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The Flaming Sword

"And He placed at the East of the garden of Eden cherubim and a Flaming Sword, which turned every way to keep the Way of the Tree of Life."

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The Future of the Africo-American.

BISHOP GAINES, one of the greatest of the colored bishops of America, boldly attacks the race question upon a statistical basis, holding that the solution of the race problem is in amalgamation. He says there are over a million and a quarter of mulattoes in the South, and that in a population of eight million blacks there are not more than two millions of pure blood. The following is his language:

"I say it to the shame of my people, that colored girls in the South often prefer to be mothers of white children. The white skin and straight hair are possessions to be admired; and instead of being ashamed of the disgrace of which such marks are the evidence, they are proud of them, and boastfully flaunt them to the world and before the eyes of their own race. The girls with straight hair and light skins, too, are preferred by the colored men to the women of pure African descent."

We have advocated the amalgamation of the races as the only solution of the race question, since 1870. In this present article we will define some of the physiological and pathological obstacles in the path of racial infiltration, and also the scientific processes for their removal, together with some predictions of the future of the African race founded upon the physiological laws of ethnic development, and corroborated by the predictions of ancient prophecy.

Abraham was the father of Ishmael by Hagar, the black handmaid of Sarah. He was the white father of a black son. Many proofs of this fact can be offered—we will furnish but two. The first is from the fact that the descendants of Ishmael and Abraham were a black or dark people, and because of their color they were called Arabs; the word arab being derived from oreb, meaning black. It is because of this that they regard the raven as their sacred bird. The Hebrew word for raven is oreb.

The divine purpose operative through Abraham in producing Ishmael and his posterity, was to exalt a

black people into the field of racial progress. It is evident that the raven sent out of the ark was the first product of the Noatic age through Abraham. The raven was the Arab people. The dove sent out the first time was Isaac, returning into the ark. The second time was the Lord returning with the Olive Branch, the Messenger of the Covenant. The third time is the coming baptism, to be manifest in the sons of God.

Thirty-two thousand female Midianites, the descendants of Abraham through Ishmael, the dark Arab people, were at one time taken into the Israelite nation by marriage. It was by this method that the black race became mixed with the Jews, and especially with those tribes carried away into Assyria, the ten tribes whose identity was lost through intermarriage with the Medians, Persians, and Assyrians, resulting in the Germanic family, the very heart of which is the Anglo-Saxon. It will thus be seen, by unmistakable Biblical and secular historical record, that the Anglo-Saxon contains the blood of the ancient Ethiopian, and that this is the law of natural ethnic progression.

Our present article has to do more with the race problem of today as it pertains to the Ethiopian of the United States. Studying this question from its pathological bearings, we are at once confronted with the fact that the amalgamation of the white and black races breeds consumption and other forms of disease, especially in generations remote from the first admixture. This is a paramount factor in the discussion of the longevic and physiological interest involved in this ethnic problem. Through what law, and by virtue of what applied principle can the animal volume, superabundant in the negro, be placed on such an equality with the fading viability of the whites, as to insure viability and longevity in the amalgamated product? The Ethiopian comprises the foundation of a greater race than any white people on the face of the earth.

We predicate this statement upon the fact that the construction of the skull of the Ethiopian shows a greater unity and centralization of life-force than any other race.

While the African race is an ancient one, the quality of his osseous fabric shows a comparative youthfulness which marks him as a race of long duration. The black race is in the infancy of its longevity. Both the animal volume and the beauty and youthfulness of the teeth indicate this. Though an ancient race, it is still in its infancy. Its life will constitute the animal basis for the future development of the greatest race living upon the earth. It is destined to become the ruling power of the world. Let us modify this statement by saying that the amalgamated race of white and black will become the great and ruling power of the future world. By the future world, we mean of course the natural, coming kingdom.

We may now consider the secret of the problem of amalgamation. The old circumcision will constitute one of the prime factors of the future union. In order to insure the attractive influx and filtration of the two races, the animal volume of the African must be reduced to a physiological compatibility. This will be accomplished by causing a break in the union of the system of organic life with that of animal life. By the system of organic life, we mean the system presided over by the sympathetic nerve; by the system of animal life, we mean that system presided over by the cerebro-spinal nerve. They unite in the female at the

pubic region. This break will be accomplished through the simple process of female circumcision. It will be instituted by the properly ordained authority as a religious observance, and is to be as rigidly maintained as was the circumcision of the Jews.

In addition to the application of the law of female circumcision, there will be introduced the uniting spark—the Indian. The purpose of this is to provide for the inflow of the Indian spirit, which, because it is more natural than the white, will first descend by influx into the new amalgamation. Such an amalgamation will create and constitute the Adamic man of the second order—the natural Adamic race to populate the world upon the natural basis of human procreation.

While the new race is moving in the progress of its order, the laws of propagation will not be of the uncertain, promiscuous, and beastly character as that of the present time. The laws of procreation will govern the procreation of offspring, these operations being subject to astrological knowledge. The career of every individual will be determined by the determination of the time and character of birth, before conception. In the application of bio-astrological law, no conception will occur that is not premeditated and regulated by astrobiological science, the highest principles of stirpiculture. The mere gratification of the passions will not be indulged in; procreation will be reduced to the minimum, and a beautiful race will arise to gladden the world and glorify God.

Heroic Journalistic Achievement.

FROM the profoundest depths of philanthropic hearts, our enthusiasm eulogizes the successful enterprise of the *New York Journal* in the liberation of Evanglina Cisneros from the butcher's dungeon in Havana. The American nation is not a nation of cowards. Our people have demonstrated to the world that they are not afraid of war. Our representatives do not fear any nation on the face of the earth—such a charge cannot rightly be brought against them. What then is the source of the opposition of the so called government to the determinate wishes and energetic demands of the people of the United States?

