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HOW TO STUDY KORESHAN UNIVERSOLOGY.

THERE ARE many minds in the world who are quick to condemn without investigation, every new idea which conflicts with preconceived opinions; and there are thousands who are not disposed to spend much time in the investigation of a system of science. The great majority of people do not care for truth; there are comparatively few truth-seekers. We are living in a degenerate period of the world, and the modern mind demands light literature—something that is easy to comprehend. It is easy for a fad to become popular, because it can be grasped in a short time without the expenditure of much mental energy.

We are not surprised that many people who come in contact with Koreshan Universology cannot understand it; it cannot be understood without considerable mental application. It is a scientific System, which involves the entire universe and all its contents; it embraces a knowledge of the principles and laws by which Deity exists; and it reaches down to the very confines of the universal structure. If we taught astronomy alone it would involve much. A man may gain a smattering of astronomy as it is taught in the world today; but do not men spend years in the study and investigation of astronomy in the university and the observatory? If we taught only mathematics, would not some years be required to comprehend its principles and methods? Do not expect to understand Koreshanity in a day, a month, or a year; it would not be worth much if it could be grasped at a glance! Koreshanity is promulgated for the benefit of the truth-seeker; and the man who desires truth above all else, will allow neither time nor means to stand in the way; he will pay the cost of patience which will ultimately satisfy.

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While Koreshanity is complex as it enters into all the many ramifications, it is simple in fundamentals. There are three great truths to be kept constantly in mind in the investigation of the System: The fact that the universe is a great cell; that God and man are inseparable and interdependent; and that matter and energy are correlated and interconvertible. Koreshanity teaches a system of Cosmogony as its basic science. In the material cosmos the foundation is laid; we begin with a demonstrated premise, and by inexorable logic, the mind is led to all the rational conclusions of the Koreshan System.

In order to comprehend Koreshan Universology, the subjects treated must be seen from our view-point; it will do no good to interject your own previous conclusions, and judge the System by opinions which have no foundation. The mind must be emptied of fallacy; and then from an entirely new basis the mind may assimilate truth in a way that is both surprising and satisfying. It is not a good idea to jump from subject to subject, in the investigation of Koreshanity—that is, tasting here and there in the endeavor to find something to suit the fancy. No student in school has ever made progress by skimming through his studies.

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A Glimpse at Koreshan Literature.

But we do have Koreshan text-books which teach the things that are most important for the Koreshan student to know—the laws of life; the presence of the Messiah, and the necessity of the recognition of his mission; the revelation of the character of Deity in his relation to humanity; the form and function of the cosmos; the science of the resurrection, and kindred subjects. These text-books are the pamphlets issued by the Guiding Star Publishing House, and include many of the choicest gems from the pen of KORESH. Then there is the Cellular Cosmogony which, if studied as assiduously as a child must study the rudiments of orthography and grammar at school, would reveal to the mind vastly more knowledge concerning the universe than is possible to obtain in all the universities of the world! The value of this work is in its contents; it is not stamped with gold letters on morocco covers; but it is worth its weight in gold to the advanced mind!

Many minds find it difficult to understand the writings of the Founder of Koreshanity, because they undertake to read his profound productions as they are used to reading works of fiction. Read them as you would read law, as you would read to become a physician, or as many read the Bible—studiously, with a desire to know what is conveyed. If the investigators of Koreshan Universology would but follow a few of these suggestions, great beams of intellectual light would fall upon them, and they would begin to rejoice in the newly found treasures!

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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Structure and Function of the Human Brain.

Part XVI.

Knowing the Invisible Through the Tangible; the Language of Causation; Analysis of the Solar Ray; Intellectual Light and Its Antithet.

IT MIGHT BE ARGUED that the assertion, "It is solely through the science of natural things that the invisible things can be known; and this knowledge can only obtain through a comprehension of the laws and science of correspondences," is in contradiction to many known facts which might be brought by spiritualists, theosophists, Swedenborgians, and others who profess to know of pneumatic and psychic phenomena, not from natural laws and their correspondences, but from actual pneumatic and psychic observation and experience. Facts of observation and experience are scarcely ever correctly interpreted. We do not deny the facts of either natural or spiritual observation and experience, when conditions favor their manifestation; but we do deny the possibility of a correct knowledge of facts and phenomena when their science is not understood.

No one can pass from natural existence to the spiritual state of supreme life through that natural, common, and corruptible dissolution called death, though the temporary hells and heavens may be entered from and through this state. The supreme existence must be reached by the new and living way without corruptible dissolution, and this attainment cannot be made except through the application of natural and scientific laws; hence, before there can be any progress made in a correct knowledge of the occult or hidden, there must be a scientific exposition of what the occult reveals through its own language; namely, what it has expressed into

its most external and environing elucidation.

Nature is the language of causation; let us read and interpret this language. The sun itself must constitute the door to the solar temple. If we may comprehend its function as pertaining to the realm of the alchemico-organic cosmos, we may correspondentially know the function of the door to the anthropostic solar realm and field of the organo-vital being. The function of the sun can only be understood through a perfect knowledge of its relations to all other things of universal physiology. We must know both the anatomy and physiology of Nature in their entirety, before we can know them in their details. The man, whosoever he may be, or whatsoever he may profess as to scientific attainment, who does not know the source of the sun's energy, or the ultimate points and uses of its distribution, has no claim to astronomical knowledge. Nothing ever leaves the sun that does not return to it, modified and metamorphosed through the reagency of atmospheres, energies, and metallic and mineral depositions and changes, and through the physiological forces of animal and vegetable life, and through their alchemical disintegration. The radiations of solar energy are limited by the various environments of depositions and transmutation; and the great circumference of the limiting crust of the cosmic shell reflects, in convergent determination, the final cosmic energy to the solar nucleus.

In the study of the character of that solar energy

denominated light, we are not to take for granted the dogmatic statement that light is a mere mode of motion because authoritatively promulgated, when at least an equal authority declares that light is substantial. Light is the result of a certain kind of motion imparted to the brain cells. The energy capable of such an impression is the product of material combustion, in which atoms are destroyed as atoms and mutated to energy. That mode of motion and substantial activity called light, as proceeding from the sun's combustion and radiating toward circumferences, is changed to scotoic (dark) energy at the points or terminals of photoic transmission. As the sun pours forth its photos, radiating it toward the circumferences of its limitations and circles of transmutation, it is convergently reflected toward the focal point of its convergence as the energy of scotos (dark energy), whence it radiates again as scotoic energy from a pole of darkness, which is in coördination with the pole of light.

It is a known fact in physics that in every process of combustion where light is generated, there is produced at the same time the intermediate and coördinate lines of darkness. These have been called the Fraunhofer lines in honor of their discoverer. According to the law of correspondence, whatsoever we find in the laws of physical science we may correspondingly find in the laws and activities of mental science.

The solar beam, as it emerges from the focus of the sun, is a homogeneous white light. It is the product of the metamorphosis of the combinations of color, observed in what is called darkness or scotoic energy.

The polar point of darkness is the influent pole of the various essences resultant from the disintegration and resolution of atomic states to their correspondent complexion of energy. Before these can be reduced to their antithetical coördination, the pure white light, they must enter into a reagency of combustive power through which the reduction is made, and the differentiations eliminated through an absolute revolution.

While there are no colors in the pure white photoic (light), this specific energy contains that which must correspond to the material protoplasm of the universal life; for every character and variety of form, whether differentiated in the multiplicity of atomic morphosis, or the constructive morphosis of molecular and physiological aggregations, has been projected into the homogeneity of the primary scotoic. From this homogeneity, through prismatic action, the creative force begins the generation of distinctive things. The origin of the pure white light is from the burning of the multiplicity of colors, aggregated in the focal point of the scotoic energy. This law comprehended in the sphere of alchemico-organic activity, it may be seen how, in the mental realm, the light of intellectual energy is the product of darkness; and hence the comprehension of the statement, "Out of the thick darkness where God was,"—whence Moses derived the law; for Moses learned the law of God from the High Priest of Midian, Raguel or Jethro, the black priest of a black people constituting the veritable mountain of Sinai, through whom God appeared to Moses, and defined to him the Mosaic system of legislation.

