

GREAT PREACHER PASSING AWAY

Rev. T. De Witt Talmage Nearing the End—Took Ill in Mexico.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
WASHINGTON, April 11.—Rev. Dr. T. De Witt Talmage has grown steadily worse, and his condition this afternoon is extremely critical.

Thomas De Witt Talmage was born at Round Brook, New Jersey, January 7, 1822. He entered the legal profession, but, after a short period, prepared for the ministry at the New Brunswick Theological Seminary, graduating there in 1844. His first pastorate was at Belleville, New Jersey. He afterward removed to Philadelphia, where his rising fame induced the church at Brooklyn to make strenuous efforts to obtain his services as their minister, and he preached his first sermon there in March, 1839.

The great success which attended Dr. Talmage's preaching necessitated the enlargement of the Tabernacle in 1871, but was burned a year later. However, a still larger and finer structure was soon built, but this was also burned down in 1898. A new church was built at a cost of about \$200,000, and dedicated in 1891, but this was also burned in May, 1894, and was never rebuilt. In 1896 he removed to Washington, D. C.

Dr. Talmage visited England in 1869, and afterward made a tour of Palestine and the Continent.

He has published many sermons and religious works, and has been editor of The Christian Herald, a religious journal published by Louis Klopsch, the great philanthropist, who has collected and sent to China hundreds of thousands of dollars for the relief of the famine sufferers in the several unfortunate provinces of that country. The Christian Herald's circulation exceeds 300,000 copies weekly, and one of its most marked attractions has been a sermon each week by Dr. Talmage.

When the Rev. Dr. Talmage set out from his home in Washington for New Orleans, on February 12 last, he was in excellent health and spirits. He went to fulfill a long-standing preaching engagement in the Crescent City, where the congregation of the First Presbyterian Church, and thousands of citizens affiliated with other churches, were looking forward to his visit with pleasure. His Southern journey was destined to be an eventful one. He narrowly escaped a train wreck at Valdosta, Ga., caused by an open switch. As it was, the train in which he rode was so roughly shaken up that all the passengers suffered,

though not seriously. The doctor fortunately escaped with no worse misfortune than the loss of part of his baggage.

At New Orleans, a remarkable welcome awaited him. He was received by a distinguished deputation with the utmost cordiality. When he went, on the following Sunday, to the First Presbyterian Church, he found a great multitude assembled, the large building densely packed within, and a much vaster gathering out-of-doors, unable to obtain admittance, as auditoriums, galleries, and even the organ loft, were filled almost to suffocation. Thousands went away disappointed, but an immense crowd remained outside while the service lasted. He spoke with even more than usual force and conviction, and it was evident that the message was enriched by divine power and made a blessing to many. It seemed to reach the hearts of his auditors and to evoke responses which may have a marked spiritual influence upon the future of many lives. Seldom has Dr. Talmage, in all his long experience as a preacher, faced such a multitude. Only at the memorable gatherings around the Academy of Music, New York; at Ocean Grove, where he preached the gospel to 10,000 hearers; at the various Chautauques, and during his preaching tours in Great Britain, has he enjoyed the great privilege of addressing similar assemblies.

Leaving New Orleans, he proceeded to Mexico City, where he arrived safely, though somewhat fatigued with the labors he had undergone. He was to preach and lecture in the Mexican capital. Though the city has an altitude of several thousand feet above sea level, it is unhealthy for foreigners, unless they are fully acclimated. Shortly after his arrival, he had premonitions of an attack from his old enemy, the grip, but his health had been so robust that he gave these warnings little heed. In a few days they became more pronounced, and one morning, after a restless night, he found himself a thoroughly sick man. His physician advised his removal to Washington at once, and as every hour seemed to aggravate his condition, his wife and friends prepared for the homeward journey, which was begun without delay.

He was still quite ill when he reached Washington and was conveyed to his home at 1400 Massachusetts avenue, where, in God's good providence and under careful nursing, he soon began to improve. The lethargy slowly gave way

before returning strength, and on Monday, March 24, his wife and family and his friends all over the world were saddened with the news that the patient was on the road to recovery.

From that time the patient's convalescence progressed uninterruptedly, and the prospects for complete recovery were regarded as excellent, no set-back being apprehended.

FOUR DIVORCES.

Three suits for divorce were heard before State Circuit Judge M. C. George this morning, and submitted.

Leta Todd was married to Charles W. Todd in Idaho, in 1900, and now wants a divorce on the grounds of desertion.

Fannie Ferguson, who was wedded to John Ferguson in this city in 1900, alleges cruel treatment and abandonment, and wishes to be free again and to assume her maiden name, Florence Crook. Jennie Bennett, who was married to William Bennett at Port Townsend, Wash., in 1894, alleges that her husband failed to support her as he promised he would, and that he went away and left her to take care of herself.