Whose interests are subserved in the perpetuation of a more diabolical exhibition of Spanish brutality in Cuba than the worst features of the Spanish inquisition in the reign of terror, under the instigation of a benighted Catholicism? What are the interests arrayed in cogent influence against the commercial interests of a great and heroic people, to such an extent as to sink into obscurity the commercial claims of seventy millions of free Americans? What is the secret of that all-potential factor that will permit innocent hearts to bleed, thousands of heroic souls to fill the graves of martyrs to as sacred a cause as that to which our Revolutionary Fathers sacrificed their devoted heads, and al-

low defenceless women and children to be mercilessly butchered by that degenerate offspring of the dark ages, the human butcher, Weyer, and what the secret power whose weight is greater in the balance of civilization's progress than the sympathetic heart and commercial prerogatives of a great nation? It is the greed of the corporate money power, whose influence is greater than that of a people.

The dragon's claw of the great degenerate and terrible Leviathan, that old serpent the devil, which determines the policy of nations, is upon the heart of the world, and the United States treasury is in that claw. What right have we, the people of a great nation, to pit our commercial interest against the interest of the corporate money power, holding us in abject bond slavery? Why should we the people lift our heads against Wall and Lombard Streets?

Let us shrink and cringe before the money god, and yield peaceably to the nation's representatives, while they knuckle to the Spanish obligation to the money lender! Wall and Lombard Streets hold the key to the situation.

Since writing the above, and during the delay of the publication of the weekly *FLAMING SWORD* and the inauguration of the Liberal Party in Cuba, there is exhibited by Spain a deceitful tendency at reform,—a trap into which the American administration seems likely to fall.

Champion of the Social Theocracy.

THE FLAMING SWORD starts upon a new career with this issue of the paper. It is the only periodical publication which advocates the Social Theocracy. It is the organ of the only system having for its foundation a positive philosophy, the fundamental premise of which is absolutely demonstrated.

THE FLAMING SWORD has had an existence of eight years, with very few breaks in the regular continuity of its issue, and we are ready to confess to the fact that its successful continuation is due to a persistency of effort never before having fallen to the lot of any other opposition to the fallacies and evils of the modern church and nations. THE SWORD will be the radical advocate of that Sciento-Religious and Social Revolution which will inevitably unfold into the Kingdom of Righteousness in the earth. There will be no social democracy as a ruling factor of this nation, but there will

be a scientific, religious, and social change radical enough to usher in the morn of the Golden Age, in which the golden love of good uses to men will supplant the millionaire's lust for all the productions of wage slavery.

Human liberty, wisely directed, with the equitable distribution of all natural and human productions, will very shortly be substituted for the present monopolistic oppression. It is the resurrection of God in humanity, in which will be fulfilled the angelic declaration: "Peace in earth, good will to men," even to the present monopolist, who will be brought to the acknowledgment of the righteousness of equitable distribution.

There is no hope for the world through any social evolution that has not for its foundation the religious unity of God and man, and the recognition of the truth that the spirit of the Almighty must control the heart of a regenerated race.

Destruction of the Money Power.

THE equitable distribution of wealth upon the basis of a classification of natural and artificial production, with a classified industry, will in the near future take the place of the present system of corporate monopoly and its concomitant wage slavery. The war between capital (so called) and labor will never be adjusted upon any other ground than that of absolute justice. Justice demands that the producer shall own the substance he produces, or that he shall share equitably in the products of his industry.

So called money will be destroyed totally. Remove the stamp from gold and it loses its monetary valuation. It would be cheap gold, just as silver with the stamp removed loses its monetary power. It is the purpose of the power which controls the finances of the world to maintain that control at all hazards; and one of its first determinations is to destroy, by legal and other processes, the future possibility of all labor combinations in the interests of labor. Wage slavery is the only hope of the millionaire, and it is the policy of the money power to perpetuate the wage slavery system through

combinations powerful enough to purchase Congress and our state Legislatures.

The financial policy of the United States Government has been shaped by the bankers of the world in their own interests; and the bondage under which the people groan, through the bad financial policies of the two great parties having in charge the interests of the people, is tenfold greater than was the bondage of the Israelites to the Egyptians, and the tyrannical money power is tenfold more brutal in its oppression than that of the Pharaohs. Ours is the antitypical bondage, and the day hastens when an obligation forced upon the masses through the treachery of subtle manipulators of the wealth of the people, will be repudiated. As the Israelites canceled their ignominious, enforced, and unjust obligations, so will the enlightened masses arise in their might and throw off their yoke.

There is nothing so simple as the monetary problem; in fact, it is not a problem requiring solution. Regulate the valuation of products in relation to a classified stand-ard of industry, then let the state provide the means of distribution, and the question is settled.



SPAIN has tried the course of brutal and uncivilized warfare to force Cuba to terms. Its brutal policy has utterly failed, and it now resorts to a policy of coaxing and fair promises. This should convince both the United States and Cuba, that Spain confesses to the fact that its war record is a failure, and that its only hope now is to deceive the Cubans into the belief that they may enjoy a lovely government under Spain.

Spain has not changed since the inquisition. The Cubans are aware of this, and they cannot be cajoled

either by Spain or the administration at Washington. The Cubans know that they have the sympathy of the American people, but they expect nothing from the so called government of the United States.

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The failure of modern Christianity to give to the world the pure gospel of life, is breeding the scepticism which is rapidly augmenting and overwhelming the church, fostering anarchy, anti-christian spiritualism, and anti-christian socialism.

Works Greater Than Faith.

BY VICTORIA GRATIA.

WITH the exception of those who are hardened in their greed for the treasures of this world, almost every phase of thought is more or less interested in the general observations of the times. The observations which incline men to believe in a coming revolution, are mainly from two diverse points of view; the one from an extremely religious impulse, the other more from the basis of a socialism devoid of religion. The first or religious phase of thought involves two, perhaps three, distinct lines of expectation, all including the one general idea of the Lord's return to this earth.

The view founded upon the general concept of a social evolution, in its character specifically atheistic, is scarcely worth consideration. Those who hold to it are doomed to disappointment. The religious conception that the Lord will drop down from the physical heavens in the old Jerusalem, will meet a greater disappointment. We will not attempt in a short article, to enter into an elaboration of the various phases of thought regarding this all-important subject, nor to add anything in substance to what has been said a thousand times by our great Teacher; we can only hope, by adding a word, to express in simpler language a repetition of the *greatest* demand of Koreshanity.

