DREAD HANDWRITING

DR. TALMAGE PREACHES A SERMON ON BABYLON'S FALL.

If You Do Not Fear God You May One Day Expect to See the Handwriting on the Wall Yourself-A Powerful Dis-

After the site of Babylon had been ployed for the construction of the wall and principal works. The walls of the city were sixty miles in circumference. They were surrounded by a trench, out of which had been dug the material for the construction of the city. There dows and wrapping pillars of cedar, each side of the square city. Between and agate. Music mingling the thram every two gates a great watch tower of harps, and the clash of cymbals, and sprang up into the heavens,

on either side a street ran straight through to the gaze on the other side, so that there were fifty streets, each fifteen miles long, which gave to the larity. The houses did not join each other on the ground, and between From housetop to housetop bridges swung, over which the inhabitants were accustomed to pass. A branch of the Euphrates went through the city, over which a bridge of marvelous structure was thrown and under chalices, as again and again and again which a tunnel ran. To keep the river from overflowing the city in times of freshet a great lake was arranged to to tatters! Pour out more wine! Give eatch the surplus, in which the water us more light, wilder music, sweeter was kept as in a reservoir until times of drought, when it was sent streaming ogles to captain. Goblets clash, dedown over the thirsty land.

A palace stood at each end of the Euphrates bridge; one palace a mile the slavering lip, and the guffaw of and three-quarters in compass, and the idiotic laughter bursting from the lips other palace seven and a half miles in circumference. The wife of Nebu- while mingling with it all I hear, chadnezzar, having been brought up among the mountains of Media, could not stand it in this flat country of Babyion, and so to please her Nebuchadnezzar had a mountain four hundred feet high built in the midst of the city. This mountain was surrounded by terraces, for the support of which great arches were lifted. On the top of these arches flat stones were laid; then a layer of reeds and bitumen; then two rows of bricks, closely cemented; then thick sheets of lead, upon which the soil was placed.

The earth here deposited was so deep anchor their roots. All the glory of the tremendous height, until it must have found wanting." seemed to one below as though the structed which drew the water from must have been pleased.

A CITY OF REVELINGS.

In the midst of this city stood also was one-eighth of a mile high, and on the top of it an observatory, which gave the astronomers great advantage, as, being at so great a height, one could easily talk with the stars. This temple was full of cups and statues and censers, all of gold. One image weighed a thousand Babylonish talents, which would be equal to fifty-two million dollars. All this by day; but now night was about to come down on Babylon. The shadows of her two hundred and fifty towers began to lengthen. The flery splendors of the setting sun, and gates of brass, burnished and glittering. opened and shut like doors of flame.

The hanging gardens of Babylon, dance and frolic and promenade. The and so I declare it. theatres and galleries of art invited the

deeds of darkness. eyed horses from Togarmah, that rear and women dressed in all the splenblending of agate, and the chasteness of coral, and the somber glory of Tyrian purple, and princely embroideries brought from afar by camels across the desert, and by ships of Tarshish across

Open wide the gates and let the cup bearers are all ready. Hark to the the night go by with song and dance "Oh, King Belshazzar, live forever!"

NO COMMON BANQUET. mon banquet to which these great peo- was full of lords and dukes, and the

sent their richest viands to that table. Brackets and chandeliers flashed their light upon tankards of burnished gold. Fruits, ripe and Juscious, in baskets of silver, entwined with leaves, plucked from royal conservatories. Vases, inlaid with emerald and ridged with exquisite traceries, filled with nuts that were thrashed from forests of distant lands. Wine brought from the BROOKLYN, Jan. 25.—Dr. Talmage royal vats, foaming in the decanters preached the following sermon this and bubbling in the chalices. Tufts of morning in the Academy of Music in cassia and frankineense wafting their this city, and he repeated it to night at sweetness from wall and table. Gor-The Christian Herald service in the geous banners unfolding in the breeze New York Academy of Music. His text that came through the opened window, was Daniel v. 30: "In that night was bewitched with the perfume of hanging Belshazzar, the king of the Chaldeans, gardens, Fountains rising from inclosures of ivory, in jets of crystal, to fall in clattering rain of diamonds and pearls. selected, two million of men were em- Statues of mighty men looking down from niches in the wall upon crowns and shields brought from subdued empires. Idols of wonderful work standing on pedestals of precious stones, Embroideries drooping about the winwere twenty-five gates of solid brass on and drifting on floor inlaid with ivory the blast of trumpets in one wave of From each of the twenty-five gates transport that went rippling along the wall, and breathing among the garlands, and pouring down the corridors. and thrilling the souls of a thousand banqueters. The signal is given, and city an appearance of wonderful regu- the lords and ladies, the mighty men and women of the land, come around the table. Pour out the wine! Let them were gardens and shrubbery, foam and bubble kiss the rim! Hoist every one his cup, and drink to the sentiment, "Oh, King Belshazzar, live forever!"