The Anatomy of the Physical Cosmos.

Scientific Achievements in Comparative Anatomy; Discovery of the True Form of the Universe; Contrast of the Koreshan and Copernican Systems of Astronomy.

PROF. U. G. MORROW.

COMPARATIVE ANATOMY has developed to the stage of universal recognition as an exact science. No one questions the fact that great achievements have been made through processes of analogical reasoning in this department of practical knowledge. A single leaf reveals to the naturalist the kind of a plant from which it was obtained, in what part of the world it grew, and the character of the soil from which it was produced. The anatomist, by critical examination of a femur, a metacarpal, or a sesamoid, is able not only to determine whether it belongs to an animal or a human skeleton, but also the size and sex of the form which contained it. From the basis of a single bone, the forms of animals which are now extinct, and which existed ages ago, have been constructed. The restoration of the forms of the mastodon, the paleotherium, the megatherium, the pterodactyl, and other extinct animals, is considered among the greatest achievements in

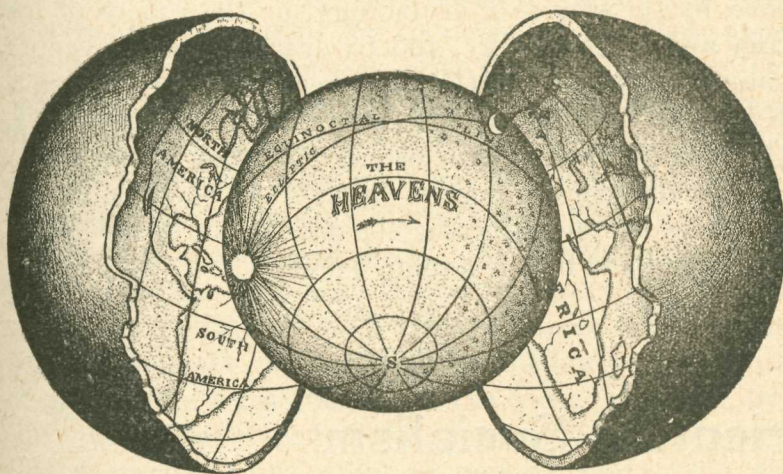
the fields of comparative research. Who shall say that the limit of comparative analogy has been reached when these forms are made to exist again, as it were, in natural history?

The great discoveries of the Founder of Koreshanity have resulted from a more extended and profound application of the principles of comparative anatomy and analogy. No mere fragments of forms have been taken as the foundation of the great System by which the anatomy of the structured universe is now revealed to the world; the living, *natural form of man*, with inherent life and functions, constitutes the basis of that scientific investigation which resulted in the greatest discovery of all ages—the discovery of the universe itself! In the Koreshan System, the knowledge of the form of the structured cosmos as it exists, and as it has existed through all the cycles of eternity past, is restored to the scientific world, and supplies the founda-

tion of the interpretation of Nature, the revelation of all mysteries, and the solution of all the problems which confront the modern world!

The Legacy of the Ancients.

The ancients understood the great fact that the form of man and the form of the physical cosmos are analogous. From them the terms and names of the various organs and parts of the human body, and the terms applied in the field of astronomy, have come down to us. From the ancients the terms macrocosm and microcosm have been derived; and the fact that they considered the perfect man as the universe in its least form, is shown in their division of the human body, from head to foot, to correspond to the twelve signs and constellations of the Zodiac. It is by no mere coincidence that today the astronomer places Aries at the *head* of the Zodiacal belt, and makes the vernal equinox the zero point of right ascension! It is no mere coincidence that great epochs of human history have exactly corresponded to the precessional movements in the heavens. It was not a mere accident that the Messiah of nineteen hundred years ago, the Lamb



THE ANATOMY OF THE UNIVERSE.
The Cosmic Shell Divided into Hemispheres, for a General View of the World we Inhabit.

of God, the head of the church, the head of the Grand Man, or anthropostic macrocosm or human world, was born at the time, in the course of the solar precession, when the constellation Aries—Lamb or Ram—exactly coördinated with the sign Aries at the vernal equinox—a fact of the most definite and indisputable astronomical record.

An exact correspondence exists between the human world and the great universe in which we live; this correspondence is made inevitable by virtue of the fact that man is directly related, in the order of life, to the physical cosmos, the basic domain of all existence, the mineral kingdom; and there could be no relation without correspondence. It is an indisputable and demonstrable fact that man belongs to one of the great kingdoms of life; he occupies the highest plane of tangible existence, and is the first great effect of supreme Cause. The physical cosmos is the second great effect of the *same* Cause; and as the laws of creation are immutable, as the principles of life are unchangable and eternal, and as the processes of creation must be the same whenever and wherever employed, the conclusion is inevitable

that whatever it is that produces the two great worlds we are considering, it must so thoroughly express itself in each of them as to make them eternal correlates; and that whatever functions are found to obtain in the human body, must necessarily obtain in the structured cosmos.

The Uniform Laws of Form.

That the same principles and laws inhere and operate in every living organism, has been amply proved in the field of comparative anatomy. The Darwinian system of evolution, through a false interpretation of the phenomena of life, recognizes that all living organisms, from the animalcule to the man, manifest uniform and specific anatomical and functional characteristics; and it was from the long line of observed and indisputable facts of comparative anatomy that the conclusions of Darwin grew; and these facts are now so universally recognized, that we need not pursue a line of demonstrations to prove that the principles and laws of life which are operative in man, are also operative in all living forms in the field of human research.

We have only to make a more extended application of the principles of the logic of life, to reach the infallible conclusion that if the universe exists as an organic expression of the creative functions which produced man, there must inhere in it the very same principles of the activities of life, with forms and functions which correspond to such forms and functions as are discoverable in the world of man; and the further conclusion is also inevitable, that that which constitutes the Cause of all forms of life which exist, has *formative* powers; that Cause must not only possess *anatomical form and functions*, but form and functions which are common to the planes and kingdoms which are subject to the analysis of the human mind.

The Impregnable Cellular Foundation.

The law of cellular life is the great central law of all existence. If comparative anatomy is worth anything, if it serves any valuable purpose in reaching exact analogical conclusions along the lines to which it has been applied by modern scientists, it is also capable of leading the rational mind to accurate, definite, inevitable, and infallible conclusions concerning the form and functions of the great structure in which we live. We maintain that no mind will ever be found which can successfully dispute the fundamental premise upon which the entire System of KORESH has been founded—the great truth that the *universe is a cell*, in which its own life inheres, and in which all forms of life live, move, and have their being.

We have shown that the fact that there are uniform and specific anatomical and functional characteristics in all the planes of life subject to human investigation, is now universally recognized. We have to go but a step further in the line of logic, to reach the conclusion that whatever principles and laws of life inhere and operate in the natural structure of man, necessarily obtain in all forms of life, not only in the animal and vegetable kingdoms, but in the mineral kingdom as well; and the

mineral kingdom comprises the alchemico-organic cosmos. If there inhere in man the seven great principles of life, in accordance with which he assimilates substance and builds up and replenishes his form; and if he propagates his life through inherent functions of creation through the seed, it follows not only that the physical universe, the mineral kingdom, an expression of the same cause which produces man from cycle to cycle, ultimates in the production of the seed of its perpetuity, the central sun, the pivot and pole of reproduction, but also the human world, humanity as a whole, correspondingly produces from itself the Messianic Center, the creative climax, the personal Deity.

The Test Applied to Modern Astronomy.

It is from the basis of these scientific conclusions that the Founder of Koreshanity was able, thirty years ago, to construct his great and marvelous scientific System of Life, which not only interprets the phenomena of existence, but also supplies the infallible keys to the interpretation of all legends, mythologies, and Bibles which have come down to us from the ancients. It is the key to the universal symbolism of Nature, because it is the very truth of the very Cause from which Nature is produced! This is why he has been successful in illuminating and elucidating the Hebrew and Christian Scriptures. It is a well known fact that the astronomy of the Bible is in conflict with the modern system put forth by Copernicus; and it is a fact that has become well known in the world of most advanced science, that the modern astronomy does not stand the

test of the principles of comparative anatomy and analogy. In the modern system, with its formless universe, without center and circumference, we can find nothing that is analogous to the forms and functions which we know to obtain in the world of natural life.

