TALMAGE'S SERMON.

"SEEK FOR WISDOM" THE SUBJECT LAST SUNDAY.

Go to the Ant, Thou Sluggard, Consider Her and Be Wise, Having No Guide, Overseer or Ruler, She Provideth Her Meat * * * —Prov. 6: 6-8.

(Copyright, by Louis Klopsch, N. Y.) Washington, April 28.—In this discourse Dr. Talmage draws his illustrations from a realm seldom utilized for moral or religious purposes. Text, Proverbs 6: 6, "Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways and be wise; which having no guide, overseer or ruler, provideth her meat in the summer and gathereth her food in the harvest."

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servant or for the support of others when you can no more be a benefactor for your household—that is right; that is beautiful; that is Christian; that is divinely approved. That shows that you have taken Solomon's ant hill for an object lesson.

Does Not Decline Work.

Furthermore, go to the ant and consider that it does not decline work because it is insignificant. The fragment of seed it hauls into its habitation may be so small that the unaided eye cannot see it. [illegible]

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A Suggestive Commentary.

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Impart Useful Lessons.

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... that are nearly like ... [illegible] ... bushes. Indeed all the highways under snowdrifts! Enough for all the denizens of the hills. Hunger shut out, a plenty sits within. God, who feeds every living thing, has blessed the ant hill.

Wrecked by Extravagance.

There are women who at the first increase of their husband's resources break all on an extravagant wardrobe. There are men who at the prospect of larger prosperity build houses they will never be able to pay for. There are people with $1,000 a year income who have not one dollar laid up for a rainy day. It is a ghastly dishonesty practiced on the next generation. Such people deserve bankruptcy and impoverishment. In almost every man's life there comes a winter of cold misfortune. Prepare for it while you may. Whose thermometer has not sometimes sunk below zero? What ship has never been caught in a storm? What regiment at the front never got into a battle? Have at least as much forethought as the insectile world. Examine the pantries of the ant hills in this chill weather, and you will find that last summer's supply is not yet exhausted. Examine them next July, and you will find them being replenished. "Go to the ant, thou sluggard, consider her ways and be wise, which, having no guide, overseer or ruler, provideth her meat in the summer and gathereth her food in the harvest."

This is no argument for miserliness. Avarice and penuriousness destroy a man about as soon as any of the other vices. We have heard of those who entered their iron money vault for business purposes and the door accidentally shut and they were suffocated, their corpse not discovered until the next day. But every day and all up and down the streets of our cities there are men, body, mind and soul, forever lost in their own money vaults. Accumulation of bonds, mortgages and government securities and town lots and big farms just for the pleasure of accumulation is despicable, but the putting aside of a surplus for your self-defense when your brain has halted or your right hand has forgotten its cunning or your old age needs a man

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... to be watched and ... broiled ... that ought to be lifted out of the fire. Christ chose twelve apostles for the human race in the first century, and you know their names, but in the nineteenth century he chose his thirteenth apostle, who wrought for the relief of the brute creation, and his name was Henry Bergh. In my text the ant is not impaled, is not dead, but alive, and in the warm fields providing her meat in the summer and gathering her food in the harvest.

Furthermore, go to the ant and learn the lesson of God appointed order. The being who taught the insect how to build was geometer as well as architect. The paths inside that little home radiate from the door with as complete arrangement as ever the boulevards of a city radiated from a triumphal arch or a flowered circle. And when they march they keep perfect order, moving in straight lines, turning out for nothing. If a timber lie in the way, they climb over it. If there be a house or barn in the way, they march through it. Order in architectural structure, order in government, order of movement, order of expedition. So let us all observe this God appointed rule and take satisfaction in the fact that things are not at loose ends in this world. If there is a divine regulation in a colony or republic of insects, is there not a divine regulation in the lives of immortal men and women? If God cares for the least of his creatures and shows them how to provide their meat in the summer and gather their food in the harvest, will he not be interested in matters of human livelihood and in the guidance of human affairs? I preach the doctrine of a particular providence. "Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing, and yet not one of them is forgotten before God? Are ye not of more value than many sparrows?" Let there be order in our individual lives, order in the family, order in the church, order in the state.

God's Care of Small Things.

After what Linnaeus and Pierre Huber have told us concerning these living mites of the natural world, are we not ready to believe that the God who turns the wheels of the solar system and the water wheel of the universe regulates the beehive and the ant hill and that all the affairs of our mortal lives are under divine management? [illegible]

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A Cigar Maker's Care.

