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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 English Lion and the Russian Bear.

Part II.

Swedenborg's Definition of the Bear; the Subject Considered From the Basis of Koreshan Astronomy; the Fate of England in the Bear's Embrace; Final Triumph of America.

EMANUEL SWEDENBORG—the greatest prophet and seer since the Lord and his disciples—has truthfully declared the bear to symbolize the power of the Word in ultimates. We have already hinted at the general significance of the bear, in its relation to divine natural things, as specifically pertaining to the resurrection of the dead. While we regard Swedenborg's statement as correct, it throws comparatively little light on the subject, because he does not define what the power of the Word in ultimates really embraces, as a scientific exposition. The ultimates of the power of causation, we find manifest in the structural physical universe and its functions. If we can furnish an exposition of the general and specific office of all the stars in their constellate arrangements, then we can certainly define the character of distinctive groups of stars in their correlative forms and motions, as relating to one another and to their terrestrial bearings.

The stars in the alchemico-organic (physical) cosmos, in their constellate order, have reference to the mental stars which occupy the organic forms of anthropotic existence; hence, the constellations in the alchemico-organic world pertain to corresponding groups of human beings in the organo-vital. Ursa Major in the alchemico-organic cosmos, corresponds to the great Bear in the organo-vital. The great Bear of the organo-vital is the empire of Russia. The function of the stars is to gather into themselves the electro-magnetic energies generated in the earth, to converge and focalize

them into the central star, and thence radiate them—changed in quality, revitalized—back to specific earth centers, whence they are radiated over the diversified strata of the crust of the earth.

The form and motions of the alchemico-organic groups are perfect and in harmony. Their correspondences in the organo-vital cosmos are in process of incubation, and are therefore chaotic (not developed); hence the conflict manifest in the anthropotic (human) relations.

Russia, as the great Bear, comprises the power of the Word in its adverse and detrimental aspects to divine organic life. The investigation of this subject comprehensively, from the basis of ultimate correspondences, involves something of a knowledge of the Koreshan System of astronomy. As the central star and sun make their annual spirals north and south, they radiate their polar energies, which at the north pole are gathered into a cometic zone of crystallic (crusic) energy, as a circumpolar ring of motion, with a momentum derived from the sun's eliminations. This ring has its corresponding electric circuit in the earth, as a circumpolar belt or zone, and both are related to the circumpolar groups of stars.

The cosmic terrestrial zone gathers into itself the surplus or wasted energy of the sun, year after year, as the sun makes his spiral journey to the North. When the zone has accumulated a specific amount of cometic energy, it breaks and contracts until the ring has



assumed the form of a lens, when it starts in its spiral toward the sun. This is the source of the comet, and the comet bears the energy to the sun, where it is absorbed. This constitutes one of the principal resources of the sun's replenishment. This office of bearing to the sun the forces of the resurrection or rejuvenation of its power, is called the bear or bearer, and the constellations which preside in their functions over this sphere of activity are called Ursa Major and Ursa Minor, because they are in the train of bearing—through the north polar star, both ascendingly and descendingly—the electro-magnetic energies of celestial and terrestrial activity.

The terminal star in the handle of the Little Dipper, or the end of the tail of Ursa Minor, is Polaris. Through this star the magnetic energies flow to the magnetic pole, and there they materialize at the terrestrial pole in the form of a metallic conglomeration, which comprises the north magnetic terminal of the polar axis. The electro-magnetic flow at this point is from the earth toward the pole of the celestial axis, and from the pole of the celestial to the pole of the terrestrial. In its descending flow, it hibernates (like the bear); in its ascending flow, it is a constant resurrection or restoration to life.

If we translate the language of physical symbolism into that of anthropostic form and function, we must regard the Lord Christ as the central Star. From this stellar nucleus, there radiated the electro-magnetism of his being,—his intellectual and affectional life. These radiated into humanity through "the power of the Word in ultimates," his power to precipitate his life into the world that, through the process of *bear-ing*, there might proceed the fruits of the resurrection, after hibernation. Just as the central star in the motion on its ex-centric, projects its orbital axis of magnetic energy to the north pole of that axis, and co-ordinately radiates its equatorial energy into the earth, whence it sweeps from the equator convergently toward the arctic re-

gions, so the forces from the central and personal Christ correspondentially operate in the human race.

Thus the inverted Christian power has aggregated in the Russian bear, which is now the most threatening power on the face of the earth. The most so, because it unites the secular and ecclesiastical potencies in one head, and because it is representative of the waning force of the most aggressive civilization. By the most aggressive civilization, we mean the Christian; and by its waning, we mean that the truth and life have departed from Christianity, and its power in the world as a Christian force is declining.

The bear is that power of the Word which, as before stated, lays down its life and takes it up again. It is the power of planting the life of the Son of God, and bearing the fruit of the Tree of Life—the sons of God. In the opposite and inverted sense, it is the power to destroy that in which the truth has been manifest, but from which it has declined.

We deduce from the foregoing, first, that as the life of Christianity has gone out of the heart of humanity,—represented by the British Lion,—therefore some power must arise to destroy this old and wicked heart: Second, that one of the peculiarities of the bear is to hug its victim to death, to shut off its wind, and crush the heart's action. Carrying out the symbolism, we would expect to see the Russian power extend its arms around the chest, the heart of the world's commerce, and destroy its potency. The only possibility of England's ever being able to avert the inevitable coming supremacy of Russia over Europe, is an alliance with the United States. England knows this, and for this reason has tried to curry special favor with this government. The present money power will be destroyed, and with it the central nation of commercial perversion. Russia is outwitting England in Eastern diplomacy, and the time is not far distant when Russia can dictate terms to England. A new power will then arise, which will stem and turn the tide of Russia's aggression.

## The Coming Pan-American Empire.

It is only in our united character as an EMPIRE, that our independence is acknowledged, that our power can be regarded, or our credit supported among foreign nations.—GEORGE WASHINGTON, in his Circular Letter of Congratulation and Advice to the Governors of the Thirteen States.

**T**HERE WILL come a time in the progress and history of the world, when the hells of human imperfection will become subjugated to the supreme dominance of a superior intellectual and moral force, regardless of the principles of so called liberty, into which some contend all men are born. This will be when universal empire sways the world, and when the principles of righteousness so dominate the legislative, judicial, and executive control of its inhabitants, as to force them

into the application of just and equitable principles in the regulation of society. Some government will arise, the righteousness of whose purpose—portrayed in its legislative enactments and the enforcement of just laws—will determine its right to imperial supremacy.

All grades of anthropostic development are the results of progressive and retrogressive experiences, humanity being subject to these two co-ordinating factors of progress. We find every condition, from the foremost advances of present civilization to the lowest grades of barbarism throughout the world. Governments exist and their monarchs reign, in which the elements of ferocity permeate the fabric from head to foot;



cruelty and inhumanity characterizing the liberty of self-government, which the nations of the world accord because of the recognized code of rights existing between various peoples. No nation in the world has the right to submit its own subjects, or the subjects of other nations, to barbarities and inhuman cruelties; and were any nation strong enough in moral character and material force to compel an uncivilized people to observe the principles of mercy and justice, that nation would

be morally obligated to take from such an uncivilized race, its liberty to encroach upon individual and collective human prerogatives.

