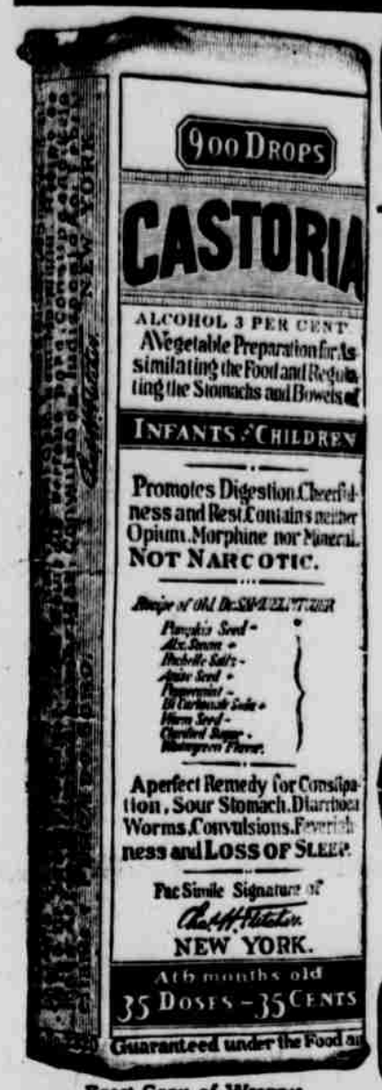

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Battle of Friedland.

By Rev. Thomas B. Gregory.

The great Battle of Friedland, fought one hundred and five years ago today between the French under Napoleon and the Russians under Alexander First, lifted Napoleon to the height of his greatness—a height upon which he might have lived and died in undisturbed security had his good sense been equal to his genius.

The elder Pitt once declared that he would "conquer France in America," and Napoleon purposed to "conquer England on the Continent."

England was the great Emperor's real enemy, and one real obstacle in the way of his ambitious purpose, and it was to "conquer England" that he instituted the Friedland campaign. He proposed to conquer her by isolating her, and the first step toward this end was the "fixing" of Germany and Russia.

Napoleon knew men like a book, and, in all probability, the results of Friedland were just what he had figured on. Beaten at Friedland, Alexander First agreed to negotiate in person with the victor, and in Napoleon's hands he proved to be but so much putty. They met on the historic raft at Tilsit, and Napoleon played with the Czar as a child plays with a string.

The treaty of Tilsit, which was speedily drawn up, gave Napoleon all that he asked for. The king of Prussia was made to resign great slices of his territory, and the provinces that were left to him were made to pay heavy sums as compensation to France. The district west of the Elbe, with others, was formed into the kingdom of Westphalia and when to the Conqueror's youngest brother, Jerome. All trade between Prussia and England was forbidden.

As for Russia, it was agreed that it should be and do just as Napoleon wanted. Napoleon's new creations in Europe—the Confederation of the Rhine, the kingdoms of Italy, Naples, Holland and Westphalia—were to be recognized, and all that was put donw in black and white was agreed to by secret conventions.

The bribe to Russia was her aggrandizement in the East, along with the permission to annex Finland from Sweden and Maldavia and Wallachia from Turkey. The dupe of a Czar was so tickled with these assurances that he adopted Napoleon's blockade system against England and to obtain the adhesion of those states which still remained open to British trade—Swedon, Denmark and Portugal.

Such was the situation at the conclusion of the royal conclave on the raft at Tilsit. It was for Napoleon the very pinnacle of human grandeur. But seldom, if ever, in hte whole history of the world has a man been so powerful, so feared, so close to earthyl omnipotence.

It was a time full of glory for Napoleon and of danger for Europe. As a level-headed historian observes, never were the liberties of Europe more directly threatened than by this union of the two representatives of despotic rule.

But the "Robbers of Tilsit" were reckoning without their host. They forgot the glorious fact that human nature is always adequate for any emergency, and that the very stars in their courses fight against the wrong an in favor of the riht. There are always to be found real men who are also good, and, such men in Prussia and England, and finally in Russia itself, combined to save the liberties of the people from the destruction with which they were threatened.

The smoke of the Battle of Friedland floated away, and along with it the glory of Napoleon and the foolishness of Alexander, and the spirit of freedom remained, to assert itself in due time.

A Hero in a Lighthouse.

For years J. S. Donahue, So. Haven, Mich., a civil-war captain, as a light-hous keeper, averted awful wrecks, but a queer fact is, he might have been a wreck, himself, if Electric Bitters had not prevented. "They cured me of kidney trouble and ennui," he writes, "after I had taken other so called cure for years without benefit and they also improved my sight. Now, at seventy, I am feeling fine." For dyspepsia, indigestion, all stomach, liver and kidney troubles, they're without equal. Try them. Only 50cts at All Druggists.

Some old Vehicles.

There is an interesting collection of wheeled vehicles in the National Museum in Washington which was gotten together for the purpose of showing the development of conveyances for men and chattels from the most primitive times. One of the exhibits is a full-sized carette, or ox cart, used by the Indians of Arizona and New Mexico, as well as in some of the remote parts of Spain. This cart was brought over by the early Spanish settlers. It has wheels about three and a half feet in diameter made of three pieces of timber fastened together with dowels of wood, the wheel being thick at the center to form the hub.