It is needless for us to reiterate that Koresh and Koreshanity hold the only correct views of the Lord's coming, and that the manifestation will be the result of development in the race, as it is declared: "The earth [the church, humanity] bringeth forth fruit of herself; first

the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear."

The Holy Spirit, proceeding from the Father and the Son, *one in the person of the Lord*, communicated the virtues of the Lord himself, the greatest of which was charity, resulting in good works. These fruits, including the very life of the Lord, embracing the immortal flesh, must necessarily result now at the end of the dispensation, from the seed that was sown or planted at the beginning of the age.

The science of charity or works, was not known in the beginning as it is designed to apply now, for then the kingdom of righteousness was confined to the germ of righteousness, the seed of the kingdom. The Lord Christ in his personality comprised that seed. The kingdom in its greatest form will unfold from that germ, the firstfruits of the resurrection, into the multiplied manifestation of the sons of God. In them the science of righteousness and righteous works will obtain.

As the seed brings forth the tree and its fruit, so the Lord, the seed, unfolding the Theocratic Socialism, will grow into a kingdom in the earth, constituting it a universal organic unity in which all the principles of economic law will be so thoroughly applied as to inaugurate the great day of rest to the world. This condition can only obtain through the perfecting influence of a divine growth in the human soul and life, completely transforming human character. This must include the transformation of the mortal to an immortal life, having its root in the immortal flesh—even the flesh of the Christ.

The Koreshan System of Science.

BY PROF. V. G. MORROW.

KORESHAN SCIENCE is decidedly original, from the simple fact that it differentiates at every point from other schools of thought. It is distinctive, in that it is integral and complete, rational and true, the only system having for its foundation an absolutely demonstrated premise. It has been promulgated for over a quarter of a century. The first intimation of its character subjected its Founder to the severest criticism and persecution. 1870 marked a peculiar period of the world's history—it was too early for the world to consider the problems of the X-rays, the manufacture of gold, telegraphing without wires, co-operative reform, and for the advocacy of these and other wonderful possibilities he was considered by many to be insane.

During the past twenty-five years the world has received a wonderful impetus in lines of remarkable discoveries and inventions. One by one these marvels have been forced upon the attention of the public. The rapidity with which the world has advanced has been without parallel in the history of the world; during all this time the Koreshan System has been advocated,

and during the past eleven years vigorously so, through the publications of the System and the daily press, and thousands of progressive minds have come in contact with expositions of its principles. We have abundant evidence of the influence of the Koreshan System upon modern thought and discovery.

This is distinctively an age of imitation. It has been found easy to seize upon the productions of another. The Americans cannot plead freedom from such a charge, for otherwise, copyright and patent laws would exist on the statute books without purpose. Thousands of cases of infringement have existed, and literary thieving is seen everywhere. The spirit of piracy and plagiarism is subtle and persistent, but palpably and unmistakably manifest in the hundreds of instances of appropriation and *perversion*, on the part of others, of the truths, expositions and predictions put forth in the Koreshan System.

In 1870 the Founder of Koreshanity discovered the process of the creation of gold from a baser substance, and announced the fact; discovered the principles of Al-

chemistry, the substantiality of force, and of the correlation of matter and energy, and has since persistently taught them; formulated the Cellular Cosmogony, involving the principles of the solar cathode rays penetrating the earth's shell; and originated a system of Social Economy, embracing the principles of co-operation, communism, equitable exchange, scientific colonization, and the abolition of the use of money. Files of the publications of the System years ago, show exhibitions of the processes of the manufacture of gold, telegraphing without wires, the construction of a railroad around the world, deposits of gold at the magnetic centers, the setting up of the gold standard, solution of the problem of aerial navigation, and other possibilities, and very recent and startling developments and so called discoveries.

The world has been startled by announcements of the manufacture of gold from silver, by Dr. Emmons, within the past year; others are creating gold ore from antimony. Chemists had declared that such a thing was impossible, because their theory forbade it. Chemistry has now been overthrown, and the Koreshan Alchemy demonstrated to be true. The idea of the cathode ray was not original with Crookes nor Röntgen, but today the discovery is credited to them. Various systems of social reform have developed during the past five years, the promulgators of some of which have, in the past, been identified with the Koreshan movement, while others have read the publications of the System for years. The announcements of Edison and Tesla, that it is possible

to telegraph without wires, are received from them without question, and when the news of the work of Marconi is flashed over the world, there is no question that it has been accomplished. Astronomer Newcomb, of Washington, has announced his conviction as to the limitation of the universe—he has done so since his meeting the Founder of Koreshanity, in November, 1896. The world does not question these wonderful accomplishments and conclusions, but endeavors to disregard the discoveries of the Founder of the Koreshan System, and the scientific demonstrations of the earth's concavity.

We are summing up how easy it is for people to believe things put forth through popular channels, and how very difficult it is for *proper credit* to be given to the world's most advanced Scientist and Discoverer. When, after years and years of promulgation of the principles of Koreshan Science, discovered at a time when the world would not credit such marvels, there are seen developing the plans of Bellamy and Debs, the labor exchange, and the many economic projects, scientific discoveries, and marvelous strides in progress of thought and theories, one is forced to the conclusion that these men of progress have found a royal road to discovery through the work and writings of the Founder of Koreshan Science. Modern advanced thought and discovery are incontestably indebted to the existence of the Koreshan System and its propaganda for the marvels of the age, though the original which they but poorly imitate, is kept in the background for a purpose; there are other things there, that they yet desire to copy!

Be Not Misled By Either!

BY REV. ELEANORE M. CASTLE.

