

sense perceptions is true of the memory and our other faculties. It is fully as absurd to say that the sensation produced in the brain by tickling the bottom of our feet lives forever as it would to say that any other of the effects produced by our surroundings on that organ are to continue after the the organ itself has been destroyed.

And so we conclude that time and money spent in attempts to prove the existence of the mind or a spiritual part of man separate from the body is on a par with the time and money spent trying to invent perpetual motion and that those earnest ones who preach and pray and earnestly try to solve this unsolvable problem are on the road to insanity the same as the perpetual motion devotee and must either turn their attention to secular things or become a nuisance to society, a block to the wheel of progress.

One world at a time! This is the world and now is the time!

From Washington D. C.

"One of the most remarkable revival services that has taken place for many years in a Washington church occurred at the dedication of the People's Tabernacle, a handsome new edifice just completed at a cost of \$27,000 and which starts its career entirely free from debt. Rev. B Carradine, of St. Louis, preached the dedicatory sermon, from Malachi III: 10—'Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse that there may be meat in my house, and prove me now herewith' saith the Lord of Hosts.' At the close of this sermon Mr. Carradine requested all who wished to receive spiritual blessing to stand. Many did so, and after a short prayer Mr. Carradine began an exhortation that seemed to electrify many of his hearers with religious emotion. Strong men bowed their heads and sobbed aloud; one aged woman shouted 'God saves; God saves!' waving her arms aloft in her enthusiasm; another said through choking sobs: 'Oh, God; Oh, God! Oh, my mother; Oh, my mother!' Soon after another woman began to shout 'Glory to God!' repeating it a score of times, while all around were sounds showing the wave of emotion that was sweeping over the congregation. A young woman in the gallery stood up and shouted 'Glory to—' and then sat down abashed and sobbing. When those who wished to be saved were invited to come to the altar about forty went. I know that it is now rather the fashion to sneer at emotional displays, in church or elsewhere, but the scene in that church was none the less a vivid reminder of the remainder of the verse from which Mr. Carradine had taken his text— 'If I will not open you the windows of heaven,

and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.' Are not the windows of heaven sometimes open and blessings poured out upon religious gatherings? If not, how can such scenes as that in the People's Tabernacle be counted for?"

We account for the wonderful(?) scenes described above in the same manner that we do for the scenes in the Chinese Joss-house. It is high handed deception and fraud on the part of the priests, and emotional, superstitious fear and ignorance on the part of the strong(?) men and nervous women. A discussion on the circulation of the blood or how best to teach children a love of the truth would have been much more entertaining and profitable.

Such silly manifestations were very numerous in the 17th century but happily they are growing less and less and we hope that the Rev. Carradines (Sardines) will soon be unable to work our people up to such a point that they are willing to "Bring all the tithes into the storehouse of the Lord of Hosts" and that when this happy day comes there will be enough left to build Liberal Universities.

Thousands of Tons for India.

The following from our Washington, D. C., correspondent shows what is being done for the people of India:

"Ex-Senator Blair called on Secretary Long and Assistant Secretary Roosevelt this week in reference to the immediate shipment of supplies for the relief of the starving poor in India, and was informed that no time would be lost in carrying out the expressed wish of Congress. An additional ship with a capacity of about 5000 tons is needed at once. One ship is now being loaded at San Francisco and another at New York. The English government has offered to furnish the additional ship needed, but it is desired that all the supplies donated should go under the American flag."

We hardly know what to think about our feeding England's subjects. We don't like to think of their starving and we Secularists quote Thomas Paine's words very often, i. e. "The world is my country, etc." If it is necessary to feed these people we suggest that with each ship load of provisions we send a Secular missionary to counteract the evil effects of the pernicious doctrine that they should take no thought for tomorrow and that sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof. If they and their English brothers could be taught Robert Ingersoll's doctrine to "Consider the lilies of the field and take thought for the morrow," it would perhaps save them from future famines; but how can we preach to them when many of our own people take thought of tomorrow only with a hopeless anticipation of the loss of their homes, work at the hardest toil for starvation wages or the refusal of even this chance to gain an honest livelihood. Has this condition been brought about by the men who are now sending thousands of tons of our hard earned food to an English province? Are they selfishly taking thought for their own tomorrow and robbing the people under the guise of Charity or are they really unselfish and living up to our grand motto, "The world is my country; to do good is my religion"?

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