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THE GIANT SAMSON.

HIS STRENGTH THE SUBJECT OF REV. DR. TALMAGE'S SERMON.

Sanctified Muscle and What It Can Do. The Trescherous Delijah and Her Work Samson's Misguided Strength The Weak

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 .- Taking the exciting story of Samson's fall as a suggestion, Dr. Talmage in this discourse shows how giants in body and mind or soul ought to be consecrated to good and great purposes. His text is Judges xiv. 1. "And Samson went down to Timnath.

There are two sides to the character of Samson. The one phase of his life, if followed into the particulars, would administer to the grotesque and mirthful, but there is a phase of his character fraught with lessens of solemn and eternal import. To these graver lessons we

upon physical stamina. There are the set erown in heaven, but misguided, he who seem to have great admination for | draggled in site, a munistrative of evil, defice y and sickliness of constitution. God will tunnaler against you with his I never could see any glary in weak condemnation in the day when millionnerves or sick beadache. Whatever et- aire and purper, muster and slave, king

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may be positively religious. wicked heart what they ought to as a stances that pulled down the temple of cribe to a slow liver. The body and the Dagen about Semicule cars, and tons soul are such near neighbors that they often catch , ach ether's diseases. These who never saw a sick day, and who, like licrcules, show the giant in the cradic, have more to answer for their these who are the subjects of lifebort

infirmitica. He who can lift twice as much as you can and walk twice as far Poison-the curse and work twice as long will have a of mankind-is the deable account to meet in the judges of most horrible of all How often is it that you do not find discases, and has alphysical energy indicative of spiritual ways baffled the power! If a char head is worth more doctors. Their potthan one dizzy with perjatual version. ash and mercury if muscles with the play of health in bottle up the poison, but it always breaks them are worth more than these drawn forth again attackup in chronic "rheumatics," if an eve ing some delicate unisk to catch rassing objects is better organ, frequently than one with vision dim and uncertain. the month and then God will require of us officiency throat, filling them just in proportion to what he has given with eating sores. us. Physical energy enght to have a S.S.S., is the only known cure for this good digestion of truth as we have ca disease. It is guarpacity to assimilate food. Our spiritual hearing ought to be as good as our physical hearing. Our spiritual taste ought to be as clear as our torque. Sansens in body, we ought to be giants in moral DOM.CL. The Lost Strength.

But, while you find a great many wen who realize that they eaght to use their money aright and use their intelligence aright, how few neu you find aware of the fact that they orght to use their physical organism aright! With every the plain. thump of the heart there is semethicg saving, "Work, work!" And lest we should complain that we have no tools to work with God gives us our hands and feet, with every knuckle and with every joint and with every nuscle, saying to us, "Lay hold and do semething." But how often it is that men with physical strength do not serve Christ! They are like a ship full manual and full rigged, capable of vast tonnage.

able to endure all stress of weather, yet swinging idly at the decks, when these men ought to be crossing and recressing the great ocean of human suffering and sin with God's supplies of merey. Liow often fit is that physical strength is used in doing positive damage or in luxurious case, when, with sheeves rolled up and bronzed bosom, fearless of the shatts of opposition, it ought to be laying hold

with all its might and tugging away to lift up this sunken wreck of a world. It is a most shameless fact that much of the business of the church and of the world must be done by those comparatively invalid. Richard Faxter, by reason of his diseases, all his days sitting devote our sermon. This giant no doubt - in the door of the tomb, yet writing in early life gave evidences of what he more than 100 volumes and sending out an influence for God that will endure as long as the "Saints' Everlasting Rest," Edward Pagson, never knowing a well day, yet how he preached and how he wrote, helping thousands of dying souls like bimself to "swim in a sca of glory!" And Robert M'Chayne, a walking skeleton, yet you know what he did in Dundee and how he shock Scotland with zcal for God. Philip Dod dridge, advised by his friends, because of his illness, not to enter the ministry. vet you know what he did for the "rise and progress of religion" in the church and in the world.

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fort in our day is made to nealer the [and subject, shall stand side by side in men and women more robust should the judgment, and money bags and juhave the favor of every good citizen as dictal ermone and royal robe shall be Rehold also how a giont may be slain!