In a letter to the *New York World*, published in the early part of September, W. J. Bryan defined the position of the bimetallicists as contending that the opening of our mints to the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, would fix a mint price for silver, just as a mint price is now fixed for gold, and that the demand thus created by law would be sufficient to utilize all the silver presented, and thus the bullion value would be raised to the coinage value. Secretary of the Treasury, Lyman J. Gage, made this statement of Mr. Bryan's the occasion of an interview which was given out for publication a few days after the appearance of Mr. Bryan's letter, and the plutocratic pages crowded in unison over what they call his puncture of the free-silver theory. The Secretary assumes to analyze Mr. Bryan's statement and reveal its sophistry, in order that "the unthinking, and even those not specially qualified to analyze and detect his sophistications," be not confused and misled; that is, be not confused and misled by Mr. Bryan, the Secretary evidently preferring that they be confused and misled by himself. He said:

"In the first place, properly speaking, there is no mint price for either gold or silver. All that the mint does with the

man who brings to the mint a certain number of grains of uncoined gold, is to give him in return the same number of grains in coined gold less enough to pay for the metal alloy used by the mint in coining it. All that it could do for silver, at whatever so called ratio, would be to give the men bringing uncoined silver to the mint an equal amount in ounces and grains of coined silver, less the cost of the alloy used by the mint in coining it. In neither case is there any demand thus set up, in the one case the man has his gold returned to him in gold dollars. In the other case, he has his silver returned to him in silver dollars.

"Up to this point nothing in the shape of a demand such as Bryan talks about has appeared. Why, then, does he sophisticate about the demand thus created by law, when there is no demand thus created by law? If there is a demand for either gold or silver dollars, it must be outside of the mint, in the commercial world. This commercial demand would express itself in the ratio or price at which things would be offered in exchange for one, as compared with the other. Take the legal-tender quality away from both, and neither Mr. Bryan nor any of his intelligent followers would claim that silver in the form of dollars would bring in exchange for things any substantially higher price than the bullion would bring before being coined."

The demand of the bimetallicists as stated by Mr. Bryan is sufficiently frank—that the government by means of its credit, which credit is based upon its material wealth, should by affixing its stamp to silver give silver a value as a monetary commodity above and beyond what it possesses as a commercial commodity,

which value would primarily be determined by its use in the arts and manufactures, just as the value of iron, copper, and other metals, is determined, and as the value of gold would be determined if deprived of its valuation as money. This is an unrighteous demand on the part of the bimetalists, but unrighteous for a reason which the monometallists never urge against it, for to do so would at once reveal the unrighteousness of their own contention for a single standard.

If the government stamp on coin means anything, it means that the government will maintain that equivalent be furnished in exchange for the coin to the amount of value stated on the coin. In the last analysis, the government stamp is the government's promise to pay, backed by the national credit based on the nation's resources. If there is a demand in the commercial world for these promises of the government, as a means of exchange, and the government refuses to stamp its promise on other than a certain material, or something which may be used in place of this material as proxy for it, (this last, as under a gold standard would be the case with paper—silver money, being in no sense an additional promise based on the nation's resources, but merely a duplicate of the real promise stamped on gold, and which may be used as the representative, or agent, of the genuine promise, for the sake of convenience, or because the real promise is too valuable to be trusted in circulation,) then however great the wealth and resources of the nation, it can issue only as many promises as it can find a sufficiency of material on which to stamp these promises, and at once there is created a demand for this material.

It is beyond the bounds of reason that anyone should honestly contend that gold in itself is valuable to the degree at which it is today estimated, because of its use in supplying human demands, or indeed for any other reason than because of its power of purchase of the necessities of existence; which power is conferred upon it by the nations of the world through their government stamps, backed by the resources of the nations in those things which do constitute real wealth. The real value of gold is something quite apart from its present valuation. Therefore, to say that the mint is conducted merely for the purpose of stamping on gold the real value of the metal in the coin, that value being deter-

mined by the law of demand, which law itself can naturally be determined only by human needs, is to make an utterly false statement. Yet, from Mr. Gage's words, it would appear that this is the position he takes.

He says, "Take the legal-tender quality away from both [gold and silver], and neither Mr. Bryan nor any of his intelligent followers would claim that silver in the form of dollars would bring in exchange for things any substantially higher price than the bullion would bring before being coined." If this were done, then the gold bullion, which today is worth approximately what the gold coin is worth, would at once decrease incalculably in value. But just so long as the governments of the world stand ready to bestow the legal-tender quality on all the gold presented for that purpose, an unnatural demand is created by law for gold, and this alone keeps up the bullion price of gold. Secretary Gage makes an unwise bluff in suggesting the possibility of gold being deprived of its legal-tender quality. He may be the means of starting many who have not yet considered such a possibility, to thinking on the subject along this line; and once the people get their eyes open in this respect, his occupation both as secretary and banker vanishes. But Mr. Bryan is not in a position to call him, for it is only the fact that gold occupies its present usurped position which gives his own demand a shadow of excuse. Why should men exchange the energies of their being for either gold or silver which they do not need, instead of directly for food and clothes and fuel and books and other things which they do need?

However, just so long as it is to the interest of those who control the commercial world to arbitrarily fix a high price for gold, (which is done by placing it in a false position as a purchasing power,) and the government is the agent of this control, and conducts mints for the purpose of binding this power, then to say that there is a mint price for gold implies all the rest. And Mr. Gage's statement—"properly speaking, there is no mint price for either gold or silver"—is the artful dodge of a lawyer, who, when the weakness of his position is disclosed, would by a technicality make it appear that he is not there, in order that his opponent may be disconcerted, and, if possible, induced to expend his force where it may do less damage.



WHILE we lavish our epideictics upon the heroic undertaking of the New York *Journal*, which we cannot over-do no matter how eloquent our panegyric, in praise of the *Journal's* achievement, we cannot restrain our ardor in favor of the men who undertook for the *Journal* what the world would have regarded as a forlorn hope. Those men are heroes, and their names will resound in the pages of journalism and in history, when Cuba shall record the heroic purposes and accomplishments of those who contributed to her liberty; when she shall recount her achievements, and brutal Spain shall have lost her nationality!

OUR country boasts of the most advanced Christian civilization, but there is not so great a farce on the face of the earth today, as the so called Christianity of America. The Lord Jesus taught the doctrine of the community of interests. If this principle is not applicable to our present needs and time; if this part of his gospel of peace and good will to men is to be expunged by men *in* as well as *out* of the church, whose palms itch for the personal accumulation of filthy lucre, then why not declare the whole of his gospel obsolete and impracticable for this world and age, or, for that matter, any other?