The American nation, as now existing, is not necessarily the divinely-authorized imperial force to control the destinies of the world; but out of America shall arise the imperialism and power of expansion, which will absorb all nations and compel them to bow to its imperial mandate.

## The Fundamentals of Universal Being.

All Truth is Divine,—the Almighty in Spiritual Essence; Supreme Good in the Arch-Natural Degree; Messianic Involution of All Truth.

BERTHALDINE, MATRONA.

OWING to the fact that people esteeming themselves wise persist in demonstrating their ignorance of the keys of knowledge, it is necessary to reiterate the fundamental principles of unique and universal being. This reiteration may serve to finally awaken the dormant faculties of rationality in their minds, and stimulate them to activity. Truth is the Almighty in spiritual essence; good is the Almighty in arch-natural being. To become good we must know truth.

The science of law—operative correspondentially in all domains of existence—is foundational knowledge, the keys of which are the law of transmutation, or the cross, and the law of correspondence. The primary law operative in determining the nature and limit of our physical environment is the law of gravity, which gives us the vertical, by the use of the plumb, which vertical, or measure of integrity, must be the first factor in determining the form and size of what we denominate the material universe.

It is a primary axiom of Koreshanity, that everything in the universe has its opposite. If we recognize the existence of spirit, we must also recognize the existence of matter. Koreshan Science demonstrates the universe to be of one substance in two states; namely, matter and spirit. Form is an essential property of matter. The properties of form are length, breadth, and thickness. Without form there is no function. Limitation implies center and circumference. The interdependence of these for the perpetuity of each, is manifested by the reciprocal exercise of focalizing and radiating energies. The center is primary, being unique,—the throne or governing power of the universe, which is an imperial system, a reflection of Deity,—the perfect mind of the perfected humanity, on which a new name is written.

The new name is the most sacred name of Deity—Jehovah. The glory and most creative manifestation of Jehovah is the externally feminine manifestation of divine constructive power, which gives Deific birth to the many sons of Elohi. These form the Temple of God, with power and great glory in the midst thereof, foretold by the types and symbols given to the disciples of all ages, by the prophets of the law and the gospel. For comfort, people who are weary of the painful in-

completeness recognized in existing conditions, must turn to the law and the prophets, not alone as revealed by the testimony of Scripture, but by the complementary greater books of all Nature, which constitute the mirror of the Almighty. As we look with mortal eyes first into one book and then into another, we are made to feel our ignorance, and great fear falls upon the awakening mind, as we realize the profundity of our darkness.

It is written for our comfort, that the Almighty hides himself in thick darkness. Therefore, in the darkest hour preceding the dawn of a new day, or cycle of time, out of the darkness comes a voice, saying, "Fear not; " "Learn of me, for I am meek and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls." Lo! here is wisdom, ever awaiting the ignorant who seek wisdom and understanding. For the teachable, the door of the coming kingdom is always opened by the voice of God, the Elohi of the race, who speaks the Word by the tongue of all spheres.

There is always an interpreter provided for the pilgrims of the night, to the Mecca of the universe—the sun city. This interpreter is the science of the laws of life and immortality, brought to light by the obedience to the gospel of Jesus the Christ of nineteen centuries ago, of the one upon whom his cross was laid when he became the "man of sin," the burden-bearer of the world. This was Peter, the Rock, the Heart of stone, the Conarium of the universal brain. This conarium or astral nucleus of brain power by which the universe is esoterically governed, is the vital terminus of all the vitalizing fibers of the Grand Man, the anthropostic battery which projects, through its conarium, all the pneumatic energies which vitalize with the divine impregnation, the universal constructive form, from microcosm to macrocosm. This Stone, the white Stone bearing the new name, is known through Scripture as the Lamb, the Father, the begetter, who from external, arch-natural sonship, has attained all the power of external, arch-natural, universal Fatherhood; the new name he bears is the name of his God,—the eternal City,—the Bride, the Lamb's wife,—the New Jerusalem.

This universal Father, this conarium, apex of universal vitality, is the positive pole of the great battery



of universal life. When this positive pole, this increate heir to the throne of papal supremacy, is dematerialized by the electro-magnetic cross currents of the great white throne of judgment, the law of the cross will be revealed in its most universal sense, and will be the key in the hands of God manhood with which to unlock the universal store-house of mother Nature, and give to a recreated world resources of power and possibility hitherto undreamed of. With the aid of the science of the law of analogy, man may descend from the cross of Christ, the throne and altar of the universe, into every domain of potentiality, and unlock the mysteries before the portals of which the powers of mortal mind now exhaust themselves in vain.

Perpetual motion and motors of every desirable

form for every conceivable use, will be at the command of men in the most external and natural spheres when its primogenitor, its first-born Son, in the fulness of arch-natural Fatherhood, gives the children of his inheritance the powers of his life in themselves. Till then, the aspirations of our desires must ascend with the smoke of our torment on the altar before the throne.

When the sacrifice of our High Priest is complete in the presence of the Holy of Holies,—the light of true Science,—for his own sins and those of his people, clean water will be sprinkled upon all his people,—they shall know the truth in scientific application, and they will be “washed whiter than snow” in the blood of the Lamb—the pure river of the water of life, and stand again (*αναστασις*) the Tree of Life, intelligent in the science of universal reproduction—*resurgam*.

## The Results of the Lord's Coming.

Attainment of Immortality in the Tangible World; Establishment of the New Church and State;  
Freedom of Humanity From Bondage.

PROF. O. F. L'AMOREAUX, A. M., PH. D.

WHEN John was in the spirit on the Lord's day, that is, in the spiritual world where there is no time, he saw things that are now transpiring in the end of the Christian age, and heard one say: “Lo! I make all things new.” The Lord's day is when the Lord is present in earth, in his own humanity, as he was in Jesus. “Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord. \* \* \* And the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple; even the Messenger of the Covenant, whom ye delight in.”

Elijah the prophet is the Messenger of the Covenant, and, as we learn by this passage, is also the Lord. Jesus was God's temple, the Lord's house. The judgment day that ends every dispensation is the great and terrible day of the Lord, when the Lord—the righteous Judge—is present in earth. After this judgment the old heavens and the old earth pass away with a great noise, and there come, as a result, “new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.” The old heavens and the old earth are the old church and the old state. It is plain that this was what occurred when Jesus came. It must needs be what will occur when He comes again, according to his promise, having the new name of God, as John saw him.

Among the things long foretold of this coming, are the release of God's captives. The people today are all bond slaves, wearing yokes either self-imposed or put on them by others. Priestcraft puts its shackles on body and spirit; custom enslaves all men. False economics and political science hang millstones about the neck of the laborer, and weigh him down to earth. The idle enslave the diligent; in every nation, the money-changer holds the reins of government. Our professed religious men fast, but in the day of their fast they “exact all their labors.” They fast “to smite with the fist of wickedness.” God will soon say to them:

Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of

wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke? Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh?

