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ROUND THE GLOBE

Building enterprises are reported reviving in Mexico.

Last season's whale catch was valued at \$11,000,000.

The steamship lines buy 5,000,000 tons of coal annually in New York. There are 12,000 miles of paved streets within London's police area.

There is a tower in the canal zone from which two oceans may be seen. Seventy schools of horsehoofing are conducted in Germany at public expense.

Peking and Tientsin are the only cities of north China that have water works.

New York has the first electrically driven fire engine in use in the United States.

African cotton production is rapidly growing in quantity and improving in quality.

The Chinese tea crop of 1912 is pronounced scarcely up to last year's standard.

The forests of the Alaskan coast yield about 27,000,000 board feet of lumber a year.

One department store on Broadway, New York, pays \$10,000 a year rent, or \$20 a square foot.

Denatured alcohol is the fuel being used to heat a new variety of freight car made in Chicago.

The chief ingredient of an artificial rubber invented in Holland is said to be freshly caught sea fish.

Forty-five per cent of all the green backs in this country are of one, two and five dollar denominations.

Sumner Bea, vice president of the Pennsylvania railway, says England has the best highways in the world.

Of the 800,000 odd persons in receipt of poor law relief in England and Wales 20 per cent come from London.

Business men of Dawson, Alaska, say that recent fires in the Yukon have destroyed timber worth \$100,000,000.

Tourists will be able to reach the famous leaning tower of Pisa in Italy by an electric street car line in the near future.

A new counterfeit twenty dollar gold certificate, resembling 1906 series, check letter D, plate 147, has been discovered in circulation.

A peace pipe started around the world by the Kaskaskia tribe of Red Men, Montclair, N. J., nine years ago has been safely returned.

The opening of the Suez canal is held responsible for Marseilles and Milan being made, in place of London, the principal markets for the distribution of raw silk.

In the recent automobile race around Sicily the only car that endured the jolting over the bad roads without a broken spring or a loosened screw was of American make.

One of the most ancient and picturesque callings of Spain, that of the professional beggar, is in jeopardy. A decree has been issued for the suppression of mendicancy.

To cure ringing noises in the ears, due to the displacement of tiny bones in the organs, a French scientist has invented an electrical apparatus which uses sound waves to replace the bones.

Australia's new stamp has a picture of a kangaroo gravely contemplating a tuft of "kangaroo grass," as the government calls it, but scoffers say it looks more like a rabbit sticking its head out of a burrow.

The proposal to widen the Simplon tunnel has, it seems, been rejected by the French government in favor of the original plan of having a second gallery, the cost of which is estimated at about 35,000,000 francs.

Zanzibar's roadways are damaged every year by the excessive rains. Experiments looking to the preservation of the roads are now being made with a patented American product. The fluid is sticky and contains wood pulp.

Co-operative farms are probably to be established in England for the benefit of those women who expect to enter farming after emigrating to one of the colonies and also to furnish congenial employment to women who like agricultural work, but lack experience and facilities.

Different German states have different rates for persons who want to hunt. In Prussia, for instance, Germans pay about \$5.50 a year for the privilege, and foreigners pay four times that amount. In Wurttemberg native hunters pay about \$7.50 a year, and foreigners pay twice that amount.

An art expert visiting a baron at Budapest recently discovered that an old piece of carpet which was used as a splashcloth over the washstand was a piece of gobelin tapestry dating from the fourteenth century. He offered \$375 for it, but the baron, becoming suspicious, had it valued and learned that it was worth \$20,000.

A fashion has sprung up among Paris taxicab drivers of exhibiting on their cabs notices which read: "The driver talks German," "The driver talks English," and the like. Fired by their example, a negro taxicab driver, who was formerly chauffeur to the king of Siam in Bangkok, is said to have affixed the following notice on his car: "I talk Siamese."