An Appeal to the True Nobility of Chicago.

BY REV. BERTHA S. BOOMER.

FOR ten years the disciples of Koresh have been subjected to public persecutions of most injurious character. Our enemies, with tongue and pen, have defamed our reputation for purity of life and righteous intent. Very little effort has been made thus far to answer the charges brought against the members of the Koreshan Unity. They are personally restful in knowing that the truth is mighty and will prevail. Steadfast loyalty to what is known to be true must bring a glorious vindication, when it is triumphant in the lives of multitudes.

Every citizenship has its true nobility. The favor now asked of that saving element of society, is an unprejudiced public hearing. The time is fast approaching for the universal spirit of inquiry to be met with authoritative declarations which must be the final answers of an absolute science to the queries of all who honestly desire to know the truth, that they may apply it to life.

On the Arch of the White City's noble peristyle, which so delighted the eyes of all nations, was this never-to-be-forgotten inscription: "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." The disciples of Koresh know that this promise is being fulfilled to them. They know also that, in the order of law which makes manifest the choice of its own Almightyness, and from the standpoint of mortal observation, they are the weak things, and the base things, and the things that are naught, chosen to bring to naught the things that are, by the faithful declaration of the scientific truths upon which the Koreshan System is founded. These truths are being given to the world in due season, and will continue to be given by every means, natural and supernatural, evolved and involved from the life of the Lord Jesus, the Jehovah and Seed of Deity.

This world shall know the truth, and the truth shall make free every man saved by the love of it. The Koreshan System embraces truth in its every relation to every phase of life and death, immortality and incorruptibility. Its foundation premise is so absolutely scientific that it can be made self-evident to the most material mind; this foundation premise has been made manifest from a mechanically adjusted pivot perpendicular to the surface of the habitable earth, to which is related a mechanically extended air line at right angles to it. On the testimony of the facts revealed by such a line, extended and tested by every known device, the truth of the Koreshan System will forever stand.

Koreshans would urge the thinking public to withhold ridicule and condemnation, and aid in making manifest the essential truth concerning the form and functions of the physical universe. The money power is in dominance, and the demonstration necessary to satisfy critical investigators cannot be made without a liberal outlay of effort and money during existing con-

ditions. Nothing could bring more honor and glory to Chicago in the records of the near future, than the act of befriending the scientific Teacher whom the world today ignores. The Lord Jesus embodied the philosophy of this truth in his life. This life was planted as spirit entity in the humanity prepared by the evolution of the Jewish age and prehistoric ages, to receive it. It was planted in them that the harvest of the Christian age might be its science, and a humanity ripened for its application to life in every domain. The light of true science is the glory of God, in which he is revealed to man as man, enlightened, perfected, Deified.

Chicago is to be the center of the world's secular commerce for thousands of years of the Golden Age soon to dawn in the light of Koreshanity. To become this she must be transformed by the power of a love for the divine truth concerning commerce and its true uses to humanity. She must become actuated by a motive the opposite of the greed of gain necessarily the dominating passion as long as our present financial system exists in power. Chicago, the new and greater Chicago, must be animated by the love of equitable distribution according to human needs. The fruits of national industry are for the well-being of the industrious. Chicago must become the center of the establishment of Equitable Exchanges of the products of labor, value for value, rated proportionably to the quality and degree of labor. To be educated in the truths that pertain to the creation of the greater Chicago, attention must be given to the foundation truths which must become her origin, and to their involved promises of a magnificence not entertained in any other system of thought.

The lovers of human redemption from all the degradations of sin, are therefore lovingly urged by the disciples of Koresh to test the foundation premise of the Koreshan System. Having learned the absolute truth of that, one must say: None but an instrument of divine truth could lay so true a foundation for a scientific belief that the Almighty is man—the perfected expression or Word of inherent Deity.

The law of such attainment is universal law, whose science cannot be obtained save from the one Scientist who can demonstrate his knowledge of the form and function of the universe.

It is surely due to the Teacher presenting such a system, that his scientific claims be tested by the crucial method which the premise itself determines. In the promulgation of the Koreshan Cosmogony, the attention of the world will be called to the fact that the truth concerning the form and function of the universe is known, the principles of the perfect system discovered, and the premise of that system demonstrated.

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It is the selfish impulse that inclines men to compete with one another.

Battle Hymn of the White Horse Army.

BY REV. ELEANORE M. CASTLE.

"And I Saw, and Behold a White Horse; and He that Sat on Him had a Bow; and a Crown was given Unto Him: and He went forth Conquering, and to Conquer."

O man, arise! no longer languish
Beneath the curse you may remove!
Look up, and see! beyond earth's anguish,
God's promised sign in heaven above!

Full long have sin and sorrow schooled us;
Full long grim Death has urged his claim,
While we have worn the robes of shame,
And Hate, and Self, and Hell have ruled us,

Arise! throw off the curse!
The heavens will lend us force!
Look up! Look up!
God sends His Sign!
The Rider on the Horse!

From Old the prophet tongues declare it—
That in this day of sorest need,
If only man himself will dare it,
The hosts of heaven will intercede!

Then shall we bow to Death despairing?
Shall coward fear still hold us slave
To that fell power that feeds the grave—
Because we shrink from noble daring?

Today at last we read the meaning
Of words that tell what man can do!
At last the power of Death is waning:
O grave, where is thy triumph now?

For man today, through brave endeavor,
May spurn the power the ages feared!
Earth cried to God, and God has heard,
And bonds of hell now bids us sever.

The Mystery of Loyal Discipleship.

BY LUCIE PAGE BORDEN.

WHAT profound pathos breathes from the simple words of the gospel narrative! The heart melts and tears well from the eyes at the thought of Him, the destined object of adoration to coming ages, the future centre of devotion to an admiring world, alone and deserted in the hour of his utmost need.