Bestarred headband and carcanet of royal beauty gleam to the uplifted they are emptied. Away with care from the palace! Tear royal dignity perfume! Lord shouts to lord, captain canters rattle. There come in the vile song, and the drunken hiccough, and of princes, flushed, reeling, bloodshot; "Huzza! huzza! for the great Belshaz-

LOOK! LOOK! LOOK!

What is that on the plastering of the wall? Is it a spirit? Is it a phantom? Is it God? Out of the black sleeve of the darkness a finger of flery terror trembles through the air and comes to the wall, circling about as though it would write, and then, with a sharp tip of flame, engraves on the plastering the doom of the king. The music stops. Goblet falls from the nerveless grasp There is a thrill. There is a start. There is a thousand voiced shriek of that the largest trees had room to horror. Let Daniel be brought in to read that writing. He comes in. He flowery tropics was spread out at that reads it, "Weighed in the balance and

Meanwhile the Assyrians, who for clouds were all in blossom, and the two years had been laying siege to that very sky leaned on the shoulder of the city, took advantage of that carousal cedar. At the top an engine was con- and came in. I hear the feet of the conquero re on the palace stairs the Euphrates, far below, and made it cre rushes in with a thousand gleaming spout up amid this garden of the skies. knives. Death bursts upon the scene. All this to please his wife! I think she and I shut the door of that banqueting hall, for I do not want to look. There is nothing there but torn banners, and broken wreaths, and the slush of upset the temple of Belus. One of its towers tankards, and the blood of murdered women, and the kicked and tumbled careass of a dead king. For "in that night was Belshazzar, the king of the Chaldeans, slain.'

I go on to learn that when God writes anything on the wall, a man had better read it as it is. Daniel did not misin terpret or modify the handwriting on the wall. It is all foolishness to expect a minister of the Gospel to preach always things that the people like or the people choose. Young men, what shall I preach to you to-night? Shall I tell Euphrates rolled on, touched by the you of the dignity of human nature? Shall I tell you of the wonders that our race has accomplished? "Oh! no," you say; 'tell me the message that came from God." I will. If there is wet with the heavy dew, began to pour any handwriting on the wall it is this from starlit flowers and dripping leaf a lesson, "Accept of Christ and be fragrance for many miles around. The saved." I might talk of a great many streets and squares were lighted for other things, but that is the message,

Jesus never flattered those to whom wealth and pomp and grandeur of the he preached. He said to those who city to rare entertainments. Scenes of did wrong, and who were offensive in riot and wassail were mingled in every his sight, "Ye generation of vipers! ye street; godless mirth, and outrageous whited sepulchers! how can ve escape excess, and splendid wickedness came to the damnation of hell." Paul the the king's palace to do their mightiest apostle preached before a man who was not ready to hear him preach. A royal feast to-night at the king's What subject did he take? Did he say, palace! Rushing up to the gates are "Oh, you are a good man, a very fine chariots, upholstered with precious man, a very noble man?" No; he cloths from Dedan, and drawn by fire preached of righteousness to a man who was unrighteous; of temperance and neigh in the grasp of the chariot to a man who was the victim of bad eers, while a thousand lords dismount, appetites; of the judgment to come to a man who was unfit for it. So we dors of Syrian emerald, and the color must always declare the message that happens to come to us. Daniel must read it as it is.

