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A GLANCE AT KORESHANITY.

KORESHAN UNIVERSOLOGY is a complete system of the Science of the great Universe of life; and it involves the knowledge of the Creator and his creation. The name by which it is designated, in contradistinction to perverted Christianity, is KORESHANITY; and the new Religion must supplant Christianity, as Christianity supplanted Judaism. Koreshanity has come to fulfil the hope of the world in the liberation of humanity from the curse, in the establishment of the Kingdom of God in earth, the introduction of the New Era of Light and Life, of universal harmony and happiness.

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COSMOGONY.—The universe is a cell, a hollow globe, the physical body of which is the earth; the sun is at the center. We live on the inside of the cell; and the sun, moon, planets, and stars are all within the globe. The universe is eternal, a great battery, and perpetually renews itself through inherent functions, by virtue of which it involves and evolves itself.

ALCHEMY.—The Science of Alchemy is the Philosopher's Stone, the Key to the mystery of life. Chemistry is false; Alchemy is true! Matter and energy are interconvertible and interdependent; they are correlates; matter is destructible; the result of its transmutation is energy. Alchemy is the key to the analysis of the universe.

THEOLOGY.—God is personal and biune, with a trinity of specific attributes. God

in his perfection and power is the God-man or the man-God, the Seed of univesal perpetuity. Jesus the Christ was God Almighty; the Holy Spirit was the product of his transmutation, or the burning of his body.

MESSIANIC LAW.—The coming of the Messiah is as inevitable as the reproduction of the seed. The divine Seed was sown nineteen hundred years ago; the firstfruit is another Messianic personality. The Messiah is now in the world, declaring the scientific Gospel.

REINCARNATION is the central law of life—the law of the resurrection; reincarnation and resurrection are identical. Resurrection is reached through a succession of re-embodiments. One generation passes into another; the millions of humanity march down the stream of time together.

THE SPIRITUAL WORLD.—Heaven and hell are in humanity, and constitute the spiritual world; the spiritual domain is mental, and is in the natural humanity,—not in the sky.

HUMAN DESTINY.—Origin and destiny are one and the same. The origin of man is God, and God is man's destiny. God is the highest product of the universe, the apex of humanity. Absorption into Nirvana is entrance into eternal life—in the interior spheres of humanity, not in the sky or atmosphere.

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KORESHAN SOCIALISM.—Our Social System is patterned after the form of the natural cosmos; that form is the natural expression of the laws of order. We demonstrate the fallacy of competition; advocate the destruction of the money-power; the control of the products of industry by the government, and the equitable distribution of the goods of life. Koreshanity will abolish wage slavery, and make it impossible for men to accumulate wealth and impoverish the people.

CHURCH AND STATE.—The true form of government is the divine Imperialism, the unity of church and state; such will be the Kingdom of God in earth. The Koreshan Government is the unity of the empire and the republic, involving the principles of all present forms of government, which are but fragments of the perfect system which existed in ancient times—in the Golden Age of the past. The government of the universe is imperialistic; and humanity will constitute a unit only when every class is emplaced at rest and liberty as are the strata, stars, and spheres of the physical cosmos.

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"And He placed at the East of the garden of Eden cherubim and a Flaming Sword, which turned every way to keep the Way of the Tree of Life."

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The Incomparable Literature of the Bible.

The Hebrew and Christian Scriptures in Contrast with all other Literature of the World; Revelation of the Marvels of Existence and Mysteries of Ethnology.

THE BIBLE IS A COLUMN erected to the memory of transcendental literary genius. It is a marble shaft penetrating the heavens, resting on a pedestal of adamantine granite, carved in the eternal Rock, and grounded in the foundations of the everlasting hills. It has withstood the ravages of a hundred generations, and the storms of conflicting religions have beaten against this monumental tower of endurance, only to increase the luster of its exposures. Once, during the medieval ages, the inundation of the waters of religious bigotry and the fallacies which swept over the Christian world buried it beyond the ken of human vision; but as the waters of papal obscurantism and supremacy were assuaged from off the earth, it arose, in all the majesty of ornate grandeur, effulgent in its glory. Before it infidelity, atheism, agnosticism, and the "higher criticism" stand appalled. Compared to all the best literature of the world, it is as illustrious as the noonday sun—shining in the zenith of his splendor and ruling the day—to the stars which twinkle in the gloom and radiant in the night.

Well has it been said, that if there had been no Bible there could have been no Milton! We might add, if there had been no Brobdingnagian effort to destroy its influence in the world, there would never have been the Lilliputian Punch and Judy, fickle curiosity show like Robert Ingersoll. If once the human mind will penetrate the wondrous depths of prophetic and historic

profundity and illimitable continuity of the Bible, contemplating the genius of the mentality which authorized and indited it, it could but exclaim: "It is the product of the Word of God; the Word of God is its genius; the Word of God is its Author.

If we ransack the pages of secular or profane history for the discovery of the origin and rise of ancient peoples, we find ourselves groping in the mazes of bewilderment, and floundering in the perplexing contradictions of historical uncertainties. After vain research, we are left to conjecture as to the sources of the great Eastern and Western civilizations. The historical records of the East or the West may drop us at the Indus or in the great basin of Mesopotamia, there to wander in the doubts of historical contradiction, but we may not lose ourselves in the wilderness of material and doubtful secular authority. The traditions of any people originating in the early bond of religious unity, where God and man constitute a fellowship, and where men are united in the continuity of that covenant, are a thousand-fold more reliable than the vagaries of the materialistic mind, whose ignorance of spiritual powers constitutes it but the merest figment of that mentality which finally fathoms the length, breadth, and depth of the wisdom of the universe.

Let us search and research, until we are left in despair for some satisfactory solution of the perplexing subject of the source of Babel's wondrous glory, the

source of that profound civilization which, before her fall, exalted her to the heavens, in the altitude of her gorgeous magnificence. Whence, we may inquire, the splendor of the Accadians, the Erechians, the Calneans, who peopled that fertile vale of historic renown? We turn to that acme of oracular demonstration which, speaking in the tones of authority, declares unambiguously: "Cush [Ethiopia] begat Nimrod; he began to be a mighty hunter before Jehovah; and the beginning of his kingdom was Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar." Nimrod was the son of Cush, the eldest son of Ham. He developed those peoples as Abraham propagated the Jewish race.

If we desire to inquire still further into the ancestry of this mighty Nimrod, who was the son of Ham, who was the son of Noah, we follow the same authority to Lamech, "which was the son of Methusaleh, which was the son of Enoch, which was the son of Jared, which was the son of Maleleel, which was the son of Cainan, which was the son of Enos, which was the son of Seth, which was the son of Adam, which was the son of God." Wondrous conception,—that God, mighty Ruler of the universe, is the Man; overwhelming impulse to the human soul,—that the central star of Royalty, God of Gods, who hides himself within the environ of visible and sensual humanity, should arise at the set times of his perpetual cycles, in his own visible and tangible garb, in the personality of his visible Sonship; that in this Sonship he should reappear as the Jehovah, the veritable and only begotten; that he should incorporate in this only Begotten, all the attributes of the Godhead! The central Star of eternal glory, sitting on the throne of the universal humanity, deeply hidden beneath the obscurities of the natural and sensual race, perpetuates that throne and luminous consciousness by raising unto itself, from out the human race, the central and perfected Manhood. This is accomplished through successive incarnations, that through manifold experiences one personality, centrally developed, should embody all the attributes of Deity, and should be raised up the one heir to the central inheritance—the eternal Throne.

God Almighty extends the perpetuity of his throne by raising up a Son to sit down in the throne of his glory; the visible Son is absorbed into the invisible Godhood. The visible Son becomes the eternal and invisible God because the Jehovah, the express image of God's person, who is Jesus, the Son of God, is entered into the conjunctive unity of God and is one with him. Modern spiritualism, modern Buddhism, and that modern and veritable humbug—so called christian science, with all the other bubbles of opposition to the right of the Lord to the title of Logos, the Word of God, who in the beginning was the Word, the Word that was with God, the Word that was God, will be made to hang their heads in shame and obscurity; for when the whole world

shall come to understand the Messianic law, the spiritual hells will be surcharged with christian scientists who deny the Lord Jesus, and with theosophists who do the same, and with spiritualists who, though they profess to be spiritually minded, constitute still another form of the rankest kind of materialism. These will all bring up, unless repentance intervenes, where Ingersoll is still proclaiming: "I do not know;" and where he still is willing to be taught that there is a spiritual world, if any one can be found able to prove it to him. Poor Ingersoll! he is now haranguing a throng of imbeciles with his agnosticism, in the spirit world, unconscious of the fact that he has left the world of matter.

If we touch upon any thread of this marvelous unity of intellectual consecution, we can unmistakably trace the individuality of its authorship. The Testaments, Old and New, are linked with the concatenation of Deific prescience. In Paul's letter to the Galatians, he took occasion to say: "It is written, that Abraham had two sons; the one by a bondmaid, the other by a free woman. But he who was of the bond woman was born after the flesh; but he of the free woman was by promise. Which things are an allegory: for these are the two covenants; the one from the Mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar. For this Agar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children."

