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"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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Osteological Analysis of Structured Man and Cosmos.

Part XI.

The Physical Cosmos the Analogue of Man; Bones in Mental Solution; Skeleton of the Resurrection in the Doctrines of Life.

WE HAVE attempted in former chapters to present to the understanding of the student of Koreshanity, the truth regarding the ultimate destiny of the race in the organic development of the arch-natural macrocosm. In this portrayal, we have conducted the exploitations of the mind along the lines of comparative anatomy, into the broader field of the universological structure of the cosmogonic integer. We have shown that the cosmogonic structure, in its most exterior and ultimate manifestation, is a cell or egg, in which obtains all existing life-including man. We have endeavored, through the elucidation of the principles of analogy as applied to organic development, to so define the laws of form as to insure to the mental amplitude the possible conception of the human characteristics of the universe in its totality.

While we may not be able to impress upon the unamplified intellectual retina the perception of the anthropostic form of cosmogony, we can iterate and reiterate this vast and ultimately triumphant truth: The alchemico-organic cosmos (the physical universe), in its totality, is the form of man. For this reason the ancients called it the macrocosm, in contradistinction to the microcosm, which, as an individual, constituted the universe in its least form; and for this reason we urge this truth, and because, in the construction of the social organism, this pattern of universal construction must be inevitably followed. The universe is the man in his greatest form. The individual is the universe in its least form. The human race, when evolved into the amplitude of its perfected organism,—the race developed into the kingdom of organic righteousness,—has all the forms, characteristics, and functions of the man. The kingdom of God in the earth is the Grand Man; the skeleton of which, in the order of its resurrection, must first be manifest both according to law and to the prophetic records, which necessarily conform to law.

We have already portrayed the comparative anatomy of the ethmoid bone as belonging to the vidual structure, the ethmoid as correspondingly pertaining to the alchemico-organic cosmos, and we now more thoroughly analyze the ethmoid as the central and polaric factor in the resurrection of the social fabric. The age will eventuate in the development of the firstfruits of the resurrection. It will be given to them to comprehend the mysteries of Godliness, as they are being revealed to the world through the Koreshan movement, because they are the awakening offspring of the Eternal God. The wise will comprehend the language of wisdom, and none but the wise may understand.

It must not be forgotten that the ethmoid is the sieve bone. It is like a sieve. This is the meaning of the term, and the term implies the function. It is the function of the polar point of anthropostic progress. First, let it be understood that man is the environment of the spiritual world. The spiritual and angelic worlds (invisible) are in man, not figuratively, but in fact. It is the world where God himself resides: "God is in the generation of the righteous." Language cannot be more emphatic and explicit; but the world does not believe it. Within the spiritual world, which is nowhere but in man, there is now gathered the New Jerusalem, aggregated into one mental center. This New Jerusalem-which is a spiritual city, made up of spiritual angels—is the product of a general gathering from the world of humanity, of such as love the Lord and recognize the divine humanity as it was in the Lord Jesus Christ. This city is the strength (etsem), bones ("rib"), derived from the Lord himself, as during the dark ages the two witnesses (the Lord) lay dead "in the street of the great city [the church], which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified." The gathering of this city at the close or foot of the dispensation, is the process of taking the rib (bones, strength) from the dead church, as she sleeps in mental and spiritual darkness.

The Lord entered the church through the descent of the Holy Spirit. The church appropriated, absorbed, the life of God. By this process the life of God was taken into the church, and thus was fulfilled the Scripture: "Whoso eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood hath eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day" —at the end of the age. The Lord's body was dissolved, converted to spirit, and absorbed by the church. When the church died (slept), the Lord—who had been absorbed by the church—died also. This was the death of the two witnesses. For the Son of God bore witness of himself; and the Father who was in him also bore witness of him.

The Father and the Son in one Lord God, constituted the two witnesses; and when the church fell and died, the two witnesses were dead. The New Jerusalem is taken from this death while the Lord God-the man whom God made in his own image and likeness-sleeps through the mediæval or dark ages. At this time the New Jerusalem exists as John saw her when he penetrated, by his prescient vision, the distant future. She comprises the bones of the resurrection, the science of immortal life. The New Jerusalem is none other than the resurrected Christ in her spiritual quality, whence she must descend to formulate-in the natural-the manifest and material sons of God. The specific point of her descent is through the prophet of this age, in whom she is gathered, and around whom will be aggregated the anthropostic elements of the osseous nucleus, as she deposits the framework of the new kingdom. The New Jerusalem is the strength of the man in the osseous solution. She descends to meet her husband, the humanity about to be resurrected. "I John saw the Holy City, New Jerusalem, descending from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband." Her husband is the dead church, about to arise to life by virtue of her influx.

The Bones are Held in Solution in the Currents of the Encephalic Circulation.

Perhaps the student will bear with us as we recapitulate the factors of that physiological process, through which the fluids of the brain hold in solution and thence precipitate the osseous structure. The primary deposit of that which contributes to the anatomical framework of the human organism, is made in the pineal gland or conarium. It is a composite precipitate into the gland, from the secretions entering the gland from both the cerebrum and cerebellum, the ultimate fibers of both these organs terminating at the conarium. The basis of this precipitate is carbonaceous.

In the action of the two brains, and by virtue of the contraction of the fibres of the crura pinealis, the secretion is discharged into the aqueduct of Sylvius, where it is dissolved. It thence passes through the third ventricle to the tuber cinereum, passing through the infundibulum (funnel) into the glandula vitæ or pituitary gland. Here an elaboration takes place which formulates various secretions, which pass out in as many channels; but especially at this point is the magneto-electric energy produced, which converges through the fibres of the dura mater to the apex of the ethmoid. The electric fluid, meeting a counter current, begins the deposition of the bones of the body. The spiritual world, centering in the New Jerusalem, corresponds to this operation in the human brain; one being a physiological function of the microcosm, the other constituting the analogical correspondence in the anthropostic macrocosm.

As in the vidual the currents of energy descend into the body, depositing first the bone, then the muscle and the various solids of the body, until the flesh rounds out and perfects the living, active, and symmetrical form, so will the bones (strength) held in solution in the New Jerusalem, first precipitate in the framework of the solidarity of a new social fabric. The perfect skeleton of the universal man must first be formed, then will follow the perfection of the structure, as it is rounded out into organic life.

As Described in Ezekiel, the Bones Must First be Resurrected, After Which the Flesh Will Be Put Upon Them.