There are twenty-two orphanages in the Turkish empire, conducted by Americans, enrolling 3,000 inmates. In connection with these orphanages an industrial work has sprung up which gives employment to over 10,000 people in addition to the orphans. The work is largely done by widows and orphans and includes rug and lace making, various forms of embroidery and other domestic work.

BISHOP-APOSTLES A COSTLY MISTAKE.

Pope Now Sees Error—Directing Faith Back to Apostles.

All Followers of Christ Repudiating Apostolic Succession, Now Have Proper Basis For Harmony and Union Through Untrammelled Bible Study.



PASTOR RUSSELL

St. Louis, Oct. 20.—We report one of Pastor Russell's discourses here to-day from the text, "Have not I chosen you Twelve?" (John vi. 70). The Pastor declared that shortly after the Apostles died Satan got great power in the Church, using two instrument-

talities to introduce false doctrines. (1) By the Second Century the ministers began to be recognized as separate from the congregation, and instead of being elected their servants, they established themselves as a clerical class and began to lord it over the household of faith, themselves appointing the ministers over the congregation, instead of their being chosen by election, as in the days of the Apostles.

(2) At the same time the chief ones of the clergy, having the title of bishops, were claimed to be the successors of the Apostles, with the same right to teach and to be considered infallible messengers of Christ. The doctrine of Apostolic Succession was formulated. They pointed out that when Judas lost his place amongst the Twelve, the eleven met and chose one to fill his place.

The speaker called attention to the fact that the eleven Apostles, in electing Matthias to their number in the place of Judas, did it without Divine authority and sanction. The one they chose the Lord ignored, and he bore nothing further of him. In His own due time the Lord brought forward the one He purposed should take the place of Judas—St. Paul.

Jesus assured these Twelve that they should "sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel," in the "Times of Restitution" and "Regeneration." (Matthew xix, 28; Acts iii, 19-21.) These Twelve were again pictured symbolically in Revelation as the crown of twelve stars, on the head of the symbolical Woman, who represent the Church of Christ. Again the Twelve are pictured in the symbolic New Jerusalem, which portrays the Church beyond the veil in Heavenly glory, as twelve foundation stones.—Revelation xxi, 14.

False or Pseudo-Apostles. Of these Twelve alone Jesus said, "Whoever things ye bind on earth shall be bound in Heaven, and whatsoever things ye shall declare loosed, on earth shall be loosed in Heaven"—so carefully would the Great Head supervise the words of those who were His mouth pieces to the Church.

With St. Paul we can then agree that "The Word of God is sufficient, that the man of God may be thoroughly furnished." (1 Timothy iii, 15-17.)

The Emperor Constantine, a convert to Christianity, noted that the teachings of the various bishops were quite contradictory. Although not baptized, he recognized that if these teachers were Divinely guided their testimonies would be harmonious.

Constantine, in A. D. 325, convened the Council of Nice—called an "Apostolic Council," because the bishops were thought to be living apostles. Although Emperor Constantine professed transportation free, only about one-third of the bishops attended—355.

For days, weeks and months disputes prevailed; and finally the Emperor gave the decision respecting the wording of the Creed. And that Nicene Creed was promulgated as the Christian Faith; and the edict went forth that all who would not accept it should be banished. Thus uniformity of Faith was effected by a worldly prince.

For twelve centuries after this, Apostolic Succession continued, operating through "Apostolic Councils" and creeds. Is it any wonder that in all those fifteen centuries the Truth itself was buried under a mass of superstition, error, false doctrine?

Bible the Torch of Progress. For four centuries the Bible has been coming back to the people. Proportionately liberty has been enlightening the world. Ignorance, superstition and persecution have been yielding to nobility and justice. We all praise God that we live in a day when it is no longer considered Godlike, Christlike, to persecute others!

But, alas! for the past fifty years the influence of the Bible is on the wane! Infidelity, styled Higher Criticism, is rapidly undermining faith in the Bible.

