A Lesson of Gratitude for That Which We Do Not Appreciate.

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The Construction of the Hand Illustrate the Divine Wisdom - Its Employment in the Kight Direction will Make Mankind Better and Happier.

Washington, Jan. 28. - The discourse of Dr. Talmage is a lesson of gratitude for that which none of us fully appreciate and shows the divine meaning in our physical structure: text. I Corinthians xii, 21, The eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of thee."

These words suggest that some time two very important parts of the human body got into contre-versy, and the eye became insolent and full of braggadocio and said: "I am an independent part of the hum-an system. How far I can see, taking in spring morning and midnight aurora! Compared with myself, what an insignificant thing is the human hand. I look down upon it. There it hangs, swinging at the side, a clump of muscles and nerves, and it cannot see an inch, either It has no luster compared with that which I beam forth. What sense-less talk, responds the hand. You, the eye, would have been put out long ago but for me. Without the food I have earned you would have been sightless and starved to death years ago. You cannot do without me any better than I can do with-At this part of the disputation Paul of my text breaks in and ends the controversy by declar ing, "The eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of thee."

Fourteen hundred and thirty-three times, as nearly as I can count by of concordance, does the Bible apeak of the human hand. We are all familiar with the hand, but the man has yet to be born who can fully understand this wondrous instrument. Sir Charles Bell, the English surgeon, came home from the battlefield of Waterloo, where he had been amputating limbs and binding up gun-shot fractures, and wrote a book entitled "The Hand Its Mechbook entitled The Hand als meen-anism and Vital Endownments as Evidencing Design." But it is so profound a book that only a scien-tist who is familiar with the technicalities of anatomy and physiology can understand it.

So we are all going on opening and shutting this divinely constructed instrument - the hand - ignorant of much of the revelation it was intended to make of the wisdom and goodness of God. You can see by their structure that shoulder and elbow and forearm are getting ready for the culmination in the hand There is your wrist, with its eight bones and their ligaments in two rows: That wrist, with its bands of fibers and its hinged joint and turning on two axis - on the larger axis moving backward and for-ward, and on the smaller axis turning nearly round. And there is the palm of your hand, with its five bones, each having a shaft and two terminations. There are the fingers of that hand, with 14 bones, each wrought tendons, five of the bones with ending roughened for the lodgment of the nails. There is the thumb, coming from opposite direction to meet fingers, so that in conjunction they may clasp and hold fast that which you desire to take. There are armpit to the 46 muscles, so that all are under mastery. The whole anatomy of your hand as complex, as intricate, as symmetrical, as use ful as God could make it. What can if do? It can climb, it can lift, sit can push, it can repel, it can men-ace, it can clutch, it can deny, it can affirm, it can extend, it can weave, if can bathe; it can smite, it can humble, it can exalt, it can soothe, it can throw, it can defy, it can wave, it can imprecate, it can

A skeleton of the hand traced on black-board, or unrolled in diagram, or hung in medical museum, is might-ily illustrative of the divine wisdom and goodness, but how much more pleasing when in living action all its nerves and muscles and bones and tendons and tissues and phalanges display what God invented when he invented the human hand. Two specimens of it we carry at our side from the time when in infancy we open them to take a tog till in the last hour of a long life we extend them in bitter farewell.

With the divine help I shall speak of the hand as the chief executive officer of the soul, whether lifted for defense, or extended for help, or bus-ted in the arts, or offered in saluta-tion, or wrung in despair, or spread abroad in Denediction. God evidently intended all the lower orders of living beings should have weapons of defense, and hence the clephant's tusk, and the horses' hoof, and the cow's horn, and the lion's tooth, and the insect's sting. Having given weapons of defense to the lower orders of living beings, of course he would not leave man, the highest order of living beings on earth, defenceless and at the mercy of brutal or ruffian attack. The right, yea, the duty of self defense is so evident it needs no argumentation.

