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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st day of April, 1913. CHAS. F. DENT, Notary Public.

Any old time the weather man wants to send along a shower he can do it.

The World does not care who owns the waterworks so long as the waterworks supply water.

It will not be so easy to get married in Kansas after May 1. Do your marrying early.

It is again in order to remark that The World is the only newspaper in this town which prints a circulation statement.

The Hutchinson News finds it hard to believe that baseball is still being played in the United States without Ty Cobb in the lineup.

A Kansas man who went to Washington to "write pieces for the papers" has developed into quite an anti-union labor agitator.

How can the city commissioners expect the insurance companies to reduce rates unless they supply water to protect the people against danger of fire?

The United States senator from Kansas field is becoming overcrowded. W. C. Lansdown, editor and Democrat of Salina is the latest to make entry.

Charlie Scott is with Vic Muddock, heart and soul, in his fight to have the statements of campaign expenses published. "Let the light into the dark places," says Scott.

Generally the ladies do not attend the luncheons of the Commercial club but when the newspaper men pull off the stunt they want the ladies there just to demonstrate the tone of the affair.

"Nothing a man wears has more to do with his looks than a hat," says an ad. Those green things with bows in the back are not hats, the fellows who wear them look just as good with no head covering.

The Atchinson Globe advises Japs who plan on crossing the big water and capturing San Francisco, to come prepared to fight earthquake and real estate agents. The Barbary coast contingent ought to be counted also.

If Dr. Geler is open to conviction he might go to Kansas. Wichita's mayor is 72 years of age and the chief of police 60. Now comes the town of Howard with a deputy sheriff 100 years old. The old man is coming back.

Senator Thompson of Kansas gets it going and coming. If he votes for free sugar it will no doubt kill him politically, and then President Wilson is accused of holding up Thompson's appointments until the senator votes for the tariff bill. So it looks as though the situation was a dead one, no matter which "side-step" he takes.

More than half of the two hundred guests at the luncheon yesterday did not go because they wanted to but because they were afraid the newspaper boys would tell the truth about them. It was like the woman who would not leave a session of the sewing society until after they had passed her initial as she was afraid they might gossip a little about her when she was not there.

THE MONROE DOCTRINE.

Every once in a while we hear somebody shouting about going back on the Monroe doctrine. The "Little Englanders", the provincialists shout about the cost in blood and tears of intervention in Mexico and of the exercise of the moral force of the Central and South American governments by the monarchies of Europe.

If governments were organized among men for the pure purpose of plunder, and aggrandizement was the sole aim there might be some merit to the contention of the conservatives. But this country has a mission to perform. This country as representative of all that goes to make life worth living. This country sheds a ray of hope to the poles. This country, its history, its traditions, its very failures even are inspiration to millions of men who are groping through the darkness of hopelessness and despair.

As long as there is an arm to strike, as long as there is a voice to be raised, as long as there is a pound of shot or an ounce of powder the United States is going to maintain the Monroe Doctrine and it is going to maintain it if we have to build a navy of such proportions that all present and existing naval establishments will look like a fleet of catfish boats on the Arkansas. They may call this imperialism or treason but that is just the kind of sentiment that exists throughout the length and breadth of the land today. And it is going to continue to animate the bodies of Americans and govern the policies of this country just as long as liberty endures in this country.

A MEMORABLE ANNIVERSARY.

Today is a memorable anniversary. On this day the first president of the United States took the oath of office in New York. How many readers of The World remember this even though they may be students of history. How many men who are cradled know that the first president took the oath of office in New York, that the second president took the oath of office in Philadelphia and that it was not until Mr. Jefferson's time that the seat of government was removed to Washington?

We teach our children or we permit our children to be taught a lot of Latin and Greek but we do not pay attention to the essential features of the history of the country in which we live. Today ought to be celebrated in all of the public schools throughout the land. It ought to be celebrated in all of the homes throughout the land. It ought to be enshrined in all of our memories and all of our hearts. While the declaration of independence which we celebrate with so much noise and fireworks marks the beginning of the war for independence yet the inauguration of Washington marks the accomplishment, the thing which eventually resulted.