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Cigarmaking by Music.

[illegible] A piano has been placed in ... work room, and a young woman is employed to play it for two hours each day. To keep the girls off the streets at noon a teacher has been hired to give free singing lessons at the factory during the noon hour. Those innovations in New Jersey and elsewhere in the Northern states, assert those well acquainted with the cigar manufacturing industry, have been adopted generally in Cuba. Nearly every large factory there has its reader or musician. Cigarette factories in Spain, it is said, are similarly equipped. The reader, either a man or a woman, is employed to read aloud to employes from the latest Spanish novels or from the daily newspapers. The musician fills the same role as that of the performer engaged in the New Jersey factory. The experience of the Cuban manufacturer has been that this method of chaining the mind of a worker while his or her fingers are employed is not only productive of more and better work, but adds immeasurably to the good order of the factory and the good temper and cheerfulness of the operatives.

Chestnut Factory in France.

A large chestnut factory at Lyons, France, employs 250 women and girls. The chestnuts are peeled and boiled, and placed for three days in a vanilla syrup; then they are drained, coated thinly with vanilla, and prepared for shipment.

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No. 3.

Twenty [illegible] and two-thirds acres of land near the Irish church in Royal Oak township. It is excellent land, [illegible] buildings and fences all in good repair, [illegible] 100 plum trees, plenty of other small fruit. Buildings insured for $1,[illegible]. Price $[illegible] Terms easy. The place is just on [illegible] soil of Royal Oak and cannot be beaten for anyone requiring a small farm suitable for small fruit or poultry farming. Come and let us show you over the place some day.

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No. 6.

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No. 7.

The J. E. Quick homestead in Birmingham with 140 feet frontage on Saginaw St. and about 150 feet deep. New modern dwelling, good barn, fine lawn, shrubbery and small fruit. Electric cars pass the door every half hour for Detroit and Pontiac. Fare to Detroit 15c, Pontiac 10c. Owner has moved [illegible] and must sell. We will make it an object for any one to investigate this bargain. Make us an offer.

No. 8.

One of the best farms in Oakland county. It is almost enough to say when we tell you that it is the John Buttolph farm in the town of Troy. 120 acres, excellent buildings, two good flowing wells. Carp pond well stocked, 9 miles of tile; fine orchard, 5 miles from Birmingham, 2 miles straight south of Troy corners, where there is a church, store, postoffice, school, etc. Price low and terms easy.

No. 9.

Excellent farm on Gilbert Lake, about three miles from Birmingham. Good buildings, fences in good shape and everything in good repair. Lovely location on the lake and fine fishing, boating and bathing. 197 acres of as fine farming land as there is in the county of Oakland. Will exchange in part for good improved city property. Thirty acres of good heavy timber. Terms very easy.

No. 10.

Large roomy two-story house on Townsend St. in Birmingham, good barn, city water and all ordinary conveniences, 120 feet front and 103 ft. deep. Small fruit and good neighborhood.

No. 11.

The old Shutes farm in the township of Troy, one mile east of Birmingham, 30 acres, all cleared, 7 acres of the finest orchard, good house and two barns. All the advantages of the village and none of the inconveniences. There are other things, too. Come and find out all about it.

No. 12.

The Bayley farm in the town of Troy, 127 acres. Good farm house and farm buildings, flowing well at the barn, which is the wonder and pride of Troy. 20 acres good beech and maple timber, 4 acres fine grafted orchard. Circumstances render it advisable to sell at once and the man who comes first will secure one of the best bargains in the country. Look it up.

No. 13.

A fine farm of [illegible] the very [illegible] Waterford [illegible] chard. [illegible] on the place, with [illegible] each house, [illegible] ties if necessary [illegible] and on account of [illegible] removing to [illegible] will sell for $[illegible] per acre [illegible] made very easy indeed.

No. 14.

Two hundred and fourteen acres in sections 13 and 14, Southfield, with finest farm buildings in the township. Large and productive orchard of all kinds of best varieties of fruit, 10 acres of very heavy timber. Will sell or exchange for city property and will divide the two farms if required. Buildings on each tract. Price as low as any on our list, all things considered. Ask us about it.

No. 22.

[illegible] horse power steam engine [illegible] productive farming [illegible] cultivation. Best of reasons for selling. The farm is owned by Adam M[illegible] most interesting part of it [illegible] at $[illegible] per acre and that is less than he paid for it before electric railways were thought of. Only [illegible] rods to a good school and half a mile to the post office.

