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## MEETING "PROSPERITY"

Starting the New Year with confidence that you will be a success and have the things you want, is an important matter. We are not exactly sold on making new resolutions once a year. They break too easy. But we are tremendously sold on making one resolution, and making it every day—That we can shake hands with "Mr. Prosperity" and have all the good things we want.

All great men have started along the same way. Most of our really great men started from the bottom and made their way up, and in doing it, they had to follow the theme we are telling you. Make up your mind what you want and then with full confidence that you are going to get it, go out and work for it. If you work hard enough and sincere enough, it will eventually have to come your way. It never fails if you don't give up.

"Prosperity" won't jump into your lap over night. You must work to cultivate this gentleman's favor. But he is always willing to meet you half way and help you on your way if you have perseverance enough to make the grade.

We are all beginning a New Year. The same opportunities are within the reach of everyone of us. Some will succeed, while most will be satisfied with the crumbs that fall their way. You don't have to pick up the crumbs. You can have the whole cake if you want it. Start now. Make up your mind and stick and then see where you are next year this time.

## A NEW YEAR'S SERMON

By Ed Wright  
Yesterday and Today and Forever,  
Feb. 13-18

It is profitable for us at intervals, to think of our yesterdays. However, for some of us, the thought of our yesterdays and yesterdays bring a sense of shame and humiliation.

Some of us spent too many years serving the wrong Master.

Who of us, whom of our acquaintances have a character so hard, a conscience so seared, that we can think of our yesterdays that we spent in the Devil's service without a feeling of regret? With that thought comes another, "Oh, if I could only go back and start over?"

That of course is impossible, but we CAN resolve that, with the help of God we will live today so that if we have a tomorrow we can look on the yesterday just gone with a feeling of pride and joy, both in the things done and the things we might have done except for HIS guidance.

Yesterday is gone; the record is in His hands and it is an accurate record. There is only one thing

that we can do about it; in 1st John, 1, 9, we read, "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. So let us ask for forgiveness even for the little things, even for the unremembered things.

But TODAY: Today is OUR day; yesterday with its cares, worries, problems, aches of mind and body; also its blessings and privileges is gone.

But we have TODAY. "TODAY, if you will hear HIS voice." TODAY, with the added strength that should be ours because of yesterdays experience. TODAY, to profit by the errors and mistakes of yesterdays.

TODAY, we have today in which to be conscious. Still intoxicated with the power of the Holy Ghost, which filled us and thrilled us when we prayed into His presence.

TODAY, we should be able with the old song writer to sing: "Oh the blessing and the power that the Lord gave me then. I never shall forget; I never shall forget;

Oh the blessing and the power that the Lord gave me then. It lingers with me yet."

## Along the Concrete



## PLUG THOSE HOLES



Yes, thank God today for yesterday.

TODAY, I would thank God today, first of all for HIS presence and guiding care over me; also I would thank God today for the loving companionship of the one He gave me to be my helpmate and my partner.

I would also thank God today, for the kindnesses shown me yesterday, for the well wishes and the good cheer given by others.

But the blessing that is paramount, the gift that exceeds all earthly gifts, is the peace of God; that "Peace that passeth understanding" which is mine.

"There's a peace in my heart, that the world never gave; A peace it cannot take away. Though the sorrows of life may surround like a flood,

I've a peace that has come there to stay."

Yes, I thank God today, not only for the peace and the prosperity of today but for the promises of tomorrow.

Yes, let us thank God today for the admonitions given us by that grand old preacher in Second Peter 3:18 where he says, "But grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

If that is our spiritual condition, if we are honestly striving to "grow in grace" then yesterdays experiences, and today's joys and blessings will enable us to appreciate His promises to us for tomorrow; will help us to believe Him who said "and Lo: I am with you always." This condition, this experience should cause us to love Him better; He, the author of our Salvation and the subject of our text "Jesus Christ the same, yesterday, and forever."

