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PREACHER OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY.

REV. JOSEPH PARKER, D. D., preacher for the Twentieth ury would not do badly for himor for his cause if he studied the ching that was so striking and tive in the first century. Those boast, and perhaps justly, of bepostolicin their spirit and methods ald return to the apostolic point of in the matter of preaching, as as endeavour to imitate it in the ter of policy. How did men preach Did they write sermons and read n to languid or resentful congregas? Did they study the classical shed composition and eloquent sion, to say nothing of mechanical calculated climax? In reading New Testament nothing seems to orther from the apostolic method methods which are accounted ly and popular in our own age. there not a good deal of heedless uttered against what is called the nsationalism" of the pulpit? There IULSION sense in which we all detest senimate, and may, indeed, be necesto the certification of the preachpersonal sincerity and earnestness man resorts to buffoonery in order ttract attention he is guilty of a degree of sensationalism. It is asationalism" as always meaning a or counterfeit article. This is fair to the word. There is nothing ctionable in the word itself. There not really be so much objection sensationalism, for there is very

sensationalism to be objected to.

must we imagine that quietness

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nal feeling. Noise is no necessary

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ome kinds of thunder. My only

ct in this passage is to put critics

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of sensationalism with another.

ne preacher of the Twentieth Cenmust have a definite, luminous practical message to his day. He have no need to puzzle his brains the selection of a subject; his is assigned to him. He is a man has taken "holy orders" in the sense-taken them directly and ediately from the Head of the rch. He has to preach the gospel. has not merely to preach about the el, but to preach the gospel in its , soul and essence, and to do this abiding and beneficent effect he , so to say, be bathed in the very of the gospel. The Word of God ald abide in him richly, overflow with a great redundance alike of wledge and emotion. The preachocation limits him to opportuniof thirty or forty minutes of earnaddress to a congregation which never be identically reconstituted. preacher should work upon the gence and the feeling of his ers, so that at the close of the urse they will know definitely the preacher demands of them by HOW of oblition and service. We are called up to invent a gospel, but each one. We are men under ority. We have had, as it were, personal communication with and Amh we live.

e preacher for the Twentieth Cenmust be a man who lives in the rned profession, an art or a craft ly choose the Prophet. known to those who have been nically initiated. The preacher be, I repeat, a fresh-air man; s to say, he must know life at all its' Furnis ital points, and he must know n nature in all its variety of dement and expression. Human e is the really original language. people must be made to feel that an who is preaching to them is urnite tion, not written but spiritually She cut her own throat. of death is approaching with all about \$200,000.

the horrors of its cold waters. I have sometimes thought that a preacher should rather study to avoid anything, even in dress, or in "holy wnine," which separates him from the great commonalty of the people. We need not go down to them in any sense that vulgarizes ourselves. True gentility is not debased even when it goes out to seek and to save the lost.

The preacher for the Twentieth Century will not be so much a revolutionist as a transformer. In a sense he will be able by the power of heaven the first century of the Christian to transubstantiate common things, so The father would call no doctor to help that Christian civilization has given to as to invest them with great meanings | the poor woman at any stage of her and solemnities. There are reformers enough. Jesus Christ never attempt- herself was of the same mind. They its work by one of the greatest of words and pride themselves on ed to reform society; he regarded it as sick unto death; he regarded it as beyond self-help; he came to seek and to save that which was lost. As the Lord himself transformed the common bread and wine into symbols of his body and blood, so the preacher, who would influence his age profoundly and beneficently, must show the possible religious uses of common things. The preacher of the gospel of Christ is not a member of a committee at work for critical stage of serious illness! The the preparate monalism. Is there not another the reform of society. He has come woman died and thus gave up "pork e in which sensationalism may be with a special mission, and nothing and tobacco" No doctor had been name and Christ's power he comes to save the world, and to do nothing else. While he is in the pulpit he has nothing to do with merely local disputes or angry controversies; he has e true that some regard the word to lay down great principles, which will put an end to all tumults, and to unrighteous and complicated conflicts. The preacher is not to be a clever little sub-committeeman; he has always to to unveil the purpose and the nearness of the kingdom of God.

> The preacher for the Twentieth Century is to be a true, in contradis tinction to a formal or artificial, priest I see no reason why we should regard the word priest with prejudice, except in so far as it has been misapplied by men who have had some knavish purpose to accomplish. Jesus Christ himself is a priest, the Priest, the High Priest. In our degree, we should, as preachers, cultivate the priestly elament. God has been pleased in his good providence to work through agency, instrumentality, or some kind of mediation. There is one Advocate with God. As we are followers of that Advocate, and as we hold ou orders from him, we, too, should b intercessors, pleadars, holding th people in our hearts, and bearing them up before God in loving, wise and tender prayer.

