

IN GOD'S BALANCES.

Human Lives and Actions Weighed in the Divine Scales.

Dr. Talmage Preaches on Personal Responsibility, Taking His Text from the Handwriting on the Wall at Babylon.

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Washington, May 11. In these days of moral awakening this pointed sermon by Dr. Talmage on personal responsibility before God will be read with a deep and solemn interest.

Babylon was the paradise of architecture, and drove out from thence the grandest buildings of modern times are only the evidence of her fall. The site having been selected for the city, 2,500,000 men were employed in the rearing of her walls and the building of her works.

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make a ton and 120 solid feet make a cord of wood. No more, no less. And a religion which does not take hold of this life as well as the life to come is no religion at all.

But, my friends, it is not the style of balances I am to speak of to-day; that is not the kind of weights and measures. I am to speak of that kind of balances which weigh principles, weigh churches, weigh men, weigh nations and weigh words.

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