REV. DR. TALMAGE PREACHES AN EL-OQUENT SERMON ON FESTIVITY.

An Entertainment Where the Lord Is the Plea to the Unconverted.

BROOKLYN, Jan. 28 .- The usual large audience assembled in the Tabernacle today and listened to a sermon of remarkable power and interest by Rev. Dr. Talmage, the subject being "Festivity." The text selected was Luke xiv, 17, "Come, for all things are now ready."

It was one of the most exciting times in English history when Queen Elizabeth visited Lord Leicester at Kenilworth castle. The moment of her arrival was considered so important that all the clocks of the castle were stopped, so that the hands might point to that one moment as being the most significant of all. She was greeted to the gate with floating islands and torches, and the thunder of cannon, and fireworks that set the night golaze, and a great burst of music that lifted the whole scene into perfect enchantment. Then she was introduced in a dining hall the luxuries of which astonished the world. Four hundred servants waited upon the guests. The enter- gateway tainment cost \$5,000 each day. Lord Leicester made that great supper in Kenilworth castle.

Cardinal Wolsey entertained the French embassadors at Hampton court. The best cooks in all the land prepared for the banquet. Purveyors went out and traveled all the kingdom over to find spoils for the table. The time came. The guests were kept during the day hunting in the king's park so that their appetites might be keen, and then in the evening, to the sound of the trumpeters, they were introduced into a hall hung with silk and cloth of gold, and there were tables aglitter with imperial plate and laden with the rarest of meats and ablush with the costliest wines, and when the second course of the feast came it was found that the articles of food had been fashioned into the shape of men, birds and beasts, and groups dancing, and jousting parties riding against each other with lances. Lords and princes and embassadors, out of cups filled to the brim, drank the health first of the king of England and next of the king of France. Cardinal Wolsey prepared that great supper in Hampton court. A REMARKABLE BANQUET.

But I have to tell you of a grander entertainment. My Lord the King is the banqueter. Angels are the cupbearers. All the redeemed are the guests. The halls of eternal love, frescoed with light and paved with joy and curtained with unfading beauty, are the banqueting place. The harmonies of eternity are the music. The chalices of heaven are the plates, and I am one of the servants coming out with both hands filled with invitations, scattering them everywhere, and, oh, that for yourselves you might break the seal of the invitation and read the words written in red ink of blood by the tremulous hand of a dying Christ, "Come now, for all things are ready."

There have been grand entertainments where was a taking off-the wine gave out, or the servants were rebellious, or the light failed. But I have gone all around about this subject and looked at the redemption which Christ has provided, and I come here to tell you it is complete, and I swing open the door of the feast, telling you that "all things are

now ready." In the first place, I have to announce ready. Cardinal Wolsey came into the feast after the first course. He came in booted and spurred, and the guests arose the very beginning of the feast-aye, he guests. He has been standing on his mangled feet, he has had his sore hand on his punctured side, or he has been pressing his lacerated temples-waiting, been impatient and that he has not said, Shut the door and let the laggard stay out," but he has been waiting.

No banqueter ever waited for his guests so patiently as Christ has waited for us. To prove how willing he is to receive us, I gather all the tears that rolled down his cheeks in sympathy for anybody. But the minister comes some This Bible says plainly there is joy in your sorrows; I gather all the drops of blood that channeled his brow, and his back, and his hands and feet, in trying doorbell. He has only a text and two or gels rejoice and know of it shall not all the groans that he uttered in midnight chill, and in mountain hunger, and in desert loneliness, and twist them into one cry-bitter, agonizing, overwhelm-

I gather all the pains that shot from spear and spike and cross, jolting into one pang-remorseless, grinding, excruclating. I take that one drop of sweat on his brow, and under the gospel glass that drop enlarges until I see in it lakes being standing before you now, emaciword is a heart break and every sentence a martyrdom. How can you think he

FOR THE DELAYED GUESTS. Ahasnerus prepared a feast for 180 days, but this feast is for all eternity. Lords and princes were invited to that. You and I and all our world are invited to this. Christ is ready. You know that the banqueters of olden time used to wrap themselves in robes prepared for the occasion, so my Lord Jesus hath wrapped himself in all that is beautiful. See how fair he is! His eye, his brow, his cheek, so radiant that the stars have no gleam and the morning no brilliancy compared with it, his face reflecting all the joys of the redeemed, his hand having the omnipotent surgery with which heaven, and swung the 12 gates, which

There are not enough cups in heaven to dip up this ocean of beauty. There are not ladders enough to scale this height of love. There are not enough is by the power of God's omnipotent are ready? You see my subject throws

are 12 pearls.