In this statement, Paul—under the illuminating influence of the Spirit of Truth—expressly iterates: Agar is Mount Sinai in Arabia. Who, then, is Hagar? What is Mount Sinai? Abraham's first son was the offspring of the handmaid of Sarai; that she was a black descendant of Ham, there can be no doubt. This fact is apparent from a consideration of the character of the people who descended from this product of the flesh of sensuality; they were called Kedar, signifying black-skinned. As they were the direct descendants of Abraham, the Chaldean, if in union with a white woman, they would not have been a black people. They are called Arabs, from oreb, black; and this is the name for raven. The raven was their sacred bird. It was from this source, that is, from the Arabs or Orebs, the ravens, that Elijah was supplied with food on one occasion.

It will be remembered that Moses lived with this people forty years, after he slew the Egyptian; that he married the daughter of their high priest, and that for this breach of ethnological ethics Miriam, his sister, took him to special task for marrying a black woman. This people, it is declared, constitutes Mount Sinai in Arabia. Then what constitutes the relation of this mountain to the geographical elevation usually called the mountain? Which is the real mountain, the people, or the country to which the people gave its name? The descendants of Abraham through Hagar and Keturah, an Egyptian woman, coalesced in the produc-

tion of the Midianites, the central tribe of the Arabians; and these people, the descendants of the sin of Abraham, were the apex of the Arabians—hence the mountain of Arabia. The Hebrew word sin signifies mire; the mire is the sensual flesh. It is for this reason that they were called Mount Sinai. They gave the name of Sinai to the country—the country did not give its name to them. Therefore, when we speak advisedly of Mount Sinai, whence came the law of God, we speak of this black people of whom it is said: “And Moses drew near unto the thick darkness where God was.” This thick darkness was the people of Midian; this was the product of Hagar. This people unfolded that which, through Abraham’s relation, Hagar had infolded. And thus Paul had the right to declare: “This Agar is Mount Sinai in Arabia.”

Whence came Arabia? Directly from Abraham through Hagar. Whence came Mahomedism? Directly from Abraham through this black channel, and from Jesus the Lord; for Mahomed derived his instructions, in the early history of his religious career, from the Christians in Syria, on the confines of Arabia, where they had been driven by their persecutors in Rome. This, then, is where Moses found the law. Did these ten principles, the fundamentals of the ten categories of the Jewish system, come through Shemitic or Hamitic lines? What shall we conclude? The Arabs were a Shemitic people, as having their inception in Abraham, but Hamitic, as having their inception in the black servant of Sarai. Through such an ethnic conjunction as this, came that force of character which developed that law of God upon which alone there is hope of immortal life. But what did Paul imply when he said: “This Agar * * answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children”? Here we must also inquire, what became of Mount Sinai?

We have said that this central tribe of the Arabians was the offspring of Abraham through Hagar, the black woman and handmaid of Sarai. A little further insight into Biblical history reveals the fact that this people was absorbed, at a very early date, into the Jewish race; that is, Israel swallowed the mountain.

“The Lord spake unto Moses, saying, Avenge the children of Israel of the Midianites: afterward shalt thou be gathered unto thy people. And Moses spake unto the people, saying, Arm some of yourselves unto the war, and let them go against the Midianites, and avenge the Lord of Midian. Of every tribe a thousand, throughout all the tribes of Israel, shall ye send to the war. So there were delivered out of the thousands of Israel, a thousand of every tribe, twelve thousand armed for war. And Moses sent them to the war, a thousand of every tribe, them and Phinehas, the son of Eleazar the priest, to the war, with the holy instruments, and the trumpets to blow in his hand. And they warred against the Midianites, as the Lord commanded Moses; and they slew all the males. And they slew the kings of Midian, besides the rest of them that were slain; namely, Evi, and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, five kings of Midian; Balaam also, the son of Beor, they slew with the sword.

And the children of Israel took all the women of Midian captives, and their little ones, and took the spoil of all their

cattle and all their flocks, and all their goods. And they burnt all their cities wherein they dwelt, and all their goodly castles with fire. And they took all the spoil, and all the prey, both of men and of beasts. And they brought the captives, and the prey, and the spoil, unto Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and unto the congregation of the children of Israel, unto the camp at the plains of Moab, which are by Jordan near Jericho. And Moses and Eleazar the priest, and all the princes of the congregation, went forth to meet them without the camp. And Moses was wroth with the officers of the host, with the captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, which came from the battle. And Moses said unto them, Have ye saved all the women alive? Behold, these caused the children of Israel, through the counsel of Balaam, to commit trespass against the Lord in the matter of Peor [female self prostitution], and there was a plague among the congregation of the Lord. Now therefore, kill every male among the little ones, and kill every woman that hath known man. But all the women children that have not known man, keep alive for yourselves. And do ye abide without the camp seven days: whosoever hath killed any person, and whosoever hath touched any slain, purify both yourselves and your captives on the third day, and on the seventh day.”

Thus Midian, Mount Sinai, (utterly destroyed, excepting the thirty-two thousand female children preserved for the cohabitation of the children of Israel,) was transposed to Israel by the ethnic infiltration of this remnant of the central line of Hagar’s posterity, which Paul declares to be Mount Sinai in Arabia; not Arabia the geographical location, but Arabia, the black descendants of Abraham. Mount Sinai is absorbed into Israel; therefore, wheresoever Israel is found, there will be found also Mount Sinai and the law of God.

While we have thus extolled the literary, historical, and prophetic character of the Bible, the greatest Book in the earth, we maintain that, supremely speaking it is not the Word of God. “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the Light of men. And the Light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. * * And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only Begotten of the Father) full of grace and truth.” This is the Word of whom the Bible expressly declares.

We have but touched upon a mere trace of a simple line of the categories of this wondrous Book, but enough to show the continuity of thought pervading its marvelous intricacies, its historical perfection, and its chronological accuracy. It will remain a monument to the unity of that consciousness which actuated the instruments by which it was written and given to the world. When infidelity, atheism, agnosticism, and that ludicrous farce, the “higher criticism,” shall have been relegated to the oblivion which they richly deserve, this monument to the glory of the Almighty and the excellency of his power, will remain to taunt these imbeciles when they lift their eyes in torment. When we hear a man defame the Bible or traduce its character, we say: “There stands the framework of what might have been

a man; those are the outlines, there is the form, but the devil has scooped his brains. He can no longer penetrate the depths of the wondrous arcana of this great work. There remains the shell of a man. May God roast and pickle him for a thousand reincarnations, until he shall have learned again the rudiments of his own being, and may God finally bless and receive him."

God is supernatural; the Jehovah, the Lord through whom he operates supremely, is natural. God operates through natural and supernatural laws. The pneumatic and psychic phenomena of Deity are supremely above

that spurious black and white magic which so extensively prevails, and by which the world is being deceived. That class of minds, God forgive them, that would place the Bible on the common footing, are dispossessed of any spiritual acumen; they belong to those who have fallen from the grace of God into the materialistic rubbish-box of recidivation. God Almighty preserved us from infidelity to his only begotten Son, from atheism, from Ingersollism, from the antichristian tendencies of modern spiritism, from theosophy, and from that crankiest of all the farces—antichristian christian science. For such preservation we thank the Most High. May God be praised!

Religious Bond of Organic Unity.

The World in Retrospect and Prospect; the British Empire and its Gracious Sovereign Queen; Channel of Transmission of the Leonie Power.

LUCIE PAGE BORDEN.

THE UNION OF CHURCH AND STATE is a most unpopular theme. Any prediction in regard to the possibility of such a union is most unwelcome. Nor is it strange that these sentiments should prevail when the course of history is considered. The exactions and encroachments of a corrupt church and priesthood have been the most fruitful cause of war and trouble. It is in view of hard experience that the whole civilized world with few exceptions protests as the Filipinos now protest, that they have had enough of the friars and want a complete separation of church and state in the conduct of the public schools. Their complaint springs from the action of the Taft Philippine Commission in inaugurating a school system in which a part of the school day is turned over to the Roman Catholic orders.

The teachings of experience are important and cannot be disregarded; but the subject must be considered in its timic aspect. Experience must be supplemented by reason. The body of human experience as we know it from familiar records, covers but a short space in proportion to the length of the cycle defined by the precession of the equinoxes. The character of the epoch during which examples of the unity of church and state have proved so disastrous, must be taken into account. Does this period belong to the happiest age of man's development, when government and religion have reached their greatest perfection, or is it by general consent esteemed a decadent era?

