DR. TALMAGE ON THE MINISTRY OF SILENCE, GRIEF AND DEATH.

The Mysterious Laty by Which God Warns Us of & Coming Change Compared With Which All Earthly Changes Are as

Naught-The Great Compensation. BOOKLYN, July 9 .- Rev. Dr. Talmage has chosen as his subject for today the text, "At evening time it shall be light"

While "night" in all languages is the the symbol for gloom and suffering, it is often really cheerful, bright and impressive. I speak not of such nights as come down with no star pouring light from above or silvered wave tossing up light from beneath-murky, hurtling, portentous-but such as you often see when the pomp and magnificence of heaven turn out on night parade, and it seems as though the song which the morning stars began so long ago were chiming yet among the constellations and the sons of God were shouting for joy.

Such nights the sailor blesses from the forecastle, and the trapper on the vast prairie, and the belated traveler by the roadside, and the soldier from the tent, earthly hosts gazing upon heavenly, and shepherds guarding their flocks afield, while angel hands above them set the silver bells a-ringing, "Glory to God in will toward men."

night in the wilderness! Night among the mountains! Night on the ocean! Fragrant night among tropical groves! Flashing night amid arctic severities! Calm night on Roman campagna! Awful night among the cordilleras! Glorione night 'mid sea after a tempest! Thank God for the night! The moon and the stars which rule it are lighthouses on the coast toward which, I hope, we are all sailing, and blind mariners ing, flaming glories to guide us we cannot find our way into the harbor. My text may well suggest that as the natural evening is often luminous so it shall be light in the evening of our sorrows of old age of the world's history

cent, and the book came to its twentieth edition, and the farm quadrupled in value, and sudden fortune hoisted to in the music and stepped in the dance and glowed in the wine and ate at the this Jupiter holding in his hands so many thunderbolts of power.

But every sun must set, and the brightdried up. The song hushed. The wolf the best lamb. A deep howl of woe came crashing down through the joyous symphonies. At one rough twang of the hand of disaster the harp strings all touching the keys and euroclydon's foot God for light in the evening. broke. Down went the strong business on the pedal. firm! Away went long established credit! Up flew a flock of calumnies! The could not be secured for the invention. Stocks sank like lead. The insurance the sheriff, "will you bid for this piano?" much for this family picture?

Will the grace of God hold one up in such circumstances? What have become of the great multitude of God's children who have been pounded of the flail and crushed under the wheel and trampled the dust weeping, wailing and gnashing chestisement struck them, did they strike back? Because they found one bitter cup saying, "There never will be a resurrec-

Did they bemoan their thwarted plans their disaster come upon them moonless, starless, dark and howling, smothering and choking their life out? No! No! No? At eventime it was light. The swift promises overtook them. The eter- at the end of the Christian's life. You nal constellations from the circuit about | know how a short winter's day is, and God's throne poured down an infinite how little work you can do. Now, my Inster. Under their shining the billows of trouble took on crests and plumes of gold and jasper and amethyst and flame. All the trees of life rustled in the mid- way apart. Baptism and burial are summer air of God's love. The night | near together. With one hand the blooming assurances of Christ's sympa- mother rocks the cradle, and with the thy filled all the atmosphere with heaven. The soul at every step seemed to start up from its feet bright winged joys warbling heavenward.

"It is good that I have been afflicted," cries David. "The Lord gave, and the down the hall. Christmas day came, and Lord hath taken away," exclaims Job. "Sorrowful, yet always rejoicing," says St. Paul. "And God shall wipe away | the grave, "Ashes to ashes, dust to dust." all tears from their eyes," exclaims John in apocalyptic vision. At eventime it was

youth- we all know what that is. Those wrinkles were not always on your brow. That snow was not always on your head.