Nineteen hundred years ago, the Lord came in the end of a single dispensation; then the result was a mighty change in both the religious and the political world. He comes now in the end of the twelve months—twelve ages of the Mazzarothic year of 24,000 years. There will be gathered up, in the changes now to come, the results of all the twelve months of that year—the Mazzarothic year. Eternal life, the resurrection of the dead, of which Jesus laid the foundation by sowing the seed, will now appear, and Jesus the Lord, reincarnated and bearing the new name of God, will redeem his promise to “raise up” (resurrect) all that the Father gave him. Then will come that for which Paul has been long waiting: “And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption [Greek, sonship], to wit, the redemption of our body.”

What Paul calls the firstfruits of the Spirit, Peter calls the begetting again by the Spirit for a birth of the body, to come in the end of the age. Now will come the realization of the vision that Paul had when he wrote:

Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?

New heavens and a new earth—a new church and a new state, with all that those words imply—are to be the result of the Lord's coming at this time, when the Shepherd, the Stone of Israel, who comes of the posterity of Joseph, shall become “a great mountain and fill the whole earth.”



## In the Editorial Perspective.

THE EDITOR.

THE PROGRESS of the world during the nineteenth century has been unparalleled in all known past history. We stand at the close of a remarkable century, and about us are all the wonderful facilities and inventions which have been called into existence by inventive geniuses. Scientific miracles have been wrought before the eyes of a wondering world; continents have been transformed, and ribbed with thousands of railroads which connect the great centers of commerce with the fields of industry. The telegraph and the telephone have annihilated distance, and placed the people of the entire world in direct communication. Physical forces have been utilized and applied to mechanics, until great machines seem endowed with human intelligence. There is machinery to do the work of hundreds of thousands of human beings. Steam, electricity, and compressed air afford motive power all around the world. It would seem that the world is immeasurably blessed with all the resources of nature in constant utilization. The scientists are boasting of their achievements in the practical application of their discoveries, and of their contributions to commerce and industry. But despite all this progress, millions of human beings in the most enlightened nation in the world have received no benefit from it; indeed, the very conditions which exist in the social, economic, and commercial fields, demonstrate that the stupendous factors operative in these domains are *cursing* the men who labor to produce the wealth and capital of the world. Hundreds of thousands are thrown out of employment by labor-saving machinery, for the simple reason that the modern mind has not sufficient ingenuity to utilize all these great facilities for the comfort of the people. The commercial spirits of the times have seized upon every modern invention and discovery; science, instead of contributing to the blessing of the people, has afforded greater facilities for absorbing and controlling the wealth of the people. Through the thousands of practical inventions and discoveries, the gigantic corporations and trusts have come into existence. Indeed, the great corporations center about the greatest inventions,—railways, steamships, telegraph, and telephone,—and have taken possession of all lines of industry where labor-saving machinery is employed. The fruits of false commercialism are being ripened by modern science; the inventors are multiplying the stupendous factors of revolution, and adding to the intricacies of the great problems which confront the world. We are nearing the culmination of the age, the focal point of all lines of progress of the dispensation; we are nearing the great vortex of agitation, in which the world's evils will be transmuted to good, capitalism overthrown, and the great Commonwealth of divine Imperialism established, to bless the world and utilize all the forces of the physical and human worlds for the benefit of the masses.

Among the so called great discoveries of the nineteenth century, is that of the correlation of forces—the convertibility of a given quality of energy to an energy of another quality. Modern physicists have discovered, by roundabout processes, that light may be converted to heat, electricity to magnetism, magnetism to motion, etc.; but the fundamentals of the metamorphosis and correlation of energies remain unknown alike to the physicist and the chemist. The theories of the modern scientist do not admit of any relation existing between energy and matter; it is held that matter is simply acted upon by energy, without any real change in either matter or energy. It is thought that matter is indestructible; but we affirm that energy belongs to another world entirely, if energy is incapable

of being reduced to matter, and matter incapable of destruction. The manner in which energy acts upon matter has never been defined in the text-books. It is maintained and demonstrated in Koreshanity, that the relation between energy and matter is specific and absolute. There is not only correlation of energy, correlation of matter, but also correlation of matter and energy. No physicist has ever known a case of metamorphosis of energy of a given quality to energy of another quality without the mediation of matter as the *base* of the transmutation; and no one has ever seen matter transformed from matter of one kind to matter of another kind without reduction of the matter to energy, and the introduction of another quality of energy. The discovery of the correlation of energy and matter, by the Founder of Koreshanity in 1870, is the *greatest* discovery of modern times. It enters as a factor, into all Koreshan conclusions. When Alchemy is understood, the arcana of the universe are revealed. The law of transmutation is the *key* to the whole problem of life and being; and Koreshanity alone, of all other systems in the world, gives to the world the genuine light of scientific truth.

An "open letter," addressed to the President of the United States and his cabinet, regarding the Philippine question, has been sent us with request that we publish the same in THE FLAMING SWORD. We have declined to do so for the reason that the language, although coming from the editor of a respectable reform journal, is unpatriotic, ungentlemanly, and treasonable. The attitude of THE FLAMING SWORD toward the government of the United States has already been defined in these pages; and we have since noted as a result, that a few reform publications have affirmed their loyalty to the powers that be. We are not advocating republicanism as the best form of government; but we are living under a government that we consider to be more compatible with progress than any other nation in the world at the present time. It is not in the order of Koreshan progress to head a mob or an army of discontents to destroy what semblance of order now exists in America. We believe the President of the United States is in a better position to feel the pulse of the people concerning the Philippine campaign, than "reform" agitators. They affect to believe in republican institutions, while endeavoring to repudiate the will of the people in open opposition to executive forces of the government which are acting upon the decision of Congress in the ratification of America's treaty with Spain! We are free to say that we would rather live under the reputed despotism of the Czar of Russia, than to be submitted to such a rabble as ruled France in terror and tyranny after the overthrow of Louis XIV. The "open letter" referred to breathes the spirit of the mob, and comes from that class of minds who would today be glad to join the Filipinos and take up arms against the American forces in Luzon. America would perhaps be better off if they were there, with the Tagalos, Negritos, and Igorotes!

The rumblings of revolution are heard in both the eastern and western hemispheres. The hand of oppression is felt throughout the world, and social discontent is growing on every continent. The socialistic element of Europe threatens to overthrow empires; already Belgium has deemed it prudent to make some concessions to the socialists in order to prevent a revolution. The great religious revolt of the sixteenth century is now finding expression in the social, economic, and political fields. The breach between capital and labor is widening. The powers that control the world will never volunteer to adjust the social



inharmonies and make man free—they will never consent to ameliorate the conditions of the modern slaves; and the time is approaching when the masses will not longer endure the terrible oppression and tyranny of the money power. All of the forces of the world are organizing for combat on the battlefield of Gog and Magog. We unmistakably read the signs of the times; and we affirm that the prophecies of the greatest revolution in all history are nearing fulfilment!

