

Love, have been separated and are now quarrelling under the names of Materialism, Science, etc., opposed, or supposed to be opposed, to the Spiritual, the ideal, the beautiful, "the heart," etc., etc.

How this separation came about, by the progress which induced the thoughts of man, we have above intimated; but repeat to recognize, realize, appreciate and reconcile our differentiation? In times past the supernatural religions shadowed and kept in confused darkness or twilight all of the thoughts, and also all of the feelings of man. He thought that both were alike under the control of supernatural beings or influences. The intellect, starting with Luther, has rebelled, and SCIENCE, the verified and classified knowledge of the knowable world is the result. But the Love, the Heart, the emotions, the imaginations, including Art and Aesthetics, have not yet passed from under the shadow of the supernatural. And now the worst of it is that the emancipation and apparent opposition of the intellect has made those by nature sympathetic with the Love and Ideals, feel that their cause is indissolubly married to their remnant of the supernatural, and that if Science banishes that "spirit-entity" from the knowable world, then all of the old emotions, soul comforts, hopes, and sweet Humanities will go with it. It is this fearful illusion, together with "vested interests," which keep up the terrible opposition to the practical acceptance and application of Scientific truth and Liberalism, and which is the chief cause of the ignorance, superstition, selfishness and misery in the world.

But is it true that if the Scientific solution of the world is known and accepted that all or any of those heart-desolating consequences will follow? By no means! Just the contrary. The only true, complete and effective basis for the emotional and spiritual, the ideal and religious concepts and life of modern mankind is THE TRUTH. For instance, it is false and cruel to even permit children to believe that human love is gone because "Santa Claus" is and was a myth. Tell the truth and thus, as ever, "shame the devil." Tell the youngsters that old "Santa Claus," once a myth, is now a play-symbol and thus an excellent means of representing and expressing parental, family and human love. And so trust the true. As Goethe says it, finely:

"Painful truth prefer I to pleasant error,
For Truth ever heals the wounds she makes."

In these lines the greatest poet of modern times places on record his own experience and example. He was the great artificer of both the Real and the Ideal, building his soul-home upon the one in order to rise ever higher in the other. One of the great scientists of his day, in

poetry he rose so far beyond ordinary mortals that, like Wagner in music, it is difficult even now to follow and realize him.

Then what should be done?

The Spiritualists, the Idealists, the lovers of the emotional must learn to realize that the victory of Science is won, and won for ever. The fate of Santa Claus has overtaken the whole of the supposed supernatural existences. With the discovery that life and all of its changeable transformations are but properties of protoplasm and forms or results of correlation, the SPIRIT-soul receives its natural explanation and the PROCESS-soul takes its place. What little remains to be done is the working out and classification of the details of this victory of Science, which is final.

After a fact and a law of Science has been discovered that is the end of that matter. It is useless to kick against the pricks. It is demoralizing to keep on pretending that things are thus, and so when they are not; and to keep up ignorance among the people in order to continue the delusion or self-deception. Those who are subject to the introversion of the subjective feelings into objective vision; or of trances into self, or other hypnotism; or who experience the results of nervous discharges, and unconscious cerebration; should no longer talk about casting out "spirits" to be passed into swine, as did the people of old, but should betake themselves to healthier diet, exercise and nerve and cerebral hygiene. No longer should they advertise or boast of these infirmities, or use them as a means of imposition upon others, for the sake of gain to themselves. The physical, physiological and psychic laws of correlation and association make the existence of a spirit-entity an impossibility, and has left us a "process" in its place.

Now, this being so, the Scientists and Realists have, if possible, a still more important duty to recognize and perform. They have to appreciate that the great emotions and purposes of life have not only lost their old foundation, but in their very selves have to undergo great change, a new transformation into "something wonderful and strange". This is one of the most important, difficult and delicate problems of our age. It is more than sustaining a vast temple or old cathedral by mechanical screws and supports while an entirely new foundation is being constructed and placed under it. It is not a problem of mechanics, or even of biology or vivisection. It is the transfer of the new soul of man into a new world, a new environment, as different, indeed far more different from the old than would be the transfer of the human race to the planet Mars — if it have the conditions of life. How can this transfer be made with the least loss and pain?

