## BEN HUR: THE DAYS OF THE MESSIAH

oreioid the ruin which has so certainly befailen? God? Or man of God?—encugh
that the question would soon be answered to
Ben-Hur.

And still his eyes climbed on and un—up
over the roof of the Temple, to the hill Zion,
consecrated to sacced memories, inseparable
from the anointed kings. He knew the
Cheesemonger's Valley dipped deep down
between Morish and Zion; that it was
spanned by the Xystus; that there were gardens and palaces in its depths; but over
them all his thoughts soared with his vision
to the great grouple go in the royal nill—the
house of Calphas, the Central synsgoue,
the Roman Pretorium, Hippicus the eternal, and the sad but mighty cenotaphs
Phase'us and Marianne—all relieved
sgainst Gareb, purpling in the dislance.
And when midst them he singled cut the
palace of Herod, what cou dhe but think of
the King Who Was Com'ing, to whom he
was himself devoted whose path he had
undertaken to smooth, whose empty hands
he dreamed of filling? And forward ran bis
fancy to the day the new King should come
to claim His own and take peasession of it—
of Moriak and its Temple; of Zion and its
towers and palaces; of Antonia, frowning
darkly there just to the right of the Temple;
of the new unwalled city of Besethe; of the
raillons of Israel to assemble with palmbranches and banners, to stop rejoicing because the Lord had conquered and given
them the world.

Men speak of dreaming as if it were a
phenomenon of night and sleep. They
should know better. All results achieved
by us areself-promised, and all self-promises
are made in dreams swake. Dreaming is
the relief of labour, the wine that sustains
us in act. We learn to love labour, not for
dreaming, which is the great under-monotone of real life, unheard, unnoticed, because of its constancy. Living is dreaming
Only in the grave ser there no dreams. Let
no one smile at Ben-Hur for doing that
the himself would have done at that
time and place under the same circumstances.

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The sun stooped low in its course. A while the flaving disc seemed to perch itself on the far aximmit of the mountains in the west, brozening all the sky above the city, and rimming the wells and towers with the brightness of gold. Then it disappeared as with a plunge. The quiet turned Ben-Hur's thought homeward. There was a point in the sky a little north of the peerless front of the Holy of Holies upon which he fixed his gaze; under it, straight as a lead-line would have dropped, lay his father's house, if yet the house endured.

The mellowing influences of the evering mellowed his feetings, and, putting his ambitions as de he th unit of the outy that was bringing him it. Jerusalem.

Out in the desert while with I derim, looking for strong places and acquainting himself with it generally, as a soldier studies a country in which he has prejected a campaign, a messenger came one evening with the news that Graus was removed, and Pontius Pilate sent to take his place.

"He Never Smiled Again !" "He Never Smiled Again ?"
No "hardly ever" about it. He had an attack of what people call "biliousness," and to mile was impossible. Yet a man may "smile and smile, and be a villain still," still he was no villain, but a plain, blunt, honeat man, that needed a remedy such as Dr. Pierce's "Pleasant Purgative Pellets," which never fail to cure biliousness and diseased or torpid liver, dyspepsia and chronic constipation. Of druggists.

ceived from the few pe ple who passed him had never sounded so pleasantly. Presently, all the eastern sky began to silver and shine, and objects before invisible in the west-chiefly the tail towers on Mount Zion—emerged as from a shadowy depth, and put on spectral distinctness floating, as it were, above the yawning blackness of the valley below, very castles in the air.

He came, at length, to his fatner's nouse. Of those who read this page, some there will be to divine has feeings without prompting. They are such as had happy homes in their youth, no matter how far that may have been back in time—homes which are now the starting-points of all recollection; paradises from which they went forth in tears, and which they would now return to, if they could, as little citiden; places of laughter and singing, and associations dearer than any or all the triumphs of after-life.

storm dealer than any or an the triumphs of ster-life. At the gate on the north side of the old house Ben. Hur stopped. In the corners the wax used in the scaling-up was still plainly seen, and across the valves was the board with the inscription—

"THIS IS THE PROPERTY OF

THE EMPEROR."