A christian science journal contains the following statement: "God knows no evil, and therefore does not permit evil. For God to recognize evil would be for God to think an evil thought. God is too pure to behold iniquity." If God does not know evil, it follows that he is in ignorance of the entire universe of humanity at the present time! Koreshanity maintains that God is the supreme cause of all things—the cause of all results; and that there inhere in the universe the very principles and laws by which evil as well as good, death as well as life, God as well as devil, are perpetuated from age to age. There is no knowledge except by comparison and contrast. It is just as necessary for God to know evil—to partake of the fruit of the tree of knowledge of good and evil, as it is for him to exist. "I form the light, I create darkness: I make peace, I create evil. I the Lord, do all these things." There is no mind, either divine or satanic, that is able to originate a good thought without at the same time, involuntarily producing its antithet.

The people are becoming tired of modern astronomy. The objects of its research are too far away to be of any benefit to the world, while it is struggling with the great problems of humanity. The people are no longer interested in nebulae, quintillions of miles from the earth. What they need is a system of science that has sufficient mental dynamis in it to take hold of the stupendous issues of human life, and do something for the suffering world. The Koreshan Astronomy is of some use; the definitely structured universe furnishes an infallible pattern for the true scientific, social, and governmental structure which will redeem humanity from its curses. The church is failing because it is not concerned about making the present world better; both the church and the modern astronomical fraternity are concerned about the sky and other worlds. Koreshanity meets the issues upon the earth; and the sooner the clergyman and the astronomer can get off the *convex* earth, the better it will be for those they have so long deceived by useless fallacies.

A few would-be journals have been suppressed on the charge of publishing seditious and obscene matter; and the cry is raised that the authorities are interfering with the freedom of the press. The press of the world has never been free; there is not one editor in five hundred who dares to protest against the corruptions of the church, state, and society. Modern journalism is restricted to certain popular channels. We affirm that this voluntary bondage, this voluntary curtailing of the liberties of speech, this submission to the demands of the money power and popular opinion, on the part of the editors themselves, endangers the liberties of the people a thousand-fold more than any abridgment of free speech and free press that has ever been imposed by the American government! The editorial fraternity has sold itself to popular opinion and to factions. It requires courage today to protest against all modern evils; and THE FLAMING SWORD is the only journal that covers the entire field!

Flammarion, the great French astronomer, has dabbled more or less in metaphysics. Of course, spiritualism has been brought to his attention, and he has placed some confidence in alleged messages from the spiritual world. But he has reached

the conclusion that mediums are mostly frauds. His theory of the spiritual world is about the same as that generally entertained in spiritualism—that "space is peopled with spirits." He has endeavored to obtain information concerning the physical cosmos from spirits, and he now acknowledges that they have deceived him. He says: "The alleged spirit of Galileo deceived me as to the satellites of Jupiter. I say alleged spirit, because on reflection, I conclude the real spirit of the great astronomer who suffered persecution for the sacred cause of science, would not have attempted deception. It must have been a spirit of darkness."

The Mayor of Chicago unconsciously deals the representative form of government a blow in his article in the *Saturday Evening Post*, of July 15. The idea of democracy makes the people the supreme source of national power; and it is logical to conclude that such a perversion of the principles of government must result in misgovernment. If the people are corrupt and selfish, their own character is reflected in their representatives. It is absurd to suppose that a corrupt people can make *just* laws with which to govern themselves. The idea of brotherhood presupposes a paternal government. True patriotism is recognition of and loyalty to paternalism, and paternalism is imperialistic, the antithet of democracy. If the national, state, and municipal governments of the United States are not satisfactory, the people can only trace the fault to the accredited source of power—the people themselves!

The promised prosperity has come—to the trusts. Wealth flows as a stream to the corporations and syndicates—it flows away from the men who produce it, leaving them impoverished. While the wealth of the millionaire is increasing, the wages of the workingmen are being reduced to the zero point. Strikes occur when reductions are made in wages, and strikes are occurring everywhere. The great trouble in the Idaho mines called forth the following expression from the President of the United States, in his message to the authorities at Wardner: "Men must be content with less wages; for in that way men will be nearer to that station in life to which God called them." What is that station to which "god" has called them? and which "god" has called them there? It is the station of absolute slavery, to which the gods of the money power have forced them!

The idea of the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man ought, even at first glance, to suggest to the mind the necessity of a material and tangible Fatherhood, and withal, the personality of God. God made man in his own image and likeness. The apostle, quoting an ancient poet, says, "We also are his offspring." If God made man like himself, it follows that God is like the man he produced! The son necessarily partakes of the nature of his father, with all his attributes and characteristics. If the son is material,—if the son has personality, the father possesses personality also; for whatever is in the *effect*, necessarily proceeded from the *cause*. Therefore, if man has personality and is material, God is personal and material in his manifestation; for God *cannot put forth* what is not in him.

A socialistic contemporary, *Appeal to Reason*, is asking its readers for funds with which to convert the 15,000 editors of America to socialism. Of course it will serve to advertise the paper; but in the hope of converting the mouthpieces of almost every idea under the sun, the editor of *Appeal* is doomed to a greater disappointment than in the founding of Ruskin colony! The personal income of the typical American editor is bound up in his willingness to write whatever his supporters desire; and the men who will make any radical change in the character of their would-be editorial productions are few and far between.



The money power, fads and fallacies, dictate to about 15,000 times as many editors as will be converted through reading a semi-socialistic publication.

The originator of christian science, who holds that there is no matter, says: "Jesus was the most scientific man that ever trod the globe. He plunged beneath the material surface of things and found the spiritual cause." Then matter does really exist, does it? If the spiritual world is beneath the surface of matter, it is in matter; the spiritual world is in man, in its material expression. If there is metaphysics, there must necessarily be physics; if there is spirit, there is matter. The advocates of the no-matter theory are material beings, subsisting upon material food, walking upon the material earth, and writing upon material paper. It is noticeable that even the christian science god must use material beings to express his views!

Darwin's fountain of life is the wonderful protoplasm; the simple agitation of a single atom is supposed to be the origin of the Copernican universe. The idea is, that the greater springs from the lesser—contrary to the demonstrable fact that effect is expressed cause. Cause puts forth that which it contains, no more and no less. On the basis of the modern theories of the correlation and conservation of energy, we would like to have some physicist give us an analysis of how all the energies of the great Copernican universe sprang from the energy generated in the agitation of a single atom. Wonderful potency it must have possessed, to have evolved into all the decillions of decillions of horse-power which are supposed to move systems of worlds!

The anti-imperialists object to American expansion and the occupation of foreign islands by American military power. They are confronted by two facts, with which the present administration is consistent: The fact that the islands of Cuba, Porto Rico, the Philippines, and others, have been ceded to the United States by Spain; and the fact that, according to the Constitution of the United States, no part of its territory shall ever be turned over to any other people or nation. The fact of the cession of these islands to the United States, makes them as much a part of the American territory as the cession of Alaska by Russia made Alaska a territory of the United States.

The idea that there will be a peaceable adjustment of the difficulties which exist in the religious, social, commercial, and political world, is chimerical. There is nothing in all history that can be taken as a precedent—nothing to justify the expectation. A peaceable evolution of the new order would leave the oppressor go unpunished. The great crimes against humanity must be atoned by the shedding of blood; and the curses upon the world must inevitably culminate in terrible woes. There are laws of retribution and vengeance as well as laws of reward and redemption, and these laws are immutable.

