Subject: "Standing on the Plain With Christ."

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TEXT: "And He came down with them and stood in the plann."—Luke vi. "Luke vi. Chief vi. Chief vi. What see Him on the Mount of Olives, Mount of Beatitudes. Mount Morian, Mount Calvary, Mount of Assersion, and it is glorious to taidy Him on these great natural elevations. But how is it that never before have we noticed Him on the plant. Amad the rocks, high up on the mountain, Christ had passed the night, but now, at early dawn, He is coming down with some especial itlends, stepping from shelving to salwing how and there a loosened stone rolling down the steep sides shead of Him, until He gets in a level place, so that He can be approached without climbing from all sides. He is on the level. My text says, "He came down with them and stood in the Main."

Now that is wist the world wants to-day more than anything else—a Christ on the level, easy to get at, no ascending, no descending, approachable from all sides—Christ on the plain. The question among all consecrated people to-day is, What is the matter with the ministers? Many of them are engaged-in picking holes in the Bible and apologizing for this and apologizing for this and apologizing for that. In an age when the whole tendency is to pay too little reverence to the Bible, they are fighting against Bibliolatry, or too much reverence for the Bible. They are building a femce on the wrong side of the road, not on the side where the precipice is and off which multitudes are falling, but on the upper side of the road, so that people will not be side of the road, so that people will not be side of the road, so that people will not be side of the road, so that people will not be side of the road, so that people will not be side of the road, so that people will not be side of the road, so that people will not be side of the road, so that people will not be side of the road, so that people will not be side of the road, so that people will not have a supported to the side of the road, and there is that astrology will take the shear of the strength of the side of the similar to the side of the side

"Get out of the way and let the hungry world come in."

The Christian church will have to change its tack or it will rue on the rocks of demolition. The world's population annually increases fifteen millions. No one pretends that half that number of people are converted to God. There are more than twice as many Buddhists as Protestants; more than twice as many Buddhists as Roman Catholics. Protestants 135,000,000; Catholics. 195,000,000. Buddhists. 460,000,000. There are 175,000,000. Mohammedans and 220,000,000 Brahmans. Meanwhile, many of the churches are only religious clubhouses, where a few people go. Sunday morning.

.emgious cuionouses, where a few people go on Sunday morning, averaging one person to a pew or one person to a half dozen pews, and leaving the minister at night to sweat through a sermon with here and there a lone traveler, unless, by a Sunday evening sacred concert, he can get out an audience of respectable size.

concert, he can get out an audience of respectable size.

The vast majority of the church memberable paround the world put forth no direct effort for the salvation of men. Did I say there would have to be a change! I correct that and say, there will be a change. If there he fifteen million persons adden every year to the world's population, then there will be thirty million added to the church, and forty million addied to the church, and forty million addied to the church will be thirty million. How will it be done? It will be done when the church will meet Christ on the plain. Come down out of the mountain of exclusiveness. Come down out of the recentain of milds. Come down out of the

of exclusiveness. Come down out of the mountain of pride. Come down out of the mountain of formalism. Come down out of the mountain of freezing and indifference. Old Dr. Stephon H. Tyng, great on earth and in heaven, once said to me: "I am in favor of a change. I do not know what is the best way of doing things in the churches, but I know the doing things in the churches that the best way of doing though the but is the best way of the world would be nearer itse saivation than it seems to be." So I feel, so we all feel, that there needs to be a chance. The point at which we all come

so we all feel, that there needs to be a change. The point at which we all come short is presenting Christon the plain, Christ on the level with all the world's woes and wants and necessities. The full change will have to come from the rising ministry. We now in the field are too set in our ways. We are imbered up with technicalities. We have too nany concordances and dictionaries and encyclopedias and systems of theology on our head

pedias and systems of theology on our bead to get down on the plain. Our wecabulary is too frosted. We are too much under the domination of customs regnant for many centuries. Corae on, young men of the ministry. Take this pulpit, take all the pulpits, and in the street, and the market place, and the family circle preach Chr.st. on the plain she believed has yet by its stiffed and in the street, and the family circle preach Chr.st. on the plain she believed has yet by its stiffed and look of the plain of the plain of the property of the plain of the property of the come all the people," and to prove a carnestness in the matter, people or foot and on horseback and in wagons and inearrages will come to the churches in such numbers that they will have to be met at the door by ushers, saying: "You were here last Sunday; you cannot come to-day. Gentlemen and ladies, you must take your turn."