Nobody had gone in or out of the gate since the dreadul day of the separation. Should he kneck as of old? It was uscless, he knew; yet he could not resist the temptation. Amrah might hear, and look out of one of the windows on that side. Taking a stone, he mounted the broad soone step, and tapped three times. A dull echo repited. He tried again, louder, than before; and again, pausing each time to listen. The silence was mocking. Retiring into the street, he watched the windows; but they, too, were lifeless. The parapet on the roof was defined sharply against the bighted ling sky; nothing could have stirred upon it un seen by him, and nothing did stir.

From the north side he passed to the west, where there were four windows which he watched long and an knowly, but with a little effect. At times his heart swelled with impotent wishes; at others, he trembled at the deceptions of his own fancy. Amrah made no sign—not even a ghost stirred.

Silently, then, he stole round to the sonth. There, too, the gate was scaled and inscribed, The mellow spiendour of the August moon, pouring over the crest of Olivet, since termed the Mount of Offence, brought the lettering boldly out; and he read, and was filled with rage. All be could do wasto wrench the board from its nating, and that his coming might be hasteout. As his blood cooled, insensibly he yielded to the fatigue of long trayel in the summer heat, and sank down lower, and at last siept. slept.

About that time two women came down
the street from the direction of the lower of
Antonia, approaching the palace of the

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of the rugged pile, one said to the other, in a low voic:

"This is it, Tirash!"
And Tirash, after a look, eaught her mother's nand, and leane! upon her heavily, cobing, but alient.

"Let us go ou, my child, because"—the mother senitated and trembled thee, with an effort to be calm, continued—"because when morning comes they will put us out of the gate of the city to—return no more."

"Tirash sauk almost to the stones.

"Ab, yes!" she said between sobs; "I forgot, I had the feeling of going home. But we are typers, and have no homes; we belong to the dead!"
The mother stoned and raised her ten-

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CANADA CONDEMNE COERCION.

The legislature of Quebec was the first of our Parliamentary bodies now in session to adopt vigorous resolutions condemnatory of the Salisbury scheme of coercion. The debate on the subject was one of the most brilliant that has ever taken peace in a legislature proverbial for its elequence. We sub-join a rather imperfect summary sup-

policy of oppression and coercion was persisted in, and as long as there was an Irishman left in Ireland, and as long as there was a vestige of the Irish race left in any part of the British dominions, or under any flag that owed no allegiance to the Queen, so long would they continue to rebel. Referring to the question of Home Rule, and to the claim that it is essentially a Catholic movement and calculated to promote Catholic ascendance, he referred to the fact that most No one can describe the sufferings caused by Asthma except these troubled with the complaint. One packers, of Southern Asthma Cure will refleve any case. Double treatment in each packers, in a Bad Condition.

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apprehension that this House would not unanimously set its stamp of approval upon the resolutions now in the hards of the Speaker, and urge the men who ruled the destinies of the British Empire not to check the ambition and dampen the energies of the people of Ireland. And when that country shall be accorded that Home Rule government which our people now enjoy, he was convinced that people now enjoy, he was convinced that in no part of Her M jesty's possessions would there arise a greater measure of rejucing than from our own Province of Quebec. (Loud applause.)
The Hon. Mr. Mercier followed amid the sitting of this House on Friday last by voting a loyal and patriotic address to Her Majesty, and I had occasion from the place in which I now stand, only a week ago, in seconding the resolutions in reply to the Speech from the Thone at the opening of the present Parliament to refer to the event. In the reference I then made to Queen Victoria, as rulei, a wide and a mother, I was happy to say that in all these particulars the Irish race the wide world over attached no personal responsibility to the Queen for the injuries done their afflicted country, but were imbued with the kindliest feelings towards Her Majesty—her's has been a long reign, her's has been a happy reign. Her relations with the state have never been estrained, she has been a constitutional ruler, her domestic life has been the admiration of the world and her court a model intellectually and morally,—all of which has had its influencing effects on the general social tone of the British empire. There remains the opportunity for the Queen in her Jubilee year to give additional and unexampled lustre to her Crown and her reign. This she can do by imposing her personal influence, which is equal to the accoming the colorious attention submitted. He remarked that it was a strange sight to see that a deliberative a strange sight to see that a deliberative astrange sight to see that a delibera applause to heartily concur in the resolution submitted. He remarked that it was