The laws of death, as well as the laws of life, inhere in the very being of the universe. Death is an inexpugnable factor in the propagation and perpetuity of life. The seed must die in the soil in order to reproduce itself; and it was necessary for the Almighty to die in humanity in order to bring forth the fruitage of the dispensation—the revelation of scientific truth and the manifestation of the sons of God at the end of the age.

"Organized labor's fight is God's fight." We were not aware that the Almighty had engaged labor unions to fight their brothers, but it seems so from the quotation. Brickbats, stones, revolvers, and bottles are strange weapons with which to conduct the holy (?) crusade against unfortunate non-union men, who must work or starve; but if "organized labor's fight is God's fight," why, the mobs are all right!

The reform press considers the throwing of 500 drummers out of employment by the formation of trusts, a great crime; but they have nothing to say when the labor unions not only organize to throw thousands of non-union men out of employment, but resort to force to keep them out! Trusts boycott the smaller concerns; labor unions endeavor to boycott the products of all industry not controlled by the unions.

Prof. Herron makes the strange statement that "Democracy has failed in America because it has not been tried." The democratic form of government has been in existence in America for one hundred and twenty-five years. It has been tried and found wanting. What the professor really means, is that his own little scheme has not been tried, and of course, if we may take his statement as true, it is an obvious failure!

The mixing of printers' type is called "pi," and type set up from "pi," forms combinations that are meaningless. An exchange suggests that there is danger in mixing the types of the Jewish system given by Moses, and of creating monstrosities in the mind. We should judge so, from the success of its editor and others in creating meaningless combinations from the veritable "pi" of Babylon!

There are a number of torchlights, dawning lights, lamps of life, search-lights, X-rays, candlesticks, messengers of light, etc., in religious journalism. *THE FLAMING SWORD* is the great flame of electric mentality, the light of the world, the sun of divine Science. Its radiance is rendering the smaller lights useless; its rays are too bright and piercing for the comfort of advocates of fallacy.

Immortality in the flesh is the fruit of the Christian dispensation; it will come through the direct line of divine progress, and through the application of scientific law. The faddists who deny the teachings of the only Man who attained to immortality in all the history of the world, are outside of the human Zodiac, and will remain mortal for a considerable time yet, despite their claims!

Thousands of people object to the trusts because they are not in them; they despise the millionaire because their own greed is not satisfied in possession of the wealth of others. Selfishness of the poor is no less than that of the rich; and the spirit of genuine love for humanity is no greater in the modern slave than in his master.

There are two great institutions in the world, which deal in spirits—the church and the saloon. Both classes of spirits are intoxicating and harmful, but of the two, whiskey seems to have the greater number of converts. The number of churches in the United States is estimated to be 170,000, while the saloons number about 230,000.

"The moon moves 3,330 feet a second." If the moon moves at this speed, and the earth moves 65,000 miles an hour, or about 19 miles a second, how does the moon manage to keep up with the earth in its alleged annual revolution about the sun, in the Copernican universe?

Government by the people can be no more pure nor just than the people themselves. The only hope of the world is in the establishment of the divine Imperialism in the earth, to supplant the present perversions, and "make all things new."

Prof. Herron advocates a "decided revolution," a "complete change in social reconstruction." He wants a change from democratic principles to democratic principles—quite a difference, you see!

The press censor at Manila has, through indiscretion and



incompetency, subjected himself to the censure of the American people.

Men become excited over the latest inventions; but men lost their heads about the French guillotine a hundred years ago.

There is too much labor about the solution of the labor question to suit the labor agitator.

The despotism of the mob is worse than the tyranny of the monarch!

There is no commonwealth where wealth is not held in common.

The strikers must strike something—and they often strike to kill!

Wireless telegraphers are now telegraphing without success.

The worst slave is the man who is a slave to himself.

Actions speak louder than words—to the deaf.

Cemeteries manifest grave human situations.

Modern geology consists of mental fossils.

Labor is weighed on wage scales.

Slender minds resort to slander.

## Editorial Discussions, Chats, and Correspondence.

THE EDITOR.

"This Same Jesus Shall so Come in Like Manner."

EDITOR FLAMING SWORD:—I have read your book, the CELLULAR COSMOGONY, and a few copies of THE FLAMING SWORD. I am highly pleased so far, and being a truth-seeker, I desire to ask you to (1) explain Acts i: 9-12; and (2) Acts ii: 38-40. (3) Also explain water baptism, and when it ceased to be a symbol. I will throw away every theory and all prejudice for the truth.—J. H. C., Mansfield, Ark.

(1) Nineteen hundred years ago, Jesus the Messiah was manifest to the world; he was the actual manifestation of the Almighty, the God-man, the Word made flesh. If the Word, which was in the beginning as spirit, could be materialized in the form of the perfect man, it logically follows that that man could be again reduced to spirit. A number of years were devoted to the work of preparation of the minds of a few people to receive the divine spirit. As the time approached, Jesus began to talk of going away; but he also told them that if he went away he would come again—as the Comforter, the Holy Spirit.

On the night of the passover, Jesus demonstrated to his disciples where he was going; they ate bread and drank wine that represented his body and blood. Through the symbol, it is clear that he was going into them; that he was to be appropriated literally by his disciples, and thus literally eat his flesh, which he said must be done in order to obtain eternal life. He came to bring a fire, and even while he uttered the words the forces of love and hate—the love of his disciples, and the hatred generated in his enemies, were meeting in him in the creation of the vortex which consumed his body. The narrator leads us out to the scenes of Bethany, on the Mount of Olives, where he was dissolved by processes of theocrasis or translation, and taken out of the plane of visibility. He was there reduced to energy and entered the heavens of his disciples.

His parting words to his disciples were that they were to be baptized with the holy pneuma in a few days; that they were to tarry in Jerusalem until imbued with power from on high. At the time of his dissolution they interiorly saw him enter the *spiritual world*, their own interior; it appeared to them that he was going into the physical heavens; but the angels asked them why they stood gazing into the physical heavens; they need not look for him there, for *this same Jesus*, which is taken up from the plane of external existence into the heavens of humanity, shall so come again in a few days in the manner in which you have seen him enter the spiritual world. Was not his coming again, fulfilled on the day of Pentecost? Did he not come as spirit, the same being, the same Jesus, in the same manner, with the essences, that he had when he went away?

This was his *second* advent. The words of the angels had no direct reference to the manifestation at the end of the age, nineteen hundred years from that time; but to the immediate coming, as the promised Comforter. Jesus was the first-born from the dead; the natural, tangible Adam. His quickening spirit was the second Adam, or the Adam in his second coming. Every Messiah has a first and second coming; it was so with Enoch, Noah, and Moses. Elijah was dissolved and baptized Elisha; he came again in Elisha; and so Jesus came again in his disciples; he was first natural, then spiritual, first the man, then the energies of the divine baptism. The manifestation at the end of this dispensation, although fulfilling what is usually termed the "second advent," is another manifestation, with a new name, and has correspondingly a first and a second coming. "For the Lord shall set his hand *again* the second time to recover the remnant of his people Israel." Jesus went away as spirit; and when he came again as spirit

in the outpouring on the day of Pentecost, the words of the angels were fulfilled, "This same Jesus shall so come again in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven."