That brawny muscle did not always lum, one of my Sabbath school boys you now are, you once went coasting have fought the good fight. I have fin- village, while the officer was trying to down the hillside, or threw off your bat | ished my course. I have kept the faith."

stays only long enough to give us exu- earthly delights!" Then went to the berant spirits, and broad shoulders for other side of the scaffold and cried: burden carrying, and an arm with which | "Welcome, God and Father! Welcome, to battle our way through difficulties. sweet Jesus Christ, the Mediator of the Life's path if you follow it long enough | covenant! Welcome death! Welcome will come under frowning crag and glory!" across trembling causeway. Blessed old A minister of Christ in Philadelphia, age if you let it come naturally. You dying, said in his last moments, "I them an explanation." carnot hide it. You may try to cover the wrinkles, but you cannot cover the down doubting and fearing and shiverwrinkles. If the time has come for you ing, but their battlecry rang through to be old, be not ashamed to be old. The all the caverns of the sepulcher and was grandest things in all the universe are echoed back from all the toones of old. Old mountains, old rivers, old seas, old stars and an old eternity. Then do not be ashamed to be old unless you

are older than the mountains and older How men and women will lie! They say they are 40, but they are 60. They say they are 20, but they are 30. They some people will lie! Glorious old age told me that her name was Death. What He cannot recover.

if found in the way of righteousness! | a strange thrill of joy when the palsied How beautiful the old age of Jacob, lean- Christian begins to use his arm again! ing on the top of his staff, of John Quincy Adams falling with the harness on. of Washington Irving sitting pen in hand amid the scenes himself had made classical, of John Angell James to the IN THE SILENT NIGHT last proclaiming the gospel to the masses of Birmingham, of Theodore Frelinghuysen down to feebleness and emaciation devoting his illustrious faculties to the kingdom of God. At eventide it was

See that you do honor to the aged. A philosopher stood at the corner of the pour them upon this stupendous theme Atreet day after day saying to the passersby: "You will be an old man. You will be an old man." "You will be an old woman. You will be an old woman." People thought he was crazy. I do not think that he was. Smooth the way for that mother's feet—they have not many more steps to take. Steady those tottering limbs-they will soon be at rest. Plow not up that face with any more wrinkles. Trouble and care have marked it full enough. Thrust no thorn into that old heart. It will soon cease to off their chains? What loom wove their beat. "The eye that mocketh its father robes of light? Who gave them wings? and refuseth to obey its mother, the ravens of the valley shall pick it out, and the young eagles shall eat it."

The bright morning and hot noonday of life have passed with many. It is 4 o'clock! 5 o'clock! 6 o'clock! The faster. Seven o'clock! 8 o'clock! The sun has dipped below the horizon. The warmth has gone out of the air. Nine o'clock! 10 o'clock! The heavy dows are you cannot reach it and with your songs falling. The activities of life's day are all hushed. It is time to go to bed. Eleven o'clock! 12 o'clock! The patriarch sleeps the blessed sleep, the cool the highest and on earth peace; good | sleep, the long sleep. Heaven's messen-What a solemn and glorious thing is victory all over the heavens. At eventime it is light-light!

good men, compared with the institutions leprous and putrefied. It is early yet in the history of every-

thing good. Civilization and Christian-

ity are just getting out of the cradle.

