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THE FLAMING SWORD stands out bold and unique in the field of journalism, fearless and untrammelled in its expressions, and persistent in its warfare against the enemies of purity and righteousness, and in the work of unmasking the hypocrisies of the age. We congratulate ourselves, and are congratulated by a great circle of readers, in view of the fact that we have met with success. We have labored and studied to interest both old and new readers. We cannot mistake the spirit of many kind letters from various parts of the world; they are full of expressions of appreciation of our efforts to give to the world the highest, purest, the most substantial and refined scientific product of intellectual activity. We are making friends everywhere; we are coming in contact with an army of new readers, and we are proud of the moral and intellectual character of the ever-enlarging circumference of investigators of the marvelous System of KORESH.

Two years ago we entered upon a new career; we began again the publication of THE FLAMING SWORD as a weekly. It will be gratifying to our many readers to know that during this time we have about doubled our subscription list. Hundreds of subscribers have read THE FLAMING SWORD from the beginning of its publication; and they now assert that it would be next to impossible for them to do without it; while the new readers have expressed themselves in terms of appreciation and

surprise that such a vigorous, outspoken, and fearless journal exists! Every issue is eagerly looked for each week, and the contents are studied from beginning to end.

The Flaming Sword Widely Quoted.

After two years of weekly visits of THE FLAMING SWORD, our readers doubtless feel well acquainted with its writers, whose productions fill its columns. First in importance and position always, are the profound articles fresh from the pen of the Founder of Koreshanity, the Leader of our work, and the Teacher of the great truths we promulgate. We are proud of our able corps of writers, who are handling the great questions of the hour with force and emphasis. It is interesting to note here that THE FLAMING SWORD is exerting a great influence through the reform press. We know of no publication whose contents are more widely and frequently quoted. During the past year, over 10,000 lines have been reproduced in the religious and reform press of the world; every mail brings us exchanges containing paragraphs clipped from our pages.

During the coming year, we purpose making the contents of THE FLAMING SWORD still more interesting. The Editorial Perspective has called forth many appreciative comments, and its weekly paragraphs are widely quoted in other journals. 1900, promises to be a marvelous year in human history; the last year of the century, the year of the great presidential campaign, and the year of great events. We shall find many interesting subjects and events to discuss. Current history is a subject of specific interest; and the Editorial departments will increase in power and force. Among them we may mention the Editorial Discussions, in which we take great pleasure in answering the questions of our readers. Help us to increase the usefulness of this department by numerous questions concerning the problems you meet with in the study of Koreshanity. Your questions are always welcome; let us have more of them!

During the coming year we purpose introducing new features, dealing with subjects of vital importance in new ways,

Thousands of readers of the CELLULAR COSMOGONY desire to have Koreshan Astronomy more fully explained; the work of practical application of the principles of Koreshanity to life, enlarged upon, and the specific relation of Koreshan Astronomy and Theology pointed out. Koreshan Science of government will be elucidated, and Scientific Socialism and Communism discussed, as well as all of the numerous pressing problems which call for practical solution.

10,000 New Readers During 1900!

We have now entered upon the eleventh year of the existence of THE FLAMING SWORD; and we do so, with renewed energy, determination, and greater activity in the central nucleus of the System. We have inaugurated a System of Propaganda in Chicago; and we have canvassers in other cities, who are spending their entire time in the work of promulgating Koreshanity. We are looking for a general, united effort on the part of appreciative readers to extend our influence.

Let us have 10,000 new readers during the year 1900! It is possible to obtain this number during the closing year of the century. What would be the result? First, it would be a fitting dawn of a new century of Science; second, it would place the myriads of minds in a different attitude toward Koreshanity, and constitute a powerful battery of intellectual activity, and accelerate the progress of Koreshanity in the world; and third, it would enable us to add to the beauty of THE FLAMING SWORD, to increase its size, and to make it brighter than ever before! To do this requires means,—a steady income to meet obligations promptly.

There are scores of readers who, by earnestly soliciting subscriptions, with but little effort or sacrifice, could each obtain 100 to 1,000 subscriptions in 365 days! You can co-operate with us, and we can co-operate with you, in this great work. Let the 10,000 be the watchword! A responsibility rests upon those who have received the truth of Koreshanity—a responsibility to suffering humanity. Find the truth-seekers in your own vicinity, and place before them that which you now enjoy and would not do without—the unique FLAMING SWORD!

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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Phases and Factors of the Coming Revolution.

The Koreshan Scientific Prophet Makes Predictions Concerning the Course of Events, but Does Not Sympathize with the Contending Forces on the Revolutionary Battle-Field.

STUDENTS of Koreshanity and readers of THE SWORD should never mistake our attitude toward the various phases of the great battle of Gog and Magog, now in progress and constituting the closing act of the tragedy of the curse of men. We speak of the "phases" of this battle, because there are various domains in which the struggle of a house divided against itself obtains—in the ecclesiastical, seculo-commercial world, and in social life. There are three curses applicable to three spheres of activity, and three woes terminating these three curses. In every case it is a house divided against itself. We may illustrate this in the domain of secular economics, in one of its phases of division, by the struggle in progress with the financial world, between the gold and bimetallic standards, the indications of which now point to the legal establishment of the golden calf in the most holy place of the temple.

While we do not favor either side to the controversy, we have some decided views as to which must succeed for a short time at the end of the dispensation. The mark of the beast—in the particular field above noted—is the power obtaining in the possession of wealth—represented by the gold standard. "No man might *buy or sell*, save he that had the mark * * * in the forehead [credit], * * * or in the right hand,"—the money itself. The present tendency to aggregate wealth in the form of trusts, with the alarming acceleration at present observed, unmistakably indicates the

near approach of the fulfilment of John's prediction.

The curse upon the serpent was the curse upon the love of money, for "the love of money is the root of all evil;" hence this love is the cause of the declension of men. Some will ask, "How can this be, inasmuch as at the time the curse was said to have been pronounced there was no commerce, because only two people existed on the face of the earth?" When the Lord Jesus came into the world nineteen hundred years ago, there were millions of inhabitants. In His personal presence, he was the first Adam,—the recurrence of the Adamic presence created twenty-four thousand years previous to his manifestation in the beginning of the Christian dispensation. At the time of the Lord's appearing there were millions of people, just as there were corresponding millions when the traditional Adam was created. The sign moves in its cycles through the ecliptic. Every twenty-four thousand years it enters the head of the cycle, then the personal Adam matures as the first-fruits of Deific maturity. The fall of man on the secular and commercial plane, is invariably and inevitably through the love of money.

While we decidedly predict the course of events, we are not in sympathy with either side in the conflict for supremacy with the activities belonging to the competitive system. The Koreshan Unity is the fulfilment in practical demonstration of the new order, after old things shall have passed away, and when all things become new. We are now performing the initiatory work

of inauguration; we do not take sides with the conflict in which the cataclysm ultimates. That we are on the verge of the last struggle of Gog and Magog, which will terminate the Christian dispensation and the Zodiacal cycle, we can assure our readers; and that it eventuates in the overthrow of secular and ecclesiastical powers and authority throughout the world, as relating to the old heavens and the old earth, we most positively

affirm. The kingdom of divine righteousness will succeed the destruction of the competitive system of the world's activity, and the time is at hand when the nucleus of the new kingdom shall take such positive shape as to preclude the possibility of doubt as to its character and power. During the next thirty years, progress in the adjustment of human relations on equitable principles, will take the form of Koreshan Imperialism.

The Biunity of the Universe.

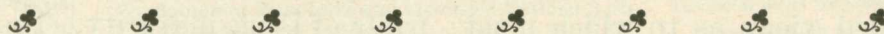
Koreshanity Differentiated From the Doctrines of Monism; the Two General States of Universal Substance; Correlated Form and Function Necessary to Existence.

A PUBLICATION called the *Monist*, advocates the doctrine that there is but one substance in the universe. It therefore discountenances the biune concept of Koreshanity. There is one noticeable difference between the monism of the *Monist* and the two-in-oneism of the Koreshan System. It is maintained in Koreshanity, that there is but one substance in the universe, but that this universal substance is invariably operative through the co-ordinate unity of a biune manifestation. For instance; fire—the product of combustion—invariably generates light and heat. While these are not two substances, yet they manifest the appearance of a double phenomenon, or a phenomenon biune in character. It is the same with magneto-electricity. Magnetic and electric phenomena are bi-unistic. The fact that either one of these can be converted to the other, demonstrates their unity; but the fact that the editor of the *Monist* cannot tell us what the substance is that constitutes the monistic unity, is proof enough that it is not only a very obscure, but also a very uncertain quality.

