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Jesus held up to ridicule and scorn the inconsistencies of His day. If He were here today, He would similarly show us many inconsistencies in our estimation of sin and righteousness, the pastor believed. Jesus ridiculed the religious leaders of His time when He pointed out their carelessness to give a tithe of their increase, even to the smallest of seeds, and their showy religious performances to be seen or noted.

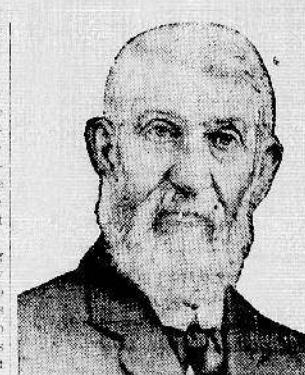
Our Lord declared that while so doing they practiced the greatest outrages against the very spirit of God's law of righteousness; that in many ways they took the bread from the poor, the orphan, the widow, and to divert attention from their course they hypocritically lengthened their prayers. It was not that praying was wrong or that tithing was objectionable, but that their recognition of these showed them to be all the more responsible in their gross violations in "devouring widows' houses" and other sharp practices whereby they took advantage of those within their power through avarice, or otherwise.

This principle still operates, said Pastor Russell. The same sins lie at the door of many professing Godliness and holding church membership. Today, as in our Master's time, there is a way of keeping within the limits of the penitentiary, while at the same time the spirit of the law is outraged and trampled in the dust of avaricious money-getting. And now, as then, these money-lovers often pose as philanthropists, and hold high places of honor and chivalry. The pastor spared not this class. He declared religious hypocrites the worst of sinners in the sight of Heaven. Of all sins theirs were the most scarlet in God's sight, he believed.

Today wealth covers a multitude of sins. To the very letter, I can not recommend it too highly."

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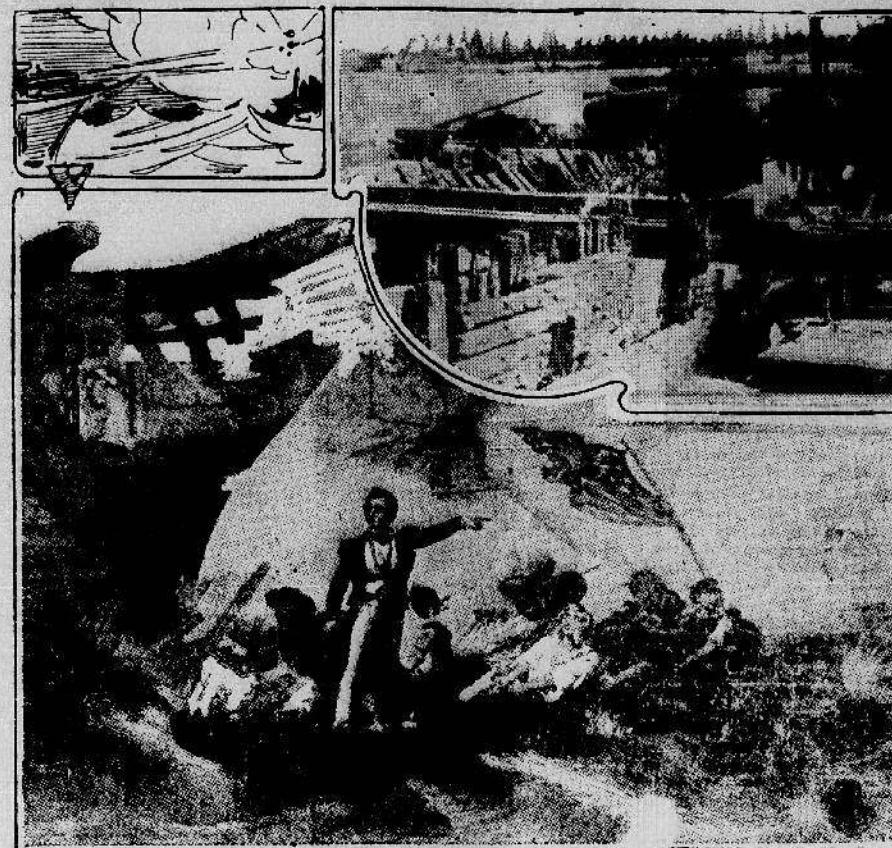
What magic power is that could transform a sinful heart and coarse life into a pure one? "Education will do it," says the professor. But not many college-bred men are as sinful as others. Joining the ministry or the priesthood will do it," says another. But not! Priests are abundant that sin may be found in the monasteries and in the pulpit, as well as in the pew and in the ordinary walks of life.

