A Delicate and Difficult Duty Urged Upon All.

"BE YE ANGRY AND SIN NOT."

Rev. Dr. Talmage Points Out That While Christians Should Feel Just Indignation Against the Sin, Yet They Should Sympathize With and Try and Save

Washington, June 30 .- A delicate and difficulty duty is by Dr. Talmage in this discourse urged upon all, and especially upon those given to quick temper; text, Ephesians iv, 26, "Be ye angry and sin not."

Equipose of temper, kindness, patience, forbearance, are extolled by most of the radiant pens of inspiration, but my text contains that which at first sight is startling. A certain kind of anger is approved—aye, we are commanded to indulge in it. The most of us have no need to cultivate high temper, and how often we say things and do things under affronted impulse which we are sorry for when perhaps it is too late make effective apology! Why, then, should the apostle Paul dip his pen in the ink horn and trace upon parchment, afterward to be printed upon paper for all ages, the injunction, 'Be ye angry and sin not?"

My text commends a wholesome indignation. It discriminates between the offense and the offender, the sin and the sinner, the crime and the

ruined more fortunes, blasted more homes, destroyed more souls, than any evil that I think of. It pours a river of poison and fire through the nations. Millions have died because of it, and millions are dying now, and others will die. Intemperance is an old sin. The great Cyrus, writing to the Lacedemonians of himself, boasted of many of his qualities, among others, that he could drink and bear more wine than his distinguished brother. Louis X and Alexander the Great died drunk. The Parliament of Edinburgh in 1661 is called in history "the drunken par-liament." Every man or woman rightly constructed will blush with indignation at the national and international and hemispheric and planetary curse. It is good to be aroused against it. You come out den in the face at the fact that gam-of that condition a better man or a bling is the disgraceful mother of of that condition a better man or a bling is the disgraceful mother of better woman. Be ye angry at that multitudinous crimes, of envies, lealabomination, and the more anger the multitudinous crimes, of envies, leafousies, revenges, quarrels, cruelties, falsehoods, forgeries, suicides, murthat aroused feeling becomes sinful when it extends to the victim of this say of the victim of the vice and

were as upright as yourself who have During the course of a prolonged been prostrated by alcoholism. Per-ministry I have seen thousands rehaps it came of a physician's prescription for the relief of pain, a recurrence of the pain calling for a continuance of the remedy; perhaps that we hap are continuance of the remedy; perhaps and in some parts of other lands I the temptation to inebriety, leaping over a generation, has swooped on for God and Heaven, but how many this unfortunate; perhaps it was under an attempt to drown trouble that the benumbing and narcotic liquid was sought after; perhaps it was a very gradual chaining of the man with the beverage which was thought to be a servant, when one day it announced itself master. Be humble now, and admit that there is a strong probability that under the same circumstances you yourself might have been captured. The two appropriate emotions for you to allow are indignation at the intoxicant which enthralled and sympathy for the victim. Try to get the sufrecommend any hygienic relief that you how of and, above all, implore the divine rescue for the struggle in which so many of the noblest and grandest have been worsted.

rence of which you are all called to and it is on the increase—the gam bling practice. Recent developments show that much of this devastation is being wrought in ladies' parlors. It is an evil which sometimes is as polite and gracious as it is harmful. there never were so many people trying to get money without earning it. But it is a haggard transgression that comes down to us from the past, blighting all its way, One of the ablest men of the centuries, Charles Fox, got ready for his speech against "The Petition of the Clergy" by spending 22 hours at the gaming table. Irving's life of Oliver Goldsmith says that the great poet lost £30, all his earnings, in a short tour to see the world. Gibbon the author of "The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire," came to his own decline and fall through gaming practices and in a letter in 1770 said: "I have undone myself, it is to no purpose to conceal from you my abominable madness and folly. I have never lost so much in five days as I have to-night, and I am in debt to the house for the