Koreshanity deals with things and phenomena. Matter is tangible, and energies are distinguishable by their substantial motions acting in and through ponderable and tangible material. If the advocates of the monistic philosophy (?) will either locate or define the thing they talk about, we will give it due consideration; but to follow after a will-o'-the-wisp, is more than we have time or patience to waste upon.

In the beginning of the Christian age of the world, there was a revelation of God to man; that revelation consisted in the incarnation of Deity, and man (the perfect man) was shown to be the beginning of the creation of God, the first and the last, the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. The first and primate source and end of being was the complexion of the universe,—individuality, personality, tangibility, form, and function; the union of male and female in one personal form, the triunity in personality, the incarnate, integral Godhood. This is monistic enough for Koreshanity, and thus Koreshanity will stand as the enduring monument for ages to come, because embodying the eternal Truth.

There are a million proofs of the biunity of all existence, but there is not one substantial demonstration of what is termed monism. There are two distinct states of all substance,—spiritual and material; and there is no one homogeneous substance to which they can be reduced. However, monism is the only legitimate conclusion to be reached from the premise of the evolutionist, when eliminating involution as a co-ordinate factor of evolution. The acceptance of such a doctrine precludes a knowledge of the origin of all things, as obtaining in the supremely structured and composite mentality, the beginning and the ending of creation. Monism, so called, is consummate atheism, the legitimate sequence of an attempt to eliminate the conscious Deity from the universe.



From the Scriptural point of view, the mortality of the body is the sequence of the violation of law. As the body is natural, and the death of the body, or the dissolution of its structural form through corruptible processes, is also natural, and related to natural operations, the law violated to consummate such results must also be natural. If death to the body is the sequence of any sin, it must be the result of infraction of the laws gov-

erning the body; and no restoration is complete or perfect that does not reach and metamorphose the anatomical structure, and modify physiological activities. This is so apparent, that it seems astonishing that the clerical profession, with all its pretense to theological culture, knowledge, and comprehension of the principles of salvation, should conclude its propaganda with the dogma of the soul's salvation, without the salvation of the body.

Let the Heathen Rage!

A MAN by the name of Thacher, residing in Pa., sends us the following communication, in allusion to a libelous page of the San Francisco *Examiner*:

I have received fifty copies of the California paper, and have circulated them in Lynn, Mass., Denver, Colo., Punta Gorda, Fla., Philadelphia, Chicago, and in Myers, Fla.

While thanking him for his consideration, we wish to say that we are sorry there were not fifty thousand copies of the paper. We have derived both direct and indirect benefit from that attempt of the lurid journal of San Francisco, to defame us.

The final theocrasis toward which we hasten is dependent upon two things,—the hatred of our enemies and the devotion of our friends. These efforts of poor, inane devils to excite animosity, stimulate our people

to greater love, greater devotion, more enduring persistence, and quadrupled diligence in the promulgation of the Koreshan System. It brings into public notice the efforts we are making to propagate Koreshanity, and stimulates inquiry. No new system can flourish without persecution; hence we say, let the poor devils rage and do what they can to call the attention of the world to that which, without this effort on their part, might remain for a long time unnoticed. We appreciate all the efforts of the infuriated to call the attention of the public to the fact that we are worthy the opposition of the hells. The only regret we entertain is, that this poor heathen is not a man of some influence, and must depend upon lurid journalism to disseminate his bubonic plague.

The Phenomena of Human Progress.

The Stars of Destiny and the Makers of History; the Drift of Events of the Age in the Direction of the Western World, Preparing the Way for the New Humanity.

PROF. U. G. MORROW.

THE FACTORS of progress lead to ultimate destiny; the march of the world is toward the goal, and the goal will finally be reached. We cannot view the wonderful achievements of the nineteenth century without anticipating the future. We are living in a most marvelous period of the world's history, and the great panoramic picture of current events passes before us, full of meaning. The scenes indicate that the world will soon witness some stupendous movements, startling events, and marvelous transformations in the world of human relations. The thought is forcing itself upon all classes, and the most casual observer of the course of events must admit that we are on the very verge of a new era.

What a wonderful thing is human progress! Some unseen hand maps out the path of man; and the path leads to a culmination and a climax. The great universe is the field of human activity. The field is as broad as the earth's surface; and yet there are poles and pivots, the fulcrums of forces, upon which progress depends. The stars of destiny cluster in chosen peoples; makers of human history, the heroes of ages, twinkle in the anthropostic firmament in the zenith of national glory. Every age has its civilization; and every civilization has its central genius, its brilliant sun, which has for its orbit the ecliptic of human development, and which, as the great pendulum of progress in the great clock of the ages, ticks the time for the universe.

The passing age has been a wonderful period. Authentic history covers the field of the age, and we can read the great events of the centuries. We have witnessed the rise and progress of two great religions—the Christian and the Mohammedan; the one has

marched toward the West, and the other to the East and South; the one followed the stream of civilization, with its kings, queens, and congresses, while the other has followed the tides of semi-civilization, with its sheiks, shahs, and sultans. In the one direction, we may find poles of progress and the greatest achievements known to man; in the other, the sluggish spirit of Orientalism. And yet, through ethnic channels, we may trace these peoples back to one man—to Abraham of Chaldea; the one line began in Isaac, the other in Ishmael.

We cannot separate history from humanity; and we cannot correctly analyze human history without considering the great ethnic channels through which specific peoples have developed. We may follow Ishmael into Arabia, and read his history and his footprints in the burning sands of the desert, until the appearance of a mentality adapted to the genus to which he came, himself a maker of history, an impulser of millions, whose power has wielded sword and simetar wherever Mohammedanism has gone. He was the star to his own people; through a central line Mohammed has worked unseen, and he has woven the fabric which holds empires intact, moving their peoples in a given direction. No one will deny that the power of Mohammed is manifest today; the power of the turbaned Turk, the power of the Arabian and the African, is the power of Mohammed; and the mosques of the Moslems reflect the glittering glories of the Arabian seer.

In Europe, we have witnessed the complex field of ethnic development and progress. Filtered through the Medes and Persians, and through the great Indo-Germanic families, the very life of the lost ten tribes of

Israel has covered the European field. We here find a new soil, fertile with entities of the Hebrew stock; a field which extends toward the West; and in a distinct path from that field, progress has marched to the *ultima thule* of America. The great line of progress of the age has had its supreme source—a human source, greater than Mohammed—a man who has, for an age, been the world's ideal man—the man Jesus. He was sown in the fertile field of Europe, and he has threaded his way through millions of personalities, through all the intricacies of European history. The divine Man crossed himself with distinct peoples; he has impulsed the millions; he has made history, and he has been the supreme factor in the phenomena of human progress for the past nineteen centuries. The most stupendous events of the age have been direct results of the influence of His march through the human soil. A great crusade was made in the interior spheres of humanity, which expressed itself in externals in the great wars and crusades of mediæval history. The two great lines of peoples which we have considered, met in Palestine—the Christian with the cross met the Saracen with the sword, in the endeavor to take possession of the Holy City.

The central line of persistency and progress of civilization is divine. The prophets were inspired from this interior line; and poets have touched the rhythmic chords which have vibrated in the hearts of seers and sages. The warm heart of the Almighty beats in the breast of the Grand Man. The stars of destiny, in brilliant constellations, have shone over Europe in the Reformation. They shaped the trend of events, molded minds, and revolved the turret of observation for the magnificent view of the West. Across the Atlantic, Columbus was guided by an impulse which he could not explain. The *dove* found the land; the portals of a new world swung ajar, and new fields—ripe for the hands of industry—invited the millions. The stars of destiny, one by one, crossed the Atlantic; the makers of human history have stood at the focus of events. The East supplied the men, the peoples; but it was not destined that Europe should rule the new world. At the crisis of colonial history, Washington stood and defeated an empire; while in Europe, that blazing star in the constellation of France—Napoleon, who figured conspicuously in the history of Europe for a quarter of a century,—fell to rise in America. At the crisis of the American republic, stood Lincoln; he re-united the states; he freed the millions of slaves, and gave the foundation race an impetus in the direction of progress.

What is the destiny of the western world? The progress of the age, the course of events for centuries in the direction of America, has not been for naught. The

power that is operative in humanity, none other than human power, though unseen in the interior, hidden by the complex covering of the external humanity—that power that made possible the civilization and progress of America during the past four hundred years, will complete the work. It is necessary that there be retrogressive elements accompanying the trend of progress; but the old circumferences are being sloughed off. There has been and is, a great breaking-up, a destruction of old institutions; but there are developing great projects of stupendous import; the way is being prepared for the new humanity. The tendency now is to movements on the universal scale. The great cosmopolitan railways; the great canals; the great steamship lines, and all the marvelous inventions of the nineteenth century, are indications of a coming great thing, a civilization without a parallel in history. There is a tendency in the direction of reform, to change the world of human affairs. We are on the threshold of a new order of progress, into which the present one will merge by natural processes. The world breathes an air of expectancy; it is looking for the Golden Age. The time is ripe for the world's greatest movements; but the greatest revolution of history precedes the great evolution of the world!