Good people sometimes ascribe to a | Delilah started the train of circumof theusands of giants have gone down to death and helt through the same intpure fascinations. It seems to me that it is high time that only it and platform and printing press speak out against the impurities of modern society. Fastidicusters and prodery say: "Better

not south. You will reach up adverse criticism, you will make worse what you want to make latter. Ectter deal in glittering generalities. The subject is too delicate for polite cars." Unit there comes a voice from heaven overpowering the mineing remainsentalities of the day, saying, "Coy aloud, spore not, lift." up thy voice like a trunnet and show my people their time greadous and the house of Jucch their sins." The trouble is that when people write | that necktic?" or such upon this then e they are upt ever it up with the graces of belles lettres, so that the crime is made at-

tractive instead of repulsive. Lord Byron in "Don J gu" adorus this crime nutil it smiles like a May oneen. Michelet, the great French writer, covers it en with bewitching rhetoric until it glows like the rising sun, when it ought to be made butbleme as a smallpox hespital. There are today influences

abroad which if unresisted by the pulpit and the priving press will turn our medern cities into Sedom and Comerrah, fit only for the storm of fire and brimstone that whelmed the cities of You who are seated in your Christian benacs, compassed by moral and reli-

gious restraints, do not realize the gulf of inicuity that bounds you on the north and the south and the cast and | ing cornfield. the west While I speak there are tens of thousands of man and women going over the awful plange of an impure life, and while 1 cry to God fer merey upon their souls I call upon you to marshal in the defense of your homes, your church and your nation. There is a banqueting hall that you have never heard described. You know all about the feast of Ahasuerus, where a thousand lords sat You know all about Belshazzar's carousal, where the blood of the murdered king spurted into the faces of the Lanqueters. You may know of the scene of riot and wassail when there was set be-\$400,000. But I speak now of a different banqueting hall. Its roof is fretted with fire. Its floor is tessellated with fire. Its chalices are chased with fire. Its song is a song of fire. Its walls are

depths of hell." Death the Invincible. dd also, in this gippt of the text and in the giant of our own century that great physical power must crumble and expire. The Samson of the text long ago went away. He fought the lion. He fought the Philistines. He could fight anything, but death was too much for him. He may have required a longer grave and a broader grave, but the tomb neverticless was his terminus. If, then, we are to be compalled to go out of this world, where are we to get This lody and soul must soon part. What shall be the destiny of the former I know-dust to dust. But what shall be the destiny of the latter? Shall it rise into the companionship of the white robed, whose sins Christ has slain, or will it go down among the unbelieving. who tried to gain the world and save their seuls, but were swindled out of both? Ble-scd Le God, we have a champion! He is so styled in the Eible-a champion who has conquered death and how. hell, and he is ready to tight all our battles from the first to the last, "Who is this that cometh from Edom with dyed garments from Dozrah, mighty to save?" If we follow in the wake of that champion death has no power and the grave no victory. The worst man trusting in him shall have his dving pangs alleviated and his future illumined. In the light of this subject I want to call your attention to a fact which may not have been rightly considered by five men in all the world, and that is the fact that we must be brought into judgment for the employment of our physi-

cal organism. Shoulder, brain, hand,

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ic dream you and I will see in positive reality-the judgment, the judgment!

Jim's Sad Dil:mma.

Was Because of a Nicktie Decorated With Forget Me Nots.

They were coming in over one of the suburban electric lines when she turned suddenly toward him with

flashing eyes:

"Jim Flumley, where did you get

"Bought it

"No, you didn't 'bought it." I can tell a store necktie as far as I can see it. That's hand stitched, and that Capid on one end and them for getme nots on the other end are worked in with silk. Nice things to be putting on a young man's necktie, and either."

'Didn't say I bought it over a counter. One of them fakirs sold to

me at the cir-.

cough and looked out across a waver-

"Abo, Jim Flumley! Went to the circus, did you? And you toll ne how mad you was because you had o work and couldn't take me and me believin' you worked all the time. Now, sir, who went with you to that show? Jim squirmed, looked sneaking and tried to explain. "Fil just tell you how it was, Nel'. Me and Jennie eat a philopena and she caught me and asked me to take her to the cir fore Esopus one dish of food that cost | cus. How could a feller get out of

"Well, she has check, I must say, relief and a certain cure are afforded Why here's Jen now," and the car by One Minute Cough Cure. J. E. stopped to take on a buxom girl who buttresses of the. Solomon refers to it when he says, "Her guests are in the greeted the other two encerily. her scat; "I see you're wearing it." Jim tried to look unconscious and ders of frail woman as when she is cover the necktie, but Nell was alert and said "He told me he bought it." paying property. "I like that, now," declared Jenuie sharply. "We ate a philopena, he



was to be. It is almost always so. There were two Napoleons-the boy Napoleon and the man Napoleon-but isth alike: two Howards-the boy Howard and the man Howard-but both alike: two Samsons-the boy Samson and the man Samson-Int loth alike. This giant was no doubt the hero of the playground, and nothing could stand before his exhibitions of youthful prowess. At 18 years of age he was betrothed to the daughter of a Philistine. Going down toward Timesth, a lion came upon him. and, although this young giant was weaponless, he seized the monster by the long mane and shook him as a hungry hound shakes a March hare and made his bones crack and left him by the wayside bleeding under the smiting of his fist and the grinding heft of his heel.

