

DR. TALMAGE'S ADVICE TO ALL EMPLOYERS OF LABOR

Pay as Large Wages as Possible to Employes and Take an Interest in Their Physical and Moral Well-Being.

Washington report says: At a time when in various districts labor troubles are existing or impending the effort Dr. Talmage makes in this discourse to bring about a better feeling between both sides of this difficult question is well timed.

About every six months there is a great labor agitation. There are many questions now in discussion between employers and employes. The present "strikes" will go into the past. Of course, the damage done cannot immediately be repaired.

But gradually the damages done by the laborer by the strike are repaired and some important things ought now to be said. The whole tendency of our times, as you have noticed, is to make the chasm between employer and employe wider and wider.

talists, all commercial firms, all master builders, all householders, are bound to be interested in the entire welfare of their subordinates. Years ago some one gave three prescriptions for becoming a millionaire: "First, spend your life in getting and keeping the earnings of other people; secondly, have no anxiety about the worries, the losses, the disappointments, of others; thirdly, do not mind the fact that your vast wealth implies the poverty of a great many people."

First of all, then, pay as large wages as are reasonable and as your business will afford—not necessarily what others pay. The right of a laborer to tell his employer what he must pay implies the right of an employer to compel a man into service whether he will or not, and your own conscience you think you ought to pay him.

Do not be too ready to cut down wages. As far as possible, pay all, and pay promptly. There is a great deal of Bible teaching on this subject. Malachi: "I will visit you with swift witnesses against all sorcerers and against all adulterers and against those who oppose the hireling in his wages."

scale doing their best for their employes. They have not forgotten their own early struggles. They remember how they were discouraged, how hungry they were and how cold and how tired they were, and though they may be 60 or 70 years of age they know just how a boy feels between 10 and 20 and how a young man feels between 20 and 30. They have not forgotten it.

These wealthy employers were not originally let down, young men, with pulleys of silk in a wicker basket, satin lined, fanned by cherubic cradles, on whose rocker misfortune put her violent foot and tipped them into the cold sea.

Do not say to your employes, "Now, if you don't like this place get another," when you know they cannot get another. As far as possible, once a year visit at their homes your clerks and your workmen. That is the only way you can become acquainted with their wants. You will by such process find out that there is a blind parent, who will find some of your young men in rooms without any fire in winter, and in summer sweltering in ill-ventilated apartments.

But, above all, I charge you, O employers, that you look after the moral and spiritual welfare of your employes. First, know where they spend their evenings. That decides everything. You do not want around your money drawer a young man who went last night to see "Jack Sheppard."

SUNDAY SCHOOL

INTERNATIONAL LESSON NO. XI. JUNE 10, 1900.

Death of John the Baptist.—Mark 6:14-29.

Supt.—What is the Golden Text? School.—Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the spirit. Eph. v. 18.

14. And King Herod—This was Herod Antipas, the tetrarch, or ruler, of Galilee and Peraea. He was one of the sons of Herod the Great, Herod of Jerusalem. He was a man of a very different character from his father.

15. It is a prophet.—The people expected that Elias would actually descend from heaven and usher in the Messiah (Matt. xvi. 14); and that one of the prophets was to be raised from the dead for the same end.—Benson.

16. It is John.—When Herod heard these things he was troubled, because he knew that John the Baptist was a prophet, and that he had killed him. He was also troubled because he knew that John was a man of a very different character from his father.

17. In prison.—The place of his imprisonment and death was Macherus, nine miles northeast of the Dead Sea. See dictionary. For Herodias' sake.—This woman was a granddaughter of Herod the Great. She first married Herod Antipas, but when he died she married Philip, Herodias' husband, and still living.

18. John had said unto Herod.—The verb is the imperfect tense and means "he was saying." It is a sign that John was bold and fearless. Public sins need to be severely rebuked.

19. Had a quarrel.—Set herself against him. R. V. She hated John because he rebuked her sins. Would have killed him.—Desired to kill him. One form of sin leads to another. She could not resist her anger because she had rebuked her sins. Would have killed him.—Desired to kill him. One form of sin leads to another. She could not resist her anger because she had rebuked her sins.

20. For Herod feared John.—He had respect for him and feared his words. He was a man of a very different character from his father. He was also troubled because he knew that John was a prophet, and that he had killed him.

21. When he convenient day.—For Herodias. She was watching her opportunity to kill John. This convenient day came for her when Herod was at a birthday feast in the palace at Macherus.

22. The daughter.—Salome, a daughter by Philip. Not a common dancing girl, but her own name. He and Herod—They were probably half intoxicated, reclining at the tables, as their custom was.

against the evils in society, and, socially, his head will roll into the basket; if he takes his position against evil in the church, not infrequently will his head come off ecclesiastically; if he opposes the corruption in politics, he will be beheaded politically.

23. His disciples.—John's disciples, "For he had been teaching them, and they followed him, and they buried it as the last kindness they could show to one they loved. Their sorrow brought them to Jesus' Matt. x. 12.

24. A guilty conscience.—"Guiltiness will speak though a tongue were cut out." Penitence is written upon the very countenance of the guilty man. It beams out through the eye, and is expressed in every action.

25. The thief doth fear each bush an officer.—John the Baptist imprisoned for his faithfulness to the cause of sainthood is a history of suffering for righteousness' sake, from the righteous Abel to the last saint that entered the gates of pearl. Fidelity unto the end is the essence of sainthood. "He that loves his life shall lose it, and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal."

26. Herod of his manhood made him the tool of a wicked and lustful mistress. He robbed him of his sense of justice. He slew an innocent man by the sword of a cause for punishment. It robbed him of his reason.