The stars of destiny have clustered about another Maker of history, who stands at the greatest crisis of the ages, as the world-conqueror! He is the central line of progress externalized. All nature has awaited his coming; creation groans for deliverance. The forces of progress have destined that America shall indeed become the land of genuine liberty, a great Empire, with universal dominion. The primitive church pointed to his coming, that death might be overcome, and the natural man made immortal. The entire world of Christendom has looked forward to his advent. He has made the greatest discoveries of the modern world, and the greatest revelations; he has uncovered the arcana of worlds, the mysteries of all spheres, and dispels the darkness from all domains. The new crusade has begun—the battle of Armageddon—for the purpose of meeting the enemies of the cross, and to rebuild the Holy City in the West. The New Man has come; he who has threaded his way through the age as the central life of the great human tree, comes now as its firstfruit, the involution of all the makers of history of the past, ready to make the history of the Golden Age, ready to make the new humanity, and to create the new world. The anthropostic Sun has risen, and the world will welcome the universal day, the greatest phenomenon and climax of progress. The world has been prepared for his coming; and the world is being prepared for his Kingdom!



No reasonable person will deny, that if immortality pertains to the outward structure, or to the structure of external, organic, and physiological life, there must be some structural and functional changes before such life

can be assured. This resolves itself to the question of organic structural persistence, as applied to a given formation having so complete an arrangement as to insure its everlasting perpetuity.

Tyranny in the Chicago University.

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

Every professor in the University of Chicago has received a circular letter warning him to be careful of expressing opinions "concerning controverted questions of public interest," in any way that might "involve the University, even by implication, in such controverted matters." In other words, if any professor believes that the Standard Oil trust is a criminal monopoly that corrupts courts, crushes out competition, bribes railway officials, and engages in other lawless acts, he had better keep that opinion to himself, if he wants to draw salary from the Chicago University. And why not? Mr. Rockefeller's millions have endowed this institution. It represents his ideas of business morality. It should stand for his views on political economy. For the Chicago University to teach that criminal trusts should be abolished, would be a reflection on its chief benefactor. Mr. Rockefeller pays handsomely for the privilege of regulating the curriculum of the Chicago University, and he is entitled to get what he pays for.—*New York Journal*.

THE ABOVE seems to be the sense of right and justice of a great and influential newspaper. Suppose that a successful band of pirates should devote a part of the proceeds of their bloody calling, in reality no more murderous than that of the Standard Oil Company, to the building of a great Christian (?) university, and the management should issue orders that no teacher would be allowed to teach that piracy was

wrong or unchristian; would this great professed guardian of the public morals say, "And why not? These pirates' millions have endowed this institution, which represents their views of business morality, and should stand for their views on political economy. For this institution to teach that piracy should be abolished, would be a reflection on its chief benefactors. These pirates pay handsomely for the privilege of regulating the curriculum of this great university, and they are entitled to get what they pay for."

If robbery is unjust and wrong, then it is against fundamental morality for a man—by himself, or by means of his money—to teach that it is right; or what amounts to the same thing, knowing it to be wrong, to fail to impart that knowledge, while professing to teach all the truth. Not only has the Standard Oil king no right to get what he buys, in this case, but if the state has the right to protect its citizens from robbery, then it must prevent his getting it. But perhaps the paper does not mean what it says, but is only bantering, in which case it were better to have said nothing.

In the Editorial Perspective.

THE EDITOR.

THIRTEEN is superstitiously considered an unlucky number by the world generally, especially since the famous "13 puzzle" was invented; but one considers oneself lucky to get a baker's dozen. To the Koreshan, 13 is a *lucky* number. Swedenborg says that 13, as between twelve and fourteen, signifies an intermediate state; while taken as a compound of ten and three, it signifies remains; and that the 13th year signifies the beginning of the Lord's temptation in childhood. The worst luck came to Spain under the reign of Alphonso XIII; for the power of Spain was destroyed with its navy, including the battleship Alphonso XIII. The United States has 13 first-class warships; 13 vessels of the Spanish navy were destroyed in Manila bay by Dewey; and Manila surrendered August 13, 1898; but these were strokes of luck for America! The Catholics consider Leo XIII to be a lucky pope. Four other popes have been thirteens: John XIII; Gregory XIII (the man who corrected the calendar); Innocent XIII, and Clement XIII. In the Bible we find 13 frequently: Paul was the 13th apostle, and he wrote 13 epistles. Ishmael, Abraham's oldest son, was circumcised in his 13th year; and the children and grandchildren of Keturah numbered 13. Jacob had 13 children—twelve sons and one daughter. There were virtually thirteen tribes of Israel; 13 months of the Jewish year; and there were thirteen persons present at the Lord's Supper. On the night of the 13th of Nisan, the first-born of Egypt were smitten, the passover was eaten—the night of Israel's exodus from Egypt. The four kings of Siddim valley rebelled in the 13th year of their service; 13 bullocks were sacrificed at the feast of tabernacles; and five families of Israel received by lots, each, 13 cities. The decree of Ahazuerus, ordering the death of all Jews on the 13th of Adar, was signed on the 13th of the first month; and on the 13th of Adar, the Jews resisted the decree and slew 75,000 men.

Jeremiah received his inspiration in the 13th year of the reign of Josiah, king of Judah; the length of the gate of the city of Ezekiel's vision was 13 cubits; and it required 13 years to build Solomon's palace. Joseph dreamed that 13 heavenly bodies—sun, moon, and eleven stars—made obeisance to him. Mary was 13 when betrothed to Joseph; and Jesus was in his 13th year when he disputed with the doctors. The titles of three books of the Bible are each indicated by 13 letters; three books have each 13 chapters; and thirty-three chapters have each 13 verses. In astronomy we also find 13: 13 annual lunations of the moon; the moon passes through thirteen constellations each synodical revolution; moves about 13° per day in its orbit, and there are about 13 hours between high tides on the ocean. Each season is 13 weeks in length. There are 13 well-known comets; meteors fall Nov. 13; Uranus was discovered March 13, 1781, and there are 13 stars of the first magnitude in each hemisphere of the physical heavens. The following are striking instances: The Aztecs had thirteen principal deities. There are 13 letters in the full name of the Founder of Koreshanity—CYRUS REED TEED; 13 letters of the Hawaiian alphabet; the names of three of the original 13 states of the U. S., are each spelled with 13 letters. An old Irish coin was 13 pence; and there is the peculiar 13th note and interval in music. Buffalo burned Dec. 13, 1813; Wagner died February 13, 1883; Handel, April 13, 1759; Pocahontas, March 13, 1617; Rossini, Nov. 13, 1868; and Major John A. Logan was killed in the Philippines, Nov. 13, 1899. Fugitive slave law was repealed June 13, 1864; Berlin treaty signed July 13, 1878; Fulton began building his first steamboat August 13, 1807; Battle of Chapultepec, September 13, 1847. There were originally 13 states in the United States; there are now 13 stripes on the American flag, and the U. S. soldier receives \$13 per month. There are 13 principal cities of

the world, each having over 1,000,000 inhabitants; and there are 13 cities in the United States having a population of over 250,000. 13 wars and revolutions are now in progress. 13 republican states have from 10 to 36 electoral votes. Astronomers hold that the earth is flattened 13 miles at each pole. There are 13 principal islands of the Philippine archipelago; the center of the group is 13° north of the equator, while the Samoan group is 13° south of the equator. There are 13 principal islands of the West Indies, and 13 principal islands of the East Indies outside the Philippines, and thirteen principal islands in other parts of the world. There are 13 principal rivers of the world; 13 principal mountain ranges and systems; 13 great peninsulas, and 13 principal seas, gulfs, and bays. The Indian Territory has 13 divisions and reservations; Wyoming has 13 counties, and 13 states of the United States touch the waters of the Atlantic Ocean. There are 13 great English colonial possessions in Asia, Africa, America, and Oceanica. There are 13 principal nations of Europe; 13 nations of North America and the West Indies; 13 principal divisions of Asia; 13 governments in South America; 13 principal divisions of Africa; and there are 13 great world-powers. Koreshanity has been promulgated in the city of Chicago for 13 years. We are now in the 13th year of the existence of the Society Arch-Triumphant, which had 13 charter members. The Koreshan Home in Chicago originally had 13 persons in the Communistic Family; and the first number of *THE GUIDING STAR* was issued Dec. 1, 1886,—13 years ago. There were 13 members of the Koreshan Geodetic Staff and Corps on the field of operations on the Florida west coast, and 13 folios in the *CELLULAR COSMOGONY*. The labor of 13 people is required to edit, manage, set up, correct, print, fold, and mail *THE FLAMING SWORD* each week; we receive 13 "high-class" exchanges; and *THE FLAMING SWORD* has just completed its 13th volume!

