

Advice to Fishermen

Talmage Tells What is Meant By Fishing For Men and Mending the Nets.

Washington report - In this discourse Dr. Talmage describes the gospel net and how it is to be repaired after being damaged; text, Matthew 13, 47, 48.

"I go a-fishing!" cried Simon Peter to his comrades, and the most of the apostles had hands hard from fishing tackle.

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tenest thread to tear out of your net is unbelief, and the most important thread that you are to put in it is faith-faith in God, triumphant faith, everlasting faith.

Oh, the important work of mending our nets! If we could get our nets right, we would accomplish more in soul saving in the next year than we have in the last 20 years.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL

INTERNATIONAL LESSON NO. VII. FEBRUARY 17, 1901.

The Lord's Supper.—Matt. 26: 17-30.

Commentary.—17. First day of the feast.—The 14th of Nisan was the day of preparation and hence called the first day of the feast, although the feast properly did not begin until the 15th of Nisan, which, according to the Jewish reckoning, commenced immediately after sunset of the 14th, and was the day on which the Passover was eaten.

Commentary.—18. Go into the city.—Luke says that Peter and John went out to buy the things which were needed for the supper.

Commentary.—19. Did any of you have a dinner?—The disciples were in the habit of eating together, and the Lord's supper was a part of their daily life.

Commentary.—20. The great desire of Canadian statesmen is to see cables owned by Great Britain under the Atlantic and Pacific and joined at each ocean to wires owned by the Dominion crossing this country, and thus practically girdling the globe by a cable absolutely under imperial control.

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the passover with His disciples on that memorable night in which He was betrayed. See I. Cor. xi. 23-29, where a distinct and complete account of the last supper is given by St. Paul, to whom it was commemorated by the Saviour himself.

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The Markets

Leading Wheat Markets.

Following are the closing quotations at important wheat centres today:

Table with columns for Cash and May prices for various wheat markets including Chicago, New York, St. Louis, Toledo, Detroit, Duluth, and Minneapolis.

Foran's Farmers' Market.

Wheat—White was plentiful and 600 bushels sold unchanged at 60c. Red was unchanged and 550 bushels sold at 68 1/2c to 69c.

Barley—Offerings large and market steady; 2,250 bushels sold unchanged at 46 to 48c.

Hay and Straw—Prices were easier and offerings were large. Fifteen loads of hay sold 1/2c lower at \$13 to \$15 per ton.

Butter—Market was rather quiet, with small offerings. There was a fair demand, and prices held steady.

Eggs—There is an easier feeling with respect to new-laid, but the offerings were so light that quotations were not affected.

Poultry—Chickens sold steadily at 50c to 75c, and a couple of choice lots were quoted still higher.

Vegetables—Stocks are fairly large, and prices are steady. Trade is dull, as is usual during February.

Dressed Hogs—Market easier, with quotations ranging from \$7.75 to \$8.25 per cwt. Deliveries are small.

Hides, green, 6 1/2 to 8 1/2c; cured, 8 1/4c. Calveskin, No. 1, 8 to 9c; No. 2, 7 1/2 to 8c.

Wool, fleeces, 15 to 16c; unwashed, fleeces, 9 to 10c; pulled, super, 17 to 18c.

World's Weather Crop - Washington, Jan. 20.—Consul Henry W. Dietrich, writing from Berlin to the State Department under date of December 14, says:

According to the various authorities, the wheat crop for the year 1900, when compared with that of 1899, shows a decrease ranging between 1,300,000 and 1,900,000 bushels.

Exporting 1899. 1900. U. States 552,955,000 497,128,811 Russia 454,108,400 415,888,000 Hungary 139,638,067 134,818,180

Imperial Control. The great desire of Canadian statesmen is to see cables owned by Great Britain under the Atlantic and Pacific and joined at each ocean to wires owned by the Dominion crossing this country, and thus practically girdling the globe by a cable absolutely under imperial control.

Possible Arbitration. In case of a difference arising over the amount to be paid the arbitrator will be an expert of the Imperial Government telegraph service.

The Canadian Pacific system extends to about ten thousand miles, and it is difficult to get at the exact cost, because it is mixed up with the railway accounts, but the cost is estimated at from \$7,500,000 to \$8,000,000.

The Great Northwestern system will probably cost near this amount, while the Bell Telephone Company of Canada has a capital of \$5,000,000, so that the purchase of these concerns means a probable expenditure of from \$20,000,000 to \$25,000,000.

The Government owns several short telegraphic lines, and in almost all charters there are clauses providing for the purchase of the lines. In any case the capital will be amply secured and the employees would prefer to be Government officials to serving corporations.

It is provided in case the Government purchases the scheme, that newspaper telegraphic rates shall not be increased, and facilities will be given to news agencies or newspapers renting special wires, as in Britain. The only fear of commercial men is that United States telegraph companies may raise the rates, or otherwise act in antagonism to a Government Board.

Few of us would mind poverty if we could escape shabbiness.

Bradstreet's on Trade. There has been a good inquiry for spring goods at Montreal, and reports from travellers now in various parts of the Dominion with spring samples indicate that the movement in the next few weeks will be very heavy.

Trade at Toronto has been moderately active this week. Orders for the coming season are getting more numerous. Money is coming forward from jobbers in a fairly satisfactory manner. Money is in good demand, and rates are steady.

There has been a fair movement in wholesale trade at Hamilton this week. The growing importance of the Toronto City as a distributing centre is still in evidence in wholesale circles. Travellers report the condition of business as very satisfactory. Business at the Pacific Coast centres of trade, although the prospects are generally considered bright, has been rather quiet this week.

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