The preacher for the Twentieth Century must be a contemporary rather than an antiquarian. Some of our people really do not care much about the heresies of the early centurjes of the Christian era. The fault I have to find with many people is not that they are antiquated, but that they are not sufficiently venerable. If they were more venerable they would be more modern. I would not advise the preacher for the Twentieth Century to go back to the Puritans; I would strongly advise him to go back to the prophets and to the apostles. Do not let your antiquarianism be too shallow, and too obviously wanting in color and moss and proofs of incalculable Master, and all we have to do is age. I would rather hear a Biblical pply his savings to the age in preacher than a preacher who founds himself on the methods of the Puritans. The Puritans I hold in high honor: I would on no account disparage their solid and careful teaching air. We have had enough of but if I have to choose between a astic preaching. Preaching is not | Prophet and a Puritan I unhesitating-

London, England.

a farmer living near Clinton, Me.,

stood, to kneel at every bedside, Memphis, Ind., was almost totally vented. The cost of the work is about sickness suffers, and where the destroyed by fire on Monday; loss \$10,000,000, and the increase to the

A VERY SAD STORY.

power enough, it seems, to do cruel Scotia. We had read of his evil ways in other places, and the skill he has displayed in leading astray the simple and his plausible fables; but we did not often happens. In King's County, N. S., so we learn, a mother was very ill and weak after the birth of her babeillness, and it is said that the mother known before, and now has crowned no doctor, no drugs. But they-at | will share. least the husband, trusted in Dowie and telegraphed to Chicago for Dowie's prayers. He spent a good deal of money in this telegraphing, and received answers directing him to "Thank God for partial victory, give up all medicines, pork and tobacco." This for the benefit of a woman in the most must distract his attention. In Christ's | called to her assistance; but the aid of a cruel rascal two thousand miles away was solicited by telegraph. "Trust in God," certainly, and pray to God. It is the old and right advice at all times. Faith in God is the highest reason. But God is reasonable and He expects us means for the preservation and restorastand upon the sublimest heights and for our temporal and spiritual good should be begun continued and ended in faith in our gracious Heavenly Father. Why should reasonable men and women put their trust in Alexander Dowie or any other human being, man or woman, whose evident purpose is to deceive and roband spoil the unsuspecting? Dowie has a large Hall in Chicago other aids laid aside by the cripples whom he has "cured." This is a conour health. We "praise God from wares. It is difficult to write calmly feet). of persons who cruelly risk the lives of men and women and take their money while so doing; and who at the

A FRUIT OF CHRISTIAN CIVILIZATION.

his operations. - Presbyterian Witness.

adroit. We should be on our guard

against their wiles. School teachers

ought to teach the children the lessons

of common sense. Ministers of the

Gospel may well utter timely warnings.

It is not yet twenty years since Egypt passed under British rule, yet says the Congregationalist, its people are more prosperous and more justly treated than ever before since the pyramids were built. These will still not always remain poor. There was be visited as one of the wonders of Wednesday Jacob Dearborn Marr, ancient time. But a great wonder. and far more useful, is the dam of the killed his three children, Alice M, Nile, the work of English engineers, aged 13 years; Elwin, aged 9, and the last channel of which has just been Helen, aged 7, with an axe. He was closed. The dam is expected to create a lake 144 miles long, containing a At Coldbrook, Mass., Thursday, billion tons of water, raising the river of the age in which they both Mrs. Lizzie Naramore slew with axe above Assouan about sixty-six feet. Blessed is the preacher who can and club, her entire family of six By it the flow of water can be so disamiliar, but never vulgar." Right little children, the eldest not quite tributed throughout the dry season as me is the brother-preacher who ten and the youngest a babe of ten so add about 600,000 acres to the seat at every table, and has an months. She was of course, insane. arable area of the Nile valley. Floods and droughts will be prevalue of the hand in Egypt will be Baptist.

many times that sum. Of course millions of people will be benefited by A man named Dowie in Chicago has it who will never stop to think that the dam was not always there. More harm in a quiet rural spot in Nova food, more work, more money, greater prosperity will come to Egypt and abide there. England will still be called a nation of land grabbers. The the ignorant by his lying wonders and | fact will be cited again and again that the British fleet under Admiral Seysuspec that his victims could be found | mour battered down the Egyptian amongst ourselves. The unexpected forts at Alexandria, and that Redvers Buller with his cavalry captured Cairo, and that Arabi Pasha was banished to Ceylon. But the other fact remains Mohammedan Egypt blessings never would "trust in God,"-they would mechanical achievements of modern have "faith cure." They would have | times, in whose benefits all the people