A Kansas journal, the *Liberator*, editorially takes exception to the declaration of *THE FLAMING SWORD*, that "the creed of 1776 has become too limited for the elements of progress," and that "America has ceased to be a youth, and has become a man, and must put away the childish conceptions of the eighteenth century." In the criticism, it is asserted that the creed of 1776 expresses principles as eternal as the world; but through scientific analysis of Nature, it is a demonstrable fact that the universe is *not* governed in accordance with republican principles. It was in the order of progress for America to throw off the yoke of England; but the childishness of the American theory of government is seen in the fact, that after one hundred and twenty-five years of experimentation in the pursuit of "life, liberty, and happiness," neither life, liberty, nor happiness has come to the people. The fact that America was strong enough to assert its independence, does not guarantee that the principles of the Declaration of Independence are true. The article asserts that manliness and magnanimity led McKinley to interfere on behalf of the Cubans; but cowardice and pusillanimity that waged war against the Filipinos. If it is possible for a single administration to manifest both manliness and cowardice, it should not be difficult for our critic to see that the forefathers of the American republic could be similarly inconsistent; that it was manliness that threw off the English yoke and achieved independence, but ignorance which led them to construct a government out of harmony with the laws of order which are operative in the great structured universe in which we live. The Jewish nation ceased to be a youth and became a *man*—the man Jesus, the Messianic personality. The American nation has ceased to be a youth; it has, in a literal sense, become a man—it has produced the positive pole of progress in a Messianic personality, who has not only put away the childish conceptions of the

eighteenth century, but the fallacies of the nineteenth century as well!

THE FLAMING SWORD is interested in humanity, in human history, in nature, in the universe. We cannot conceive of the absolute truth being segmented; we cannot conceive of a system of righteousness which leaves untouched and unreformed, a single department in the field of human activity. Genuine reform embraces reform in all lines, in all departments in which fallacy and corruption now prevail. We discuss science, religion, social economy, ethics, history—in fact, all phenomena of human and cosmic relations and activities. We view the movement of armies; the alliance of governments; the discoveries and achievements of geniuses. We watch the church; the reform parties; the conduct of great men. We observe the planets in their orbits; the sun in his course, and the stars in their precessions. We explore the world of humanity; the world of nature, and the domain of spirit. We analyze the sunbeam; the energies of thought; the substances of life. We solve great problems; destroy difficulties; remove obstacles. The universe is not too broad for the rational mind; the knowledge of the Cause of all things with which we come in contact, and which we observe in the universe of existence, is not beyond comprehension. A science which covers the entire field of the world and its contents, constitutes the great temple of knowledge. Koreshanity is as broad as the universe; in its analysis of all things, it reaches as high as heaven, and reveals God; it also uncovers hell, and exposes to view the real character of the mortal man. Some men are satisfied with a mere fragment of truth; but the thousands of readers of *THE FLAMING SWORD* desire to know the whole truth, and have learned that Koreshanity alone contains it!

On the basis of the supposition that atoms of matter cannot be destroyed, a few so called scientists are endeavoring to demonstrate the eternity of the universe; and a kind of doctrine of immortality has resulted. It is, that if matter cannot be changed, there is no death; that that which seems to be death, is but change in atomic relation. If it were true that atoms of matter cannot be destroyed; if it were not possible to transmute matter to energy, and effect actual metamorphoses of substance, there could be no life! It is true that existence is eternal; but it is not true that man, as he now exists, is immortal because the universe is eternal. The universe is eternal by virtue of the fact of its inherent biunity, and by virtue of the continual operation of the laws of transmutation, and interdependence between the nucleus and circumference of the great battery cell of the cosmos. The theories of modern chemistry contain nothing indicative of the laws of immortality; immortality does not consist in the fact that human bodies are composed of substance that is eternal, but in the fact of the attainment to a degree of consciousness of human substance and life that will make the man perfect, and enable him to go out of the natural world through an incorruptible dissolution, without a disaster, and without a break in the memory. The process of putting on immortality is not that of being possessed of the hallucination that men are *already* immortal, but in the actual anatomical transformation, which will enable man to rise out of the present dual state into the state of biunity of life, thus overcoming death in the natural world.

A Russian scientist has reached the conclusion that the earth is not an inanimate body of inert matter, but that it is a living structure, possessing complicated functions and individual characteristics of existence; that in it there are the constant mutation of vital forces, and an uninterrupted exchange of energies through the various circulations and pulsations; and that

these processes of exchange are taking place in the limits of its own atmosphere. While this idea is in advance of the old conception that matter is inert and lifeless, it is very vague and crude compared with the Koreshan Science of existence of the universe. The man who calls himself a scientist, ought to be able to recognize the fact that the earth exists according to the laws of order, and that these laws are but the same inevitable mode of action in every domain of life. The laws of cellular life are universal. If the earth is a living organism; if it possesses functions of perpetuity, and if it is an individual structure, then the earth is a cell, a great, living battery, with functions corresponding in every particular and detail to the functions of the man. The constant exchange of forces is taking place within the earth's own atmospheres; but these atmospheres are within the earth. The positive pole of the great cell is the astral nucleus, situated at the center of the earth; that nucleus is specifically related to the great circumference, as the perpetual seed of the mineral kingdom.

It has been recently discovered that iron and steel can be cut by means of electricity. A carbon stick at the end of a live wire conducting several hundred volts of electricity, will burn a hole in a steel plate an inch thick, in fifteen seconds, and a steel plate may be cut in two in this way in a few minutes. A steel vault was desired to be removed from a New York building, that a larger one might be constructed; the contract was given to an electrician, who cut the sides of the vault in pieces by this electrical process. Now a new trouble arises, and the bankers are becoming alarmed. The most formidable steel safes may be destroyed in a short time in such a way, by the burglar. There are thousands of electric wires along the streets of the great cities; a burglar is able to place a single wire and carbon stick in contact with vaults and safes of the bank, cut asunder the bolts and bars, and steal the contents without disturbing the neighborhood by explosions of dynamite. Stealing has become fashionable; the burglar's process is more rapid than that of the regular routine of competitive business. Modern inventions and discoveries aid all classes of thieves in the work of appropriation of wealth. This is made possible by the present money system; pieces of metal and bits of paper are made to represent wealth. It is a commodity, but a commodity that makes possible the greatest crimes of the age!

Verkes, the great Chicago millionaire, after whom the Yerkes' astronomical observatory is named, is becoming radical in his opposition to syndicates and trusts,—perhaps for the same reason that one business man is opposed to another. He denounces Wall Street as a gambling concern. Some years ago he left the Chicago stock exchange disgusted, and now says that the man who speculates, closes his career in financial ruin. He calls the man who enters Wall Street with the idea of making a fortune, "an idiot, who ought to have a guardian." The time is at hand when any man who seeks to accumulate wealth at the expense of the people, will be regarded as possessed of a phase of insanity, a criminal greed, and an unholy love which constitutes the very root of all evil! We are glad to see the millionaires denouncing each other. When a large number of influential and wealthy men begin a crusade against themselves, we know that the end of the money power is nearer than if the heads of the money power were in harmony. There are some stirring, startling things at the very point of development. The truths and warnings uttered by THE FLAMING SWORD years ago, in its unmasking of the character of the schemes in the financial world to defraud the people, are being proclaimed now, even by the millionaire!

Sometimes imaginary obstacles are greater barriers than the

real things. The imaginary convexity of the earth is supposed to account for the failure of wireless telegraphy in past experiments. Edison now says,—after a little more success has been attained in the transmission of messages,—that "Marconi has proved that electrical waves can be jumped around the curvature of the earth, and this has heretofore been an insuperable obstacle. With this accomplished, there is apparently no end to the distances that can be overcome." What is the trouble with electricity? Has it changed its course of action since wireless experiments began? Did the current run around the bulge, and now evades the curve? How has Marconi proved that electrical waves can be jumped around the convex curvature of the earth? Does Marconi know more about the earth's curvature than the astronomer? The astronomer *assumes* the convex curvature. Marconi has succeeded in making his electrical currents to reach a greater distance; but he certainly has not been able to follow the currents so carefully as to ascertain the direction of the curvature of the currents. He proves his conclusion in the same way that the astronomer proves his—he guesses at it!