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Most of Britain's Large Animals Have Faded Out  
In the British isles there are about 90 species of mammals, but a thousand years ago the number was much larger, for with the advance of civilization the larger species disappeared. Up to 200 years ago wolves roamed over the wilder parts of the country, and in Ireland they existed up to 1770.

In the reign of Charles II, writes Oliver G. Pike, F. Z. S., in London Tit-Bits Magazine, hunting the wild boar was a favorite sport, but as the great forests were cut down to provide land for cultivation this fine animal became extinct. Beavers were to be found damming up our streams when William the Conqueror landed.

Many place names in this country show that in the early days mammals were common. Boarhunt, Boarhills and Hogmer were named after the boar; Brockenhurst, Brockley, Brocketsbrae and Brock after the badger; Bearsden and Bearsted after the wild bear, and Otterham, Otterspool and Otterington after the otter. The first to go was the bear. This animal likes a secluded life, and as civilization increased it moved deeper into the fastnesses of the hills. The last specimen was destroyed in the Eleventh century.

As long as fox hunting is the sport of the rich, the fox will remain with us; in places the badger is persecuted cruelly, although it would be difficult to point out any harm it does, while the good it can do in ridding the countryside of noxious insects is well known.

## Ancients Enjoyed Many Kinds of 'Iced Drinks'

Early history of ice cream is fragmentary and the name of the actual originator is not known. It is recorded that Alexander the Great, the Ptolemys and Julius Caesar preferred "iced drinks," made with wine and snow, resembling our water ices. The writings of Marco Polo mention certain frozen sweets he enjoyed in China in 1275. Italian records indicate a thriving ice cream trade there in the Fifteenth century and Catherine de Medici, when she moved from Florence to France, took her own "gelateria," or freezing plant with her. The first printed record of it in England appeared in 1769.

Legends differ on its introduction into America, but credit most generally is given to the Virginia Cavaliers, notes a writer in the Philadelphia Inquirer. In 1777 what is probably the first advertisement for ice cream appeared in a New York paper. During the administration of James Madison, his wife, Dolley, served it frequently at her levees. In 1832 a Negro confectioner of this city, Augustus Jackson, offered ice cream for sale at a dollar a quart. Several accounts claim that this man and the chef at the White House during the Madison administration are the same.

## How 'Hello' Originated

The salutation "hello" first appeared in the English language as "hollow" or "hollo," being usually pronounced with the stress on the last syllable. In the Seventeenth century the common form was "hillo," which was replaced late in the Eighteenth century by "hallo" or "halloo." By the middle of the Nineteenth century this latter form had been supplanted by "hello." The spelling "hello" does not occur in literature until about 1889, when the word became the common salutation over the telephone. Like most interjections, the original source of the word is unknown. "Holla," a closely related exclamation and salutation, is supposed to be derived from the French "ho," meaning ho, and "la," there. There is no evidence to support the popular theory that "hello" is a corrupted form of "hail to you." The French telephone greeting is "allo," evidently an adaptation from the English.

## Odor Has Weight

The sensation of odor is caused by minute particles of a substance reaching the nose and affecting the olfactory organs. These particles have escaped by evaporation from a volatile substance, and since volatile substances will eventually evaporate completely their weight must have been made up of these particles. The particles have definite weight, and because odor is caused by them it may be said that odor has weight.

## Meaning of Name Talbot

The name Talbot means "a bloodhound." Or rather, the common noun talbot is the (Old English) name of the original stock of bloodhounds, according to Florence A. Cowles in the Cleveland Plain Dealer. The word is seldom used except in heraldry, where the animal is often part of a device. But the name Talbot is frequently heard as a surname, less often as a given name.

## Hospitals Called 'Pest Houses'

Back in early medieval history when hospitals were first getting their start they were commonly known as "pest houses." And pest houses they remained for many years, until modern science and equipment put an end to the name. Or almost, for throughout the country that term is applied to the nation's isolation hospitals by a surprising number of people.

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