

joy of freedom and reason which is in my own soul will leap from a thousand fountains to all the millions of the race. We shall never go back, but forever forward. What is dearest in all the past of man shall bloom to more splendid fruitage. There shall be less theology but more brotherhood; fewer mansions in the skies, but sweeter cottages on the bosom of the earth.

"Religion, in its true sense, is the harmony of man's nature. It is the sentiment stirred and exalted by the contemplation of the universe, expressed in forms of reason and binding the soul to progress. Hitherto, it has been at war with itself. In order that it may hereafter become one, its method must be one; and that method is science. Science is the Christ of the new religion, the constant revealer of divine possibilities.

"That which is to come is not merely a choice expression of the olden truths. It is a vast original movement, which, having passed through the chaotic stage, shows the beginnings of the cosmos, of the ideal republic wherein all humanity shall be good and great, and joyous and beautiful and free."

We spring from the bosom of the past, and all its precious past is ours; but we are likewise children of the future, and feed upon its boundless promise. Whatever is sweet in Jesus, heroic in Mohammed, divine in Buddha, human in Confucius, we accept; but, in the fresh light and color of new knowledge and inspiration, we take the golden threads they give, but the woven picture is beyond their utmost conception."

CHAPTER XXXII.

The San Francisco morning papers contained the following "once upon a time," subsequent to the events last narrated:—

"Ephraim Gooch, the millionaire and philanthropist, is now at the Great Globe Hotel. He has just returned from England and brought with him an immense fortune, received through his wife, who unfortunately died on her bridal trip to the home of her ancestors. He intends to rear a superb monument to her memory, which will no doubt be an ornament to the city, of which every citizen may well be proud. This great man and lover of his race is also desirous of doing something for the welfare of the world. He is about to munificently endow a theological seminary, which will be called after his name. He will establish several Hebrew scholarships, as he is extremely anxious that this ancient language should be thoroughly understood, in order that the bulwarks of our faith may be successfully defended. He himself has some literary ambition, and is preparing for the

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LITTLE TORCHES.

By W. E. Johnson

The man who fights the bible with science is the man who pretends to have much wisdom, but advertises himself a fool.—Gospel Echo, August 26th.

The man who fights science with the bible pretends to have faith, instead of wisdom, and can be recognized as an ass without any advertising.

What we find in the bible depends largely upon what we are.—The Bible Reader for September.

That's just the trouble with the book; you can find in it authority for anything from cannibalism to baptism. The polygamist, the slave-holder, the murderer, the bandit, and the adulterer can all quote the scriptures in justification of their crimes.

A sermon may satisfy the soul without fully satisfying the intellect, but it cannot satisfy the soul by ignoring the intellect.—Richmond Christian Advocate, August 26th.

What in Tophet has "intellect" to do with "salvation by faith?" The Christian dogma teaches that intellect should be suppressed and faith nourished, plowed, hoed, and dilligently cultivated. Intellect is a sure antidote for faith.

A man's character can be more accurately determined by what he does, and by the company he keeps, than by what he professes to believe and to be.—Nashville Christian Advocate, August 26th.

What's the use of the Christian having any character? The blood of Jesus has so laundered the sinner that one character is as white as another. Faith and belief counts; character is not in it, according to the theologians.

Superstition, fanaticism and baleful forms of hysteria break out ever and anon. It was so in the beginning, is so now, and will be to the end, if human nature and human ignorance continue the same.—Pittsburg Christian Advocate, August 26th.

The object of the Liberal University is to combat "superstition, fanaticism, and baleful forms of hysteria." All these subjects are taught in every Christian college in the country. They comprise almost the whole course of study of every theological seminary in the land, and the Pittsburg Christian Advocate is the official organ of those who demand that such notions continue to be promulgated.

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