England and Germany are not playing their games for the exclusive benefit of America. It would not be surprising if, at some time, the three great powers which are tied together by lines of progress, civilization, and advancement, should form an alliance. The mind of a nation is complex. Floating on the stream of progress there is much *debris*, which pollutes the waters. The question is, Would America, at the present time, be benefited by becoming involved in the international difficulties of Europe? Are England and Germany seeking a great nation to help them bear their burdens and fight their battles? Chamberlain is loud in his arguments in favor of the triple alliance; and Ambassador Choate is cheered in London for responding to alliance sentiments. But the German emperor has been visiting the Queen; and the announcement is now made that Germany desires to rank next to England as a sea power, and will prepare to strengthen its navy. Is the alliance talk for the purpose of blinding American eyes, while Germany and England become parties to a scheme to prevent America from capturing the world of commerce?

The idea of the necessity of a Messiah is being repudiated by the world; but the facts which demonstrate that necessity, can never be set aside by the rational mind. The functions of the Messiah are demonstrated in every seed that is sown; by every magnet that exists; and by every pole and focal point. The laws of polarity are absolute and immutable. The physical cosmos could not exist without its positive nucleus,—the very heart and center of the great structure; and humanity could not exist were it not for the fact that periodically there appears in humanity a central human manifestation, who performs a work for the human world which corresponds to the uses performed for the physical cosmos by the great solar center. The Sun of Righteousness does not exist merely in name; the divine light must shine from a positive pole of intellectual illumination. The laws of Messianic function are the central laws of life.

Modern Christianity is powerless to maintain its hold upon the mind of nations when commercial interests are endangered. The idea of a Christian brotherhood comes to naught when the greed of a Christian nation is in the direction of gold and diamond mines. England desires to appropriate the wealth of the Transvaal, and the Boers are determined to retain it and to control their own domestic affairs. The priests and chaplains of the English army are praying for the success of the British; while the Boer churches are holding special services for the purpose of invoking the blessing of the Almighty upon the Dutch forces

in South Africa. Both sides are ostensibly praying to the same God, in the name of the same Mediator!

THE FLAMING SWORD has never been an admirer of Kipling; we have never considered his productions as possessing any considerable merit. He has become popular, but his popularity is transient, because he is popular with a class that has no high literary judgment. We find our conclusions corroborated by others. Robert Buchanan has attacked Kipling, and charges that Kipling "represents, with more or less accuracy, what the mob is thinking; savage animalism and ignorant vainglory being in the ascendant;" and that "Kipling, on scarcely any single occasion, has uttered anything that does not suggest moral baseness, or hover dangerously near it." The critic further asserts that "Kipling's popularity springs from pandering to the Hooligan instincts of the Anglo-Saxon."

"Science has wrought havoc with many of the old and cherished ideas concerning God and man and spiritual things." Modern science, a form of fallacy, has but changed the complexion of orthodoxy—nothing more. As for "God and man and spiritual things," modern assumptions have not emitted one ray of light; they have revealed nothing that is rational and true concerning God; nothing concerning the origin, nature, and destiny of man; nothing concerning the spiritual world. The modern scientist is yet in utter ignorance concerning the constitution of the simplest and most common material substances, and knows nothing concerning the simplest qualities of the energies of the physical world.

Facts do not contradict each other; all realities belong to one great system of order. Everything, when reduced to its last analysis of function and relation, tells the same story of origin and destiny. All roads led to Rome. Every line from the circumference points to the center; all perpendiculars point to the

central sun. Every fact of the universe demonstrates the laws of cellular life, and all lines of progress meet in the Man who reveals the absolute truth of the universe.

Chamberlain and the newspapers are endeavoring to hatch up a little war between England and France, because the French have said some hard things about England's Queen and the war with the Boers. The jingoes should remember that there is now no Napoleon in France, and no Wellington in England.

England is fighting in South Africa for the ostensible purpose of protecting the Uitlanders or foreigners in the Transvaal; but she has never fought the powers in her own territory which are making paupers of her millions!

The gold god is a tyrant; he is worshiped by the world, but he is not merciful. The lives of millions of human beings are annually sacrificed in his service, while the priests luxuriate in mansions.

The man whom the Almighty trusts to save others, is the man who is able to save himself.

Permanent footprints in the sands of time, are not made in the quicksands of fallacy.

The ecliptic of the anthropotic world is the Almighty's human race track.

Foot-ball becomes the craze at the foot of the dispensation of Pisces.

When you seize an opportunity, be careful to not choke it to death!

The river of life does not flow between money banks.

The nineteenth century comes to naught in 1900.

The greatest failure is the man who fails.

Editorial Discussions and Miscellany.

THE EDITOR.

The Location of Heaven and Hell.

EDITOR FLAMING SWORD:—(1) The Bible says, "God made man in his own image." Now, if God made man in his own image, he must be a human being; and as we are taught that heaven is his home, and the home of the righteous, will you kindly explain where heaven is? Everything, everybody, is in some place.

(2) Science says that all animals are descendants of some other animal of the first generation back; and according to that, man being a kind of species of animals, must be in some way connected with the animals. If this is true, please name the animal, in your answer, that we are in nearest connection with.

(3) What and where is hell? Is it some place where evil men go to be tortured forever and ever?

(4) What is it about death that makes every one struggle against it, until he falls, never to rise again?

If you will kindly answer these questions, plainly and clearly, in THE FLAMING SWORD, you will greatly oblige,—C. R. H., Binghamton, N. Y.

(1) Koreshan Science specifically defines the character of the Creator, not simply from the basis of Scripture declaration that God made man in his own image,

but through logical and analogical processes. Cause cannot put forth that which it does not contain; and the fact that man exists today, having personality, form, and functions, is proof that the Cause that produced man also possesses personality, form, and functions,—not at some remote point apart from humanity, but *in* humanity. "God made man in his own image;" therefore he made man like himself; and God is like the perfect man he creates. God is man,—*the* man; and the Lord Jesus Christ was the manifestation of this personality. Jesus was the fulness of the Godhead; he contained the heavens of the Almighty. When God is external, he possesses personality; when he is invisible, he is "in the generation of the righteous." Heaven is *in* the righteous man. Jesus dissolved himself, became converted to Holy Spirit, and entered the interior of his following; the disciples were *temples* of God, because God dwelt *in* them. Elohi is invisible; Jehovah is tangible. There are no gods nor angels in the physical heavens; the spiritual world is in humanity.

(2) The Darwinian theory of evolution of species is a fallacy. Species are fixed; but life—in its ascent—is evolved through these fixed planes. All men embody the life of animals; man is a composite of the animal kingdom. The human kingdom is a fixed plane of life, and is eternal. Humanity has always existed, and will always exist, and sustain the same relation to the animal kingdom that it does today. Particular animal characteristics are more prominent than others in different men. Life is continually ascending and descending through the various kingdoms. Man has a two-fold origin—from above and from beneath.

(3) There is no hell outside of the plane of human existence and relations. Hell is in men, and men are in hell. The mortal world is hell, both externally and internally. We are living in the very hell that the Bible pictures. Salvation involves the process of escape from hell. No man is tortured through eternity. This is a figment of a fallacious theology, and not the doctrine of the Bible. Jesus went into hell during the Christian dis-

pensation, in his descent into the mortal soil of humanity; he was the divine Seed sown in man. Every resurrection is a resurrection from hell, a transformation from mortality to immortality. The devils are eligible to salvation; they may be transformed to actual angels of light. Mortal men are devils in the various stages of progression and retrogression.

(4) The struggle against death arises from the fact that we are finally to overcome death here in the natural world, and in the natural body. "This mortal shall put on immortality." Man does not fall to rise no more; all men will arise in their own order and time. The Golden Age will be an age of immortality. "Death, the last enemy, will be destroyed." Hell will be reduced to order; righteousness will prevail, and heaven will exist in the natural world.

The Engineer's Allowance for the Earth's Curvature.

EDITOR FLAMING SWORD:—A very prominent lawyer at Little Falls, N. Y., has asked me how I would account for the 8-inches-to-the-mile allowance for the earth's curvature, which the engineers who have surveyed for the Erie canal, made,—8 inches to the mile for the entire length of the canal. "What became of this allowance? Does not the allowance prove that the earth is convex?" are the questions roughly stated. How would you answer?—REV. U. G. MITCHELL, Koreshan Missionary.

The engineers and surveyors make allowance for curvature in all their work where extended levels are desired, such as in the construction of canals. The fact that they are compelled to make this allowance is proof that a curvature exists, and must be considered in all such work; experience has taught them this. But we deny that the curvature for which allowance is made, is the curvature of the earth.

