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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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Verging on the Vortex of Revolution.

The Law of Cycles and Recurrent Events; Humanity Now in the Lap of Dispensations, Entering the Day of Vengeance Foreseen by the Prophets.

ALL HUMAN progression is governed by the law of cycles. By a cycle, we mean a period of time beginning with certain conditions and terminating with somewhat similar or corresponding conditions. As an instance, note the period from the beginning of the Abrahamic cycle or dispensation to its close, the final destruction of Jerusalem and the scattering of the Jews. It will be observed that there was an overlapping of time; a period of about seventy years from the birth of the Lord until the dissipation of Jerusalem and the destruction of the city. The old or Jewish dispensation ended with the erasure of Jerusalem by the Roman army. The new dispensation began about seventy years earlier; namely, at the birth of the Lord.

While the Lord and his primitive church comprised the fruit of the Jewish age, and completed a period or cycle of about nineteen hundred years, the cycle did not exactly fulfil the conditions obtaining at the beginning of the Abrahamic dispensation, because some principles and forms were ingrafted, by which the development was a progressive one. The heart of the Jewish cycle in its beginning was Abraham; the heart of its termination was the Lord; that is, Abraham reincarnated with the additional experience of nearly two thousand years; for as Abraham, by natural generation, had projected his life into succeeding generations, he resurrected that life in the personality of the Savior of the world, the Lord being the reincarnation of Abraham. This cycle of forty-two natural generations is a representative

dispensation or period of time; and this is what we mean by the shorter cycle of time, or a dispensation.

There are twelve of these periods in a longer one of about twenty-four thousand years. These twelve periods of human progress are defined not only by specific modifications marked by distinctive revolutions in theological and secular thought, that is, revolutions in church and state, but also in the passage of the sign over the ecliptic, an astronomical precession of the sign through the twelve constellations, starting from the constellation Aries and terminating with the sign Aries in the constellation Aries, whence it started. This longer cycle or period of about twenty-four thousand years, is but one of the infinite series of Zodiacal revolutions which mark the progressions and retrogressions of human development.

The fruit of the Christian cycle or dispensation, now about to mature, will differ from the fruit of the Abrahamic or preceding cycle, for the reason stated above, as applying to Abraham and his reincarnation as the Lord. The Christian dispensation will end in a variety of fruit, the supreme or firstfruits being a multiplication of the sons of God, the product of the planting of the Lord in the church by the operation of the Holy Spirit, which was the substance of his body. The wonderful phenomenon of the transformation of mortality to immortality, the corruptible to the incorruptible nature, marks merely the metamorphosis of the prime moving potency of the new age. It will exert its reflex action

upon all other phases of human life, and through it, the lower stages and conditions of society will be reduced to the order of organic form and function. The Christian dispensation is drawing to its close. The end will be marked by the most terrible and bloody revolution the world has known since the upheaval which characterized the beginning of the Zodiacal cycle, twenty-four thousand years ago. Were this statement untrue, then the prophecies of Biblical revelation are untrue; then would fall to the ground all that is supposed to be true regarding Biblical prophecy and history, and with it would depart the Christian's hope.

* It is not because we desire war that we emphasize the truth pertaining to the coming revolution. We do, however, greatly desire the manifestations to accompany and succeed the social catastrophe. We desire to see the operation of that besom of destruction which shall sweep away the refuge of lies and corruption that distinguishes (?) the present corrupting and corruptible generation from all that have preceded, and defines it as the most polluted of any in the history of ages. The close of the Christian dispensation will be distinguished by blood. Armies and navies are not for peace, but for war. The ancient seers foresaw, and have given the warning in no uncertain language. There shall be such a time as never was, no, nor never shall be. This time is at hand. Astronomically, the sign Aries is passing from the Piscatorial constellation into that of Aquarius. The Aquarian cycle will differ, religiously, morally, socially, astronomically, economically, and in all its secular bearings, from the Christian or Piscatorial cycle.

"Behold, I make all things new." The new age will usher in new conditions, through a radical revolution. The Lord Jesus with his Christian church, was planted in the race for regeneration. The central principle of that seed was communism; not the communism of the French Commune and of anarchy, but the communism actuated by the influence of the Holy Spirit as it was shed upon the church and the world at the end of the Jewish and the beginning of the Christian dispensation. As surely as the principle and form of communism were planted at the inauguration of Christianity, so surely will the regeneration of the cycle culminate in the development of an orderly communism, of which the Lord Jesus was the archetype and germinal beginning. The spirit of competition will be eradicated from the hearts of men, following which there will be a readjustment of the social structure.

The conflict now raging between the millionaire and his serf, will not fructify in the destruction of the rich with the exaltation of the brute, the common people. There will come a struggle between the labor unions on the one hand, and the government, with the military reinforced by the money power, on the other. It will be equally destructive to both, and they will both go down together. There is as much hellishness in the tyranny of labor organizations as in the monopoly of the millionaire; and the forces of tyranny are self-destructive. The new, divine structure will be reared upon the debris of dissolution which shall mark the ravages of the desolating cyclone of human vengeance, when the wrath of generations shall focalize in the consummation of its potential energy.

The Scientific Religion of Koreshanity.

The Great System of World-Interpretation Founded by Koresh; the Scientific Solution of the Problem of Human Origin and Destiny; the Religion of the Twentieth Century.

PROF. U. G. MORROW.

The summary want of the age is that last System of Science into which shall have been sifted all philosophy, which shall be at once both catholic and eclectic, which shall be the joint outgrowth of reason and faith, and which shall shed forth through every walk of research, the blended light of discovery and revelation.—Extract.

THE ULTIMATE of all truth is science. The ultimate scientific system of the great cycle of human progression must necessarily involve the truth of the universe, its origin and purpose of existence, and the laws of its perpetuity; the origin and destiny of man, and his relation to the great Cause of all things. It must solve the problem of human life, and its solution must come in the form of absolute science in the plane of intellectual comprehension and demonstration, and be susceptible of practical application to all the affairs of humanity. The world anticipates that at some time there will be a revelation of all mystery, the discovery of the key to the great problems which have confronted

the philosophers of all ages. The Golden Age is expected, wherein man will be the master of the universe, and sit upon its throne in the restoration of his universal dominion. The world needs a system which, in its comprehensiveness, shall embrace the universe; that will involve, in its application, all departments of human activity and relations; the world needs a system which contains in unity the knowledges of all departments of human economy, known as religion, morals, science, sociology, commerce, and government; and ere the Golden Age is ushered in, such a system will be promulgated in the world; it must be a Universology.

Koreshanity is the true religion of science, and the science of religion. It is inconceivable that the true scientific Universology should not contain the science of the creation of the universe and of man, as well as the science of the existence of the divine Being. It is inconceivable that the last and greatest revelation should

not bring to humanity the knowledge of the true cosmogony, and reveal to the world the truth concerning the Creator and the created. Cosmogony and theology, therefore, must be as inseparably linked together in the great system of knowledges of the universe, as effect is linked to Cause; and the knowledges of the laws of human existence must come in unity with the knowledge of the laws of the existence of God. The fact that the universe exists is not denied by any rational mind; it is here, a tangibly existing universe; humanity is here, and its very life is sustained by the products of the physical world. The great physical universe is the ultimate expression of creative mind and will; it is the true, tangible, and ultimate language of Cause. In Nature, as the ultimate pediment or footstool of inherent life, we may read the laws and functions of the Creator; and we maintain that those laws and functions cannot be known until the *form* is known in which the Cause is expressed.