because he was identified with one of the greatest events in the national history, just so would the name of Charles Stewart Parnell be honored by the Irish people throughout all ages. Thank God, the old party lines in this Province which were drawn over the principle of personal liberty had now disappeared for ever. He made an earnest and eloquent sppeal for the right of self-government for Ireland, and said that when it was once granted, the Irish would become a free, a happy and a prosperous people. The question of Home Rule was now being discussed the world over, and he had no apprehension that this House would not unanimously set its stamp of approval

opportunity for the Queen in her Jubilee year to give additional and unexampled lustre to her Crown and her reign. This she can do by imposing her personal influence, which is equal to the accomplishment of the work, and obtaining the passage of a measure in the Imperial Parliament granting Home Rule to Ireland. Her Majesty should be herself the bearer of the glad tidings. She should summon a royal squadron at Holyhead.

How the Irish Catholios and Irish Protestants of his constituency and to approve and Liver Pill in use.

Sine should, in company with her Prime Minister and the Sight Hon. Mr. Gladstone, cross the Irish Channel, the fleet should sail into Kinstown harbor, the residual sail into Kinstown harbor, the welcomed by the idel of the Irish people, Charles Stewart Parnell, Her Majesty, as he peaced from Kingstown to Dublia, would have an opportunity of judging of what is meant by Irish love and loyalty. She has not been permitted to know much of either, Her Majesty, as he peaced from Kingstown to Dublia, would have an opportunity of judging of what is meant by Irish love and loyalty. She has not been permitted to know much of either, Her Majesty, as he peaced from Kingstown to Dublia, would have an opportunity of judging of what is meant by Irish love and loyalty. She has not been permitted to know much of either, Her Majesty, as he peaced the Kingstown to Dublia, would have an opportunity of judging of what is meant by Irish love and loyalty. She has not been permitted to know much of either, Her Majesty, and that the was an opportunity of judging of the Province would complete the perspers would ascend to Heaven in one grand hallelight for the temporal and apprint and permanence of the British groups the she will be should introduce a bill to the more approached to the measure. If ever the Minister of Justice should introduce a bill to take away the country under the agis of its free would over. He quoted from clauses the here was no necessitation, and expressed his desire to the same enjoyed by the people of this Province would consent to such measure. If ever the Minister of Justice should introduce a bill to take away the country under the agis of its free because they involved the questioned the exposure of the Province would consent to such measure. If ever the Minister of Justice

and Ray. President Sharps. He was or-dained priest on the 2 ad of Apru, 1835, and and Rev. President Sharpe. He was ordained priest on the 2nd of April, 1835, and labored for nearly twenty years in the Catholic missions of Elimburgh. Before coming to Canada in the fall of 1854 he preached for some time, with much acceptance at St. George's cathedral, Southwark, London. Until quite recently he was engaged in the missions of the diocese of Ottawa. Relicred from the more heavy labors of the ministry he now officiates at the chapel of Notre Dame congregation. Gloucester street, where a pretty' numerous congregation assembles, particularly whilst parliament is in session. Dr. Dawson is well known at Ottawa as a preacher and lecturer on a variety of subjects. Mention may be seen of his aumerous writings in prose and verse, in H. J. Morgan's Bibliotheca Canadensis. Lareau's Canadian literature, and the Honorable gan's Bibliotheca Canadensia. Liveaus Canadian literature, and the Honorable M. Chauveau's work on Education and Letters in Canada. He was appointed a Fellow of the Royal society of Canada at the time of its institution by the Marquis of Lorne when Governor-General of Can-ads, and honored with the degree of L. L. D. in consideration of his writings, by the Pincipal and Faculty of Queen's University, Kingston. -Ottawa Free Press. .