The surveyors and engineers employ optical instruments in laying out extended levels. The engineer levels his instrument, and reads a point in the signal staff placed at a given distance from the instrument; this point has an altitude in excess of the altitude of the cross-hair. Assuming that the line of vision is straight (or nearly so), he concludes that the earth curves downward from the visual line. Of course, if it were known absolutely that the visual line is *straight*, a rectilinear extension of the optical axis of the instrument, the only conclusion possible would be that the earth curves away from the visual line at a specific ratio, and would therefore be convex.

A critical analysis of the facts with which the engineer has to deal, only proves that there is a divergence between the visual line and the earth; but the facts thus far do not prove the *direction*

of the earth's curvature. The engineer does not make allowance for the full 8 inches to the mile; he has before him tables of "refraction," deduced from actual experience in surveying. The figures in the tables show the average ratio of divergence existing between the visual line and the earth, which is between 5 and 6 inches to the mile. The allowance is made for the curvature of vision from the earth's concave surface.

If one will turn to pages 50 to 57, of the CELLULAR COSMOGONY, and study the matter under the heads of "Horizontal Tangents from the Standpoint of the Surveyor;" "Horizontal Tangents in the Concave Earth," and "Appearances the Basis of Usual Geodetic Calculations," the subject will become clear to the mind. The diagrams on pages 51 and 52 represent the relation existing between the visual line and the earth on the basis of assumed convexity, and the actual relation as it obtains in surveying over the concave arc. The target P, on signal staff A, in diagram on page 52, at a distance of one mile from point of observation, exceeds, by 6 inches, the altitude of the leveled instrument at T; and all that is necessary to find the same altitude as the instrument at T, is to measure down the staff 6 inches, and thus make allowance for the *upward* curvature of the visual line from T to the target on staff A.

Promiscuous Replies.

If Adam was a Messiah, what is meant by the fall of man? Was the fall up or down, into or out of sin?—P. A. C.

There is only one way to fall, and that is to go down; a fall upwards is an impossibility. Every seed, in order to reproduce itself, must fall into the ground and die. Jesus was like Adam; he was Adam; for Adam was a type or likeness of Him who was to come. Adam of the Old Testament and Jesus of the New Testament belong to the same fixed type of the perfect man. Jesus was the Seed of humanity; he was sown in the mortal soil; and that sowing was the fall of man into corruption and into sin. Through that fall, Jesus took upon himself the sins of the world; he fell into hell, and crossed himself with the mortal world. He became obedient unto the laws of death, and transgressed the laws of life that he might gather out of hell all with whom he became at one in mortality. The resurrection will be the rising again of that which fell, plus those with whom he unites in death.

Please explain Rev. i: 7. How and when shall every eye see Him?—S. H., Concord, Wash.

The external sense of vision corresponds

to intellectual perception, which is vision on another plane. The intellectual eye is superior to the external eye. Mere external vision is not referred to in Rev. i: 7. When a point is made clear to the intellectual eye, one says, "I see!" The clergymen and other teachers of fallacy are *blind* guides; this does not mean that they have no organs of natural vision.

Only those who have well developed faculties of intellectual perception of truth will see and recognize the Messiah of the age; only those who have "eyes" will see him. Every "eye" shall see him; that is, every intellectual entity that is capable of perceiving scientific truth, will recognize the Lord's coming in the Man who proclaims the absolute truth. Those who cannot see on this plane have no "eyes."

Was John Wroe, of the Christian Israelites, a true or false prophet? And if true, why do you not submit to the laws he claimed were given him for the latter house of Israel? Wherein do you differ from them?—A READER.

The Editor of THE FLAMING SWORD is unacquainted with the doctrines of the Christian Israelites; but we do know that Koreshanity is *the* scientific exposition of the laws of life—the laws through which God exists, and through which he creates man and perpetuates the universe. Koreshanity is *the* science of immortality, and through the laws it defines, men will put on immortality, and in no other way. We are not looking for true prophets and teachers outside of Koreshanity; we are not expecting any other leader, teacher, nor Messiah than the one already manifest. If you will send us an outline of the doctrines of the "Christian Israelites," we will tell you wherein they differ from the truth of Koreshanity.

It is said that Pike's Peak is visible from Cheyenne, Wyo. If so, the famous mountain was really within the range of vision at a distance of 380 miles, the longest ever known. If the earth is convex, would it be possible to see the Peak at that distance?—S. C. M.

It would not be possible to see Pike's Peak at a distance of 380 miles, from accessible altitudes on a convex earth. But it is not 380 miles from Cheyenne to Pike's Peak; the distance is actually only 155 miles in a direct line. But even at that distance, the Peak would be below the horizon of the convexity. Mt. Ranier in Washington is visible from the summit of Mt. Shasta in California, at a distance of 400 miles. In order to be seen at that distance on a convex earth, Mt. Ranier would have to reach over 25 miles above the sea level.

Welcomed in New Orleans.

Koresh is Enthusiastically Received by Advanced Minds in the Crescent City; Course of Lectures Being Delivered.

KORESH arrived in New Orleans Saturday evening, Nov. 15, welcomed by those who had eagerly awaited his coming. On Sunday evening, he addressed a large and intelligent audience in the spacious parlors of his host and hostess, who are enthusiastic students of Koreshan doctrine. In a few words, Rev. E. M. Castle, who has been teaching Koreshan doctrine in the Crescent City, expressed her pleasure and sense of privilege in giving place in addressing the audience, to one whom all who call themselves Koreshans delight to honor, stating that a large and growing number in America are designating themselves followers of the man whose mind has projected a System that, in the hearts of those who hear and understand, replaces the despair which is the inevitable consequence of the agnostic position of modern so called science and the doubtful position of modern theology, with a living, loving hope; inspiring in them an abiding faith, invincible because grounded in reason.

Then the audience listened with delight to a powerful discourse by KORESH, the subsequent expression of one being the voice of all: "Surely we have just listened to the greatest mind we have ever heard."

During the succeeding week, KORESH lectured four times, to audiences that were sometimes amazed at the breadth of his conceptions, again astonished at the power and directness of his logic, now thrilled by his exalted eloquence, and now abashed before the purity of the standard he revealed; but at all times charmed with the grace of the man.

On Tuesday morning, Nov. 28, KORESH addressed the Professors and students of Strait University, his beautiful words of counsel and encouragement being warmly received, and a hearty invitation extended to repeat the visit and meet the teachers on closer terms.

Beginning Friday, Dec. 1, a series of lectures will be delivered in a central hall of the Crescent City, where larger audiences will be privileged to attend.

Great interest has been awakened in the CELLULAR COSMOGONY, which is being widely discussed, the proof of its premise and the clarity of its argument appealing to the ablest minds.

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Koreshanity in New York.

Rev. U. G. Mitchell is Actively Engaged in Koreshan Propaganda Work in the East; Comments of the Utica Tribune.

A good many Uticans will remember Dr. CYRUS R. TEED, who practiced medicine here several years ago, and whose eccentricities made him somewhat notorious. The sign he displayed, "He who deals out poison deals out death," will also be remembered, and the natural question it suggested, whether it referred to the liquor dealer in the same building, to other medical men, or to the Doctor himself. Dr. TEED has now become the head of a remarkable cult out in Chicago. He is there known as the author of the Ko-

reshan System of Universology, and the discoverer of cosmogonic form, which he declares to be cellular. This interesting fact concerning the Doctor, we now learn through the Rev. U. G. Mitchell, formerly a prominent Universalist and Unitarian minister. He is in Utica as a sort of evangelist of Koreshanity, and is engaged in disseminating Koreshan literature. In conversation with a *Tribune* reporter yesterday, Mr. Mitchell explained his mission:

"I was at one time," said he, "pastor of the large Universalist church at Fort Plain, and held pastorates at Oxford, Binghamton, Cortland, and Gouverneur, N. Y. I have preached and spoken in the Church of the Reconciliation in this city, and am well known to very many persons in this city and vicinity. Several years ago I became dissatisfied with the theology of the churches, and after doing considerable investigating, I became deeply interested in the scientific discoveries of Dr. CYRUS R. TEED, of Chicago.

Dr. TEED is at the head of a new religious organization, which is causing a commotion in the country generally just now, and in Chicago especially. It is called the Koreshan movement, from the Hebrew word Koresh, which means Cyrus.

"This organization has its headquarters in Chicago, where there is a Koreshan publishing house employing thirty persons, who devote their whole time to the printing of the literature of the organization, great quantities of which are distributed gratuitously. They control several halls in the city, where services are held almost every night in the week.

"There is also," continued Mr. Mitchell, "an industrial side of this movement. All kinds of manufacturing are engaged in by over 150 persons, and the number is rapidly being added to. These persons work upon a co-operative plan under the direction of the Koreshan Church, but they are not what could be termed socialists. In Florida they possess a large tract of land, upon which is a flourishing colony of Koreshan believers. And all over the country, especially in the larger cities, are branch organizations.