Relation of Man and Cosmos.

In the great organic system of existence are two co-ordinated universes: The physical cosmos and the universe of humanity. The same cause which is expressed in the physical world is expressed in the world of man. The same laws are operative in all the domains of the universe, and as all the kingdoms originate in one Cause, it follows that all of the kingdoms are in relation and correspondence, each necessary to the other in universal perpetuity. Koreshanity is premised upon the science of the physical cosmos and its analogous world of humanity. The anatomy of the physical cosmos and the anatomy of man constitute the forms of its basic analyses, from which is built up, through laws of analogical and synthetical reasoning, a great system of conclusions which is denominated Koreshan Universology. There can be no objection urged by the rational mind against taking the facts, forms, and functions of Nature as the basis of a formulated system of absolute science; there can be no objection to the work of analysis of universal effect to arrive at definite, specific, and scientific conclusions as to the nature and character of Cause. We point to the form of the great cell—which is the ultimate vesture of its inherent life—as the infallible basis of all reason.

The scientific analysis of the universe involves the knowledge of the laws of relation of every part of the universe to every other part, and to the universe as a whole, and how that relation obtains; the knowledge of how the mind of the great universal Impulser is expressed in the forms which constitute its pediment, and the knowledge of all the activities and metamorphoses which occur between divine mental volitions and world volutions. The science of all the relations, activities, and mutations of mind and matter is Alchemy, the laws of which define not only the processes of evolution of the universe from Cause, but also the involution of Cause from universal effect; and when it is known that cause and effect are reciprocal, it is known that the great Cause of all things is the *involution* of all things, the

highest product of all activities of all kingdoms which constitute the effect. This places the mind in possession of the key to the nature and character of Deity, from a scientific basis, beginning with a premise that is indisputable, with facts that are demonstrable; and by logical processes, the correct and infallible conclusions are inevitable.

Religion is not a mere system of belief; in Koreshanity it is reduced to science. It is a process; a state to be attained. Religion means to tie again; and the true religion involves the processes of human destiny. It is the retying of God and man, the unity of Cause and effect. The religion of a plant is the process of formation and the state of the seed. It involves the internal aspirations of the corpuscles to reach their origin and destiny in the seed. Nineteen hundred years ago there was a true religion; the great Seed of the anthropostic world, the "beginning and the end," was manifest. God and man were united in the personal Messiah, who was the highest product of humanity, and consequently, the highest product of the great universe of existence. Jesus the Christ was the personal God; and the Koreshan declaration of the fact is not on the ground of a belief, but upon the basis of scientific analysis of the universe. It is a demonstrable fact that there is no function without form; the higher the form the more complex are the functions. The highest potency is in the seed, and the creative pivot of the universe is in the *form* of its involution. Jesus was the unity of cause and effect, the nexus between God and the human world; he was the great world-involution, and consequently its Creator. This conclusion, this fundamental truth of Koreshanity, is absolutely scientific, susceptible of scientific demonstration, and will never be overthrown!

Koreshanity discovers to the mind three great revelations of the divine mind: The physical cosmos, the universe of humanity, and the Bible. We do not accept the Bible simply on the basis of belief; our processes of rational procedure require that the Bible be scientifically proven to be in harmony with other and indisputable expressions of Cause, before it is concluded to be correct. It has been subjected to the critical tests of comparison with the infallible records in Nature. The forms of the physical world are symbols of thought; that is, they are thoughts metamorphosed and expressed in the planes in which the forms exist. The Bible is written in human language, but its terminology is founded upon the symbols of the tangible universe, and the language of the Bible can only be understood through a knowledge of the laws of the physical and anthropostic worlds. The cosmogony of Koreshanity, the scientific revelation of the form and function of the physical universe, is the key to the infallible interpretation of the declarations of the Bible, the key which unlocks the mysteries of the divine Record. It is the key to the great past; the hand that unveils the future and clarifies that which the prophets dimly foresaw, and enables the mind of the Founder of this System of marvelous completeness to declare and fulfil for humanity the New Religion, in the attainment of immortality in the tangible world.

The Stupendous Revolution of the Closing Dispensation.

The Greatest Conflict of All History, Foreseen by the Jewish and Christian Prophets, Now Read in the Signs of the Times, Precedes Universal Peace.

PROF. U. G. MORROW.

THE WORLD is preparing for a stupendous conflict; the lines of current events are rapidly penciling toward the final focus of history, preceding the dawn of the New Age. Every nation in the civilized world is equipped for warfare. During the present century, one hundred wars have been waged; men have reduced military operations to a science, and during the closing years of the present century the most destructive and formidable armaments of war ever known, have come into existence. Hundreds of immense floating forts,—steel-armored warships—comprise the navies of nations, while upon land are the great guns mounted for action, and millions of drilled soldiers, constituting scores of standing armies, are ready for engagement. This world-wide preparation for war represents a stupendous force in humanity—a disposition and determination to fight when provoked to war,—which have called into existence the world's weapons of war. The possibility of war will exist as long as national interests are in conflict—as long as humanity loves war and possesses the spirit of greed and selfishness; war will continue as long as the world commits crimes against justice. The idea of universal peace under the present conditions which exist in the world, is simply a wild dream; if we found the armed forces of the world decreasing; if we found the disposition of the people to be in the direction of that placidity of contentment and happiness that would insure pacific relations of humanity, we would be warranted in announcing universal peace. But under the present conditions of violent agitation of the world, the existence of hundreds of forms of injustice and despotism entrenched behind the armed forces of the world, there can be no genuine peace!

International arbitration, suggested by the famous though foolish peace congress, is but crude oil poured upon the troublous waters of humanity. It is insignificant when compared with the great forces which violently agitate and foment the human sea; insignificant in contrast with the great smoldering volcanoes of discontent which must vent their contents through a stupendous social upheaval. Every faction of the modern world is organizing for the purpose of contesting the claims of the powers of oppression; every trade, craft, and business of the civilized world is seeking to maintain its rights and liberties. Capital and labor are already in open conflict and warfare, skirmishing on the great battlefield of industry and commerce. The issues are already proclaimed; the platforms are announced, upon which the factions are determined to fight to the bitter end. International compacts may for a time maintain a semblance of peace among the nations; but they do not touch and quiet the vital centers of national selfishness, jealousy, greed, and oppression; they do not touch the heart of the great unsettled questions that

are becoming more and more vital questions of hunger and destitution in lands of plenty and prosperity!

Mr. Von Bloch, a great Russian political economist and statistician, reviews the military status of Europe and America; failing to see any immediate results of the passing peace congress, he predicts an alarming and unparalleled increase in the forces of war; that during the next great European war, not only will all the present facilities for war be utilized, but also all that lie in the line of possible invention between now and then. When 45 per cent of the male population of France, 37 per cent of that of Germany, and a like percentage of all European nations may be called out in battle, he sees the possibility of a great European Armageddon, costing over \$21,000,000 daily! When that statistician sees the millions of armed soldiers and all the navies of the world ready for action upon slight breaches of national etiquette, he asks, "Under these circumstances, are settled plans possible?" On the question of the late peace congress he is pessimistic; but he claims to have a specific, which if followed would infallibly abolish all war—an international court of arbitration. Can the world escape the threatening revolution? Is the world to have peace without war, without arms? or must peace be maintained as before,—behind the mouth of the great guns of the civilized nations?

