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The Resurrection of Jesus, an Easter Sermon by the Rev. B. N. Nobles.

Luke 24-34: "The Lord is risen indeed." The worst fears of the disciples for Jesus, their Master, had been realized. With hearts apprehensive of evil, they had marked the increasing enmity of the Scribes and Pharisees. In vain had they urged him not to go up to Jerusalem. His public entry on Palm Sunday, since so-called, amid the hosannas of the people roused the rulers to a pitch of excitement never before witnessed. Day by day as his disciples accompanied him to the Temple they perceived how his pungent, uncompromising teaching excited the anger and hatred of his enemies still more. With embling hearts they saw the storm cloud gathering. At last it burst in all its fury upon their Lord, and lo, within a few hours Jesus is betrayed, arrested, tried, condemned, cruicified. It is all so sudden, that, notwith-standing the misgivings they had had, they were stricken dumb with con-sternation and the blackness of darkness settled upon them. All their es were shattered, their expectations regarding a kingdom blighted, and their faith well nigh uprooted and destroyed. In bewilderment they mourn in the homes of their friends or wherever they found lodging. Their worst fears had been realized. But when on the morning of the third day the word was circulated that the grave had been found empty with nothing but the winding sheet and napkin which had been about the body, and that angels had proclaimed to the women that he was risen, light and hope began to steal back unto their cheerless souls. Then to one ther and others did Jesus show himself alive until their sorrows were banished and their confidence restored. The Lord was risen indeed and

they rejoiced while they wondered.

And so you see the resurrection of Jesus was a fact unexpected in the experience of these disciples. It is one of the surprising features of the tion unto life on the third day, the disciples had no expectaion of such an event. The Jews had heard these utterances and remembered them soldier guards placed on duty. But it never seems to have occurred to any of the disciples that Jesus had declared he would rise from the dead. One of the writers speaking of this singular fact says: "It was hidden from When the women reported his resurrection their words seemed like idle tales and not until the disciples saw the empty grave did they believe the Lord risen. But this dullness of apprehension—this surprising forgetfulness—this wonderful slowness to receive and retain the truth, is constantly receiving fresh illustration in the lives of men, and when the forgotten word has been fulfilled they stand dumbfounded while they remember that it was written. For instance, it is written, "Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he reap; he that soweth to the flesh shall reap the corruptible, but he that soweth to the spirit shall reap life everlasting." But men forget the truth and when from their sowing unto the flesh they | C. P. R. telegrapin office reap the sad harvest, then they remember what was written. Again a church hears the word, "If ye bite and devour one another, take heed that The Telegraph later received." ye be not consumed one of another." But they forget it and go on biting and devouring to find at last they have been consumed one of another.

Then they recall how the Lord had spoken and said it would be so. Youder is a Christian man. He trusts God implicitly, thanks him daily for mercies past, and asks supplies for future needs. The time goes on. He has his perplexities and trials and troubles, yet he moves on quietly and cheerfully. Directly some one's attention is called especially to him and he marvels at the man's composure and freedom from anxiety and worry. Then he remembers how it is written: "Thou shalt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on thee." "In all things by prayer and suppli-

think of our own dullness in apprehending truth and our constant forgetfulness we can hardly wonder more at these disciples than at ourselves. But the resurrection of Jesus has been and is a disputed fact. Do you dead. not recollect how it is written that, after the news of his resurrection began to be noised abroad, the elders of the Jews took counsel together and gave large money unto the soldiers who had been the watchers at the grave, who, thus bribed, reported that his disciples had stolen away the body while they slept? So the resurrection of Jesus has been a disputed fact from the very first. But never has any good reason been advanced for disbelief. The very fact that the disciples were not expecting vanced for disbelief. The very fact that the disciples were not expecting

Jesus to rise, by so much should confirm faith in his resurrection. Had

alive unto them after his resurrection, talking with them, walking with JAD ACCIDENT TO they been expecting Jesus to rise from the dead, one can imagine how they might have proclaimed his resurrection, even though he had not risen, if so be they had been depraved, dishonest and unscrupulous men. But the fact that they were not expecting such an event and were compelled to believe only when they had seen and heard him, makes it the more improbable that they would have circulated the report of it had not era. The conquests of Alexander the Great or the invasion of Briton by been true even through they had been base enough to speak falsely for Caesar, or the religious rites of the ancient Druids—Spartan courage or

in their sin and under its penalties they recall the scripture. So when we

their own purposes.

In order to disbelief in the resurrection of Jesus one has to reckon these disciples base, deliberate deceivers. If Jesus did not rise then these men fabricated a stupendous falsehood, proclaimed it abroad and gained credence for it by telling how again and again he had appeared unto them, and finally led them out to Olivet whence after blessing and commissioning them he ascended to the Father.

The state of Socrates of Junus Caesar—you would be surprised to know few historical witnesses there are to any one of these or other facts how few historical witnesses there are to any one of these or other facts witnesses there are to any one of these or other facts how few historical witnesses there are to any one of these or other facts witnesses. Yet these are accepted as facts of history without the shadow of doubt. But to the resurrection of Jesus every New out the shadow of doubt. But to the resurrection of Jesus every New out the shadow of doubt.