"The ideas of these people are very peculiar. They advocate that our earth is a hollow globe, or concave sphere, 8,000 miles across, with the entire universe inside. This they claim to have demonstrated by a very elaborate survey made upon the water's surface at Naples, Florida, showing conclusively that the surface of our globe is concave and not convex. They say that stars have been seen through the moon; that the earth from a balloon always appears like a basin; that the disappearance of vessels at sea is caused by perspective. They look upon Dr. TEED as even more than a prophet, and believe that the present religious organizations are fast decaying, and that Koreshanity is destined to be one of the great religious organizations of the future."—*Utica (N. Y.) Sunday Tribune*.

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Dire Predictions.

Two Famous Astrologers Cast the World's Horoscope and Point to the Coming of a New Era.

Zadkiel, the London astrologer, forecasts as follows for December, 1899:

December is signalized this year by an annular eclipse of the sun on the 3rd inst., invisible in the northern hemisphere, and

a nearly total eclipse of the moon in the early morning of the 17th inst., visible in England. At both eclipses the luminaries are violently afflicted, consequently there will now open a new era in both the northern and southern hemispheres. Simultaneously with the solar eclipse, all the planets, (except Neptune) will be in a space of 35 degrees, viz., between 25 degrees of Scorpio and 30 degrees of Sagittarius (on the 2d and 3d inst). This singular phenomenon will shake the world, both physically and politically. Mars passes from conjunction with Mercury to conjunction with Saturn on the 6th inst., and to opposition with Neptune on the 8th inst. The sun passes from conjunction with Uranus to opposition with Neptune and conjunction with Saturn, and Saturn forms the opposition aspect with Neptune. In September, 1861, there were six conjunctions in the first five days, in the sign Virgo, but no great eclipse then coincided. The maximum of planetary influence ever produces the maximum of epidemic disease; consequently, the outbreak of a virulent epidemic fever should be prepared for by the sanitary authorities in Europe and Australia. A shock of earthquake is threatened in England, severest in the north, on or about the 3d to the 6th and 18th inst. Let colliery viewers take extra precaution against explosions and accidents at those dates. The only favorable birthdays this month are the 12th and 29th, and even these are not very good.

Raphael, in his *Prophetic Messenger*, says:

Strange to say, that in this month seven planets will be found in the sign Sagittary on the second day, and Jupiter within 5 degrees of the same sign, making the 8th. Following this tremendous conjunction a new era will arise, not immediately, for nature works slowly and surely, and mother earth and her sons and daughters will have to pass through throes of pain and terrific convulsions ere the new era dawns.

The new moon on the 3d finds these planets between the cusps of the third and fourth houses, threatening accidents, earthquakes, colliery disasters, railway mishaps, and a dangerous and fatal time for those who travel. The mind of the sovereign and the government will be harassed by a succession of untoward occurrences. Amongst the nations of Europe most likely to suffer from this grand satelium of planets in one sign, are Spain and Hungary. The latter country will make a strike for freedom; the former will suffer collapse and pass slowly through the process of disintegration and death; as with man, so with nations. They rise, attain the zenith of their power and glory, then decay and die like everything else on the face of this earth.

Eclipse of the Sun, Dec. 3, invisible at Greenwich—This eclipse, although not visible in this country, will be a most important one, and being visible chiefly near the south pole, may cause an upheaval of land in that desolate region. Its effects on mankind will be astounding, issuing in, as it were, a new century and a new era. The approximation of Uranus to the eclipse will incline men's minds to a study and recognition of metaphysics. To those religiously inclined, it will pave the way for the grossest superstition and priestcraft; spiritualism and the worship of saints and heroes will largely increase, and on the reverse side we shall witness the basest

materialism and non-belief in any life beyond the grave.

Death will deal a heavy blow at the high and mighty in the land, and before the first year of the twentieth century expires, more than one throne will have changed its occupant. Disease and death, unheard-of crimes, wars, earthquakes, and the desolation of whole tracks of land, these are what we may expect during the next ten years from the effects of this eclipse.

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What is Manhood?

A Modern Diogenes is Searching With a Candle for a Man, While The Flaming Sword Radiates the Light of the Ages.

America has entered upon a new national career; it has broken over the restricted lines on which the republic was founded. The creed of 1776 has become too limited for the elements of progress. We are living at the close of the nineteenth century. America has ceased to be a youth; it has become a man, and must put away the childish conceptions of the eighteenth century. It must expand, whether expansion be in accordance with the intentions of the original founders or not. Shall the opinions of men who lived during the eighteenth century, and who had no proper conceptions of America's future, constitute the controlling basis when entirely new questions arise?—FLAMING SWORD.

THE FLAMING SWORD is a politico-religious organ, and is supposed to be able to give us all instruction in the matter of ethics. This is a sample of its ethics: "The creed of 1776," it says, "has become too limited for the elements of progress." Whew! That sounds big. The creed of 1776 was a principle as eternal as the world; it was the creed of equal rights, equal opportunities; and the man who denies that principle thus confesses himself as low in the scale of development as the people he would subordinate. The screed then goes on: "America has ceased to be a youth; it has become a man [Heavens! how we do swell!] and must put away the childish conceptions of the 18th century." Did ever a rowdy put more bragadocio into his claims of superiority? What is it to become a man? Diogenes once hunted through Athens with a candle for a man. How many he found was never reported. A man means something more than a great overgrown animal, with power and disposition to rob people of their lives and homes. He only is a man, who respects the rights of others and has magnanimity to defend the rights of the weak. The protection of the rights of the Cubans from the insolence and despotism of the Spaniards by McKinley, though driven to it by insult and the clamors of the people, was manliness and magnanimity. The oppression and war against the Filipinos because they refuse to move out of their homes and let us move in, is cowardice and pusillanimity—no matter if it is done by the President of the United States.

"Childish conceptions!" Was it a childish conception of the army and continental Congress that resisted the tyranny of the British king, and declared that we have a natural right to "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness?" Thus it is that the very men who defend our Philippine policy, are forced to admit we were wrong when we refused to submit to the authority of King George.

Thus at every step, expansionists betray their dishonesty. They want the Philippine Islands—the monopolists for exploitations, the religionists for proselyting purposes, and THE FLAMING SWORD on account of the harmonization of a pet theory; and that their wishes may be carried out, we are required to override our principles of justice and righteousness, and stultify ourselves.—*Liberator*, Norton, Kan.

Saw the Koreshan Geodetic Survey on the Florida West Coast.

EDITOR FLAMING SWORD:—I see so many letters in THE FLAMING SWORD from people who seem to think that the Koreshan Survey was never made at Naples, Fla., that I am led to say that it is a fact that such a survey was made; for I made several visits to the Operating Station while you were at work, as I was employed by the guests of Hotel Naples, as a guide.

I am happy to say that I saw you and Mr. Hunt at work on the instrument, adjusting the right angles; I saw your first trial line of 228 feet and return. I also visited you and your Staff many times while you were surveying the line which knocked the old system into a cocked hat—at least with me. I had already reached the conclusion that what I had been taught was wrong; and after talking with you and seeing your work on the Naples beach, my belief that the earth is concave, is as strong as any one's belief that the earth is convex.

Perhaps people will say that I am a Koreshan because I write this. To such I will say that I am not a Koreshan, (perhaps if I were I would be a better man), but I think I understand the Koreshan System as well as any one in this section; and I defend it whenever I have opportunity.

There is one thing for which I shall always feel proud, and that is, that I saw you and your Staff at the work of survey at Naples (which survey, by the way, began on my birthday); and that there was no deception used or intended, is my verdict. Sincerely yours,—THOMAS E. HART, Marco, Fla., Nov. 26, 1899.

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In the Field of Koreshan Propaganda.

Weekly Synopsis of Topics Discussed by Koreshan Lecturers.

Koreshan Hall, 316 W. 63d St., Chicago.

SUNDAY, Dec. 3d, 3 p. m. Sermon by Rev. Berthaldine. The speaker read from 1 Kings, xviii; also article by KORESH entitled, Mount Carmel. The sermon was descriptive of Elijah's contest with the prophets of Baal and the Grove. This event actually transpired, but was also a type of the last days, when Elijah (God the Lord) should again contend with the false teachers for supremacy; his theocrasis being the crucial test which decides the question.

MONDAY EVENING, Dec. 4. Lecture by Prof. Morrow. This lecture (thirteenth of the South Side series) was of unusual interest to all, as it embodied many cold facts upon a very warm subject, viz.: "The Sun." Among the points developed were the following: Supposed size and distance of sun; approximate size and distance according to the Koreshan System; sun spots; final burning out, according to modern astronomy; sun really self-perpetuating; its motions; solar equator revolves more rapidly than its poles; great waste of solar energy inevitable in the Copernican system; functions of the sun, and correspondences in humanity.

