Ira D. Sankey, Once Great Evangelist, PASSES THE EVENING OF HIS DAYS BLIND HELPLESS, BEDRIDDEN, BUT HAPPY.

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N the city of Brooklyn, a man is passing the closing days of a wonderfully active life; a man whose same is known in every part of the civilized world, yet one who, in a measure, has been half forgotten by many thousands of persons who are rushing slong the highways of life. This man is ira D. Sankey, famed throughout the Christian universe for his hymns, and for his evangelistic work with the late Dwight L. Moody, with whom he covered the United States and Great Britain, singing his way into the hearts of millions of his fellow creatures, to whom he brought the comfort of the

Totally blind now for four years, the hymnist is somewhat reficent and diffident, preferring the quiet of his home during his closing years to the visits of the merely curious who happen to know of his whereabouts. His home is a sunny, pleasant house in a quiet corner of the city, but the sunlight and shadow are alike to him, for the affliction that has affected his eyes has taken from him forever the beauties of nature as they appeal to the senses through the sight. And in addition to the loss of his sight to the man to whom all the world was a beautiful thing, Mr. Sankey is a bedridden invalid, only occasionally having the strength to be taken from his bed in a wheel chair, by an attendant who is retained to wait upon him and to read and administer to him in all the ways so necessary to one who has lost what is, perhaps, the most valued of the

MUS EVENING OF LIFE.

Yet, withal, Ira D. Sankey is cheerful, taking the philosophic view that there is a good reason for all the afflictions which may come to man in this uncertain life, and looking forward happliy to that reward which all his life he has taught will be the result of perfect faith. His home is lighted by he love of his faithful wife, and her handiwork and care may be seen on

In every sense it is a home, with bright-papered walls, and comfortable furniture and settings. But the master's strength is far gone, though withal there is ever a smile on his serene face as he welcomes his few visitors and tells them his thoughts which he can nevermore put in writing with his own hands.

Mr. Sankey takes a deep interest in all the current events, has all the better class of magazines and newspapers read to him, and can discuss all manier - news with equal and fine facility. And there, and under these conditions, helpless, yet happy, blind, yet seeing, weak, yet strong, Ira D. Sankey is living out the remainder of his allotted time, strong in the faith of which he has sung for more than generation.

To those who know him intimately, Ita D. Sankey speaks plainly his thoughts, yet these favored ones are Never since he left public life has he been interviewed, for there never was a public man who so feared unjust criticism as he. Reared in a political atmosphere and having elected that line of work as his calling, he only forsock it at the behest of Moody after six months of strenuous pleading on the part of the latter, and he has never forgotten the training he had der his father, who was a collector of customs while he himself was an internal revenue officer under the administration of Abraham Lincoln. All

his life he has been a politician, and fear of criticism has actuated all his life's work.

EVEN MORE THAN A MILLION. Recently asked his opinion of certain events, he declined to discuss them for fear his words might be misconstrued by those for whom he had a high regard, and with whom he had worked. He is interested mainly in the work being carried on which he began, and to that end he is willing to give all that is still left of his once vigorous manhood. One thing he has done for which he knows he cannot be criticised, and that is the absolute gift to the Northfield school, in Massachusetts, founded by Moody, of a 20 per ent royalty on the retail price of evry hymn book of his authorship. fouring the past 30 years, he recently said, more than \$1,500,000 have thus been given to this charity and he himself has not received one cent of pecuniary reward for the great religious work he did when a vigorous man, More than \$0,000,000 of these books have

es a year. Mr. Sankey is comfortably situated, for during his active career he made shrewd investments. He is not in need of any of the comforts of life. His illness is such, that while it incapacitates him from active labors, it will not necessarily shorten his days, and the likelihood is that he will live to a ripe old age.

heen sold, and they are now selling at

the rate of from 5,000,000 to 6,000,000

Speaking of the work he carried on with Moody, he said there was one thing in which he took great consolation and of which the general public knew nothing.