The present Pope, realizing the situation, has banned Higher Criticism in all Catholic institutions and has issued an order that the faith of all Catholic ecclesiastics and teachers be tested by oath. He sees, too, that faith in Apostolic Succession is gone from the masses, and that to preserve religious faith the masses must be directed back to the words of Jesus, the Twelve Apostles and the Prophets, as the only inspired authority on religion. We commend his course and rejoice in it.

AN ELUSIVE SURVIVOR.

'Tis the last fly of summer that fits on the wing. And my heart almost bleeds for the loss of some young thing. No mate of his old age, no comrade has he. To stick in the jelly or drown in the tea.

I know if I spare him he'll frisk on my nose Or, perched on my bald spot, disturb my repose. Benefit of his vigor and shorn of his pride, I'll send him to rest where the good flies reside.

To (swat) let me finish his earthly career. Then (bing) goes a globe from my best chandelier, And (smash!) my screen swatter is dashed at his head; But, goah, 'twas a finger bowl shattered instead!

Well (riff), ain't it awful? I've missed him once more! And (bang!) this destruction is making me sore. So kindly let's gather the wreckage away And hope that we land him on some other day.

—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

At the Photographer's.



Fond Mauma—Here's a photo of my little boy when he was a baby, and I want you to make one of him as he is now.

Photographer—Haven't you brought him with you?

F. M.—No; I thought you could make an enlargement from this.—Pele Mele.

Bingles. Don't swear at the peanut man. He's part of the game.

Many a baseball has been batted out of shape in a no hit game.

In your wildest rage try to remember the umpire is somebody's darling.

If you were the best felder in the world and couldn't hit you'd get your release.

Some great players started on barn lots, while others came from the college campus.

The game offers great rewards—great players are presented at the White House and own automobiles.

The sure latter makes as few home runs as any player, but his work swells the score.

A sharp crack and the pale sphere soaring over the fence! What a shock it must be to the battery!

The president of the United States is a fan, so try to be decently dignified even when there are three on bases and two out.

We know the greatest baseball player in the world. Sometimes he muffs 'em, and sometimes he fans, but his reputation doesn't rest on that.

The pitcher who curves his elbow at the bar in fast company cannot curve balls in fast company.—Judge's Library.

London's Musical Training.

Jack London when on a recent visit to New York was introduced to a musician in one of the popular Broadway cafes.

"I am a musician in a small way," said London. "My musical talent was once the means of saving my life."

The musician was at once very much interested.

"How was that?" he asked.

"There was a great flood in the town of my boyhood," explained London. "When the water struck our house my father got on a bed and floated with the stream until he was rescued."

"And you?" queried the musician.

"Well," smiled London, "I accompanied him on the piano."—Judge.

A Misunderstanding.

"And how did you get into this place, my poor man?" asked the female investigator, as she paused in front of cell 5324.

"Through misunderstanding a prescription," replied the occupant.

"What do you mean?" asked the visitor.

"My doctor advised me to take something before going to bed," said 5324.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Of Course!

"Judge, I ain't no vagrant. I'm in hard luck now, but I've seen better days."

"But this officer says you have been arrested repeatedly."

"He must be alluding to the times when I owned me own automobile!"—Washington Herald.

A Change of Opinion.

"Talk is cheap," chuckled the politician with the telephone frank in his pocket.

After taking \$20 worth he pulled out his frank and found it had expired.

"By heck," he muttered ruefully, "that guy was right when he said that 'silence is golden.'"—Judge's Library.

Diplomacy First.

"These suffragettes refuse to eat. Shall we feed 'em their corned beef forcibly?"

"Employ diplomacy first," suggested the prison warden. "Try 'em with a ludge sundae."—Kansas City Journal.

PURGATORY "FIRES" NOT YET, BUT SOON.

Word Purgatory Not in Bible, But Teaching Is There.

Saintly of Present Time Few, Yet All Must Become Holy Ere They Will Be Granted "the Gift of God, Eternal Life, Through Jesus Christ."