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And it will be as in the Johnstown freshet and disaster, when a government station was opened for the supply of bread, and it look the officers of the law to keep the sufferers in line because of the great rush for food. When this famine struck world realize that the church is a government station set up by the government of the universe to provide the bread of eternal life for all the people, the rush will be unprecedented anti-turn of the control of the sufference of the world, and they have told us how great is the circumference of this world world, and they have told us how great is the circumference of this world world its weight to be six sextillion tons. But by no science has the weight of this world's trouble been weighed. Now, Christ standing on the level of our humanity stands in sympathy with every trouble. There are so many weary feet. His were worn with the long journey up and Jown the land that received Him not. There

banting the old creed at all, but now that is insperfections seed to be in lifed up and its insperfections seed to be a seed of the property o

newly see arose, ner syes wine open, ner cheeks turning from white lift to red rose; and the personts ory: "She lives! She lives!" and in the next room they take up the sound, "She lives! She lives" and the throng in front of the doorway repeat!, "She lives!" Will not all those who have lost a daughter feel that such a Christ as that

front of the doorway repeat if, "She lives" she lives" Will not all those who have lost a daughter feel that such a Christ as that can synapsthis?.

Christ on the plain. I cara not from what side you approach Him, you can touen Him and get His help. Is it mental depression you suffer? Remember Him woo said, "My God, My God, way hast Thou for saken Mer" list a struggle for bread? Remember Him who fel the five thousan! with two minnows and five biscuit, seltier of the biscuitistarger than your fist. Is t., chronic ailment? Remember the woman who for eighteen years was bent aimost double an! He lifted her face whill she could look, into the blue sky. Are you a sgilor and spend your flies her face whill she could look into the blue sky. Are you a sgilor and spend your flies her face whill she could look into the blue sky. Are you a sgilor and spend your flies her face whill she could look into the blue sky. Are you a sgilor and spend your flies have trouble with their eyes, and that is becoming an almost universal trouble througa much reading in rail car, and the overpressure of the study in the schools where other have trouble with their eyes, and that is becoming an almost universal trouble througa much reading in rail car, and the overpressure of the study in the schools where other have trouble with their eyes, and that is becoming an almost universal trouble througa much reading in rail car, and the overpressure of the study in the schools where other have trouble with their eyes, and that is becoming an almost universal trouble througan between the surface of the study in the schools where other have trouble with their eyes, and that is become to the surface of the surfa

with a scalding sarcasm He dashes ner hypocritical pursuers.

And see how He made ha immort il liturgy out of the publican's cry, "Got be merciful to me a sinuer," a priyer so short that the most overwhelmed of inder can utter it, and yet long enough to win celestial dominions. It was well put by a man who had been converted, and who remsmbered that in his dissolute days he found it hard to get occupation, because he could not present a certificate for good character.

In commending Christ to the people he stating "Bless God, I have found out that Jasing had a non who are a constantify. My text says, "He came down with them and stood in the plain." No climbing up through attributes you cannot understand io seconding of the beights of besuitful richetoric of prayer. No straining after eievations you cannot reach. No hunting for a God that you cannot find. But going right straight to Him and looking into His tace and taking His hand and asking for His pardon, His comfort, His grace, His heaven.

Christ on the level. When during the siege of Sebastopol an officer had commanded a private soldier to stand on the sammunition as it was handed up, while he, the officer, stool in a place sheltered from the enemy's gans, General Gordon leaged upon the wall to help and commanded the officer to follow him, and then closed with the words, "Never order a man to do anything that you are afraid to do yourself." Glory be to God, the Captain of our salvation has Himself gone through all the exposures in which He commands us to be courageous. He has been through it all, and now offers his sympathy in similar struggle. One of the kings of England one night in disguise walking the streets of London, and not giving account to finself, was arrestel and put in a miserable prison. When released and getting back to the palace, he ordered thirty tons of coal and a large supply of food for the night prisoners of London. Out of his own experiences that night he did this. And our Lord the King Around the palace has counted by what his of th

Washington, Feb. 18.—Mr. Secretary Tracy has cabled Admiral Gherardi at Montevideo authorizing him to return with the Philadelphia and Concord to go to the West Indice.

"MILLIUN-DOLLAR MANTLE." A Garment That has Enveloped Hawaiian Kings.