We are just now reaching the period in the precession of the equinoxes, corresponding to the time when it was said, God made man in his own image and likeness, after which he breathed into his nostrils the breath of lives, and man became a living soul. The process of communicating the afflatus of immortality is a uniform vitalizing impartation, invariably proceeding from the personal Messianic manifestation and power. God never overshadows the human race but through, first, the personal Messiah, thence through his theocrasis (translation), from which proceeds the baptism. The inspiration of the church nineteen hundred years ago, was the inbreathing of the Holy Spirit proceeding directly from the theocrasis of the Lord. That was the baptism of the inner life of man. The baptism to come will be the baptism of the external personal forms of those who will comprise the external arch-natural kingdom.

The spiritual or internal man of the primitive church breathed the Holy Spirit, when that man had sufficiently matured to exercise the function of respiration. The man was first created, the spiritual lungs were developed, then came the breath of God, the Holy Spirit-proceeding directly from the Lord's personality, and the spiritual man became inspired. Now there must first be structured the organic arch-natural model; the empire must be formulated into its organic shape, then comes the Messianic theocrasis, thence the absorption (the baptism), when the kingdom is ushered into its organic life.

There can be no haphazard work of construction. The fabrication of the empire will be according to the laws of astrological order, and personalities will be chosen and adjusted in the building of the temple of the arch-natural city and kingdom, according to the meridians and parallels of celesto-terrestrial relation and origin. A wiser than Solomon arises to determine and adjust the elements of the anthropostic structure. He is the Good Shepherd, and his sheep will hear his voice. The wolves will come also.

The Science of Mental Therapeutics. Part VI.

Genuine Healing is the Restoration of Man to Natural Immortality Through the Messianic Focus, the Polar Point of Human Aspiration.

THE PROCESS of genuine healing, or the perfect physiological restoration of man to immortality and incorruptibility, attains its climax in the production of the sons of God. This mortal shall put on immortality, and this corruptible shall put on incorruptibility, signifies that we shall be changed, not in some other world, but right here in the body. It is the province of the great Physician to so apply the laws of life, as to determine the destiny of the race toward this zenith of human aspiration and the divine purpose.

So soon as the lovers of Koreshanity are sufficiently imbued with the supreme importance of our work as to begin to be actuated by the life it inculcates, physiological changes will be made manifest, and the causes of mental and physical disturbances will be eliminated from the vidual organism. Health will gradually overpower disease, and physical disability will gradually succumb to the overmastering potency of the radiating emanations from the fountainhead of the elixir of life.

What gave the Lord his power to heal? In other words, why was it possible for dynamis (virtue) to go forth from him? First, because, as the recognized Messianic focus, he became the center of influx of human desire. The energies generated in the wills of those who looked for his appearing, flowed into him as their central focus of aspiration; second, because, by virtue of his being the central point of human involution, he had that power of resistance by which he could transpose whatsoever of sensuality was convergent from human imperfections, to righteousness potentialized in him and redistributed to those who received virtue from him.

He was the polar point of human love. This made

of him the magneto-electric nucleus of potential energy. It constituted him also the center of human hatred, and by virtue of these two conflicting potentialities he redissolved, at the consummation of his hour, to that overshadowing spiritual emanation by which the world was baptized, and by which the new age entered upon its significant and progressively glorious career.

The Lord Jesus the Christ was the focal point of both the substances of love from those who loved him, and of hatred from those who hated him. These two forces insured his theocrasis, and by these was his visible and tangible body dissolved and reduced to pneumic energy-Holy Spirit. Every atom entering into the components of his physiological structure was destroyed as matter and transited to energy. He, as Holy Spirit, was absorbed by his disciples. The Holy Spirit was a fluid. It was substantial;-it was the substance of his body. It was composed of the thousands of spiritual entities gathered into himself as declared: "He gathered the lambs with his arm, and carried them in his bosom." This absorption was in perfect agreement with his previous declaration: "My flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. * * * Whoso eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day," at the end of the dispensation.

The Lord in his descending and divine animal life was precipitated into his church. The church thus ate him; that is, appropriated his life and fulfilled what he had declared to his followers. The eucharist and the Lord's supper, also the covenant in the various churches, are a misunderstood representation of this great and marvelous truth of the Christian system, the Lord was eaten. He was the Passover Lamb, and his personality, in the manifest external life of Jehovah, passed over from the Jewish age to the disciples and church of the Christian age, and the Lord was buried in the race, to rise again at the close of the dispensation. This is also in conformity to the Buddhistic conception of absorption into Nirvana. The only distinction between the Buddhistic and the Christian being that one—the Christian—is the principle in application, while in theosophy, as derived from Buddhism, it is a vagary accompanying a practical denial of the Messianic potency and office of the Son of God.

The potential energy which in the Lord began to assume the force of kinetic energy in the vitalizing dynamis (dunamis) that proceeded from him, even before his theocrasis, began its work prior to his crucifixion, increasing in power until after his resurrection it culminated in his magneto-electric combustion. The Lord's power to heal constituted the least part of the philosophic potentiality of the Messianic presence; and it is the acme of absurdity to call the quackery of so called "christian science" healing, Christian science. The Lord was severe in his denunciation of those who defiled the external symbol of his Father's house; a greater denunciation and castigation await the present hypocritical perversion of the sacred temple, which that Hebrew structure was intended to portray. So called "christian science" is a mercantile prostitution of a

greater temple than the typical one of Solomon; and when "the Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple [in his potential force], even the Messenger of the Covenant [conjunction], whom ye delight in," he will hurl from the sacred precincts of his holy temple, these desecrators and defamers of his resurrecting Word.

Lest it appear from what has been written, that we deny the power of suggestion in certain mental and physical changes accruing from the influences of hypnotism, we would most emphatically state that suggestion is often sufficient to gain the acquiescence of an external personality, as well as to insure the response of a spiritual entity. Sometimes more than simple suggestion is necessary. From the Lord Jesus, a mere suggestion to the spirits possessing the man of Gadara was sufficient to insure their departure. Suggestion from him was enough, because they knew who he was, the Holy One of God, and they said, "Art thou come hither to torment us before the time?" If some other man than the Lord Jesus had attempted to dislodge them, we have no assurance that he would have met with the same response. The probabilities are to the contrary.

Spiritual entities who love the habitation (the man) in which they dwell, are only too willing to perform the bidding of the central mind around which they cluster; and they await the dictates of this mind to speed them on their mission of mercy, when this is the office indicated, or to counterfeit the miracles of the Lord, when the mind around which they group is antichristian.