It is here that the Koreshan System comes in direct contrast with the gigantic fallacy which has swayed the human mind for centuries. We place the Koreshan System of Cosmogony, the science of creation, alongside that system in which the processes of creation are unknown; we place the System which is the result of the most exact science of analogy, analysis, and synthesis, in contrast with that which has been developed only as an hypothesis—the one interpreting all phenomena, solving all problems, and answering all questions, and the other staggering at every mystery, confronting hundreds of unsolved problems, and failing to satisfy the world as to the origin of life itself; and we ask, Which is rational, which is reasonable, which is scientific? The one has been demonstrated by the most accurate Geodetic Surveys, by comparative analogy, by the science of alchemy, by the laws of correspondence, by the science of etymology, by the science of history and of ethnology, and by every fact and phenomenon of Nature; while the other remains unproved. The Koreshan Cosmogony will be taught in coming ages as the greatest System ever brought to the knowledge of man, while the Copernican fallacy will soon be universally rejected as containing the most absurd conclusions ever conceived by the human mind!

The Standard of Scientific Socialism.

Necessity for the Unifying Power of the Central Mind in the Organic Relations of Humanity; Organic Socialism Depends Upon the Manifestation of the Messiah.

BERTHALDINE, MATRONA.

WITHOUT A DIVINE or scientific standard of social integralism, perfect social order can never prevail. "Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace," says the Psalmist. The perfect One must be found before the perfect relationships of the many to one can be defined. If it be the function and destiny of the universe to produce the perfect One as its involution, it must be the destiny of the perfect One to produce from himself, as his evolution, a perfect universe.

Environment and the environed are necessarily interdependent. To have the one of any defined quality, the other must be had equal in defined quality. It is impossible for the human mind to conceive of perfected humanity as anything short of that which is expressed by the term Godlike—a hero to be worshiped as the Temple of the indwelling Deity. Deity we conceive to be the unity of universal love and wisdom, faith and charity, truth and good. These three degrees of Divinity must not be lacking to give the beauty of holiness—wholeness, integralism—to the legitimate object of uni-

versal worship, the Pole Star of attraction to all the mariners on the sea of life.

The universe must begin in its only-begotten, its first-born, its well-beloved, and find rest in the bosom of its Father-Mother God. There alone can rest be found. The end of this Man is peace, Shiloh, the universally restful one, who speaks peace to all who believe in him. Just as the form and functions of the physical, cosmic order may be learned from the primary application of the mechanical plumb-line and level, so may be learned the form and function of the true social order from the application of the Mosaic law as fulfilled in the Lord Jesus, the plumb-line of moral integrity, and the level of the science of the application of that law as applied by KORESH, the scientific Prophet.

The science of truth is not a thing to be carelessly met. Men and women flippantly say, when the truth concerning the physical, cosmic form and function is presented to them, that they care not whether they are on the inside or outside of the supposed sphere of existence. The people who care for all truth, ultimate truth,

and the people who do not care for such ultimate truth, represent two ultimate spheres and planes of existence. The people who do care, ultimate in the kingdom of God; and the people who do not, willst and without,—in the darkness which necessarily continues with those who reject the light of true Science.

Humanity, if restored to Godlikeness, is restored or saved by the love of truth, not by devotion to the fallacies—reflections of the disintegrated body of truth, but by devotion to the truth, the ultimate gathering and integration of all truths, in the relations of righteousness, making of all one, the ultimate body of truth, the One altogether lovely, whose image and likeness can satisfy the deepest longings of the human soul, and the exacting demands of the most enlightened intellect, that of the Scientist of Universology. Such a personification of law fulfilled and truth exemplified, the Lord Jesus is pronounced to be by KORESH, the definer of the form, functions, and boundaries of the universe, and the demonstrator of the science of its ruling laws.

"Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus." This mind, the God Almighty, is in the Messenger of the Covenant, to effect its own conjunction with all prepared to receive the message of the Messenger, the Sun of Righteousness, the great Physician, the healer of all the world's backslidings. May we not know the Lord Jesus after the flesh? We may not know Jehovah after the flesh until, in the Shepherd, he has conquered the last enemy of that flesh, the old mortality, which is the body of death. All who love the truth revealed by the science of the universe, are called upon to become co-workers with the Conqueror for the destruction of death, as manifested in the body of the Lord of glory, who bears about in it the consequences of our sins, and is condemned as the "man of sin." Co-operation demands the relations of organic unity, that the

functions of organic unity may be exercised to the end of focalizing the forces of life in the center of universal vitalization, the present temple of the Lord, for its restoration to holiness. Nineteen centuries ago, the Lord gave Jehovistic flesh to be the substance known as the Holy Spirit, to descend into humanity as the vitalizing force for an age of progressive development of spiritual qualities of transforming power.

We have—according to the great clock of the universe, the Zodiac with its moving Sign of the times—reached the end of the age, when the Messiah should appear as the focal point of the wonderful divine power to reproduce the Sun of Righteousness to be the light and life of another age. He who descended into darkness and death must arise in his might; therefore a point for the focalization of the world's pneumatic and psychic energies was prophetically indicated and typified, that the world might not be left without a witness, with "a sure word of prophecy," as a light to shine in the darkest place, and darkest hour of the world's history. So the fulness of the Gentiles was foretold, the Joshua portrayed in the filthy garments of mortality, the "man of sin." The sin-bearer was prophetically named CYRUS, the ultimate CYRUS being typified by Cyrus the Persian, the deliverer of Israel.

By later inspiration, the righteous Branch of the vine is described as the Overcomer, the faithful Martyr, the Rider on the white horse, and the beast or animal life of Deity who counts or fulfils the number of his name as expressed by the cube, 666, the doctrines of the New Jerusalem, given by the science of the universe, the sphere, the circles or cycles of which it squares with the squares of the cube. Many are the prophetic words concerning the Hero of all heroes; yet, after all, the science of universal law which he gives, and the spirit of truth which he breathes, are the best testimonies to the legitimacy and authority of Jehovah's Messenger, his Elohi.

The Brotherhood of the True Religion.

The Catholic Perversion of the Religion from God; Brief Review of Church History; Power of Priesthood Waning; Despotism of Papacy.

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

A religion from God must win the day when known. Make your religion known.—REV. M. P. DOWLING, President Creighton University.

THE ABOVE are the closing words of a long address to young Catholic laymen, published in the *Omaha World-Herald*. Of course, the writer claims that Catholicism is the only religion from God, and incidentally admits that it has so conducted itself in the world that in this country, where the liberality of the early fathers, that was unknown in Catholic countries, gave the Catholic religion full scope for its activity, the masses of men looked upon it with suspicion, as an enemy of liberty. For some unexplained reason, the masses of this country view the priestly orders with suspicion, and hence these intelligent masses are beyond the reach of their influence. If these outside heathen are to be influenced and saved by this only "religion

from God," it must be, not by the priests, the only authorized teachers and rulers recognized by its hierarchy, but by that class which, in Catholic countries, constitutes the ignorant, powerless laity.

Such is the apparently unconscious admission of this paper. It reminds one of the facts in the history of the early and only real Christian church. Church history informs us that, as an organization, the clergy, the priestly order, took its rise A. D. 210, over the before free and equal brotherhoods that constituted the early Christian body. Long before that time, the whole world then known had been reached and largely converted by these free and equal brethren, over whom as yet there were no educated priestly masters. Previous to that time there were no learned priests and ignorant laymen; the priestly office as yet not having an existence. At that time the order of presbyters took its

rise, and Jerome, who wrote in the fourth century, says that to satisfy the craving for power among the presbyters, "by the instigation of Satan," the order of bishops was established.

In the course of time, the many-storied, despotic hierarchy that constitutes the real Catholic church of today, added order to order, making the ignorant mudsills who constitute the laity bear the burden of the whole. The educated priestly orders, at the head of whom was the bishop of Rome, blasphemously elevated to the place of God himself, took away the keys of knowledge from the rest of the church and the world, and brought on the dark ages. Now, in this professed land of liberty, where the light is beginning to dawn, and men, laymen, begin to assert their freedom again, a limb of this monster despotic power advises those who are beginning "to see men as trees walking," to engage in the work of putting out their own eyes and those of the rest of the world. If the evil day should ever come, when Rome shall have the power in this land, there will be no more intelligence and freedom left in it than there are at present in Catholic countries!