On the question of war and universal peace, Koreshanity is both pessimistic and optimistic; we look for universal peace. The glad time is coming when the world will learn war no more; but the great conflict is at hand! We claim no sympathy with the factions that will engage in the terrible struggle. The position of Koreshanity is the same as that maintained by the Christ and his apostles nineteen hundred years ago; they foresaw revolution, but did not advocate it as the remedy for the world's social evils. The Koreshan Prophet foresees the impending revolution, and predicts its rapid and inevitable approach. THE FLAMING SWORD does not advocate the final resort to arms; it merely calls attention to the fact that such an awful event veils the Golden Age; carnage and bloodshed, and the overthrow of all present systems in vogue, for a time obscure the glories of the New World. We are engaged in no riots; we are not inciting modern mobs to deeds of violence, nor inflaming the mind of the masses against the powers that be. But we announce the science of the world's progress, the laws of dispensations and cycles, and the fact that the world is nearing an awful Niagara,—but we are powerless to prevent the catastrophe.

We hold that the great breaking-up of the old age is inevitable and necessary in the great economy of the universe. Koreshanity reveals the laws of dispensations, and demonstrates by scientific facts and analyses

that the great epochs of human history have been opened by revolutions—not as accidental agitations in the world of human affairs, but as the inevitable results of agical tendencies. Every dispensation has its revolution—a revolution in the specific department in which there has been special progress. We are approaching not only the culmination of a single dispensation, but also the culmination of a great cycle;—we are nearing the conjunction of ages, involving the results of all the progressions and retrogressions of humanity during the great circle of universal perpetuity; consequently, the revolution about to burst upon the world involves all planes of mental, industrial, commercial, social, religious, scientific, and political activity. The great conflict will involve all of the factors and factions which pass into the retributive judgment of the closing cycle.

The Christian world pretends to desire peace; it is clamoring for escape from the terrible judgments which are in store for the offenders of Almighty justice. They have forgotten the declarations of the great Founder of the primitive Christian system. He looked down to the end of the present age, and saw the great “time of trouble,” the “day of vengeance,” the “great tribulation,” such as the world has never witnessed, and such as will never occur again. Has that day of vengeance

passed? James saw the retribution coming upon the modern millionaire; Ezekiel and John foresaw the great battle of Gog and Magog, the great conflict of capital and labor,—carnage and bloodshed unequaled—in its obvious awfulness—in the history of the world. Has that battle been fought? The apostle Paul viewed the conditions of the modern world, its skepticism, sensuality, its perversion of the truth, and the cry for peace when the conditions were such that peace is impossible. Is that prophecy being fulfilled? Peter saw the great revolution in church and state, the establishment of the new kingdom; Daniel foresaw the great crashing and crushing of the powers of the world; John saw the transformation of the kingdoms of this world to the kingdoms of the Lord and his Christ. Do these prophecies portend universal peace without a revolution? Do they indicate an evolution of a new age without a conflict? We contend that the entire burden of Biblical prophecy is in the direction of a stupendous conflict, prior to the introduction of the era of universal peace; and from the basis of scientific facts, we assert that the actual conditions which prevail in the world, confirm the integrity of the prophetic seers of the past; and we affirm that neither international arbitration nor fragmentary reform will achieve the victory for the Goddess of Liberty!

The Heavy Hand of the Jew.

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

THE JEW is the power behind the throne, in all the world,—mightier than the throne itself; yet that power will suddenly be broken. When governments began to pile up national debts for the purpose of carrying on wars, or for other purposes, they began laying the foundations of this monster Mammon power that is now their master. In its ordinary working, it is like the pestilence that walks in darkness. Its motto might well be that of the assassin: “Strike, but conceal the hand!” Its agents,—more or less concealed and cloaked by nationality and religion,—like tempting devils, are at the elbow of every one in power, ready to prompt and further every enterprise, honest or otherwise, that promises more indebtedness, more bonds and bondage for the peoples of the earth, or an enhancement of the money power of those already secured.

When the heads of the money power wished to double the value of their holdings,—more than quadrupling the burdens of the people, by demonetizing silver,—a British secret emissary was sent by bankers to this country, backed by any amount of money he might need to carry out his fell purpose, and so stealthily was it accomplished, that for six months afterwards, as they avowed, the people’s President and their reputed servants in Congress did not know what they had done. Of course, if they had had any real purpose to protect the people from robbery, they would have righted the wrong when they found it out. Their failure to do so,

leaves them open to the suspicion of having received part of the bribe. There are times when this well-nigh almighty power for evil unmasks its hand; and these are times when it expects credit for doing good.

Something over a decade ago, when Russia was persecuting the Jews, its national credit suddenly fell off twenty-four points in thirteen days; and Michael Ephrussi, head of the great house of Odessa, said to Russia’s prime minister: “Touch another of our people, and not another ruble shall you have to save your empire.” Of course, the Czar did not care to face national bankruptcy to please the holy synod and the metropolitan of Novgorod, so, as he had no alternative, his word stopped the persecution. A more recent case is that of Dreyfus in France, who is the subject of a cruel conspiracy of army officers, and probably innocent of the offense charged against him; but whether innocent or guilty, he will have to be cleared and restored to his former splendid position, because the great Jewish banking houses, after consultation, have so decreed;—the alternative is the bankruptcy of France. The council of three, to whom the carrying out of their will was entrusted, says: “If you people” (and the common people own a large amount of their national debt) “will compel the government to do the right thing just once, in this Dreyfus affair, we will hold our hands; otherwise, we will get out of your country and then smash it.”

Dreyfus free and his enemies punished, or national

bankruptcy, leaves it not a matter of doubt what the outcome will be, and explains the reason why so many that were connected with the persecution of this Jew have, by suicide, preferred to meet the awards of the assizes "over there," as the world accounts it, rather than face what they would certainly have to face here. Nineteen

centuries have wrought marvelous changes in the condition of what was God's chosen people, since they leave them the political governors of no foot of earth, yet the absolute masters of the world. In view of such facts, the man who can not see that, under present wrong conditions, the money question is the very question of sovereignty, is too blind to see anything.

In the Editorial Perspective.

THE EDITOR.

PHYSICAL IMMORTALITY is not only of possible attainment, but we make the statement that people of this present generation will pass through the experience of transformation from mortality to the state of natural immortality. There are men and women who are hoping to become immortal in the present vidual, divided, or segmented state, without such transformation. Humanity exists at the present time in dual form; that is, male in one form, and female in another form. Immortality is a state of *biunity*. There is no immortality outside of absolute unity of the male and the female in *one* form. Immortality is a state of biunity which is only acquired through the application of scientific, Messianic laws. Vidual beings are mere corpuscles in humanity; and the vidual can no more enter the immortal state without knowledge and application of scientific truth of Messianic conjunction, than a corpuscle of a plant can become the seed without entering into actual conjunction with other corpuscles. A corpuscle cannot enter the seed through desire, will, and determination to remain alone,—an insignificant cell! Immortality is the state of possession of functions of self-reproduction; it is the state of the seed, the universe involved, with all its activities. Every effort to become immortal without recognition of the Messianic law is anti-christian, because opposed to the law and function of the Christ. Man in the dual state cannot perpetuate his existence except through the functions of mortal reproduction; and as long as humanity is in the present dual state, it is mortal, and will die in spite of itself. The present forms of those who will become immortal, must reach that state of exaltation of mind which will culminate in dematerialization of the physical structure, and enter cells of mental elaboration which will effect the unity of the elements of the male and the female, and project tangible, biune forms. There is no immortality short of this. Brass cannot be formed without the fusing of zinc and copper; and matter of any given quality cannot be transformed to matter of another quality, without dematerialization and the introduction of another quality of energy. KORESH was the first in modern times to announce the possibility of overcoming death in the body; he discovered the law nearly thirty years ago; and his promulgation of the truth has given scores of other persons opportunity to plagiarize and pervert the scientific truth without recognition of its source.