Business Success Through Mental Force.

Sarcastic Suggestions Concerning the Formation of a Gigantic Trust to Increase the Ills of Humanity in the Interests of Physicians, Druggists, and Undertakers.

MONEY is all the rage. It was the prime factor in "the temptation of our first parents." "The love of money is the root of all evil." As life in the world is useless without this *root*, we have concluded to give our readers the information requisite to its procurement. If our readers are abreast of the times, they are well posted upon the importance of and necessity for the pooling of issues for the purpose of acquiring this world's goods.

A large class of people is coming to recognize the influence of mind upon mind and matter. "Christian scientists," spiritualists, faith healers, hypnotists, mental scientists, *et al*, have turned this knowledge into the regular channel of commercial intercourse. What the Lord did through his love for the world, these mountebanks are doing for speculation. Now there are two points worthy of consideration for those who desire to make money. The first is, that what the mind has power to do for good,—as represented by the Lord—the devil has the power to do for evil. As "the love of money is the root of all evil," and as money is the god which the world worships, we have discovered a way in which this god may be successfully appeased, and we hasten to inform our readers of the discovery.

Our readers are not ignorant of the fact that the formation of trusts is getting to be the recognized channel of successful commercial enterprise. Our second subject for consideration, and the corollary of the first, is that we regard a great trust combination as the surest and most expeditious method of attaining this greatly desired boon for mankind in the present exigency.

The influence of mind which one individual may possess over another, might be placed upon the general basis of faith, and the exercise of it might be called prayer, in order to harmonize the mind on a potential point of unification. Pool the prayers, then, is the first suggestion. Let the doctors, undertakers, "christian scientists," hypnotists, spiritualists, mental healers, massage operators, and mental therapeutists pool their interests for a general commercial trust, and pray for more people to get sick, and more people to die. This would make business lively for all concerned. The druggists could afford to enter into the same combination, as they are a numerous class, and the people don't take drugs enough to make business enterprising for the M. D.'s. Such a combination would obviate the necessity for so much special legislation for the medical fraternity, which believes its craft is in danger from the tendency—gaining ground—toward a repugnance in the mind to a transformation of the stomach of the common humanity from the ordinary duty of grinding sausage to that of a chemical laboratory and drug repository.

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The Restoration of Divine Imperialism.

BERTHALDINE, MATRONA.

ESUS the Christ has been claimed by the anarchists as the great exemplar of anarchy; by the socialists as the chief apostle of socialism. Equally legitimate is the claim that He was the Pre-Eminent Imperialist whom kings by divine right have recognized as King of kings and Lord of lords. It is written of him that "He spake as one having authority, and not as the scribes." We hear him calmly announcing, "One is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren." As the fulfilment of the prophecy,"Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, the Mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace," he legitimately looks humanity in the eye and says,"Thou shalt have no other gods before me." This is rank imperialism; a declaration of himself, a man, as the absolute center of absolute authority, to whom all humanity is morally bound to address the query, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?"

The entire universe is supremely an expression of imperialism. In its organization we find a central sun, surrounded by all grades of tributaries and dependencies of varying degrees of potency, planes of activity, and qualities of function. We find all these surrounding expressions of being, dependent upon that central sun for their specific vitalizations and emplacements in relationship to the sun and to each other. The supreme end of their being is obviously that of the maintenance of their imperial sun, their own recognized life source and the supremeglory of their ultimate existence. Corresponding to this alchemico-organic revelation of the universe as an imperial system, we look for an anthropostic expression of the same, and primarily we seek the Son of man-the projected involved apex of the organovital universe; we look legitimately for his surrounding dependencies and sustenance, for a divine aristocracy, a divine republicanism, a divine socialism, a divine anarchy, a divine individualism.

The final form of universal perfected human government must and will be an anthropostic organic unity, the veritable counterpart of what is revealed to us by the true science of the physical universe. It is written that "God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he

made the stars also. And God set them in the firmament of heaven to give light upon the earth, and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness." It is written also that these lights were to be "for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years." For nineteen centuries, millions of the noblest and truest spirits of the anthropostic universe, as stars, have shone on through the cycles of the great falling away, earth's ever-deepening night; they have confronted Jehovah Jesus, and sung, "Sun of my soul, thou Savior dear." They have recognized him, the man Christ Jesus, as the stellar center of that celestial sphere, which projects on its spiritual confines the solar light of the spirito-natural heavens to give light to them that are in the earth, of whom it is written: "A people which sat in darkness saw a great light." The long night of the ages is now ending, because the Sun of the natural heavens, the Sun of true science, is arising and shining to dispel it. The Morning Stars are singing together to arouse the sleeping sons of men: "Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.'

It is rational to believe that as sin came by man. and death by sin, so by man must come also salvation from that sin and resurrection from that death, according to the universal law of perpetuity. Since the Lord projected himself as spiritual energy into a race dead in trespasses and sins, that energy must ultimate in the circumferential man of that race, who, by virtue of being the apex of its median line of infoldment, embodies in himself the power and possibilities of giving the most perfect expression of that projected energy of Jehovah in the natural and scientific degree. This circumferential man of the completed cycle of the Gentiles is the FULNESS OF THE GENTILES. He is the stellar center of the arch-natural, or divine sonship of the Golden Age; he is the restored Israel of God. Around him as the Emperor, the Wonderful, the Counselor, must gather the lost tribes upon whom is written, Lo Ammi (not my people), in that they forsook the altars of their God Jehovah, rejected his circumcision, and neglected his sabbaths. To these lost ones does the fulness of the Gentiles come, that he may be to them a circumcision and a Savior, to the outermost courts of their polluted

flesh, that they may return like the prodigal and shine forth as the sun of the arch-natural heavens in the kingdom of their Father.

This circumferential or Gentile man, this Sun of science, this Builder with the plumb-line of commercial equation, declares the end of the times of the Gentiles, and himself as their Sign; he declares the presence of Aquarius in the land of Ephraim, who pours the water of science, the water of regeneration, upon the soil planted with the seed of Jehovah, that it may bring forth his life to inherit his throne. The great antitype of Daniel's vision is about to be reformed from chaotic humanity, in whom the spirit of Jehovah is awaking to deliver up the kingdoms of this world to the Father, the imperial Head of a theocracy, who will reveal the glory of Jehovah and inherit the earth.