What a defense it is against acci-

There have been times in all our experiences when we have with the hand warded off something that ould have extinguished our eyesight, or broken the skull, or crip-pled us for a lifetime. While the eye has discovered the approaching peril, the hand has beaten it back, And in passing let me say that he who has the weapon of the hand un-injured and in full use needs no other. You cowards who walk with sword, cane, or carry a pistol in your hip pocket had better lay aside deadly weapon. At the fron-or in barbarious lands, or es

arrest, such arming may be neces-sary, but no citizen moving in these civilized regions needs such re-in-forcement. If you are afraid to go down these streets or along these down these streets or along those country roads without dagger or frearms better ask your grandmether to go with you armed with scissors and knitting needle. What cowards, if not what intended murderers, uselessly to carry weapons of death! In our two hands God gave us all the

Again, the hand is the chief executive officer of the soul for affording help. Just see how that hand is constructed. How easily you can lower it to raise the fallen. How easily it is extended to feel the invalid's pulse, or gently wipe away the tear of orphanage, or contribute alms, or smooth the excited brow, or beckon into safety. O the helping hands! There are hundreds of thousands of them, and the world wants at least 1,600,000,000 of them. Hands to bless others, hand to rescue others, hands to save others. What are all these schools others. What are all these senous and churches and asylums of mercy? Outstretched hands. What are all those hands distributing tracts and carrying medicines and trying to cure blind eyes and deaf ears and broken bones and disordered intellects and wayward sons? Helping hands. Let each one of us add two to that number if we have two, or, if through casualty only one, add that one. If these hands which we have so long kept thrust into pockets through indolence or folded in indifference or employed in writing wrong things or doing mean things or heaving up obstacles in the way of righteous progress might hour be consecrated to helping others out and up and on, they would be hands worth being raised on the resurrection morn and worth clapping in eternal gladness over

His own hands free, see hew the Lord sympathized with the man who had lost the use of his hand; was a case of atrophy, a wasting away until the arm and hand had been reduced in size beyond any medical or surgical restoration. More-over, it was his right hand, the most important of the two, for the left side in all its parts is weaker than the right side, and we involuntarily, in any exigency, put out the right hand because we know it is the hest So that poor man had lost more than half of his physical arma-It would not have been so bad if it had been the left hand. But Christ looked at that shriveled right hand dangling usclessly at the man's side and then cried out with a voice that had omnipotence in it, 'Stretch forth thy hand!" and the record is "he stretched it forth whole as the other."

How often has the hand decided a destiny! Mary, Queen of Scots, was escaping from imprisonment at Lochlever in the dress of a laundress and had her face thickly veiled. When a boatman attempted to remove the veil, she put up her hand to defend it and so revealed the white and fair hand of a queen, and so the boatman took her back to captivity. Again and again it has been demonstrated that the hand hath a language as well as the mouth. Palmistry, or the science by which character and destiny are read in the lines of the hand, is yet crude and uncertain and unsatisfactory, but as astrology was the mother of astronomy and alchemy was the mothatry it may be that palmistry will result in a science yet to

On two discourses, one concerning the ear and the other concerning the eye, I spoke from the potent text in the Psalms, "He that planted ear, shall he not hear," and "He that formed the eye, shall he not see," but what use in the eye and what use in the ear if the hand had not been strung with all its nerves. and moved with all its muscles, and reticulated with all its joints, and strengthened with all its bones, and contrived with all its ingenuities. The hand hath forwarded all the arts, and tunneled the mountains through which the rail train thund-ers, and launched all the shipping; and fought all the battles, and built all the temples, and swung all the cables under the sea, as well as lifted to mid air the wire tracks on which whole trains of thought rush across the continents, and built all the cities and hoisted the pyramids.

Do not eulogize the eye and ear at the expense of the hand, for the eye may be blotted out, as in the case of Milton, and yet his hand writes a "Paradise Lost" or a "Samson "Agonistes;" as in the case of William H. Prescott, and yet his hand may write the enchanting "Conquest of Peru." Or the ear may be silenced forever, as in the case of Beetheven, and yet his hand may put into immortal cadences the "Ninth Symphony." Oh, the hand! The God fashioned hand! The triumphant hand! It is an open Bible of divine revelation, and the five fingers are the Isaiah, and the Ezekiel, and the David, and the Micah, and the Paul

of that almighty inspiration. A pastor in his sermon told how a little child appreciated the value of his hand when he was told that on the morrow it must be amputated in order to save his life. Hearing that, he went to a quiet place and prayed that God would spare his hand. The surgeon, coming the next day to do the work, found the hand so much better that amputation was post-poned, and the hand got well. The pastor, telling of this in a sermon, concluded by holding up his hand and saying, "That is the very hand that was spared in answer to prayer, and I hold it up, a monument of divine