A minister preached before James I of England, who was James VI of Scotland. What subject did he take? The king was noted all over the world for being unsettled and waguests come in. The chamberlains and vering in his ideas. What did the minister preach about to this man who rustle of the robes, and to the carol of was James I of England and James VI the music! See the blaze of the jewels! of Scotland? He took for his text Lift the banners. Fill the cups. Clap James i, 6: "He that wavereth is the cymbals. Blow the trumpets. Let like a wave of the sea, driven with the wind and tossed." Hugh Latimer ofand ovation, and let that Babylonish fended the king by a sermon he tongue be palsied that will not say, preached, and the king said, "Hugh Latimer, come and apologize." will," said Hugh Latimer. So the day Ah! my friends it was not any com- was appointed, and the king's chapel

tey, for Hugh Latimer was to apologize. He began his sermon by saying: "Hugh Latimer, bethink thee! Thou art in the presence of thine earthly king, who can destroy thy body. But bethink thee, Hugh Latimer, that thou art in the presence of the King of heaven and earth, who can destroy both body and soul in hell fire." Then he preached with appalling directness at the king's crimes

THE HORROR OF THE ENDING. Another lesson that comes to us. There is a great difference between the opening of the banquet of sin and its close. Young man, if you had looked in upon the banquet in the first few hours you would have wished you had been invited there, and could sit at the feast. "Oh! the grandeur of Belshazzar's feast!" you would have said, but you look in at the close of the banquet, and your blood curdles with horror. The king of terrors has there a ghastlier banquet, human blood is the wine and dying groans are the music.

Sin has made itself a king in the earth. It has crowned itself. It has spread a banquet. It invites all the world to come to it. It has hung in its banqueting hall the spoils of all kingdoms and the banners of all nations. It has gathered from all music. It has strewn from its wealth the tables and the floors and arches. And yet how often is that banquet broken up, and how horrible is its end! Ever and anon there is a handwriting on the wall. A king falls. A great culprit is arrested. The knees of wickedness knock together. God's judgment, like an armed host, breaks in upon the banquet, and that night is Belshazzar, the king of the Chaldeans, slain.

Here is a young man who says: "I cannot see why they make such a fuss about the intoxicating cup. Why, it is exhilarating! It makes me feel well. I can talk better, think better, feel better. I cannot see why people have such a prejudice against it." A few years pass on, and he wakes up and finds himself in the clutches of an evil habit which he tries to break, but cannot, and he cries out, "Oh, Lord God, help me!" It seems as though God would not hear his prayer, and in an agony of body and soul he cries out, "It biteth like a serpent, and it stingeth like an adder." How bright it was at the start! How black it was at the

Here is a man who begins to read corrupt novels. "They are so charming," says he, "I will go out and see for myself whether all these things are so." He opens the gate of a sinful life. He goes in. A sinful sprite meets him with her wand. She waves her wand, and it is all enchantment. Why, it seems as if the angels of God had poured out phials of perfume in the atmosphere! As he walks on he finds the hills becoming more radiant with foliage, and the ravines more resonant with the falling water. Oh, what a charming landscape he sees! But that sinful sprite with her wand meets him again; but now she reverses the wand, and all the enchantment is gone. The cup is full of poison. The fruit turns are forked tongues of hissing serpents.

The flowing fountains fall back in a dead pool, stenchful with corruption. The luring songs become curses and screams of demoniac laughter. Lost spirits gather about him, and feel for his heart, and beckon him on with: "Hail, brother! Hail, blasted spirit, hail!" He tries to get out. He comes to the front door where he entered, and tries to push it back, but the door turns against him, and in the jar of that shutting door he hears these words. "This night is Belshazzar, the king of the Chaldeans, slain." Sin may open bright as the morning. It ends dark as the night!

DEATH AT THE PEAST.

I learn further from this subject that Death sometimes breaks in upon a banquet. Why did he not go down to the prisons in Babylon? There were people there that would like to have died. I suppose there were men and women in torture in that city who would have welcomed Death. But he comes to the palace, and just at the time when the mirth is dashing to the tiptop pitch Death breaks in at the banquet. We have often seen the same thing illustrated. Here is a young man just come from college. He is kind. He is loving. He is enthusiastic. He is eloquent. By one spring he may bound to heights toward which many men have been struggling for years. A profession opens before him. He is established in the law. His friends cheer him. Eminent men encourage him.

After a while you may see him standing in the United States senate or moving a popular assemblage by his cloquence, as trees are moved in a whirlwind. Some night he retires early. A fever is on him. Delirium, like a reckless charioteer, seizes the reins of his intellect. Father and mother stand by, and see the tides of his life going out to the great ocean. The banquet is coming to an end. The lights of thought and mirth and eloquence are being extinguished. The garlands are snatched from the brow. The vision is gone. Death at the banquet.