All literature from the Hebrew to the mythologies of Greece and Rome, from the majestic words of Moses to the rhythmic lines of Shelley, contain both record and prophecy of a theocracy which once denoted and will again define the acme of progress. The delights and the blessedness of that far off period are set forth in the richest types and images of the Hebrew bards. Is it more reasonable to found judgment upon experience as limited to the past two thousand years, or upon records covering twelve times those years? The character of the age just closing must be decadent, because the pure

spirit of the Lord Christ began to disintegrate as soon as it was planted as good seed in the church. The Catholic power as its subsequent receptacle held church and state together until the corruption was too far advanced to keep a semblance of organic unity.

The opportunity for historical retrospect afforded by the death of Queen Victoria, whose position among modern rulers has been unparalleled and who was in a peculiar manner the unifying power of the British empire, brings out some interesting points. Before her marriage, Victoria, stripped of all her titles, including that of heiress to the English throne, would have figured as plain Miss Guelph. But that name, simple as it appears, involves the history of a thousand years; it is one of the greatest import. Guelph, first a baptismal name, may be traced back to a line of Italian princes who flourished in the ninth century. Branches of the family emigrated to Germany two hundred years later. Wherever the name appears, it is the signal for conflict. The Guelphs or Welfen as it is in German, became the dukes of Bavaria and took up arms against the German emperors. It was in one of these contests between the Crown and Count Guelph, uncle and guardian of a certain prince called Henry the Lion, that the famous battle cry of the middle ages was first heard: "Strike for the Welfen! Strike for the Waibling!" Waiblingen being the name of an old estate belonging to the Hohenstaufens, the imperial line.

The feud was carried over into Italy, where the people were tired of the German yoke. The Pope took up the quarrel in favor of the Guelphs, and for four hundred years all Italy, nay, all central Europe was vexed by the wars of the Guelphs and the Ghibellines. The Papacy joined with the national party against the Imperial faction; so it came to be democracy represented by the church combined with the people, pitted against the aristocrats, the feudal rulers.

The Guelphs had to leave their German estates, and the grandson of Henry the Lion humbled himself be-

fore the crown. In return for this act of submission, Frederic II made him duke of Brunswick. How the house of Brunswick-Hanover came to be the reigning house of England after the flight of the Stuarts and the "Act of Accession" in 1689, is matter of history.

God speaks to the world in symbols. The physical cosmos, the Hebrew Bible, and the pages of history are all replete with symbolism. The world has been waiting till the mind that wrote should reappear to interpret the higher language. England is termed the British Lion; there are nine lions in her royal standard. Her ruling house is descended from Henry the Lion, of the line of Guelph. The lion transmits its life through its young, and Guelph or Welfen means a whelp. Is not the concurrence of terms more than accidental? Queen Victoria, who for over sixty years has occupied the throne of England, brought to a focus the spirit of the Germanic nations. She was a Guelph, the transmitter of one phase of the Leonic power which has come down by ethnic blending through the whole cycle from the house of Judah—a power which in another phase culminated in Jesus the heart of the Jewish nation. During Victoria's long and prosperous reign, England has come to be the greatest commercial power in the world, and the best representative of organic unity. According to Koreshan interpretation, the heart of the body being the center of collection and distribution, is the symbol of commercial power, hence the British Lion has constituted the heart of the race.

Inasmuch as the unity of church and state is to be accomplished in the United States, and commerce in the highest sense as pertaining to spiritual things, signifies the principle of vital exchange by which God and man are rebound, it is reasonable to conclude that the commercial force transmitted through Victoria Guelph, of England, our mother country, will at her death be transposed to America the "Lion's Whelp." There can be no conflict between a true religion and a righteous government. They are the constituents of organic unity, wherein mercy and truth will meet together and

righteousness and peace will kiss each other. Thus the genuine Holy Alliance will be consummated.

By the famous compact signed at Paris in 1815, Russia, Germany, and Austria, subsequently joined by all the sovereigns of Europe, except the Pope and the English ruler, formed a hypocritical league ostensibly designed to promote peace and righteousness, but really intended to repress civil liberty and curtail the growing power of England. The culmination of commercial power during the reign of Victoria has been accomplished through greed, oppression, and tyranny. A study of historical factors during the past two centuries is a study of disruption and corruption incident to the church militant.

The natural mind is enmity against God. While Victoria, descendant of the Guelphs, conveyed an interior potency, Leonic in character, essential to the divine union to come, she transmitted through the outer mind those antithetical forces which have rendered the British empire the most powerful instrument of oppression throughout the political world.

In 1815, the same year in which the "Holy Alliance" was signed, the Prince Regent, afterward George IV of England, instituted an order of Knighthood known as the Guelphic order of Hanover, in honor of the Leonic founders of the house of Brunswick-Hanover. The insignia are a cross of gold, bearing a medallion whose red field carries a silver horse upon a green mound. The motto is "*nec aspera terrent.*"

Here are the Koreshan colors, the red, green, and gold, with the cross—the great symbol of transmutation, and the emblem of the Christian dispensation as referring specifically to Jesus the Lion of the tribe of Judah, through whom God crossed himself with the human race, all associated with the white horse of purity, chastity, and restraint, the emblem of Koresh, the Messenger of the Covenant, the Shepherd from Joseph. It is a mystical emblem, sign, and token of the Holy Alliance between God and man—portent, moreover, of the union of England and America in the United States. Richard the Lion-hearted, who stood in the thick of the fight, appears in these last days in Sir Galahad the White Knight, whose courage no adversities daunt (*nec aspera terrent*) for he saith:

"My strength is as the strength of ten,
Because my heart is pure."

Through the office of chastity, mortality is swallowed up in *Victory*.



During the cycle of Mazzaroth and at the end of each division of the grand cycle, there is effected a reunity of God and man—God and man sup together. There are twelve of these suppers during the entire period. The final one of the twelve is now about to occur. This is indicated by the sign Aquarius, or water-carrier, the man with the pitcher in his hand. This can only be comprehended by a knowledge of symbolic language. Water is the symbol of scientifics. A pitcher implies the same, for it is the container of water. John the Revelator saw this sign when, in his vision on Patmos, he defined the angel standing in the sun [in illumination], who "cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God." The Lord's supper with his disciples was a portrayal of this coming and greatest event. As we now approach the grand consummation, we issue the call for the great gathering to the final supper; for

it is the province of Koreshanity to feed the multitude. This can best be done by the inauguration of a gathering together of the elect from the four winds of heaven, upon the basis of a great industrial and economical system, involving the common ownership of all possessions; the equitable adjustment of labor; a regulated and judicious distribution of all the necessaries of life, and adaptation of the benefits accruing from the invention of labor-saving machines and devices to the relief of the performer of uses, and in general a righteous administration of all the concerns of the Koreshan Commonwealth. To such an end we are devoting our lives. Our industrial system exists not in theory merely, but in actual application. It is yet in its infancy, but it stands upon its feet in the heart of Western activity, in the very midst of the turmoil of competition, and stemming the tide of active opposition and the intolerant persecutions of modern Christianity and "civilized" paganism.

The World's Excessive Waste and Want.

The Burdens of Luxury and Economy Imposed by the Competitive System; the Selfishness of the Vidual Man; the Germ of the New Order.

AMANDA T. POTTER.

ZENITH AND NADIR are as unlike as the two principles impulsing human activity. One is that which led the Savior to root his church primacy in community of interests; to nurture his incipient kingdom from the relinquished vidual hoarding, the common purse. The other has its parent in the tare-sowing in the church declining with the age; and if the modern Christian holds that his methods are agreeable to the Master he affects to follow, it is because the root of all evil has choked out the wholesome growths, and left the "children of God" behaving just like the devil!

Little considered is the waste of energy entailed by the system evoked and ordained in the darkness. In the domain of agriculture alone, the world comprising its boundary, there is an incalculable squandering of the energy of brain and of muscle through partitioning millions of fractions that should compose a unit. Fraction signifies to break; and the world of acres disjointed into separate holdings, is a bad break for humanity whether occupant or onlooker, for each fraction reflects upon the other.

One writer estimates that in the state of Indiana alone, these breaks in that which should be an intact domain, cultivated in the interest of all, entail an output of two hundred million dollars in erection of division fences. Fences would be a necessity under the communistic *regime*, but their extent would be a trifle scarce worth consideration when set against the mileage of the Hoosier fences, which this writer says would span the earth at the equator fourteen times!

Consider the monstrous waste in one state alone, involved in producing fourteen times twenty-four thousand miles of needless structure;—needless from the example given by the Almighty. Multiply its cost, \$200,000,000, the financial outlay made in the interest of the devil, by forty-five—the number of states in the Union, and the product is the snug little amount of \$9,000,000,000, which would be much increased by taking into account our home territories and foreign accessions. And this leaves uncanvassed the drawbacks to human interests hatched by the competitive system, enclosed and punctuated by these fifteen million one hundred and twenty miles of tangible separation, the index to an intangible condition which only God can remove.