We trust that every school teacher in this city will today ask the scholars to write a composition on the life and the services of George Washington and give a little lecture on what the father of his country did for his generation and for all the generations which have succeeded him.

The newspaper men of this town, the men who have worked for years and years on newspapers of character and reputation can stand a knock when it comes from the submerged tenth. The real trouble with some animals calling themselves newspaper men is that they have never got further than the Carthage, Mo., or the Guthrie afternoon fields. What can you expect from such cannals as that?

ABE MARTIN



Mrs. Thelma Moon writes that they're gettin' along fine out in Kansas and that her husband'll soon have money enough to get a divorce from. How soon we are forgotten—especially after we nearly get the nomination for somethin'.

THE STATE CAPITOL APPROPRIATION.

This is the way the Enid Eagle expresses itself in regard to the erection of a state capitol and its permanent location:

"The state of Oklahoma should not attempt at this time to build a capitol building. The people do not want to be taxed a million dollars in such times as these to build a building that, in consideration of the capital being moved to Oklahoma City was to cost us nothing. Let's see the legislature practice a little economy and give the overburdened taxpayer a breathing spell before adding another million to our deficit. Let the legislature abolish a few useless offices and redeem a few campaign pledges before it launches out into the capitol building business. The people have not commissioned them to spend a million dollars for a new capitol building nor any other sum at this time for that purpose. This state must some day have a capitol building and it should be a building that will be a credit to the state. It should be built when the people get ready to build it and not before, and if it is built in Oklahoma City it should be built inside the real city limits, not miles in the country where it will become a monument to the zeal of real estate speculators and boomers. Oklahoma is not a mendicant. It does not need the gift of a little thing like a city block or two and should not accept it as a capitol site. It should choose its own site and buy it when it is ready to build and pay for it out of the proper fund and at the proper time, but that time is not now. The people are clamoring for less taxes, not more taxes. They want retrenchment in the state's expenses and we mistake their temper if they do not ultimately get what they want by repudiating Democracy and voting the Republican ticket in the next campaign.

"The Eagle believes in divorcing all real estate speculation from the capitol question; establish a capitol commission and then submit to the voters the question of where the capitol is to be built, and how much it is to cost. Oklahoma does not want a cheap building and the people at this time do not want to pay for a dear one. So let the matter be postponed until a more opportune time. In the meanwhile there are vacant buildings in Oklahoma City, as there are in other good cities, that can be rented and rented cheap.

BREAK NEWSPAPERS.

A newspaper which can be eaten after the information it contains is absorbed, thus affording nourishment for the body as well as the mind, is being published in Paris, and it is called The Regal. It is printed with an ink or coloring guaranteed non-poisonous in thin sheets of dough.

Another freak newspaper, the Luminaria, is published in Madrid. The ink with which it is printed contains a small percentage of phosphorus, so that the reader does not need to make a light to enjoy its contents.

At two French seaside resorts newspapers called Le Courier des Baigneurs and La Nable are printed on waterproof paper, so that the subscriber can take his morning paper with him into the sea and read it while enjoying his bath.

In Paris a paper called Le Mouchoir is printed on paper such as the so-called Japanese napkins are made of, and may become useful in case the reader has forgotten or lost his handkerchief.—Baltimore Sun.

A man who has been all over the west and northwest comes back with the story that this is the very best town in the whole country. This story is getting stale. We want to find somebody who has discovered just as good a town as this. There cannot be any better towns.

A woman who goes to work the day after the wedding will wind up with a bank account and be able to declare dividends on her store of happiness. If the newly weds would exercise just a little bit of common sense there would be a perennial crop of sunshine in this world.

Every so often we hear of some man who has broken the aviation record. But the average aviator does not go half as high as the high rollers in this part of the world.

