

SERMON.

Rev. Frank De Witt Talmage Appeals to the Higher Nature of His Auditors and Shows Them How They May Make the New Year One Replete with Triumphant Spiritual Achievements.

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—In the opening discourse of the new year Pastor Talmage appeals to the higher nature of his auditors and shows them how they may make the year one replete with triumphant spiritual achievements. His text is Proverbs ix, 1: "The years of thy life shall be increased."

Happy new year! I bring to you with a smile upon the lip, with joy welling up in the heart, I bring it to you because I hope it is to be the best and the most momentous year of all your life.

I am going to be a gospel prophet this morning, to tell you that this new year is to be the best of your life, but it is also to be a precursor of many other useful years. I am going to say, to you, as Solomon said of old, that on account of this coming year consecration to God will lengthen your life.

Charles Dickens wrote a famous book entitled, "Great Expectations." But the English writer did not have as much right to use that caption for his novel as I have for this sermon. As Christ said to the blind men, "According to your faith, so be it unto you."

YOUR MOTHER'S MEMORY. This ought to be especially a happy new year for you, respecting, sinful man, because now the good works of your dead father and mother are about to be perpetuated through the coming century. When your mother died, you said: "I do not want for her any expensive funeral or useless show."

perous merchant who had a strange dream, and yet not a dream. For many years of his life he had been a member of the church, but not living his religion as he ought to have lived it.

JOYS OF THE COMING MONTHS. Happy new year to you, sinful man. You are going to have a very good first time enjoy the sweet blessings and exhilarations of Christian service.

Some time ago I was riding through the country on a long trip. The team of horses was composed of a big, powerful animal, which was just as lazy as the driver would take out his horse.

AN OBSTINATE CASE OF ECZEMA. Mr. W. D. Johnson, Tilsburg, Ont., writes that his father was entirely cured of a long standing case of eczema of the face by the use of Dr. Chase's Ointment.

PROPERTY PURCHASE. Philip Gallagher of Grand Bay, having disposed of his present and old place and all in South Bay, has purchased the "Pera Cottage," so called, in the town of Grand Bay.

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THE FAC-SIMILE SIGNATURE OF CHARLES H. HITCHCOCK APPEARS ON EVERY WRAPPER.

SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN. Arrived. Jan 5—Str Aurora, Saginaw, from Grand Haven. Jan 5—Str St Croix, 1,064, Pike, from Boston.

DOMESTIC PORTS. Arrived. HALIFAX, NS, Jan 5—Strs Bavarian, from St. John, and sailed for Liverpool; Evangeline, from St. John; Pro Patria, from Halifax.

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FOREIGN PORTS. Arrived. VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass, Jan 5—Strs Virginia, from New York for Halifax, NS. Strs Franklin, from St. John, NB, for New York; Alaska, from River, Hebert, NB, for St. John; Colwell, from Port Johnson for St. John; Eben H King, from Rockland for New York.

Ferry's Seeds. For nearly half a century. BOSTON, Mass, Jan 3—Commander Merriam, in charge of First Light-house district, gives notice that Piddler Lodge No. 7, a black painted open, reported stolen Dec 1, was replaced in Kennebec River Dec 31.

Vapo-resolene. Does it not seem more effective to breathe in a remedy to cure disease of the breathing organs, than to take the remedy into the stomach? Vapo-resolene is a boon to asthmatics.