"They all forsook him and fled." No, surely not all; of the little band of disciples whom the Master himself chose, whom he loved and admitted to closest fellowship, surely some were faithful to the last. There was John the well-beloved, with his deep spiritual nature and philosophic intellect; there was Peter, noble, impulsive, affectionate, who above all others had vowed to be true, and James, earnest and zealous,—these three who stood nearest to the Lord, could they forsake him in the hands of his enemies? Alas! yes, for thus it is written; not a single exception relieves this sad portrayal of the weakness of human nature. Is it not strange that, when to the clear eyes of divine intuition the hearts of men were as an open book. Jesus did not choose men of very different calibre who would have followed him fearlessly into the presence chamber of Pilate?

There was, indeed, much excuse for them. Jesus at that time was apparently only a man among men; he had accomplished nothing beyond working a few miracles which might be explained on some other principle than his divinity; he had signally failed to inaugurate any popular and successful movement; in the eyes of the world he was a dangerous and seditious fellow; how could the disciples feel sure that after all, he might not turn out an impostor?

Well, suppose he had; suppose Jesus of Nazareth to figure in history only as an exposed and convicted anarchist. There is something in the human heart that admires loyalty and cries out that these men ought to have followed their leader to the death. He had made

certain predictions, very wild and extravagant, it is true, but were they not bound to stand firm until the issue proved whether such predictions were verified? Although, contrary to human experience, history records that Jesus did rise again after three days, just as he had foretold.

So it cannot be denied that the disciples were weak in the hour of trial; but some one has said that man's greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time he falls. In the light of subsequent history, it is plain that his choice of followers which might at first thought seem an error of judgment on the part of Jesus, was a forcible illustration of the fact that "God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the mighty." These same men who forsook him and fled were the only ones in the world then, sufficiently receptive to the new gospel to be its channel of communication to the world. No doubt they had great faults, but Jesus took them *as they were*; he saw what the world could not see,—what they could not see in each other,—wonderful possibilities of attainment when the Spirit of Truth should thrill them. "As the sculptor looks at the stone and sees the angel in it, so the soul that is filled with divinity, looks at humanity and sees in it the divine."

It is easy in historical retrospect to trace the line of conduct demanded by loyalty and truth—not so easy in real life to cling to a despised and persecuted cause. Would it be possible, in the face of the warning contained in this familiar narrative, for the same incident to repeat itself today, with the same sad record: "they all forsook him and fled"?

"How blest is he to whom is given
The instinct that can tell
That God is on the field
When he is most invisible."

Christian Socialism is Communism.

BY PROF. O. F. L'AMOREAUX, PH. D.

The socialism Jesus Christ dug from the rock of justice has been long buried beneath Christian hypocrisy and human greed, and the day has at last come for its resurrection. The ashes of political corruption is now seriously agitated to the very bottom, and the phoenix will come forth waving the flag of red—the emblem of brotherly love.—“Man without a Soul,” in *Social Democrat*.

THAT the “man without a soul” should so far get his eyes open as to see and admit that Christ struck out a new political economy that is about to supplant and succeed the present hell-born competitive system, is an indication of progress. In his soulless (that is, lifeless) condition it is not wonderful he should not see that it was not socialism but *communism* which Jesus unearthed from the *debris* of Judaism. When he comes again according to his promise, he will rescue communism from the thralldom of so called Christian selfishness and greed, and establish it as the beneficial law of human activity for the golden age, upon which suffering humanity will soon enter.

No more wonderful is it that men without a soul-life (and this includes all socialists, as well as other people of the present) should not understand what the color red symbolizes. “The life of all flesh is the blood thereof,” said Jesus, and the color of blood is red. The color red then, is the emblem, not of brotherly love, but of the new life from above, that men must have in them before real brotherly love will be possible to them. That the phoenix, symbol of life from the dead—arising in those who received the seed of the new and higher life in the beginning of the age—will destroy the old man, the old life, with its deeds of corruption, and in the outer world, the power to oppress and rob humanity, is well known to all Koreshans. The socialism of the present, talks much of the great example and life of Jesus, but it makes no effort, has no real purpose to follow that example and live that life, without which, talk amounts to little or nothing.

In the Editorial Perspective.

FOR twenty-seven years the Founder of the Koreshan System has taught a theory of optics and physics which is the antithesis of the theories of modern science. It has long been a question as to how we perceive through the sense of vision—what are the factors that enable us to see objects with their various shapes, colors, and hues? It has been admitted time and again that the usual theory of the motion or vibration of ether is not satisfactory. In 1870 Koresh made the discovery of the substantiality of energy, and that the scientific factor of visual perception is the generation and radiation of an attenuated nerve force from the eye. This reverses the usual theory; and now experiments prove the emanation from the eye, of a substance sufficient to make impressions upon a camera plate. This is in direct substantiation of the Koreshan science of optics. An Englishman has succeeded in looking an image of a coin onto a negative, first intently looking at the coin for a full minute, then steadily, in a room from which sunlight was excluded, for forty-three minutes directing the attention to a negative plate. After development of the negative he found a dim outline of the coin. The experiment was repeated with a postage stamp; for twenty minutes he steadily gazed at the plate—he actually looked a picture of the stamp upon the negative. This plate was reproduced in the London *Amateur Photographer*, a testimony of the fact that the visual substance generated in the cortical cells of the brain in response to excitement of the expanded optic nerve (the retinal coat) by the light from the object, at once reproduced that object, full size, by alchemic action of the substance upon the sensitive film of the photographic plate.

Co-operation is a gigantic success in the hands of controlling monopoly. The trusts have learned that centralization is a potent factor in amassing wealth—they are now in position to absorb all the lesser concerns, control labor and prices, and utilize every labor-saving invention for their own interests, so that they may get rich cheaper. The facts of the unparalleled

success of the trusts are evidences of what the wealth producers could do for themselves if once they could obtain the power! What the oppressed of the world need, is to determine their energies in the proper direction. A pivot of action must first be determined and located, and from thence gather the impetus necessary to overcome the oppression.