THE TOO SENSITIVE. The person who is in a chronic state 'Ian Maclaren' in a Sunday Magazine | Third Tierand Waterville, respectively. article on 'Respectable Sins.' This since Conference; and our minister person, says Dr. Watson, 'will refuse has promised to give us a missionary not put in the front row, or he will brothers to become honorary memnot serve on a committee because his advice was not taken on some occasion, or he wil! harp in conversation on the fact that he is of no importance, and therefore it is of no use his saying enything. If you have to deal with their love for the cause in some way. this sort of temper it is necessary to and directs us to use all reasonable take care that he (or more likely she) is consulted first and made a leader, tion of health. Faith is a privilegeanda and given the glory, and made much duty; and all our works and our efforts of, and then he (or more likely she) will work hard, and not grudge sacrifices, and be as sweet as honey.'

BIBLES BY THE MILLION. During the nineteenth century the British and Foreign Bible Society distributed 165,000,000 copies of the Scripture. They weighed 30,700 tons. where he exhibits the crutches and To transport this mountain of Bibles a train sixteen miles long, drawn by 150 locomotives, would be necessary. temptible old dodge, restored to The area of the printed pages would decoy the foolish We pray to God furnish standing room for twice as for our daily bread; we trust Him for many persons as are now living throughout the world. If all these whom all blessings flow." Yet we are Bibles were made into a single volume be active, earnest workers in this line not such idiots as to cease from proper the book would be 202 feet high, 140 of christian work, as well as in al and reasonable efforts to secure these feet wide and 41 feet thick; each page blessings. The physician and his would weigh 60 tons, and to turn one drugs, the surgeon and his implements of them over would take the strength and apparatus are just as much needed of 1,200 men or 40 horses. Further, in their time and place as the farmer the Bibles would make 197½ columns with his plow, the merchant with his each as high as Mount Everest (29,000

PROGRESS OF THE NEGRO. - Congress man White, of North Carolina, the same time claim God's high authority only coloured member of the House of for the course they are pursuing. We Representatives at Washington, in a should remember that deceivers have recent speech gave the following facts abounded in all ages, and that in our concerning his race in the United enlightened days they are not less States. They show the remarkable numerous, not less cunning, bold and progress of that people since they

ceased to be slaves. Mr. White said "The negro was no longer the negro of forty years ago. Since that time illiteracy among the members of his race had decreased forty-five per cent. and help to form a sound public opinion | His race now included 2,000 lawyers and as many physicians; the negroes in which the scope for the operations of the swindler-and especially the had \$12,000,000 of school property person who swindles in the name of and \$40,000,000 of church property the Lord shall not find a congenial they owned 140,000 homes and farms atmosphere or a convenient sphere for of the value of \$750,000,000 and personal property to the amount of \$170, had accomplished in the face of almost insurmountable obstacles-lynchings, burnings, defranchisement-and notnotwithstanding the fact that the door of every trade was closed against the colored man. The colored man, he said, who had done the country's work for two and one-half centuries, would plenty of room at the top, and the negro was climbing.

> For the first time in 126 years the Massachusetts, the highest tribunal in the State appeared in robes at the opening of the March Court.

> It is with narrow-souled people as with narrow-necked bottles; the less they have in them the more noise they make in pouring it out .- Pope.

CANNOT PRAY.

The man who cannot pray without a. prayerbook cannot pray. - Free

Missionary

"Rise up ye women that are at ease. Isalah 32: 9.

[All contributions for this column should be addressed to MRs. Jos. McLeod, FREDERICTON.]

DEAR INTELLIGENCER :

Having been requested by some of the sisters to write for the column, I attempt to do so, with the feeling | Queen was a woman that we had peace." that perhaps I can write nothing of interest. Always when I open the INTELLIGENCER, the Woman's Mismy attention. I enjoy much the letters written by our sisters.

bers, by the payment of one dollar. Perhaps other auxiliaries will benefit by this suggestion. No doubt the brothers will readily acquiesce in this, as they, surely, will want to show We feel that in getting people interested in this most glorious work, which is doing more to elevate fallen humanity than any other enterprise, that they are being benefitted personally, as it reacts in giving new life and energy to the heart. A selfcentered life is far from being a happy

Dear sisters, are we not too easily satisfied? Ought not our funds to be doubled? And ought not we have more missionaries? Let us earnestly pray to God to send forth more faithful labourers into the harvest. The promise that "whatsoever ye ask in my name, that will I do,' has proved true for nineteen centuries. If our prayers are not answered, the failure is on our part. May God give us the faith that will take no denial. Let us

> P. A. HARTT. Home Sec.

Jacksontown, C. Co. March 18th., 1901.

P. S. I purpose sending blanks to our District Secretaries at once. As the Spring opens, it is to be hoped that there are some sisters in each church who will solicit subscriptions, later, collect the money.