Another primitive type of wagon known as the Red river cart and used by the half-breeds in Canada, has five-foot wheels, the wheels in this case having spokes, twelve in number. The native driver of this cart sits on it with his feet higher than his hips, the shafts being higher than the bed of the wagon. There is also a reproduction of an Egyptian chariot in the collection, the wheels of which have twelve spokes, with slots in them near the hop so that a rope can be run through to hold the spokes firmly in place. What is thought to be the oldest type of vehicle still in use is the Russian bashkir, or child's coach, with wheels made out of a solid slab of wood, having holes burned through the center for the axle.

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PASTOR RUSSELL

Washington, D. C., July 14.—The International Bible Students Association closed a very successful eight-days' Convention at Glen Echo Park tonight. Approximately forty speakers have addressed the Convention. Pastor Russell was the principal speaker this afternoon. His text was, "But ye are come * * * to the General Assembly and Church of the First-born, which are written in Heaven."—Hebrews xii, 23.

The speaker declared that St. Paul points us back to the institution of the Jewish Law Govenant at Mt. Sinai and uses it as a picture or type of experiences of the Church to be expected at the Second Coming of Christ and the establishment of His glorious Kingdom.

St. Paul pictures the march of the Israelites from the Red Sea to Mt. Sinai, implying that some got to the mountain much in advance of the others, but waited there for the General Assembly. The Apostle points us back to the awful experiences connected with the inauguration of the Law Covenant—Mt. Sinai smoking, lightnings flashing from the cloud and thick darkness which enveloped the mountain, the earth trembling, the Voice of God heard, the people in fear.

All these things, said the Pastor, according to St. Paul, were foreshadowings of still more wonderful things to be expected in the near future in connection with the inauguration of the New Covenant. Many had misapprehended the Apostle's teaching in respect to the New Covenant and thought it already sealed and in operation. But not so. The Scriptures assure us that the work of Christ and the Church during this Age has been a preparatory one, without which the New Covenant could not go into effect.

A Time of Terrible Trouble.

Everywhere the Bible associates with the coming of Christ a great trouble upon the world and assures us that the faithful of the Church will be spared from it by their resurrection change. The plowshare of trouble will upset human pride and humble the world and make them glad to welcome the Messianic Kingdom then to be established for the purpose of bringing to Israel and to the world the long promised blessings of the New Covenant.

The introduction of this Kingdom St. Peter styles the Day-dawn. (II Peter i. 19.) He describes its work as most blessed, saying, "Times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord—He shall send forth Jesus Christ—whom the heavens must retain until the *Times of Restitution of all things*, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all His holy Prophets since the world began."—Acts iii, 19-21.

St. Paul's interpretation of the Mt. Sinai experiences would imply a "Day of Vengeance"—the very term which the Bible uses. Society will be so shaken and its experiences will be so dreadful that, like the Israelites of old, all will be ready to entreat for the Great Mediator—The Christ, Head and Body—Jesus and His Church in glory—to stand between them and the Almighty. It will be in response to this universal cry that the Messianic Kingdom will be established and by the New Covenant take over the control of the entire world of mankind, for whom, by the grace of God, Jesus Christ tasted death.—Hebrews ii, 9.

Terrible as the squaring of the world's accounts will be preparatory to the opening of the New Dispensation with a clean page, they are rational as well as Scriptural. Humanity will be able to look up to God and acknowledge His Wisdom and Justice, and then to thank Him for the loving provision of the Messianic Kingdom, under whose beneficient reign they may be helped back to full human perfection and to a world-wide Eden.

The Church In General Assembly.

We have greatly enjoyed, dear brethren, our Convention or Assembly. But what will it be to be there—in the General Assembly of the entire elect Church of God! There will be no sectarianism there, though there doubtless will be saints of God from every sect in that Convention in Glory! Let us carry with us a sense of the realities of the glorious promises of the Bible, which, we believe, are hastening to fulfilment.

Even now, on every hand, we see the evidences of social unrest; and the wonderful blessings of our day are being received by unthankful hearts with ingratitude, breeding discontent and presaging the awful anarchy which the Bible teaches us to expect. It is a time for faithfulness to God, to His Word, on the part of all who are of "the household of faith," of every nation and denomination. It is a time for the Bride to make herself ready for the Bridegroom.

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The annual importation ranges in value from $20,000,000 to $25,000,000. The value of a goat skin is about 50 cents. It is declared about time that we raised all the goats we want ourselves instead of permitting Vera Cruz, in Mexico, and elsewhere, to raise them for us. And goats are declared to have a value apart from their skins. Indeed it is asserted that the meat of the goat is even of greater value, as food.

And the goats can be raised on land that is not adopted to agriculture. Those in Mexico are raised on the dry plains of Neuva Leon, where the brush, though of scant growth, suports large flocks. The value of the goat depends upon three things: meat, tallow and the skin. The flesh alone would be a profitable industry, it is pointed out, and tallow and the skin could be considered as by-products.

We get one-third of our goat skins from British India, whence 15,000,000 of them came in 1911, and about 6,000,000 of them from China, 3,000,000 from Mexico, about 3,000,000 from Arabia, 2,500,000 from England, 1,500,000 from Argentine, 1,000,000 from Venezuela and about the same number from France and Russia, and smaller amounts from Turkey, Italy, Germany, Peru, the Dutch East Indies and French Africa.

The success of one goat farm in Mexico is cited. On one farm not so long ago were 66,000 goats, which at $1.50 each were valued at $99,000. In three years they produced 50,000 head, which were sold at $5 each, yielding $250,000, and the owner had 88,000 head left, or 22,000 more than the farm had started with. The result was that the original investment of $99,000 in three years had yielded $22,000, and the original stocks of goats, 63,000, was still intact.—Washington Correspondance Boston Advertiser.

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Correct Usage.

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