Somebody broke into The World office yesterday morning and stole all the loose papers. All of which goes to show that The World prints the news and if the folks can't pay for it they steal it.

The business men of this town yesterday showed what they thought of the newspaper fraternity by having the largest crowd which has yet attended a Commercial club luncheon.

COTTON CORPORATION.

(From The Weekly Oklahoma World.) Yarnsbury, Okla., 4-24-13. Editor Oklahoma World.

Our County Union (Bryan County) met in Durant on the 17th in executive session. The turnout was reasonably good. Brother Helden was with us. The Southern States Cotton Corporation was represented by D. J. Bell, their chief lieutenant. Our county was the first county in the state to endorse the corporation plan, which was done one year ago at the solicitation of Mr. Bell. The fact is our people know very little about the corporation plans. The concern is yet an experiment, and whether or not it will prove a success remains to be seen. Some of our union people have bought stock in the corporation, and, of course, try to think it will win out.

There are some plans of the corporation that it might be well to call attention to, in their little booklet, to wit: "15-Cent Cotton," on pages 7 and 8, we find mention of some pertinent points to be found in their contracts. Now I desire to say right here that to get our farmers to thinking is the object of this letter on the subject. "In payment for the cotton it is agreed that the corporation may issue to the seller its 'coupon scrip' as follows." Now the scrip referred to is unsecured debt bills. Here we find the farmer agreeing to take these debt bills in payment for his cotton. This scrip is renewable by the corporation until the entire cotton crop is sold. However, there is consolation in the succeeding clause for the farmer: He has the privilege of accepting three-quarters of the market value of his cotton in cash, now that is some help, we will agree, but why not pay him the market value of his cotton instead of three-quarters of it now. For the corporation to pay the farmer 15 cents for his cotton they certainly must get 16 cents for it, and if they don't do that they will go to the wall and their scrip to the waste basket, and the farmer who has turned his cotton loose to them for three-quarters its value, I suppose, will console himself with the consolation that he was victimized while trying to help his fellow men.

The secretary, Mr. John Ansley of Calera, tells us that the corporation will place buyers in the field next fall, but that they will only compete with local buyers—will not try to force prices up. So, Mr. Farmer, if you want 15 cents for your cotton just sell to the corporation on credit and pay them \$1.00 additional and wait until doomsday to test the fidelity of the corporation.

Suppose our local buyers were to propose buying the farmer's cotton on credit and ask them to give him \$1.00 to boot. This one feature of their plans would put the most red-handed cotton gamblers on the exchange to the blush. Now then, this is not theorizing at all; this is precisely what their plans disclose. Now just send to Oklahoma City and get their book, "15-Cent Cotton," and examine it closely and see for yourself.

Now then, here is another fact: Mr. John Ansley, Calera, Okla., county secretary for the corporation, told me that he listed three thousand bale of cotton last year (1912) and was to have 5 cents per bale for his work, and has never received a cent of it. Mr. W. P. Gurley of Kersey, Okla., made practically the same statement to me. Both these statements were made in the presence of Mr. W. P. Helden and D. J. Bell. Mr. Bell is the champion of the corporation. It will be remembered, also, in the presence of the entire county union in Durant on the 17th of this month. I notice that in their little booklet, "15-Cent Cotton," a great deal of heavy type is used to call attention to the good things they propose doing. I find this heavy type all along until we come to the wording of the contract; then "presto change," no heavy type there. The contracts printed in the lack of this book, is extra small type. Why is heavy type omitted at this particular juncture? I can see but one reason for it, which is this: They had rather the farmer did not investigate this too closely. Just as soon as they leave the subject matter contained in the contract, then we find more heavy type, and on page 9 nearly all the space is filled with heavy type. I merely wish to call attention to these things that the reader can decide for himself what the answer should be.

One question right here: Why don't they enter the ring and buy the cotton, pay the farmer the cash for it and make the profit on it themselves? If they can hold it for 15 cents for the farmer they can do it for themselves. Do you suppose they have as much money as they want and just propose to give the farmer a lift? If I only knew that was their reason for paying us 15 cents I would send the management a button just as soon as my overalls had one, and would not think I had overrated their virtues.