Physicians licensed to kill or cure, should be willing to stand the consequences of their work on the same ground that they subject mental healers to persecution when a patient dies under their treatment. It is a fact, that the people of the civilized world are continually dying; and inasmuch as it is a crime to die without the care of a licensed physician, it is fair to presume that the majority of the people of the civilized world—millions of people—die while the physician is in attendance. Is this a mark of failure to cure, on the part of the physician? Once in a while the vigilant and self-interested physician, the police officer, and the ubiquitous reporter discover a case of

death while the patient is under treatment of some of the new schools of therapeutics; and the healer is subjected to persecution for permitting the patient to die. Because of these isolated cases, in contrast with the millions who die attended by the "regulars," the medical trust desires to exterminate the race of "healers." The "regulars" want the exclusive right of ushering people into the dark unknown! We do not endorse the methods employed by modern metaphysicians and religious enthusiasts who work under the name of "divine healing," but we give them the credit for performing cures that are as genuine as the cures by the "regulars;" and the army of the metaphysicians is rapidly increasing. The quacks claim that mental healing is a relic of barbarism. Of course, Christians will take kindly to this, for Jesus and the apostles, and the prophets before them, cured without drugs. From the basis of indisputable evidence, we assert that the "regular" physicians are very *irregular* in their methods, and the time is coming when the people will rebel against the despotism of the medical trust and its poisons. If the people *must* die, it is as well to die without poison as with it!

A pseudo-immortalist makes the statement, "that each man contains within his physical structure the whole of infinite life. Each man is the whole of God, not a mere portion, as some teach." This is on a par with the mystery of the trinity promulgated by the modern church—the idea that there are three persons in the Godhead, while there is only *one* God. The above statement makes as many gods as there are men—each one a perfect, complete, all-powerful, and all-wise God, and yet every one is *weak* enough to permit *ignorance* to rule the whole! How do we put it? The same as Jesus the Christ stated it nineteen hundred years ago. He alone of all men was God; he was from above, while the others were from beneath. He was immortal, divine; the others were mortal, offspring of the devil. Instead of saying that each man is all of God, we say, on the basis of scientific demonstrations concerning the character of the mortal world, that most men do not contain *any* of God. Imagine a corpuscle in a plant, coursing through the avenues of circulation, helpless to do otherwise than drift with the stream, saying, "Look at me; I am the whole thing! I am the seed, complete and perfect, ready to be harvested!" Poor, puny, conceited, independent corpuscle! The seed is perfect, the aggregation of thousands of corpuscles. The seed is the creator, possessing functions of self-reproduction, while the corpuscle is one among the thousands which must unite to produce the seed, the ultimate result.

It requires something stupendous to awaken the church sleepers. The modern church is non-progressive, and fails to read the signs of the times in the great events of the world, and in the alarming conditions in which the people of civilization find themselves at the close of the nineteenth century. The advent of the gigantic trusts wrests a few expressions from the churchmen—notes of alarm! When the members of the

church find themselves handicapped in the pursuit of making money, by the corporations which are closing up the avenues of success of small concerns, it is time for the church to cry out in protest. It is now declared that the "rapid increase and intensification of all these social and industrial agencies which tend to make human life a burden of despair to the many and a material paradise to the few, all these things cannot but exert a baleful influence upon, and prove a hindrance to the progress of the kingdom of Christ upon earth." On the contrary, the more rapidly the trusts accomplish their work, the sooner the world enters the vortex of revolution, the sooner will the Kingdom come, of which the modern church is a shadowy reflex and perversion. The church is nearing the time of its destruction; it has idly drifted down the stream of human events, and apprehends no danger until the craft is actually in the rapids of a terrible Niagara—then it is too late to wake up!

The medical fraternity claims to have exterminated a number of diseases which once came in the form of epidemics. Black death, cholera, typhus, scurvy, and ague are enumerated. We do not honor the medical world with credit for the disappearance of these plagues. Diseases are the result of mental states; epidemics may rage in the mental world and manifest themselves in the physical bodies of humanity. Diseases may evolve into other forms, just as ideas and theories change form from generation to generation. If the specific forms of diseases which scourged humanity hundreds of years ago have nearly disappeared, the medical fraternity is face to face with diseases that are no worse, and they do not cure consumption, leprosy, cancer, and many other diseases. People are continually dying from the most common diseases known to the world of the nineteenth century, and the medical world is helpless. It is easy for physicians to claim credit for exterminating diseases which have run their course; but it is not so easy to clear themselves of the charge that they not only do *not* cure common diseases of the present time, but actually multiply human ills through the administration of drugs, and the united desire of the medical world for people to be sick!

English scientists are endeavoring to solve the problem of sound, and the methods employed are on a par with all other methods by which empiricists attack other great questions of the universe. By experimenting with sound reflections from the water's surface to mountain sides and fog banks, by ascending in balloons, the receiving of messages by means of wires, it is hoped that the true theory of sound may be evolved. The fact that scientists are still searching for the solution of the problem of what sound is, is proof that the so called scientists are *not* scientists, and that modern physics is nothing but guesswork. Men have battled with the sound question without a *sound* basis; they have not discovered the simple fact that sound is an energy, to which the organs of hearing become responsive through the generation of a subtle force in the auditory centers. Sound is not a mere mode of motion, a bombardment of the ear-drums by ether atoms, but is as much a substance as light, heat, electricity, magnetism, and other qualities of energy. The most superficial comprehension of the laws of Koreshan Alchemy reveals the obvious absurdity of modern physics, and the startling ignorance of the modern "scientific" mind.

Koreshanity, as a complete system of religio-science, which involves the application of its principles to all human affairs, cannot fail to supersede the fragmentary systems of religion, science, and social economy. In the modern world, astronomy is in opposition to the Bible. The religion of the church is entirely separate and distinct from the world of science. As-

tronomy is in the hands of atheists; religion is interpreted by clergymen who fight among themselves; the commercial world is in the hands of pirates, and the governments of the world are controlled by politicians. Modern society is disgraced and degraded by social impurities and sensualism, and reform is promulgated by fighting factions; education is a perversion of the true methods of mental development. The systems of the modern world are comprised of effete thought, in which there is no unity. It is obvious that true reform, the regeneration of humanity and the reconstruction of society, can only obtain through the application of a system which involves unity in itself, in all of the elements of religious, scientific, and social evolution. The fragments cannot do it, and there is no system of Universology but Koreshanity. It is the only hope of the world.