READY FOR A FEAST. cymbals to clap, or harps to thrum, or trumpets to peal forth the praises of this bring you to Jesus. I do not know what hymn may bring you to Jesus. I do not know what Morus: Come, men and saints and cherubim and seraphim and archangel-all Banqueter and Angels Are the Cupbear- heights, all depths, all immensities. ers-An Effective and Earnest Gospel Chorus: Roll him through the heavens if I could take the curtain off these Chris-

him be glory, world without end!" ped in the light of the morning, I will open! Hundreds of people would say: write it out in the capitals of love. "J-E-S-U-S." It is this one, infinitely Bring the silver bowl for his baptism. fair, to whom you are invited. Christ is Give him the right hand of Christian felwaits for the delayed guest—the meats associations." smoking, the beakers brimming, the minstrels with fingers on the stiff string, tains, come into the warm sheepfold. I waiting for the clash of the hoofs at the let down the bars and bid you come in.

her son who went off 10 years ago, drag- beckon you into the church of God. A tense enough, hot enough, importunate enough to express my meaning-some- imperfections. Christ bought it, and thing high as heaven and deep as hell hoisted the pillars, and swung its gates, and long as eternity! Not hoping that and lifted its arches, and curtained it you can help me with such a comparison, I will say, "He is waiting as only the all carnage. Come into it. sympathetic Christ can wait for the coming back of a lost soul,"

Bow the knoe and kiss the Son. Come and welcome, sinner, come.

HOW LUTHER SAW THE TRUTH. that Christian songs do not get their it is a very good subject for theological dom of God! wing under the people-that so often students who have just begun to sermonprayer goes no higher than a hunter's ize, but for older men it is improper, with those rags? Why, the King's servwanting-the work of the holy spirit. there is a God than that there are angels. naked at the gate. You must be born Unless that spirit give grappling books Why, do not they swarm about Jacob's again. The day is far spent. The cliffs to a sermon and lift the prayer and waft | ladder? Are we not told that they con- begin to slide their long shadows across the song, everything is a dead failure. ducted Lazarus upward; that they stand the plain. Do you know the feast has That spirit is willing to come at our call before the throne, their faces covered up already begun—the feast to which you and lead you to eternal life, or ready to with their wisgs, while they cry,"Holy, were invited-and the King sits with come with the same power with which holy is the Lord God Almighty?" Did his guests, and the servant stands with he unhorsed Saul on the Damascus turn- not David see thousands and thousands? his hand on the door of the banqueting pike, and broke down Lydia in her fine Did not one angel slay 185,000 men in room, and he begins to swing it shut? It store, and lifted the 3,000 from midnight | Sennacherib's army? And shall they not | is half way shut. It is three-fourths into midnoon at the Pentecost. With be the chief harvesters at the judgment? shut. It is only just ajar. Soon it will that power the spirit of God now beats at the gate of your soul. Have you not | There is a line of loving, holy, mighty noticed what homely and insignificant angels reaching to heaven. I suppose instrumentality the spirit of God em- they reach from here to the very gate, ploys for man's conversion?

brought Augustine from a life of dissi- "Come, for all things are now ready!" pation? "Put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ | Angels ready to bear the tidings, angels and make no provision for the flesh to ful- ready to drop the benediction, angels fill the lusts thereof." It was just one ready to kindle the joy. They have stood Jesus Christ cleanseth from all sin."

immortal, invisible, the only wise God, that never blister, heads that never faint, that the Lord Jesus Christ himself is our Saviour, be glory." One year ago on hearts that never break, friendships that Thanksgiving day I read for my text, are never weakened. "Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for he Ready, all of them! Ready, thrones, is good, for his mercy endureth for principalities and powers! Ready, seraand cheered him. But Christ comes in at ever." And there is a young man in the phim and cherubim! Ready, Michael house to whose heart the holy spirit took | the Archangel! has been waiting 1.8M years for his that text for his eternal redemption. I Again, your kindred in glory are all might speak of my own case. I will tell ready for your coming. I pronounce you I was brought to the peace of the modern spiritualism a fraud and a sham. an's cry to Christ, "Even the dogs eat of have no better business than to crawl waiting. It is wonderful that he has not the crumbs that fall from the muster's under a table and rattle the leaves, they table.