up and down the sky is but the flaming are we if with so many beaming, burn- of the morning, but when the evening of the world shall come, glory to God's conquering truth, it shall be light. War's sword clanging back in the scabbard; decanters; the world's impurity turning its brow heavenward for the bene--of the Christian life. "At eventime it | diction, "Blessed are the pure in heart;" the last vestige of selfishness submerged This prophecy will be fulfilled in the in heaven descending charities; all evening of Christian sorrow. For a long China worshiping Dr. Abeel's Savtime it is broad daylight. The sun rides iour; all India believing in Henry high. Innumerable activities go ahead | Martyn's Bible; aboriginal superstition with a thousand feet and work with a | acknowledging David Brainerd's piety; thousand arms, and the pickax struck a human bondage delivered through Thom- bitter. The pain may be sharp. The and the investment yielded its 20 per coming back from its pollution at the in the evening. As all the stars of night Glenn Springs Water. You can get it from Agency. call of Elizabeth Fry's Redeemer; the sink their anchors of pearl in lake and mountains coming down; the valleys go- river and sea, so the waves of Jordan ing up; "holiness" inscribed on horse's | shall be illuminated with the down flashhigh position, and children were praised, bell and silkworm's thread and brown ing of the glory to come. The dying and friends without number swarmed | thrasher's wing and shell's tinge and | soul looks up at the constellations. "The into the family hive, and prosperity sang | manufacturer's shuttle and chemist's | Lord is my light and my salvation; whom laboratory and king's scepter and na- shall I fear?" "The Lamb which is in tion's Magna Charta. Not a hospital, the midst of the throne shall lead them banquet, and all the gods of music and for there are no wounds; not an asylum, to living fountains of water, and God ease and gratification gathered around for there are no orphans; not a prison, shall wipe away all tears from their eyes. for there are no criminals; not an almshouse, for there are no paupers; not a tear, for there are no sorrows? The long est day must have its twilight. Sudden- | dirge of earth's lamentation has ended ly the sky was overcast. The fountain in the triumphal march of redeemed em- figured. Mr. Toplady in his dying hour pires, the forests harping it on vine said, "Light." Coming nearer the expirbroke into the family fold and carried off strung branches, the water chanting it ing moment, he exclaimed, with illumi-

I want to see John Howard when the last prisoner is reformed. I want to see new book would not sell. A patent | Florence Nightingale when the last saber wound has stopped hurting. I want to see William Penn when the last Indian company exploded. "How much," says has been civilized. I want to see John Huss when the last flame of persecution "How much for this library?" "How has been extinguished. I want to see John Bunyan after the last pilgrim has come to the gate of the Celestial City. Above all, I want to see Jesus after the last saint has his throne and begun to sing hallcluiah!

ing it forth with its organs, trade winds

You have watched the calmness and under the hoof? Did they lie down in the glory of the evening hour. The laborers have come from the field. The their teeth? When the rod of fatherly | heavens are glowing with an indescribable effulgence, as though the sun in departing had forgotten to shut the gate on the table of God's supply, did they after it. All the beauty of cloud and upset the whole table? Did they kneel leaf swims in the lake. For a star in the down at their empty money vault and | sky, a star in the water-heaven above say, "All my treasures are gone" Did and heaven beneath. Not a leaf rusthey stand by the grave of their dead | tling, or a bee humming, or a grasshopper chirping. Silence in the meadows, silence among the hills.

Thus bright and beautiful shall be and sy, 'The stocks are down-would the evening of the world. The heats God I were dead?" Did the night of of earthly conflict are cooled. The glory of heaven fills all the scene with love and joy and peace. At eventime it is all interstate lines in Geo. ia, praying

> Finally, my text shall find fulfillment friends, life is a short winter's day. The sun rises at 8 and sets at 4. The birth angel and death angel fly only a little other she touches the grave.

> I went into the house of one of my parishioners on Thanksgiving day. The little child of the household was bright and glad, and with it I bounded up and the light of that household had perished. We stood, with black book, reading over

But I hurl away this darkness, I cannot have you weep. Thanks be unto light. Light from the cross! Light from | God, who giveth us the victory, at eventhe promises! Light from the throne! | time it shall be light! I have seen many Streaming, joyous, outgushing, everlast- | Christians die. I never saw any of them die in darkness. What if the billows of The text shall also find fulfillment in | death do rise above our girdle, who does the time of old age. It is a grand thing | not love to bathe? What though other to be young-to have the sight clear and | lights do go out in the blast, what do we the hearing acute and the step elastic | want of them when all the gates of gloand all our pulses marching on to the ry swing open before us, and from a drumming of a stout heart. Midlife and myriad voices, a myriad harps, a myriad old age will be denied many of us, but thrones, a myriad palaces, there dash upon us, "Hosanna! Hosanna!"

