

THE "SUPERSTITION" OF LEIT.

IS THE "TEMPTATION OF CHRIST" A MYTH?

A Brief Survey of the Position of Leading Religious Thinkers of the Present Day.

Rev. W. C. Merrill preached a sermon on the temptation of Christ, at the Congregational church, on March 25th, which has been widely commented upon...

Several months ago the editor of this paper received a courteous note from the managing editor of the Record-Union, inviting him to publish a brief article on the "temptation of Christ"...

On Monday we were told that the temptation is but an "ancient legend," and that the "temptation of Christ" is a myth...

Religion is a matter of experience, and we are Christians by inheritance and tradition, etc. I am sure that the temptation of Christ is a myth...

Notice next the assumption that this diffusion of knowledge is enabling the masses to do so much for themselves, and that the "temptation of Christ" is a myth...

In speaking of the temptations in Christ's temptation, the speaker said: "Of course if we are to speak of the temptations of Christ as a myth, we are to speak of the temptations of Christ as a myth..."

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FARM AND ORCHARD.

THE TOBACCO PLANT WILL THRIVE IN CALIFORNIA.

The Melon Citron as a Delicacy—Growing Use of Celery—Farm Notes.

Mrs. E. P. Duden, of Lake House, one of the best contributors to the Farm and Orchard Department of the Record-Union...

"The reign of winter seems to be over at last," says the speaker, "and with it the faithful attendance of birds and beasts..."

The pig loves a little early grass as well as the other animals, and should have a share. Cut out all the old wood from currants and gooseberries and put a good shovelful of manure around the roots of each bush...

Keep your breeding pure, whatever it is. Do not mix blood unless you do it intelligently for the sake of improvement...

Half a tablespoonful of fresh white hellebore to a common wooden pail of water is about the right proportion for current use in the spring...

Feeding an animal on only one individual food is very unwise, for it is bound to be a food not well balanced. A mixed ration is the best...

Dr. Collier, of the New York Experiment Station, is authority for the statement that a saving of one cent a day upon dairy cows costs the farmer over \$100,000 a year...

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EARL RUSSELL'S BRIDE.

He Wood and Won Her While Disguised as a Mechanic.

London Correspondence Philadelphia Times.

The young Countess Russell is now recovered and the happy pair have proceeded to their honeymoon. There is a romantic story connected with their marriage which will be told in the next issue of the Record-Union...

When lunch time came the men were sent down to refresh themselves in the servants' hall, and his lordship sat down quietly with the rest to eat.

However, Lady Scott, as the young heiress of the house was called, had noticed the superior bearing and manners of the supposed young foreman, and in a willful way had been watching him for some time...

At first the old lady was indignant at the idea of bringing a mere paid foreman into a position of temporary equality, but in the end gave way to Lady's pleading, and the old lady was promoted to the upper chamber, where he made himself so much at home that he won the heart of the young lady, who, in a romantic mood, suffered the handsome young mechanic to whisper soft nothings in her ear...

Clandestine meetings followed, with the usual result. The young couple met, loved and were plighted before Lady Scott was aware of her daughter's rash folly. When a rumor of the state of things reached the old lady, Earl Russell hurried off to the electrical works on vengeance bent, and inquired of the first man he met for the audacious young foreman.

"Foreman, my lady," answered the workman. "Does your art, my lady, that you are no blooming foreman; that's our master."

"Then your master is a very impudent, presuming fellow," cried her ladyship in a rage. "What his name?"

"Earl Russell, my lady, and a right down good fellow, as you may say, and his trade as if he weren't no Lord at all, but a right knight of labor."

The old lady was thunderstruck, and the next time the Earl met his loved one he was gently reproached with his stratagem. The Earl excused himself on the plea that he wanted to be loved for himself alone, without the glamor of his rank and riches.

The maiden coyly asked him if he was convinced of her truth. He answered in the affirmative, and together they faced the mother, who received them graciously, protesting that she had seen his native nobility through the coarse disguise of a fustian jacket. Then came a formal betrothal, and the wedding, afterwards the accident and now the honeymoon.

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Weeds will come up sooner than the crop, and the farmer must be on his feet early in the season, as they crowd out the young plants and appropriate the plant food. Much labor can be saved by working the plowed land over with a cultivator and harrow before planting if the weeds have made a start.

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