

The race for wealth ends at the cemetery.

The earth remains safer than either the sea or the sky.

The consumer hopes the ice crop, too, will be a bumper.

Nearly every gift that is made has some sort of a string tied to it.

Developing the aeroplane is one thing and reckless tomfoolery is another.

Just think! Angels' food cake is made in New York of "rots" and "spots."

The aeroplane is becoming a dangerous rival of the automobile in the toll of deaths.

Things go by contraries. When a man is on his "uppers" he is really down in the depths.

When sold merely by weight, diamonds are still a little more valuable than breakfast bacon.

The New York milliner who built an aeroplane doubtless utilized some of the models in the shop.

The hobble skirt has gone out of fashion even in Paris, and it will soon be marked off the list everywhere.

Miladi says a man's clothes always seem to fit him real loose after his wife's relatives have looked him over.

An Iowa man paid \$105 the other day for ten ears of corn. Yet there are people who risk their lives hunting for gold.

The story of the man who found a \$1,000 pearl in an oyster stew in a Buffalo restaurant is just to boom the oyster business.

The least that can be said of that rotten egg industry declared to exist in New York is that it will be in bad odor with the public.

They are building liners so big the globe trotters will expect to find on them golf courses, porte cocheres and outdoor sleeping porches.

A prominent New York college has been invaded by infant paralysis. The doings of the average student make this invasion entirely credible.

Fifty-six Indiana counties have lost in population since the 1900 census. As soon as people make a fortune in literature, they move out of Indiana.

Hereupon the enthusiastic lover of horses climbs into his automobile, orders the chauffeur to "hit 'er up," and is whisked away to the horse show.

A New York woman is enraged because her son wants to marry an actress. She might as well cheer up. He'll be back home again in a little while.

Marriage may be a lottery, but the proposal of a woman in the west to raffle herself off for a dollar a chance is emphasizing the fact a little too strongly.

Ten orphan baby seals have been brought down from Bering sea to pass the winter in this country as an experiment. If they do well we may yet raise our own sealskin coats in inland waters.

American brides entering Germany are to be compelled to pay duty on their wedding outfits. The counts and barons they take over should not cost much if the duty on them is levied ad valorem.

Also it is reported that the size of women's hats is being reduced. But the masculine payers of the bills have not yet made the happy discovery that the price has been reduced in proportion.

"We are assured that men are drinking less nowadays," observes the Philadelphia Inquirer, "but how is it that the internal revenue increases so fast?" The census figures of 1910 may help you, brother.

"Hangar," the French word which is used in connection with flying machines, means merely shed—a place in which an aeroplane may be kept when it is not in use. Shed is short, but it will not be as hard to learn to say hangar as it was to get chauffeur to roll correctly from the tongue.

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Men are no longer satisfied with that conception of God which gives merely a reasonable assurance of a heaven beyond the grave to those who are found worthy. They desire to know God as a present help in every time of need, it is possible thus to know Him. They are asking for present proof that they are solving life's problems aright and have not labored in vain.

There is no mystery in Christian Science save the mystery which enshrouds everything which is not understood. Christian Science can be understood, and when it is understood, it brings healing to the sick, comfort to the sorrowing, and strength and courage in the hour of trial and temptation.

The humble Nazarene was the founder of the Christian religion, His teachings, and the many wonderful works which demonstrated the truth of his teachings, were the outgrowth of his understanding of God and man. His power to heal the sick, cast out devils and raise the dead was the divinely natural result of this understanding. His mission was to make plain the way of salvation from all evil. There is a divine remedy for every discordant condition of human experience and when the Master's teachings are understood, the one effectual remedy will be found available.

It is sometimes said that the immediate disciples of Christ were divinely favored persons whose privilege it was to enjoy many blessings that Christians of the twentieth century may not enjoy. The failure to see the connection between the Master's teachings and the healing works accomplished by himself and his disciples, has limited man's possibilities and greatly retarded the progress of Christianity.

The strong point urged by

Christian Science is that the power to heal sickness and destroy sin which was exercised by the disciples, was the natural result of understanding what they had been taught. If they had not understood, at least in part, the Master's teachings and in some degree attained the spiritual consciousness of being, they could not have demonstrated the power of Truth and Love.

One of the essential elements of the Christian religion was early lost sight of and for centuries the healing of sickness through faith in God was considered no longer possible or necessary. To say that the healing works accomplished by Jesus and his disciples were only necessary to prove that the long promised Messiah had appeared among men in fulfillment of prophecy, is to present a view of the question which has no Scriptural authority. Salvation, as Jesus taught and demonstrated it, is a present salvation from all that is unlike God.

It was the lack of spiritual perception which caused mortals to consider it the very natural and proper thing to turn to drugs and other material remedies for healing. The almost universal experience has been that it is not until these material means have failed, or it was apparent that they would do so, that mortals have turned in their extremity to God. It was the failure of material remedies that led to the discovery of Christian Science.

"Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" is the only text book on Christian Science. It was written by Mrs. Eddy and first published in 1875. In this book the author has presented in a clear logical manner the divine Principle of Christian Science and the rules for the application thereof. It was never intended that this book should take the place of the Bible, and it was never regarded by Christian Scientists as a substitute for the Bible in any sense of the word. It is, as its title indicates, the key to the Scriptures. It unlocks this treasure house of divine wisdom and makes practical the teachings of the sacred word.

