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A Short Sermon From the Newspaperial Pulpit.

"Lift up thy voice,"—Isa. xl. 9. From the frequency of such passages as these—"And Esau lifted up his voice and wept," "And Jacob kissed Rachel and lifted up his voice and wept," "The people lifted up their voice and wept," "Jotham" "lifted up his voice and cried," "lifted up their voices and wept," and "Saul wept," it would seem that the raising of voices and the raising of tears, in Biblical times, were intimately associated the one with the other. And even in our own day there is a close relation between the two acts, but with this difference, namely, that whereas, in former times, the voice lifting and the tear-shedding proceeded from the same person or persons, in modern days the loud voice and the moistened eye come from entirely different sources; that is to say, one lifts his voice and another does the weeping. But this need concern us not. Different eras are marked by different customs. Our purpose today is to draw what instruction we may from the injunction contained in the text: "Lift up thy voice."

And firstly, it should be borne in mind that when the Scriptures say: "Lift up thy voice," it is equivalent to saying "lift up thy words," and it need not, perhaps, be said that the lighter one's words are, the more easily may they be lifted up. Therefore, if it be commendable in one to lift up his voice (and that it is, the several passages quoted prove beyond peradventure), then it follows that the person who would obey the words of my text should choose words which may be raised with the least possible exertion. And you will usually find that the words of the loudest talker are usually of the smallest possible weight.

Secondly, "Lift up thy voice." When you are engaged in an argument, speak as loud as your lungs will allow you. Let your adversary's logic be as keen as a Damascus blade, and his reasoning as convincing as a pecuniary bribe, only to lift up your voice to the proper elevation and you are bound to get the better of him. Possibly you may not succeed in bringing him over to your view, but you will inevitably silence him, which amounts to the same thing.

But, thirdly, it might be advanced that your conduct would cause you to be disliked. What of that? Do not the successful ones of the earth always excite envy, and therefore the enmity of the unsuccessful? Go! What does the text say? "Lift up thy voice."

Fourthly—If you have ought to say to your neighbor, and you are proud of what you are saying (and proud you are, or you wouldn't open your mouth to say it), why should you not speak loud enough that all within earshot should hear it, and be benefited accordingly? Why should not your edifying powers of speech be made known to the multitude? The text says: "Lift up thy voice."

Fifthly—And if it be a praiseworthy act to lift up your voice, then it follows that no opportunity should be lost which can show that you desire to do that which is praiseworthy; that is to say, you should lift up your voice wherever and whenever the opportunity offers. Nay, more, you should make the opportunity. For the text says: "Lift up thy voice." It doesn't say: "Lift up thy voice in prayer," or "Lift up thy voice in lamentation," or "Lift up thy voice to speak well of thy neighbor," but simply: "Lift up thy voice."

Sixthly—Do not not flatter yourself that you will be sent out and pushed ahead in the world by others. Modest worth is a good thing, but unless one makes himself heard he is quite apt to be left amidst the noise made by the many who are eager for preferment. It is undoubtedly true, in the beautiful imagery of our ancestors, that "the still sow sucks the most milk," but it should be remembered that she is only still because she has got what she wanted. Until she got it you may be sure she failed not to lift up her voice.

Seventh, and in conclusion, when those about you are reading and writing, when your friend is playing upon the piano upon your invitation, when you are in the lecture-room or at the theater, when your wife or mother or husband or father is endeavoring to get a much-needed nap, when there be those about you that have sensitive ears and delicate nerves, when there is somebody else whose words all are eager and anxious to hear, when you see, hear or think of something you want—then, in the words of my text: "Lift up thy voice."

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OUR PART OF THE FRANCO-CHINESE QUARREL.

Some months ago the United States government made an attempt at mediation between France and China, but the friendly offer was not received with favor by either party to the contest. Our government first communicated with the French foreign office, and then instructed Mr. Young, our minister at the court of Peking, to see the Tsung-Li-Yomen and ascertain from him what would be thought of the following propositions:

First—The ratification of the treaty of Tientsin and the conclusion of a commercial convention, based on a project to be put forward by France. Second—The occupation of Kelung and Tamsui without claim to territorial sovereignty, and only until the treaty itself should be carried out. Third—The payment to France of five million francs, as a compensation for the non-execution of the Tientsin stipulation, and the cession of the custom house and mines of Tamsui and Kelung until the settlement of the compensation due and the fixing of a guarantee by arbitration. Fourth—The evacuation of Tonquin by the Chinese troops, and the suspension of operations by the French fleet, after the ratification of this agreement and the conclusion of a commercial convention.

To not an article of these four propositions would be the Yamen consent. There should be no occupation of Chinese territory by a foreign power; there should be no payment of an indemnity, and there should be no conclusion of a commercial treaty. This determination was telegraphed by Mr. Young to Washington, and here the matter dropped as far as this country is concerned.

But in the meantime the Chinese representative in London took it upon himself, unauthorized by his government, to apply to England to mediate in the controversy. This but served to make the matter worse. His government snubbed him by telling him that it would treat only with France directly, and then submitted the following proposition to the French government:

First—A rectification of the Tonquin frontier, the Lang Son-Lao Kai line to be conceded to China. Second—A new regulation of commercial relations between China and Tonquin; and third—France to give up all interference with the domestic affairs of Anam.

If France would yield to this extent, China would abandon her own claim to indemnity and consent to a treaty of peace being concluded. Not otherwise. The demands of China were inadmissible by the French, and the war continued. But the terms which China is now apparently willing to accept fall far short of what the council of state insisted upon up to a very recent period.

FIGHTING ILLINOIS LEGISLATORS.

While the house was attempting to adjourn, Baker and Crafts engaged in a hand-to-hand fight immediately in front of the speaker's stand. Baker had all the morning busied himself in endeavoring to get the stockyard bill replaced in the order of bills on second reading, while Crafts desired the measure referred to some committee or other. The two worthies met and Baker said to Crafts: "Your scheme won't work." Mr. Crafts—I have no scheme. Mr. Baker—Yes you have. Your finger is in the pie. Crafts—No, it is not. Baker—You are a liar. Crafts—You are another. Crafts retorted with a blow aimed at Baker's face, which, however, fell wide of its mark. Baker struck Crafts in the face with his fist and at the same time kicked him in the stomach. Crafts, apparently weakened by the kick, grasped a chair and endeavored to smash it over Baker's head, but the house policeman interfered and separated the would-be combatants, who were entirely willing to fight to a finish then and there. The house was in a great commotion by this time, the members yelling and shouting. Speaker Haines promptly declared the house adjourned.—*Legislative Report in Chicago Times, April 1.*

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