Yours for the right, W. H. Oathant.

STATE NEWS AND COMMENT

Attorney General West holds that the state can not collect taxes on money from the sale of exempted Indian land so long as it is held by the federal government.

Dora Cooper, a Choctaw Indian girl is being held in Guthrie on a charge of forgery she having signed the name of a well known business man of her home town, Stigler, to a check for \$335.

All the evidence taken by the senate committee, investigating the state penitentiary at McAlester, has been delivered to Governor Cramer, the last transcript having been sent to his office last Saturday.

PAINS OF HELL EXPLAINED TO US

Pastor Russell on Misconceptions of Bible's Teaching.

TRUTH AND BEAUTY HIDDEN

The Dangers of Ignorance and Superstition—The Warfare of Hypocrisy and Fear Great Spurs—God Seeks Worship Only From the Reverential and True-Hearted—Popular Misconceptions of Hell—The Injury It Has Done and is Doing—True Christians Should Awake to True Bible Study.



PASTOR RUSSELL

Paterson, N. J., April 27.—Pastor Russell preached this afternoon in the Opera House His topic was "Beyond the Grave." We report his discourse to Bible Students on the text: "The sorrows of death compassed me, and the pains of hell gat hold upon me."—Ps. 116:3.

Opening his address, the Pastor apologized for the selection of such a text. He would much prefer to talk along the lines of Christian character-building and the necessity of growing in grace, knowledge and love, and thus becoming more and more copies of God's dear Son. His apology was that his text, a sample of many other Bible statements, is so grievously misunderstood as to stand in the way of Christian progress. In conjunction with other Scriptures, it was woven into terrible theories during the Dark Ages. Those theories became imbedded in the various creeds of the time, and so obstructed the channels of thought that the grace, truth and beauty of the Bible were hidden. Many noble hearts, he claimed, are famishing for lack of the refreshment of God's Truth, by reason of the fossilized errors which block the way.

"Perish For Lack of Knowledge."

The Scriptures foretell conditions exactly as they are today. They declare that there shall be "a famine in the land—not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the Word of the Lord." (Amos 8:11.) Again the Scriptures declare, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." (Hosea 4:6.) It is certainly true that there are as many honest-hearted, conscientious, well-meaning people in the world today as have ever lived—perhaps more. Yet these well-meaning people are perishing, famishing, for lack of spiritual nourishment. True, there are some who claim to be well-nourished and to find in the popular pulpits of the land all the spiritual refreshment and strength they need.

But these are as nothing compared with the millions who give a different testimony. I am glad that those who attend worship regularly, and are well-nourished and well satisfied, have what they desire, at the mouth of a hundred thousand preachers. I am reaching out after "the lost sheep of the house of Israel," through the secular press. They tell me that I am reaching millions of the unchurched every week. My readers are the discontented, the unsatisfied, perishing for lack of knowledge, hungering and thirsting after the right ways of God—the real teachings of the Bible.

My heart goes out to those as the heart of Jesus went out to the same class, nearly nineteen centuries ago. We read, "He had compassion on the multitude, for He beheld that they were like sheep having no shepherd." I am seeking, as an under-shepherd, to bring these hungering, thirsting, perishing sheep to the true "Shepherd and Bishop of souls"—the Lord Jesus.

I am seeking to remove from their minds the prejudice and various obstructions which have hindered the flow of God's grace and truth to their hearts. I am seeking in the Master's name to present to them the Bread of Life, the Water of Life. I am not seeking to build up another denomination.

Results show a certain measure of success already attained. I am receiving more than five thousand letters a week from hungry sheep and others, who, so far as denominational Christian systems are concerned, are homeless. Everywhere—all over the world—these instead of forming a new denomination, are associating themselves with Bible classes for the study of God's Word. I am simply doing all in my power to help them out of darkness into God's marvelous light—out of misunderstandings of the Bible into a right appreciation of it; out of ignorance into a knowledge of God; out of ignorance of the Savior and His work to a true knowledge of Him and His glorious Kingdom, which is yet to bless all the families of the earth.

