

PHILOSOPHICAL.

IN WHAT CONSISTS THE DIFFERENCE?

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The Old Testament abounds in passages which clearly bear the ear-marks of an origin closely related to the planetary system of worship in its types, figures, and symbols—its parables and allegorical teachings—so obscure to our understanding as to seem puerile and unworthy our attention. There is much that we may never fully comprehend, in consequence of the innumerable changes of locality and language that have occurred since the events took place; but yet we have a key that will surely unlock vast stores of knowledge which has been buried up in the past, and closed to human inspection as a sealed book. This key is no other than the ancient method of picture-writing and hieroglyphics, still in a good state of preservation, as seen upon the temples and monuments of ancient Egypt; whose climate being, as it is, almost entirely free from moisture, which often proves destructive to the hardest substances, has, through its dryness, remarkably preserved to us invaluable testimony of long past scores of centuries. Already the scholarly attainments of scientific and philosophic minds have made considerable strides in the progressive work of unraveling and deciphering inscriptions, thickly strewn over these interesting and ancient relics of an early period of man's history, in the art of transmitting his ideas to those who should succeed him. When we attain to a knowledge of the prevailing and correct belief of a people, as that belief may have existed at any given period, and compare that system of belief with what we know to have been written by them, however figuratively or allegorically, we are yet enabled to reach the true meaning of their statements, and the exact status of their intelligence. Thus we obtain the significance of those obscure passages in the Mosaic account of creation relative to the dividing of the waters above the firmament from the waters beneath the firmament, by acquiring a knowledge of the then existing ideas, namely, that the earth was not only the main feature of the universe, the sun and moon and stars being simply conveniences for affording light, but that the earth was flat as a coin, a disk; and that there was a reservoir of water somewhere above, from which proceeded the rain—especially that drenching fall which, as it is gravely recorded, flooded the earth to the depth of several feet, by opening the windows of heaven, or, perhaps, letting the bottom out of the reservoir. There is an astro-theological significance in all this, made plain in the language of another: "The sun, in his apparent motion, pursues a course that causes it to cross the equator twice in the year, forming an angle of twenty-three and a half degrees. These crossings are called the vernal and autumnal equinoxes; one ushers in the reign of summer, the other, the dominion of winter; one commenced the reign of righteousness, the other the beginning of iniquity. The two equinoxes formed the base of an arch, comprising the two months in which the equinoxes occurred, and the five warm months. These seven months constituted the ancient kingdom of heaven, wherein the sun and all the powers of light gathered their trophies from the teeming earth; while the five winter months were the abode of cold, desolation, and death. Here Typhon, the leader up of the hosts of hell, held undisputed sway, and prosecuted his work of destruction, even to the crossing of the equator, in order at the autumnal equinox, and dragging him down to the bottomless pit of the southern hemisphere. The path of the sun; by astronomers called the ecliptic, was inclosed by two imaginary parallel lines, sixteen degrees distant from each other, the sun's path being in the center. This space, called the Zodiac, was again divided up into twelve arcs of thirty degrees each, making a complete circle around the apparent heavens of twelve oblong squares of 16 by 30 degrees. In each of these squares was delineated the figure of a beast, or some appropriate emblem. These figures were and are styled constellations. The sun enters each square at the commencement of each month. In January the sun is in Aquarius, or the Washer, (Greek, *Egypcio*.) This constellation is represented by a man pouring a river out of an urn, to express the idea that the earth is washed yearly by the rains of winter. The newborn sun must needs pass through this river and be baptized. This constellation is the presiding genius of the Baptists, although the peder-Baptists derive aid and comfort from the fact that the year is young, the sun new-born, and the rains of heaven sprinkle as well as pour and immerse. In February the sun enters the constellation of the Fishes. These are signs of evil import, and denote that famine threatens the people. The fruits of summer have all been consumed; the herds have administered to man's necessities until there is scarcely enough alive to perpetuate their kind, and the inhabitants of the earth are driven to the forests for game, or even especially to the rivers, which now abound in fish. This month was sacred to Nag-On, the fish god. In March the sun enters Aries, represented by the figure of a Lamb; in April, a Bull; in May, the Twins; in June, the Crab; in July, the Lion; in August, the Virgin; in September, the Scales or Balance; in October, the Scorpion; in November, the Archer; in December, the Goat. Each of these figures represent an agricultural, an astronomical, or a theological phase of the year. On this arrangement of the heavenly bodies are based the external manifestations of all ancient and modern religions. These twelve constellations, according to ancient paganism, were the great gods to whom the sun gave his power during his abode in each. According to the Jewish theology, these were the twelve houses of the sun. The seven warm months were the scenes of his triumphs; the five winter months witnessed his humiliation and weakness. Let the reader bear in mind that this ancient system was symbolical, and that the sun represented God, the moon His spouse—correspondingly, the earth; and the planets were His angels or His messengers. The constellations north and south of the zodiac were the provinces of His empire, while the milky way was the golden street or highway on which gods and angels traveled to and from the throne of Deity. The war in heaven represented the conflict between heat and cold, summer and winter. The ancients worshipped the genius of fruitfulness and depicted the wrath of the powers of sterility. They symbolized fertility by the egg, the bull, the serpent, and the organs of generation. The serpent was at one time in the harvest month, but by the precession of the equinoxes he fell from his first estate below the autumnal, and became the leader up of the powers of darkness. This matter, which may not be fully understood except by the astronomer, will be more fully explained when we come to treat of the precession of the equinoxes." The high-school atlas and geography may help.

