

REV. MILLIKEN ANSWER

TO T. LORD C.

Baptist Minister Tears His Letter and Arguments to Shreds

Editor of the Courier—It is easy to criticize, and any unthinking galoot can cover his poverty of thought with a mantle of fault-finding. Hence, in this age of thinking men and women, when a man condemns aught secular or religious it is perfectly in order to demand what better he has to present.

In your last number T. Lord C. has a communication in which he tells us what religion is not. But he gives us no definite idea as to what he thinks it ought to be. For instance, he presumes that most Christians, the writer among the number, will be shocked by the name: "Jesus Christ Birds," applied by the South American peons to birds that walk on the water. Why does he think we will be shocked? He makes an insinuation, but gives no reason.

He has a great deal to say about the virile religion of those same peons, and sighs for the privilege of swapping our American brand of faith for theirs. Were it the current type I wonder if he would give any better content than he is now? For instance, not ten per cent of T. Lord C.'s peons can read and write, and most of them will burn a Bible, a work on astronomy, a philosophical text, or a socialist tract with equal gusto. They believe that all scientific knowledge is of the devil. They unquestioningly obey their ecclesiastical superiors. Were T. Lord C. to differ from one of them theologically his opponent would probably consider it meet and his bounden duty to jab some eighteen inches of cold steel into T. Lord C.'s gizzard. They are but nominally Christian, with most of their old Indian paganism still in their veins. Some of them are still cannibals. Maybe that is T. Lord C.'s ideal form of virile Christianity, but tastes differ, as the woman said when she kissed the cow.

T. Lord C.'s knowledge of whales is only excelled by the profundity of his scriptural lore. Were it not he would know, first, that the word "whale" does not occur in the book of Jonah; and second, that out of some twenty-three varieties of whale, the Greenland whale (Balæna Mysticus, Couvier) is the only one that could not swallow a man. In his "Cruise of the Cachetol" Capt. Frank Bullen, of a wounded Cachetol, Marcephalus that vomited up a chunk of giant squid eight feet, by six feet, by six feet. Had Jonah's "fish" been a whale it might have swallowed a whole ox for dinner, and then have topped off with T. Lord C., doubts and all, for a light desert.

Our friend says there was something in my monologue which did not satisfy him, and that he doubts his ability to satisfy myself. Again we have an insinuation without specification. If he would be more explicit maybe I could make myself clearer. I might indeed convince him that I am correct, unless he is like Carlisle's Scotchman who "Might be convinced, but who would like to see the man who could convince him."

Again T. Lord C. insinuates that science contradicts Christianity. Once more we must ask him to be explicit. The word "contradict" has been a student of science for years, and holds two degrees for purely scientific work. While on the college board of examiners he has corrected the test papers of a good many men who probably have forgotten more scientific lore than T. Lord C. ever knew (that is if his knowledge of the whale species is any criterion), and he has yet to find where there is any contradiction between revealed religion and science. True scientific knowledge demolishes a vast amount of ecclesiastical excrement that has grown up around Christianity, but that is not part of Christianity itself.

Hasn't someone said, "It is better not to know so much than to know so much that isn't so?" I thoroughly agree with T. Lord C. that the teachings of Christ are the basis of all true Christian faith. He said a good thing, but again he left us in the dark. He gave us no hint of what Christ teaches. Will he not please specify, so that we can find some basis for agreement?

I believe T. Lord C. is honestly voicing his protest against what he conceives religion to be. But he gets nowhere beyond protest. His whole letter is a web of glittering generalities and "catch" phrases without a single position being thought out. As I read his letter it recalled that line from Shakespeare: "I have none other than a woman's reason, I think so—because—I think him so." Dearly beloved, in this age of thinking men and women it is not the fool who rocks the cradle, but the glass just to hear the jingle, that helps his fellow men upward, but the one who buckles in and replaces what he would destroy with that which is infinitely better.

Just here, lest I be accused of criticism without constructive suggestion, I wish to state a few articles from my own creed:

1. I believe that the creeds and confessions of each age reflect the limitations of prejudice and ignorance to be found in that age, hence that they should not be made the standards of orthodoxy today. I do not demand that T. Lord C.'s creed be the same as mine. A man's creed is what he believes, and every man must make his own creed.

2. I believe that no individual, and no church, has the right to stand between anyone and God, but that every soul, by submission to the living Christ, can find Him. We have but one priest, Christ Jesus, and all we are brethren.