(2) The only way in which any people can be saved is through having the germs of the divine seed planted in them at the time of the sowing—at the beginning of the age. The dissemination of the divine seed nineteen hundred years ago was for the specific purpose of regeneration. Jesus, the perfect man who had no sin, was *made to be sin* for those into whom he went; he became sin by crossing his immortal life with the mortal humanity, that he might actually bear away their sins and destroy them in the processes of his overcoming death at the end of the dispensation. Therefore, the divine baptism was "for the remission of sins;" and the conditions necessary to that baptism were acceptance of the truth proclaimed by the apostles, and repentance. The promise was to them and their offspring, and to as many as should be called; there was a brief period for the sowing; then came the stages of development of the blade, then the ear, then the full corn in the ear. The fruitage of that sowing is to come at the harvest, or end of the dispensation.

(3) "Water baptism" was the symbol used in connection with the dissemination of the divine Spirit. The symbol ceased when the energies were exhausted—near the end of the first century. The form of the symbol finally became lost to the church, and the church is in utter ignorance of both the real and symbolic baptism of the early church.

Baptism with water typified a cleansing; water is the symbol of scientific truth. The baptism of the Spirit was by pouring; it was the real baptism. Was water used in a corresponding manner? No; the water was used to symbolize what the outpouring of the Spirit upon human-



ity would result in at the foot of the dispensation. The sign Pisces represents the feet. The manifestation at the end of the age of Pisces, which in the human world is the feet, must be cleansed by the waters of scientific truth. And did not Jesus say to Peter when he wanted his entire body washed, that if the feet be clean, the whole body is clean? What did he mean? He meant that if the church is cleansed at the foot of the dispensation, it would be the cleansing of the whole church, the whole body, because the whole church would become involved at the foot of the dispensation.

When Jesus came to John to be baptized, he came to receive energies from the mind of John. Both John and Jesus went down into the water. How far? Far enough to cover the feet; then John baptized Jesus with the Holy Spirit. Philip and the eunuch waded down into the stream, and while standing in the water, Philip imparted to the eunuch the pneumo-psyche energies of the divine baptism; then they both walked right out of the water; not a word is said about Philip plunging the eunuch into the water! The symbol of "water baptism" was the mere immersion of the feet; and all the facts of Biblical narrative and the meaning of the symbols, demonstrate that this was the original form of "water baptism." It harmonizes all difficulties encountered by "theologians" in the discussion of the subject, and accounts for all the Scriptural references to it, and is the truth.

#### The Source of Energies of Motion of the Stars.

Have the mercurial discs in the earth's shell, and also the sun, a corresponding influence on the motion of the stars?—E. C. D., Cedar Lane, Pa.

The central sun is the nucleus of universal activity. The center and circumference of the universe are reciprocally related. The central nucleus is the point of impression of the entire physical world, and is consequently, the prime impuler of all motions in the physical cosmos. The central sun radiates its energies in the space of the great hollow cell; in their transmission through the various planes of energy and atmospheres, the rays are decomposed and resolved into millions of different qualities of energies—as many different qualities as there are stars in the physical heavens.

Energies descending from the sun are gravic energies. They are met by corresponding ascending or levic energies. Two corresponding energies of gravity and levity produce, at the point where they meet, a vortex, the nucleus of which

is in process of combustion, and the result is a star. The vortex not only generates energies of rotation, but also energies of orbital motion, and the star moves in its own plane and in its own orbit, being impulsed continually by energies generated in the vortex.

There are two general systems of the universe—the solar and the lunar. The stars belong to the solar system, while the planets belong to the lunar system. The stars have their specific origin in the central sun, while the visible planets are projected from the circumference. The great lunar system is in the earth's shell. The mercurial discs generate various qualities of levic energy; and in the transposition of the magnetic energies from the lunar to the solar system, the planetary energies are made to contribute to the motion of the stars. The orbits of the mercurial discs in the earth are in the great alimentary canal,—the digestive tract of the physical cosmos; and the specific relation between the mercurial discs and the stars may be traced in the relation of the alimentary canal of the human system to the activities which take place in the brain.

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#### Koreshanity and Human Nature.

A Serio-Comic Critic Endeavors to Give a "Phrenological Reading" of Koresh and the Flaming Sword.

Something has happened; though but few people know of it. THE FLAMING SWORD that was supposed to be a fixture at the east entrance to the Garden of Eden, which through some occult means turned this way and that way, to keep out intruders, has slipped its moorings, and having invaded Uncle Sam's mails, goes flapping around helplessly. Either this is the case, or some unskilled mechanic has contrived a base imitation of the original illuminated weapon, and is trying to scare folk by thrusting the flabby thing at them. To be more explicit—there is a fantastic publication emanating from the Windy City bearing the formidable title of THE FLAMING SWORD, which, in its way, is a curiosity.

This queer magazine advocates "Koreshanity," whatever that is; perhaps it is a new diet, or the new woman, or a new lymph to be injected into the blood of long-suffering humanity to prevent rabies or the "grip." Yet the strange embellishments liberally supplied throughout the magazine show scooped out globes and planets in all sorts of shapes and positions, which leave the impression upon the beholder that Koreshanity in some way treats of Astronomy and Cosmogony, which a careful reading of THE FLAMING SWORD's ebullient columns tends to confirm. It calls Koreshanity a science, and declares that it "Uncovers the Mystery of the Ages" and that "Modern science has failed to

discover the Laws, Forms, and Relations of Being and Existence. Koreshanity is a genuine interpretation of Phenomena and Form as expressed in the Universe. It is a true index of the character of God and man in their relations."

Here we have a modern Galileo begging us to take a peep through his telescope and learn how mistaken we have been these long years since Copernicus explained that the Earth is a convex globe revolving around the sun. KORESH informs us that such is not the case; on the contrary, the Earth is a "Concave Sphere," and all its inhabitants are huddled in the concavity, the outside of this "shell" being uninhabitable. The sun is in the center, "rotating on its axis, having an orbital path on the ecliptic." The Planets are spheres of energy reflected from metallic discs in the earth's circumference, and the stars are "focal points of light."

We are further informed that we have been deluded in supposing the distance to our luminary to be 92,000,000 miles, whereas it is right at our door, so to speak, or to be more exact—the sun is only "1,000 miles distant from the earth"—about a day and a night's ride on the overland lightning express, with Pullman sleeper.

Then again, instead of the sun being a huge body, as we supposed, 886,000 miles in diameter, it is only 100 miles through in its thickest part. It is also humiliating and distressing to think that we have been teaching our school children that day and night on the earth are the result of a diurnal revolution of the earth around the sun, whereas KORESH has discovered that it is nothing of the kind, but "day is produced by the sun coming into view," and of course night steals upon us when his sunship recedes from view.

This seems astounding, but is as nothing when Koreshanity lapses into prophecy, as it does in the following quotation from the CELLULAR COSMOGONY:—

"We are now approaching a great biologic conflagration. Thousands of people will dematerialize, through a biological electro-magnetic vibration. This will be brought about through the direction of one mind, the only one who has a knowledge of the law of this bio-alchemical transmutation. The change will be accomplished through the formation of a biological battery, the laws of which are known only to one man. This man is Elijah the prophet, ordained of God, the Shepherd of the Gentiles and the central reincarnation of the ages. From this conflagration will spring the sons of God, the biune offspring of the Lord Jesus, the Christ and Son of God."

