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THE TELEGRAPH'S PULPIT.

Jesus' Family Trouble," the Theme of Rev. B. N. Nobles in Sermon to Our Readers Today.

Mark 6—4: "A prophet is not without honor, but in his own country and among his own kin and in his own house." A range of hills extending east and west forms the northern boundary of the plain of Esdraelon. About half way from the Jordan to the Mediterranean there is a cleft in this range which soon widens into a little valley well nigh surrounded by hills. This is supposed to be the crater of an extinct velcano and built upon the side of one of these hills which rises some 500 feet above the valley, is the little town of Nazareth. Its streets are narrow and the houses flatroofed, small and built of white

stone. Of public buildings there is a church, a mosque and a convent. In the aris around the houses grow the orange and fig tree, the pomegranate and the olive, while on tree branch and housetop may be seen cooing doves and roller blue birds

Such is the Nazareth of today as travellers describe it and such it was substantially when Joseph and many dwelt there 1900 years ago and reared their family. Here with his four brothers, James, Joses, Simon and Jonas and his two sisters whose names according to tradition were Esther and Thamer-here with these his half brothers and sisters and Joseph and Mary whom he doubtless called father and mother Jesus lived in sweet and loving harmony as boy in village school and later as carpenter in shop making yokes and plows and axles. If ever brothers and sisters lived together happily I judge these did. If ever a brother loved brothers and sisters I am sure Jesus did and if, according to tradition and inferences drawn from the silence of scripture regarding Joseph, he died early in the life of the family leaving a dependent household, then Jesus, the eldest son had occasion to show his devotion and love while he wrough with besweated brow to support mother and the little ones. But has it ver occurred to you, my brothers, that this happy unison of love did not tinue. Much as Jesus loved his brothers and sisters, much as he teemed their fellowship and sympathy yet was he not permitted to enjoy ese for with his entrance upon his public ministry alienation began and the breach widened and widened until it separated him altogether from

The alienation began probably with his spending two months beyond fordan where John was baptized when in the judgment of the family he ould have been at home attending to his business in the carpenter shop o far as we know Jesus was the only one of the family who went to hear this great prophet of the wilderness. After having been baptized of John n the Jordan, the sacred writer says the Holy Spirit descended upon him the visible form of a dove as he was coming forth from the water, and orthwith led him into the wilderness where amid great temptations and without food Jesus endured for forty days. Returning our Lord seems to have spent a few days in Judea during which time he drew to himself riples. With this little band he returned to Galilee after an abnce of two months. Instead of settling down to work and sending these men off about their business, which doubtless was the mind of his brothers he kept them in his home for a few days, then went down to Capernaum whence after a brief stay he went up to Jerusalem to keep the passover.

In view of statements made later in the parrative concerning the feelings intertained toward him by his brothers, I judge the alienation began with his neglect of his business. When they found he had no intention of resuming work in the carpenter shop but had entered upon the life of a prophet and teacher, the breach widened. Then when they heard how during the passover week he had entered the Temple and with a scourge of small cords had driven out the buvers and sellers, they in their unbelief must have looked upon such a course as most unwise and presumptuous.

They also suffered a great shock when that Sabbath day in the vnagogue he read Isaiah 61-1-3 and publicly announced himself, the fessiah of whom the prophet spoke. Such pretensions seemed the acme folly to his fellow-townsmen and doubtless seemed so to his brothers dso. That he who had wrought with them in same shop, dwelt in same nome, ate at same table—that he, their brother, good and true though he ras, should be the Messiah of prophecy was beyond belief. So the alienation continued and the breach widened. Nor did Jesus fail of recognizing he fact for it was early in his ministry when Jesus in explanation of the reatment he was receiving said, "A prophet is not without honor save n his own country, and among his own kin and in his own house." As he weeks and months passed by and his brothers heard of and saw his trange conduct, how he disregarded traditions of the fathers; how he efused to observe the weekly fasts and set at naught the Pharasaic laws f Sabbath observance; how he kept company with publicans and sinners nd uttered bitter accusations against scribes and Pharisees whom he lenounced as hypocrites, the breach widened still further. They conclud-d his fanatical zeal had got the better of his judgment. Their explanaion was, "he is beside himself." So they determined, according to Mark, to lay hold upon him"-to take him home with them and keep him ecluded from the public eye until his mind should regain its balance. But when his mother and brothers sought him for this purpose and it ras told him they were "without desiring to see him" he paid no attention ave to declare "whoesoever shall do the will of my Father who is in eaven the same is my brother and sister and mother." Thus again did e intimate that he felt his family were not in sympathy with his words nd works-that they were alienated beyond recall.

Later still, after spending some months in Galilee with his disciples comparative retirement because of his waining popularity, his brothers eem to have gone so far as to cruelly mock him. John's explanation of heir conduct is that they "did not believe in him." Thus the alienation ontinued and the breach widened until with the exception of Mary his amily seems to have forsaken him altogether, leaving him to his fate. Vhen in Gethesmane, when before Annas and Caiaphas and Herod and ilate, when on the cross dying, when laid in grave no brothers or sisters