Nature expresses its aptitudes and inaptitudes in frank and practical fashion. From first to last it nei-

ther adds to nor withdraws from its initial statement. Not so fallen man: His lips pronounce love to the neighbor, his heart makes denial, and his hand as faithful witness, performs the mandates of his heart. Nature is a unit in action; man is one billion five hundred million times at cross purposes with himself. Warring with himself, warring with his kind, and warring with Nature, he tangles the skein of existence and drops it into the grave.

Vidually, man is sundered in twain: Masculoid and feminoid is he, pending the conjunction of his dismembered self: Then will he be male and female, created in the image and likeness of God. Societally broken and disorganized, the bountiful provisions of Nature pass unhusbanded, while the man grows less and less. He would submerge and suffocate himself in evil did God not stoop to his rescue; and thank God, we are come to the time of his stooping. Existing man, the half-structure falsely denominated the microcosm, will put on integrality—will become the infolded universe, harmonious in all relations, self-recreative, undying.

America was wont to express irritation at foreign sneers. It remained for that class of Americans best known abroad, to heap the essence of obloquy upon their nation, in reasoning upon the amount and price of the actual necessities to the wage slave's life. He who evolves the good things must involve them least. To the burden of excessive labor, he must add the burden of economy. Resolving the plutocratic mass into one man, and the laboring mass into another, the first virtually commands the second to rigid self-sacrifice, that he may reap of him more abundantly. Did we insinuate that foreign people take note of these things? God takes note, and to such estate he is sufficiently foreign. He declares that the laborer is worthy of his hire—higher estate.

Who dares say that divine government obtains in the earth today? Who dares assert that the hellish system springing from and nurtured by the cesspools of corruption is God-operative? The Christ disclaimed the divinity of the presiding powers in the words: "Thy kingdom come!" He relegated the reigning will to hades when he pronounced: "Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven."

The kingdom has not progressed to evolution. It remains involved. Where? The Lord Jesus, who was in heaven while in the tangible form, said that the kingdom of heaven was within. "Know not ye [to the disciples] that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?" The kingdom is still involved. The kernel of corn is involved in the blade and the stalk until its evolvment in the harvest, when it comes multiplied, the full corn in the ear. So will arise the Christ, the Seed-Man, the Kingdom of God sown in the race.

The physical world is not to be destroyed at the Lord's coming, but new heavens and a new earth are to be established. A new church is to be formed, wherein is not only acknowledged the truth that the Lord is God, but that as the Son in Jesus was conjoined to and made one with the invisible Father, so the Son in the resurrection—the new earth, the grand body, comprised

of seven genera, the seven golden candlesticks, in coöperation as one man—will be conjoined to the visible Father, the Lord Christ. As Jesus is in the Father and the Father in him, so the church will be in Christ and he in it. God will be in man, not out of him. This conjunction will take place through the translation of the Lord's prophet.

In the Editorial Perspective.

THE EDITOR.

THE ROYAL PAGEANT of the funeral of Queen Victoria of England was one of the most magnificent and imposing in the history of the British empire or of the world; in many of its features it surpassed anything ever witnessed in modern times. The impressive splendor of the royal cortege which followed the body of Her Majesty to Windsor Castle, was viewed by 3,000,000 people; English cities and towns were draped in mourning; and flags were half mast on land and sea. Neptune and Mars contributed to the stupendous display; the naval and military forces of Britain were arrayed to do honor to the ruler of the world's greatest and most powerful civilized nation; and over fifty royalties—kings, emperors, and princes—followed the bier in the line of march to the Queen's chapel and castle. This great display was voluntary on the part of the nation; the people of England magnificently manifest their love for their royal head; they paid tribute to a royal mother, queen, and empress, whose long reign, from the world's point of view, was great and grand and good. Every candid mind, taking a broad view of the factors of world development and progress, must admit that personalities which exert such powerful influence as to sway the minds of millions and finally call forth such a magnificent display as witnessed in London, possess characters, the greatness of which is not artificial. The influence of Queen Victoria so thoroughly entered the minds of her millions of subjects that there should be no doubt in the thinking mind as to where the soul and spirit of the Queen are today. Where else should or could she be received than in the minds to which she gravitated by mental attraction? She has not departed from the world of human activity; her reception into the spiritual world of the English people was reflected in the pomp and display which did her honor in the external world. The charm of royalty is real; it is natural. The links of royal love unite peoples, make nations, and expand empires. The greatness of the Golden Age of the past was filled with the spirit of imperialism in the genuine love of genuine royalty—the spirit which Koreshanity today encourages and inculcates. The magnificent display in honor of the Queen should teach the world a lesson. What is there to honor outside of humanity? Reflect upon the fact that the world's greatest display of love is for man, and ask if modern royalty is not a reflex of the royalty of the Gods. The English people have manifest greater love for their imperial heads than the English church ever displayed for the mythical god it worships. Indicative of the profound love and respect of the English people for their Queen, we quote the significant words of Dr. A. Conan Doyle regarding the personality "to which 400,000,000 of us who dwell under the red crossed flag looked as the center of all things—the heart of our lives, our inspiration, our standard of duty, the dear mother of us all." The name of Victoria will be perpetuated through the centuries; the name will be contemporaneous with the coming peoples, because a new royal line must spring from the establishment of the divine Kingdom in the earth; and under the Name of the Imperial Head of the New Order the hearts of the world's millions will be united in the love of the Royalty of the Gods!

The question of changing human nature was discussed by Prof. Herron in his recent lecture at Chicago, under the head of "The World making Motive." He would change human nature by teaching ideals; by faith in human life; and by leading the people to believe that man contains already, latent forces of divinity which, when liberated by individual faith in present divine reality in men of all classes—"free and comrade sons of

God" (but somehow, children of the devil in bondage!)—will bring the great day of the establishment of the divine kingdom. He acknowledges the fact that "the life of the world pivots itself upon tragedy;" and that "along the lines of tragedy do the great religions move, and in the tragedy of the cross historic Christianity centers itself." Yet Prof. Herron inconsistently declares his expectation that the religion of the new age may come without tragedy; that light, without the human Sun, may illumine darkness; and that peace and happiness may come without a storm to purify the atmosphere. He declares that "it may be that we are actually coming upon the time when the fraternization of the nations, with universal co-operation in production and distribution, and with free individuality for all men and all peoples, will be the only way out of the world-crisis. So full of heaven is our dust, so charged with *Messianic forces* is our social atmosphere, that it would seem as if the world-making motive of Jesus were about to liberate itself in combinations of faith for economic association and daring social adventure. And who dare say that the next great shock of civilization may not precipitate the revolution that is to disclose the kingdom of heaven and God? Who knows but what the hidden force of life and labor and history of the ages may suddenly come to its royal reign in human life?" Who, indeed, does *know*? Is it a man who would establish new Christianity without the Christ, and who sees Messianic forces while disregarding the laws of polarity? Prof. Herron would play Hamlet and leave Hamlet out; he would found a kingdom on the principles of democracy. He should at least be logical enough to conclude that when the force of life reveals itself in its "royal reign," man will see his Imperial Head as the Sun, Seed, and Savior of life involved in a central personality. Prof. Herron should seek to find the Pole of progress, the germ of the evolution of the New Order.

Rev. Hicks, the St. Louis astronomer and weather prophet, in enumerating, in his 1901 almanac, several things which have annoyed him in the past, observes that "representatives of the 'flat earth' and 'hollow earth' theories, to our satisfaction, if not disappeared from the world, have ceased to come this way." And again: "To our personal knowledge, a fairly large per cent of sensible people are ready to be convinced that the earth, after all, is not a ball 'swinging in the air', but a flat plane, with the Hindus turtle for a foundation. No one knows better than we, that all this will provoke a smile from the professional astronomers; the idea that we should descend into the depths of such simplicity out of consideration for the ignorance of the 'flat earth' and 'hollow earth' cranks, is of itself a mark of intellectual weakness and paucity of scientific dignity and knowledge, in the minds of the astronomical high priests, who care little for and do little to correct the ignorance and misconceptions of the masses on these subjects. But our face is set to popularize, in so far as may be possible, the handiwork of the great God, and nothing that can be said or done is too common or insignificant for our use, if it will only assist the minds of men, women, and children in their efforts to grasp the truth. While we are engaged in writing these very pages, we are receiving importunate letters asking us for facts and arguments, plainly stated, with which the writers may refute the contentions and correct the misconceptions of those who insist that 'the earth does stand still, while the sun, moon, and stars move around it.'" This is but a sample of the people's discontent and dissatisfaction with the old mass of scientific rubbish; and

leaders of the astronomical world are helpless in the face of these difficulties, by virtue of the very fact that the premise of modern astronomy remains admittedly undemonstrated! We suggest to the St. Louis astronomer, that so far from the advocates of the Cellular Cosmogony waning in their influence, they are constantly increasing in numbers, because we are interested in the welfare and education of humanity in lines of the absolute truth of the Science of Being and Existence. The warfare has only begun; the astronomer will not be left in peace until his wisdom is turned backward and his knowledge made foolishness!