So stand from under! "Thousands of people will dematerialize through a biological electro-magnetic vibration!" One feels to exclaim with Rip Van Winkle at sight of the speechless ghosts upon the mountain, "I wish I hadn't come!" That will be a seance worth attending; and to think that it is all to be accomplished through a "biological battery, the laws of which are known only to one man, and this man is Elijah!" However, this is not so very surprising after all, when we recall the wonderful feats in necromancy performed by Elijah when he was on earth the other time, being fed by ravens, and final-



ly going up into the sky, blood, bones, and boots.

If anybody can manage that biological battery to the dematerialization of thousands of substantial people, Elijah is the man to arrange the electrodes. But why?

Never mind, we'll let that pass, and leave ELIJAH, KORESH, and CYRUS to fix up the dynamo that is to electrocute the thousands of unsuspecting, confiding people. KORESH is harmless while fussing down in Florida making geocentric observations to convince the alligators that Copernicus, Herschel, Winchell, Swift, and many other astronomers have erred in calculating eclipses, transits, and planetary movements, but his silliness becomes unbearable when he meddles with the science of Phrenology, of which it is evident from his drivings he has no knowledge whatever.

Following is a quotation from THE FLAMING SWORD, advising *Human Nature* and trying to impart some sort of information regarding microcosms, macrocosms, cells, etc.

"If *Human Nature* would make a specialty of studying from human nature and the structure of man as the microcosm, it would soon learn that the analogous macrocosm, or universe at large, is an organic structure, a cell possessing form and limitation. We would make phrenology serve a better purpose than to prevaricate concerning the character of man and the universe."

All of which seems as clear as mud and as intelligible as the babbling of Carlyle's "Dead Sea Apes."

KORESH would make phrenology "serve a better purpose than to prevaricate concerning man and the universe!" Phrenology lie? Indeed, it does nothing of the kind; it adheres closely to the truth, and that is what disturbs KORESH. When a man vaporizes, evolves baseless theories, and concocts schemes to delude silly old women of either sex, prophecies impossible events and makes himself ridiculous generally, phrenology explains his peculiar structure and shows that he was built upon a fantastic model, and must be as eccentric as his theories are silly. Phrenology is a science. Koreshanity is nonsense. C. P. HOLT, in *Human Nature*, San Francisco, Cal.

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### As Others See Us.

Kind Words for The Flaming Sword by a Progressive Reform Journal.

We are in receipt of the current number of THE FLAMING SWORD, published by the Guiding Star Publishing House, 314 W. Sixty-third street, Chicago. This splendid publication, the exponent of the Koreshan Science and a leader of scientific and social reform, needs no introduction to a large circle of reform readers. This latest number is brimful of the best brain food for students on the spiritual as well as on the political plane. The leading features of the current issue are "The Divinity of Jesus the Christ," "Koreshan Theology Contrasted with Modern Vagaries," "The Plumb-Line of Koreshan Science," "Failure of the French Revolution," with many other interesting and instructive articles on timely topics. Among its clipped articles we find "A Startling Revelation," Facts and Figures From Official Report of the Comptroller of the Currency Concerning American Banks," by Chas. Bonsall, expert accountant, in *Advance Guard*. Our readers will remember read-

ing this splendid article of Mr. Bonsall's in the *Guard*, some time since.—*Advance Guard*, Findlay, O.

### A College Graduate Desires to Assist in Circulating Koreshan Literature.

EDITOR FLAMING SWORD:—Having just returned from the East (from college), I am rejoiced to find an awakened and vital interest in the suggestive literature of Koreshanity. In fact, this vital science has become of more than passing interest. My position in the affair behooves me to write you, first, in the practical interest of Koreshanity; second, to solicit your assistance in satisfying this "much alive" interest and desire for information and knowledge, that the people may be supplied with preliminary information of Koreshanity. I have, by my success (both public and privately) in experiments and demonstrations, (assisted by the able Prof.

### Koreshan Astronomy and the Bible.

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### A Spiritualist Journal Admits that Strong Arguments Are Made in Favor of Concavity.

"Cellular Cosmogony, or the Earth a Concave Sphere." In two parts, by Dr. Cyrus R. Teed and Prof. U. G. Morrow, Chicago: The Guiding Star Publishing House, Paper cover, 25 cents.

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habit the inside instead of the outside, as held by Copernicus in his system of astronomy. The authors certainly make a good argument from their premise; and as there is no scientific edict upon the subject, it may be regarded as an open question. This theory is the basis of Koreshanity, a religion founded by Dr. Teed in 1870.—*Religio-Philosophical Journal*, San Francisco, Cal.

### A Methodist Colporteur Thinks the Flaming Sword is Rightly Named.

DEAR FRIEND:—I have your letter of the 5th., also the writings of KORESH and two copies of THE FLAMING SWORD. This paper is rightly named. I read the articles marked, while on the street car, and again in my room. Some in the booklets—as well as your letter—were read more than once. I have written our M. E. pastor in Auburn, Ind., and if he is open to the whole truth, and I hear from him, will send him article on the "Fads and Fallacies of the Nineteenth Century," which is one of the best things (if not the best thing) on existing realities, which are not wholly unseen. We are in a wonderful age! I believe Christ's coming is near—as the fulfilment of prophecy is near at hand.—R. W. C., Duluth, Minn.

### Time Tells Many Stories, but Man Proves the Truth.

And now comes a gentleman from Chicago, who says that the world is a hollow sphere and that the people live on the inside instead of the outside, as we have been taught for several generations. Well, who knows? Stranger ideas than that have been proved true—until some other man came along with a theory that upsets the last one. The time, however, is rapidly approaching when "old things" will pass away and the progressive man is ready and willing to give all a careful hearing. Time—not men—can prove the truth or falsity of any theory or assertion.—*The Critic*, Rich Hill, Mo.

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## Chat With Readers.

### The Industrial Co-operative Union of America.

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Rap it in, tap it in,  
What are teachers paid for?  
Bang it in, slam it in,  
What are children made for?  
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Aryan philology,  
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Calculus and mathematics,  
Rhetoric and hydrostatics,  
Hoax it in, coax it in,  
Children's heads are hollow.

Rub it in, club it in,  
All there is of learning;  
Punch it in, crunch it in,  
Quench their childish yearning  
For the field and grassy nook,  
Meadow green and rippling brook;  
Drive such wicked thoughts afar;  
Teach the children that they are  
But machines to cram it in,  
Bang it in, slam it in—  
That their heads are hollow.

Scold it in, mold it in,  
All that they can swallow;  
Fold it in, hold it in,  
Still there's more to follow.  
Faces pinched, sad and pale,  
Tell the same undying tale—  
Tell of moments robbed from sleep  
Meals untasted, studies deep.  
Those who've passed the furnace through  
With aching brow, will tell to you  
How the teacher crammed it in,  
Rammed it in, jammed it in,  
Crunched it in, punched it in,  
Rubbed it in, clubbed it in,  
Pressed it in, caressed it in,  
Rapped it in, and slapped it in,  
When their heads were hollow.

