

FALSE CHARGES

Detroit Writer Says Criticisms in Former Article Reflected Discredit on None but Author.

Detroit, Michigan, February 13, 1917.

To the Editor: The allegorical parables purporting to treat of Christian Science, (the author of which claims to hide his identity behind a convenient nom de plume) appearing in your issue of February 9, while occupying two columns of space, contributed never so little to the valuable outpourings of the would-be critics of this religion. Its allusions and false charges bear the earmarks of much usage and false excuse only in an apprehension of Bible teaching, interpreted in a warped theology, the teachings of doctrine and ritualism and the teachings of dogmatic scholasticism.

Christian Science is pre-eminently a religion of the Bible and is in strict accord with Bible teachings, interpreted spiritually, from Genesis to Revelation. There is but one test to apply to any teaching purporting to be based on a scientific foundation, and that is "proof." Christian Science points to its works as evidence of its authority, and all the inventive and misrepresentation at the command of its would-be critics will never avail to convince an inquiring world that a religious teaching utterly devoid of proof and dependent wholly upon the words, is to be desired in its place. On one occasion, Jesus, addressing himself to a throng of unbelievers, said: "Believe me, that I am in the Father, and the Father in me; or else believe me for the very words' sake."

The criticisms in the article directed against Christian Science, where they do not misstate Christian Science teachings, are open criticisms of the teachings of the Holy Writ and can be refuted on their own merits. The truths taught in the Bible are susceptible of proof. Jesus proved his teachings by his works, and Christian Science is proving its teachings to be true by proving the Bible true.

Christian Science teaches the necessity of a full and complete salvation, not only from sin but from the myriad conditions which Jesus proved were the results of sin. Jesus healed the sick and in several instances followed the work with the admonition to the person healed to "sin no more," showing clearly that sickness is the result of sin, or of the "carnal mind," as St. Paul puts it. Jesus also admonished all who believe in him to follow in his example by healing the sick.

Christian Science finds no excuse in the Bible for separating his command to heal the sick, by spiritual means alone, from his command to heal the sinner, and in its generating work of healing both the sick and sinning, Christian Science is furnishing ample proof to the unbiased thought that it is indeed giving to the world the full gospel of Christ.

Christian Science affirms and teaches the divinity of the Christ and the immaculate conception of Jesus, but it most decidedly does not teach that Jesus was God. Nor does the Bible so teach. There is nothing in the Bible which states that Jesus was God or indicates that he even so considered himself. On the contrary, Jesus, himself, many times took occasion to correct this very impression which seemed to threaten the clear understanding of his followers. On one particular occasion, he said: "Why callest thou me god? There is none good but one, that is God."

Christian Science teaches that the benefits to humanity to be found in the humble experience of Jesus on Calvary lie not so much in his sufferings as in his triumph over his sufferings and in his victory over death and the grave. The full import of his experience lies in his proof that matter and its attendant evils, sin, sickness, and death, have no power in the presence of an intelligent understanding of God and man, and their relation to each other. Jesus went through the experience on Calvary that mankind might have a better understanding, through his example, of the spiritual truths of existence in contradistinction to the material force. Jesus did not do our work for us, but he showed us how to work out our own salvation. The teaching that, through the efforts of one person, we may be relieved of the responsibility for our own sins and misdeeds, and that thereby we are left free to commit such of our sins as we will, is a belief that we will be forgiven as often as we repeat these offenses without effort at reformation on our part, finds no authority in the words and works of Jesus, and is, to a large degree, responsible for the amount of sin, sickness, and misery to be found in the world today. I will not ask more of your space in defense of a religion that has, for nearly half a century successfully withstood vilification and misrepresentation, equalled only by that experienced by the early Christian Church, but as you are interested in learning the truth about Christian Science, I refer you to the Holy Bible and to the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health With Key to the Scriptures," by the discoverer and founder of Christian Science, Mary Baker Eddy.

Yours truly,
W. D. KILPATRICK.

WEEK'S COURT NEWS.

Andrew Adams was sentenced to serve from one to fifteen years, in Circuit Court last week, for breaking and entering the pool room of Munson Stout, of Holly.

Sheffield Green is in receipt of a letter from Governor Smith calling attention to this law prohibiting prize fighting and asking that the law be strictly enforced in Oakland County.

Edward Leonard, of Waterford, was sentenced to serve a ninety-day term in the house of correction for beating his wife, by Justice Stockwell at Pontiac. He took an appeal from his sentence to the Circuit Court.

William Saunders was arrested by Sheriff Green on a charge of forging a check on the Pontiac Savings Bank, in Toronto, Canada, one day last week, after he had joined the Canadian army. Saunders was given an examination in the Justice Court and has been bound over to the Circuit Court for sentence. He secured \$20 on a 90-day note, which he made payable to the Cashier of the bank, signed by the name of William Dinkley.

