

HAS IT MANY INACCURACIES?

It is always with a feeling of reluctance that we take issue with a visitor to our city and, more especially in this case, when that stranger comes to us with a heart of mercy and with a message that is designed to lead us to the feet of God, the source of all truth and all good. But, sometimes, however painful it may be, it is necessary, in the interest of truth and fairness itself, to correct palpable misstatements. In a recent address as reported in the public press, the Rev. Ranton took occasion to deliver himself of the following sentiments, in the main true and worthy but cunningly devised, intentionally or unintentionally, to convey error:

"Another modern fool is the man who hesitates about and emphasizes the technicalities of the christian faith. There are some such men who are sincere, no doubt, but the majority of those who reject the Bible and the christian life because the so-called inaccuracies and technicalities are insincere and are immoral in their lives. Their unbelief and critical spirit is not due to superior intellectual mediocrity, for the most part and largely to their preservers of heart. I respect the honest doubter, but I condemn the superficial and pin-head little fellow who is everlastingly harping on the supposed contradictions of the Bible and speculative and spurious questions of the shallow reasoning of the popular infidelity."

Now in the above the idea is decidedly put forth that there are no inaccuracies in the Bible, when to the most superficial reader of the book they are glaring. Let us, from many such, take an instance with which we must all be very familiar, the "Lord's Prayer." We take this prayer because in the whole of christianity there is probably no other prayer more frequently used than this self-same prayer, unless, perhaps, it may be the "Hail Mary" of the Catholics, and, therefore, it is one with which we are all familiar.

Now we shall begin by finding this prayer in the germ in the "Gospel according to Mark," and we find it in the 11th chapter 24th and 25th verses. Now take down your Bible and follow us. The consensus of modern scholarship seems to be that this "gospel according to Mark" is the oldest of the records and the manuscript from which it is taken probably dates from the 12th century. After getting this statement firmly fixed in our minds let us now turn to the 11th chapter of Luke 2nd to 4th verses inclusive, and we find this prayer not a little enlarged. Now look it over carefully and say ye now if the first is the "Lord's Prayer" what is this that now presents itself. Now Luke, according to the preface to his work in the first chapter, writes his story of the Christ for the reason, that there was at his time so many false and spurious statements and he, having from peculiar conditions and circumstances access to the true one to give it. And assuming that his is the true one and that the one given in Mark to be false, let us turn to the "gospel according to Matthew," and we find it in the "Sermon on the Mount" or in the 6th chapter, 9th to 13th verses, inclusive, and here we find another statement of this self-same prayer. Now, then, we have three "Lord's Prayers," each different from the other, each a statement put in the mouth of Christ, and one being a true statement, the others must be inaccurate.

Now, let us leave these three statements of the same thing and take from the same Bible, the authorized or King James' version, and turn to the American version of this same book and looking up the same subject we find in Matthew, same chapter and verses quoted above the "Lord's Prayer" stated a little bit different and leaving off the doxology "For thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory forever." In a note at the

foot of the page we find with respect to this doxology that many authorities, some ancient, have the doxology but stated differently. Should you have the 29th Century New Testament you will be likewise enlightened. Now to the matter of inaccuracies: Should John Jones come to me and say: "It rained yesterday," and I should tell another person that John Jones said: "It rained yesterday," that would be an accurate statement. But should I say that John Jones said: "It rained and snowed yesterday," that would be an inaccurate statement, for notwithstanding it may have rained and snowed on that day, John Jones did not say so. So should it be stated that Christ said more or less than what he did say whatever is more or whatever is less is to that extent a misstatement and an inaccuracy.

It may be contended that the difference is unessential. But let us examine into the point. If Christ is inaccurately quoted in an unessential particular, what reason have we to put more credence where the statement is essential. For instance, if it is shown that some one has added a doxology to the "Lord's Prayer" where no point is to be made by either adding or taking from his statements what might not have been done by translators and commentators where a pet doctrine is involved? Now let us look at some of the charming expressions Rev. Ranton uses:

"Modern fool, insincere, immoral, intellectual mediocrity, perverseness of heart, superficial, pin-head little fellow, shallow in del," and just because, forsooth, he may find what may appear inaccuracies and contradictions. We have not asked you to take up any infidel work on the scripture but we use the scriptures themselves. We have not the time nor inclination to point out but one of the inaccuracies, because we have no desire to enter into an extended discussion of this subject, and all that we insist on is that the unbeliever shall be treated fairly and honestly. We have no desire to interfere with the cherished beliefs of any one for they are as much entitled to them as those who differ are entitled to theirs. And where there is an honest difference, absolute fairness should obtain on both sides.