It seems a marvel that one who admits, as this speaker does, that a religion that has arrogated to it-

self all the institutions and paraphernalia of instruction, and yet has lost its power to teach, should still stoutly maintain that he knows that such religion is from God. It seems that it ought to be plain to anybody that a religion that comes to the world, as Jesus did, feeding and caring for the bodies as well as the souls of men, will have, not the arrogant and powerful officials of church and state, and the haughty and conceited, learned, and self-sufficient rich, but the common people, hearing it gladly.

The wise man says that it is in vain that the net is spread in the sight of any bird. While men of ordinary intelligence know that "His [misnamed] Holiness" suspends in his private apartments a picture of the horrors of St. Bartholomew, all the efforts of that blood-stained despotism to convert them must be in vain, even though its powerful and unscrupulous priesthood (which in Catholic countries keeps laymen in ignorance and a state of dependence) enlists its laity to accomplish that which its own sins against humanity have rendered it unable to accomplish. God, in the language of the Scriptures, is "waking out of sleep;" and it is not within the purview of his purposes that an unholy priestcraft should again plunge the world into the dark ages!

In the Editorial Perspective.

THE EDITOR.

THE SCIENTIFIC RELIGION is the great demand of this scientific age. We are living in a period of investigation and experimentation—in an age of discovery. The great tendency of the times in the world of progress, is to seek that which is practical, to analyze the tangible, and to reduce knowledge to a system. The prevailing religions are failing and falling because they do not meet the great issues which have arisen in modern times, nor solve the problems which confront the scientific world. Today, if the religious devotee considers scientific problems, he must do so from other than a theological standpoint; hence science and religion are considered as entirely separate fields of thought. The time has come when the intellect of the world is being awakened, and the external mind demands a solution of the enigma of existence, a revelation of the mysteries of life. If we but contemplate what is required of the scientific religion, we shall find that in meeting the demands of the intellect, the scientific religion assumes the proportions of stupendous importance; because it must, at the very beginning of its achievements, reveal the character of the Cause of all things which exist—it must reveal God. No rational mind can possibly be satisfied with mere speculations concerning Deity—speculations which leave the great secret of the divine Being as mysterious as before. The evidences of his existence, which the scientific religion takes for its basis, must be so scientific, so tangible, so rational, and so logical, as to leave no room for possible doubt, for possible refutation of its premise, nor for escape from the conclusions which such a science must reach. The scientific religion which shall stand the most crucial tests of logic, must define the laws upon which all existence depends; how the Creator creates man, and expresses himself in the cosmos; it must explain the great purpose of existence; it must be at once a scientific religion and a religious

science, a system of theology and of cosmogony; it must be as specific in its analysis of physics as of metaphysics; of astronomy, as of the arrangement of the suns and stars in the spiritual world. A religion that cannot answer all questions which science may propose, and solve all the problems of creation, is not scientific; and a science which cannot logically analyze both the Creator and the created, is not the science that will endure the tests of the coming age. The great System for which the world has waited, which the forces of ages have conspired to express, which the Almighty has waited for dispensations to reveal, is that ultimate of all truth, the climax of all mental progress, the Science of the Religion of Life, promulgated by the modern Prophet of Science—KORESH. The System which he places within the grasp of the intellect, deals with the greatest issues before the world; with the problems of human life; of physiology; of the functions of the brain; of the form of the cosmos; of the nature of matter, and of the character of energy. From the basic laws of the activities of life in man, from the basic laws of the mutations of matter, from the atom to Deity, he discovers and defines, unfolds and explains, the Absolute of divine truth, that the world may be able to scientifically locate truth's natural co-ordinate expression in the personality of the divine manifestation, the Destroyer of evil, the Conqueror of death!

Two strange instances of vicarious sacrifice are noted in a publication in China. Fifteen Chinamen were concerned in the murder of a missionary; two were condemned to death, and thirteen to imprisonment. The two who were condemned to death were permitted to hire substitutes, the condemned agreeing to maintain the families of the substitutes; the men originally condemned went free, while the innocent suffered in

their stead; the men died by proxy, the law having been satisfied by substitution. This is on a par with the modern idea of atonement—that is, so far as the death of Jesus the Christ is concerned; the observable facts are, that though Jesus was sacrificed nineteen hundred years ago, no man is yet free from the punishment of death and hell. If the modern theory were true, why are not men free from the conditions imposed by the original sentence of death, since the price of human liberty has already been paid, the sacrifice made, and the entire bargain through which the Almighty agreed to be appeased, has been closed? The scientific view of the atonement is different. "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man should lay down his *life* for his friends." Jesus came to give life to the world; he was the Vivifier; he imparted his own substance, his own life; he was the conserved vital substance, the vital force, of the race, the Elixir of Life; and yet men are saved through his death also. Why this association of life and death? Because life consorts with death in the processes of regeneration, Jesus gave his life to his disciples, as the life of the seed is given to the soil. The death of the Christ was the death of that life imparted, that seed sown. He poured out his soul unto death; he became obedient to the laws of death, in conjunction and unity with the mortal elements of a dying humanity. He died for his friends, into whom he went, for the personalities who received him in all the degrees in which he was diffused in the dispensation of life to the early church. Regeneration is through death, and the resurrection is the resurrection of that life sown; it is the resurrection of God Almighty, and the resurrection of those who rise into conjunction with him in the harvest of the age. The atonement set forth in the Scriptures is scientific; but the modern interpretation of it is fallacious;—there is not an element of justice in the modern "scheme" of salvation!

There are numerous theories promulgated in the religious world as to what became of the body of Jesus after his resurrection from the tomb of Joseph. The modern Christian idea is, that He ascended bodily into the sky—an absurdity; the Millennial Dawn man concludes that his body was taken away to some place, by divine power, without being resuscitated at all, a spiritual Christ having been created by special providence to appear to the disciples; some hold that Jesus simply ceased to think of limitation and became the unformulate in the ocean of universal force; while christian science claims that he had no body, and that he was *nobody* at all, for there is no matter from which to form bodies of any kind! The promulgators of these fancies have not the slightest conception of the purpose of the manifestation of Jesus in the natural world; and not one of them attempts to show that there was any vital relation existing between the manifestation and departure of Jesus, and the mentality of his following. We construct a battery; zinc is a necessary element used in generating electricity from the cell. We utilize the electric energy conducted from the battery, and realize that the energy has come from somewhere and from something. We examine the battery, and find the zinc gone! The ignorant speculate as to what became of the zinc; we are accused of taking it out wholly, and hiding it away somewhere; the opinion is expressed that it was dissipated into the air, while one claims that there was no zinc there in the first place, because there is no matter! But the scientific mind connects the fact of the existence and departure of the zinc with the electric fluid; and the same mind necessarily connects the fact of the existence and departure of Jesus, with the vital force manifest in the disciples of Jesus after his departure. Jesus was consumed and transformed to spirit, which energized his following. The question as to what became of the body of

Jesus is one of the simplest problems in Koreshan Alchemy; he went into the minds of his disciples, and the *personality* of Jesus was the *source* of their power!