Modern chemistry does not admit of the conclusion that there is any real life in the universe, for it teaches that light, heat, color, sensation, force, combustion, thought, vision, and phenomena are really nothing but vibration—mere modes of motion, not substance of any kind, in any degree or quality. Vibration of what, then? Atoms, or perchance, rings of ether; that's all there is, just ether—the great ether god; it is supposed to constitute the power, energy, motion, sensation, and all other qualities, functions, and phenomena of all existence everywhere.

Although reared in wealth and luxury, the twin sons of the late Pullman are absolutely worthless, so much so that in his will the ear magnate expressed his disappointment, and acknowledged them utterly unfit for business. He left them a yearly bounty, but willed them neither property nor principal. This is an illustration of the fact that if the world, without change of character, were placed in the enjoyment of luxury, it would result in positive injury. Modern social reform knows how to change neither the environment nor the character of humanity.

Effect is the result of cause. The various forms of government in the world today resided in the original empire in the glory of the past, before the fall of man. The new universal kingdom of righteousness must embrace the principles and laws of the unity of humanity, governing all peoples, not according to one standard, nor upon the basis of equality, but according to the various planes of progression of the several subdivisions of the human race.

The micromoscope is an invention with the kinetoscope effect, for the photographing of the blood in circulation and the corpuscles in transformation, as well as other activities of cellular life. With this instrument scientists will endeavor to "study the character of disease." They will spend thousands of dollars and years of time at such work, but not a single cent nor a moment's time will they spend in the investigation of Koreshan Science, which solves the very things they pretend to desire to know.

The mills of the gods of the modern criminal courts grind exceedingly slow—especially in the late trial of Leutgert on the charge of wife murder. After the expenditure of nearly \$20,000 for lawyers' jangle and war of scientific experts, the case is undecided, and must go through the process of another trial. Justice was only looking on from a distance—she is not present in any of the modern court rooms.

If Jesus taught the principles of communism and the doctrines of a Theocratic Kingdom, what relation exists between modern republicanism and the divine science of government, or between the life of modern politicians and the life of the Theocratic head of humanity? Absolutely none. The hope of the world is not through republicanism nor social democracy.

The worst condition the world can get into is individualism, the legitimate fruit of competition, when every one concludes that he must live for himself alone—that he is able to take care of himself. The commercial and religious world is full of the idea. It is opposed to organic unity; it is a state of chaos, it is anarchy.

Our Correspondence Department.

- (1) How are comets produced?
- (2) What causes the dark side of the sun? What is the cause of meteors?—O. W.

(1) Comets are produced by the rays of the sun refracting through fragments of belts of crystalline energies, producing an effect similar to an elongated focal point of lens refractions. These fragments move in spirals and soon plunge into the sun. (2) The sun is the impressed point of the universe; the surface of the earth is half light and half dark, and so is the central impression. Darkness is the reflex of light; the dark side of the sun is produced by the combustion there, as well as the light side. (3) Meteors are rapid materializations of metallic and ferruginous substances or energies descending from the sun.

Is it not the circular motion of the earth on its axis that holds the seas in balance as a grindstone will hold water as long as it turns around? Your scientists must hunt some other cause for their instrument running into the water, than the earth's concavity.—A. J.

The earth has no circular or rotary motion, as you suggest. Put water on a wheel and turn it rapidly, and see the water fly off quickly! We have proved the earth's concave form, and cannot afford to trump up an hypothesis concern-

ing an absolute fact; it would be like shutting the eyes and endeavoring to see. Study the question further.

H. P., Clayton, Ill.—What have you been reading and mistaking for Koreshanity? We do not advocate that the universe is coming to an end, but that it is eternal. You do not know what are our principles; this we judge by your objections to the religion and astronomy of the Koreshan System. The principles of organic unity in social economy cannot be understood without an understanding of the same laws in the physical universe and in the domains of divine activity. We are not promulgating a system adapted to human caprice or preconceived opinions, but a system that is true.

Mrs. V. T., Pittsburg, Pa.—Thanks for clippings from the *Dispatch*. We have seen the accounts of the great geodetic project before, and understand its purpose. Measurements of the earth's surface area or lines bounding areas, will never determine whether the earth is convex or concave. Don't you know that the same surface area would be contained within a spherical triangle of a given dimension upon a *concave* as upon a convex earth 8,000 miles in diameter?

The latest in the field of therapeutics is D'Unger's electro-music cure—a treatment of the nerve centers through the sense of hearing by the music, and through the sense of feeling by electricity, the two sensations being produced in unison.

A socialist organ advises everybody to "strike at the ballot box." We think it needs striking at. But strike deeper—the ax is laid at the root of evil, and the blow will be effective, and it will not be by striking by the ballot box nor at it.

The world today pretends to believe in Moses, but disregards the principles of his Theocratic system of government. Koreshanity promulgates the truth of the Mosiac Theocracy and the principles of the Communism of Jesus.

We see a good deal written about alchemy in astrological and metaphysical publications. We would like to have any one of such journals point out a single fundamental principle of the science of alchemy or law of transmutation.

The liberal Presbyterian Princeton College is said to be running a saloon for its students. We presume this belongs to the preparatory course; the students graduate in "higher criticism" and football.

It is better to live under the protection of organized capital than under the despotic spirit of labor unionism. Neither power will be found in the coming Imperio-Regal Theocracy.

If the people are in ignorance of the principles of government and social economy, how can they govern themselves, and what would be the benefit of "direct legislation"?

Mrs. O. T., New York—Clipping from the N. Y. *Sun* duly received; had seen it before—see answer to Mrs. V. T., Pittsburg. When the universe becomes perfect it will be perfectly spherical; now it is prolate, with the southern hemisphere larger than the northern.

They Want the Weekly.

Extracts from a Few of the Many Letters Received from Appreciative Readers of The Flaming Sword.

I am pleased to note that your excellent paper is to be changed from a monthly to a regular weekly. This is indeed welcome news; it will fill a long-felt want to a large majority of its readers. Please do not fail to add my name to your regular list, as the subject matter in its pages has become so deeply interesting to me, as to make it almost indispensable—I must have it at any price. In conclusion, permit me to congratulate the management upon the glorious work of the Geodetic Staff in the survey completed on the Gulf coast of Florida, the magnificent results of which, when universally known and properly understood, are destined to revolutionize all scientific and religious thought throughout the civilized world.—W. G. S., Washington, D. C.