C. J. SHORB.

ARENA VALLEY NEWS

I know not what the truth may be—I tell it as it was told me.

Say, Professor, you had better study geography.

After this date Sunday School will be held in the school house every Sunday afternoon at 2 p. m.

Mr. Gottfrid Johanson arrived home this week from Astoria, Oregon. He has employed Mr. Ole Hansen to dig a deep well for him.

A blacksmith shop is being erected this week in Roswell and we will have a blacksmith there now. Roswell's gain is our gain.

A farewell party in honor of Mr. John Wald was held last Saturday evening. As usual, dancing was the principal amusement. Mr. Wald has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Lund this winter, and will leave this week for Astoria, Oregon, and Alaska.

Mr. James Butler, the well-known politician of this valley, says that if we don't get that rural mail route there's going to be a political upheaval in this part of the country, which, at the next election will throw every last mother's son of us over to the democratic side of the argument.

The Literary Society held its regular meeting last Saturday evening. The question before the house was:—"Resolved, that Grasses are More Profitable to Grow Than Grains." As usual, the affirmative side lost. The next meeting's debate will be:—"Resolved, that Suffrage Rights of Women Should be Universal." Songs and recitations will finish the program.

AND CONTROL THE VOTE.

Mamie—"I believe in woman's rights."

Gertie—"Then you think every woman should have a vote?"

Mamie—"No; but I think every woman should have a voter."

ROSWELL NEWS NOTES

Special to The Caldwell Tribune.

Grange meeting is called for Saturday afternoon.

The "Poverty Social" is said to have been a success, considering its name.

Gently, Arena Valley scribe, gently; 'tis the truth that makes you free.

Mr. E. T. Rice has sold a part of his land to a Rev. Connors who expects to move to Roswell. Roswell

ought to be good, having so many ministers.

A "Longfellow" entertainment is next on the program for Friday, Feb. 25. Price 25c.

Mr. Frank Howard is on his way from Iowa with a few of his kind of horses—good ones.

Mr. O. L. Gilbert and sons have removed to Iowa. A Mr. Taylor of Twin Falls will put in an up-to-date stock of goods in the building vacated by Mr. Gilbert.

A "Mothers' Club" is being organized in Roswell to encourage the pupils in their school work. The time was when a small twig or a slipper vigorously applied would have done the work. This being the era of the "Big Stick," a "Club" may be the proper incentive. Success to the "Club."

ENGLISH AS SHE IS WRIT.

"While Miss Pearle Kinsmore of East Wind, Indiana, was coming down stairs Tuesday, she slipped and bruised herself on the landing."

Amos Mettelby, of Woolpost, Kansas, while harnessing a fractious horse was kicked just south of the corn crib. He is able to be out again.

While Harold Green, of Beulah, Mississippi, was escorting Miss Violet Goof home from a church social Saturday night a savage dog set upon them and bit Mr. Green four times in the public square.

Joseph Tutt, of Grinnelsburg, Iowa, climbed on the roof of his house last week to fix a leak, slipped and fell, striking his back porch, causing serious injuries.

Isiah Trimmer of Dolbury, Neb., was playing with a cat on Friday when the animal scratched him on the veranda.

John Howard Butt, a well-known citizen, while driving his big touring car about the city, struck a telegraph pole which threw him thirty feet or more and cut him severely on the curb stone.

In a general melee, which took place in Rosenthal's saloon, the proprietor was bruised in the scuffle, being thrown down on his hardwood floor. Waincott J. Edmundson, returning home late last night, was viciously attacked by a gang of hold-ups, who took money, watch, etc., besides beating him about the suburbs.

Wanted—A young man to take care of a pair of mules with a Christian disposition.

A schoolgirl with large feet was sitting with them stretched far out into the aisle and was busy chewing gum when the teacher espied her. "Mary," called the teacher, sharply. "Yes, Ma'am?" questioned the pupil. "Take that gum out of your mouth and put your feet in."

An Irishman while eating dinner in the Saratoga Cafe the other day, was asked if he liked potato salad and he replied, "No, sor; oi don't; and what's more, oi'm glad oi don't, for if oi did oi would ate it and oi just hate the stuff."