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A valuable collection of Hawaiian feather war cloaks and capes is on exhibition at the National Museum. One of the cloaks, the largest in the collection, is of immense value. It is known as the "million-dollar mantle." It once enveloped the kingly form of Kekuaskalian, one of the Sandwich Islands, in whose rigin it was completed, nearly a hundred years after it was begun. Upon the death of Kekuaskalian, who fell in battle, it became the property of his enemy. King Kahehameha III., by whom it was presented to Capt. J. H. Aulick of the United States navy.

The foundation of this most remarkable cloak is a network of olone, or "native hemp," and to it are attached by threads of the same material feathers of native birds found only in the Hawaiian Islands. The entire body of the mantle is made up of small red and yellow feathers, the latter ones being obtained from extremely rare and possessing but one or two of these vellow feathers, which are

the Oo or Uho (Mohan nobitis), a bird extremely rare and possessing but one or two of these yellow feathers, which are found under the wings. This bird is captured alive by means of the "lime trap," and when deprived of the precious feathers is set at liberty. Great prize is put on these feathers by the Crown. They are used as money in buying and selling, and are accepted by the Government in payment of taxes. The rod feathers are obtained from the most abundant bird of the islands, the Dreponis coccines.

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In the "million-dollar mantle," the feathers are placed so as to overlap, thus giving a smooth surface to the exterior of the cloak. The upper and lateral borders of the mantle are decorated with alternate tufts of red, yellow, and black feathers, but only on the margin are the black feathers used, which are obtained from the Uho. In the centre of the mantle is a large crescent-shaped figure of yellow feathers, surrounded by a belt of red, which blends in the middle of the belt on either side with a succeeding of rod, which blends in the middle of the belt on either side with a succeeding stripe of red, the outer margins of which are divided by two wedge-shaped processes of yellow. From this last-named figure on either side to the circumferences are alternate parallel stripes of yellow and red, about six inches broad. The upper circumference of the cloak, where it fastens about the neck, is about twenty inches. the lower one being seven or seven and a half feet, thus forming a cloak capable of amply enveloping a very large person. The mantle is protected by a handsome case, and its beauty advantageously displayed by a background of blue velvet.

There are two other capes in the col-

background of blue velvet.

There are two other capes in the collection, very much smaller, and two boas. The larger of the capes is little more than a collar, its upper and lower circumferences being but seventeen and sixty-six inches, respectively. The entire body is of yellow feathers, having but two small crescents of red in the center.

The remaining cape, virtually a red one, has only two small designs of yellow feathers, and consequently is much less valuable.

The bons, made from the feathers of the l'ho, are about two feet in length, and fasten about the neck with hempen cords

cords.

The feather garments were at one time considered the greatest possessions of the Crown, but the costumes of European and American manufacture have supersoded them, and they are no longer manufactured on the islands.—[Washington Post.

## Uncle Sam's Hired Help.

Among government employes at Washington are 2,000 people of the name of Smith, and some four hundred of them by the name of John Smith. There are over 1,100 Browns, 1,000 Johnsons and 900 Joneses. There are, on the other hand, such names as Xylander, Bussenshut. Calvacortses, Vonbrudenbrock, Matagonsky, Stuttenborongh, Schenckenberger, Scharringhausen, Petegomenne, Kochersperger, Brannersrenther and Dizerzanowski. They must be quite an affectionate lot, these government employes, for among the names are two Huggs, one Hugger, one Hugger, one Huggers, or

ployes, for among the names are two illuggs, one Hugger, one Huggins and thirty Loves.

Two sail under the cognomen of Gall, while three of them carry the equally suggestive name of Cheek. They are a particile let, evidently, for there are one Red. half a dozen Blues, and Whites by the hundreds.

There are several flags, and unaterial for more, as is shown by the fact that there are two Calicoes and one Silk. If Lucle Sam wants to get into the free lunch business he will have no difficulty in finding material to set his table. There are six, Rusks, one. Bread, fifty Pishes, the Custards, eleven Coffees, two Teas, three Butters, one Milk, two Sourwines, one Sourbeer, two Apples and one A. Sass, which presumably stands for "applesass." There are some names that would seem to be rather a burden to carry about through life. For instance, there are three by the name of Coward, one Lie, and one Awward. The months of the year are all represented.