—Selected.

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#### The World's News.

Wednesday, July 12.—\$20,000,000 shipment of gold from Klondike, reaches Seattle, Wash.—National educational association, in session at Los Angeles, favors subjugation of the Filipinos.—M. Paul Deroulede wants to be dictator of France.—Cardinal Mertel, aged 94 dies in Rome.—China orders 8 warships from German builders.—\$125,000,000 whiskey trust formed in New York.

Thursday.—New \$80,000,000 steel trust in New York; consolidation of all the wrought steel, iron, and tube industries of U. S.—Oregon volunteers arrive from Manila.—Aguinaldo makes a new appeal to Filipinos for support.—Prof. Braun, German scientist, announces success in wireless telegraphy; endeavors to outstrip Marconi.—Pope decides to appoint apostolic delegate to Canada.

Friday.—Street-car companies of Detroit, Michigan, adopt 3-cent fare.—Dewey reaches Port Said.—Filipinos defeated at Mantilupa; driven to the hills.—Gen. Otis asks for 2,000 horses, for brigade of cavalrymen.—Bishop Thoburn says U. S. should retain Philippine islands.—Kansas City packers lock out 1,000 employes.—Riots in Servia; death sentences without trial; attempted assassination of ex-King Milan.—Celebration of fall of the Bastille in France; great ovation to Gen. Marchand.

Saturday.—Cashier of Middlesex bank, Perth Amboy, N. J., skips with \$100,000.—\$80,000,000 bicycle trust goes to pieces.—Chicago fall festival fails; managers abandon all plans; strife over location of Stadium.—Bubonic plague dying out in Egypt.—English-Transvaal war cloud growing.—Russia is in mourning over death of czarowitz, grand duke George.

Sunday.—Peace congress still quarreling over arbitration schemes.—Chicago grade teachers form an educational trust.—4,250 street-car employes strike in Brooklyn, N. Y.; general tie-up in rapid transit systems; unions defy the street-car officials; police in favor of strikers; union men start a riot to prevent non-union men from running cars.—Mrs. Flagler, wife of Standard oil official, becomes insane.—August Schrader, alleged divine healer, arrested in Ottumwa, Ia., for healing without a license.

Monday.—Street-car riots in Brooklyn; non-union men stoned and clubbed by strikers; cars demolished; a score injured; a number arrested.—Students of Chicago university mob a stranger for advocating anti-imperialistic views.—Another wholesale mail thief caught in Chicago post-office.—Chicago boilermakers strike for higher wages.—Gen. Otis unmistakably demonstrating his incompetence in the Philippines; field officers dissatisfied with Otis policy.

Tuesday.—Newspaper correspondents at Manila report formal protest against censorship of Gen. Otis; charge the general with suppressing the truth regarding the situation in the Philippine campaign, and with making ultra-optimistic and misleading reports to Washington.—Otis case stirring up war department; military scandals are promised.—Brooklyn strike unsettled; strikers assault non-union men, and manifest the despotism and lawlessness of the unions.—Second street-car strike in Cleveland; non-union men attacked by strikers with stones and bottles.—Terrific storm in Russia; city of Nikolajewskoj destroyed; 200 people killed.

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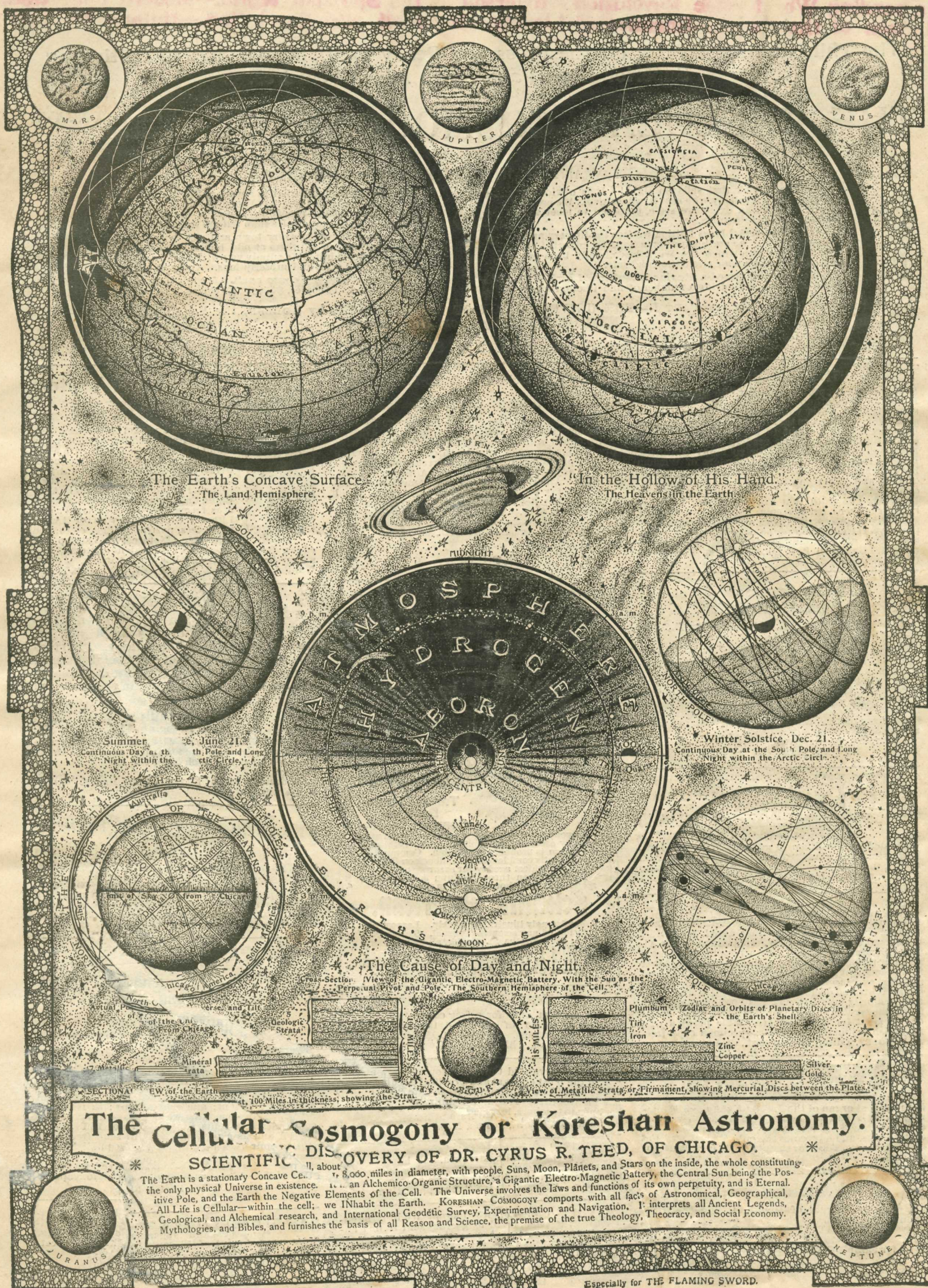
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