Testament writer, with possibly two exceptions, bears witness, and these were men of his own generation or of that immediately succeeding. The twenty-seven books of the New Testament which were all written before Then observe also that disbelief in Jesus' resurrection leads to disbelief in all these New Testament Scriptures. For if these men were so base and unscrupulous as to proclaim a deliberate falsehood regarding the resurrection of Jesus, who can place reliance upon the other things they told and wrote of. And so you see the whole New Testament comes into disgrace and doubt so soon as these disciples are set down as dishonest, rupulous deceivers and their story of the resurrection accounted a falsehood, told to serve their own purposes. Moreover if these men were false men and if these Scriptures are untrustworthy, then we have a strange phenomenon, indeed. We have these New Testament Scriptures—the work of these base deceivers, containing their deliberate falsehoods with possibly somewhat of truth—we have, I say, these New Testament Scriptures of such an origin and content doing more for the elevation, alleviations tion and illumination of men than any and all other agencies. Verily this would be good coming forth from evil—sweet waters from bitter fountains. And so the conclusion is forced upon us that though the fact of the resurrection of Jesus has been disputed there can be found no good reason for doing so. Indeed the argument all seems in support of the declaration of the Scriptures that Jesus rose from the dead.

Still further confirmation of our faith is found in this that the resurrection of Jesus is an attested fact. Ten appearances of our Lord to the disciples during the 40 days intervening between the resurrection and ascension, are recorded in the New Testament. He appeared unto Mary Magdalene, and until he spoke she took him to be the gardener. Later he appeared unto the other women returning from the sepulchre and accepted their worship. Then he appeared unto Peter and afterwards to Cleopas and another as they journeyed to Emmans. That evening he visited the company of the apostles. Eight days after, that is to say, the next Lord's company of the apostles. Eight days after, that is to say, the next Lord's Day, he risited them again. Moreover we read that he appeared unto five of them on the shore of the Sac of Galilee and again to 500 of them on a mountain in Galilee. We also read of his appearance to his brother James and also to the eleven at Jerusalem when he led them out to Bethany, whence he ascended unto glory. We read further of his appearance some whence he ascended unto glory. We read further of his appearance some ed a vision of Jesus, there are no other Scripture testimonies to our long the candid testimony which saints have given concerning the vision of Jesus they have had in their expiring moments. I cannot, however, follow this interesting subject further at this time. Let me, however, impress it upon all your minds that the resurrection of Jesus is not something with a great noise. My friend preceded me to where the automobile assed to me: The add is not dead. I remarked that her nose and cye were wounded, and that a stream of blood trickled across her fore there is the word of the surface of the

SENATOR GILLMOR DIES SUDDENLY ON A TRAIN.

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Was on His Way to Ottawa -Wife Awaiting Him-Chatting With Friends, He Suddenly Felt III and Retired -- Then Sprang from Berth, Dying-His Career,

cation with thanks giving let your requests be made known unto God and the peace of God that passeth understanding shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." The Lord says "The way of the transgressor is hard," but men forget the word until sometime weary and worn

them, instructing them.

ancient history at large.

Athenian culture, or the life and work of such as Homer and Plato or the

tragic death of Socrates or Julius Caesar-you, would be surprised to know

the close of the first century and many of them within thirty years of the

time of Christ, are all separate documents, independent of each other, it

being only for convenience they are bound together in one volume—yet

with the exception of James and Jude, each writer bears independent

testimony to the fact of Jesus' resurrection from the dead. It cannot be

gainsaid that the accepted facts of ancient history and of the early Chris-

tian era are by no means so well attested by witnesses belonging to the times in which the events occurred, as is the resurrection of our Lord.

Doubt and disbelief in this leads not only to a denial of the integrity of the disciples and New Testament authors; not only to disbelief of the New Testament Scriptures as reliable records, but to doubt and disbelief of

In conclusion, I remark, in his resurrection Jesus was "declared to

MAN OR WIFE DYING FIRST.

be the Son of God with power" and himself set forth as victor over death. Therefore let not the saints be troubled, neither let them be afraid. Death

shall not hove dominion over them. The Lord is risen indeed. He lives and

since he lives they shall live also. They shall survive in the hour of dis-

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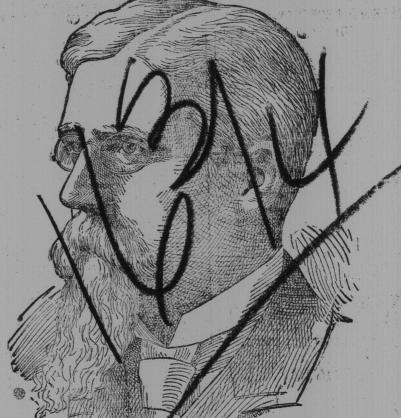
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Ontario's Lieutenant-Governor Fell and Broke His Thigh, and His Condition Serious.

Toronto, April 13-(Special)-Ontario's sisted by an attendant, fell and broke his right thigh. Sir Oliver was assisted to bed and the family physicians summoned.



SIR OLIVER MOWAT.

On their arrival, Sir Oliver was put under

How any man may quickly cure himself benefit has been extraordinary. It has comatter years of suffering from sexual weakness, lost vitality, night losses, varicocele, ness, lost vitality, night losses, varicocele, from the suffering from sexual weakness, lost vitality, night losses, varicocele, from the suffering from the suffering from sexual weakness, lost vitality, night losses, varicocele, from the suffering from sexual weakness, lost vitality, night losses, varicocele, from the suffering from sexual weakness. "Is aw her lips move, the hands tighten and the chest move slightly. The lips moved as though she was hreathing. For about a minute I saw her breathing gently, her lips were still moving when I turned away from her."

"Did the gentleman move at all."

"He did not. He was in the same position when I turned away as when I saw him first."

At this point an adjournment was taken until tomorrow.

"Did you see the lady move?"

"Is aw her lips move, the hands tighten and the chest move slightly. The lips were still weak organs to full size and vigor. Simply send your name and address to Dr. Knapp Medical Co., 834 Hull slide. One of the free receipt with full directions so any man may easily cure himself at home. This is certainly a most generous effer, and the following extracts taken from their daily mail, show what men think of their generative.

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