We saw the same thing, on a larger scale, illustrated at the last war in this country. Our whole nation had been sitting at a national banquet-north, south, east and west. What grain was there but we grew it on our hills. What invention was there but our rivers must turn the new wheel and rattle the strange shuttle. What warm furs but our traders must bring them from the Arctic. What fish but our nets must sweep them for the markets. What music but it must sing in our

speak in our senates.

Ho! to the national banquet, reachthat table came the yeomanry of New to-night you might pray, saying: Hampshire, and the lumbermen of Maine, and the Carolinian from the rice fields, and the western emigrant from the pines of Oregon, and we were

all brothers-brothers at a banquet.

Suddenly the feast ended. What meant those mounds thrown up at Chickamauga, Shiloh, Atlanta. Gettysburg, South Mountain? What meant those golden grain fields, turned into a pasturing ground for cavalry horses? What meant the corn fields gullied with the wheels of the heavy supply train? Why those rivers of tears, those lakes of blood? God was angry! Justice must come. A handwriting on the wall! The nation had been weighed and found wanting. Darkness! Woe to the north! Woe to the south! Woe to the east' Woe to the west! Death at the banquet!

THE DEATH OF THE WICKED. I have also to learn from the subject that the destruction of the vicious and of those who despise God will be very sudden. The wave of mirth had dashed to the highest point when that Assyrian army broke through. It was unexpected. Suddenly, almost always, comes the doom of those who despise God and defy the laws of men. How was it at the deluge? Do you suppose it came through a long northeast storm so that people for days before were sure it was coming? No; I suppose the morning was bright; that calmness brooded on the waters; that beauty sat enthroned on the hills, when suddenly the heavens burst, and the mountains sank like anchors into the sea that dashed clear over the Andes and the Himalayas.

The Red sea was divided. The Egyptians tried to cross it. There could be no danger. The Israelites had just gone through. Where they had gone why not the Egyptians? Oh, it was such a beautiful walking place! A pavement of tinged shells and pearls, and on either side two great walls of water-solid. There can be no danger. Forward, great host of the Egyptians! Clap the cymbals and blow the trumpets of victory! After them! We will catch them yet, and they shall be destroved. But the walls begin to tremble. They rock! They fall! The rushing waters! The shriek of drowning men! The swimming of the war horses in vain for the shore! The strewing of the great host on the bottom of the sea, or pitched by the angry wave on the beach-a battered, bruised and loathsome wreck! Suddenly destruction came. One half hour before they could not have believed it. Destroyed, and without remedy.

I am just setting forth a fact which you have noticed as well as I. Ananias comes to the apostle. The apostle says, "Did you sell the land for so much?" He says "Yes" It was a lie Dead as quick as that! Sapphira, his wife, comes in. "Did you sell the land for so much?" "Yes." It was a lie; and quick as that she was dead! God's judgments are upon those who despise and defy him. They come suddenly.

The destroying angel went through Egypt. Do you suppose that any of the people knew that he was coming? Did they hear the flap of his great wing? No! no! Suddenly, unexpectedly, he

Skilled sportsmen do not like to shoot a bird standing on a sprig near by. If they are skilled they pride themselves on taking it on the wing, and they wait till it starts. Death is an old sportsman, and he loves to take men flying under the very sun. He loves to take them on the wing.

HERD WHAT FOLLOWS!

Are there any here who are unprepared for the eternal world? Are there any here who have been living without God and without hope? Let me say to you that you had better accept of the Lord Jesus Christ, lest suddenly your justice declared the knot tied. last chance be gone. The lungs will cease to breathe, the heart will stop. The time will come when you shall go no more to the office, or to the store. or to the shop, Nothing will be left but Death and Judgment and Eternithere be one in this presence who has Cor. St. Louis Globe-Democrat. wandered far away from Christ, though he may not have heard the call of the gospel for many a year, I invite him now to come and be saved. Flee from thy sin! Flee to the stronghold of the gospel! Now is the accepted time; now is the day of salvation.

Good-night, my young friends! May you have rosy sleep, guarded by him who never slumbers! May you awake in the morning strong and well! But oh! art thou a despiser of God? Is this thy last night on earth? Should'st though be awakened in the night by something, thou knowest not what, and there be shadows floating in the room, and a handwriting on the wall, and you feel that your last hour is come, and there be a fainting at the heart, and a tremor in the limb, and a catching of the breath—then thy doom the text, "In that night was Belshazzar, the king of the Chaldeans, slain."