The basis of Christian Science is the first commandment. "Thou shalt have no other gods before me." The master declared that

on his word and one other, namely. "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." "hang all the law and the prophets." Mortals have served other gods because they entertained false views of the one God. Christian Science imparts the true idea of the Supreme Being and thereby increase one's faith in good and gives him added power over evil.

Christian Science imparts the idea of God which is at once demonstrable and in harmony with humanity's highest and purest conception of being. God is no less the loving Father than He was in the days of old. His love for humanity and His tender care for all, no longer seem "too good to be true," because God is becoming understood, and His ever-presence is a demonstrable fact. To those who have approached in fear and trembling not knowing in whom they have believed, Christian Science says, as did Paul to the Athenians, "Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, Him declare I unto you."

Christian Science not only corrects the false beliefs or misconceptions of the nature and character of God, but it also shows that mortals have a very wrong conception of God's creation. This Science teaches that God is the one infinite good and that which He creates could not be less than good, neither could it possibly have any inclination or tendency toward evil. God is Spirit, that which He creates is spiritual. The Scriptural teaching is very definite that God created man in His own image and likeness. The mortal concept is no more correct than the mortal concept of God.

The line of demarcation between man's God's image and likeness, and the mortal, material sense of man is sharply drawn in Christian Science, and this is why Christian Science is found so effective in destroying sin and healing sickness. When it is declared that man is neither a sinner, nor an invalid, it is God's image and likeness that is referred to, sin and sickness belong not to man, but to the false concept of man. In proportion as the true sense of man's being is gained, the false sense, and all that belongs thereto, is put off.

From a human point of view evil is manifest on every hand. The sin, sickness, discord and suffering of mortal existence cannot be ignored. These evils must be destroyed for so long as they seem to exist mortals will be in bondage thereto. The question arises, "Shall evil be dealt with as a reality, or shall it be overcome on the basis of its unresolvability? The material sense of evil is the only evidence of the reality of evil and this evidence is a contradiction of the oneness and allness of good. What have mortals sever gained? What can they ever hope to gain by acknowledging evil's claim to reality and power? Christian Science teaches that sick-

ness is no more the reality of man's being than sin is and that the same power that destroys sin, heals sickness as well. Sin is no part of divine Mind, neither does it belong to the true consciousness of being. Sin is the manifestation of mortal mind, or the carnal mind, as Paul terms it. Mortal mind is not a mind for in reality there is but one Mind and this Mind is infinite. Mortal mind signifies the belief of a mind apart from God. Sickness is no more supported by the divine Mind than sin is. When the thought of sin is destroyed in mortal mind sin does not find expression in word or in deed; likewise when the image and fear of disease is destroyed in human consciousness, disease will not appear on the body.

The apostle James recorded an eternal truth when he wrote "The prayer of faith shall save the sick." The prayer of faith is the prayer of spiritual understanding, and this prayer is the most effectual, in fact the only truly effectual remedy. This prayer is not an impertinence; it is not beseeching God to do something He has not done, or might not do, if He were not influenced by human desire; rather it is the knowing, or realization of, what God is, and what He has already done for all mankind. The prayer of spiritual understanding brings man into harmony with the divine laws that be, and in the degree that the law of God reigns in human consciousness the sense of sickness, suffering, as well as the sense of sin, disappears. Man is made every whit whole through obedience to divine law.

Christian Science imparts a more correct thought of God and consequently a truer sense of the purpose and motive of prayer. It increases man's faith in good and it is found that prayer becomes more effectual. The purpose of prayer is not to inform or influence God, but to bring humanity into accord with the divine Principle of all that really exists. What God knows is true, what God does is good, and what He wills is inevitable. What then is mortal man that he should seek to change or influence God? "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much" because he is in harmony with the unchanging law of God.

That Brooklyn promoter who wants only half of the profits of the chewing gum trust for his services is too unassuming. Why not ask for all?

Picking pockets is not much of a trade or the thief 87 years old just arrested in New York would have been tired with a competency long ago.

Perhaps some day we shall be able to rush a flock of aerial firemen to the scene of action and nip a forest fire in the bud.

To be perfectly safe those balloon races should be run on a circular track.

Circumstances and lawyers alter cases.

A clean flue may save the house from burning down.

Anyway, the unwritten law seems to have a lot written about it.

We are a good deal happier because of a lot of things we don't know. Without the shedding of blood there seems to be no way of conquering the air.

Brag about a girl to her female friends if you would discover her faults.

The Seine seems to have acquired the Ohio-river habit in getting over banks.

If you can't get what you want why don't you quit wanting it? It is merely a state of mind.

When the doctor tells a man to diet, the patient proceeds to refuse all the things he dislikes.

An airship that will break down without falling is one of the crying necessities of the age.

A regular feature of the Monday morning papers is the list of dead and injured among Sunday autoists.

Laura Jean Libbey, who advocates the kissless courtship, is pushing the most unpopular propaganda on record.

It is alleged as proof of a New York man's insanity that he was no good at bridge whist. This is very Gotham-ese.

Our idea of a strong minded woman is one who insists that she would rather have her clothes comfortable than fashionable.

A new card game popular in England is called "Dabbit." It should be explained that many Englishmen have chronic colds.

A boy committed suicide because he was compelled to give up school. It is not feared that there will be many cases of this sort.

Don't blame the faithful hen for rots, spots, leaks or specks. Her part of the work was all right. The storage companies did the rest.

A scientist who recently tried to hypnotize a dog was bitten by the animal. He should have begun by making the dog believe it had no teeth.