The descendants of the families of the various presidents seem to be pretty well represented. There are forty-six Washingtons, of which five are George Washington; 300 Adamses, sixteen Jeffersons, 325 Jucksons, thirly Buchannas, fourteen Lincolns, 1,000 Johnsons, 100 Grants, twenty Hayses, thirly Buchannas, fourteen Lincolns, 1,000 Johnsons, 100 Grants, twenty Hayses, six Garfields, twenty Arthurs and twenty Cavelands, The great people of the monarchical governments seem to be represented, at there are forty Kings, three Queens, six Lords, Earls and Dukes in great numbers.—(Philadelphia Bulletin.

"This term seems to be making progress," said a visitor to a reside Boomville, Oblahoms.

"You are jist right, stranger, we've had to enlarge the jail twice,



Mrs. W. R. Francis

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Is the wife of one of the best known pharmacins
have Haven, doing business at 141 Dixwell Aven
and ex-President of the Connectious Pharmacous
Association. He says: "My wife was for stray
years in bad health, due to a complication of discers. Friends persuaded her to take hood's Synparilla, the took 6 or 8 bottles and is certainly a pudal better since, in every way."

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UNACCOUNTARILE DELAY.

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In the days when the stage was still a provailing mode of travel in the fest, a traveler one day grew incensed the slow progress made by the vehicle which he was a passenger. Remonrating with the stage-driver, he said:

"What's the matter with the team this ip? We're going as slow as a New agland prayer-meeting. I was over its route ten years ago, and we went fas ough then."

anglithen."
We do seem to be gittin' a leetle les mp on oursel's than we did then, fur pard," said the driver; 'but they of it beats me. These here's the ntical broncos we had then."—[Hannical broncos we had then."]

er's Magazine. SHE FELT RELIEVED.

-Will you marry me? Your an

He—Will you marry me? Jour an wer, quick!
She (as he makes a motion to tak amething out of his vest-pocket)—Olden't, don't, Fred! I will marry you but don't, don't.
He—Don't what? I was simply reaching for the engagement ring.
She (relieved)—Oh, I thought—I was a dynamite bomb.—[Bostonews.]

A SLIDING SCALE.

"Tommy," said the employer, or hilly morning, "I wish you to regula he heat so that the mercury in the the nometer shall stay around seventy d

grees."
I suppose," said Tommy, "the seventy degrees will do for this kind weather, but when it gets colder we need the mercury higher."—[Philad

When mother held the little chap And sang to him a tune
At night, while he sat on her lap.
He cried to get the moon.

Now more than half a century lies
Between him and his birth;
No more to get the moon he cries,
To-day he wants the earth.
—[New York Press

THE ROAD TO RICHES.

Ponsonby—That man yonder came America two years ago. He was a p watchmaker; he went West and ope a little store. He is now worth the

Popinjay-Thought there was no mo in the business.

Ponsonby—There isn't. He marian heiress.—[Jewelers' Circular.

NO FLIES.

A mermaid in the darkness deep, Wagged her slippery tail with glec And w.rbled thus, in liquid tones, "There are no files on me."
—[New York Heral

AN HONEST EFFORT.

"John," said the minister's wife, "Jonn," said the minister's wire,
many more times are you going to re
that sermon of yours?"

"Don't bother mie, my dear, if
please," he returned. "I am practi
what I preach."—[New York Sun.

A BACK HAND COMPLIMENT.

"Yes," said Miss May True, in a versation with Chappie, "I can ren ber things that happened when I wee, wee girl."

Then Chappie, wishing to pay h compliment, said:
"You must have an excellent men

"You must have an excellent men for that must have been many, r years ago."

THROUGH THE REGULAR CHANNELS

Manager—The latest general says we should economize in every sible way. Hereafter you must pill the waste paper and send it to Chief Clerk—If I must do this work I want a raise of salary.

Manager—All right; put your action in with the waste paper.—[graph Age.

ARMED FOR THE FRAY.

A tramp applied to a lady for and was given some carpets to bea did the job so well that she comm

did the job so went to the first fir CONSISTENT IN HER TASTES.

Fangle—It seems to me very s that Mrs. McJunkin should lav much affection on that homel dog. Cumso-Not at all. You ought

her husband.—[Epoch. FATHER TO THE MAN

Georgie Gazzam (aged five)—I tell you the latest smart thing my said.

Benny Bloombumper (aged fo a half)—Thanks, no; I'm tired. a smart father myself.—[Brookly APPRARANCES AGAINST HIM.

Office Boy—There is a man who says he has a play he wants read.

Manager—How is he dressed!

Office Boy—Oh, he is "out of—ells het, patent leathers and t
Manager—Tell him I'm not
must be an amateur.—[Clothier a