Those who mentally shrink from the contemplation of the establishment of an imperialistic system of universal government, do so because all that they have known of imperialism has been learned from the history of the dark ages from which we are just emerging. This emergence is owing to the activities of the spirit of the truth now operating in the most matured mentalities, opening their understanding of the principles of scientific organic unity, and to the truth that the laws and principles operative in one domain are correspondentially operative in all. We find the physical universe to be an imperial system of alchemico-organic life. We find the human organism to be an imperialism; even the brain itself has an imperial, governing center. The rational faculties exercised in the study of the universal operations of law, and not educational prejudices, should be the powers to serve us in our efforts to attain the science of perfect human government, and our protection from all forms of imperialism now so liable to manifest themselves from the realms of the ruling plutocracy, whether we like it or not.

The imperial Head of the divine order will certainly appear to all who hunger and thirst for the righteousness of the imperial law; for his Sign in the heavens and in the earth, the true science which is the power by which the divine imperialism will be established, is already operative in the minds of men, and nothing can hinder the vortex of the coming revolution from drawing into itself all who have eaten of the passover Lamb, and have received the mark of the blood of the new covenant upon the lintel and upon the door-posts.

The pre-eminent characteristic of the legitimate imperial Head of the divine order must be rational self-control; this is supreme dominance, and the only dominance that commands the respect of the rational mind. This is the perfect work of patience, of long suffering, forbearing love, love which seeketh not her own. Such love generates the legitimate ruler, the King by divine right, who can rule well the great household of intelligent faith, which adds to its faith virtue, and to its virtue knowledge. Before him every knee shall bow, and every tongue confess, "Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him." He shall rule over us as our Sun and our Shield.

In the Editorial Perspective.

THE EDITOR.

MAN IS ANALOGOUS to the great living organic cell of the physical universe; he involves all that the universe contains; not on the scale of dimension, but in elements and functions. Man is the highest product of universal activity, and necessarily contains all of the kinds of alchemical substances that the great macrocosmic world contains. Prof. Langley, in his "New Astronomy," referring to the exhibits in the British Museum, of all the material substances of which man is composed, in the exact proportion as they exist in the human system, says: "They suggest not merely the complexity of our constitutions, but the identity of our elements with those found by means of the spectroscope, not alone in the sun, but even in the far distant stars and nebulæ, and its conclusions lead us to think that the ancients were nearly right when they called man a microcosm or little universe. We have literally within our bodies samples of the most important elements of which the great universe is composed, and you and I are not only like each other, brothers in humanity, but children of the sun and stars in a literal sense, having bodies made in great part of the same things that make Sirius and Aldebaran." Within the limitations of the great cell of the physical world are two universes, specifically related and co-ordinated, each complete and perfect, analogous in every respect,-the alchemico organic world, and the organo-vital, or world of man. How does man obtain all of the elements of the physical world? The perfect man is the

universe infolded; he is the highest product of the physical universe, the *seed* of the great cosmos, and involves all its functions and materials. When man understands himself he understands the great universe, its form and its functions; and when he applies the knowledges and laws of the great cosmos he reaches the pivot of involution, the apex of being, the climax of existence; he completes his ascent, and sits upon the throne of the universe as its Creator and God. If the universe is not a unit, if it is not a cell which produces man as its seed of perpetuity, how does man involve its substances and functions? The Copernican system cannot relate man to the stars and nebulæ supposed to be trillions of miles distant!

"The founders of nearly all religions were ignorant men, who could neither read nor write." The founders of the world's great religions—religions which have prevailed in the world to any considerable extent, were men of extraordinary character. The degree of superficial smartness which penned the above agnostic expression, with a little ability to decipher the orthographical symbols of one language, presumes superiority over the minds of great religious reformers and founders, who possessed mental dynamis sufficient to impulse the minds of millions of people for thousands of years! It means something to stand at the head of a dispensation, at the head of great cycles; to involve the life of a race or of a world, elaborate the forces. transmute the negative substances to the positive state, the energies of darkness to light, and radiate them into the heart and mind of generations. It is greater to think from the standpoint of the highest principles, to stand at the center of circumspection of great circumferences and become the positive impulser of the mental world, than to be a mere negative cesspool for all the rubbish and absurdities of hundreds of conflicting fallacies of modern science. No agnostic will ever, or can ever, reach the plane of influence of Jesus the Christ, or even of Buddha, Confucius, or Mahomet, for the simple reason that truth is greater than fallacy, and the heroes of truth reach a higher plane of actual influence and *force* in the world, than all the devotees of fallacy !

Concerning the futility of modern scientific research, Popular Science contains the following:"Certain it is that the scientist is at present baffled in his search for this ignis fatuus which we call life. Just as he thought he had almost reached it by chemical means, it has slipped from his grasp and he finds that it is not a chemical problem at all. Where to turn his attention now, he hardly knows. But science is never satisfied, and we may confidently expect that his probe will in time, be turned in a new direction, and who can tell with what successes, and with what disappointments?" The time is at hand when the scientists of the modern world will be compelled to make more astounding admissions than the above; it will be when they have turned in all directions and failed in utter disappointment. Chemistry, astronomy, physics, geology, medical and psychical research, have all failed. Koreshan Science, promulgated from the basis of scientific principles and demonstrated facts, will soon claim the attention of the world in the evidences of the solution of the problems and mysteries of life and existence; and win a following among the millions !

The evolutionist laughs at the modern Christian idea that the universe began to exist about 6,000 years ago, and attempts to put its beginning still further back,-a million years, perhaps. We object to both conclusions. The great universal structure is eternal, and yet we believe in the beginning and the end. The beginning of the world was only nineteen hundred years ago, when the heavens and the earth were created. The supreme cause of the universe is Man, manifest in his perfection at the beginning of the present dispensation,-the Seed Man, Jesus the Christ, the only kind of a Creator, the only kind of a true God, the only beginning and ending the world has ever had. Jesus was the first man of the universe, just as McKinley is the first man,-holding the highest position of any man in America; yet there were men living before Jesus, and men lived before Adam. The world has always lived, and will always live. In the seed, cause and effect are one; the seed is the beginning and the end of a world or cycle of creation.

A class of reformers think that papacy is the most formidable foe of human liberty. Is it an evidence of wisdom to find one enemy and ignore all the others? Protestantism is not better and no worse than Catholicism; there is a semblance of organic unity in the mother of harlots, while the forces of disintegration are operative in the scores of daughters. The worst enemy to the human race is that which deprives it of the liberty to live; that reduces millions to poverty; that steals away its energies expended in the products of industry; that which reduces the majority of the human family to abject slavery. The Founder of Koreshanity has discovered the cause and source of *all* the world's evils. It is not papacy alone, but the *love* of money; it is the superstition, false economy, and perverted commerce in church, state, and sex. The oligarchy of the millionaire is more oppressive than the hierarchy of Catholicism; but even this will soon be no more, for the ax is laid at the root of the tree!