Astronomer Peabody concludes that the convexity of water is proven by the way in which a ship disappears when sailing from shore, and adds: "If the ship moved on any other surface than a convex surface, it would appear again in the telescope." We have in this quotation two admissions: First, that a vessel would disappear on some other surface than a convex surface, and second, that if the telescope should restore the invisible hull to view again, it would be a proof that the earth is not convex. If a vessel can disappear on a surface that is *not* convex, what becomes of the usual argument that it is convex because a vessel disappears hull down? The scores of experiments we have conducted demonstrate the fact that the invisible portions of a vessel beyond the horizon can be brought into full view; therefore, on the basis of the astronomer's admission, the earth is not convex. The cause of the phenomenon is a simple problem in visual perspective on a *concave* surface, curving at the ratio of eight inches to the mile. With these facts so easily accessible to the public, it will not be long before the world recognizes the force of the external demonstrations of the truth of Koreshan Astronomy.

The Koreshan discovery of the law of true atavism, or the recurrence of specific ancestral types in humanity, that is, the law of the involution of cause in the human world, and its demonstration by analogous recurrences in all other kingdoms in the universe, settles the question of the truthfulness of the claims of Jesus the Christ. We may know that he was manifest in the human world, through the known law which produces the result. The law of Messianic manifestation and function is as immutable as the law of the recurrence of the seasons and cycles in the physical universe. It is the central law of being and existence; and the truth of divine manifestations in the world is the greatest truth ever revealed to the human mind! It is simple in fundamentals, profound in its comprehensiveness, and complex in its application. The knowledge of the Messianic law is the *key* to the whole problem of life.

Koreshanity is the only system of Universology; so called systems of science, religion, and sociology are mere fragments and fallacies. The factions of fallacy are in conflict; the fallacious theories will not harmonize, and the diverse opinions of the world cannot constitute a complete system. Disintegration is a factor of death; chaos is not constructive. The world can only be redeemed through a system of organic unity, a system of genuine reform founded upon scientific principles.

Man can never enter the immortal state until he ceases to reproduce the old mortal form. Wheat remains wheat as long as it propagates itself; but through a passing over from the vegetable kingdom by appropriation, it may be transformed to human flesh, and enter a higher kingdom. The process of

becoming immortal, is analogous to the process of transformation of wheat to substances of human life.

Nineteen hundred years ago, the Jews who professed a fatherhood in Abraham and a brotherhood among themselves, were a "generation of vipers." Today, the mortal corruptionists who claim God as their father, and a brotherhood of selfish, competitive factions, are as much worse, as God is greater than the ancient patriarch.

Cause is the life of all effect. God is the life and light of humanity; he manifests himself in the human world when life and truth become involved in unity. When so manifest, he is the Messiah, the God-man, the Sun of Righteousness. He is the focus of conserved human life, for the effect involves the cause.

People accustomed to believing without evidence, fail to believe when the evidence appears. The world has for centuries accepted the Copernican system of astronomy and the theology

of the modern church, without asking for proof, and now rejects the demonstrations of Koreshan Science.

There can be no true reform without order; mobs can rapidly destroy old structures, but it requires specific knowledge of social architecture and construction and organized effort to erect temples of justice.

If genuine reform is not what the conceit of ignorance conceives it to be, it is not what conceited agitators desire.

The perfect humanity will appear when the natural and spiritual worlds enter into complete conjunction.

The world is passing through a critical stage of somnambulism.

Koreshanity is primitive Christianity reduced to absolute science.

The millionaire is an example of educated selfishness.

The righteous man is the tabernacle of God.

Editorial Discussions, Chats, and Correspondence.

THE EDITOR.

Koreshan Universology vs. Venusian Uniism.

EDITOR FLAMING SWORD:—*Literary Light* and its editor greet you. We believe with all our heart and soul that you are right. You are waging a good fight, and you are on the right track. We are always looking for the day that brings THE FLAMING SWORD. We read our copy and send it on to others. We believe that at least ten read our copy, and not less than eight are enthusiasts on the subject.

We enclose you a publication from a Pueblo freak, one Robert J. Burns. He claims to be "The Man from Venus." It is our own personal opinion, after a very careful reading of his "Psycho-Harmonic Mental Science," that he would be safer, and of vastly more use to the earth, if he were sent back to Venus! Will you be kind enough to tell us, please, through the columns of THE FLAMING SWORD, just what species Robert is? You will notice at the end of his story a very neat little invitation to send \$1.00 (not the currency of Venus) for further information.

Readers of THE FLAMING SWORD cannot refuse to believe the gospel of KORESH because of the cost; for it seems to be as free as "Come ye to the water."—EDITOR *Literary Light*.

EDITOR FLAMING SWORD:—I send you a copy of my publication, the *Psycho-Harmonic Scientist*, for review in your columns. Pure Uniism is still comparatively an unknown quantity even among metaphysicians; but the time has arrived for its advent. A correspondent has asked me the question, "What is Koreshanity?" If you will send me a copy of the CELLULAR COSMOGONY, I will review it in my paper and loan it out to others. I am not opposed to any system of advanced thought, though I have absolute ideas of my own to ventilate. Send me marked copy of your paper in which you review my mental science. I am,—ROBERT J. BURNS, The Man from Venus, Pueblo, Colo.

We publish the above letters from the two editors by way of introduction to the subject we are asked to discuss. Every system must be made to stand upon its

own merits, or fall because of lack of foundation; and inasmuch as Koreshanity is a Universology and covers the entire ground, there is no standing room left for any other system. If we subject the Psycho-Harmonic system to a critical test from the basis of its own theory, we are but fair to the so called newcomer to the earth. It will not be our fault if the theory of the man from Venus is not in conformity with the absolute truth of the great universe in which we live.

We have examined the system of so called Uniism, set forth in the publication referred to. Its originator has condescended to visit the earth as a missionary from the planet Venus, in order to effect a permanent veto of the prevailing laws which invest the human mind with mortal and dying tabernacles; and although he is from Venus, he declares that Uniism, as he presents it, is the result of 5,000 years of progress in metaphysics; that as the "rising genius of the Occident," he has "solved the problems of existence;" that he is the formulator of the psycho-harmonic system of mental science, a system which "stands unique, monumental, scientific," "the crown and capstone of mento-scientific pyramida, the æonic efflorescence of destinal decree." Has he solved the problem? Is he the formulator of Uniism? Not if what he reveals concerning the prevailing system on the planet Venus be true. The most that he could claim is, that he has been taught Uniism on the planet whence he came; consequently, according to his own theory, he is *not* the originator of a system that has been in vogue in Venus for all time!

The key-notes of Uniism are: That there is but one principle in the universe, one universal consciousness, one will, one force; that the universe is comprised of the earth and other inhabited planets, with the usual Copernican paraphernalia; that mind fills universal space, and has spatial attributes of focalization in personalities. It is held that matter is spirit, made objective and tangible through the operation of the law of ideal investiture; that there is no evil; that the earth is the only abnormal planet; that God and man are one identity; that every man is God; that God may become immortal by asserting himself to be God, and recognizing the "harmonic norm" of the man from Venus; that enjoyment is the object, end, and aim of all existence; that abnormal dualism may express itself on the sensuo vibrational plane of tangible objectivity by abnormal will-determinants. It is claimed that death is simply an abnormal declination of vibration in the brain cells, and the consequent lapse of the three-dimensional objective body from the personal consciousness of the individual; that man is not the offspring of God, but potentially and actually *is* God, in his omniscience and omnipotence. The man from Venus holds that there is no dualism in the universe; that abnormal laws of dualism operative in the earth may be vetoed and set aside; that Uniism is the absolute truth; that all the desires and passions of humanity are divine concomitants of bodily existence, and that sensualism is *not* to be overcome.