Hear the invitation of the gospel! There may be some one in this house to whom I shall never speak again, the Gospel, and not in my own, with which I close: "Ho, every one that boards will cheerfully be accorded a thirsteth! Come ye to the waters. position as a target.-New York Tele-And let him that hath no money come, gram,

ple came. All parts of the earth had mighty men and women of the coun- halls. What eloquence but it must buy wine and milk without money, and without price." "Come unto me, all ye who are weary and heavy laden, ing from mountain to mountain, and and I will give you rest." Oh! that from sea to sea! To prepare that ban- my Lord Jesus would now make himquet the sheepfolds and the aviaries of self so attractive to your souls that you the country sent their best treasures. cannot resist him; and that, if you The orchards piled up on the table have never prayed before, or have not their sweetest fruits. The presses prayed since those days when you knelt burst out with new wines. To sit at down at your mother's knee, then that

Just as I am, without one plea, But that thy blood was shed for me. And thus thou had'st me come to thee;

But if you cannot think of so long a prayer as that. I will give you a shorter prayer that you can say, "God be merciful to me, a sinner!" Or, if you cannot think of so long a prayer as that, I will give you a still shorter one that you may atter, "Lord, save me, or I perish!" Or if that be too long a prayer, you need not utter one word. Just look and live!

ODDS AND ENDS.

Seven hundred million oranges are exported every year from Europe to this country.

The average number of murders annually committed in England and Wales is 170.

Bullock's sweetbread when decomposed yields a principle named collin-

It is said to be a curious fact that all of the girls in Wellesley college who lead their classes are blondes.

Sixty thousand people are said to be out of work in the city of Berlin. Ninety thousand are out of work in the east end of London alone.

Although among the Bedouins a wife is considered as a slave, singleness is looked upon as a disgrace.

Let us try to give our children the advantage of happiness, and though we have no personal motive we shall surely not go unrewarded. In large cities men rarely walk in the

street in their dress suits without wearing a very thin overcoat, even in summer. This is to avoid being conspicu One of the simplest and most efficient

ping vinegar slowly upon a very hot iron shovel; a cover from the kitchen stove will answer very well. In digging out an old well at Murphys, Calaveras county, Cal., the other

means of fumigating a room is by drop-

day, a skeleton with handcuffs on was found. Its history is unknown. Ex-Senator Bruce's 12-year-old son is named Roscoe Conkling Bruce, and is the proud possessor of a silver cup, knife, fork and spoon given to him by

the late senator.

The book of lamentations should never be opened in public. One's troubles do not concern the world at large, and grief is too sacred a thing to be ponred out into unsympathetic ears.

Married Across the Flood.

Justice Weir received a message requesting his presence at the hamlet of Blue Lick to marry a couple. He at once mounted and started but wa greatly impeded by the swollen streams that lay across his path. When he reached Blue Lick Creek he found that ordinarily placid stream a raging, roaring torrent, impassable. While trying to devise some plan to

get across there was a clatter of hoofs on the opposite side of the stream, and in a moment a horse was pulled up on the edge of the water. On its back was Harvey Taylor, who held on the pommel of his saddle Kate Newny. The couple wanted to get married, and that quickly. How to do it in view of the water barrier was a question.

Finally the justice from this side of the creek suggested that the license be wrapped in a handkerchief and tied to a rock and thrown over to him for examination. This was done. Then the justice mounted his horse, and using his hands for a trumpet, shouted the words that are usually employed in marriage ceremonies at the hand in hand couple across the stream. They shouted back the responses, and the

About 200 feet of water separated E. T. D. MYERS, T. M. EMERSON, Justice Weir from the couple, and the roar of the torrent and the patter of the rain probably rendered the service and responses inaudible, but as all formalities were observed the marriage ty. Oh! flee to God this hour! If is certainly legal.-Louisville (Ky.)

A Fortunate Musician. A crippled musician is to be found in

Scotland, traveling on the line of rails between Dundee and Broughty Ferry. He performs on the concertina, and has been in the business for the last ten or fifteen years. He is known to every passenger, and has his regular customers, who never fail to subscribe to the entertainment. Traveling does not seem to diminish his energy, for, with the aid of his crutch, he gets from one carriage to another with as much agility as his more fortunate fellow passengers .-- London Tit-Bits.

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