The present year promises to be a prosperous and successful year for Koreshanity; it has begun auspiciously, with greater activity in lines of Koreshan industries and propaganda. There is today a greater demand for literature and lectures on the great subjects of Koreshan Universology than ever before. Our literature is being scattered broadcast over the world; *THE FLAMING SWORD* increases in circulation continually, and openings for oral presentation of the System become more numerous. *KORESH*, the Founder of Koreshanity, is at present in Washington City, delivering a series of lectures, and interest at the national capital is marked; great success may be expected—no doubt the organization of a group of intellectual minds into a Campus of the Society Arch-Triumphant. Rev. E. M. Castle is in Springfield, Mass., lecturing to interested audiences, under the auspices of the Koreshan Investigating Society of that place. We congratulate our friends in the East—at Springfield, Lynn, and Boston—upon being so fortunate as to secure the services of so able a representative of Koreshanity. We are pleased to note that the attitude of the Springfield daily press is extremely favorable, publishing as it does weekly synopses of the lectures delivered. The progress of our work in New England is largely due to the untiring efforts of the President of the Branch Society, Mrs. Pluma Russell, and the Secretary, Mrs. M. L. Nutting, and other active members. Other Branch Societies continue to interest the people of their respective towns and cities. In Chicago, the Koreshans are actively engaged in promulgating Koreshan Science. Lectures are delivered at several different points in the city, aggregating eight meetings per week, conducted by Rev. Berthaldine, the Editor of *THE FLAMING SWORD*, and other speakers. Interest in Koreshanity is increasing everywhere. We are breaking down popular prejudice, modifying the tone of the daily press, and changing the attitude of the people; the ultimate sweeping success of Koreshanity is assured.

Modern science offers to the world an answer to the question, What is God?—a question which Christendom long ago gave up as one involving an impenetrable mystery. Fallacious conceptions that God is infinite, everywhere present—filling all space, have grown out of the ever expanding universe of modern astronomy; and now, throughout the civilized world, in all modern schools of theology, theosophical speculations, and mental science vagaries, God is conceived to be a finely diffused substance—mind without brains, occupying space. It is but a step from this conception to the latest “scientific” conclusion that ether is the only substance that possesses all the attributes of the popular incomprehensible God; indeed, it is expected that the conception of the ether god furnishes a basis of ultimate agreement and union of modern science and religion. But the “scientific” answer admittedly leaves the question as great a mystery as does theology, for the scientists are as ignorant of ether as the clergymen are ignorant of God; it is easy to suppose that the two great incomprehensibles are one and the same! The luminiferous ether which pervades all the space of the universe is purely physical energy, and belongs exclusively

to the mineral kingdom. It is not a mental substance, but the most refined substance in the plane of the physical cosmos; it is neither infinite nor omniscient. While the religious and scientific world gropes in the worship of a purely physical energy, Koreshanity reveals the great fact that God Almighty exists in the world of humanity; and this conception is as far above the popular one, as the perfect man is above the mineral kingdom!

Bishop Thoburn announces his belief that the world will soon be swept by a great wave of imperialism, and tries his hand at prophesying concerning the destiny of nations. He considers that many significant things will result from the friendship of Emperor William and King Edward VII; that Austria will become a part of the German empire; that Germany will acquire possession of a portion of central Asia; that Russia has nearly reached the limit of its territorial expansion; and that the United States is the growing power of the twentieth century. He observes that the time of great empires is coming: The United States of North America; the United States of South America; the United States of Europe, which will not include England; The Russian empire; the empire of China; the empire of the Indies; the German empire; and last of all, a mighty empire in the islands of Australasia. The world's leading minds are expecting great things to develop during the present century; and there is a growing belief that the tendency of democracy is to division rather than to unity. The world during the next quarter of a century will witness many marvelous transformations in society and government. Koreshanity holds not only the prophetic keys to the future, but also the keys to the processes which will make nations and mold the destiny of empires!

There has been considerable discussion regarding the liquor traffic at Manila; many conflicting reports have been published, and opponents of the Administration have painted the picture as dark as Western credulity would admit. However, if current news concerning the official report of the Philippine commission is to be believed, considerable work has been done in the way of reducing the Philippine liquor traffic to some kind of order. At the time of American occupation, it is said that there were 214 licensed saloons in Manila, but the number has been reduced—there being only 108 licensed saloons on November 30, 1900. When the Americans captured Manila there were 4,000 shops selling native liquors, but this number has been reduced to 408 in two years, and measures put into operation to still further reduce the native traffic. After April 1, it is said that no liquors of any kind will be permitted to be sold on any of the principal streets and plazas. The effort of authorities to restrain the sale of intoxicants at Manila is commendable; but the same power that is able to reduce the number of saloons and shops, is able to abolish the traffic entirely. Why stop the effort because there are fewer saloons and shops now at Manila than under the Spanish rule?

“Better no college, better by far no institution of learning at all, than one subsidized by political influence or ruled by the selfish dominating hand of vested interests,” is an utterance of Rev. Dr. White, of Chicago, in his radical address at the annual mid-continent congress of religion, on “The Social Obligations of Educational Institutions.” He points out the dangers of liberal endowments of colleges and universities by the wealthy classes, and affirms that subsidized institutions necessarily mean coercion of the professors and the monopoly of the college in the interests of the millionaire—for his personal fame and satisfaction of insincere motives, if not for wealth. *THE FLAMING SWORD* has for years pointed out the evils which prevail in all the institutions of modern government, church, society, and

education; and we are glad to hear Koreshan declarations echoed even by a few outspoken clergymen and reformers. Educational institutions today not only pervert and violate the principles of economy in the conduct of their affairs, but they also employ false methods of mental development and teach fallacious conceptions of human life and relations.

Democracy points to the fall of Rome, the fate of empire, as an example of the dangers of imperialism. It is true that the greatest nations that ever fell were empires; but it is also a striking fact that through imperialism, nations have reached the zenith of their glory. Rome was not greatest when it was a republic; the unity of that great power depended upon an imperial head, and the time came when Roman republicanism was abandoned, and the sweeping power of Roman civilization ultimately in the empire. The tendency of America today is toward imperialism; if not now openly in the political affairs of the nation, imperialism obtains in the planes of industry and commerce. The greatness of American greed obtains through consolidation of private interests and possessions of the money kings; while the coming greatness and glory of American liberty will obtain through the consolidation of the interests of the people in the maintenance of the orders of Social Theocracy or Divine Imperialism.

Another gigantic railway corporation is under way; the Southern Pacific is now under the control of the Vanderbilt-Gould trust, and it is reported that all lines are to be forced into the combine, in which six men own the controlling stock. These six men are now in position to rule in the industrial and commercial affairs of 70,000,000 people, and to demand whatever prices for transportation they desire; and the people, and even the laws of the government, are powerless against the force of acquired millions. A warning note is raised by Russell Sage against the combine—not from principle, but from fear of arousing the people—from fear that the nation is facing a crisis. THE FLAMING SWORD has uttered this warning for years; and the prophetic Finger of Koreshanity points to inevitable revolution.

The high church party in the church of England and the Episcopal church in America, enthusiastically advocates return to the doctrines and ritual taught and observed in the Catholic church previous to the ecclesiastical crisis in the time of Henry VIII. Such an effort to rehabilitate the doctrines of medievalism

is the result of the observed startling fact that the church is at the very verge of the precipice, and safety is sought in retreat; but the church is hemmed in by forces which it cannot overcome. The fall is unavoidable—it is inevitable and rapid!

The celebration of the anniversary of great events, in which exceptional characters have figured conspicuously—the keeping of holidays in memory of Washington, Lincoln, and others honored because of their ability, fidelity, courage, and statesmanship—points to the great fact that not the people alone, but leaders and heroes face crises and make their powers felt in the settlement of great issues.

Higher critics wrote two sub-heads for general division of Bible texts: Fact and fiction; when they erased the word fact, they supposed the entire Bible to be nothing but fiction. The scales employed by the higher critics in weighing the Bible are the theories of modern science; but Koreshanity proves that the scales are out of balance!

Messages and commands from Mars, the war god, will be received by the nations before Tesla reaches the planet Mars with electrical vibrations. When the Martian war god signals, the nations will enter the great conflict of world-wide revolution.

Both God and the devil wear human masks. This is the secret of the manifestation of good and evil-in personality; the word person is from the Latin *persona*, which means mask.

Eloah is the Ego, while Jehovah is the Seed of the universal man; the one is the central spirit of consciousness, and the other is the central personality of the human world.

Absent treatments for success in business is a growing mental science fad; but the success of the faddists lies in catching suckers!

Mrs. Nation, the Kansas saloon wrecker, declares that she cannot tell a lie; she did it with her little hatchet.

It is said that the scientists are getting into "deep water;" so did other people in the days of the flood.

The electrician as well as the editor, deals with current events.

The essence of everything is within it.