The suit of V. Harger vs. John Harger, for divorce, would have come up for hearing had not the parties gone to Oregon City, thinking the suit was to be tried in the Circuit Court of Clackamas County. The case will likely be tried this afternoon, when the plaintiff returns.

STOLE FROM THE CASHIER.

Charles Unger was arraigned in the municipal court this afternoon on a charge of "short changing" Bertha Tripp, cashier in a Davis-street restaurant.

The woman alleges that Unger tendered her a \$5 gold piece in payment for a meal and that when she gave him the change he not only accepted that but picked up the gold piece as well, and made off with it.

LOUIS LARSEN DEAD.

Louis Larsen, a well-known citizen, died at his home 14 North Tenth street, last night, after a lingering illness. Mr. Larsen was 35 years of age and a native of Norway.

The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon from Holman's funeral chapel, Aerie No. 4, Fraternal Order of Eagles, of which deceased was an old member, will conduct the services.

Public Market Indorsed.

(Journal Special Service.)
OSWEGO, April 11.—Pomona Grange of Clackamas County held a meeting here today and passed resolutions favoring the establishment of a public market-place in Portland. The meeting was well attended and considerable business of importance was transacted. J. J. Johnson of Multnomah Pomona Grange made an address and entered a protest against the leasing of the old Market block to a private corporation.



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REAL ESTATE

SITUATION

There has been a large number of real estate changes in the past few weeks, the rather unpleasant weather not seeming to have much effect on the large increasing sales.

J. L. Wells, a prominent East Side real estate dealer, in speaking of the situation, said: "We have had a large number of calls lately from Eastern people who are looking for a place to locate. They come from all parts of the country and the first thing they do is to rent a residence and then begin to look around. They generally only stay in a house a month at a time, making it rather hard on the owners of the property. The class of immigrants that are coming to Oregon at the present time are very much better than those who came several years ago. They are a very careful class of people and know what they are buying. You can't fool them."

The general feeling among the dealers is very encouraging. M. E. Thompson, who is representing a large amount of city property, said: "I consider that the real estate situation is very encouraging, at least it is to me. I have just figured the sales that have been made in the Williams-avenue addition and they foot up to \$5,500 in the past five months. The weather has been against us or we would have done a lot of more work in that vicinity. There are in the Williams-avenue tract at the present time about 15 houses under construction, eight have been constructed in the past year and there are already 20 more contemplated."

The same good reports come from all sections of the city.

The number of people who are looking for houses to rent is getting larger every day. One real estate dealer said that he had 10 people in his office yesterday who wanted to rent houses.

All the lumber mills are working overtime, most of them night and day and still they are unable to keep up with their orders. If there are no labor troubles in the building line this summer, there will be over a thousand houses constructed this year.

During the months of January and February, the real estate deals in Portland amounted to \$1,005,500, and the month of March alone, nearly reached this sum.

ABOUT SHINGLE RATES.

It may be of interest to shippers to learn something additional in the matter of lumber rates. It seems that prior to the cancellation of shingle rates on November 1 last, the rate to East St. Louis was 62 1/2 cents, which was in effect over the Burlington and Northern Pacific via Billings, Mont., and also by the St. Paul, Omaha and Kansas City gateways.

When the St. Paul-Chicago line canceled the rate, the Burlington and Northern Pacific declined to do so via the Billings junction point. The result was that the anomaly was presented of a rate to East St. Louis via those three lines of 62 1/2 cents, while the other lines were quoting a 65-cent rate. November

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27 last the Great Northern, in connection with the Burlington, via St. Paul, met this rate and put forth a tariff of 62 1/2 cents also.

Then came about a curious state of affairs. One shipper declares that nothing was known at freight headquarters here that such a rate was in effect via St. Paul, although it had existed from November 1, 1901, up to about 10 days ago. It is true that the rate was abrogated November 1 last, but it was again restored on November 27. This illustrates how easily tariffs, similar in nature, may possibly become entangled with others.

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License Law Violation.

Complaint is continually being made to the license department at the City Hall by persons who claim that others are violating the license law. The officials state they are powerless to enforce the law unless these individuals are willing to aid the authorities by acting as witnesses in the case. They are positive that half a dozen or more expressmen are hauling trunks without a license, but they shrink from having a complaint sworn out for their arrest. License Officer McEachren and his deputies are anxious to bring these men to justice, and the way in which it can be furthered is for anyone to swear to the evidence they possess.

Let the Good Work Go On.

The old Brussels carpet in the Auditor's main apartments at the City Hall is being taken up and linoleum put down in its place. A new Brussels carpet will also be put down in the Auditor's private room, and one in the stenographer's quarters adjoining. The carpets are getting worn and are so full of dust that the linoleum will prove a valued change to the officials. It is next to impossible to keep the desks clean. Fine particles of dust are rising continually, even in the presence of the street sprinkling officials.