THE RELIGION OF NATURE.

NUMBER TWO.

"Do not destroy or tear down religion, if you cannot substitute a better in its place." The cry which meets the religious iconoclast continually; as if it were his or any one's duty to manufacture a religion for the people. As if Nature, which gave us birth and sustains us, and is a sufficient guide in scientific pursuits; in our every-day labors; in health and disease; and in our political organizations, should fail us in our social, moral, and spiritual relations! Our natural disposition, our surroundings and education, determine our ideas of right and wrong. If the secret monitions of our heart, combined with past experience, be not enough to teach us, what can? Does the Decalogue of the Pentateuch teach us anything that we would not know independently of it? Let us see. The first, according to Protestantism, is: "Thou shalt have no other gods before me." The universality of the belief in God surely renders the command to do so superfluous and unnecessary. And who is this "me"? Is that the only true God who receives a Hebrew nomenclature? Is not the Great Spirit of the Indian, the Brahma of the Hindoo, or the Jah of the Jew, the offspring of the same idea, whether it be called "Jehovah, Jove, or Lord"? The second: "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image," etc., is merely a repetition of the first in a negative form, regulating our ideas of worship. Can we find a higher expression of worship than that in which the soul is lost in the admiration of the beauties of Nature; in sun-settings and risings, beautiful landscapes, and all the varied phenomena which meet our eye wherever we gaze; in the sporting lamb; in the humming bee; the birds as they carol forth their songs of gladness in the sunshine; in the sympathies of woman, the intellect of man, and the inquiring eye and gleesome laugh of innocent childhood? Everywhere the soul finds something to worship; not in unmeaning prayers and praises, but by cultivating in ourselves that which we admire so much around us. Poets, painters, musicians, all the imitators of Nature, all the penetrators into her mysteries and stores of knowledge, are her priests, her seers and revelators; and whether they make graven, painted, or written images of things in the heavens above, or in the earth beneath, or in the waters under the earth, they are the viceregents of Nature, the highest conception of Deity, my finite mind can comprehend. The worshiper of Nature can say to the Christian, in the words of Jesus: "Ye worship ye know not what; we know what we worship." The third: "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain," etc. But we can say, "No man hath seen God at any time," nor has his name been revealed, much less used in vain. To prevent a wrong or vain use of anything, a true understanding of its uses is necessary. The abuse of the useful and beautiful creates most of the evils of which men complain; and ignorance is the cause of abuse; hence, it is our duty to destroy ignorance in ourselves first, and then in those around us. But it has been the policy of the priest, the lawyer, and the doctor, to keep the people in ignorance. The first, to preserve his craft, bewildered the judgment and reason by teaching mysteries no one understood; enforced a belief in them through vague, indefinite terrors, and made sacred and awful the very name they had given to their own vain imaginings. "The name of God. Has fenced about all crime with holiness, Himself the creature of His worshippers."