Desney Thompson, aged 17, of Holly, upon the recommendation of Prosecuting Attorney Gillespie, was placed upon probation for three years, in the Circuit Court. He was charged with burglary.

Stanley Baker, of Holly, has been bound over to the Circuit Court on complaint of his wife, charged with a serious offense against Edna Miller, of Pontiac. The parties concerned were all subpoenaed into the Justice Court before Ross Stockwell and their sworn testimony taken. As a result, the Prosecuting Attorney expects to issue another warrant for one of the other men connected with the escapade. The officers are making particular efforts to vigorously prosecute all cases concerning young girls and are determined that young girls are brought into the juvenile courts. In the last two months, several convictions have been secured and several men sentenced to Jackson prison on charges of a similar nature.

FOR CROUP, COUGHS AND COLDS.

A. Baxter, Wheeler, Wisconsin, says: "For 10 years we have used Foley's Kidney Pills and we declare we never find it the best cough medicine on the market, especially for children, as they take it so readily. As a result, it checks for croup; effective for adults; safe for babies; stops coughs; relieves colds. Sold everywhere."—Adv.

ADVISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed at the Birmingham, Michigan, P. O. for the week ending February 17:

Barton, Mrs. Rose
Baylor, Mrs. Resa
Cardwe, Mrs. James
Carver, James
French, Irvin A.
Ferguson, William
Green, Robert
Hamilton, Virginia
Hall, Lawrence
Parks, R. C.
Parmer, Mrs. W. S.
Spigel, Miss Mary

POST CARDS.

Allen, Mrs. Alice
Burse, Mrs. M.
Hornberger, Willie
Hammer, Arthur
Myers, Irwin
Robb, Miss Libbie
Stumpf, Miss Pearl
Siebol, John

Persons calling for any of the above letters will please so "advise" **GEORGE H. MITCHELL, P. M.**

A 70-year-old Couple.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Carpenter, Harborsburg, Pennsylvania, suffered from kidney trouble but have been entirely cured by Foley Kidney Pills. He says: "Although we are in the seventies, we are as vigorous as we were 30 years ago. Foley Kidney Pills stop sleep-disturbing bladder weakness, backache, rheumatism. Sold everywhere."—Adv.

FROM ROCHESTER EXA.

Judge Rockwell and friends are somewhat amused at the strenuous denial of Judge Smith, who declares he never made the statement ascribed to him. Having on two occasions in Rochester, one at a caucus and again at a "smoker" of county candidates, held in the Rochester Opera House six years ago, declared vehemently that if he were given the one more term he was seeking that he would never ask another term. He now asks another term, and Judge Rockwell is contesting with him. About 150 people heard him make the statement at both places.

Preserving Frescoes.

A novel method of preserving frescoes, recently discovered by a Japanese, consists in coating them with a glass which is made to adhere through the agency of specially prepared chemicals. The new method is said to make frescoes proof against the injurious action of the air and it is stated that chemically used to make the glass adhere are an alkali element and caustic nitrogen compound. The inventor has applied for a patent to have his method used for the preservation of the frescoes in the Japanese temple, the oldest in Japan.

HEALTH WORKERS

Tuberculosis Survey to be in Oakland County for Two Weeks, Beginning March 5.

The state board of health tuberculosis survey is scheduled to come to Oakland County during the two weeks beginning March 5, according to an announcement made this week by the state board's publicity department. The party of health workers that will come here will consist of Dr. William De Kline, director of the tuberculosis survey, several examining physicians, twelve visiting nurses, a speaker and a publicity agent.

During the weeks that state health workers are here, they will conduct free examinations for tuberculosis in Pontiac and two or three other places in the county. These free examinations will in each case be held in some centrally located building; in many places they have been held in city halls and court houses. During the days that the examinations are in progress, they will begin at eight o'clock in the morning and last till five in the afternoon. Several physicians will be on hand in each place to give all persons who present themselves a careful physical examination, free of charge, to determine whether they have tuberculosis or not.

These free examinations are not only for persons who think they have the disease, but for all persons who are physically run down. The state board of health is anxious to examine all persons in the county who are below par physically. The aim of the county surveys is to prevent tuberculosis as much as to cure it, and the best way to prevent it is to discover the disease before it has taken hold or before it has advanced far, while it is still easily curable. For that reason, all persons who are weak physically are cordially invited by the state board of health to go to these free examinations.

All persons in the county will be asked to co-operate with the state health party to make these public examinations a success, but especially all the local doctors will be asked to do all they can to advance the work here. They will be requested to work with the visiting party and to get as many of their own patients as possible to go to the free examinations. And all other persons, friends or acquaintances who might be benefited by a physical examination, whether they suspect tuberculosis or not, are requested to use their influence to have them come to the public clinics. Full particulars as to dates and places of the free examinations will be published as soon as all the arrangements have been completed.

