner of the Baltimore American, had an eight page supplement prepared for his newspaper which dealt wholly with the feud. In detail it exploited the causes of the animosity of the naval clique against Schley. It contained two sensational exposures. One was a direct and damaging charge against Admiral Sampson, and the other showed that in 1896 Schley had recommended the courtmartial of Crowninshield for incompetency. Official papers and records were quoted in support of every statement made. General Agnus printed one copy of the supplement and sent it to Washington, where of course, it got into the hands he intended it should. The plates were removed from the press and locked up "for future use." powers at Washington were informed that unless the attacks upon Schley were stopped and he was permitted to take his proper rank in the navy, 1,000 copies of the supplement would be printed and disturbed. The administration gave in, and Schley will get his reward. Arrangements are now being made whereby he will rank next to

Dewey in the lists. FREE BLOOD CURE.

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A Big Landslide. A landslide of remarkable propor-

tions followed the recent carthquake in San Jacinto county, in Southern California. A tract covering 600 acres on San Jacinto mountain and 4 000 feet above the sea level slid 150 feet down water for irrigation, became filled with and landslide.

BAKING POWDER

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GRANULATED SUGAR CHEAPER. Why the Old-Fashioned Brown Va riety Is Seldom Seen.

"When I was running a boardinghouse for gangs at work on new railroads in the West a few years ago. said the tall man, "brown sugar cost 5 cents a pound when I bought it by the hogshead, and granulated sugar cost 12 cents a pound when purchased in equally large amounts. had 200 men to board, all of whom used sugar in their coffee, what kind of sugar would you buy?"

"I suppose I'd make a mistake, but as far as I know now, I would buy brown sugar, for that would be cheapest," was the reply. "And that's where you've made a

mistake," said the tall man. "I'll prove it to you in a minute. When you go home to-night, you take a teaspoon and experiment with both kinds of sugar. You'll see that with granulated sugar you can pick up only as much as the bowl of the spoon will hold. But it's different with brown sugar. If you dig your spoon deep into it, when you lift the spoon, you bring nearly three spoonfuls of sugar along with it, as it packs closely. That is what housewives call a 'heaping teaspoonful.' Now the average railroader is used to putting three to four spoonfuls of sugar in his coffee and he never looks to see whether they are heaping ones or not. Therefore, the brown sugar is the more expensive. I tried both ways, and I found that using granulated sugar saved me over \$15 a month over what it cost to serve brown sugar. There's even more difference now than then too. The big sugar concerns have beaten down the price of granulated sugar until it costs but a penny a pound more than brown sugar. "That's why you see granulated sugar in all the cheap boarding-houses to-day."-New York

STORM-TOSSED CREW.

They Went Ashore and Found Canni-

bals Devouring a Human Body. The crew of the British steamer Kurdistan, Captain Littlehales, now taking on a cargo of coal at Lambert's Point, tell of an experience at once strange and horrifying. The vessel is from Iculque, Chile, and when off the Patagonian Coast, near Tera del Fuego, was caught in a storm and fog and came to anchor. A boat's crew went ashore and hearing a strange noise proceeding from a cavern near their hiding place inspected it. A party of savages were in the cave, engaged in eating what seemed to be the dismembered body of a human being. The savages attacked them, the seamen say, whereupon they fired upon them, killing one savage His companions carried the dead body away, and, the sailors believe, devoured it. In the cavern was a Danish flag and much wreckage. On the shore near the cavern lay the wreck of a wooden brig. -Norfolk, Va., Cor. Baltimore Sun.

New President of the Senate. By the death of Vice President Hobart, the presidency of the senate will



(Senator Wm. P. Frye.) fall upon Senator Wm. P. Frye, of Maine. Senator Frye is 70 years old, but

looks younger. His term as senator will Threw Away Fifty Thousand Dollars. There died in the City Hospital at

Philadelphia last week a woman, practically a pauper, who by inscribing a few lines upon a paper would have been put in possession of \$50,000. For many years Dr. Isabel Mitchell was a physician of some prominence in the Quaker City. While practicing her

profession she became interested in the pure food movement, and spent much of her time in perfecting a process for the preservation of meats and vegetables where ice was not obtainable. Her experiments resulted in a formula which was declared practically perfect by chemists and physicians of Philadel phia and vicinity. It was a preparation which answered the purposes desired and was at the same time harmless to health, being the forcing of medicated ozone into the articles to be perserved. Dr. Mitchell received many offers for her process, but none of the terms was satisfactory to her, though one of them was for \$50,000. While working on her food preservative, she neglected her practice, and gradually lost it all. From a comfortable home she went by gradual changes to a garret, where she was taken ill with a lingering disease, and finally removed to the hospital. She persistently refused to reveal her secret to the few friends who had stood by her, and with her death

Enoch Arden in Real Life.

the formula is lost to science.

After an absence of thirty years James Edwards, whose home is now in Denver, Col., returned to Philadelphia, and found that his wife had been divorced from him and married to another man. Thirty-five years ago Edwards married Miss Belle Hickman whose parents were wealthy. Edwards was in poor circumstances and his wife's mother opposed the marriage. The couple lived together for years, but at the end of that time Mrs. Hickman is alleged to have brought about a separation. Edwards went West and became wealthy.
Edwards says he repeatedly wrote to

his wife, but she failed to get the letters. Not hearing from her husband for fifteen years Mrs. Edwards advertised and received a letter from Denver informing her that a man answering her husband's description had been killed. Mrs. Edwards, not certain that her husband was dead, obtained a divorce and remarried. Edwards succeeded in meeting his

former wife upon his return. There were explanations all around and he bade her farewell and went back to

The Candidate.