The presentation of Uniism begins with the denial of dualism, while admitting

that dualism *does* exist among the people of the earth, in both mind and body; that the dualistic concept is in the mind, which invests itself in a corresponding objective expression. The man from Venus occupies the strange, paradoxical position of being the perfect God from Venus, living in the world of dualism, the existence of which he denies as being a part of the true universal procedure. Although we are told distinctly that there is but one mind and one will, with unvarying quality of inherent unity, a portion of that mind lapses into dualism; the Almighty, the all-wise and the all-powerful, the very essence of universal "harmonic norm," so far forgets himself in the earth as to entertain erroneous conceptions concerning himself, and can only be elevated to proper appreciation of his rights and eternal privileges through studying the psycho-harmonic effluvia of a single personality, who has emigrated from the Venusian spatial altitude to acquaint the Almighty with the facts of the earth, of which the gods of Venus are admitted to be ignorant. When the psycho-harmonic vibrator returns to Venus, he will have many entertainingly new inhalations to ventilate. It seems that the perfect gods of Venus, although omniscient and omnipotent, are yet ignorant of the conditions which exist in the earth; for they know nothing of the character of mundane mental vibrations, never having heard of dualism. If the perfect men of Venus, under the influence of Uniism, know so little concerning the mental circum- gyrations in the earth, where effect is expressed from cause itself, what guaranty have we that the editor of the *Psycho-Harmonic Scientist* is able to tell us the truth concerning the existence of the three-dimensional objectivities with which we come in contact?

We maintain that the universe is a unit, a structured form, containing within itself all of the functions of perpetuity; that the universe is a great cell, the physical portion of which comprises the circumferential environ of all there is. Koreshanity is founded upon indisputable and tangible facts of scientific demonstration that the earth is concave, with all the planets, sun, moon, stars, comets, and nebulae emplaced within, to contribute their quota of energies to the existence of the whole. Consequently, there are no *inhabited planets*, and therefore, the originator of the psycho-harmonic mental science has always been in the earth, and hence his fancied acquaintance with the goddess of love, and the claim to having viewed himself in her golden mirror, are phases of nocturnal delirium which af-

flict the modern myopic metaphysical entities which are being rapidly metempsychosed in the direction of the ethereal states to which they aspire.

We hold to the absolute unity of Cause; that Cause is the supreme source of all phenomena, of all life on all planes. Koreshanity is the only true Unism, the absolutely true interpretation of the riddle of existence; we maintain that *evil* is as much a product of the divine mind as is good; furthermore, that the *universe is eternal*, and that progression and retrogression are co-ordinate factors in religious, moral, mental, physical, and ethnic development. Uniism and the dualism taught in the modern church are two extreme fallacies. Koreshanity is the "harmonic norm" of the divine science of all truth, differentiated from all other systems in that it is complete, rational, and comprehensible.

We maintain that there is no mind outside of vital organisms; that the spiritual world is in humanity; and that God in his highest degree of potentiality, is the perfect man, the true Individual, male and female in one personality; that the vidual or divided man is an abnormal state reached through human degeneracy; that God and man are one identity only as man progresses to the climax of human aspiration in the attainment of the immortal state of biunity of propagative functions in the flesh. We hold that all law is absolute, immutable, incapable of being vetoed or set aside, and that the manifestation of sin, sickness, death, and hell, is as necessary in the progress of humanity as is the manifestation of the opposites of these states. The object of all existence is use, with its concomitant enjoyments; that the delights and pleasures of the immortal state are for the specific purpose of producing the vital precipitate of the lower kingdoms and foundations, from which the immortal kingdom is periodically developed and upon which it is superstructured. The true cause is the unity of spirit and matter, the nexus between the two. The divine mind is as much the product of the activities and experiences and consciousnesses in the alchemico organic and the organo-vital worlds, as the physical cosmos and the world of humanity are the products of the divine mental activities and aspirations.

Koreshanity demonstrates the absolute-ness of the law of opposites; it demonstrates the law of polarity. The law of opposites lies at the very foundation of all existence; and the effort on the part of mental scientists to disregard eternal law, and to affirm themselves to be what they know they are not, is a demonstration of

how little they know of mental science! We demonstrate the absolute truth of the following postulates in the Koreshan Science of universal being and existence. The universe is composed of substance in two general states—spirit and matter; matter and spirit are interconvertible; spirit is matter sublimated through processes of transmutation, and matter is spirit reduced to form, the character and quality of which are determined by the quality of the energies and the character of the media of materialization. The two poles of existence are center and circumference, the pole of impression and the pole of expression; the pole of impression is the subjective pivot of consciousness. Existence is tangible and external; *esse* is the substance of internal being. Everything that has existence has form. There is no function without form; mind cannot act except through organic structure. Form and function are absolutely necessary to the perpetuity of existence. Matter is not the mere expression of mind, but it is the absolutely necessary pediment or continent; and its objectivity obtains through specific laws of mutations of mind and matter. Every form having function has been brought into existence by means of a corresponding form having corresponding functions. Every form has its opposite form and its co-ordinate form; and every function has its opposite function and its co-ordinate function.

The great central law of the universe, the central law of life and being, the very pivot of all law of activity and perpetuity, is, that *all forces must flow from all circumferences to one center to be recombusted, reformulated, and revitalized for the renewal of life*. Upon this law depend all the activities of the universe. It is the law of involution, the absolutely necessary co-ordinate of evolution; it is the law of polarization, which necessitates the existence of the central sun of the physical universe, and the corresponding anthropostic Sun, the positive pole of human progress, the tangible Messiah, the Conservator of Life, the perfect rehabilitation of the supreme aggregation of progressive entities of humanity. Koreshanity alone, of all other systems, is emphatically Messianic; it is the opposite of metaphysical fads and fallacies which inculcate the essence of presumptuous conceit in the claim that every abnormal, vidual, sensual biped involves the fulness of the great Absolute, and which encourages moral and mortal degenerates to affirm that they possess divine omniscience and omnipotence, without a shadow of proof that they comprehend a single law upon which the existence of the universe depends!

The Immortality and Biunity of Jesus the Christ.

EDITOR FLAMING SWORD:—How do you know that Jesus was *biune*—both male and female in one person, and that to become immortal it is necessary for present human forms to be transformed? If you can prove that Jesus was both male and female, you will certainly deal a heavy blow to those who aspire to become immortal without anatomical transformation.—SUBSCRIBER.

We answer this question from both a scientific and a Biblical point of view; for the claims of the Christ concerning his nature and function are demonstrated by scientific deductions from facts which obtain in Nature. Jesus taught the truth in the degree in which it was manifest in him; and if it be admitted that he was the teacher of truth, his own testimony concerning himself must also be true, as well as the records of his life and work, and the teachings of his disciples. Jesus came into the world through extraordinary processes, which are above the usual processes of human generation; he was born of a virgin, who was externally *biune*—he was produced from an ovum which was perfect, and susceptible of vitalization through the transmission of pneumo-psychic energies from the mind of Joseph, without the usual sex relation. What was He who was born through processes of parthenogenesis? He was the Almighty God, the everlasting Father.