Cyrano de Bergerac has been revived in the nineteenth century in many ways—not alone in the odd drama played by Mansfield. The quaint French author lived three hundred years ago, and first conceived the idea of the heavenly bodies being inhabited. His work, "The Comical History of the States and Empires of the Worlds of the Sun and Moon," was written as pure fiction; but in the mind of the modern astronomer, it has become a matter of actual belief! The old work of fiction has become the groundwork of the occult astronomy of Flammarion, and the theories of Schiaparelli, Lowell, and others. Who has not thought of the inhabitants of the world being mere parasites upon a large animal, with the hair as forests, the pores as springs, and the boils as mountains? This was Cyrano's original idea. It has not changed its character in the modern idea of the inhabited convex earth; it is fiction still !

People suppose that the weather is diseased, and that human beings can catch its infimities; they take the croup, the grippe, coughs, and colds out of the atmosphere, as it were. These diseases are human; they do not affect the weather. They were not found in high Arctic latitudes by Peary, Nansen, and other explorers; but upon return to settlements, the little epidemics of colds and sneezes were frequent. Men do catch such afflictions from the atmosphere—the mental atmosphere, which corresponds to the physical atmosphere. In the mental world there are storms and blizzards and cyclones raging; extremes of temperature exist there the same as in the external world. From the mental conditions are derived all the epidemics and ills of the human family.

Chemists are continuing to discover new elements in the atmosphere. Some time ago, they thought the air was composed of oxygen and nitrogen only; now the conclusion is that it contains helium, krypton, neon, and argon, and possibly many other elements yet undiscovered. Different processes of analyzation have revealed different elements. The question might be asked, Why were not all of the elements revealed when argon was discovered? Because in the different analyses, different vortices were created, which attracted different energies of gravity and levity; and the materializations resulting from the processes of analyzing the elements, are mistaken for the resolved elements of the atmosphere.

Out of 70,000,000 people of the United States, only 28,000,-000 are members of religious denominations. During the past nine years, the Jews have increased in numbers 766 per cent; the "christian scientists," 702 per cent; the Mormons, 52 per cent; and the spiritualists, none—according to the statistics. We saw a statement a short while ago that there are a million "christian scientists" in America; but the records show them to be 930,000 *short* of a million, while there are only 45,000 spiritualists and 3,000 theosophists, according to count of 1898. There are about 40 principal denominations in the United States; in all, 143 factions or fragments of beliefs, and only *one* System of Universology.

The people are raising the question whether vaccination is a preventive against smallpox; others question whether physicians actually cure diseases. There is no doubt about it; they generally do. Their work is not to kill *or* cure, but to kill *to* cure; in this they are a great success ! Vaccination effectually prevented a Cleveland lad recently from taking the smallpox. He was vaccinated at a free dispensary; three days afterward he was attacked with the lockjaw, and upon being attended by three physicians, he *died*. The deadly virus did its work, and the patient will never be in danger of being afflicted by any contagious disease !

The moral incentive supposed to reside in the idea that death ends all, is that man should treat his brother well in the natural world because there is no other life for such a purpose. It works the other way too; judging from the general conduct of humanity, it seems to be the impression of the world that this is the only sphere in which man can be ruled in despotism, maltreated and despised, and many are making the best of it!

The Adventists are looking for Jesus to drop down through the clouds of the physical world; according to the laws of regeneration taught by Jesus, he will *rise* in the resurrection. He went away going up, and will come again going up; in the meantime, he has descended into hell. The usual idea is on a par with the man who expected the sun to rise where it set—in the West.

The salvation army will endeavor to drum the fading colors of modern Christianity into the Filipinos. When the missionaries are followed up by the latest brands of alcoholic spirits, to keep company with the spooks that follow the tambourine, the work of civilizing the savages will be well under way.

America concludes that the Filipinos cannot rule themselves—a virtual acknowledgment that independence is a failure. Even in America republicanism is a delusion, applied only in the work of disintegration; the government itself is an oligarchy.

The modern religious fads claim that the central ego of every man is God Almighty. Jesus drew the lines between himself and the world. The central ego of the immortal man 's God; that of the *mortal* man is from its father, the devil !

This is the year of the conjunction of the principal planets of the universe; also the year of the conjunction of all the principal corporations of the world in the formation of trusts, combinations, and conspiracies against the rights of the people.

Laws made at the instigation of the medical fraternity, make it a crime to die without medical attention; but it is perfectly legitimate for millions to die under the skilful ministrations of the regular physicians ! The inhabitants of the brain cells, the thought entities which correspond to viduals in the natural world, live on the *inside* of the cells. Every thought world is hollow; the physical cosmos is cellular.

The United States conducts religious services in all its legislative assemblies through the medium of salaried chaplains; but the lawmakers find the quickest response to their prayers to the almighty dollar!

The worst schisms in the world are Catholicism, mysticism, higher criticism, and agnosticism; while the most formidable isms are Methodism, spiritualism, and the rheumatism.

The hierarchy of Catholicism in the prostitution of the doctrines of life, is built upon the lowerarchy of sensualism in the prostitution of the *energies* of life.

The man who considers himself above the truth or its source, cannot comprehend it; to understand it he must stand under it, and be its disciple.

When the anthropostic stars fall from heaven, the world will witness a stupendous mental meteoric and pyrotechnic display.

Leave a trouble where you find it; if you take it with you it will grow, tax your energies, and vitiate your life.

The wave of prosperity for the workingman is a cold one; for the millionaire it is the balmy breeze of luxury.

The coming social revolution will be the battle of Gog and Magog, the syna-gogue and the de-magogue.

Both life and death are the result of the operation of the immutable laws of being.

There will be no franchises granted to street-car companies in the New Jerusalem.

The coming eclipse of the sun of fallacy will be everlasting.

The best man in the world always gets the worst of it!

Lunatics do not regulate the clock of the universe.

Fallacy is the tail that wags the world.

The serpent makes the coil spring.

Editorial Discussions, Chats, and Correspondence.

THE EDITOR.

Comfort to the Bereaved.

I have just returned from attending the funeral of my brother's only child, around which clung the deepest affection and love known to mortal beings. They had a Methodist minister to perform the ceremony; and in that hour of extreme anguish, I must say that his words seemed to bring some comfort to the bereaved parents and friends. Now, I write this to know how, from a Koreshan standpoint, you would treat the case of the loss of a beloved child? Can you speak words that would assuage the grief of the broken-hearted parents?—F. E. W., Salem, O.