"Throw back the shutters and let the sun come in," said dying Scoville McColbunch your arm. You have not always | You can see Paul putting er. robes and worn spectacles. Grave and dignified as wings of ascension as he exclaims: "I for the race, or sent the ball flying sky | Hugh McKail went to one side of the scaffold of martyrdom and cried: "Fare-But youth will not always last. It | well sun, moon and stars! Farewell all

> move into the light!" They did not go heaven: "O death! where is try sting? O grave! where is thy victory?" Sing. my soul, of joys to come.

I saw a beautiful being wandering up and down the earth. She touched the

When the blind Christian begins to see again! When the deaf Christian begins to hear again! When the poor pilgrim puts his feet on such pavement and joins

such a great temple! die. Gather up all sweet words, all jubilant expressions, all rapturous exclamations. Bring them to me, and I will of the soul's disenthrallment! Oh, the joy of the spirit as it shall mount up toward the throne of God shouting: Free! Free! Your eye has gazed upon the garniture of earth and heaven, but the eve harmonies uncounted and indescribablecarol and waterfall's dash and ocean's doxology, but the ear hath not heard it.

How did those blessed ones get up into the light? What hammer knocked Ah, eternity is not long enough to tell it: seraphim have not capacity enough to realize it—the marvels of redeeming love! Let the palms wave; let the crowns glitter; let the anthems ascend; let the trees of Lebanon clap their shadows fall longer and thicker and hands-they cannot tell the half of it. Archangel before the throne, thou failest! Sing on, praise on, ye hosts of the glorified. And if with your scepters you cannot express it, then let all the myriads of the saved unite in the exclamation, "Jesus! Jesus! Jesus!"

There will be a password at the gate of heaven. A great multitude come up gers of light have kindled bonfires of and knock at the gate. The gatekeeper says, "The password." They say: "We have no password. We were great on My text shall also find fulfillment in earth, and now we come up to be great the latter days of the church. Only a in heaven." A voice from within anword." They say: "We have no password. We did a great many noble things on earth. We endowed colleges and took care of the poor." A voice The light of martyr stakes flashing all from within says, "I never knew you." Another group come up to the gate of intemperance buried under 10,000 broken | to die, but we heard the voice of Jesus." | Carolina Spartan. "Aye, aye," said the gatekeeper, "that is the password! Lift up your heads, ye everlasting gates, and let these people come in." They go in and surround the

throne, jubilant forever. in the evening. The medicines may be Lorme.

Close the eyes of the departed one; earth would seem tame to its enchanted vision. Fold the hands; life's work is ended. Veil the face; it has been transamong the gorges, the thunders drum- nated countenance, "Light." In the last instant of his breathing he lifted up his ming it among the hills, the ocean givhands and cried: "Light! Light!" Thank

SAVANNAH, July 4 .- A suit for permanent injunction against Pastor E. K. Love, of the First African Baptist church, which has about 5,000 communicants, to restrain him from expelling the members from his church who were hostile to him, in the superior court resulted in a compromise, by which Dr. Goodwin, of the Sixth Baptist church, is to act as moderator to take testimony on the charge of improper conduct on the part of Rev. Love. A temporary injunction had already been granted.

GALVESTON, Tex., July 8 .- On the beach at the foot of Bath avenue a man named Hill from Fort Worth attempted to blow his brains out. The ball, however, instead of smashing through his skull, deflected around across his forehead, inflicting a painful though not fatal wound. The man, who is here with his family, was taken in charge by friends, who refused giving any reason for his rash act or even to give his full

SAVANNAH, July 4 .- A bill has been filed in the United States court by District Attorney W. T. Gary, for the infor an injunction restraing them from making discriminating rates against places which are not terminal points. This applies only to interstate or through business. The petition will be heard in Macon in the fall.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., July 4. - The mayor of this city, M. E. Thompson, and his brother, S. O. Thompson, have made a general assignment for the benefit of their creditors. The liabilities are placed at \$102,000, with nominal assets of nearly \$440,000. The assets consist of valuable real estate. The assignment is made on account of an inability to realize in the present momentary