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Can you hear the story of the un-principled manipulators of stocks and of the devices of the gambling saloon to entrap the vertiant and suspictous without having your pulse tingle, and your heart thump, and your entire nature shocked with the villaint? If so, you are not much of saloon to entrap the verdant and un villainy? If so, you are not much of a man or much of a woman. You ought to be angry, for there is no sin in such vehement dislike. You ought to be so angry that you could not repress your feelings in the pres ence of young men who are just forming their life theories. In every possible way you ought to denounce such stupendous robbery. Let it be known that the only successful game in which a man plays for money is the one in which he loses all and stops. But while you are hotly indignant

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against the crime, how do you feel about those who were fleeced and slain? They did not know that their boat was so near the mael-Some of them were born with a tendency to recklessness and experiment and hazard. They inherited a disposition to tempt chance. Do not heap on them additional discouragements; do not deride their losses. Help them to start Show them that there are again. more fortunes to be gained than have yet been gathered and that with God for their friend they will be provided for here and through the Saviour's land where there are no losses and infinite gains. While you may redwhen it extends to the victim of this great evil. Drunkenness you are to hate with a vivid hatred, but, the drunkard you are to pity, to help to extricate.

Just take into consideration that there are men and women who once the are saved, but confirmed gamblers hardly ever reform.

have seen those who were given as incorrigible and lost recovered confirmed gamblers have I seen con verted from their evil ways? A thousand? No. Five hundr d? No. Fifty? No. Two? No. One? No. I read in a book of one such rescued. doubt that there have been other cases, but no evil does its work so thoroughly and eternally as gambling. Such almost hopeless of reformation ought to call forth from you deeper sympathy than you feel for any other unfortunate. Pity by all means, for those who, shipwrecked and bruised among the timbers, have nevertheless climbed up to the fisherman's cabin and found warmth and shelter, but more pity for those Who never reach shore, but are dashed to death in the breakers. Be angry at the sin, but sympathize with its vic-

There is another sin that we are oftentimes called to be angry with, and that is fraud. We all like hon-esty, and when it is sacrificed we are nent in denunciation. We hope that the detectives will soon come the track of the absconding bank official, of the burglar who blew

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acteristically short lived. One act of fraud told in big headines in the morning papers right ully arouses the nation's wrath. It is the interest of every good man and good woman who reads of the crime to have it exposed and punished. Let is go unscathed, and you put a premium on fraud, you depress public morals, you induce those who are on the fence between right and wrong to get down on the wrong side, and you put the business of the world on a down grade. The constabulary and penitentiary must do their work. But while the merciless and the godless cry: "Good for him! I am glad he is within the prison doors!" be it your work to find out if that man is worth saving and what were the causes of his moral overthrow. Per-haps he has already repented and is washed in the blood of the Lamb. and is as sure of heaven as you are: What an opportunity you have now for obeying my text. You were angry at the misdemeanor, but you are hopeful for the recovery of the recalcitrant. Blessed all prison reform-ers! Blessed are h precnors and presidents who are glad when they have a chance to pardont its sed the forgiving father who welcomes home the prodigal! Blessed the dwing thief whom the Lord took with him to glory, saying, "This day shalt thou he with me in paradigat".

be with me in paradise!"

There is another evil that we ought to abhor, while we try to help victim, and that is infidelity. snatches the life preserver from the man afloat and affords not so much as a spar or plank as substitute. It would extinguish the only light that has ever been kindled for the troubled and the lost. Let the spirit of infidelity take hold of a neighborhood, and in that town the marriage relation is a farce, and good morals give place to all styles of immorals. Let it take possession of this earth, and there would be no virtue left in all the world's circumference. All the sins rebuked in the Ten Command-ments would be dominant. The torch that shall kindle the conflagration of the earth in its last catastrophe will not do as much damage as

infidelity and agnosticism if they got the chance. The angry with such theories of unbelief and hated of God. Never laugh at the witticisms of those who would belittle the Bible with their jocularity Have a lightning in your eye and a flush in your cheek and a frown on your brow for a dastardy that would blot out the sun and moon and stars of Christianity and leave all things in an Arctic night, the cold equal to the darkness. You do well to be the darkness. You do well to be angry, but how about those who have been flung of scepticism, and that there is more millions than you

will ever know of until the judgment day reveals everything. Ah, here comes your opportunity for gentle ness, kindness and sympathy. The probability is that if you had been plied with the same influences as this unbeliever there wor not be a Bible in all your house from cellar to attic. Perhaps he was in some mportant transaction swindled by a of the church whose takin sacrament was a sacrilege Perhaps he read agnostic books and heard agnostic lectures and mingled in agnostic circles until he had beer befogged and needs your Christia help more than any one that you