Every brilliant idea is a headlight.

Editorial Discussions and Miscellany.

THE EDITOR.

The Creation of the Cosmos.

EDITOR FLAMING SWORD:—(1) Has this world we live in always existed, or was it created? If not created, what was the need of a Creator? (2) Please give a solution of the following texts: "In my Father's house are many mansions." (3) "There are some eunuchs, which are so born from their mother's womb: and there are some eunuchs, which are made eunuchs of men: and there be eunuchs which have made themselves eunuchs for the kingdom of heaven's sake." The last part of this text seems to pervert natural law in order to obtain the heavenly kingdom.—S. E., Bangor, Me.

(1) The church is responsible for the misconception that at some time in the past the universe did not exist; and the modern mind is so thoroughly imbued

with this idea that it cannot conceive of the necessity of a Creator if the universe is eternal. The ancients taught that the universe has always existed; and there are a few schools of thought today that hold to this conclusion, because it seems useful as an argument against the idea of the existence of the Creator. Strange as it may seem to some minds, Koreshanity teaches that the world we live in has always existed; that it was created; and that there is absolute necessity for the existence of the Creator.

This should be no more strange than the actual facts observable in Nature as we find it. No man can remember when

wheat did not exist; but every rational mind knows that wheat perpetuates its life through specific functions of creation. Every sown seed is a creator; its kind of life could not be propagated without the seed. The same is true of all other planes and kingdoms of life. Creation in each domain is continuous and eternal; and the universe is eternal by virtue of the fact that it is continually being created.

The form and function of the physical cosmos are eternal. The shell of the earth has always been, and it has always contained what it contains today; but in order that it may exist, the processes of

its creation must be continuous. Every kind of life produces its seed, and perpetuates itself through its seed; but the climax of all universal activity is in the production of the highest Seed—the involution of the whole, the Creator in humanity—from which all other kingdoms are impelled and renewed in the descent of life. The highest Seed is the perfect man; he is the highest Creator. He renews the life of the whole every 24,000 years; and the universe is eternal by virtue of the very fact that the propagation of the highest forces of creative impulse never ends.

(2) The Father's house is in humanity, for it is said: "God is in the generation of the righteous." Through the ages of mortality God dwells in human tents and tabernacles, while developing a portion of the race for construction into the magnificent Temple of immortal flesh. Jesus was the Tabernacle of the Temple; he was the archetype of the great completed Temple, or house of God, in which are many mansions. The many mansions are the 144,000 immortal personalities which are to appear in the world. In the bodies of their immortal flesh, the divine Egos and the hosts of angels will dwell. The Temple is the resurrected humanity; and each personality in that Temple is a mansion.

(3) Jesus belonged to the first of the three classes of eunuchs he mentioned; he was born above the plane of mortal propagation; he retained the elements of vitality in himself, and mentally appropriated the "hidden manna." The third class make themselves eunuchs in order to attain to immortal life. The process of overcoming sensuality is the process of making one's self a eunuch; it is the process by which the pineal gland is removed—the gland of copulation in the brain, through which the germs of reproduction are produced and descend into the body through sensual desire. This is no more a perversion of natural law, than the appropriation of wheat from the plane of the vegetable kingdom. Instead of sowing wheat, we may appropriate its substance into the domain of human life. Conservation of the substances of life, the retention of vitality in the mind for a higher purpose than that of begetting offspring, is not a perversion of law, but strictly in keeping with the laws of life, which demand that the life which is to be appropriated into a higher domain shall cease to propagate on its own plane.

Extinct Animal Species.

EDITOR FLAMING SWORD:—In looking through *Pearson's Magazine* for December, I noted an article on prehistoric monsters, which suggested some questions I should like to have answered: (1) Have modern scientists read the geologic signs correctly? (2) If so, in what age did these monsters live, and what functions did they perform? (3) Were they contemporaneous with man? (4) Why do they not exist now? (5) Will the world ever be inhabited by such monsters again? (6) Have the wars now going on any direct connection with the flashes of light from Mars, which astronomers claim to have seen?—A. H. C., Staples, Minn.

(1) There is no more absurd fallacy

promulgated today than that of modern geology. Geologists have neither read the evidences which exist in the formations they discover, nor correctly interpreted the processes of creation of the physical cosmos. Their division of the world into ages, extending from molten granite to the earth's present habitable condition, is absolutely false and unscientific. The earth was never more on fire at any period of its existence than it is today; it is continually burning. Geologic formations are going on now in the conglomerate mass of geologic earths beneath the surface.

(2) Various species of animals which are now extinct existed in ages preceding the present iron age—at a time when life was prolific, and when the descent of life from the human kingdom to the animal world was rapid. The evolution of the so called monsters was natural. The purpose they served in relation to the animal kingdom, corresponds in a measure to the purpose of the existence of the Sons of God in relation to the human world. It is noticeable that the genus of the perfect man and the "prehistoric animal" species are extinct. Reconstruction of the forms of these extinct animals by anatomists, is a reflex of the work of reconstruction of scientific doctrines, the bones of life, through the application of the perfect Science of Koreshan comparative anatomy.

(3) There never was a time when man did not exist; consequently, the extinct animals existed contemporaneously with man in past ages.

(4) The various species of animals that are now extinct, do not exist today because the heaped-up animal life gradually descended to other planes of the animal kingdom. They deteriorated, as even human races deteriorate and disappear.

(5) The appearance of these animals is periodic; their return is as inevitable in the future as was their existence ages ago. They will continue to appear in all great cycles of the future, as they have appeared in all great cycles of the past.

(6) We do not consider reports of observations of flashes of light on Mars sufficiently reliable to be credited as true. But there can be no *direct* relation between Martian phenomena and phenomena in the human world; whatever relation exists, is remote. However, it is reasonable that there may be phenomena observable on Mars, which corresponds to the phenomena of the Martian division of humanity, during the great and final crisis of war and revolution.

A Lesson in Economics.

A Writer in Frank Leslie's Aply Illustrates the Basis of Modern Property Rights.

A British vessel was once cast away and totally wrecked upon a beautiful and fertile island in the Pacific, and all on board were lost save one man. The survivor, finding himself the sole inhabitant, did what Englishmen have always been in the habit of doing with islands they have discovered—took possession.

Having saved from the wreck a number of small arms with plenty of ammunition, a hammer and an axe, together with various other implements, he was provided with means for killing wild animals, catching fish, clearing land, and constructing for himself a comfortable habitation. Like Robinson Crusoe, he captured and domesticated a few wild goats.

Shortly after he had well established himself on the island, an American schooner foundered upon the same shore, with the loss of all except one man. As the schooner went down, the American swam for the shore. When he got his feet on the bottom and began wading toward land, the Englishman, seeing him, ran down to the shore with a gun, calling out, "Hold on there, you can't come ashore here. This island is my property."

Being unarmed, nearly exhausted, and with the water to his neck, the American was at the mercy of the Englishman; but he demanded: "By what right do you hold possession?"

The Englishman Declares His Rights.

"Oh," said the Englishman, "I was the first here, and that is a valid title to property throughout the world."

"Yes," said the American, "quite correct—that's true."

"Then you acknowledge the island to be mine?" said John Bull.

"Yes, I acknowledge the island to be yours."

John: "Very well, then. You can come ashore only on the condition that you will be my slave."

American: "No, indeed. I will not submit to any such thing. I am a free-born American citizen and—"

"Ne'er shall the sons of Columbia be slaves While the earth bears a plant or the sea rolls its waves."

The Englishman, taking in the situation and realizing that the acknowledgment of his title to the island was equivalent to an acceptance of the relation of master and slave, replied as follows:

"Oh, very well, very well, Samuel. I was not aware that you were a free-born American citizen. That makes a difference. You can come ashore with the understanding that you shall work for me to pay land rent, and to earn your board and keep." To this the American consented.

The next morning the Englishman called the American to him, saying, "Here, Samuel, clean and cook for my breakfast this fowl I have shot, and you can have the

gizzard." The American was very indignant, and protested.

"Very well," said the Englishman, "the island is mine, the birds are mine, the gun is mine, and you have no rights here. You must either work for the price I am willing to pay, or go without eating and get off my land."

There was no alternative. The free-born American was obliged to submit and serve the Englishman for the compensation offered. Thereafter, he was allowed to have the giblets of every fowl he cooked, and the table refused to earn which he was constantly occupied from sunrise to sunset, tilling the soil, milking the goats, catching fish, and preparing the food.

He could not strike for higher wages, because the Englishman owned the land and held the guns. He had free choice to either put up with his treatment, or go back into the sea. According to the laws of title throughout the world, no one can deny the soundness of the Englishman's right to the island and everything on it. He was certainly under no more obligations to do anything in charity for the American than we all are in duty bound to provide for any unfortunate.

The American Wins by Conquest.