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> CATHOLIO MISSIONS AND THEIR SOCIAL UTILITY.

> Such, according to the Moniteur Roms, is the title of a very interesting article published by the Rassegna Naziona of Florence, and which the former jour nal very gladly brings under its reader because its own views on th important subject very closely coincid with those of the Florentine periodics Le Moniteur claims that it has never, sine its foundation, ceased to insist upon the incomparable services that Cathol aries might render to civilization and to governments. It is therefor with pleasure that it views the progre in the public mind of this fluitful ideaa progress to which the discussion of the subject by the Florentine paper bea very full testimony.

> All governments, says this latter jou nal, even those that combat and pers cute the Church, have ever recognize the importance of missions. More esp cially do they so to day, when riv colonial policies and emigration dri so many people from Europe into oth parts of the world. We all know he much France has done to extend t Catholic apostolate. It was in a Fren city, Lyons, that was founded the Socie of the Propagation of the Faith, in imit tion of the Propaganda at Rome. De ing the last few years this associati collected about seven millions of fran of which four millions came from Fran In 1884 there was found another association for the diffusion the French language in the coloni and this society, comprising ten the sand members, with an annual reven of eighty thousand francs, liberally st sidizes the missionaries. Portugal, w the view of extending its influence the Congo, has reformed the College Missions, and a governmental dec grants that institution a large increase pecuniary subsidy.
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> England and the other Protest powers every year expend large su

to sustain evangelical associations missions scattered throughout the

onies. There is but one power, says Rassegna Nazionale, which permits its to be cutdone in the generous emi tion of Christian nations-that is Its The law of military service has in a gr measure exhausted the sources of ap tleship in Italy. A report, addressed 1878 to King Humbert by Father G iano dei Carli, Procurator General of Province of Hu Pe, declared that Ita influence was daily diminishing China, because of the lack of mission recruits to fill the places of the sick the dead. This missionary asked t there should be every year exempted least twenty-five young men, who wo destine themselves to the propaga of the gospel truth. This concess small as it was, was perempte refused. France alone, adds the segna, has profited by Italian anti c cal fanaticism to work with success the substitution of its influence for of Italy's in these regions. And yet t are not wanting many minds in Ital understand the social and poli importance of these missions. T years ago M. Mancine proposed a n ure to aid Italian missionaries explorers. But this measure has u tunately remained a dead letter. hitter anti-clericalism that now pre in official circles forbid the hope it will be revived. This attitude of the Italian go

comprehensible because public men the smallest clerical sympathies re nize the political advantages that might derive from an efficacious pr tion of its missionaries. In a confe held in 1883, at the Manzoni theat the Mancini measures, a liberal de M. Brupialti, made the following de tion: "I know that there is in between church and state, an ant ism that seems insurmountable, b us not carry this division when would benefit both. Let us not about the Catholic missions. Everytime Italy has asked a service from a mi ary she has obtained it. Many mi aries have rendered us inestimab vices." The report presented in 18 the Italian Parliament, on Italian s abroad, heaps eulogy upon eulogy schools of the missionaries, esp those of the Franciscans. "The Franciscans. cans," says th's report, "are the ancient missionaries and educaters east, and are certainly those who d most from Italy. If our language a long time been the most widely in the Orient, it is largely due Franciscans." These words are th severest condemnation that con formulated of the course pursued Italian Government. The perse and spoliation of the religious the war upon church and convent revived with unaccustomed sever not only a crying injustice, but th anti-national and anti-patriotic i the government could commit.

ment is all the more regrettable an