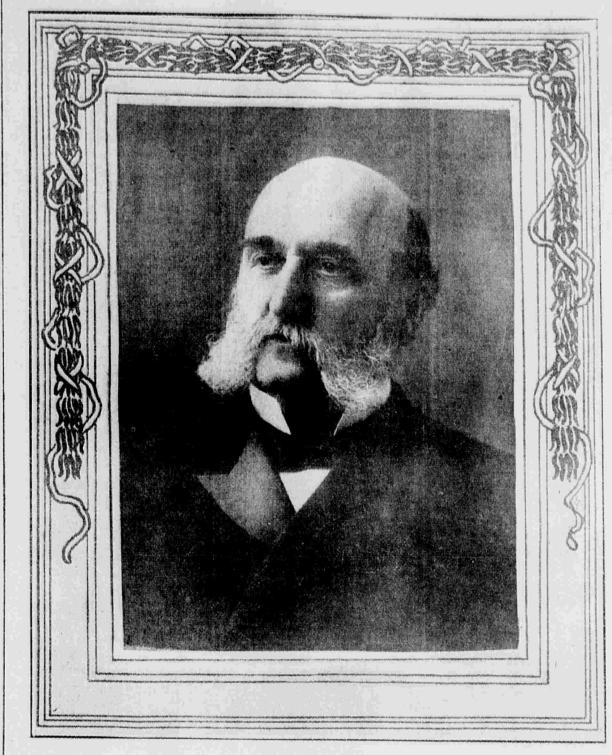
"During my active career," he said, 'the work that was being done by Moody and myself was largely supported by voluntary contributions of large sums from men who had never before in their lives given anything to the cause of religion. These men were, some agnostics, some infidels, some atheists, yet they contributed largely to the work we were doing because it was absolutely non-sectarian, and because we tried to get directly at the heart of mankind. It gives me great comfort to know we could get at the consciences of such men as these."

HE MET GYPSY SMITH. Turning his mind from the past to the present, Mr. Sankey spoke of "Gypsy" Smith, who is now holding a

ries of meetings in this country. "Years ago," he said, "I ran across a Gypsy camp in England, and while talking with a small boy of the band, I laid my hand on his head and said hoped God would make a preacher of him. Only lately I learned that that boy grew to be the evangelist "Gypsy" Smith, unquestionably the leader in that work.'

Mr. Sankey, in explanation of his position in refusing to give an opinion on leading events, said that more public men had lost their reputations by talking too much than in any other way. He said he felt he held the respect and confidence of the people who knew him intimately, as well as of the people at large, and that, although naturally he had opinions on affairs of the day, he did not feel he could afford to jeopardize his reputation by expressing them, thereby laying himself open to public criticism. He still feels he is a public man. Therefore he will

Glories in Having Secured Money For His Work from Agnostics and Atheists-Fears Public Criticism, His Strongest Remaining Instinct Being Silence of a Politician.



IRA D. SANKEY.

The Famous Singing Evangelist From Whose Eyes the Light of Day Has Forever Faded.

Messrs. Moody and Sankey were in Salt Lake, the last time, in September, 1898, for a series of four days' meetings. These were held in the First Congre-These were held in the First Congregational church during the week, the final meeting being held in the tabérnacle, which was secured by the local committee of city ministers through the courtesy of the Church authorities, for the afternoon of the Sunday following the week day meetings.

Large crowds of people of all shades of belief, and no belief at all attended the meetings, particularly the one in the tabernacle, and listened with marked interest to the preaching of

Sankey. The whole souled and hearty efforts of Mr. Sankey affected his audiences visibly, so that he left in the minds and hearts of many, only cherished recollections. He was a man of commanding and magnetic presence, a cordial and genial man to know and promptly regard as a friend.

An interesting event occurred in the tabernacle. Mr. Moody was great on taking up collections at his services, and on this occasion asked for a generous contribution towards the fund for publishing and circulating religious literature particularly adapted to prison work. He immediately seized two hats that chanced to be nearest to him. Sankey. The whole souled and hearty | handed them out to the ushers with an

handed them out to the ushers with an injunction to pass them around. One of the hats belonged to Hom. John Henry Smith, and the other belonged to Rev. Dr. W. H. Paden. The owners of the hats uttered no protest, and they were returned with about \$100 therein. The meetings were not so much for strictly evangelical purposes as they were for instruction in spiritual ethics for the benefit of persons already professing Christianity. Mr. Moody's preaching was straight to the point. He made the most use of his favorite text. "Be not deceived; God is not mocked; as a man soweth that shall he also reap."

tude against the attacks of those whose , reserved and very cautious of his every certain line of work to do, and for

not discuss questions in which he takes | ideas are opposed to his and which he | utterance save when speaking no active part, for the reason that his feels would be sure to be launched at past work. physical condition leaves him unable him. In his declining years and helpto rise to defend himself and his atti- lessness, Mr. Sankey is very quiet, very

A CHANGED MAN.

than thirty years I did it. Many persons will believe I did it well, yet they would care little or nothing for an "I am through," he says. "I had a expression of my views on topics other

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The condition of the aged evangelist is such that sustained conversation is very wearing to him. What reading he has done for him generally has to be in brief lapses of time and with frequent intermissions. Although his mind today is as active as that at any time in his career, his nervous condi-

tion will not permit of the strain of uninterrupted mental concentration. In his prime Mr. Sankey was a large and handsomely proportioned man. In great measure these attributes are gone and those who knew Sankey when he was swaying multitudes would scarcely recognize him now in the weakened, helpless, blind, bedridden invalid who passes his days in the darkness of

than those in which I have been vitally | exhorting the multitudes before whom he has appeared, necessarily he gave to them much of his vitality. The result is his present condition.