27. The Moloch of intemperance does not confine his work to the degraded. He ascends the steps of the steps of his way into the pulpit. Rev. Dr. Guthrie, of Edinburgh, said, "I have seen no fewer than ten clergymen, of whom I have not down to the Lord's table, deposed through strong drink."

28. He swore unto her.—It is always wrong to forsake ourselves by promising to do or to keep secret what has not as yet been disclosed to us. Under the veil of my kingdom name.—A kingdom for a dance. The promise of a drunken man. But how many in our day give away the whole kingdom of their souls, with health and hope, prosperity, peace and goodness—yes, the whole kingdom of heaven—for the paltry price of a glass of wine; the pleasure of the table; the gratification of passions; the pride, the acquisition of a little money.—Peloubet.

29. What shall I ask?—The mother was not long in telling her; she was waiting for this question.

30. With haste.—There is no time to lose if their murderous intent is carried out. "Herod drunk will do what Herod sober has refused to do." Give me by and by.—"Forthwith." R. V. Give me immediately. She took Herod by surprise and made her demand "on the instant." Herod should change his mind. In a charger.—On a large platter. The head.—What a bold request! She is thirsting for his blood and wants his head at once.

31. Exceeding sorry.—His conscience was not entirely dead, and he was worried and troubled. Yet for his oath's sake—He cared more for his oath than for his conscience, or John, or his God. He could murder, but he must not break a wicked oath that he never should have taken. Which sat with him.—He was afraid of offending the great men of his kingdom. A slave to public opinion. Would not reject her.—Not the steps that had led Herod to this. 1. Rejecting the truth. 2. Continuing to indulge in his sins. 3. A drunken feast. 4. Liquor is responsible for untold crime and misery. 5. An immoral dance. 6. A wicked oath, which never should have been taken, but, once taken, should have been broken immediately. 6. His fear of the people.

MARKET REPORTS

—OF— The Week.

Leading Wheat Markets. Following are the closing prices at important wheat centres to-day:

Table with columns for location (Chicago, New York, Milwaukee, St. Louis, Toledo, Detroit, Duluth, Minneapolis, Minneapolis, northern, Minneapolis, No. 1), price type (Cash, July), and price value.

Toronto Farmers' Market. Wheat earlier, 250 bushels sold as follows: 150 bushels of white and 100 bushels of red at 69c per bushel.

Chicago to-day, timothy seed closed steady \$2.40 nominal for May, and clover at \$7.50 nominal for cash, per 100 lbs. In Toledo October clover closed at \$5.20 bid per bushel and old prims at \$4.70 nominal.

The Wool Markets. Toronto, May 31.—Very little new clip washed wool coming in yet. Market is dull and unchanged at 15c. Unwashed is quoted at 9c.

Manitoba Wheat Markets. The local market has been about as quiet as possible. Shippers find it hard work getting any profit out of their business, although prices keep steady and even firm the amount of business is limited.

Trade at Toronto has been a little more active this week in sorting lines for the summer. The prospects are certainly more promising for a large movement next week, as the good deal of fall business has been effected this month. Collections are fair and will be better soon. At London this week, sales have been larger. The conditions of the crop in this neighborhood are very fair.

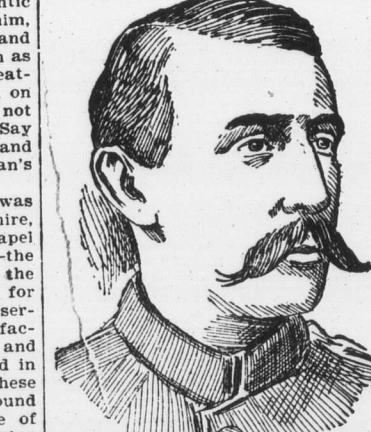
Business at the Coast cities has improved some. A lot of the outlook is not unfavorable. In the lumber camps where there is great activity, it is well employed.

Trade at Hamilton has shown considerable activity this week. Labor is well employed. Values are firm for staple goods and the outlook for the fall goods for which have been bought quite freely, are considered bright.

At Winnipeg there have been some light showers, but good heavy general rains would doubtless bring on the crops better. The trade situation is very satisfactory. There has been a good demand for goods for the summer. There is a great deal of work going on. The city hardware is fairly active, and provisions and groceries have been moving over quite freely. Railway traffic is heavy. A great many well-to-do settlers are coming into the province this season. With favorable crop conditions, the acreage being larger this season, the production of cereals this year should show a very large increase.

The Swiss Army. The strongest army in Europe for the purposes of defence is that of Switzerland where the laws forbid the maintenance of any standing army whatever. The difficulty is got over by making every boy a soldier and beginning his military education when he is eight years old, passing him through a regular series of annual inspections and reviews until he is old enough to go to work. And then, if he does not find it convenient to continue his training he can be relieved of his liability by paying a special tax which, however, does not exempt him from the landwehr, in which he has to serve from his 33rd to his 44th year, nor from the landstrum, for which he is liable until he is 50. The school period, from eight to seventeen, is voluntary, but is encouraged and supported by all classes; the adult period from 17 to 50, is compulsory. And even in Switzerland there are veterans who form the backbone of the national force.—Leisure Hour.

Extremes meet, and there is no better example than the haughtiness of humility.—Emerson.



COLONEL HOARE. Who was in charge of the Fort captured by the Boers when Mafeking was attacked, and when told by the Boers, "We have taken Mafeking," replied, "Have you, indeed?" and notified Headquarters by telegraph, and the surrounding of the Boers followed.