The different religions of the world hold different conceptions regarding the condition of the soul after dissolution; and the devotees are satisfied to accept the conceptions taught them in childhood as sacred, and consequently comforting in case of death of children, relatives, or friends; and they would be satisfied with nothing else. The Buddhist priest comforts the Buddhist mother. It might have been asked of the disciples of Jesus, Can you give the mother as much consolation as the priest? Certainly not, so long as the mother entertained the fallacious conceptions of the condition and whereabouts of her child, and felt comforted in her delusions.

Every religious denomination has its own spiritual world; the interior mental world of any particular religious body is the spiritual world of that body. Those who die in the full faith of any particular religious sect, go into the spiritual world of that sect,—that is, into the minds of the members of that sect. The real point of comfort to the bereaved mother, is the promise that she will find and recognize her child when she enters the same spiritual world. So far, it is *true*; the delusion is, that such a division of the spiritual world is the heaven of the Almighty. Where the love of offspring is strong, the spirit of the child returns to the parents.

One of the greatest satisfactions that can be experienced in the world, is obedience to the laws of life. The greatest love possible is the love enjoined in the laws which Jesus obeyed,—love to the Almighty and to the neighbor. The supremest love leads to the supremest heaven. The mortal love generated and fostered in the human family is on the plane of the personalities in that plane, and the mind remains in the divisions of the mortal humanity or hells, until the loves and desires of the mind are transposed to the supreme love of the personal Messiah and the truth which he imparts. The mortal love is more concerned about the welfare of members of one's family than any others; and the endeavor to follow the deceased child into other conditions of being, without a knowledge of where it has really gone, or the condition it is in, begets anguish and mourning. Though the mother believes her child has gone to heaven, she mourns because it has gone. Her desire and belief are antagonistic.

When the equilibrium of desire and belief is attained in the absolute truth of being and existence, there is no mourning. The confidence in the immutable laws of the universe, which provide for the ultimate salvation of every vidual in the universe, excludes anguish and grief. There is no mourning for the true Koreshan, because his love is not selfish, but reaches above the mortal plane into the highest possible spheres of being, where more good can be accomplished for unfortunate members of the human family who fall victims of corruptible dissolution, than to go to the child in its mortality and incompleteness. Under such circumstances as cited above, the Koreshan System gives the comfort of certainty, the guaranty of absoluteness; but it can be of no use to those not receptive to its principles. In contrast with the vague conceptions entertained in the modern church, we consider that such comfort is solid comfort indeed, the most substantial that can be given, the most assuring that can be entertained by any mind. But those out of sympathy with the truth, of course could not accept its conclusions concerning the inevitable and actual disposition of viduals they have loved and lost.

Material Records are Obliterated.

If man has eternally existed, and every 24,000 years the same or similar conditions prevail, does it not follow that every part of the surface of the earth is the location of the same or similar conditions? If so, why is it that there are not some evidences of man's existence in past cycles in every part of the earth? For example, why are there not more pyramids and monuments, like those in Egypt, than there are? Is it contended that such records would be obliterated before the recurrence of another cycle?—J. L. T., Goldenrod, Tex.

The earth has always been inhabited; and there is not a square mile of the earth's surface where now are land and ocean, that has not at some time been the fields of activity of civilized man. Even though pyramids and monuments were enduring under ordinary conditions, continents themselves change, rise, and sink; floods and cataclysms occur and efface all evidences of habitation in parts of the earth. The poles of the earth change, and ice caps of the frigid zones cover what was once tropical and habitable. But monuments are not enduring from cycle to cycle. Even stone, the most enduring of all materials of which structures are made, undergoes oxidation, decomposition, or decay; stone structures finally crumble and fall, a heap of ruins. One of the oldest monuments in the world is the great Pyramid of Ghizeh in Egypt. Archeological specimens are found in many parts of the world, of great antiquity, -in mounds and cliff houses; but in a few more millenniums they will be entirely gone.

The best evidence that man has always existed, is the fact that he is here now. The fact that the universe exists, when analyzed and resolved into all that that fact means, is absolute evidence that it has always existed. The great system of revolutions and precessions of the sun, planets, and stars, some of which require thousands, others millions, of years to fulfil their cycles, has been in existence, not merely so long as to begin cycles and progress 6,000 years, but throughout all eternity of the past; over and over again, billions and billions of times the great wheels of the universal clock have measured cycle after cycle, and will continue to do so, on and on eternally. The laws of existence are the same now as they were decillions of decillions of ages ago, and will be the same as many ages in the future, and eternally without end. The records in the heavens are enduring; the monuments of human intellect, the knowledges of the universe in all the phases of activity of cosmic and human life, are more reliable than all the stone pillars and relics that can ever be dug up from the ruins of ancient worlds.

Suicide a Terrible Disaster.

Suppose a person is doomed to suffer from an incurable disease for life; is suicide advisable for such a person? Please answer in THE FLAMING SWORD.—A. K., Texas.

Nineteen hundred years ago, two remarkable personalities appeared in the world, two poles of mental activity,— Jesus and Judas. Jesus came as the light of the world; Judas was his antithet in every sense of the term. Jesus was the personal God, the involution of light; Judas was *the* personal devil, the involution of darkness. Jesus was betrayed by Judas; the dark disc cut off the currents of human sympathy, and Jesus was executed. At the same time the sun in the physical heavens was in a corresponding extraordinary eclipse. The two personalities went out of the world *voluntarily*; Jesus destroyed his body by divine dissolution, and went out of the world alive through processes of theocrasis; Judas destroyed himself by suicide. These facts reveal the character of the two processes; one is divine, and the other is satanic.

No person should ever yield to the suggestion of suicide. It is possible for the mind to rise above the affliction, even though it be pronounced incurable. One of the busiest women in New York City, is experiencing a lifelong invalidism and intense suffering, not having been out of her house for 43 years, nor off of her bed for 37 years; yet she is happy and contented. Miss Fancher, the famous psychic phenomenon, of New York, is blind and deaf, a confirmed invalid and sufferer; yet she supplies her own store with fancy needle work, and is always busy, happy, and contented, glad to live even under these most trying circumstances.