It may be interesting to know that while I am advertised by the news paper syndicate as the Pastor of the Brooklyn Tabernacle congregation of Independent Christians, and of a similar congregation of London Tabernacle and of the congregation of Washington Temple, I have additionally been chosen Pastor of more than one hundred and fifty of those classes of Bible Students, to which I have already referred. They elected me Pastor without any suggestion or solicitation on my part. In so doing, I under-

stand them to signify that they recognize the Lord Jesus as the great Divinely appointed Shepherd of the true sheep, and that they desire me to serve them in any way that I can as an under-shepherd.

Through the columns of The Watch Tower, I visit these classes personally twice a month, doing a pastor's work to the best of my ability—leading them to the Fountain of Life, the Truth and breaking for them the Living Bread, the Word of God. Additionally, they have my weekly sermon and a weekly treatise on the International Sunday School Lessons.

The True-Hearted Should rejoice. One would suppose that all of the one hundred thousand ministers and all their flocks would rejoice to know that the unchurched, straying sheep are being reached with a Message of God's Love and Mercy which is appealing to their hearts and working a transformation in their lives. Many do rejoice, but alas! a few are jealous, as were some of the scribes and Pharisees of Jesus' day. Of these we read, "They were grieved that He taught the people—the people whom they could not reach, the sheep that were straying and famishing.

As those jealous scribes and Pharisees antagonized Jesus and the Apostles, because their hearts were out of harmony with the Good Tidings, so it is today with some. Unable to uphold the doctrines which have driven away so many of the intelligent of their flocks, famished for Truth, a few ministers are angry with us. True to the Master's prophecy, these seek to snail all manner of evil falsely against us, for His sake, for the Truth's sake. Yet, in spite of their unchristian course, the poor straying sheep are hearing and recognizing the Voice Divine, are coming back to the Word of God, are being sanctified by the Word of Truth.

I Proceed With My Text.

If this were the only text mistranslated and misunderstood, the ordinary reader would doubtless pass it by, saying, "I do not understand it. Probably it is a figure of speech." But this text is merely a combination of mistranslations, all of which are connected with an eternal torment system of doctrines invented during the Dark Ages. It is this combined system which has such power over men's minds. This power of error, this power of fear, is turning intelligent minds away from the Bible. Hence it is our duty to break down the false doctrines, and to clear away the obstacles which hinder the flow of Truth to the minds and hearts of the people of God—the straying sheep. Nor are these straying sheep all, or chiefly the ignorant. They include many of the ablest minds and truest hearts in the world—minds and hearts too true and too logical to believe palatable falsehoods, or to profess what they do not believe.

The Psalmist is merely telling of his severe illness, from which by the grace of God he recovered. He would have us understand that it was not merely a slight ailment. He described his emotions in the language of our text, saying, "The sorrows of death compassed me about," that is to say, the sadness associated with the thought that he was about to die, about to leave his friends. In the poetic form of the Hebrew language, he repeated this thought; namely, "The pains of hell gat hold upon me." In our modern language this would mean the pains of death, or the pains of the tomb. They were pains that indicated the approach of dissolution. Nothing in this text has the slightest reference to anything in the future life.

Our Baptist friends, in their revised translation of the Bible, have chosen for such passages as this the expression, "the underworld," instead of the word "hell." Yet even here there is danger of the average reader not catching the true thought. Far simpler and far less liable to be misunderstood, would it have been, had the translators said, "The pains of the tomb." The Revised Version of the English Bible reads, "The pains of Sheol."

Why Not the Whole Truth?