He declared himself to be the promised seed, the resurrection and the life; and it was declared of him that he was both the bridegroom and the bride, because he was the divine marriage, the unity of both male and female in *one* flesh. He was the restoration of what man was originally, when they twain were one flesh. "Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning, made them *male and female*?" Jesus was the true individual, the undivided man, the offspring of Deity. Mortal men are *vidual*,—that is, divided, widowed, divorced; hence the necessity of the religion or retying, in order to save man from the mortal state, the state of death. The men that the Almighty produces through processes of divine propagation, are in his image and likeness—they are like God in nature, possessing the same attributes and functions. That Jesus was one of the men so produced, is proved by the fact of his claim that he was the Son of God, the image of God; as such offspring he was God, the Word made flesh, the fulness of the Godhead bodily. If God himself is both male and female, then Jesus was both male and female. If God is not both male and female, and as Cause cannot put forth what is not in it, there could not be males and females existing in the world of effect.

If Jesus was the seed of humanity, he was *biune*,—for every seed that has ever been produced, is male and female in one form. If Jesus was mortal; if he was merely masculine in his functions, without the co-ordinate femininity in him, he was incapable of reproducing himself by planting in the human race, and consequently there could be no fruitage from his sowing, no more sons of God, no possible attainment to immortality. It is evident that Jesus did not propagate himself on the mortal plane; and if he did not possess the functions of the higher generation, then the Messianic man has become extinct; for if the Christ be not raised from the dead, through processes of regeneration from the seed sown, our hope is vain. The very fact that Jesus was planted in humanity for the purpose of reproducing himself at the end of the age in 144,000 sons of God, is proof that the divine generation or regeneration is of a higher order, and that the functions of reproduction on that plane were the united functions of the male and the female in the person of the Seed-man.

From a purely scientific basis, we affirm that the claims of Jesus to possession of divine attributes were absolutely true. We know, through laws of human progress and laws of correspondence between man and the physical cosmos, not only that a manifestation was due nearly 2,000 years ago, but also that that personality was immortal. The initial point of the constellation Aries was then at the head of the Zodiac, the point of zero in right ascension in astronomical longitude. Consequently, the man who fulfilled the preceding cycle was the head of the anthropic Zodiac as the supreme Creator of the universe. Koreschan Astro-Anthroposophy defines specifically the nature and character of the matured fruit of the Tree of Life; the laws are written in humanity, in the stars, in the path of the solar precession, and in the circumference of the great cell we inhabit.

The physical universe is self-perpetuating; it possesses both male and female functions, and reproduces itself eternally. The central sun is masculine, while the moon, the great wombic structure or shell of the earth, is feminine. The physical cosmos possesses all the functions of the perfect man, and the perfect man possesses all the functions of the cosmos; because the universe is the expression of the perfect man, and the perfect man is the involution of the universe. If the universe is both male and female, the involution is *biune*. The physical universe is eternal, and man cannot become immortal until he reaches that state of perfection, in the

possession of all the attributes and functions which inhere in the cosmos.

We maintain that the existence of two sexes in the world of mortal humanity is proof of the *unity* of the two sexes in the great Cause; if the functions of the male and the female, as at present obtaining in the world of *vidual* humanity, constitute an evolution from Cause, then the Cause itself must periodically involve in unity, the functions of both the male and the female. Jesus belonged to a superior kingdom, the fifth universal kingdom; he was the archetype of the new race, the 144,000 virgins, the men-women (from *vir*, man, and *gune*, woman). The fact that the 144,000 sons of God are men-women, is proof that the everlasting Father of the 144,000 was a *man-woman*, a virgin.

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What is the Second Death?

EDITOR FLAMING SWORD:—Will you please explain what is the "second death?" Who will go into it, and when?—Reader.

The modern church holds that the second death is the future hell, where it is supposed that death does not occur at all, because the unfortunates are consigned to eternal life in torment. The Adventists conclude that the second death is the death of the wicked after they have been resurrected from the cemeteries and taken away somewhere in space to judgment. All the usual ideas of the second death begin with the assumption that the mortal dissolution of a man is the *first* death, and of course it follows that the second death is the *next* death that the same *vidual* experiences! But how would it be where humanity is re-embodied thousands of times in a cycle? what would be the first and the second death?

There are two kingdoms in the universe of humanity: The lower human or mortal kingdom, and the higher human or kingdom of God, which is comprised of immortal, *biune* men, the sons of God. Nineteen hundred years ago, there was manifest in humanity the archetype of the new genus or race of men. He was at that time the only begotten Son of God, the only representative of the higher kingdom. He was from above, while all the other personalities in the world were from beneath. The higher kingdom is first, or prior to the lower. Jesus was the head of the higher kingdom, the Seed to be sown in humanity that he might reproduce himself and manifest at the end of the dispensation as the 144,000 sons of God. He said of himself, "Except a grain of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone; but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit." The divine Seed must die in order to reproduce itself. The

first death, then, is the death of the Seed of the first or higher kingdom; it is the death of the Christ in mortal humanity, and the first resurrection is the resurrection of the Almighty from that first death.

The second death is the mortal state of the lower humanity,—the second death is hell. It is not a question as to who *will* go into it, for that death is the present condition of the world, and all are in it; it is not future, but *now*. The avenues of escape from the second death are opened at the end of every dispensation, by the Messiah of the age. A group of progressive humanity is raised out of it, and over such the second death has no power; such are not "hurt" of it, but escape by processes of overcoming death. Koreshanity proceeds on the basis of science, not only in logical processes of determining what the second death is, but also in the work of overcoming it, and attaining to immortality here in the natural world.

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Chat With Readers.

The Bureau of Equitable Commerce of the Koreshan Unity.

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The World's News.

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Wednesday Aug. 2.—Small panic in Montreal; failure of the Cartier bank causes excitement.—Spread of yellow fever to Phoebus, Va.; 4 more deaths occur in soldiers' home in Hampton; towns under quarantine, and martial law declared.—Pennsylvania regiment from the Philippines arrives in San Francisco.—Chicago board of review increases assessments in property of the millionaires.—Chicago labor college is in view; Prof. Bemis, who left Chicago University in 1895, is to be president.—Belgian cabinet resigns.—*El Reconcentrado*, an Havana newspaper, suppressed by U. S. authorities.

Thursday.—Mexico is endeavoring to suppress the Yaquis Indian uprising.—New cases of yellow fever in Phoebus, Va.—Small earthquake in Chile.—Assassins of President of Santo Domingo captured and shot.—Fresh Turkish atrocities reported in Armenia.—Illinois anti-imperialists organize in Chicago.—Virginia yellow fever under control.—Gen. Miles advocates the immediate capture of Aguinaldo.

Friday.—83 Yaquis Indians killed in engagement with Mexican soldiers.—Storms and rains in northern Florida destroy a million dollars worth of property; steamers wrecked, lives lost, and town of McIntyre entirely destroyed.—Another negro lynching in Ga.—Germany reported suspicious of American movements about Santo Domingo.—Cubans protest against U. S. propositions to establish negro colonies in Cuba.—Shamrock, the racing yacht, sails for America.—Strikers in Cleveland blow up another car with nitroglycerin.—Socialist gains reported in Holland at recent elections.

Saturday.—Students at West Point military academy, persecute a young Jew and force him to leave the academy.—Laurier, the Canadian premier, says Canadian officials must decline invitation to attend Chicago festivities in October, on account of Alaskan dispute.—Philadelphia refuses to permit salvation army drums on the street.—Great crowds pouring into Rennes in excitement over beginning of Dreyfus trial.—The pope is writing a book on how to secure universal peace.—38 newspapers confiscated in Austria as objectionable.