3. Hence, I believe in the right of every individual to worship God, and to follow him according to the dictates of his own conscience, so long as his worship does not interfere with the similar rights of others. But I claim the right to battle for my convictions when any man attacks my position.

4. I believe that church and state should forever be kept separate, for the state has no authority over conscience.

5. I believe that man is the highest product of a God-directed evolution, that the Almighty made him an intelligent soul, but that he is not by nature a son, but is a creature only, of God. Christ, whom both T. Lord C. and I take as our great authority, says: "That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the spirit is spirit."

church he belongs to, but that every man must meet the living Christ in faith, and must surrender himself to him. Christ says: "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that whosoever believeth on him should not perish but have everlasting life." "Him that cometh unto me I will in no wise cast out."

7. I believe that Christ's death made salvation possible for all men, but that no man is saved today because Christ died nineteen hundred years ago. His death made salvation possible, how I do not know. Like T. Lord C. I rest upon his authority, and he says it is so. But in order to receive the benefit of this work every man must himself meet the living son of God who awaits to save. He must meet this Christ, and no preacher or substitute can do it for him.

8. I take Christ at his own estimate, and thus acknowledge him to be the Divine Son of God, and the Saviour and Lord of men, whose will should be supreme.

9. I believe that eternal life is not something to be attained after death, but that it is the gift of Christ to all who are born again, and that if a man waits until he dies to get it he will never be its recipient.

10. I believe that the trade on Monday is a better test of a man's religion than the prayer on Sunday, and that true religion is comradeship with the living Christ which leads man to live his life among men. I believe that there is something radically wrong with the religion of the millionaire mine owner who is responsible for the Ludlow horrors; and also with the mine operator who resorts to the bomb and the shotgun. Christ is equally opposed to the anarchy of each, and when men get into vital relation with him class-divisions will disappear, and all men will be brothers in Him.

I believe many other things, but these few leaves from my book of belief will be enough to show my friend, T. Lord C., what I mean by a constructive creed. And he will find it all in that wonderful old book, the Bible, without which he would have very little knowledge in deed of the Christ, whose authority he rightly claims to honor.

Sincerely yours,
W. T. MILLIKEN.

Oregon State Highway Commission
Clackamas County—Notice to Contractors.

Sealed proposals, addressed to the County Court of Clackamas County, Oregon, and endorsed "proposals for constructing steel bridges in Clackamas County, Oregon, over the Clackamas river, near the town of Barton and over the Molalla River near the town of Molalla" will be received by the County Court of Clackamas County at its office in the court house Oregon City, Oregon, until 10 o'clock A. M. on the first day of July 1914, and at that time and place will be publicly opened and read.

All proposals must be made upon blank form to be obtained from the County Clerk at his office at the Court House, Oregon City, Oregon; must give the prices proposed, both in writing and figures; must be signed by the bidder, with his address.

Each bid is to be presented under sealed cover and shall be accompanied by cash, a bidder's bond made payable to the County Judge of Clackamas County, or a certified check made payable to the County Clerk of Clackamas County, for an amount equal to at least five per cent of the amount bid, and no bid shall be considered unless such cash, bond or check is enclosed therewith. Such bidder's bond shall be conditioned that if said bid be accepted the party bidding will duly enter into and execute the contract. Should the successful bidder to whom the contract is awarded fail to execute the same within ten days (not including Sunday) from the date of the mailing of the notice from the County Court to him, according to the address therewith given, that the contract is ready for signature, such cash, bond or certified check shall be forfeited to Clackamas County, and the same shall be the property of the County. All other cash, bonds and certified checks will be returned to the unsuccessful bidders who submitted the same.

A corporate surety bond will be required for the faithful performance of the contract in a sum equal to one-half of the total amount of the bid.

Plans may be seen and forms of specifications and contract may be obtained at the County Clerk's office, Court house, Oregon City, Oregon. The right is reserved to reject any or all proposals or to accept the proposal or proposals deemed best for Clackamas County.

COUNTY COURT OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY.
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J. W. SMITH,
County Commissioner.
W. H. MATTHEWSON,
County Commissioner.
HENRY L. BOWLBY,
State Highway Engineer.
W. L. MULVEY,
County Clerk Clackamas County,
Dated at Oregon City, Oregon,
June 4, 1914.