One day there was a revolution on the island. The American, finding the Englishman sitting under a tree, sound asleep, stole upon him, seized his gun and covered him with it. Awaking, Johnny Bull found himself looking into the muzzle of a gun. There was no alternative but unconditional surrender. The American had won the island by conquest. No one can deny the validity of his title. He had weighty grievances and good and sufficient reasons for rebellion, and was entitled to all the rights of a victor.

John, being a free-born Briton, protested against being enslaved. Samuel told him that he could call it anything he pleased. He said he would give John just enough to keep soul and body together, but he had no objection to his terming it either "Hard times and honest labor for small wages," or "Slavery." It amounted to the same thing, as he had learned by experience.

It should be stated that the American allowed the Englishman the right to vote, but it was distinctly understood that he should vote his way.

Commercial Ascendency of the Three Jews.

A little later, three Jews were cast away upon the same island. They were unobserved until after they had made good their landing. They were fortunate enough to get ashore guns and ammunition for their own protection, with a considerable quantity of merchandise, before their vessel went down.

The American was now obliged to take the Englishman into equal partnership with him for mutual protection against the Jews. But the Jews, being by nature the most law-abiding and peace-loving of

people, were much more inclined to barter than to fight, while Samuel and John were only too glad to sell a good portion of the island to the Jews in exchange for some clothes which they sorely needed.

It was then discovered that the only point where fresh water could be obtained was within the Jewish territory. With ever an eye to business, the Jews charged for the water. John and Samuel argued that it was absurd to place a price on water—that like the air, water should be free. But the Jews were able to show that rights to water must go with land rights, and that even the air is not free, except to him who has a right to stand upon the land under it. There could be no doubt that the Jews owned the water. They did not ask the Gentiles to take the water, but for what they chose to consume they must pay a fair price. The Gentiles, being forced to submit, offered to purchase the water with the fruits of their labor, or the produce of their land, but these the Hebrews did not need. They did need more land, and for this alone would they sell water. The Jews soon became the sole owners of the island. The Gentiles were then forced to pawn all their personal belongings for water, until the Jews became possessed of all the property upon the island.

Finally, Whose Was the Land?

It is undeniable that the Jews had a valid right to all they had acquired. There is no question about it. They had not even used force. They had not compelled the American or the Englishman to do anything except what they wished to do, and to obey laws common to all civilized society. They had furthermore been much more civil than either the American or Englishman had been before their arrival. The Jews were simply more prudent and better at a bargain—they were better business men than the Gentiles.

At this stage, we find the Englishman and the American existing on the property of the Jews without means of continuing their existence except through charity from the owners of the island. The Jews did not believe in slavery, and the American and Englishman were naturally opposed to it, both being free-born men. There was certain work which the Jews could give them, providing they could afford to do it for the wages offered. They would give the Gentiles a simple but sufficient diet, all the water they could drink, and the privilege of voting, but as there were three Jews and only two Gentiles, the enfranchisement of the latter was not a serious sacrifice to the property owners.

Under the same laws of justice, and according to the same reasoning upon which are based all rights to property in every civilized country in the world, we find upon this island the Jews in absolute but rightful possession, the American and Englishman naked and practically in slavery.

What is the moral? Whose was the land? —HUDSON MAXIM, in *Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly*.

Religion of Koreshanity.

Subject of Third Lecture by Rev. E. M. Castle, at Springfield, Mass.

The third lecture of the Koreshan series, delivered last night in Memorial hall, dealt with the religion of the System. Rev. Castle, the speaker, said in part:

"Koreshanity includes both the science of life and its application. It calls itself universology because it deals with every department and phase of universal form and activity. In defining the primary cause of universal life, or motion, it links together religion and science. Within the physical, more accurately termed alchemico-organic, world, there resides the human world, or cosmos. These spheres, while distinct, are co-ordinately and interdependently one. The proximate cause of the motion of the alchemico-organic universe is the reciprocal interchange of energies antithetically generated at center and circumference of the great cosmic egg, which is a great electro-magnetic battery.

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The Root of Modern Evil.

Men sacrifice Truth, deceive, rob, murder, and torture each other and the animals, all for material profit. The "Mark of the Beast" is upon all, whether they be connected with church, state or society.

Material profit sustains the errors of the church, the venality of the state, and the corruption of society. For material profit, the vivisector tortures animals, cuts up human beings, and injects deadly virus into their bodies; for material profit, the fur is torn off of living seals, feathers and wings are wrenched from living birds, and harmless animals are murdered in cold blood; for material profit, human beings are shut up in foul smelling tenements, without fresh air, and are goaded to work for a mere pittance until health and strength fail, and their neglected children, by the thousands, become the criminals that prey upon society; for material profit, food and drink are adulterated with things deleterious to health; for material profit, the "respectable" business man will condone any vice, any error, if it will but increase his gains; for material profit, innocent girlhood is not safe from the schemes of the purveyors for a lust-bound society; for material profit, the "holy state of matrimony" is made a sham and a farce, and undesired children are brought into the world to add to the number of its

devils and fill its hells of crime and infamy; for material profit, men and women are ready to give up every spiritual attribute and descend to the hells of infamy in their own beings, rather than exalt Truth, Love, Justice, and Righteousness, if in doing so they must give up any of the hollow mockeries and hypocritical shams of a money-mad world.—*World's Advance-Thought*, Portland, Ore.

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The World's News.

Jan. 30.—Railroads bidding for transportation of army supplies.—Premier Laurier refuses to advise state ceremonial services in memory of the Queen, on the ground that Canada has no state religion.—Big Vanderbilt-Gould railway deal on; purchasing Southern Pacific, and purpose controlling 52,000 miles of American railroads.—Republicans endeavoring to force passage of ship subsidy bill.—Fresh rebellion in Chinese provinces threatening; further trouble with the Boxers expected.—Filibustering expedition leaves Cuba to assist insurgents of Venezuela.—Tolstoi reported seriously ill.—Jan. 31.—Mrs. Nation announces her purpose to visit Chicago and raid saloons.—Dowie has trouble with his imported lace-makers; tobacco used in defiance to his rules.—European kings and princes on their way to London to attend Queen's funeral.—Insurgents of Venezuela threaten overthrow of Castro's government.—Gen. Dewet said to be invading Cape Colony with a large force of Boers.—Feb. 1.—Senate in a wrangle over appropriation for inauguration day.—Great naval display in honor of the Queen; obsequies begins today.—Taft commission adopts an act for the civil rule of the Philippines; all rebels in arms after April 1 to be disfranchised.—Explosion and fire wreck \$1,500,000 worth of property in New York.—Feb. 2.—Queen Victoria's funeral pageant witnessed by 3,000,000 people; magnificent memorial services in London.—Abyssinian chiefs rebel against King Menelik's government, and 7,000 people are reported slain in battle.—Trouble in the Philippines over proposition to turn Filipino schools over to the Catholic friars.—Chicago woodworkers on a strike.—Big financial crash in Brazil.—Feb. 3.—Drunkenness charged against a number of Chicago school principals.—Mrs. Nation announces her "divine call" to organize a universal saloon crusade.—Stories of inhuman treatment of Boer women by British soldiers, are current.—Grip is raging in France.—Russia prevents execution of Prince Tuan of China.—22 Americans surprised and captured by Filipinos in island of Cebu.—Feb. 4.—Severe snow-storm rages in middle states, rapidly advancing to the east.—Immense meeting at Chicago auditorium in memory of the Queen.—Bishop Thoburn announces that the time of great empires is coming.—Gen. Kitchener making desperate efforts to crush the Boers.—Women of Hiawatha, Kas., wreck two saloons.—Centennial of installation of John Marshall as chief justice observed in American cities.—Boers capture British garrison at Modderfontein.—Feb. 5.—Mrs. Nation arrested at Topeka, after facing a mob and receiving a hatchet wound.—Governor of Illinois places ban on prize-fighting.—Chicago gambling dens re-opened, uninterrupted by police; anti-vice crusade comes to naught.—Immense pro-Boer mass meetings being held in Germany.—American astro omers go to Sumatra to view total eclipse of the sun Feb. 15.

The Flaming Sword's Exchanges.

American Review of Reviews.—A large portion of the Editor's department, *The Progress of the World*, is devoted, in the February *Review of Reviews*, to the subject of the Queen's death, giving some facts of her fatal illness; a glance at her character and reign, and conditions surrounding the English throne. His reviews are illustrated with reproduced photographs. Dr. Gunsaulus writes a character sketch of Philip D. Armour; while Sculpture at the Buffalo Exposition, by Edward Hale Brush, is superbly illustrated. Lyman P. Powell gives a comparative study of Washington and Lincoln; and Abraham Lincoln, in Contemporaneous Caricature, contains many striking reproduced cartoons. The question of the Frye shipping bill is discussed by several able writers. Many other topics of the day are ably discussed in the departments of this excellent monthly. 25 cents per copy. 13 Astor Place, New York City.