The lawyer, assisted by and following in the lead of the priest, by deceitful and contradictory terms, in the language of law, has rendered it necessary to waste years in study, to properly understand it; thus contributing his share in keeping the masses in ignorance for his benefit. The doctor, with his dog-Latin, mystic prescriptions, and wise looks, has also fattened on the ignorance of the people. Lands when well-drained, houses well-ventilated and supplied with sunlight, and cleanliness practiced in everything, prevent fevers and other vicious diseases; so, also, when a well-informed, well-educated mind is in the possession of every man and woman, a clean sweep of all that retards the march of intellectual freedom, of superstition and everything that can mar the happiness of mankind, will be made; and the first in the sweep will be priests, lawyers, doctors, and the third commandment. The fourth: "Thou shalt remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy," etc., is a very sensible arrangement, as far as rest and recreation are concerned. But even for Sabbaths we are not indebted to the Decalogue, as the names of the days of the week prove. On Sunday, the ancients worshipped the Father of Lights—the sun—in whom there is no variableness, neither shadow of turning; the source of life, in whom we live, and move, and have our being; just as Jupiter, the king of gods, was worshipped on Thursday, which is even now the day set apart for fasts and thanksgiving by the churches. And even in Sabbaths, our good sense has outstripped the revelations of heaven, by not only discovering that it is not right to work every day, but that it is not right to work all day; hence the ten and eight-hour systems of labor. This, and everything else, are discovered by the revelator of good and evil—experience. Were labor, equally distributed, and society properly organized, there would be no need for special Sabbaths—for no one would need to labor till their physical or mental system was exhausted; labor of every kind would be a pleasure, not a task—a blessing, not a curse, as it is at present with the many. The fifth is: "Honor thy father and mother," etc. Social reforms bring social happiness. Where parents manifest their love to children, by kindness and sympathetic interest in all their affairs, their love and interest will be reciprocated. Children are quick to love, where love suited to their comprehension is manifested; will love and honor their parents, not because they are commanded to do so, but because it is an outgrowth of their natures—a thing they cannot help. In this commandment, I cannot perceive the immediate connection between longevity and reverence to parents or any one else. It is quite possible that a parent might give a command detrimental to health and life, and even good morals. J. W. MACKIE.

A TRACT upon "Hell," by Rev. J. Furniss, of London, gives more definite information than has hitherto been obtained on this subject. Mr. F. states, among other items, that hell is 4,000 miles from the surface of the earth; it is a boundless plain of red-hot iron, with an atmosphere of fire, and rivers of scorching fifth and sulphur. The book is especially intended "for children and young people, who are often lost for want of being early smitten by terror."—Exchange.

We suspect that the Rev. Furniss (Furnace would be the better name for him) had not been smitten by the terror of hell, or he never could have penned such an abominable lie. Neither hell nor any other place of punishment could frighten a man who possesses so much impudence as to insult the intelligence of the nineteenth century with such stuff. M.

Dr. R. McLEAN is requested to call at this office, and settle his bill for advertising.

OBITUARY.

Last Thursday we published an item to the effect that the body of an unknown man had been found near the railroad bridge, the evening previous, where it had lain apparently for four or five days. The body was subsequently identified as that of William Harbough, of this city; and his death was attributed to poison administered by his own hands. We know Mr. Harbough in life well. He was one of our nearest neighbors, and we had had some business dealings with him. He was a singularly quiet and unassuming man, intelligent, of strict integrity, temperate, and highly esteemed by all who knew him. In early life he lost an eye, which disfigurement wrought on his sensitive nature, causing a timidity and diffidence that followed him through life. His attachments were very strong. About two years ago he buried a loved wife, since when at times a deep melancholy brooded over him. He seemed to feel that she was the last tie that bound him to earth. 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