His afflictions he never discusses, but he whiles the hours away in communion with his thoughts of more than generation of good work. There are hose who maintain that the work of Ira D. Sankey in bringing out the native good that is in mankind through the medium of his songs has been greater than that of any other evangelist who ever lived, save with the possible exception of Dwight Lyman Moody, who drew them to him through the power of his oratory and his con-

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vincing logic.

everlasting night. There is neither hope for a cure of his blindness nor his infirmities, yet his family and physician say he may live for many years.

GOOD HE HAS DONE.

His blindness and nervous breakdown are the result of overwork during an active life. In singing for and

GENEALOGY.

The Fairbanks Family-Noted English Ancestry-Long-lived and Sturdy-All of the Men Engaged in Early Colonial Struggles-Two Killed by Indians-Numbers of Them in the Revolutionary War-Money-makers, But Modest and Reserved-Joseph and Sons Join the Mormons-Settle in Payson-Vice President Fairbanks Member of Family-N. K. Fairbanks and Marshall Wilder Members.

This department is prepared under the direction of the genealogical committee of the Daughters of the Pioneers, Elizabeth Claridge McCune, chairman; Edith A. Smith, Josephine

Among the many noted and superior family lines found among the founders of this Church are some who to not appear much in the public eye but whose strength, fidelity and inlogrity constitute them the very bone and sinew of any people, state, or iation where they are found. Among he early Church founders and patriits were a group of brothers named Fairbanks who united all the sturdy qualities of their New England fore-fathers. They were big men, big in body, mind and enterprise. Sturdy, quiet is speech always forehanded and thrifty, keen, yet withal reserved and modest; they were an acquisition to any community.

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The emigrant Jonathan Fairbanks, who came to America in 1633, was born in England before 1600. He was an offshoot of a titled family with castles and a coat of arms. He came from Sowerby, West Riding, Yorkshire, and so forehanded and careful was he, that he not only brought his wife and six children, and all of his household goods, but he also actually brought along to the virgin forests of the new country, the stout oaken frame for a dwelling house, from the century old trees of his native Yorkshire. Nor was Jonathan at all anxious to set up his house when he got here. He kept his splendid timber, both to temper the timber and to temper his decision as to a final sottlement. At last he decided to unite with a colony of his country, and together they wrote out a "covenant," which reads much like the old United Order resolutions of this people. The township was called Dedham, and was located in Massachusetts.

The covenant had five clauses, and began by asserting that "We whose names are hereunto subscribed, do, in the fear and reverence of Almighty God, mutually, and severally promise

the fear and reverence of Almighty God, mutually, and severally promise amongst ourselves and each other to profess and practise one truth according to that most perfect rule, the foundation whereof is everlasting to the control of The next provision is directed to the prevention of any 'contraryminded' from entering into this
peaceful retreat; then, provision is
made for the settlement of any difficulties by arbitration of one or two or three of the townsmen. The next one prescribes the manner and conditions of entrance for new-comers into the community. While the last closes of entrance for new-comers into the community. While the last closes with a binding covenant for the subscriber and all his descendants. Jonathan Fairbanks was placed upon important committees, and at once put in positions of trust. He brought the stout oak beams he had carried across the raging seas in that small ship from Boston to Dedham, together with the diamond-planed glass, precious and rare, to set in the small leaded casements of this elegant pioneer house. And here, after three years of waiting, the English timber upreared its modest yet comely shape, and there on that same spot today, stands this marvelous old house, one of New England's priceless helrlooms and there on that same spot today, stands this marvelous old house, one of New England's priceless helricoms of the pioneer past. Throughout the 258 years of its existence, no mortgage has ever disturbed nor change of title has marred the long Fairbanks inheritance. A Fairbanks built it, and none other than direct heirs have ever dwelt upon it, but for one short season, a few years ago. From this roof-tree has sprung all the Fairbanks in America. Vice President Fairbanks is perhaps the most widely known of all the latter descendants, but soldiers, flocks of them during the Revolution, ministers, doctors, artists, and wealthy citizens have marked the line of descent. The inventor of the scales, and the wealthy lard packer in Chicago are all members of this family also.

Jonathan had a large family, and

of this family. Marshall Wilder, the quaint little humorist, is from this family also.

Jonathan had a large family, and his son Jonas was wellnigh as famous as his father. He was a soldier in King Phillip's wars. He married Lydia Prescett of Watertown, Mass. They too, had a large family. He and his son Joshua were killed by the Indians Feb. 10, 1676, in Dedham.