ttended him. All alone he endured. And how all this must have grieved him. Are not the sympathy and pproval of those you love among the strongest stimulants to persist in he course one judges right? And what can tempt a gentle, affectionate oul to desist from his course like the opposition of loved ones. Think I Job trusting God in his trials while his wife bade him curse God and ie and Whitfield stoned for his plain preaching and his wife bidding him lay the man and declare the whole counsel of God. Job was surely at a lvantage compared with Whitfield. So far as it was possible for Jesus feel temptation he must have been specially tempted to refrain himself hen he saw his brothers and siters were opposed to him and becoming lienated. It would have been hard enough for Jesus to bear the misunerstanding and unbelief and opposition of other men, but doubly so hen James and Joses and Simon and Judas—his own beloved brothers, ere among the unbelieving ones. How keen his grief when he saw these ithdrawing their sympathy and fellowship and he unable to prevent it r error and superstition had to be exposed—truth had to be exalted ne world must be redeemed—the kingdom of heaven set upon earth. To this he had been commissioned, to desist he could not though it cost im the sympathy and friendship of his family. Oh, how keen must have en the suffering of the sensitive, affectionate heart of Jesus! Hard enagh to be rejected by his own nation, but to be rejected by his own kith ad kin! To have his own brothers and sisters withhold recognition and mpathy and leave him to his fate among his enemies, who can measure ie sorrow this caused him.

The reconciliation, however, came at last for St. Luke writing about e protracted meeting which continued from the day of our Lord's cension until Pentecost mentions among those present "Mary, the other of Jesus, and his brethren." So it came to pass that his brethren d come to believe in him and their estrangement ceased. But the reconliation came too late to be of service to Jesus in his hours of trial, too te to relieve and comfort his overstrained heart.

All those weary months he longed for the love and fellowship that id been withdrawn-longed to enter home as he once did and feel at se, but the alienation of his brothers forbade him. Not until he had assed through his darkest way, suffered his keenest pangs and through ath entered into his glory did the estrangement and unbelief give place faith and reconcilation. After his resurrection when it became noised out that he had risen and been seen of the disciples, I judge their undief began to give way, but his appearance unto his brother James set- valuable.

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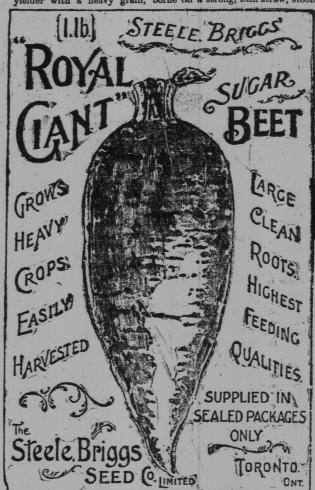
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tled the matter and the whole family repenting of their course and be- | The son is expected back in a week or calls, than for some years past. In collieving, identified themselves with his disciples. But what regrets those brothers and sisters must have had! Poor

Judas suffered such remorse after having delivered Jesus into the hands of the Jews, though he did not expect any such issue as came, that he went beside himself and insane with grief and self-reproach, went and

Even keener must have been the regret of these brothers. Their sorrow, however, could not alter the facts that without a brothr's sympathy and companionship, Jesus passed through all his trials. In Gethsemane before the Sanhedrin and at Pilate's judgment seat he endured alone, no brother or sister near. On the cross suffering, no brother or sister spoke kindly words and wiped away his sweat of agony and after death no brother asked his body for burial. Reconciliation came, but too late to be of any service to Jesus in his trials—too late to save him from that consuming heartbreaking sorrow his family's alienation had brought him.

My brothers, you hearts are touched as you think of Jesus misunderstood by his own family, rejected by them, an outcast from home and all alone enduring. But did it ever occur to you that you were grieving him. Some of you are estranged from Jesus. You are unbelieving, you persist in misunderstanding him and misrepresenting him. You turn your back upon him. You treat him as your enemy. You refuse his friendship and your alienation makes him a man of sorrows even now. As he yearned | tion. for reconciliation with James and Joses and Simon and Judas, he yearns for reconciliation with you. Why should you delay it? Why should you? I plead with you to turn from your sin, your unbelief, your misjudgment and be at friends with Jesus, at friends with the Father who sent him, at friends with his ministry and church who, faulty though we be and blunder as we way, nevertheless wish for our fellowmen in all the walks of life, the good which only Jesus an give.

A Pipeful of Amber! P Smoking Toacco will h 75 minutes

IST. JOSEPH UNIVERSITY NEWS.

St. Joseph, N. B., April 4 .- Mrs. T. Burke, of St. John, who spent last week with her son, James, in our infirm-

Catholic prisoners in the Maritime Penitentiary were gratified on Sunday last

of their regular chaplain, Rev. A. D. Cormier, C. S. C. Rev. A. B. O'Neil, C. S. C., who has een honored by his Lordship Bishop Casey with an invitation to preach in the cathedral on Holy Thursday even-ing, has accepted the privilege, and will go down to St. John tomorrow.

There is considerable pneumonia througout Memramcook parish at present more, say the priests who attend sick

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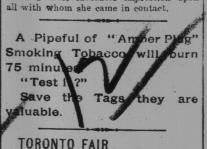
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lege circles, however, there is just now no serious illness of any kind, although "spring fever" will probably soon develop among the juniors.

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WITH NEW NAME. Provinces Will Be Asked to Make Exhibit in Special Buildings.

Toronto, April 7-(Special)-The industrial exhibition board today decided to hold this year's fair from August 27 September 12. The name this year wi and less cough always mean be altered to "Dominion of Canada Industrial Exhibition." A letter win be sent to provincial premiers asking each to make a provincial exhibit and put up a provin-

> Motor cabs, provided with an auton plying for bire in Berlin.





Reprieve is Likely Ottawa, April 7.—(Special)—The like-lihood is that Mathurin, the Montmagny murderer, will escape the gallows.

France has about 4,000 duels a year, and lialy 2,800 on an average.