Bill Nye told the truth when he said: "A man may use the wart on the back of his neck for a collar button, ride on the last car on a railroad train to save interest on his money till the conductor gets around; stop his watch at night to save wear and tear; leave his "i" and "t" without a dot or cross to save ink, but a man of this sort is a gentleman and a scholar compared to the fellow who will take a newspaper two or three years, and when asked to pay, puts it back in the postoffice marked "re/used."

THE POINT OF VIEW.

Newlywed—What, \$30 for a hat! Why, that's simply ridiculous, my dear.

Mrs. Newlywed—That's what I thought, Harold; but you said it was all we could afford.—Lippincott's.

If you eat hot cakes for breakfast you should have Canadian Maple Syrup on them. The Caldwell Grocery Co. sells it.

INTERURBAN SCHEDULE.

Cars leave Boise for Caldwell daily 6:40, 8:00, 9:30*, 10:15, 12:00 a. m. and 1:15*, 2:30, 3:45, 5:00*, 6:15, 7:30, 8:45** and 10:00 p. m.

Cars leave Caldwell for Boise daily 6:20, 7:30*, 8:55, 10:25, 11:40* a. m. and 12:55, 2:10, 3:p5*, 4:40, 5:55, 7:10, 8:25 and 9:40 p. m.

Daily, except Sunday a train leaves Boise for Middleton at 7:20 a. m., returning leaves Middleton at 11:20 a. m., making connection to and from Emmet.

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I know of houses gawgawed so with style, That when you enter you put on a smile— A sort of social shine, as you might say, So that you'll harmonize and be as fair. But oh, how dreadful tired I should get If I should train forever with that set. No, give me Mrs. Brown—whose happy guest

Can just lounge down and rest, and rest, and rest. Her rooms are low and broad, and quiet green—

That restful green, and all the pictures lean At comfortable angles, and you chat In low and cozy tones—and there's a cat, Of course a cat, that yawns there in the sun A picture of content, like everyone. Then Mrs. Brown brings out her dainty set Of tea things, and we know that she shall get

The very nicest, dearest cup of tea— 'Tis CHASE & SANBORN'S brand, you know, and we

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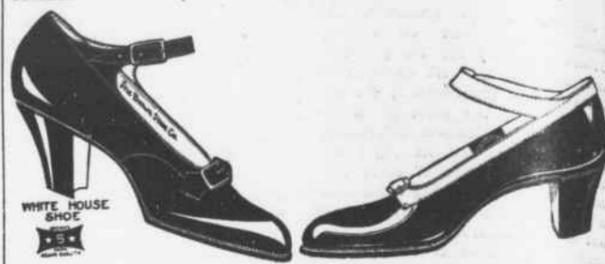
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NOTICE SPECIAL ELECTION.

To the Qualified Voters of Caldwell Independent School District No 28, Caldwell, Idaho:

Notice is hereby given that a special election will be held on Tuesday, March 8th, 1910, at the City Hall, in the City of Caldwell, in said district, between the hours of 1 o'clock P. M. and 6 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of voting on the question of whether the Trustees of said District shall be authorized to issue negotiable coupon bonds on the District to the sum of Thirty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$36,000), said bonds to bear interest at not to exceed 6 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, at the office of the Treasurer of said District, or at such other place as may be hereafter designated by the said Board of Trustees; and the principal of said bonds or any part thereof may at the option of said District be paid at any time of interest payment on or after Ten Years from date, and must be paid in Twenty Years from date said bonds are issued, and in the order in which they are issued in number.

The proceeds arising from the sale of said bonds are to be used for the purpose of purchasing site and erecting and furnishing a High School Building.

Dated, at Caldwell, Idaho, February, 19th, 1910.

W. C. STALKER,

Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Caldwell Independent School District No. 28, Canyon County, Idaho.

W. R. WILKERSON,
Clerk of the Board of Trustees of Caldwell Independent School District No. 28, Canyon County, Idaho, Feb. 25—M 4.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office at Boise, Idaho,
January 24, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that George A. Harritt, of Notus, Idaho, who, on February 25, 1905, made homestead entry No. 7941, serial No. 03388, for E 1-2 NW 1-4 and SW 1-4 NE 1-4 Section 30, Township 5 N, Range 3 W, Boise Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five-year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before U. S. Commissioner George W. Stovel, at Caldwell, Idaho, on the 26th day of March, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses: George R. Allen, Horace B. Wilkerson, Albert H. Albertson, Jacob E. Shaver, all of Notus, Idaho. Ackley's Market.

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