PASTOR RUSSELL

Indianapolis, Oct. 27.—The world-renowned Pastor Russell is here. We report one of his discourses from the text, "Some men's sins go before to judgment, and some, they follow after." (1 Timothy v. 24.) He said—Gradually, as the eyes of our understanding open to the true beauties of God's Word, we find that while the gross Error of the past has some foundation in the Truth, the two are very different.

Wrong Views of Future Punishment. Wrong views of future punishment have divided Christians into many sects. Our forefathers were not to blame; ability to read was not common until within a century. Furthermore, for centuries the Bible was out of the hands of the people and clerical zeal tried to bring the whole world, through fear, into the Church.

Now, all thinking people repudiate the torment theories, and many are turning from the creeds, and from the Bible, the supposed foundation.

The present trend is toward Higher Criticism, Evolution. In France, it is claimed, ninety-six per cent of the people have lost all faith in religion; in Germany, ninety per cent. How important that the people should learn that God has made generous provision for all through Christ, and that He will bring all to a knowledge of Christ; that every wifful sin must bear its just penalty.

The subject of future punishment is most important. The people should know respecting the word Hell in the original Scriptures—that Sheol of the Old Testament represents the Bible teaching of hell for the first four thousand years, and that Hades in the New Testament means the same; that these words do not stand for torture, but for the state of death. Humanity are redeemed from the grave by the death of Christ, and Sheol, Hades, the grave, shall be destroyed during Messiah's reign.—Hosea xiii, 14; Isaiah xxx, 8; 1 Corinthians xv, 54, 55.

Geheims fire means the garbage furnace valley outside Jerusalem; it is symbolical of the destruction of the finally impenitent.

Purgatorial Fires of the Bible.

These are symbolical. The church is now on trial for everlasting life or everlasting death. The world's purgatorial period will be under the supervision of the Church.—1 Cor. vi, 2.

St. Peter tells of purgatorial fires which now are purifying the saints: "Think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which shall try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you." Jesus referred to these purgatorial experiences; read 1 John iii, 13; John xv, 18; Matthew xvi, 24.

St. Paul says that Christ "learned obedience by the things which He suffered," and that "if we suffer with Him we shall also reign with Him."

The Scribes and Pharisees persecuted Jesus; He forewarned His followers that "a man's foes shall be they of his own household."

St. Paul points out that in the end of this Age fiery trials will come upon the Church: "The fire of that day shall try every man's work of what sort it is." Faith built with the gold, silver and precious stones of Divine Truth will come forth unscathed. Jesus declared to the Church, "Through much tribulation shall ye enter the Kingdom." These are purgatorial tribulations for which we may give thanks.

The World's Purgatory Soon to Begin.

The world's purgatory will begin with a severe ordeal upon all mankind, but will continue in instructive tribulation upon all needing the same. The "fires" will be symbolical. The New Age will be ushered in by "a time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation." (Daniel xii, 1.) Jesus declares that unless that trouble were checked no flesh could be saved; but because of the Elect, those days shall be shortened. The Messianic Kingdom will end the strife and anarchy.

St. Peter used symbolism in describing these troubles: The "sea" represents the restless peoples; the solid "land"—earth—represents the social structure, whose "mountains" are the Kingdoms and whose "heavens" are the ecclesiastical powers. (1 Peter iii, 5-7, 10, 12; Psalm xvi.) The Apostle graphically pictures the elements of Society in violent agitation, resulting in a great "heat" which will consume these. He then pictures the New Dispensation: "The new heavens" will be the Church in glory. "The new earth" will be Society reconstructed. Who cannot see the capitalistic element, the labor element and the social element in great danger of the conflagration? "Inly foretold? The Lord pictures mankind anxious to know and obey the Truth. "Then will I turn unto the people a pure Message, that they may all call upon the name of the Lord, to serve Him with one consent."—Zeph. iii, 9.

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