There he stands, looming up above other men, a mountain of flesh, his arms bunched with muscle that can lift the gate of a city, taking an attitude defant of everything. His hair had never been cut, and it relled down in seven great plaits over his shoulders, adding to his balk fierceness and terror. The Philistimes want to conquer him, and therefore they must find out where the secret of his strength lies.

The Treacherous Delilah.

There is a dissolute woman living in the valley of Sorek of the name of Delilah. They appoint her the agent in the case. The Philistines are secreted in the same building, and then Delilah goes to | Giants in body, you ought to be giants work and coaxes Samson to tell what is in scul. the secret of his strength. "Well," he says, "if you should take seven green withes, such as they fasten wild beasts with, and put them around me I should be perfectly powerless." So she binds him with the seven green withes. Then she claps her hands and says, "They come-the Philistines!" And he walks out as though they were no impediment. She coaxes him again and says, "Now tell me the secret of this great strength.' And he replies, "If you should take some ropes that have never been used and tie mo with them. I should be just like other men." She ties him with the ropes, claps her hands and shouts, "They come - the Philistines!" He walks out as easily as he did beforenot a single obstruction. the coaxes him again, and he says, "Now, if you should take these seven long plaits of hair and by this house loom weave them into a web, I could not get away." So the house loom is rolled up, and the shuttle flies lackward and forward, and the long plaits of hair are woven into a web. Then she claps her hands and says, "They come - the Philistines!" He walks out as easily as he did before. dragging a part of the loom with him.

able to stand the test of that day when But after awhile she persuaded him through our literature, the men who we must answer for the use of every to tell the truth. He says, "If you use the power of wealth to sanction intalent, whether it were a physical enershould take a razor or shears and cut off iquity and bribe justice and make truth gy or a mental acumen or a spiritual this long hair, I should be powerless and and honor how to their golden scepter power? in the hands of my en mics." Samson Misguided giants-look out for them. The day approaches, and I see one sleeps, and that she may not wake him In the middle and latter part of the last who in this world was an invalid, and up during the process of shearing help century, no doubt, there were thousands as she stands before the throne of God is called in. You know that the barbers of men in Paris and Edinburgh and to answer she says: "I was sick all my of the cast have such a skillful way of London who hated God and blasphemed days. I had but very little strength, manipulating the head to this very day the name of the Almighty, but they did but 1 did as well as 1 could in being that instead of waking up a sleeping but little mischief-they were small kind to those who were more sick and man they will put a man wide awake men, insignificant men. Yet there were more suffering." And Christ will say sound asleep. I hear the blades of the giants in those days. "Well done, faithful servant," shears grinding against each other, and Who can calculate the soul havec of a And then a little child will stand be-I see the long locks falling off. The Reusseau, going on with a very entitufore the throne, and she will say: "On shears or razor accomplishes what green siasm of iniquity, with herv in aguaearth I had a curvature of the spine. withes and new repes and house loom fion seizing upon all the impulsive naand I was very weak, and I was very could not do. Suddenly she claps her tures of his day, or David Hume, who hands and says. "The Philistines be employed his life as a spider employs | the wildwood and bring them to my upon thee, Samson !" He rouses up with its summer, in spinning out silken sick mother, and she was constorted a struggle, but his strength is all gone. webs to trap the unwary, or Voltaire. when she saw the sweet flowers out of He is in the hands of his enemies. the most learned man of his day, marthe wildword. I didn't do much, but I Outgianted by Low Passion. did semathing." And Christ shall say shaling a gr at hest of skeptics and leading them out in the dark land of infi-I hear the groan of the giant as they as he takes her up in his arms and kiss take his eyes out, and then I see him delity, or Gibbon, who showed an unes her, "Well done, well done, faithful servant: enter thou into the jey of thy staggering on in his blindness, forling i controllable gradge against religion in his way as he goes on toward Gaza. Lord," What, then, will be said to us his history of our of the most fascingting periods of the world's existence. -we to whom the Lord gave physical The prison door is open, and the giant is thrust in. He sits down and juts his "The Decline and Full of the Roman strength and continuous health? hand on the mill crank, which, with | Empire"-a book in which, with all exhausting horizontal motion, gees day was one of the lest triends I ever had. the sub-adors of his genius, he magnified after day, week after week, month after the errors of Christian disciples, while, "Dector, did you ever know Robert Pollock, the Scotch post, who wrote 'The month-work, work, work. The cone, with a sparseness of notice that never sternation of the world in captivity, his , can be forgiven be treated of the Chris-Course of Time?", "Oh yes," he relocks shorn, his eyes punctured, grind- tian heroes of whom the world was not plied, "I knew him well I was his classmate. ' And then the doctor went ing corn in Gaza. worthy? First of all behold in this giant of A Crown on Earth. "The Course of Time" ethausted the expected. the text that physical power is not al-Oh, men of stout physical health, ways an index of moral you er. He was men of great montal stature, men of health of Rebert Pollock and he exa huge man. The lion found it out, and - high social position, men of great power pired. It sens as if no man could have the 3,000 men whom he slew found it of any sort, I want you to understand such a glumpse of the day for which singing school at Union with a large out, yet he was the subject of petty re- your power, and I want you to know other days were made as Robert Pollock attendence, giving satisfaction to the venges and outgianted by low rassion. I that that power devoted to God will be | had and long survive that glimpse. In