When knowledge is criticised, ignorance is invariably exposed; the judgment which wisdom sometimes sends to fools is in the ultimate chagrin which overtakes arrogant conceit and shameful presumption. The man who criticised the owl perched on a bracket at a friend's home, mistaking the owl for a statue, was certain that it did not look like an owl at all, and was not convinced of his error until the owl turned and gave him a look of reproach for his presumptuous criticism! The agnostic author of "God and His Book" undertakes to criticise the Bible because it was written in Hebrew, consisting wholly of capital letters, without separation of words, and for the most part without visible vowels; and after giving a sample from Gen. i:1, in English letters, in this way, BARASHYTHBARAALHYM-ATHHASHMYVATHHARTS (which should be expressed as pronounced, *Barashith bara Elohim eth hashamayim v'eth h'arets*), remarks: "It was so considerate of Jehovah to send his Ghost to furnish us with the foregoing beautiful sentence? The only thing to be regretted is, that since He sent his Ghost to write it, he did not come down himself to translate it." An ignorant criticism of a language which has existed, has been spoken, written, and understood, for over 4,000 years! The Hebrew language is the most exact and comprehensive language ever used; its every word, every letter, jot, and tittle is pregnant with meaning, with scientific truth! The alphabet was founded upon the science of human physiology; and what is contained in Gen. i:1 is the language of life itself. Fortunately, the Almighty *does* come down to interpret the Bible and Nature; the same mind that wrote the Bible, that expressed himself in Nature, manifests in humanity and unfolds in Science the mysteries couched in the language of universal symbolism. Why, the Bible was written to serve the purpose of God Almighty in his personal manifestations, for "All Scripture which is God-breathed, is profitable for doctrine, * * that the *Theo-Anthropos* [the God-man or man-God] may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

Astronomer Pickering has been attempting to explain the Gegenschein, or faint spot of light on the ecliptic in opposition to the sun. It belongs to the order of the Zodiacal light or belt of electric glow, which extends all the way round the heavens. The astronomers are realizing the fact that it is a difficult matter to explain many such strange phenomena. For instance, it was thought some time ago that the Zodiacal light was a brilliant solar atmosphere extending 20° to 30° on either side of the sun; but this had to be abandoned when it was ascertained that the belt extended to the entire circumference of the Zodiac; and indeed, it would be difficult, in the Copernican system, to stretch an illumined atmosphere into a ring or annulus, nearly 600,000,000 miles in circumference! And now comes Astronomer Pickering with the suggestion that the Gegenschein, which is always in opposition to the sun, is a sort of a cometary or meteoric satellite, a mere ghost of a planet, attending the earth at a distance of about 1,000,000 miles. How such a body in space could manage to keep 180° from the sun, and always on the ecliptic, is a mystery which exceeds the mystery of the Gegenschein itself! Then to explain the Zodiacal light, cometary wings would have to extend from the cometary body to the sun. After locating such a cometary planet, to describe its orbit in relation to the earth and to the sun, would be a hundredfold more complicated than the orbit of the moon, concerning which the astronomers have never been able to agree; for it is a question in scientific circles, whether the moon revolves about the

earth in 29 days, or moves in a serpentine path with the earth in its revolution about the sun. It is not difficult to explain the Zodiacal electric glow and the Gegenschein or counter-glow, in the electro-magnetic battery cell of the Koreshan Cosmogony.

The personal manifestation of Deity is to the human world what the sun is to the alchemico-organic cosmos. In the Scriptures, God is called the Sun of Righteousness. The Greeks called the sun *helios*; the sun is the helix of the great battery cell of the universe. Helios was known to the ancients as the driver of the chariot of the sun; and it is the sun's helical or spiral motion that causes the sun to pendulate north and south to produce the seasons. There is a relation existing between the words Elohi, the divine Sun, and Helios. When the sun was eclipsed at the time of the crucifixion of Jesus, he cried out *Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?* which some translators render, My sun, My sun, why hast thou forsaken me? The sun was given to rule the day. *Dies* (pronounced *dee-es*) is the Latin for day, while *Deus* is the Latin for God. The days of creation began with epochal sunrises or divine manifestations, while *dies* or day in the physical world is caused by the rising of the sun. To the ancients, the shining sun was the great celestial symbol of Deity, the ruler or Lord of humanity, as the physical sun is the ruler or lord of natural day. God and the sun are analogous; and humanity and the cosmic shell completely, definitely, and absolutely correspond. The science of language demonstrates it, and the principles of universal creation and perpetuity demand it. Koreshanity points out the eternal fitness of things in accordance with the laws and principles of existence in every domain of life.

Some one who thinks that the teachers of the modern world have more truth than they are living, prints the following: "It is easy enough to talk right; but talking right and living right are altogether different propositions. There is talk enough to change this world of strife and misery into a heaven of happiness, if talking would do it, but it will not." As though truth could be separated from the living of it! In a ray of sunlight there is the union of both light and heat; pure white light cannot be generated without heat. As light and heat co-ordinate, so truth and life must co-ordinate, and they do co-ordinate, wherever the light of truth shines! The fact that the thousands of modern teachers are not living right, the fact that their lives are fallacious, demonstrates that their conceptions are fallacious. Absolute, pure white truth is the greatest and most sacred thing in the world; whoever has it is not only able to live right, but must and does live right. All truth is divine; the elements of truth are the very elements of life; the substances of truth are the substances of the divine Being. Whoever has the truth expresses divinity in both thought and deed. It is not necessary to urge the man who has the truth to live right; the urging to live right is generally made by the man who talks right and lives right for the benefit of those who do not have the truth. The world of strife and misery must be transformed to a heaven of happiness, through the application of the truths of life to all human affairs.

The width of the path of totality in a solar eclipse, suggests the approximate size of the sun and moon, in the Koreshan hollow globe. Of course, the sun in the cell-earth 8,000 miles in diameter, cannot be as the one supposed to exist in the Copernican world. It may be asked how we measure the diameter of the sun in the Koreshan System. We ascertain the mean distance to the sun—about 950 miles; the sphere of the heavens is 6,000 miles in diameter, or about 18,800 miles in circumference. As the sun occupies about one half a degree of space in that circumference of 360°, we have as a result of such computation, as the

diameter of the sun, about 26 miles. The diameter of the moon is nearly that of the sun, but it is between us and the solar orbit. The line of totality of the late eclipse was about 55 miles wide; that is, the shadow at any given time covered a circular area on the earth 55 miles in diameter—a demonstration of the fact that both the sun and moon are small spheres; and the definiteness of the shadow proves that the object that cast the shadow is *not* far from the surface upon which the shadow was projected.

The spiritual spheres visited by Swedenborg, the angelic societies which he observed, and the worlds to which he was admitted, he describes to be in the form of a man. The primitive Christian church was in the form of a man, because the energies which operated in it, the impulses which moved it and gave it expression in the world, in both doctrine and life, had their origin in the man Jesus. Every society, every system of human relations, must have some form; and the perfect society, the perfect government, must possess the form of the man who is capable of conceiving the principles of scientific relations which must inhere in them, and who is capable of expressing such a conception in the world of external relations. The scientific Socialism of Koreshanity has for its basis, its pattern, the form and function of the human body, and the analogous form and functions of the physical universe, which the perfect man involves.

Dealers in the occult discount reason and set at naught the intellectual faculties of man; unguided intuition is placed above the plane of the application of inexorable logic. In christian science, reason is held to be but the presumptions of the mortal mind, and should be dethroned; and in modern Christianity, no one attempts to reason concerning the existence of the god the world at large worships. Koreshans hold that the illumined intellect is the very throne of Deity, and that genuine science is intellectual, involving all the logical sequences of rational contemplation of existing things. A system is reasonable only as it is logical; and true, only as the premise of its logic is a demonstrable fact. No system is reasonable which avowedly discards reason, and which contains conclusions through other processes than the processes of exact logic.

No idea is scientific that is indefinite. The idea of infinite space, with an infinite universe existing in it, is not rational, because no mind can conceive of infinite space. If infinite space is beyond human conception, we have in the absence of such a conception, or the possibility of such a conception by the mind, a metaphysical proof that there is no infinite space. Limited space is rational, because it can be conceived and demonstrated by the very laws, and principles, and properties of form. When we say that space is limited, we say that which is true according to the mathematics of existence. Geometry would be useless if it did not demonstrate the limitation of all things.

Where liberty obtains there is order. There is order in machinery, where every wheel moves in harmony with all other parts. There is liberty where the journals fit their bearings; there is liberty where is adjustment of part to part. There is no liberty of use in the machine that is reduced to chaos, and where the wheels are separated. There is liberty, there is power and force in unity, in the integral society, in the system of order, where natural restraint keeps each one in his own place or static plane. There can be no liberty in anarchy, no liberty where righteous laws do not prevail.

The solar eclipse was total at Chicago—a total failure; the eclipse itself was totally eclipsed by clouds.

Crack-brained teachers of fads and fallacies are not what they are cracked up to be!

Editorial Discussions and Miscellany.