I am in thankful receipt of your journal. I am earnestly striving to understand the Koreshan Cosmogony. Please send me your small pamphlets on the subject, that I may be able to give a fair expose to the readers of *True Ord.*—A. Salbro, Christiana, Norway.

I will renew my subscription so as to get the weekly. I cannot afford to miss the paper; it does me so much good. It is a light upon my path to life. I always look forward to its coming with great pleasure.

Please accept my sincere thanks for the September and October issues of your exceedingly valuable and interesting journal. I wish you great success. I shall be glad to receive it weekly.

FLAMING SWORD and circular received; also your cheering letter. Facts are stubborn things; scientists must yield to the Concave Theory when they witness such practical demonstrations.

I am very much interested in your publication; many things I do not fairly comprehend, but as a whole it commends itself to me. I would not do without it for double its cost.

I send my new subscription to the weekly. We think it is a good idea to publish it weekly. The last issue was fine, and will make the orthodox people squirm.

Please send the paper hereafter as a weekly, instead of the monthly. As soon as it is published I want your book on Astronomy.

I am delighted to order change of my name from monthly to weekly list. Hope it will soon be a daily!

I have not yet received the weekly; I do not want my name dropped from your list by any means.

I am very much pleased with the SWORD, and desire you to continue my name on your list.

How pleased I am to note that you are arranging to publish the SWORD weekly.

The weekly FLAMING SWORD is not yet received; I am very anxious to see it.

I like the paper very much, and do not want to be without it.

Best wishes to the SWORD and the cause it represents.

I shall appreciate the weekly SWORD very much.

My choice is the weekly instead of the monthly.

I shall be pleased to have it weekly.

I like the paper very much.

Miscellaneous Notes.

\$15,000,000 in gold, silver, and gems are reported found on the Island of Cocos, treasures of the older Spanish colonies in South America.

The phonograph, by Leon Scott, was a sound recorder, and gave Edison the idea of the phonograph.

Pearly has returned from Greenland with the great meteorite he discovered four years ago.

The United States government is negotiating with Denmark for the purchase of Greenland.

The world is being startled by announcements of the manufacture of gold.

It is reported that Andre has sailed in his balloon over the North pole.

Astronomers are preparing for the total eclipse of the sun in May, 1900.

Marconi, the young Italian scientist, is telegraphing without wires.

Hundreds of miners are reported destitute on the Klondike.

Henry George, the single-tax advocate died recently of apoplexy.

Trolley cars have been introduced in Cairo, Egypt.

The Yerkes Observatory was dedicated October 21st.

4,062 U. S. pensioners reside in foreign countries.

It is claimed that Lord Salisbury is a Socialist.

George M. Pullman will pull men no more.

Ireland is again threatened with famine.

Thoughts From the Reform Press.

A Lesson From The King of Siam.

Though tolerant of Christianity, he has a keen eye to the hypocrisy of some of its professors. During one of his visits abroad he stayed for some time in Singapore. While there, an English friend asked him if he would like to see an English church service. The king replied that he would be pleased to, and with the intention of visiting the cathedral he set out in company with the gentleman. On arriving in the cathedral grounds, he found a number of Chinese coolies sitting outside in the broiling sun, pulling the huge punkahs to keep the worshippers cool. He stopped abruptly, and then turning to his guide, remarked: "If you Christians can't worship your God without keeping a number of heathen toiling in the sun, I have seen enough of your church service outside the walls." It seems to us that Christians have as much to learn from such "heathen" as King Chulalongkorn of Siam.—*New Age*.

Kitchen Run By The City.

A huge kitchen and restaurant, owned and operated by the municipality of Grenoble, France, have been in successful operation for nearly fifty years. The city supplies meals to its customers at their homes or in its restaurant. All of the provisions served are of the best, and the service is excellent. The dining rooms are of several grades, so as to suit the size of every purse. For three cents a man may get bread and soup, or for twelve cents he may procure a full-course dinner. Pure wines are served at eight cents a quart.

The city does not make any financial profit from the restaurant, although it serves 15,000 meals a day, for the charges are based upon actual expense, with a slight amount for cost of utensils and repairs of the building.—*New Time*.

The competitive system means a struggle as to who can secure most profits. All wealth is produced by labor applying to land. The wage system is bad in theory and in practice, and means that labor gets just as little of its products as it can be induced or forced to accept. As labor has to support the whole superstructure of society, it is clear that enormous profits are filched from it, the wages paid bearing but a small proportion to the value of the product.—*The Worker*, Sydney, Australia.

Books and Periodicals Received.

President John Smith, the Story of a Peaceful Revolution, by F. U. Adams, editor *New Time*, C. H. Kerr and Co., 56 Fifth Ave., Chicago, Ill. 300 pages, 10 cents.

This work in the form of a story, is having a wide circulation. It presents a vivid picture of the world under the present form of government, and contrasts it with the condition of things after the election of President John Smith, the Nationalist. It is written from the standpoint of a supposed condition of society in 1920, after the peaceful revolution is over. It is along the usual line of socialistic reform through the ballot box, containing the elements of the Social Democracy.

Taxation Abolished, by J. O. Murray, Boise, Idaho. Price 25c.

This is a late work on reform, advocating a plan of relief of business and labor. It confesses that the plan would not interfere with existing institutions, but that it would abolish taxation, usury, and crime, and increase the happiness of home and the usefulness of public schools. Sociologic students who are collecting a variety of schemes for reform might add this work to their library.

The Fall of Lucifer; And Other Essays and Poems, by W. D. Sharpe, M. D., H. A. Copley, publisher, Canning Town, London, E., Eng., 250 pages, \$1.00.

Written from the standpoint of Mysticism. Contains some good thoughts, but mostly fallacy—an indefinite summing up of things the author does not know concerning theology, the laws of life, human progression, etc.

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