Wilberforce was told by his doctors that he could not live a forthight, yet at that very time entering upon philanthropic enterprises that demanded the greatest endurance and persistence Robert Hall, suffering excruciations, so

that often in his pulpit while preaching he would stop and lie down on a sofa. then getting up again to preach about heaven, until the glories of the celestial city dropped on the multitude, doing more work perhaps than almost any well man in his day.

Oh, how eften it is that men with great physical endurance are not so great in moral and spiritual stature. While there are achievements for those who are lent all their days with sick-

ness-achievements of patience, achievements of Christian endurance-1 call upon men of health today, men of muscle, men of nerve, men of physical power, to devote themselves to the Lord.

Samson's Misguided Strength.

strength for iniquitous purposes.

day who do the damage. These small men who go swearing and loating about your stores and shops and banking houses, assailing Christ and the Lible and the church-they do not do the damage. They have no influence. They are vermin that you crush with your foot. But it is the giants of the day, the misguided giants, giants in physical power, or giants in mental acumen, or giants in social position, or giants in wealth, who do the damage. The men with sharp pens that stab religion and throw their poison all

Beheld also in the story of my text they been used for the elevation of soillustration of the damage that strength can do if it he misguided. It seems to me that this man spent a great deal of his time in doing evil-this Samson of my text. To pay a let which he had lost by guessing of his riddle he rols and kills 30 people. He was not only gigantic in strength, but gigentic in mischief, and a type of these men in all ages of the world, who, powerful in tody or mind or any faculty of social position or wealth, have used their

rest. In preparation of this subject I It is not the small, weak men of the have said to myself, How shall I account to God in judgment for the use of a body which never knew one moment of real sickness? Rising up in judgment, standing beside men and women who had only little physical energy and yet consumed that energy in a conflagration of religious enthusiasm, how will we feel abashed! stout heart, what use are you making of your physical forces? Will you be

caught me. I made him the tie and then he coaxed me to go the circus. Jim, red and perspiring, saw that he was being surrounded by two angry women, and hastily beat a he's taken the money and gone off-retreat to the back seat. After a few vigorous puff necessary to light his pipe, he pulled his hat over his eyes,

humped up despondently in the corner and was heard to mutter unctuously: "Durn a woman, any

Nervous People often wonder why their nerves are so weak: why they get tired so easily; why they start at every slight but

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To the Editor of the Dispatch.

Times are lively in this community Oh, men of the strong arm and the with the exceptions of colds, almost every family has an attack. Farmers are sowing small grain with great rapidity. Cops are gathered and every farmer is content with his lot generally. 'Possum hunters are out every night and are crowned with success, owing to the enormous crop of simmons this year. Several fine porkers fell victim to the butcher knife last week. People are making their own "hog and hominy" down here. Come down Mr. Editor, and help us dispose of it. - Leave your eard with number of lacation, friend, sick, but I used to gather flowers out of and we'll be with you during the COLL'MIBIA, N. C.,

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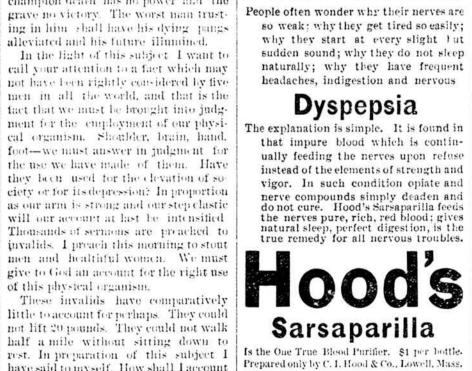
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