Again, the hand is the chief executive officer of the soul when wrung in agony. Tears of relief are some-times denied to trouble. The eyelids at such time are as hot and parched and burning as the brow. At such time even the voice is suppressed, and there is no sob or outcry. Then the wringing of the hand tells the story. At the close of a life wasted in ain sometimes comes that expression of the twisted fingers—the memary of years that will sever return, of op-

MUST MIRACULOUS HEART CURES.

MR. THOS. COOKE, OF KINGSTON, After to the world a remedy-a cure—that Suffering Intensest Pain and Distress of the Heart for Seven Years Is Cured Almost thousands have used and have tested the curative powers of after having suffered for years and had been pronounced hopeless case—if, as a last resort, even it has been such a boon, Miraculously by

Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart | on my ailments, and nobody gave me any hope of permanent recovery. But -- A Remedy Which Saves Lives one day I read of a cure by this wonderful remedy which seemed just to Every Day That Have Been Pro- be my own case repeated. I got a trial bottle and derived great benefit claimed

Human Aid-It is a Powertul, Harmless Heart

Kingston, April 26, 1899.-Mr. Thos. Cooke, 260 Johnston street, Kingston, tells this wonderful story of his sickness from heart disease, and what he considers his almost miraculous recov-

portunities the like of which will

its wrath pouncing upon the soul and

all the past a horror, only to be sur-passed by the approaching horror

So a amn wrings his hands over the casket of a dead wife whom he has cruelly treated. So a man wrings

his hands at the fate of sons and

daughters whose prospects have been

ruined by his inebriety and neglect

and depravity. So the sinner wrings

his hands when after a life full of

offers of pardon and peace and heav

Again, the hand is the chief executive of the soul in salutation. A

former president of the United States

great nuisance, and it should be

abolished. It not only makes the right arm sore, but shocks the whole

system and unfits a man for writing

or attending to other duties. It de-

moralizes the entire nervous and mus-cular system." But while this exer-

cise may be fatiguing, it is also an opportunity. He who knows how

heartily to shake hands has one of

the mightiest arts for conveying happiness and good cheer and life

eternal. After you have shaken hands with one, a line of communi-

cation is opened that was not open

before. Two hands clasped in greet

ing are a bridge on which all aym-

pathies and kindnesses and encour-

agements and blessings cross over. To

shake hands with some persons does

us more than a good sermon-aye,

it is a sermon. To shake hands

sick is an anodyne, a tonic, a febri-

writes the prescription. To shake

hands with a cheerful man when we

to try again what we have failed in

consecrated man, clerical or lay, af-

ter we have wandered away into sin, is to feel the grasp of a father—God welcoming home the prodigal. Shake hands, O ye stolid and exclu-

sive and cold blooded and precise and conventional Christians! Jehu cried

out to Jehonadab: "Is thine heart right? If it be, give me thine hand."

There is in an honest and Christian

handshake a thrill of gospel electri-city. You take part of his treuble

and he takes part of your jubilance.

In that way you divide up anxieties and congratulations. The main trunk line of that handshake has

branches of blessed telegraphy right down to both hearts and up to both

heads, and you both get the message

the same instant. Take off the glove

when you shake hands, for that glove

puts the hide of a kid between the

palm of your hand and the palm of

his hand, and that animal's hide is

a nonconductor of this gospel elec-

tricity. Do not grip the bone of the

forefinger and the bone of the little

finger with a crushing power that puts one into a severe suffering which

nany of us have experienced from

those who are more brutes than men.