The World's News.

Nov. 29.—Republicans devising financial scheme for action of congress; caucus measure for the establishment of the gold standard approved by McKinley.—Preparations being made for the 56th congress.—Harper & Bros. lose control of the great Harper publishing house; affairs turned over to receiver; firm heavily in debt.—Little race war and labor riot in Chicago; non-union colored workmen become targets for the unionists.—Transport with American troops bound for Manila experiences terrible storm on the Pacific.—Nov. 30.—Thanksgiving day!—Fierce battle fought between British and Boers on Modder river; British lose heavily.—Terrible railroad wreck at Paterson, N. J.; cars telescope, and a score are injured.—Gen. Young still pursuing Aguinaldo in northern Luzon.—12,000 newsboys and poor children eat Thanksgiving dinner in a Chicago clothing store.—Revolution in Venezuela gaining ground.—Dec. 1.—Reports say Aguinaldo wants to surrender; Gen. Lawton in telegraphic communication with the Filipino chief.—Chamberlain declares that an Anglo-German-American alliance is forming.—Gen Methuen wounded near Kimberley.—Dec. 2.—800 Filipinos surrender to Lieut. Monroe at Bayombong. Chicago University students engage in a riot and break up college classes.—Great Britain and France are at outs.—Dec. 3.—Bandits hold up a Chicago street-car.—Boers destroy bridge across Modder river to prevent British from moving toward Kimberley; British lose 475 men in Modder river battle.—Yerkes denounces Wall street.—Dec. 4.—56th congress opens; Roberts polygamy case the excitement of the hour.—European papers discussing probable war between England and France.—Dec. 5.—Boers in Natal decide to join the Transvaal forces against England.—McKinley's message to congress interests the nation; longest document ever sent to congress; the President advocates the gold standard; urges changes in banking laws; reviews the trust problem; promises freedom to Cuba; discusses the Philippine question, and holds that America cannot abandon the islands; recommends federal legislation; rejoices over prosperity; plans Hawaii's future; wants new laws for Alaska, and praises the soldiers of the late wars.—Roberts' polygamy case referred to committee for investigation; speaker refuses to administer the oath to the Utah congressman; discussion of the case on the congress floor; Roberts makes an earnest plea, and finally demands recognition and a seat in congress; vote to exclude him stands 302 to 30.

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The Flaming Sword's High-Class Exchanges.

The Cosmopolitan.—The December number has proven very interesting to us, especially the illustrated articles, Plans for the Paris World's Fair, by Charles A. Towne, and Great Engineering Projects, by Walter C. Hamm, discussing the proposed great cosmopolitan and transcontinental railways, and the proposed great canals in America, Europe, and Asia. The article, The Mystery of Beauty, is superbly illustrated by numerous reproductions.

2, on the Woman Question, by Olive Schreiner, the South African English-woman, pleads for the freedom of woman. The Nation's Monument describes and illustrates how the Washington monument was built. The Child Brought Up at Home, by Flora Z. Briggs, is an interesting paper discussing the education of children. Madame Blavatsky, the High-Priestess of Isis, by Henry Ridgely Evans, is a scathing arraignment of the founder of modern theosophy, an expose of the methods employed by her and Col. Olcott. The writer of the article holds that Madame Blavatsky was an adventuress, an unscrupulous trickster, and a clever mesmerist. Olga Nethersole's paper, My Struggles to Succeed, may be profitably read by aspirants in any profession, especially by those who desire to "go on the stage." The stories are fine: The Crime of a Brigadier, by A. Conan Doyle; The Cot and the Rill, by Frank R. Stockton; and Madam de Mersy, by Maarten Maartens. On all news stands; 10 cents per copy.

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The Open Court.—The December number contains some interesting articles: The Delays and Uncertainties of the Law, by Hon. Charles Carroll Bonney, LL. D., Counsel of the Supreme Court of the U. S.; The Nativity, by the Editor, showing similarity in religious art, with illustrations from ancient Buddhist and Christian art; the Cross in Japan Heraldry, by the Editor of the Japan Evangelist. Also an article on the education of children; numerous interesting reviews and editorials. Single copies, 10 cents; \$1.00 per year. Open Court Publishing Co., Chicago.

Mind.—The issue for December is the International Metaphysical League number, containing some papers read at the recent Metaphysical Conference: The New Century's Call; After Christianity, What? A Rational and Positive Spiritual Philosophy; The Value of Social Ideals; God, Freedom, and Immortality; The Spirit of the New Thought, etc. 20 cents a copy; \$1.00 a year.—Alliance Publishing Co., New York City.

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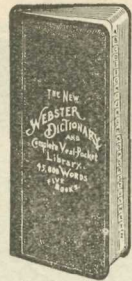
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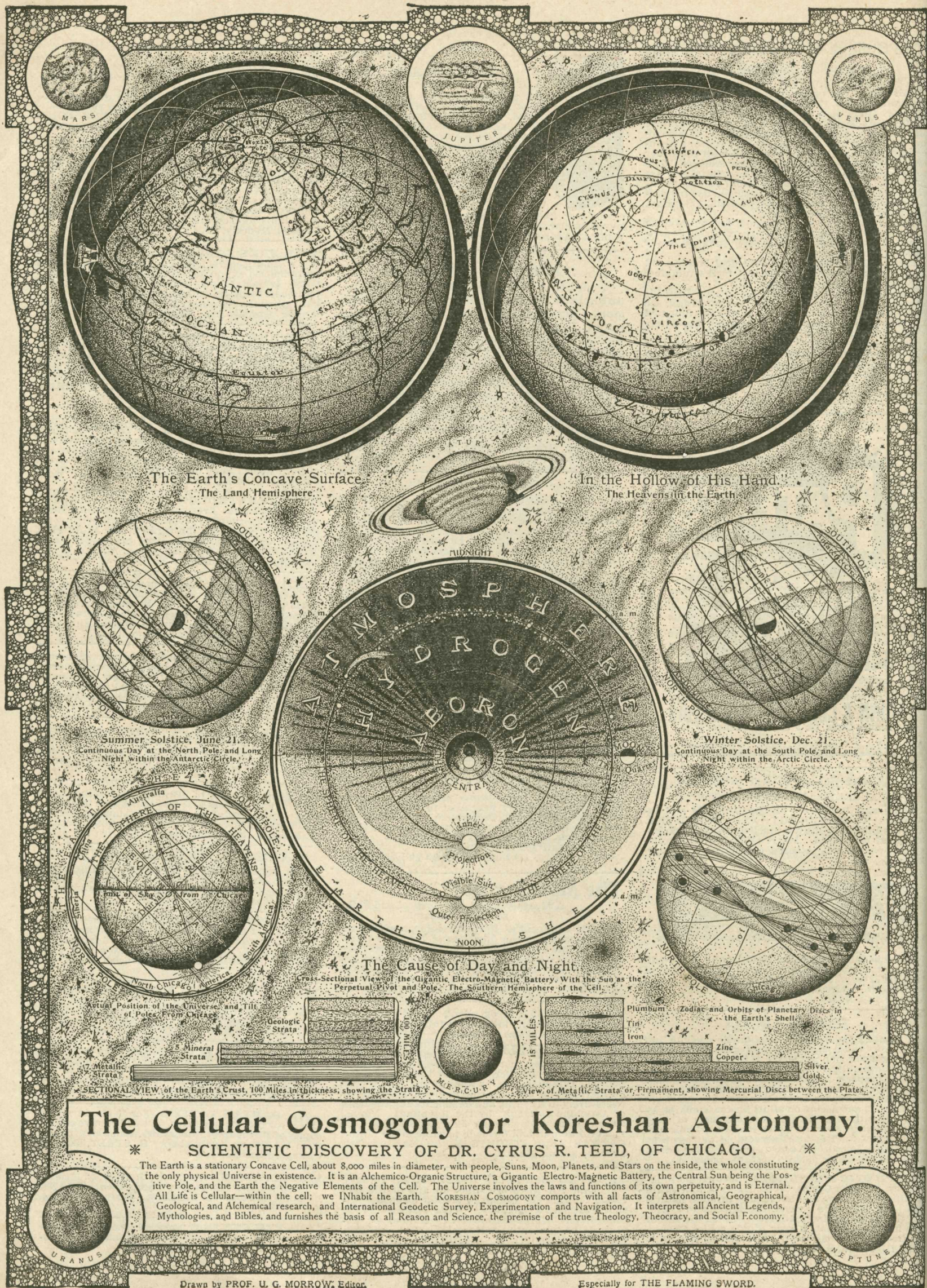


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