TRUE ELOQUENCE. Eloquent sermons never save anybody. the word of God, teaches us that our Philosophical sermons never save any- friends in glory sympathize with our rebody. Metaphysical sermons never save demption, Sabbath to his pulpit worn out with en- heaven among the angels of God over gagements and the jangling of a frenzied one sinner that repenteth, and if anto purchase your redemption; I gather three ideas, but he says: "O Lord, help our friends standing among them know me. Here are a good many people I may | ii? Some of these spirits in glory toiled never meet again. I have not much to for your redemption. When they came say. Speak thou through my poor lips." to die, their chief grief was that you were And before the service is done there are not a Christian. They said, "Meet me tearful eyes and a solemuity like the in heaven," and put their hands out from

judgment. dead king lay before him, looked up and sinful life to a holy life. Suppose you cried, "God only is great!" and the tri- should be born into the kingdom. Supumph of his eloquence has been told by the historians. But I have not heard deceitful world! Get thee gone, my sin! of sorrow and an ocean of agony. That that one soul was saved by the oratorical Fie upon all the follies! O Christ, help flourish. Worldly critics may think that me or I perish! I take thy promise. I ated and gashed and gory, coaxes for the early preaching of Thomas Chalmers believe thy word. I enter thy service."

your love with a pathos in which every was a masterpiece. Dat Thomas Chal-Suppose you should say and do this mers says he never began to preach until Why, the angel sent to you would shout he came out of the sickroom, white and upward, "He is coming!" and the angel will be found that the most souls have run all up the line of light from wing to been brought to Christ not by the Bos- wing and from trumpet to trumpet until but by humble men, who, in the strength | flash to "the house of many mansions," of God and believing in the eternal spir- and it would find out your kindred there,

it, invited men to Jesus. cellent continents. I suppose, in the time of Christ for blind and inflamed eyes. kindred in glory would know of it, and But Jesus turned his back upon them another heaven would be added to their and put the tip of his finger to his tongue, joy, and they would cry: "My prayers and then with the spittle that adhered are answered; another loved one saved. to the finger he anointed the eyes of the Give me a harp with which to strike the blind man, and daylight poured into his joy. Saved! Saved! Saved! blinded soul. So it is now that the spirit he opened blind eyes, and straightened of God takes that humble prayer meetcrooked limbs, and hoisted the pillars of ing talk, which seems to be the very saliva of Christian influence, and anoints Holy Spirit is ready, that the church the eyes of the blind and pours the sunlight of pardon and peace upon the soul. Oh, my friend, I wish we could feel it

one altogether fair. Oh, then flower of words of the Scripture lesson I read may eternity, thy breath is the perfume of save your soul. Perhaps the spirit of heaven! Oh, blissful daybreak, let all God may hurl the very text into your people clap their hands in thy radiance! heart, "Come, for all things are now

A GLORIOUS CHURCH.

in a chariot of universal acclaim, over tian hearts, I could show you a great bridges of hosannas, under arches of many anxieties for your redemption. coronation, along by the great towers You think that old man is asleep bechiming with eternal jubilee. Chorus: cause his head is down and his eyes are Unto him who hath loved us and wash- shut. No; he is praying for your reel us from our sins in his own blood, to demption and hoping that the words spoken may strike your heart. Do you I have a word of five letters, but no know the air is full of prayer? Do you heet white enough on which to write it know that prayer is going up from Fuland no pen good enough with which to ton street prayer meeting and from Friinscribe it. Give me the fairest leaf day evening prayer meeting, and going from the heavenly records—give me the up every hour of the day for the redemppencil with which the angel records his tion of the people? And, if you should victory-and then, with my hand strung just start toward the door of the Chriso supernatural erstasy and my pen dip- tian church, how quickly it would fly waiting for you, waiting as a banqueter lowship. Bring him into all Christian

Oh, you wanderer on the cold moun-With the shepherd's crook I point you Waiting for you as a mother waits for the way. Hundreds of Christian hands ging her bleeding heart along with him. great many people do not like the church Waiting! Oh, give me a comparison in- and say it is a great mass of hypocrites, but it is a glorious church with all its with upholstery crimson with crucifixion

We are a carden walled around. Chosen and made peculiar ground, A little spot inclosed by grace

Out of the world's wild wilderness. Again, the angels of God are ready. A Again, the holy spirit is ready. Why great many Christians think that the Self righteous man, thou must be bern s it that so many sermons drop dead- talk about angels is fanciful. You say again, or thou canst not see the king-'hollo?" It is because there is a link There is no more proof in that Bible that ant would tear them off and leave you IMMORTAL HEALTH.