It is a mark of progress to occupy the mind so absolutely as to counteract the effect of suffering; such characters are heroes, and will reap an abundant reward in future embodiments, that will compensate for present suffering. It is a mark of the possession of retrogressive mental elements to resort to the crime of suicide; such characters are moral cowards; suicide is the result of seizure of the central ego of the mind by insurgent entities, and the result is disastrous in the extreme.

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Rejoicing in the Truth.

The Masses at Present Not Willing to Investigate the Profundities of Koreshan Universology.

I am seeking through the Koreshan literature you sent me several days past, to make inroads upon those who will become receptive to the truth. Sure, I am not meeting with much success; the masses are not able to comprehend it; in other words, they seek to rise no higher than their present state of life. Among those who profess to have attained to a state of salvation, and to be able to recognize the Messenger when he appears, I have thus far failed to find one to accept Koreshanity.

Their own selfishness (from which they claim truth has made them free) causes them to regard KORESH as a fraud of the keenest type. Deceived, they are not willing to accept and apply the laws that they may enter into the covenant of life. They seek to choose a king after their own vain imagination, a king coming down through the clouds. But thanks be to the Most High God, I have found the Messenger of Truth, who comes chosen, not by the will of the people, but through the force of truth, a manifestation of tangibility to heal the race! I have found one man, past the age of sixty, to accept Koreshanity. He has a good concept of truth; yet his past life has been one of many experiences. The laity at large regard him as utterly lost. With me, he agrees that KORESH possesses the grandest scientific intellect that has graced the tide of time since the Lord Christ of nineteen hundred years ago.

There is nothing in the Koreshan System that is objectionable to me. Many of its laws I had partly applied before I learned of Koreshanity, hence the revolu-tion is acceptable to me. I am free from the vile habits of the world, and am desirous of being filled with the wisdom and knowledge of Universology, and to apply all its laws so as to lift me from the lowest to the highest in life. I came into the Koreshan field voluntarily; it was not forced upon me in any way. The grand forced upon me in any way. The grand and beautiful conception of the universe gave me a fulness which I am unable to express in words; but those not receptive truth rate me far beneath their own vile concepts; hence persecution goes on in the hells and corruptions of humanity. Yours for greater knowledge of Life.-C. D. SHELLABARGER, Ohio.

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First Impressions of Investigators of Koreshan Universology.

Has Studied Koreshanity for Over Ten Years and Hopes to See Its Equitable System Prevail.

All of my impressions in regard to your Universal, unique theories have been favorable from the very first. I have now studied the Universal Science of KORESH for over ten years; I have tested the assertions made in regard to the "illusions of sight," and applied the well-known principles of perspective in making observations across the waters of Lake Michigan, and on the great plains of the West, and am firmly convinced that our earth is not convex! The generally accepted theory of Copernicus is only one of the many forms of delusion,-the great spirit of iniquity that now rules the social, moral, and commercial conditions of humanity.

I am also very deeply interested in the Science of KORESH as it pertains to the production and distribution of the necessaries and luxuries of every-day life. I have lived in and near the wonderful business center of Chicago for over sixty years, and have been engaged in active business operations enough to know the immense power and terrible effects of the great combinations of "octopus middlemen,"-the jobbers, commission houses, merchant princes, and their accessories, the bankers, the railroads, and other syndicates. The mission and purpose of all these middlemen, in the dawning "new era," can be brought to a close, or changed into more equitable operations for the salvation of humanity, only by the earnest, active, and unselfish counter operations of patriotic manhood and womanhood; if this change, and the more equitable system of KORESH, can be put into practical operation, it will be that which the world so much needs; it will be one of the "greater works" to be done, as spoken of by Jesus; it will help to give new life and immortality to the world. The world now needs to adopt this system, and then to organize to putitin practice. This can be done without opposing a single law of the land. The constitutional and legislative enactments of nearly every state in our union now provide for the organization of beneficent, charitable, and educational institutions, and not for profit, as are all our moneymaking institutions.

It seems to me, that the Koreshan Unity can secure a charter and proceed to organize and operate as a beneficiary, educa-tional, business enterprise, which shall include the production and distribution of goods for the material needs of suffering humanity. I hope to see this good work done, not to win profit for a few, but for God and humanity .- "UNCLE SAM."

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Words of Welcome for the Cellular Cosmogony.

Observations on the Water's Surface Easily Grasped by New Readers.

I have somewhat of a favorable report to make concerning the CELLULAR COSMOG-ONY. I have disposed of all of the 12 copies I had from you; 8 copies are paid for,

In the Denver Public Library.

Flaming Sword:-

The Public

Library has received your publication for some time, and made good use of it in the Free Reading Room. We find it one of the best journals of its kind published.

But we are not able to subscribe for it. If you can continue sending it to us gratis, will you kindly sign this letter and return it to us?

THE LIBRARIAN.

Denver, Colo.

and the other 4 I am sure will be. They are given to people to examine and make a report upon. One report came in that the party was unable to understand any of it after reading one third of the way through. I suggested that the party read the last two thirds, then the other. The party began reading the last half, and came to me with the question, "What can one do with those experiments? How can we get around it if they saw that target on the canal, and the water under it ?" Those experiments made on the canal, and such as seeing ships and the Sanibel light, are easily grasped by the ordinary mind; and while that made by the Rectilineator is the most conclusive, it is not so easily grasped, because I believe not all minds possessed with a mechanical sense.

I enclose money order for \$15; this will perhaps overpay for what I have; please send me another dozen books, and I will sell what I can, and the balance I will leave at the news stands. I have not been to the University yet, but I expect to go as soon as the other books come.—R.W. GRAY, TEXAS.

Being Circulated in Colleges.

I showed my roommate your book on the concave earth last evening, and explained as well as I could, some of its leading points. I saw him showing it to others in the college today. Tomorrow we are going to submit it to our professor in Greek for investigation, and see what he has to say of it. As for myself, I am open to convictions of truth in any branch of science; and if modern astronomy is false, I say, let us down with it and get right! Have you a treatise on astronomy other than the CELLULAR COSMOGONY? There are many things mentioned in the modern books of astronomy that I would like to have explained from the basis of the concave theory. [Our query department is open to questions on any point of Koreshan Science. Shall be glad to have you ask concerning any point of the Koreshan Astronomy you desire.—ED.]—H. E. S., Arkadelphia, Ark.

Cellular Cosmogony Being Investigated by U. S. Geodetic Surveyors.