NEWS OF RIVER AND OCEAN

The bark J. D. Everett arrived at Victoria, B. C., yesterday, after a passage of 61 days from Manila.

The British ship Dovenby Hall was cleared yesterday for Queenstown or Falmouth for orders, with 125,722 bushels of wheat, valued at \$75,573.

Negotiations are under way by Sound parties for the purchase or lease of the steamer Reliance, owned by the D. P. & A. N. Co., which was on the Portland-Dalles run last fall.

Captain A. Hansen, of the German bark Bambeck, has instituted proceedings against the owners of the Oceano to recover damages caused by the recent collision of the two ships. Captain Hansen asks for \$5,000 in settlement of the matter.

The British ship Iredale, which was chartered to load wheat in Australia several months ago, will now come to this Coast on a similar mission, the supply of wheat at the former place having become exhausted. She may find similar conditions here on her arrival.

Some fast passages are being made by the French fleet from this port on the homeward voyage. The bark Elen has arrived out at Queenstown after a passage of 112 days. The French bark Europe has arrived at Swansan after being out 113 days.

It is said that the fish laws are being flagrantly violated near the mouth of the Columbia, many fishermen having been engaged at salmon catching for some time past. Quite frequently steamboats have been compelled to steer clear of nets strung in the river.

The steamers Elmore and Vosburg, plying between Astoria and Tillamook, have inaugurated a lively war, now affording splendid transportation facilities to the residents in those localities.

In speaking of the lumber droger, which Mr. Hammond is building in the East for Pacific Coast trade, the Astorian has the following: "This ship will be one of the finest money can construct, and will cost \$250,000 at least. The capacity will be 1,900,000 feet of lumber, and it will be able to carry 1,000,000 feet of lumber in 15 feet of water; 60 per cent. of her cargo

will be carried on deck. It will be built with a special idea of rapid discharge of her entire cargo, which can be done in 24 hours. The power will be steam, for which oil will be the fuel used. The engines will be triple-expansion, and of the most improved type. In the matter of power, the vessel will be the monarch of the Coast, being capable of towing a raft of lumber from the Columbia River to Japan under her own steam. For strength and construction the steamer will not be beat."

The steamer Aberdeen cleared for San Francisco this morning, with 45,000 feet of lumber.

The steamer Lakme arrived in at 9 o'clock last evening.

The steamer George W. Elder arrived last night at 9 o'clock from San Francisco with a cargo of general merchandise, which she is discharging this morning at the Almsworth dock. Great quantities of fruit and vegetables are among the freight being unloaded.

A final survey is being made today on the French bark Vendee by Surveyor Andrew Hoben. The vessel has been in port since March 19, and during that time has undergone many repairs. New rigging and spars now adorn the ship, adding greatly to its appearance. Considerable work has also been done on the hull and deck, but the repairs are about all completed now. The surveyor states that the Vendee will soon be in first-class condition. She will probably receive a cargo of wheat next week.

The Willamette has risen nine feet since Wednesday, but the water now is remaining about stationary. On account of the backward Spring river men are looking for unusually high water this year. The Columbia is low yet, no snow in the mountains at its source. War in the weather will soon come, and it is thought that the great bulk of the snow will melt so rapidly that the valley of the Columbia will be flooded. It will back up the Willamette, and result in very high water here. A repetition of the great flood of 1884 is not looked for, but the conditions are such as to warrant the belief that the Willamette will become bank full when the weather becomes hot.

HEALTH REPORT.

Herbert McRae, Grand avenue and Multnomah street, scarlet fever.
Leonard Alliston, Portland Heights, scarlet fever.
John Timm, 429 East Main, smallpox.
Richard Livingston, foot of Twentieth street, on scow, a boy.

BIRTHS.

To Febrakin and wife, 190 North Twelfth street, a girl.
To John W. Stevenson and wife, 249 North Sixteenth street, a boy.
Richard Livingston, foot of Twentieth street, on scow, a boy.

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ACCUSED OF STEALING.

(Journal Special Service.)
ROSEBURG, April 11.—Robert Rooney, accused of stealing a rifle from Mose Ryan, section foreman at Tunnel No. 6, Southern-Pacific railroad, was placed in jail here last night. Rooney will remain in custody until the Circuit Court convenes in May.

BUILDING PERMITS.

A. J. Clemens, alteration to house, Fifth and Hawthorne streets, \$1,000.
Edward Bradley, two-story dwelling, Second and Sheridan, \$500.
J. J. Giffman, two-story dwelling, Twenty-third and Johnson streets, \$1,000.
E. A. Lynds, addition to house, Nineteenth and Ellsworth streets, \$1,000.
Do not delay trying the Peacock Court, you will never regret it.