Every learned minister knows that the Hebrew word Sheol really means the grave, the pit, the state of death. Why do they hesitate to tell the people the whole truth on this subject? Why do they translate it part of the time "the grave" and at other times "the underworld"? Why do they use the translation, "the grave" in one place, and "the pit" in another, and then refuse to translate the word at all in the third instance, but give the word Sheol? Was it their intention to confuse the people? What is the motive? We wish that some of these great men would explain.

The Reason For All This.

We would like to have our ministerial brethren state their reasons for pursuing a course of hiding the truth on the subject of hell. Only because they neglect to give the reasons do we feel at liberty to suggest them. It seems to me that these ministers are of two classes, and that their reasons are therefore slightly different. All of them seem to agree that it would be dangerous to tell the people that God is really a God of Love, and that the doctrine of an eternity of torture is entirely unscriptural, finding no foundation whatever in the writings of the Apostles.

certain crude misconceptions of the symbolism of The Revelation. From the combinations they made scorching doctrines, blasphemous in the extreme, which never produced saints, but which led men astray into thinking that they were copying God in the devilry which they accomplished one toward another.

Of course, it now seems to be best to the people to once perceive that the Truth and breaking for them the Living Bread, the Word of God. Additionally, they have my weekly sermon and a weekly treatise on the International Sunday School Lessons.

Others, very worldly-wise, have become Higher Critics, and do not believe in the Bible at all. They are really agnostics. But they do not desire to advertise their lack of faith, lest it should detract from their esteem among men. They prefer to pose as believers, and to hope that the time will come when all the wealthy and intelligent will become unbelievers also. Then they will declare, "We have not been believers for many years, but we kept the matter secret, fearing to be misunderstood as opponents of the best interests of society."

All the while, this latter class constitutes the greatest menace in the world to law and order, and are the best agents Satan has in making void the Word of God and destroying faith therein. Robert Ingersoll's methods of antagonizing the Bible were far less successful than the methods of modern Higher Critics and Evolutionists.

Fear to Tell the Truth.

All who oppose the telling to the public of the plain truth respecting hell seem to have one common ground of objection. They say, "With all the fear of hell that has been preached for centuries, see how wicked the world is and how little human life is worth! See how every law of God and man for the protection of life and purity and property is endangered! Note that if it were not for our telegraphs, telephones and immense police forces of today, nobody would be safe, so much more wicked does the world appear to have become within the last fifty years! If the fear of eternal torment and of purgatory were lifted from the minds of mankind, would it not make the dangers tenfold greater than they are now? Would it not speedily be necessary to double our police force, if the masses lost their belief in a place of eternal torture?"

This is lame reasoning, it seems to us. It confesses in one breath, in spite of all the false teachings of centuries, wickedness has been growing. Would it not be wise to inquire to what extent the false doctrines, the misinterpretations and mistranslations of the Bible, have been responsible for the increase in wickedness? Are men wiser than God? Is it possible for man to invent some monstrous, unthinkable delusion which will have a greater power with men, than the plain, simple Message of God's Love?

But if we were sure that by blaspheming God's holy name and by playing upon the ignorance and superstition of the masses we could make the wicked preserve peace, would it be wise to do so? Could God's blessing be expected upon such a course? Would it not be wiser for us, as the people of God, to have faith in Him and to trust that, while we faithfully present the Truth, Divine Providence will oversee and overrule its effect, and will influence for good?

Experience proves that theirs is not the proper thought. When we go to the records of the various prisons, penitentiaries, etc., we find that nearly all the worst criminals have been taught the doctrine of eternal torment. Many of them confess full faith in it. On the other hand, many infidels—once violent opponents of God and of the Bible and Christianity—after hearing of the Love of God, have thoroughly melted, and with tears in their eyes have become loyal soldiers of the cross.

We heard of an interesting case recently. A colored man in prison for crime, somehow came in touch with my sermons, and then with my books on Bible study. He became a thorough Bible student, and a master at handling the Word of God. His fellow-prisoners came gladly to hear this colored man preach the Divine Plan of the Ages from God's Word, while they cared not at all to attend the chapel services addressed by the ordinary chaplain.