

THE EZEKIEL AIRSHIP.

A Texas Flying Machine Constructed According to Biblical Revelation.

Pittsburg, Texas, April 18.—The Ezekiel Airship company, incorporated, of Pittsburg, Texas, is the name of a company recently organized and chartered, having for its purpose the perfecting and promoting of the Ezekiel airship, the invention of Rev. B. Cannon, a Baptist divine, of Pittsburg, Texas.

The company is capitalized for \$25,000, and is composed of some of the leading business men and citizens of this thriving little city. Mr. J. J. Tapp, a leading merchant, is president of the company, and is looking after the business end of the venture, while Rev. Cannon, the inventor, is managing the mechanical department. The history of the Ezekiel airship is one of unusual interest for several reasons.

The inventor discovered that Ezekiel's vision described in the first and tenth chapters of the book of Ezekiel was a complete description of an airship in simple comparisons, and Rev. Cannon can give a reasonable explanation of every word in the two chapters, and easily prove to the uninitiated that Ezekiel evidently had in mind an airship when he wrote the chapters.

Rev. Cannon is, and has been since boyhood, a close student of the Bible, and it was almost fifteen years ago that he first conceived the idea of constructing an

airship after the description found in the first and tenth chapters of Ezekiel.

By studying the accompanying photograph closely one can readily see that he has constructed his machine exactly according to the description found in Ezekiel. In the first chapter, fifth verse, Ezekiel says: "Out of the midst came the likeness of four living creatures," which, Rev. Cannon says, means something having action within itself and standing upright as a man.

Sixth verse: "Everyone had four faces and everyone had four wings," is easily applied to this machine. The nineteenth verse places the faces in the wheels.

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He is corresponding with the World's Fair officials in reference to the contest, and expects to enter his machine. However, should the airship prove a failure he thinks he has invented a wheel that will alone bring him a fortune.

I visited the machine shops this morning and found Rev. Cannon at work on his motor. On being asked for a statement, he spoke as follows:

"First, Ezekiel's wheels are mechanical wonders—are the only wheels on the submerged principle that can act on the air in any desired direction at two miles per minute. All scientific men must admit that the screw wheel is too slow except for balloons. It can not screw through the air one mile per minute with right pitch for work.

"Another reason is: The wings stretch so as to resist strains in every direction, and could not be disarranged even in a storm, yet have ten times the lifting strength required, can be folded up, so the machine can run on its own wheels like an automobile.

"Again, the motor is a wonder, and will develop eighty horse power, weighs less than three hundred pounds.

"Again, Ezekiel's plan of leaving the shock of coming to the earth by telescoping the straight test on compressed air is the best possible plan. Then, the upper wings are divided so they will discharge the air at a moment to prevent oscillation while coming down.

"It will take a running start on its wheels until the wings lift it up. Then the faces in the wheels will strike the air with such a rapid force it will propel it forward and up so that its flight will be bird like with steady, outstretched wings, and the high speed revolving wheels driven forward will steady a rapid flight.

"All mechanics know that motion to be superior to the flapping movement of a bird's wings. So, I am sure of success, and the lucky owners of shares will all be millionaires. I expect to take the St. Louis prize, and \$25,000 besides out of St. Louis, for if I do around over the city and stop down somewhere in the city every one that has a dollar will come to see it. For this reason the St. Louis prize will be a small side issue."

In speaking of the Scriptural revelation as he sees it, the inventor had this to say: "This is the only vision in the Bible without a purpose stated. Every word of Scripture is in vain and the good of man, and if this was not intended to reveal to man I can find no other purpose for it. Aerial navigation was the result of the revelation indicated in Ezekiel's vision, and I. Phoenician vessels to us. This age may see Revelations so, verses 6 and 7, fulfilled, the inspiration of the Bible proved, and the glory of that proof given to God."

"I do not claim to be inspired, but just reason that Ezekiel was a natural man, trying to describe a wonderful machine that he saw fly up from the earth. He has no comparisons, as that is the only way one can describe anything in this age. Nahum, second chapter, describes locomotives, and Ezekiel describes an airship."

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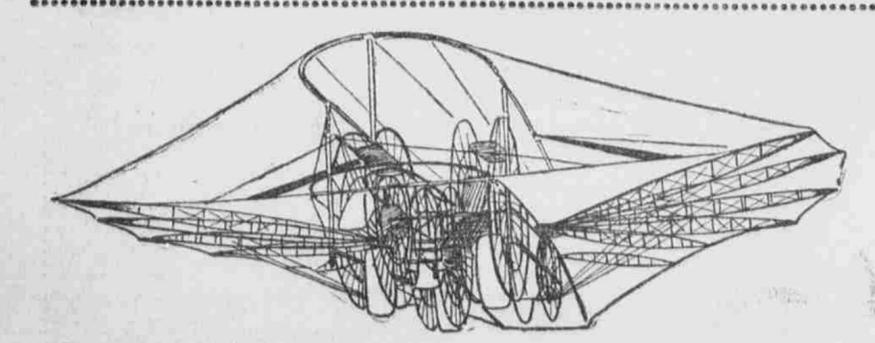
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A BIG FAMILY IS A BLESSING. So Says Mrs. Swartwood, Looking Back on 29 Children. From a Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Dispatch. The largest family in Pennsylvania was born at Mountain Top, near this city, and still lives there. The mother, Mrs. Samuel Swartwood, has borne twenty-nine children and twenty-two of them are living.

Mrs. Swartwood naturally has advice to give mothers. In the first place, she advises marriage when young. She married when she was 14. Here are some of her maxims for mothers: Work hard and always be cheerful. Be mistress of your house. Remember that the most glorious responsibility in the world is to be a mother. Do not be afraid of having children. I never regretted the birth of one of mine. The noblest woman in the world is the childless wife. Do not mind what furniture you have if you can fill the house with children. Clothes go a long way in our family, but no garment is useless until there is not enough left for the baby. Lots of air, lots of sunlight, lots of food and lots of love are good for children. The Swartwood children all live at home.

The dining room at meal time is a sight to make a census-taker glad. Quantities of food sufficient to make the average house-keeper gasp are consumed at each meal, but Mrs. Swartwood takes great pride in it.

"They are the eaters," she says, beaming with motherly joy on her children's healthy forms. "They get all they want to eat, but it keeps me and the girls busy."

artist, who has just completed life-size portraits of the president's wife and daughter, has found a purchaser for Mrs. Roosevelt's picture. Mr. Chastain will give no name, but it is generally understood that Senator Lodge has taken this method of showing his friendship and his tender of the portrait has been formally accepted. It will be hung on the wall of the east room at the White House.

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