

SERMON.

Rev. Dr. Talmage Urges the Adoption of the Unusual Mode of Estimating Character.

WASHINGTON, May 26.—In this discourse, from a symbol of the Bible, Dr. Talmage urges the adoption of an unusual mode of estimating character and shows how different is the divine way from the human way; text, Prov. xv. 2, "The Lord weigheth the spirits."

The subject of weights and measures is discussed among all nations, is the subject of legislation and has much to do with the world's prosperity. A system of weights and measures was invented by Phidias, ruler of Argos, about 800 years before Christ.

Other balances may lack precision and fall in counterpoise. Scales are affected by conditions of atmosphere and acid vapors. After all that the nations have done to establish an invariable standard, perfection has never been reached, and never will be reached.

But in the universe, there has only been one balance that could weigh thoughts, emotions, affections, hatred, ambitions. That balance was fashioned by an Almighty God and is hung up for perpetual service.

Perhaps no one but God heard that good man's resolution, but it amounted to this: "From this present moment to my last moment on earth, God helping me, I will do all I can to make this world a purer world, a better world, a happier world."

There are Christian people who had faith that Christ would be redeemed and for 30 years have been contributing to the police work of the city with their hands and feet, and now these Christian workers are despairful, as though all were lost.

tal or celestial. He has learned by heart the Ten Commandments and the sermon on the mount, and has splendid theories about everything. Between that fair haired boy and the achievement of what he wants and expects there are a host of obstacles and hindrances known only to the God who is going to discipline him for heroic magnificence.

THE WEIGHING OF NATIONS. And so the spirit of our American nation is put into the royal balance, and it will be weighed—certainly as all the nations of the past were weighed and as all nations of the present are being weighed.

But if our character and behavior as a nation are reversed and good morals give place to loose living and God is put away from our hearts and our people and our homes and our people and our literature be debauched and our schools and our homes and our people and our American Sabbath becomes a Parisian Sabbath and infamous laws get a place on our statute books and the marriage relation becomes a joke instead of a sanctity and the God whom Columbus prayed to on the day of his voyage is cruel and superstitious and idolatrous and defiant of the Almighty.

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WEIGHED IN DIVINE SCALES. In the same divine scales the spirit of nations and civilizations is weighed. It is weighed in the scales of the Almighty and is weighed in the scales of the Almighty and is weighed in the scales of the Almighty and is weighed in the scales of the Almighty.

THE UNIFORM STANDARD. By joint resolution of congress, in 1836, the treasurer of the United States was ordered to send a complete set of the standard weights and measures adopted by the national government of the governments of all the states, so that there might be uniformity and accuracy, and that distribution was made. So, now, the ruler of earth and heaven, having established forever the right standard, sends to us all and to all people a copy of that standard—the standard, by which "the Lord weigheth the spirits."

What a world this will be when it is weighed after its regeneration shall have taken place. Scientists now guess at the number of tons our world weighs and they put the Apennines and the Sierra Nevada and Chimborazo and the Himalayas in the scales. But they weighed as to its morals at the present time in the royal balance the heaviest things would be the wars, the international hatreds, the crimes mountain high, the moral disasters that stagger the hominids on the way through immensely. But when the gospel has gardenized the earth, as it will produce universal harvest and fruitage and the last cavalry horse shall me unshaded and the last gun

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carriage unweeled and the last fortress turned into a museum to show nations in peace what a horrid thing war once was, then the world will be weighed, and as the opposite side of the scales lifts as though it was light and a feather on the right side of the scales will come down, weighing more than all these tremendous values that St. Peter enumerated—faith, virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, godliness, brotherly kindness, charity.

SHIP NEWS. PORT OF ST. JOHN. Arrived. May 28—Sch Onward, 82, Wasson, from Boston, J. W. McLaughlin and Co. In port. May 28—Sch Onward, 82, Wasson, from Boston, J. W. McLaughlin and Co. In port.

BRITISH PORTS. Arrived. At East London, May 27, ship Kentigern, Parker, from St. John via Cape Town. At Bermuda, May 27, ship Oceanic, Baker, from Halifax for West Indies (probably sail today).

DEATHS. CARVELL.—At Hampton, on May 28th, Ellen B. wife of Thomas H. Carvell, aged thirty-nine years. COWAN.—On May 26th, at 183 Main street, Janet E., aged 82, wife of Edgar C. Cowan, leaving a husband, two sons, two daughters and two sisters to mourn their sad loss.

W. H. LONDON, Mass. of Lord Brough comes the fine and heavy miles of the gold to Lydenberg. Johannsburg, Lord Kitchener is engaged in business and his reverse at Viennese composed the duties of salaried came to fered heavily in of dead left on. The despatch of Frederic St. John to Lydenberg, his reports to the Pretoria, May 31. "General Dixon's was attacked by forces and fighting. The driver off with dead. I regret it so were severe. I numbered one four. Four office NEW YORK. A banker's account contesta serves to interest once more the Tribune's L. Two facts stand out of the nature of an entrenched position in Johannesburg, a heavy loss was incurred which has been first months, and it is the Boers, when they warty general led strong resistance arms. The details indicate that Gen was surprised an list was run up by the Boers, in an contesta serves to severe losses. It is reported to have for a while, Plummer's convoy a British officer in London, after the closing skirmish would occur Durban-Johannesburg vicinity of Heidelberg. The Boers, in an contesta serves to severe losses. It is reported to have for a while, Plummer's convoy a British officer in London, after the closing skirmish would occur Durban-Johannesburg vicinity of Heidelberg.