RUSSELLVILLE, Ala., July 6 .- Deputy United States Marshal Henderson was shot and killed at his home at Haleyville, a few miles south of here, by a tenant on his farm. A dispute arose over some trival matter, whereupon the tenant picked up a shotgun and emptied its contents into the body of Henderson. Death resulted instantly.

ston, of the state university, reports that he is receiving many applications from young women for admission as students or to take special courses of study. This knocking at the door of IN ROOFING, PLUMBING, REPAIRING PUMPS the university is believed by many to be the first step in the direction of co-edu-

TARPON SPRINGS, Fla., July 7 .- City Mershal Whitehurst was shot and killed by Bird Stevenson, of Sapling Woods arrest a disorderly sponge fisherman. Whitehurst returned Stevenson's fire after he was wounded, and with such effect that Stevenson will probably die.

LEXINGTON, Va., July 4.-General Dabney H. Maury was indirectly offered | JOS. F. RHAME. a position with the Louisiana State Lottery at a salary of \$30,000, but declined it, saying: "I prefer to go down to the grave as I am, and not place my children in a position that might require of

NASHVILLE, July 4 .-- Henry Fink and Thomas Spence have been appointed receivers of the Louisville Southers railroad by Judge H. H. Lurton of the United States circuit court. The appointment was made in answer to the application of the Central Trust company of New York.

BRISTOL, Tenn., July 7 .- Ed Wheeler, aged, and they became young. She aged 15, was run over by a South Attouched the poor, and they became rich. lantic and Ohio train at Big Stone Isaid, "Who is this beautiful being, wan- track. His left leg was cut off near the say they are 60, but they are 80. How dering up and down the earth?" They knee and his right foot badly mangled April 29.

Facts for Those Who Don't Know the War is Over.

Governor Fishback, of Arkansas, says that the white taxpayers of that in such company and has a free seat in State pay about 98 per cent. of the tax for the support of the public Hungry men no more to hunger; thirsty | schools; and that they are educating a men no more to thirst; weeping men no larger percentage of both white and more to weep; dying men ho more to negro children than are educated respectively in the States of New Hamphshire, New York New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Rhode Island, and even cultured Massachusetts. Those persons who do not wish to take Governor Fishback's word for these facts are especially referred to the figures set down in the hath not seen it. Your ear has caught United States census. This splendid showing from Arkansas should serve caught them from harp's trill and bird's to open the eyes and shut the mouths of-some of the political preachers of sectionalism who are fond of describing the people of the Southwestern States as but one remove from savagery.-Philadelphia Record.

Shocking Death of Mrs. T. R. Magill.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Magill, wife of Mr. T. R. Magill of Charlotte met with a horrible death at an early hour last Thursday morning. She fell head foremost into a well on the premises, where she had gone to get water before the rest of the family were up. One side of the curbing is very low and it is thought that she lost her balance while trying to draw the water .- Lanchaster Review.

At a last man has been found who will make a suitable chaplain for the State dispensary. He could open and close the exercises morning and evening few missionaries, a few churches, a few swers, "I never knew you." Another and hold a special service at high noon. group come up to the gate of heaven and His name is Dr. Barrett, of Banks counknock. The gatekeeper says, "The pass- ty, Ga. He was running three Baptist Churches and one moonshine distillery with much success. The revenue officers went after him while he was engaged in meeting. They kindly waited until he had finished and then suggested heaven and knock. The gatekeeper says, that he go down to Atlanta as he had a "The password." They answer, "We special call there. He had only three were wanderers from God and deserved gallons of the blockade in his house .-

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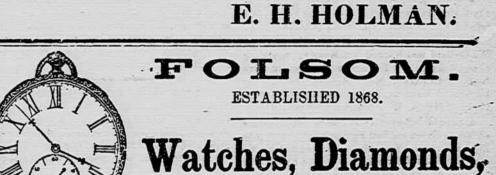
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