Take the hand gently, reasonably, heartily and know that God ordered

that form of salutation. That is one important thing that the hand was

made for. You can see the indica-

tions in its shape and equipment

the four fingers to take your neigh-

thumb to take it on the other, vand

the forearm so swung that you can

Of course there is a wicked shaking

of hands, and Solomon refers to it

when he says, "Though hand join in

hand, the wicked shall not be un-punished." Shake hands in conspir-

acy to damage individual or com-

munity or nation, shake hands to de-

fraud, shake hands to stand by each

other in wrongdoing. You help me stuff this ballot box, and I will see

that when I am in power you shall have promotion. You help me in my infamy, and I will help you in

your infamy. Oh, that is profana-tion of a holy rite; that is sacrilege

against a divine arrangement; that

is gripping your own destruction. Pilate and Herod, though antagon-

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But while this exer-

en he dies without hope.

said:

never again occur and conscience

form of beart disease. I experienced sations; palpitation so badly that one thumps. I had great nervousness and depression at times, suffered excruciating shooting pains. Could not stand the slightest exertion or excitement. I tried many remedies recommended to me, and consulted best physicians

benediction until we have been regu-

larly ordained as ministers of the

gospel, but there are kinds of bene-diction that you may all pronounce

without especial permission from

presbytery or conference or conven-

abroad both right and left hand in

bestowing a blessing of kindness and

good will upon all you meet. With both hands bless the children. Take them in your arms and kiss their

fair cheek. Take with them a round of merriment in the room before you

leave it, and by prayer put them in

whom in olden time they struggled

to get out of the arms of their

mothers. God bless the cradles and

high chairs and nurseries all around

And what better use can I make of

my hands, which are the chief execu-

spread them abroad in the apostolic

enediction which has been pronounc-

ed for centuries, and over hundreds of

thousands of assemblages, at corona-

tions and obsequies, at harvest

homes and on fast days, by all the

ministers of the gospel in the past

as it will be by all the ministers of

the gospel until the church militant

reaches up its right hand to take the

right hand of the church triumphant;

right hand of the church triumphant, a benediction which, when it has full sway, will leave nothing for our world to want or heaven to bestow: 'May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Chost, be

Most sculptors could carve a joint

Most founders could cast a shadow

Most blacksmiths could forge

Most artists could draw a breath

Most builders could build a castle

But tailors never measure a house

with you all forever. Amen.

theque if they wanted.

or a coat of paint.

tive officer of my soul, than now

the arms of that Christ, to go

the world.

You have a right to spread

fered seven years from a very acute Specific and can Work great weakness; had smothering sen-Wonders in Ha f an hour. in the same room could hear the heart

By Physicians Beyond | ery by the aid of that good angel of modern medical science—Dr. Agnew's half ago there has never been the Cure for the Heart, He says: "I suf- slightest symptoms of a refurn of the trouble."

promised a complete and permanent cure, and when I had used six bottles not a vestige of the trouble remained, and although that is a year and a You can readily verify this or any other testimony of the curative pow-

ers of Dr. Agnew's Care for the Heart, for the commendations for it come spontaneously and unsolicited, and in ninety-nine cases out of a bundred are given out of the "fullness of the heart" in being snatched from the snare of so distressing an ailment as heart disease in any form.

what an amount of suffering would be spared if when the slightest uneasiness of the heart is experienced Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart were used! It has never failed to do what t promises. It gives relief in the most acute forms of the disease in less than 30 minutes. It not only stimulates a healthy heart action, but it heals the diseased organs, gives vitality, tones the whole system, and it's not claiming too much to say "IT MOST WORKS MIRACLES."

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Staples, Feb. 2.-There is no doubt in the minds of the people of this district that the contention that backache is a symptom of jkidney disease is absolutely and literally correct. If not, how is it that Dodd's Kidney Pills, a kidney medicine, cure backache? For there is no dispute about it that Dodd's Kidney Pills, do cure backache. Dodd's Kidney Pills do cure backache New cases in this neighborhood are coming to light every day. Mrs. Katy Lougheed is one of the most recent but there are scores more.

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The real Backache, about which no The real Backache, about which no-body who ever experienced it can be mistaken, it not an ache of the back(at all. It is the ache of disordered kid-neys. The kidneys are situated to-posite the small of the back. Thus the pain is termed backache. It is not use treating backache, so called, lo-cally. It is the kidneys that demand treatment. That is the reason that Dodd's Kidney Fills have such a re-putation for curing backache.

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