1. Very seldom can it be done suddenly. Just as the missionaries have never succeeded in suddenly changing wild and innocent peoples to their "religions," so even our "civilized" peoples can not realize a new environment and hope until the convolutions of their brains are gradually built up to realize the new conditions. This education must be the purpose of those who do get out into the new world, both for their own good and the good of others. It must be done by education and example. The new hopes, purposes and joys of life must be expressed and assimilated by new symbols, images and art. We must have a system or habit of Scientific Hermetics translating the old religious concepts and ideals into the new life and its requirements.

Thus, in order to reach the realization and expression of the new emotions and hopes, the old creeds, symbols and mythologies must furnish in themselves the materials for the bridge from the old to the new. This results from the use of them not at all as truths, but as allegories. The mental, moral, esthetic and spiritual truths are thus used to excite and retain and communicate the ideal, much as the theater, canvas, paints and forms are used in the aesthetic arts. It is well known how the mythologies of Greece and Rome have been used in this way. They have been transformed into a symbolism of ideals, so that like Greek art, or indeed with that art, they have become the foundation of all art. In a similar way the forms and expressions of the old spiritualistic religions may be brought to support the Religion of the Future, the Religion of Science and Humanity—the RELIGION OF THE NOBLE. The old religion of Christianity, with its ghosts and spirits, may by natural evolution pass into a symbolism, that will lead to the higher conceptions of the awfully enlarged heaven and earth that science has revealed to us. Did not Goethe tell us that symbols were the language of Heaven? His use of them in the second part of Faust, from both Polytheistic and Christian sources, is one of the reasons why the great poetic reconstruction of the future should be made a continuous evolutionary outgrowth of its immediate religious and artistic past. In the highest as well as the lowest, the natural growth is not by leaps, but by assimilation and transformation of the old to meet a new environment.

Artificial and temporary devices are well but insufficient to lift the new Humanity to the realities of its new environment, its new Heaven and Earth, and its infinite Future on Earth. People have hardly as yet begun to think about that. The diameter of our Earth-Heaven orbit is 196 millions of miles, with an orbit of 558 millions. Our earth is a

rotating Paradise with infinity as a future. The same evolution that ensures it to Humanity ensures an unlimited increase in the human capacity to enjoy it. The old Bible firmament and "spiritual" heaven was a triviality, not a tallow candle to the sun in comparison! Our power to enjoy all of this future now by anticipation, depends upon our change of the egoistic enjoyments of the old Spiritualism to the altruistic enjoyment by sympathy with the future, that future which Science ensures. A hope surely to be realized can be discounted and enjoyed by sympathy, especially when it is a future of which our lives and wills are, by their very existence, partial creators. The old Heaven had nothing but childish illusions to rest upon. The Copernican astronomy, the law of correlation, and the scientific psychology has ended them. But the "Earthly Paradise" is being revealed as a far more desirable and a scientific reality. It is being realized more and more, year by year, in every worthy life, and is reflected back upon us even now with as much certainty as the light of the sun itself! The old entity, material, gas or ghost soul, even if it could exist (which it cannot), could have no part in this earthly heaven. The soul discovered by science is a process which in every individual is a wave of life, love, joy and glory sweeping onward to that grandest consummation conceivable. The imagination of Milton is trivial in comparison. The words Soul, Spirit and Spiritual were accordingly wisely reserved for good and religious symbolic uses by Goethe. For the old ghost illusion he used the word "spuk", spook, especially in Fifth Act of Faust, where he had to meet and solve this issue of the old and new. Nor does he hesitate to use all of the imagery of the old to lead us into the new, in that most wondrous "vision" the heart and soul of man has ever yet conceived of his destiny.

The above suggestions can not be carried further now. They are intended to call attention to the religious discoveries of modern Science. Are they not sufficient to show that the true Liberal, with his "process-soul," is not only the true scientist, but the true and grander Spiritualist of our day? Is not the old "entity Spiritualist," with his "spook-ghost," in fact only a belated materialist, lost in a lot of old illusions wholly behind our age, and which, if not outgrown, will certainly PREVENT our race from rising to and realizing the unselfish and vaster hopes and joys of an actual heaven on earth, of which it is the chief triumph of Science to become the foundation?

How can we teach a Science of Sociology when a "Day of Judgment" may come to end us "like a thief in the night?" How make