His third son, Jabez, of Lancaster, Mass., was a very efficient soldier and officer in the Indian wars. The death of his father by the treacherous redskins evidently daunted not the sons, for all were defenders of the towns and communities wherever they lived, Jabez was no doubt incited to heroic deeds by the massacre of his father, and while very young rose to the rank of captain in the regular army. He was a famous scouting officer, and knew neither fear nor defeat. He married Mary Houghten Wilder, and second. Elizabeth Whitcomb, both of Lancaster. His eldest son, Deacou Joseph Fairbanks, was born and died in Harvard, Mass. He was very prominent in all matters of trust and responsibility in the town and church, but was essentially modest in his life work. He was selectmen, town treasurer, and was chosen, has a representative to the general court, in 1790, just after the government assumed its own sutonomy; but with the reserve and tive to the general court, in 1790, just after the government assumed its own autonomy: but with the reserve and modesty which is still so much a part of the Fairbanks character, he declined the honor thus held out. His second sou, Joseph was born in 1722, and he, too, was a gallant soldier, being the captain of the First company of Harvard militia. He had three wives, the first being Mary Willard the second Abigali Tarbell, and the third, a widow, Mrs. Mary Willard, He, too, occupied many positions of public trust. His eldest son, Joseph, was one of the Lexington minute men.

and was present in the first famous engagement. He answered to the Lexington alarm in 1775, and to the Bennington alarm in 1777. He married Aseneth Osgood of Lamcaster, and he, too, had a large family. His eldest son Joseph, born in 1778, was born in Templeton, Mass., and he removed to Peru, Vermont, and later to New Jersey. He embraced the gospel of Jesus Christ, and so did his four stalwart sons. He emigrated to Nauvoc, and died in Winter Quarters. His son David came to Utah, where the other brothers started, and one went to the Mexican war, but two went on to California. Joseph married Poily Brooks; the widowed mother came on with her son David who matried Susan Mandeville, was one of the pioneers of '47, arriving here Oct. 6, 1847. His family were of the true Fairbanks type, and today are scattered over the state. His daughter Martha is wife of Prof. Joseph Keeler of Provo, and she is president of the Utah stake Relief society. There is a large Fairbanks printed record or book, prepared by the devoted labors of Lorenzo Sayles Fairbanks, of Massachusetts, who died before he saw the fruits of his long and painful labors. There are many associated names in this book, and the manner of its obtaining by the Utah branch is worth relating.

Each year, the Fairbanks family in the United States hold a reunion in the old homestead in Dedham, Mass, When this was first projected, some years ago, the invitation was sent to the Utah branch in Payson. The parents of Mrs. Keeler, David Fairbanks and wife, decided to go out to the reunion, if they could persuade the son-in-law, Prof. Keeler, to take them. Mr. Keeler, in his heart, had been importuning the Lord for more light and information in regard to his own family, as he had just completed the temple work his own parents had begun. At the wedding supper of a relative, the matter was brought up, and in less than an hour, all plans were made, the money was provided by the thritty Father Fairbanks, and the son-in-law genealogy on his own side, while the Fairbanks acquired

aining thousands of names; and thus

The Fairbanks family have issued a beautifully engraved certificate of membership; they have fine pictures for framing of the famous old home in Dedham; also, special Wedgwood plates with the same old home burned in; and during the last presidential campaign they issued buttons with in; and during the last presidential campaign, they issued buttons with the face of Vice President Fairbanks in the corner, and the old homestead on the button itself. Altogether, they are one of the most active and progressive families in the country, albeit, still modest and reserved as individuals and as a family. Tall, most of them, dark, with beautiful hair and soft or sometimes snapping eyes, of brown or black, they are still ready to fight, if home, children, country or religion are attacked; otherwise, they stay at home, mind their own business, make money, keep it, and build up make money, keep it, and build no every spot of earth wherever their lots may be east. Such is the Fairbanks family of America.

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The following committees have been appointed for the Brigham Young Celebration at Wandamere on June 1st, the anniversary of the birth of the famous pioneer leader. GENERAL COMMITTEE.

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The amount of its liabilities (including capital) is 1.887,691.48

The amount of its income during the preceding calendar year 1,519,057.64

The amount of its expenditures during the preceding calendar year 1,423,875.21

The amount of its expenditures during the preceding calendar year 1,589,855.456.48

The amount of risks written during the year 188,085,456.48

The amount of risks in force at the end of the year 198,709,465.30

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In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and offixed the great seal of the State of Utah, this 10th day of April, A. D. 1907.

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The amount of risks written during the year \$7,350,216.90
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