This is the season when the political candidate is abroad in the land. Of S. A., arrived at the federal prison at course he is a proper subject for jest, but he is apt to take it with rare good der guard of Lieut. Thomas Harker, humor. The fact is, the candidate is Fifteenth infantry, a corporal and a useful animal. He forces the man three soldiers. The prisoner was imwho has held office for a generation to mediately dressed in the prison garb remember his friends when they come and assigned to a cell around. He is always friendly and cordial, and he tends to keep alive the political situation. We like the candidates.—Spartanburg Herald.

It Takes Money. Seven hundred and fifty dollars a

minute is said to be the cost to England of the South African war. Kruger's accounts haven't been audited yet. try some good yet.

BATTLES IN THE SEA

COMBATS BETWEEN BLUE CRABS AND MINNOWS.

The Crab Bails Its Claw and Wails for a Bite-Little Cannibals and Their Ways as Practised in the Brimy Deep-Soft Shell Crabs.

The blue crab is a pretty fair hand at catching fish. It will lie in shallow water motionless, with its pincer claws extended and its pincers open, waiting for a chance to nip a minnow. If one coming swimming along through the water, should happen to pass between those open jaws, suddenly the jaws close and that is the last of the minnow. But the blue crab can do better than this; sometimes it will hold motionless in one claw a shred of some thing on which it has been feeding as a bait for minnows, holding at the same time its other big claw , with the pincer open, waiting. The minnow comes up, charging for the food held in the closed claw, but there are likely to be enough of them to spread, and they may come from various directions. so that more than likely one will come within the waiting pincers of the open claw, and when one does the proceedings are closed for the time being. But sometimes the minnows get the blue crab, as they do when the crab is

shedding. The crab knows when that

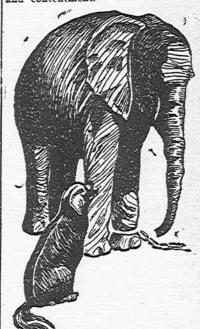
time is coming, and then it makes for

a place where it can shed its shell and stay in safety until its new shell is sufficiently hard to protect it. comes in with the tide and makes for some place on the bottom, in shallow water, perhaps along the edge of the eel grass, or under some protecting patch of ulva, and then proceeds to dig a hole in which it can stay after it has shed its shell until it is strong enough to go about. It digs the sand or mud up around from under itself. and, as likely as not, leaves its discarded shell, in a most lifelike form, up on the sand on the edge of the hole in front of it. This shell would frighten away some small fishes that would not dare to tackle a crab in its ordinary condition. The discarded shell is a help to fishermen who are hunting crabs, because it shows where a crab may be found, and weakfish, which come in shore in shallow water to feed, hunt up soft crabs by searching the neighbor hood of the spot where they find a shell, just as a fisherman would do.

Sometimes a fisherman discovers a soft crab by the splashing that the minnows kick up around it. If undisturbed the minnows swarming around the helpless crab kill it and eat it. But sometimes another blue crab will appear nd break up the minnow's feast. This is a blue crab that has not shed its shell, but has its armor on. It comes stalking in among the minnows. perhaps nipping one of them in one of its pincer claws as it comes up and disersing the rest.

The blue crab is a cannibal; it will eat its own kind. If when this crab omes up there is any of the soft crab left, the newcomer will very likely eat that first, with one claw, holding meanwhile in its other, the wriggling minnow which it had seized at the outset, keeping that to top off with.

A Dog and the Elephant. Visitors to the New York Zoo recently have been surprised to find a New foundland dog chained in one of the elephant cages living in apparent peace and contentment.



DOG AND ELEPHANT Every one expects to see the great elephant kill his companion with a single sweep of her trunk, and crowds ferquently gather at the cage expecting a battle, but the dog eats and sleeps without being molested. The secret of this strange compan-

ionship, which no one ever guesses, is that the dog Prince is really the master of the household and the elephant lives in constant fear of him. On more than one occasion Prince has succeeded in quieting the great beasts when the keepers were power-less to master them. Elephants are naturally nervous and easily excited, and when once aroused are difficult to control. The keepers have found that when everything else fails they need

the furious monsters will back to their corners and remain quiet. Peter R. McNally, one of the assistants at the zoo, who vouched for Prince's ability, has observed several similar cases of this curious power in

merely send Prince into the cage and

The keepers do not know that Prince ever engaged in battle with one of the elephants, though there is not the least doubt that they are all afraid of him.

Jack-Doesn't that vein affect your eres? Bess-No. I think not. Why do you

Jack-Because it troubles mine.-Chi cago News. Not What He Wanted. Nurse-It's time for your nourish nent now. Mr. Peppery. Mr. Peppery (who is convalescent)-

Hang nourishment. What I want is something to eat.-London Judy. Carter Arrives at Prison. Oberlin M. Carter, late captain U.

Leavenworth, Kas., Friday night un-

Who Can Tell?

There comes from New York a kind of faraway hint that Roosevelt is ere long going to be a wedge to split the Republican party in twain, which causes the Newport News Herald to predict that Roosey will do this coun-