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The Cosmopolitan.—Prominent in the collection of interesting things in the February number, are two superbly illustrated articles: Modern Maneuvers in the French Army, by Fritz Morris; and Jerome Park Racing Days, by John Brewster Dane. The reproduced photographs are the finest possible in the half-tone art. Life of a Vaudeville Artiste is also finely illustrated. The First Lady of Our Land contains pictures of the wives of American Presidents—from Martha Washington to Mrs. McKinley. The fiction of this number is of extraordinary merit. 10 cents per copy. Irvington, N. Y.

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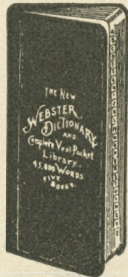
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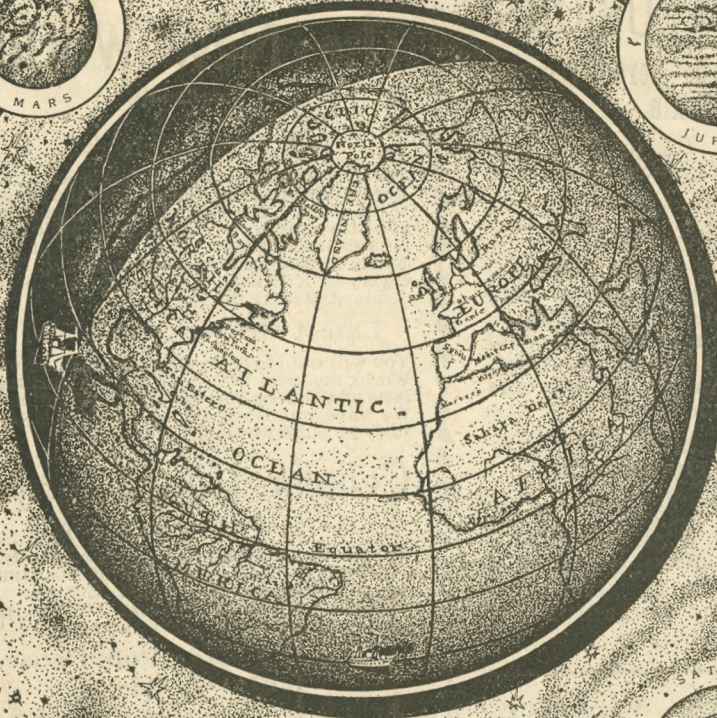
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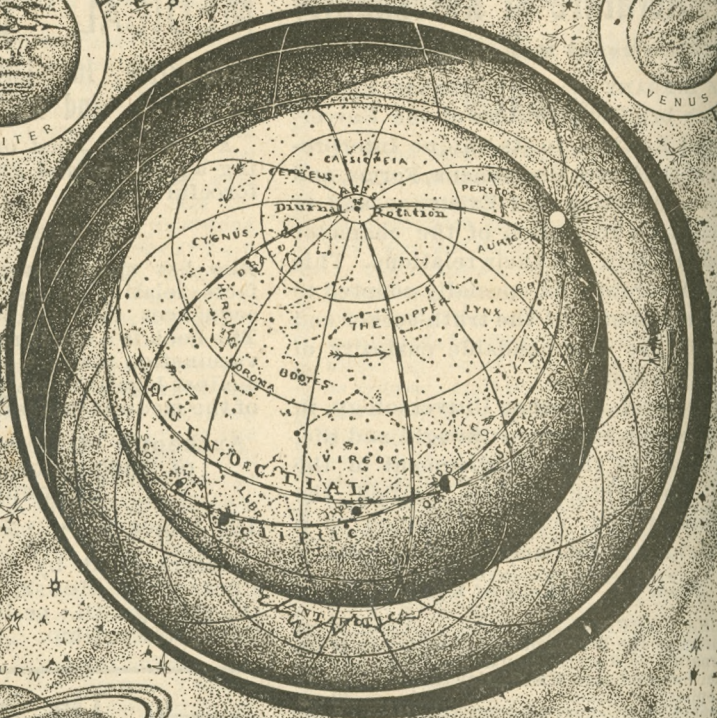
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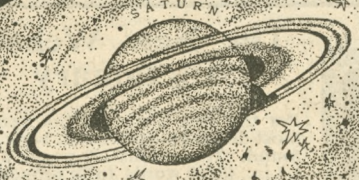
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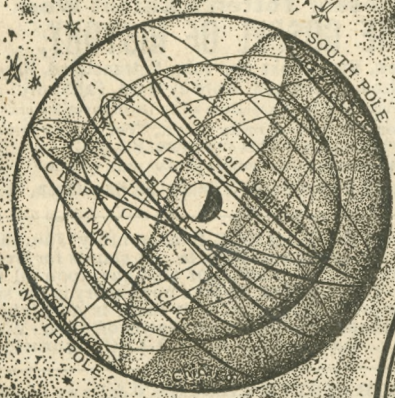
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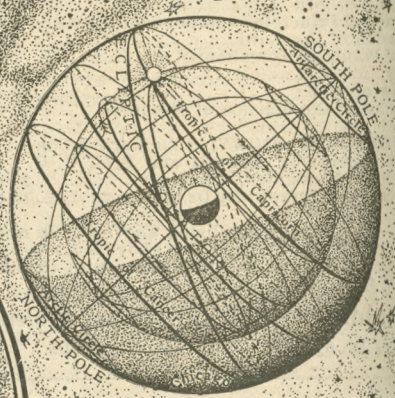
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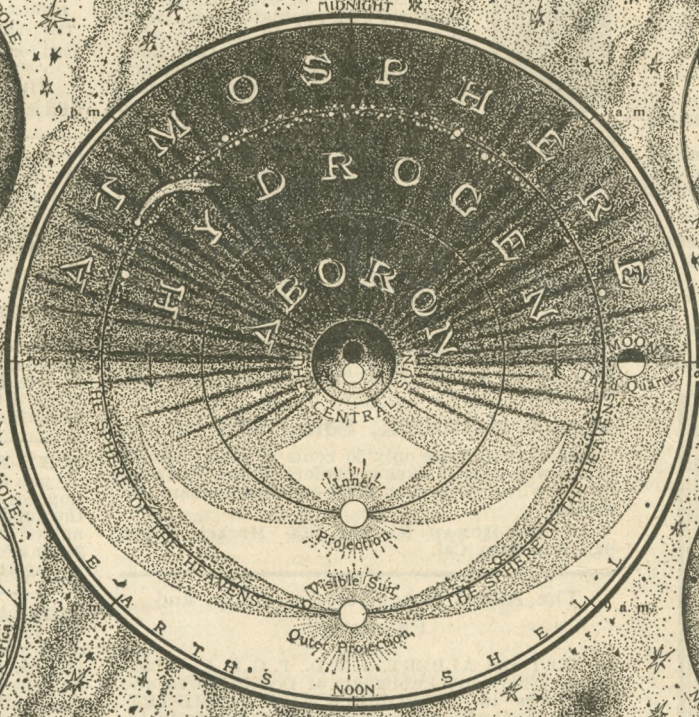
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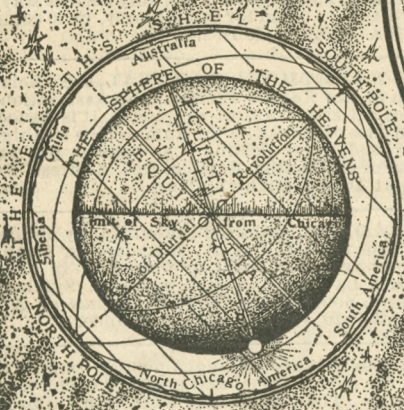


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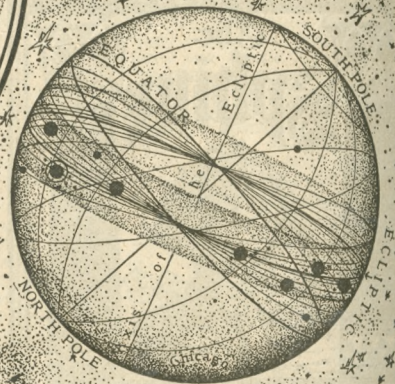


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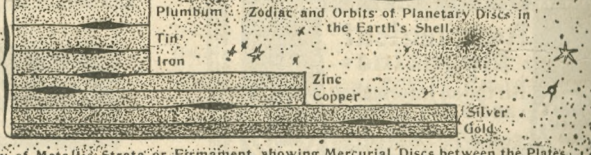
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SECTIONAL VIEW of the Earth's Crust, 100 Miles in thickness, showing the Strata.



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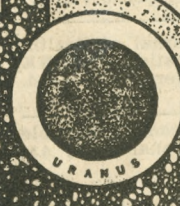


View of Metallic Strata or Firmament, showing Mercurial Discs between the Plates.

The Cellular Cosmogony or Koreshan Astronomy.

* SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERY OF DR. CYRUS R. TEED, OF CHICAGO. *

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 Geodesic 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.



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