Stiff, Sore Muscles Relieved.

Cramped muscles or soreness following a cold or case of the grippe are eased and relieved by an application of Sloan's Liniment. Does not stain the skin or clog the pores like musky ointments and plasters. Limber up your muscles after exercise, drive out the pains and aches of rheumatism, neuralgia, lumbago, strains, sprains and bruises with Sloan's Liniment. Get a bottle today. At all druggists, 25c.—Adv.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

CASSIUS E. WAKEFIELD, PASTOR.

Interest in the present series of Sunday morning sermons on "What the Bible Teaches" has been manifest by a filled house at each service. The next one, at 10:30 Sunday morning, will present "What the Bible Teaches About Sin."

A Gospel Message and hearty song service at 7:30.

The Men's Bible Class gets at the root of things in its discussions, and is open to all men. It meets at noon each Sunday.

The Sunday School offers classes for everybody at 12 o'clock. The Epworth League invites all young people to its public devotional meeting on Sunday evenings at 7:30. The Mid-week "Bright Hour," on Wednesday evenings, at 7:45, increases the joy of living. It is for all.

The non-advertising merchant contributes nothing to the growth of a town because he does nothing to bring business to it. It may be true that he gets a share of the business that comes to the town, just as a bee drone gets his full share of the honey the working bees bring in. But it is the advertising that brings business from the country for trade. It is the man said business that draws the people to a town that builds up the town and business—Cedar Springs Clipper. Why is it that when a person loses the funds an estate that the newspaper is so often found instead of placing an advertisement that it has been lost? Such practice often is responsible for the article never being returned to its owner, for one naturally thinks when he finds an article that the right owner will advertise for it if he wants it returned. The real owner, assuming that the funds will be returned, lets the matter rest that way—and the article changes possession, permanently.

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

REV. WILLIAM C. MCKNIGHT, PASTOR.

Two blocks south of Shain's Drug Store, at the corner of Pierce and Merrill Streets, you will find the Presbyterian Tabernacle. All regular services are being held there, until the new church building is erected.

The morning service is held at 10:30; the evening at 7:30.

Next Sunday morning, the pastor will deliver his third sermon in the series on "The Twentieth Century Christian," the topic being "The Life is More Than the Meat; the Body More Than Raiment."

In the evening the third sermon in the series, "Basic Truths in Bible Phrase," the subject being "Except Ye Repent—"

During People's Meeting at 6:30.

Sunday School at 12 m.

Adult Bible Class at the same time. The membership is now 90.

Mid-week Service, Wednesday, at 7:45 p. m.

Communicants Instruction Class Friday at 3:45 p. m.

A cordial welcome for all at all services.

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Don't miss this. Cut out this slip and enclose 5 cents to Foley & Co., 2835 Sheffield Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, writing your name and address on it. You will receive in return a trial package containing Foley's Kidney and Catarrh Remedy, for cures of kidney and bladder troubles. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.

REV. F. M. MACKAY, PASTOR.

Sunday at 10:30, the subject will be "Dry Bones."

11:45 Sunday School.

R. Y. P. U. at 6:30.

7:30, the evening evangelistic service and baptism.

The Wednesday mid-week service is helpful and interesting.

This is the homelike Church. Plan to carry a little while and get acquainted.

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Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

(Seal) A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

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We wish to thank the friends and neighbors for their kind and sympathetic during our late bereavement. Special thanks to Birmingham Lodge, No. 547, I. O. O. F., for their beautiful floral offering.

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MR. AND MRS. FRED V. GOODWIN.

MISS ELIZABETH GOODWIN.

FRANK N. GOODWIN.

CARD OF THANKS.

Because we may not be able to thank each one, personally, we wish, in this general way, to thank each and every one, who in any way, whether by kind words, or by flowers, contributed to brighten the painful hours for our little cousin, Mabel Rogers.

MR. AND MRS. RICHARD B. HEWITT.

National B'd.

Most of the choicest turkeys New York sent at Thanksgiving time from Ohio, Michigan or Indiana. Maryland furnishes many of the finest, while Rhode Island birds are comparatively new and far between.

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Red Salmon	20c	Herring, can	20c and 25c
Sockeye Salmon	25c	Herringlets, can	18c
Pink Salmon	13c, 3 for 28c	Lobsters, can	25c and 40c
Crabs and Shells	50c	Shrimps, can	15c and 25c
Mackerel	20c and 25c	Fish Balls, can	10c
Haddies	25c	Sardines	10c to 30c
Fish Flakes	15c and 20c	Salmon Paste	10c

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