and when an audience is assembled for him now. This is the hour of thy re-There was a man on a Hudson river Christian worship the air is full of them. boat to whom a tract was offered. With If each one of you has a guardian anindignation he tore it up and threw it gel, how many celestials there are here! overboard. But one fragment lodged on They crowd the place, they hover, they his coat sleeve, and he saw on it the word flit about, they rejoice. Look, that spirit "aternity," and he found no peace until is just come from the throne! A mohe was prepared for that great future. ment ago it stood before Christ and Do you know what passage it was that heard the doxology of the glorified. caused Martin Luther to see the truth? Look! Bright immortal, what news "The just shall live by faith." Do you from the golden city! Speak, spirit blest! know there is one—just one—passage that | The response comes melting on the air,

Edwards? "Now, unto the king, eternal, torches; eyes that never weep, hands

gospel through the Syro-Phœnician wom- If John Milton and George Whitefield had better stay at home in glory. While I believe that modern spiritualism is Do you know that the holy spirit al- bad because of its mental and domestic most always uses insignificant means? ravages, common sense, enlightened by

the cover and said, "Goodby." Now, The great French orator, when the suppose you should cross over from a

Suppose you should say and do this? emaciated, and told men the simple story | poising higher in the air would shout it of Jesus. In the great day of eternity it upward, "He is coming!" and it would sucts and Massillons and Bourdaloues, it reached the gate, and then it would and before your tears of repentance had There were wise salves, there were ex- been wiped from the cheek and before

A FINAL EXHORTATION. If I have shown you that "all things are ready," that Christ is ready, that the is ready, that the angels in glory are ready, that your glorified kindred are ready, then with all the concentrated more and more that if any good is done it emphasis of my soul I ask you if you

the whole respectsibility upon yourself. If you do not get into the King's banquet, it is because you do not accept the invi-tation. You have the most importunate invitation. Two arms stretched down from the cross soaked in blocd from el-

rival. Oh, if the King would come to the castle of your soul, you might well hands might forever point to this moinvite every one of you, according to the passes. invitation of my text, saying, "Come!"

by the hand and say, "Come!" Old man, who has been wandering 60 or 70 years, thy sun has almost gone down. Through the dust of the evening stretch out your withered hand to Christ. He will not cast thee off, old man. Oh, that one tear of repentance might trickle down thy wrinkled cheek! After Christ has fed thee all thy life long, do you not think you can afford to speak one word in his

praise? Come, those of you who are farthest away from God. Drunkard, Christ can Christ saw thee where thou wert last night. He knows of thy sin. Yet if thou wilt bring thy polluted soul to him this moment he will throw over it the mantle of his pardon and love. Mercy for thee, oh, thou chief of sinners! Harlot, thy feet foul with hell and thy laughter the horror of the street! Oh, Mary Magdalene, look to Jesus! Mercy for thee, poor lost waif of the street

Do you think you can get into the feast be shut.

"Come, for all things are now ready." Have I missed one man? Who has not felt himself called this hour? Then I call demption.

While God invites, how blest the day; How sweet the gospel's charming sound! Come, sinner, haste, oh, haste away, While yet a pardoning God is found.

Rusk's Recommendation.

General Rusk was a great deal of a joker and is credited with many good stories. One of these I heard soon after I first arrived in Washington. It may be old, but it's still good. It ran something like this:

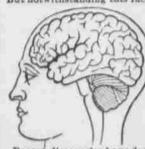
"He was talking about the hotels and eating houses with a young man passage that converted Hedley Vicars, the in glory-they know all about it. They who claimed to know all about them, great soldier, to Christ, "The blood of have felt the joy that is felt where there and in the course of the conversation are no tears and no graves; immortal the young man spoke of his great Do you know that the holy spirit used health, but no invalidism; songs, but no fondness for beefsteaks smothered in one passage of Scripture to save Jonathan groans; wedding bells, but no funeral onions. It was a source of regret with him, however, that he could not indulge his taste in that direction and maintain his standing in society, because the dish made his breath offensive. General Rusk seemed to be very much impressed with the young man's social troubles, but after a minifte's thought brightened up and said: Till tell you what to do. You go to Chamberlin's. They smother beefsteak in onions in fine style. You eat one of their steaks, and take my word for it when you get the bill it will take your breath away, so that society will have no fault to find on that score." - Washington Star.

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