Sunday.—Revolutionist Jimenez leaves Havana for Santo Domingo to begin operations for the overthrow of present Dominican power.—Soft drink saloon in Chicago planned to imitate methods of other saloons; originated by a Chicago temperance society.—Samoan difficulty settled by commissioners; agreement signed, and natives welcome established peace.—Anti-imperialists break out in Chicago again.—Transvaal president in favor of arbitrating the difficulties which exist between the republic and England.—Explosion occurs in a New York art gallery, and destroys a million dollars worth of pictures.

Monday.—Pier near Bar Harbor, Maine, collapses under weight of a crowd of excursionists, and scores are precipitated into the sea; many are killed and injured.—Trolley car jumps a trestle near Bridgeport, Conn.; falls 50 feet, and kills 26 people.—Canada orders increase in both regular military and militia forces in British America; ripple of excitement because of apparent strained relations existing between U. S. and Canada.—Dreyfus case opens at Rennes.—Czar decides to remain on Russian throne; not to abdicate, nor

appoint a regent.—Dewey welcomed at Naples, Italy.

Tuesday.—Dreyfus asserts his innocence before court martial at Rennes; intense interest manifested all over the world; acquittal is prophesied everywhere; Gen. Mercier and Henri Rochefort declares Dreyfus guilty, and are determined to impress the French nation by any means available.—England said to be quietly mobilizing an army in the direction of Transvaal.—Spanish federal revolutionary party gaining ground in Spain.—Political riots in Austria.—Santo Domingo revolutionists active.—Hurricane is sweeping the West Indies; moves toward the northwest, and threatens Florida.

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The Saturday Evening Post.

Among the many interesting and excellent literary productions in the issue of August 5, is an anecdotal sketch by Amos J. Cummings, of the Hon. Thomas B. Reed, ex-Speaker of the House of Representatives, containing a number of incidents of the ready wit and retort with which he met the attacks of his opponents. The sketch impresses one with the unique character which ruled the House with a rod of iron, and brings the reader close to the personality in his daily work in Congress. We have been very much interested in Robert Barr's series, "My Travels and Troubles in the Orient;" the current paper is of Jerusalem, and artistically presents to view interesting points in the capital of the religious world; the reader goes to the Holy Sepulcher, the Mosque of Omar, Mount of Olives, and the Tombs of the Kings. Joseph Medill's reminiscences of Lincoln are of special interest, secured by Mr. H. I. Cleveland in an interview with Medill just before his death. The third paper by Lyman J. Gage on Our National Real Estate Deals, gives some insight into the purchase by the United States from Spain, of the territories of Florida and Louisiana, and how the government officials were subjected to the same criticism that the present administration is subject, because of the purchase of the Philippines. It now turns out that the purchase of territory from foreign countries, such as Florida, Louisiana, Alaska, the annexation of Texas, and other portions of the United States, are landmarks in the history of the development of the American nation. The *Post* of August 12 contains the first of a series of twelve papers on the Making of a Journalist, by Julian Ralph, "the best reporter in the world," who has been in the newspaper field for twenty-five years. The series will be interspersed with numerous reminiscences and anecdotes, and will be of special interest and value to all in the field of journalism. We highly recommend the *Saturday Evening Post* to our readers; it is a superb 16-page, illustrated weekly, of the highest class, conservative, dignified, and clean. 5 cents per copy; yearly, \$2.50; published by the Curtis Publishing Co., Philadelphia.

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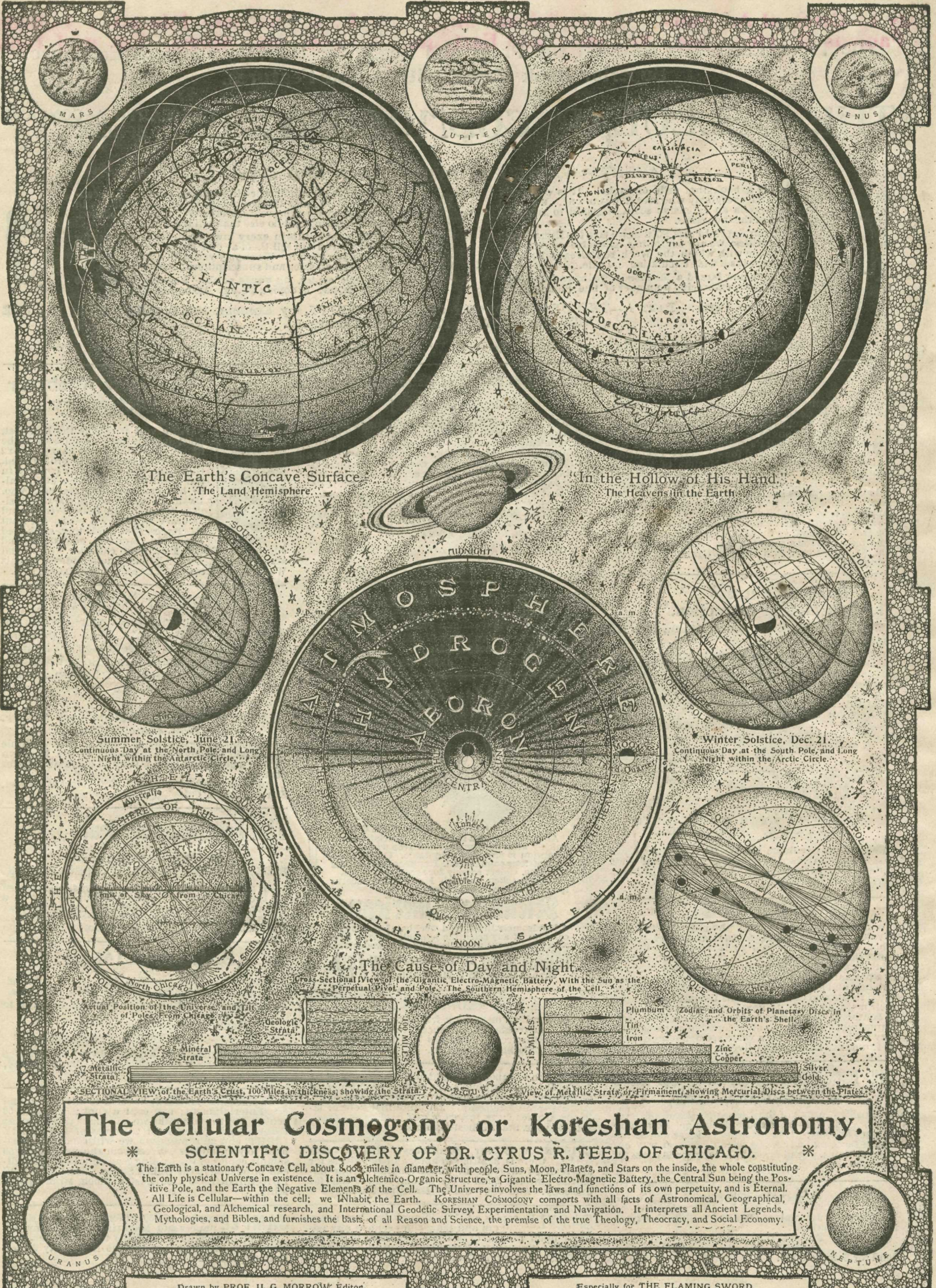
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