THE EDITOR.

Between Ascension and Pentecost.

EDITOR FLAMING SWORD:—Will you kindly answer the following questions through the columns of THE FLAMING SWORD, and oblige an interested reader? (1) After Jesus had ascended into heaven, or after his theocrasis, there was an elapse of some time before the disciples received the Spirit. Jesus told them to tarry at Jerusalem until they had received the baptism; this baptism came upon them when the Pentecost was fully come. Where was the spirit of Christ during that time? (2) If Adam was a biune being, why did God say of him, "It is not good for man to be alone: I will make him an helpmeet for him"? (3) What authority have you for saying, as you did in issue of May 11, that Adam, and Noah, as well as Moses, Enoch, Elijah, and Jesus, passed out of the natural world without death? The Bible distinctly states that Adam and Noah died at the ages of 930 and 950 years of age respectively. (4) Why did the Christ say to Mary, "Touch me not, for I am not yet ascended to my Father"?—Miss W. N. Y., San Francisco, Cal.

(1) Peter, James, and John were the three tabernacles of the divine Spirit, representing the three degrees: Peter, the natural—truth and good; James, the spiritual—faith and charity; and John, the celestial—love and wisdom. These three disciples were with Jesus when he was transfigured, and desired to build three tabernacles for the three personalities they saw, not knowing that the tabernacles already existed. When Jesus was theocrasised, he went into the interiors of Peter, James, and John, and there remained during the ten days that elapsed between his translation and Pentecost. The baptism was the descent of the descending degrees of the Holy Spirit, from the interiors of these disciples, and it was imparted by them to the other disciples, to the 3,000 on the day of Pentecost, then to the 5,000 a few days afterwards, and then, through the ministry of the apostles, to as many as would receive it. Jesus ascended into the spiritual heavens, not the physical heavens; and the three centers of the three spiritual atmospheres of the early church were the personalities named.

(2) If we take a single seed, perfect and biune, we may purpose that it shall not be alone if we desire that it shall propagate its life. We must plant it; it is the father; and from it there must be developed that which is absolutely necessary to its reproduction—the mother of the new life resulting from the planting. It was not good for Adam to be alone—*all one*; he must reproduce himself, and in order to do so, there must be a matrix of regeneration. It was not good for Jesus to be alone, hence he was sown in the race that the harvest might come,

when the 144,000 biune beings like himself will appear. Jesus fell asleep during the age, and the Bride, the Lamb's wife, is developed—the New Jerusalem, which descends to meet the husband who died, and who comes up in the resurrection. What was true of Jesus was true of Adam, for the Adam of the Old Testament was Jesus nearly 26,000 years ago. Jesus was Adam nineteen hundred years ago—the first Adam in the natural, and the second Adam as a "quickening spirit."

(3) We know that both Adam and Noah overcame death and went out of the natural world without corruptible dissolution, because they were Messiahs. Adam was a Son of God, and Noah was "perfect in his generation;" his generation was of the divine order. They died the divine death, as Jesus did during the present age. Jesus was in the natural world about 33 years; he formed the church; he died in the mortal soil; he fell, and the church apostatized. Nineteen hundred years have elapsed since He was born; and if we take the middle of the age as the point of the final death of that life sown, we would have 950 years as the period in which the Christ lived; then came the dark period of church history. Both Adam and Noah lived in the churches they formed; they fell and died as Jesus fell and died in mortality during this dispensation. Adam and Noah were translated, and baptized a following, as every Messiah is translated. Our authority is the science of the Messianic law, by which every Messiah overcomes death—mortality.

(4) Mary Magdalene was the medium out of which Jesus cast the seven evil spirits. She afterwards washed Jesus' feet with her tears and anointed them with oil. For this, Jesus said that what she did would be told throughout the whole world as a perpetual remembrance. Mary was destined to become, in her progressive embodiments, the central receptacle of the divine Spirit at the end of this age; then she would embrace all that Jesus was, and so fulfil the declaration, "A woman shall compass a man," "and She shall be called the Lord our righteousness." Her destiny is the divine Motherhood. She is to embrace Jesus when he reaches the amplification of his Fatherhood in the divine-natural. Hence Jesus said, "Touch (Greek, *embrace*) me not, for I am not yet ascended to my Father." Why this language? He would be out of her reach, if the ordinary conception of his ascension were true. In substance he said: "It is not the time for you to embrace me; when I have reached my ultimate Fatherhood at the foot of the dispensation, you will embrace me; but for the present, go and tell my disciples that I have risen."

The Religion of Life.

Brief Outline of Address by Koresh, at Washington Heights, Sunday Afternoon, May 27.

"THE MODERN CHURCH lays great stress on the efficacy of the blood of Christ; but you hear very little about the efficacy of the *flesh* of Christ, though the flesh is placed first in the Scriptures," was one of the many pointed contrasts between the doctrines of Jesus and the doctrines of the modern church, in the address by KORESH to his people, upon his return from a campaign at Springfield, Mass. It was shown that the system of doctrines taught in the world today by the clergymen has resulted from an absurd misconception of the statement by the Apostle Paul, that "we are saved by faith, without the works of the law," a truth applicable in this dispensation of grace, which has been necessary in order to the development of the mind into comprehension of the law, that it might be obeyed.

The church is mistaken regarding the processes of salvation. The clergymen consider that all the salvation ever to be obtained is through faith alone; and that if a man only has faith that Jesus lived and died for the sins of the world nineteen hundred years ago, he will enter into life through some processes which they are unable to define. It was clearly and logically shown in this contrast, that salvation is obtained, not through faith merely, but through the actual appropriation of the life of Deity, in fulfilment of the declaration of Jesus: "Whoso eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day." The appropriation of the Lord's life is absolutely necessary in order that we shall be like him; and that appropriation was made by the primitive Christian church, through its being baptized by the actual substance of the Lord's body, which was consumed in the theocrasis or translation.

The church misconceives both the process of salvation and the results. The world is taught that death is the common lot; and the possibility of overcoming death in the body has not occurred to the clergyman; but Jesus overcame, and the fact of his overcoming stands out as a fact in history—stands out in bold relief in contrast with the supposition that all men must die, must enter corruptible dissolution. Jesus came to bring the new and living way; and he left the natural world without a corruptible dissolution. The logic of that fact makes inevitable the conclusion that the men ultimately saved through the processes of regeneration, will leave the natural world in the same way. This is to be accomplished through the pure and undefiled religion, through the resurrection of the husband of the widow, the New Jerusalem, and the resurrection

of the father of the fatherless—through the resurrection of that life which was imparted to humanity, the life of the Deity who has died in the race during the present age.

The principles of the cross were explained. That cross which is to be effective in bearing away the sins of the world was not the wooden cross upon which Jesus was crucified; the death for the sins of the world was not the death at the hands of the Jews and Romans; the blood of Christ that saves was not the blood that was spilled on Calvary, and absorbed by the soil in which the wooden cross stood. These were but types of the real cross, the real death which occurred during the age; a type of the actual blending of the life of God Almighty with the corrupt life of the mortal humanity. The church does not comprehend the principles of the cross. It is divided upon the question of faith and works. It is noticeable that the Protestant church lays stress upon faith without works, while the Catholic church lays a great deal of stress upon works,—but what works! The Catholics mean obedience to the traditions taught by the priesthood, the traditions which make the law of God of none effect. Koreshanity emphasizes the great truth that the law must be fulfilled in and by every one who enters into life. It is not said, Blessed are they who have faith, but "Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city." This entrance must be made in the same way that Jesus entered it—by the new and living way. He was a gate; he lifted up his head and exalted his mind; he obeyed the laws of life, and he kept them because he comprehended the laws of the existence of God Almighty; he made an application of them to himself, and overcame death.

The age of grace is ending, and we have entered the period of judgment—the judgment of the law. The great truth is again declared, that the law must be obeyed. That law is summed up in the Decalogue, the ten principles of life, the very first commandment of which is: "Thou shalt have no other Gods before me." This necessitates a knowledge of God, a comprehension of the known God. The church proclaims an unknown god, in that it declares that God is unknown and unknowable. The modern church worships a god without body and without parts, a god that is incapable of either living or dying! Koreshanity is the revelation of the science of the law, the science of life; it is the new religion which is to characterize the coming age; it is the religion of life, as distinct from the religion of the Christian age, as the religion of Jesus was distinct from the religion of the Jewish age. It is in the line of progress, which ultimates in the scientific revelation of Deity in the truth of the laws of life, and in the life which obedience to the law will perfect and manifest in the natural world.