Last Sunday being pleasant, we went on board the U.S. Survey vessel here. Dr. Cannon prevailed upon one of the officers to accept a copy of the CELLULAR COSMOGony with the understanding that he would look into it. The officer told him that he agreed with him perfectly concerning the present condition of the world and religion; but when it came to everything being crowded into the earth, he could not believe it, though he did not say that it was not so, because he did not know; he thought there must have been some mistake about the experiments. We were informed that he showed the book to another of the officers. So the officers and crew of one U.S. Survey vessel are investigating the Koreshan As-tronomy !-- MRS. L. P. CANNON, Cal.

THE CELLULAR COSMOGONY is the greatest revolution of thought, in the fewest words I have ever seen. It means life for as many as accept it; its rejection is outer darkness !---C. D. S., Mad River, O.

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A CTIVE SOLICITORS WANTED EVERYWHERE for "The story of the Philippines," by Murat Halstead, commissioned by the Government as Offi-cial Historian to the War Department. The book was written in army camps at San Francisco, on the pacific with General Merritt, in the hospitals at Hon-olulu, in Hong Kong, in the American trenches at Manila, in the insurgent camps with Aguinaldo, on the deek of the Olympia with Dewey, and in the roar of battle at the fall of Manila. Bonanza for agents. Brimful of original pictures taken by government photographers on the spot. Large book. Low prices. Big profits. Freight paid. Credit given. Drop all trashy unofficial war books. Outli free. Address, H. L. Barber, Gen. Mngr., 356 Dearborn St., Chicago.

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Welcomed.

Sword is Becoming More and More Interesting and Marvelous.

THE FLAMING SWORD is becoming more and more interesting and marvelous as the weeks go by. The anatomy of the human brain, the change from energy to matter and matter to energy, the laws of vision as explained in THE SWORD, are wonderful, and are gradually creeping through-or an understanding of them is creeping through -my perception. Yes, I am willing to be counted a fool for the sake of Koreshanity and its beautiful truths. I am but a rough frontiersman; but there is in me a high resentment when an attempt is made to lord it over me by the money god.

I will try find some one who will take an interest in the CELLULAR COSMOGONY. Perhaps if I had the beam out of my own eye, I might be able to find several. I cannot find much to say when beholding the immaculate wisdom of KORESH! How he opens up the Scriptures to my mind, and I can but wonder! Yes, it is God's voice, the same word spoken on the hills of Judea, the same word that came down through the Jewish race, that spoke through the prophets. I cannot write much that would be of interest to you, who are favored with good education and bright intellects, and above all, the privilege of being taught personally by KORESH; but I can say, God speed the year of release from this sin-cursed age, the year of establishment of the divine kingdom!— W. H. H., Hubbard, Minn.

Greatly Pleased with the Flaming Sword.

I am greatly pleased with THE FLAMING SWORD. I was impressed with the words of one of your correspondents, who said that the Copernican theory never gave him any pleasure or satisfaction. Now, that is just my case; while under the belief of Copernicus I was always uncomfortable and dissatisfied. It is so much of a comfort to feel that you rest in the "hollow of His hand," in a universe that I can, at least in some degree, understand.

Another point I wish to speak of: A paragraph in the "Editorial Perspective" contains this clause: "There are thousands of logical proofs from other premises than mechanical surveys." I frequently see that truth demonstrated. For instance, I read that during the last total eclipse of the sun a "strong earthy smell" pervaded the atmosphere. Now, what possible influence, from the Copernican point of view, could cause a "strong earthy smell," with the sun at a distance of 92,000,000 miles? It seems quite natural that it should be so from the standpoint of Koreshan Astronomy.—F. E. W., Salem, O.

Admires Our Bold Stand.

I do not endorse your religious views at all; but I like the novelty of your views, as well as your bold stand on the new and venturesome idea of the earth's concavity, by cramming the immensity of worlds so much larger than the earth (25,000 miles circumference) into it! Your CELLULAR COSMOGONY is sensible reading. I venture another dollar to see how you come out in 1899.—F. B. H., White City, Kansas.

There is so much of vital reform in Koreshan morals, so much taken up and demanded as practical for its members, which the churches have left undone, that Koreshanity appeals to the sympathy of every lover of truth.—T. A. P., Richland, Cal.

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Cleveland's Communism.

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The World's News.

Wednesday, February 22.

- Great boom of prosperity in Wall street; thousands gathered to speculate in stocks.
- Chicago engineers claim electric currents in trolley system are destroying water mains.
- Gen. Miller takes town of Santa Barbara, Island of Pana, Philippines.
- Pope writes Cardinal Gibbons, disapproving "Americanism," or liberal branch of Catholicism.

Thursday.

- Manila on fire; incendiary work of insurgents; over 600 residences burned; enormous loss and excitement result.
- Senator Davis pleads for expansion before Union League Club, Chicago.
- U. S. may annex Isle of the Pines, south of Cuba.

Friday.

Tammany Hall begins a crusade against Gould corporations in New York.

Americans and Filipinos engage in fierce battle at Tondo.

Rudyard Kipling seriously ill.

- National reform convention at Boston concludes that Jehovah is angry with America for omitting name of Christ from Constitution.
- Requium masses being sung over Catholic world for President Faure.

Saturday.

- Big dog show at Madison Square, New York.
- \$3,000,000 worth of beer to be sent to Klondike.
- Gen. Gomez enters Havana on anniversary of beginning of Cuban revolution; warmly greeted, and accorded military honors.
- Another battle in the Philippines near Manila.
- Depew, the railroad magnate, talks in favor of American expansion.
- Pope's letter the subject of general discussion.

Sunday.

- American army soon to evacuate Cuba; confidence in Gomez; peace assured; construction of government may soon begin.
- German cruiser near Manila creates anxiety with Dewey.
- Dr. Hillis, Bishop Morrison, and Dr. Gunsaulus bid good-by to Chicago congregations.

Senators still fighting over army bill.

Arabians in revolt against Turkish rule; chief Magistrate at Mecca to assume command; backed by English money and munitions.

Monday.

- Carnival demonstrations over Gen. Gomez in Havana; mass-meetings held, favoring independence.
- No hope for Rudyard Kipling to survive attack of pneumonia.
- Dreyfus case again considered in French senate.

New Hungarian cabinet formed.

Human skin being tanned and sold in London; new fad for jewel and card cases, and pocket books, and fancy leather products.

Tuesday.

- Filipino insurrection reported weakened, and leaders desire peace terms.
- Anglo-American concerns secure possession of Cuban railways.
- Startling rumors of a revolutionary plot to overthrow republic of France.
- Duc d'Arcos to be appointed Spanish minister to Washington.
- Brazilians attack French troops from Guiana, South America.

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