LIBERAL
The heavy hail storm last Thursday done quite a lot of damage to gardens and corn, heavy clover went down and will be hard to cut, hay that was cut and out will rot on the ground. Grains of all kinds are looking good, grass was never better, cherries are all bursting and strawberries are still good.

But let her go, the Willamette Valley Southern is coming. The pile driver is jolting away at Molalla River and are across on terra firma so it will soon be done with the piling work there.

Ora Slyster is busy loading cars with a crew of men.
J. E. Short returned home Monday from a business trip to Portland last week.

A few skunks are left and are feasting on the farmers' young chickens.
China pheasants are out with young flocks and this is hard weather on them.
Old hay is about all gone and the haulers are going to Canby for hay.

Big reduction on all trimmed hats.
Miss C. Goldsmith.

Children Cry
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CASTORIA

LOGAN

The Harding Grange 40th Anniversary picnic and celebration came off on June 6th as arranged except that owing to the unkindness of the weather bureau, the picnic part was left out. The committee in charge, Mrs. Belle Funk, Mrs. L. L. Kerchem, Henry Babler and Fred Gerber, had prepared an excellent program of vocal and instrumental music, recitations, etc., which were well rendered. Mahala A. Gill led a flower drill by several little girls and Judge H. S. Anderson gave a most excellent address on the "Victories of Peace."

The program was headed by a summary of the history of the grange by one of the members, commencing with the minutes of the first meeting at Tracy's hall, Feb. 27th, 1874. Geo. Clark was the first master, A. C. Wilbur the first secretary and J. I. Mason the lecturer. The grange has had many changes of location and many vicissitudes, but is now in a flourishing condition. The roll of charter members was read and of the twenty-nine, ten are living and two were present, being members now, T. W. Foster and Mrs. Lydia E. Robbins. The grange was dormant for over nine years and was consolidated with Viola grange and re-organized in 1886. It now has one of the best grange halls in the state, has over 5 acres of land in the building site and park, a fine horse barn and is well equipped in every way to serve rural interests. The Redland band furnished fine music and gave a dance in the evening. Mr. Thompson served refreshments during the day. It was decided that the table in the park should be used on July 4th and a committee was appointed to arrange for an old fashioned, home-made celebration.

H. H. Kirchem has begun the erection of a barn.
Geo. A. Kohl has gone to work at the Ogle Mountain mine.
Kohl Bros. and Effie C. Kirchem attended a fireman's banquet in Portland recently and report a fine entertainment. Phillip Kohl was a member of an old volunteer fireman's company and when they quit active work they organized, kept the proceeds from sale of their property and now they pay sick benefits, have an annual banquet and other advantages, which are passed on to descendants.
T. C. Jubb has moved back from Eastern Oregon and will give up the dry farming for awhile.

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Miss C. Goldsmith.

Rev. Smith's Services
Rev. E. A. Smith will preach Sunday at Alberta and Henrica. He will be at Highland, but it is hoped that Rev. Chas. Rutherford, returned missionary from India, will speak at Highland Sunday morning. Revival services will begin Sunday evening at Henrica, Rev. J. A. Ware will preach. There will be good music. The Alldridge boys will help. All invited.

Notice
WHEREAS at the General Primary Election in Ardenwald Precinct, in Damascus Precinct, in Logan Precinct, in Liberal Precinct, in Mount Pleasant Precinct in Clackamas County, Oregon on the 15th day of May, 1914, a vote was taken for and against Stock running at large in said Precincts and said vote resulted in a majority of votes being cast AGAINST STOCK RUNNING AT LARGE in said above named Precincts.

THEREFORE in accordance with the Statute in such cases made and provided it shall be unlawful, sixty days from the date of this notice for stock to run at large in the above named precincts under penalty of \$10.00 for the first offense and \$20.00 for each and every subsequent offense to be recovered from the owner of the stock.

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In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Clackamas.

Dorothy Stovall, Plaintiff,
vs.
Charles Stovall, Defendant.

To Charles Stovall the above named defendant:
In the name of the state of Oregon you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled Court within six weeks after the date of the first publication of this summons, and if you fail to so appear and answer, for want thereof, the Plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint, to-wit: for a decree of absolute divorce from the bonds of matrimony now existing between you and the plaintiff.

This summons is published in pursuance to an order of the honorable J. U. Campbell, Judge of the Circuit Court, made and entered on the 6th day of June, 1914.
Date of first publication June 11, 1914. Date of last publication July 23, 1914.

SAM JOHNSON,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

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