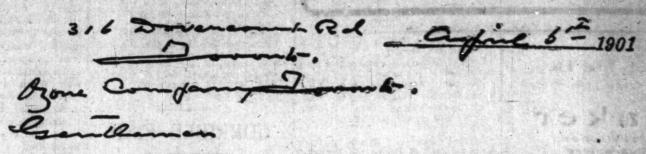
Christianity. He may beat you at that. He has a whole artillery of weapons ready to open fire.

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Remember that no one was ever re-ormed for this life or saved for the life to come by an argument, but in humblest and gentlest way, your voice subdued, ask him a few questions. Ask him if he had a Christian parentage, and if he says yes ask him whether the old folks died happy. Ask him if he has ever heard of any one going out of this life in raptures of infidelity and agnosticsm. Ask him if it is not a what remarkable fact that the Bible, after so many years, sticks together and that there are more copies of it in existence than ever before. Ask him if he knows of any better civili-zation than Christian civilization and whether he thinks the teachings of Confucius or Christ are preferable. Ask him if he thinks it would be a fair thing in the Creator of all things to put in this world the human race and give them no direct communicadid wrong, tell them of no way recovery. I think if a famous infidel of our time, instead of being taken away instantaneously, had died in his bed after weeks and months of illness he would have re-voked his teachings and left for his beloved family consolations which they could not find in obsequies at which not one word of Holy Scripture was read, or at Fresh Pond cre matory, where no Christian benedic tion was pronounced. I do not pos-itively say that in a prolonged ill-ness there would have been a retrac-tion, but I think there would, But let me confess at this crisis

my sermon that there is not an in-junction in the Bible more difficult to obey than the words of the text. While it applauds a wholesome indignation, it warms against sinful anger. And there is in all the realm of passion nothing more destructive than indiscriminate hate. First of all, it frenzies the nervous ganglia all, it frenzies the nervous ganglia, A business man of our acquaintance said: "I cannot afford to get mad. It hurts me so." And if sinful anger damages the body how much more it rives the disposition. There are thousands of men clerks in stores who would have been members of great business firms, and undermechanics who would have been boss carrenters, and atterneys who would chanics who would have been boss carpenters, and attorneys who would have been leading advocates, and preachers to congregations who are starving them to death who might have had appreciative surroundings, who have been kept back and kapt down by ungovernable tempers. The outbreak lasted only a little while. George F. Davis, Inspector of the Sun Savings and Loan Co., Toronto.

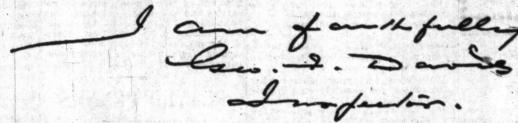
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the cold mountains, Like him, let us hate iniquity with omplete hatred; but, like him, may we help those who are overthrown and be willing to suffer for their restoration. Then, although at opening of this discourse our text may have seemed to command us to do an impossible thing, we will at the close of this sermon, with a prayer to God for help, be more rigid and determined than e. . before against that which is wrong. at the same time we shall feel so kindly toward all the erring and ork so hard for their rescue e will realize that we have scaled he Alpine, the Himalayan, height of my text, which enjoins, "Be ye ngry and sin not.

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Mena Rhodes 525, Ruby Moore 481, Kent Hunter 476, Sarah Smith 431, Highgate 426, Grace Ball 35: Earl Harwood 293. The standing of the following based on regularity of attendance and standing in class.
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