Our text declares God's reasonableness, and indicates that He has made it possible for the sinner to escape from his sins. The prophet does not tell the process by which divine justice will clear the guilty. But the New Testament gives the explanation. Christ has died, the just for the unjust. Human sin, the penalty of which is death, the Great Redeemer is prepared to cancel for all those who

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## Perry's Flagship Has Been Raised



Commodore Perry Transfers Flag from Lawrence to Niagara; hulk of Niagara as it looks today.

Eric Pa., May 17.—(Special)—Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry's flagship, the Niagara, to which he transferred from the Lawrence in the battle of Lake Erie, has been raised, after nearly a century on the sands of Misery Bay. After a month of tugging and pulling with great chains the battered hulk yielded and now rests eight feet above the water line.

Unlike the screech of the shells that burst over its deck on that eventful day, September 10, 1813, the echo of which resounded in the ears of those scarred sailors who, two years later, saw her go to a grave, the Niagara has been slowly towed to beach with only the cracking of the hull breaking the profound silence of the bay.

That the gaunt craft is positively the Niagara is evidenced by the finding of time and water worn relics in the forecastle. A bayonet, iron chest, cutlass and twelve-pound canon were brought up by the workmen. The gun ports are visible and the gnarled ribs of the ship bear the marks of British shells.

thing indicates to us that human selfishness has kept pace with the increase of knowledge. The thievish spirit abounds everywhere, not only amongst the poor, but also amongst the wealthy. Not all of the vast fortunes of our day were honestly obtained, so far as we may be able to judge. And although there are noble rich men, it is also evident that the love of money, a root of all evil, has made thieves and robbers of some in high stations.

The civilized world needs to awaken its conscience to the high ideals of the Master—the Golden Rule, which does to a neighbor as it would that the neighbor would do to him if the conditions were reversed. It seems not possible for human law to reach such cases.

Those who cannot be influenced by the scriptures must wait for their lessons and chastisements till the new age of Messiah's kingdom.

What an awful picture of unredeemed sin! When we read such reports and remember our Master's definition of adultery, we stand appalled. That the great western metropolis, nevertheless, presents a fair outward appearance which belies such a condition of heart is a matter for congratulation! All pure-minded people should be glad that, if sin cannot be fully stamped out, it can at least be kept to some extent under cover! The stench of the public reports is something terrible.

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"Unspotted From the World."

Do you tell me that I am setting too high a standard, and that the millions who read my sermons weekly will be discouraged instead of being helped?

I answer that one with God is a majority; and that the scriptures call upon me to "cry aloud and spare not."

"Show My People Their Sins!"

For these, all the back charges of condemnation to death on account of sin are set aside. A new page of the ledger of God is opened for them.

Thenceforth the record of their past is canceled through the blood of Christ.

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Sins Scarlet and Crimson.

The Prophet Isaiah discriminates between scarlet, a bright red, and crimson, a deeper red, as indicating shades

of guilt in the same kind of sin.

For instance, murder would be a scarlet sin if committed by a worldly person;

but hatred would be a crimson stain-

a sin of deeper dye—if cherished by

the child of God. As love would be

the fulfilling of the Divine Law, so

hatred, which is the most violent form

of selfishness, implies its flagrant vi-

olation.

The Ten Commandments mention covetousness of our neigh-

bors' possessions and happiness, theft

of property or good name or influ-

ence, and the murder of those in the

church almost every crime can be as-

solved. But be the person ever so just,

ever so reverent, his would be a sin

of scarlet hue and unforgivable, were

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shall have been perfected in the first resurrection, Messiah's Kingdom will be set up. For this we pray. "Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, even as it is done in heaven." Then matters will be different. No longer will it be possible for men to profit by wrong-doing, and no longer will any suffer for right-doing. Then every doer of righteousness will have a blessing, an uplifting, a strengthening. And every one following sin, unrighteousness, we are assured, will have stripes, punishments, intended to correct his wrong course and point him to the right way.

The Lord figuratively points to that new era and explains the change that will then come, saying in respect to all who desire to be in harmony with Him: "I will take away the stony heart (selfishness) out of your flesh, and will give you a heart of flesh" kind, sympathetic, loving. (Ezekiel 36:26-27.) This work will progress amongst men during the thousand years of Messiah's kingdom. The grand result will be that all lovers of sin and unrighteousness will eventually be destroyed in the second death as natural brute beasts (2 Peter 2:12), and all the willing and obedient will be lifted up from the imperfections and blemishes of heredity, and again become images of God in the flesh.

## EDUCATION NOTES

Three-fourths of the teachers in Alabama are holding their first position. Only 7 per cent of the teachers now employed have taught more than two years.

The foreign interest