Koresh at Home Until Further Notice.

As will be noticed from the above, KORESH has returned from the East. At present writing he is away on business in Nebraska, but will return in a few days to Chicago, and will be at home until further notice.

Koresh Interviewed.

Talks on Current Topics; a Red-hot Expansionist; 10,000 People Believe in the Earth's Concavity.

DR. CYRUS R. TEED of Chicago, KORESH, expounder of the theory that the earth is concave, who will strive for more converts by delivering an address in Memorial hall this evening, is a man of wide knowledge and of opinions, with the exception of matters included in his theory of Cellular Cosmogony, or Koreshanity, that are in harmony with the ideas of authoritative men of the time. DR. TEED sympathizes with the Boers in the South African war, and is a vigorous supporter of President McKinley's administration. He backs up all his opinions with arguments of weight, and is convincing until he touches upon his revolutionizing theories.

When questioned regarding many public matters last evening, DR. TEED talked interestingly. "I am in sympathy with the Boers in their fight in South Africa," he said, "but I recognize the fact that the British are certain to win, and that British rule over the Transvaal will probably advance the cause of civilization. The mission of the Boer peace delegates to this country is, in my opinion, useless.

"The war in the Philippines is of a different character. The people are a conglomeration of the barbarians of the East. Spain has been there for over 300 years, and although it has given scant education under friar-ridden government, that little education appears to be useless to the people in giving them any capacity for self-government. Certainly the United States will give the Filipinos a better government than any other nation, and a far better government than these people could give themselves. I believe in the administration's policy of expansion. This country must take its place among the nations of the earth."

Higher Criticism and Spiritism.

DR. TEED expects to elaborate on higher criticism tonight, in a novel manner, as this subject is one of great interest to him. On this question he says: "Higher criticism is not true, for it is founded on the fallacious sciences of the day—that is, on astronomy, chemistry, sociology, and many others.

"Spiritualism," said the Doctor, "or the intercommunication of men and spirits, is a fact. Remove all record of spiritual manifestations from the Bible, and there is nothing remaining. The visit of Saul to the woman of Endor is but the story of a spiritualistic seance. I believe that there are now spiritual manifestations, but I do not agree with the leaders of Spiritualism, for the most authoritative of these do not believe in Christianity, and I am a Christian. In a recent lecture in New Orleans, before an audience of Spiritualists, I stated my belief that of 500 mediums, 499 are deceivers, and the 500th is false half the time; but still spiritual intercommunication does exist."

DR. TEED now has such a large following that his entire time is engaged in going

about the country lecturing under the auspices of his various circles. He is kept busy all the time expounding the deep philosophy, psychology, and cosmogony of his faith to these interested circles.—*Springfield (Mass.) Daily Union*, May 20, 1900.

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Working it Out By Science.

Koresh Knows How the Lord Is Coming to the Earth Again.

KORESH, or DR. CYRUS R. TEED, of Chicago, delivered a lecture on "The Identification of Israel and the Science of the Lord's Coming," before a large audience in Memorial hall last evening, and led his listeners through a maze of complex deductions. Upon the Lord's coming he said in part:

"Coming now to the science of the Lord's coming, there is a belief that the Jews will be brought back to Jerusalem, and that the New Jerusalem will drop down from the physical heavens, over the site of the present city. This is wrong, because it is impossible; just imagine the New Jerusalem, which is 1500 miles square and 1500 miles high, dropping down on Palestine, which is only 300 miles square. The Christian world believes that the Lord will come again from the physical sky. But it does not want the Lord to come while it is alive and hopes to escape his coming by dying before that time. This idea of the Lord's coming is all a misconception. The only way that Christ will come again is by the regeneration of mankind. This process of regeneration is now going on, and at length, when it is completed, there will not be one Christ but 144,000 Christs, who will be the sons of God, not by adoption, but real sons made so by the spirit of Christ that was partaken of by the primitive Christian church.

"The science of the coming of Christ is seen in the sowing of seed, its growing, and reproduction, called in the church regeneration. The spirit of Christ is the seed that was sown, and it is growing and multiplying until it produces a multiplication of Christs. The science of the coming of the Lord is obedience. The ministers today say that it is faith. Obedience to the Decalogue is the only way to obtain immortality."—*Springfield (Mass.) Daily Union*, May 21, 1900.

Science of Regeneration.

DR. CYRUS R. TEED delivered his second lecture in Memorial hall last evening, in explanation of the doctrines of Koreshanity, of which he is the Founder. His subject was "The Identification of Israel and the Science of the Lord's Coming." During the course of his remarks he said: "The science of regeneration is progressive, and means the development of the human race because of the higher life embodied in the seed, which is God. The New Jerusalem is made up from people who have died in this world and reached a sufficient degree of development to be incarnated in the Godhead. DR. TEED spoke at considerable length, explaining the passages of the Bible entirely by symbolology. His audience was made up last night of attentive hearers, among them being several teachers in the public schools, and men versed in the doctrine of evolution. The Philharmonic string quartet furnished music for the evening.—*Springfield (Mass.) Daily Republican*, May 21, 1900.

The Flaming Sword.

The Unique Publication Which Mrs. Boomer, a Former Johnstown Woman, Helps to Edit.

Several Johnstown people have of late been receiving copies of a Journal called THE FLAMING SWORD, published in Chicago, of which one of the editorial contributors is Rev. Bertha S. Boomer, a widow of the late L. S. Boomer, a former well-known employee of the Cambria Iron Company here. The publication is the official organ of the new religious body known as the Koreshan System, and is unique in more ways than one.

Mention has heretofore been made of the fact that Mrs. Boomer has become one of the leading advocates of the new doctrine, but little has been published as to what it includes. According to THE FLAMING SWORD, it includes a turning over of about all the accepted theories on all the scientific subjects extant, astronomy especially, on which the Koreshan pronouncement is as follows:

"The earth is a stationary concave cell, about 8,000 miles in diameter, with people, suns, moon, planets, and stars on the inside, the whole constituting the only physical universe in existence. It is an alchemico-organic structure, a gigantic, electro-magnetic battery, the central sun being the positive pole, and the earth the negative elements of the cell. The universe involves the laws and functions of its own perpetuity, and is eternal. All life is cellular—within the cell; we inhabit the earth. Koreshan Cosmogony comports with all facts of astronomical, geographical, geological, and alchemical research, and international geodetic survey, experimentation and navigation. It interprets all ancient legends, mythologies, and Bibles, and furnishes the basis of all reason and science, the premise of the true theology, theocracy, and social economy."

The Koreshan theories on all other subjects, according to THE SWORD, are just as radical and just as startling as the above, and are probably worth investigation by those who are fond of mental fantasies. To one who contemplates swallowing down any part of the system, however, it would probably be well to note the warning which THE SWORD gives to prospective disciples:

"In order to comprehend Koreshan Universology, the subjects treated must be seen from our view point; it will do no good to interject your own previous conclusions, and judge the system by opinions which have no foundation. The mind must be emptied of fallacy; and then from an entirely new basis the mind may assimilate truth in a way that is both surprising and satisfying."—Johnstown (Pa.) Daily Tribune.

Increase of Suicides.

Progress of Civilization Does Not Stop Self-Destruction.

Suicides have a little more than tripled in the last 100 years, and, curiously enough, the percentage is nearly four times greater in Protestant than in Roman Catholic or Greek church countries. And what is

still more remarkable is that wealth, culture, social advantages, and free thought seems to conduce to self-destruction.

One would suppose that as civilization advances and universities multiply, the spread of knowledge, new discoveries in the field of science, and the adoption of higher codes of commercial ethics would reduce rather than swell the role of self-murderers; but evidently these things encourage that way of getting out of the world.