P. A. H.

HINDU WOMEN AND QUEEN VICTORIA.

A well-known Baptist Zenana mis-

sionary sends the 'British Weekly' from Delhi a paragraph on the native opposed to free trade principles, hold-Indian women and the death of Queen | ing that protection is the curse of Victoria: 'The death of the Queen,' she says, 'is probably a greater loss to should be wiped out. India than to any other part of the empire, and there is a different note | the debate on the budget, followed by in its sorrow. India is mourning its Messrs. McLean, Roche, Brock and apostle of womanhood. One can others. No business was done. scarcely overestimate the object lesson her life was to an Oriental, and she 000,000. All this, he said, his race taught a lesson that no one but a roman, and a queen, could teach Imagine the shock of the Queen's personality and power to a man who honestly believed that a woman had no soul and no intellect. Suttee had arisen because men thought no woman was strong enough to be faithful when they were not there to guard them The English Government had forbid den the rule, but no law could have done what the Queen's adoring faithfulness to her husband's memory did. What must the atmosphere surroundjudges in the Supreme Judical Court ing the Queen have meant to Orientals used to other courts and other manners? Think of the other side of the great reign-no arguments as to how a woman ought to be treated could have taught the people the lesson they learned from the very way Englishmen honored the toast of "The Queen -God bless her." The perfect circle was complete-"Reverence a woman and you will find her worthy of reverence." "A woman worthy of reverence will be reverenced."

Since the Queen's death the women have been terrified lest they should be ill-treated and trampled on again. "Now women will be hanged," they say. "Now, no Englishman will be courteous to a woman, and they will never take off their hats to the mem sahibs again." And men, bewildered by the thought of the Queen's powers. say, "She was no woman; she was an incarnation." The bazaars are full of strange rumors. "Mr." Russe and "Mr." Germany are going to fight over England; they wouldn't touch it while the Queen was living." Now we are certain to have war; all men love fighting; it was only because the

'In one of the cities round which the fiercest fury of the Mutiny raged. the leading Hindus wished to place a sionary department is the first to take huge picture of the Queen on a charpoy and burn it at the river, treating her as a goddess, and went to a Padre We are endeavouring, as best we to ask if it would be well pleasing to can, to increase the interest in Foreign | her. A pathetic instance of the love of feeling hurt and is the martyr of Mission work. For this purpose two the common people had for her occurendless grievances is discussed by public meetings have been held at red in the same city. Two very old and very ignorant heathen women went to an English lady's house to ask if they could see the Queen. They to sit on the platform because he was sermon. We intend soliciting the had heard that she was dead, but they wanted to see her and to know if Osborne was further off than two days'

PARLIAMENT.

Monday. - Mr. Borden moved the amendment of which he gave notice last week. It set forth, he said, the Conservative policy-the same as had been adhered to since 1878. He spoke in criticism of the government's uncertain and ever varying policy.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier followed in defence of his government.

Tuesday. -- The debate on Borden's resolution was continued by Messrs. Wallace, Russell, Kemp and others.

WEDNESDAY. - This was private members' day in the house. Mr. Bennet moved that in the opinion of the house duties should be levied on lumber imported from the United States, corresponding with those now existing on lumber entering the United States. He pointed out that the Americans are increasing their trade in this coun'ry, while the Canadians are being closed out of the United States markets. He asked that the government retaliate unless the Americans come down.

Mr. Charlton condemned the tariff which placed our markets at the mercy of the United States. The operations of American lumber firms threatened to destroy the industry in British Columbia. He believed that a tariff for tariff would bring the United States to their knees. The time had arrived when our markets should cease to be a dumping ground for \$110,000,000 worth of American manufactures in return for privileges of selling a paltry \$7,000,000 worth of agricultural products.

Messrs. Edwards, Scott, Puttee and Davis opposed the resolution as being every industry of the country and

THURSDAY .-- Mr. Marcil continued

FRIDAY.—The budget debate was continued. Nothing new was said.

AMONG EXCHANGES.

WORLDLINESS.

There is an immense amount of worldliness within the church. Ministers not only declare that they do not know what to do with the worldliness in the church, but many of them have given up any attempt to deal with it-Michigan Presbyterian.

WHAT IT LACKS.

The preaching of the day does not lack eloquence, does not lack earnestness, does not lack scholarship, does not lack vigor; but it does lack directness, boldness, frankness. It would be better calculated to arouse and quicken if it were less genteel.-N. Y.,

AN OUTSIDE OPINION.

An attorney general who neglects and refuses to enforce the criminal laws when it has been shown that great public wrongs have been committed, is the revealed friend of all criminals and the enemy of all good citizens. - Halifax Herald.