No. 25.

The Toynton place, a nice little farm of 75 acres, with four acres of good orchard and buildings as good as anybody's. One mile west of Bloomfield Centre (Circle postoffice), five minute's walk from Long Lake. Basement barn which cost nearly $1,000. House has seven rooms and woodshed, cellar, cistern, well, tool house, chicken house, pig pens, corn crib. A never failing stream runs through the farm. This farm is on the line of the proposed Bloomfield and Orchard Lake Electric Railway, from Bloomfield Centre to Orchard Lake. The price which was $65 per acre before the new electric road was thought of, remains the same, although all the farms in the neighborhood have gone "kiting."

No. 18.

A small farm of five acres, being part of the w½ of section 2, [illegible] township, Oakland County. Four good buildings, house, barn, fowl-house and pig pen. Buildings insured for $1,200. Premises abundantly supplied with cool pure water from flowing well, which is piped to the barn, furnishing plenty of water for stock or other purposes all the year round. Good fences, excellent soil, gravelly loam in high state of cultivation. House, two story and wing, 9 rooms, woodshed, cellar, cistern and all conveniences; 2¼ miles from Birmingham, over roads which are the best in the country, 40 rods from good school, 80 rods from Erity's mill. Excellent neighborhood. This little farm is ready for business, without a cent for repairs or improvements. Price $1,500. Terms easy.

No. 19.

A farm of 100 acres in the township of Rose, Ogemaw County, Mich.; 50 acres cleared, 50 acres mixed hard wood timber. Barn worth $100. Soil, sandy loam. Price $25 per acre; terms $500 cash, balance on long time at 6 per cent. Here is a golden opportunity for a poor man to acquire a good home in a short time. Better investigate.

No. 20.

This includes all of the Corson addition left unsold, comprising lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7. Lots 1 and two face Woodward Ave., next to the residence of W. C. Jenks and the others face out on Vinewood Ave. These are, without exception, the finest building lots in the village. High and dry, city water, convenient to the D. & P. Electric R'y and will be sold cheap and on easy terms. Prices range from $125 up. Let us tell you all the particulars about 'em. We also include in this number lots 49, 50, 51 and 52, Block 5 in Urbancrest, near Royal Oak, at $20 per lot.

No. 21

The Corson Homestead on Maple Ave., consisting of lots 6, 7 and 8 of Willitt's plat, being 5?x 116½ feet each. 180 feet front on Maple Ave. one of the most valuable residence portions of the village. A good comfortable house and good barn, with ample room for a garden. Fine shade trees and best neighborhood in the village. Frontage along this locality on Maple Ave. is worth $25 per front foot; that would make $4,500. Now, owing to the fact that Mr. Corson wishes to sell and sell right away, he will take $3,500, and it ought to be spot cash at that, but that can be arranged so that the terms need not worry you at all.

No. 23

It was formerly known as the "Wilde Farm" and contains about 100 acres of excellent land, well adapted for grazing or crops. It has about three-quarters of a mile frontage on both sides of Woodward Ave., adjoining the village of Birmingham on the north. The cars of the Detroit & Pontiac Electric Railway run each way every half hour and the Detroit & Milwaukee Railroad traverses the entire length of the farm. It has suitable buildings, good fences and a pretty brook of clear cold water runs through the meadow land, furnishing a never-failing supply for stock. This place must be sold within 90 days and we have put the very lowest possible price upon it which we can entertain. It can be bought for $10,000, one-fourth cash, and balance on easy terms. Think it over and let us know what your thoughts are; only don't wait too long, for 90 days is the limit.

No. 26

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No. 28.

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No. 29.

House and lot, No. 1430 Fourteenth Ave., Detroit, [illegible] blocks from the Boulevard, 2 stories and basement, paved street, house piped for furnace, [illegible] front, small barn. Price $3,[illegible] or will trade for village property in Birmingham; would prefer a small farm of about 5 or 10 acres. If you want to try your liking for city life, you can do so at little expense and get in the best residence part of the city.

No. 30.

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No. 33.

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No. 34.

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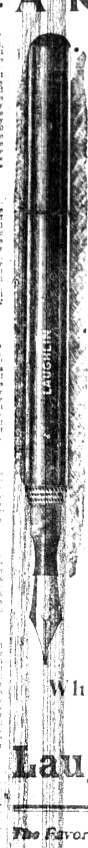

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