Recent statistics show that in Protestant communities the number of suicides is 190 to the million; in purely Roman Catholic countries, fifty-eight to the million, and in the Greek churches, forty to the million. In Germany, where there are more scholars, scientists, philosophers, and students in ratio to population than in any other country, the percentage of suicides is greater than anywhere else in the world. It is curious to note, too, that in all countries more people kill themselves in wet and stormy weather than when the sun shines. The majority of suicides, however, is between sundown and sunrise, and, strangely enough, more people select a moonlight than a dark night to quit living. Moreover, three men commit suicide to one woman.—Quill, West Plains, Mo.

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The World's News.

May 23.—Kruger and Steyn, after a conference, decide to continue the war unless England grants favorable terms of peace.—Chamberlain's Australian policy is defeated by the colonial government.—Neely, the Cuban postal fraud, is arrested at New York; bail fixed at \$50,000, while amount embezzled may reach \$500,000.—Measure introduced in congress to reduce war-taxes.—Labor riots at Kansas City.—Labor-unionists continue to attack non-union street-car men at St. Louis.—Joliet tin-plate mills close down.—Chicago real estate board endeavors to conciliate labor factions.—Excitement in New York over the ice trust.—2 companies of Filipino insurgents surrender at Tarlac.—May 24.—The great theatrical trust falls through.—Methodist conference abolishes time limit for its preachers.—U. S. makes another demand on the Sultan for indemnity money.—St. Louis mob of labor-unionists kills a car guard; police arrest 20 rioters.—New associated press organization in New York.—Boers stampede before march of Lord Roberts.—800 Boers surrender at Vryburg.—Strasburg street-car companies concede demands of strikers.—Tolstoi denounced as a heretic by Russian orthodox churchmen.—May 25.—Chicago British-Americans banquet under two flags; honor the Queen and McKinley.—Unconfirmed report current that Kruger wishes to surrender.—Big cotton firm in New York fails; liabilities over \$13,000,000.—Pope canonizes two saints at Rome.—May 26.—American Boer sympathizers burn British flag at Spring Valley, N. Y.—

France threatens aggressive movements in Morocco.—American forces hunting for Aguinaldo again.—May 27.—Postal frauds discovered at Washington; \$100,000 embezzled by employees.—District of Lake Michigan, an independent government established by Capt. G. W. Streeter, at Chicago, overthrown by police, and the entire army of government, 15 soldiers, arrested and placed in jail.—McKinley goes to see the eclipse, at Norfolk, Va.—Lord Roberts enters the Transvaal territory; Boers massing at Johannesburg and preparing for big battle.—May 28.—Presbyterian general assembly closes, without revising creed.—Newspapers continue to predict trouble in Spain.—Tammany decides to support Bryan.—Chicago labor-unions appeal to general council; tie-up may spread to all cities where Chicago contractors are interested.—Solar eclipse is eclipsed at Chicago by clouds.—Lord Roberts now within 40 miles of Johannesburg.—3 men shot in St. Louis labor-riot; unionists attack non-union street-car men.—Gold discovered in Mojave Desert, Cal.—10,000 socialists make a demonstration in Paris.—Boers threaten to blow up entire British army with dynamite at Johannesburg.—May 29.—Astronomers report success in observing the total eclipse; clear weather all along the path of totality; many observations made and photographs secured.—Lord Roberts enters Johannesburg, without resistance from the Boers; Boers facing a crisis; President Krueger reported to be planning flight from Pretoria.—House of representatives passes Alaskan civil government bill.—War between Morocco and France seems imminent.

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Leslie's Weekly—The work of feeding 200,000 men under the command of Gen. Lord Roberts in South Africa, is the subject of special double-page illustration in this week's Leslie's Weekly; the picture gives some idea of the immense amount of work necessary to place food before this vast army far removed from the base of supplies. Another double-page pictures one of the most thrilling incidents of the Filipino war; a page is devoted to the execution of two Filipino outlaws, and another to the Dewey welcome and celebration at Chicago; while the relief of Mafeking is shown in a full-page drawing. It is an excellent number, full of thrilling interest.

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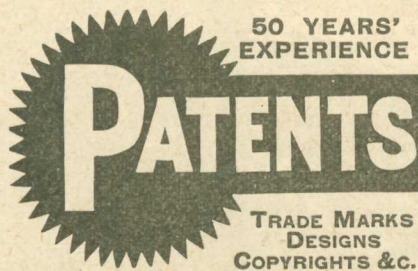
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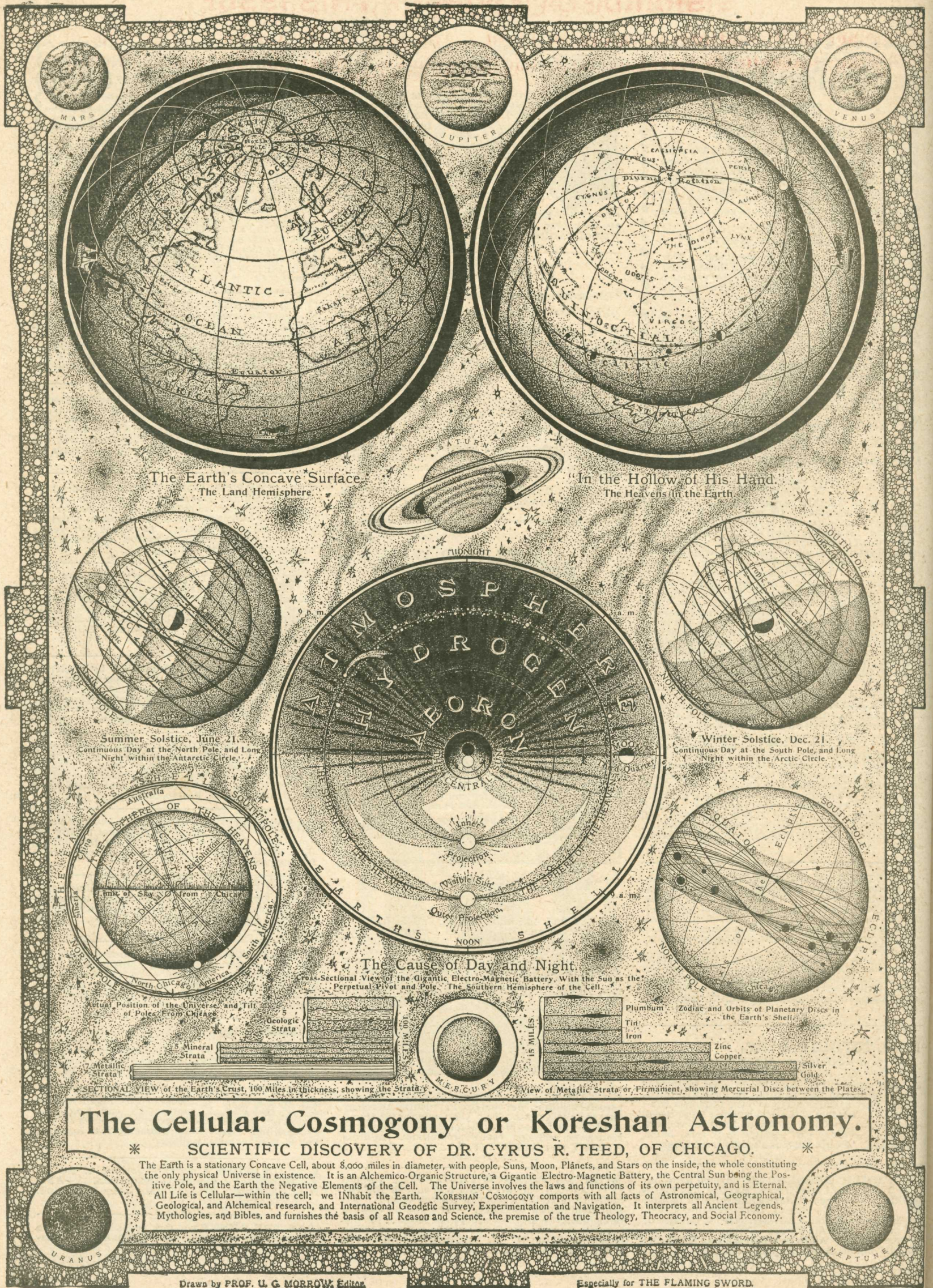
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