

BISHOP-APOSTLES A COSTLY MISTAKE.

Pope Now Sees Error—Directing Faith Back to Apostles.

All Followers of Christ Repudiating Apostolic Succession, Now Have Proper Basis For Harmony and Union Through Untrammelled Bible Study.



(PASTOR RUSSELL)

St. Louis, Oct. 20.—We report one of Pastor Russell's discourses here today from the text, "Have not I chosen you Twelve?" (John vi. 70). The Pastor declared that shortly after the Apostles died Satan got great power in the Church, using two instrumentalities to introduce false doctrines.

(1) By the Second Century the ministers began to be recognized as separate from the congregations, and instead of being elected their servants, they established themselves as a clerical class and began to lord it over the household of faith, themselves appointing the ministers over the congregations, instead of their being chosen by election, as in the days of the Apostles.

(2) At the same time the chief ones of the clergy, having the title of bishops, were claimed to be the successors of the Apostles, with the same right to teach and to be considered infallible messengers of Christ. The doctrine of Apostolic Succession was formulated. They pointed out that when Judas lost his place amongst the Twelve, the eleven met and chose one to fill his place.

The speaker called attention to the fact that the eleven Apostles, in electing Matthias to their number in the place of Judas, did it without Divine authority and sanction. The one they chose the Lord ignored, and we hear nothing further of him. In His own due time the Lord brought forward the one He purposed should take the place of Judas—St. Paul.

Jesus assured these Twelve that they should "sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel," in the "Times of the Tribulation," and "Regeneration." (Matthew xix. 28; Acts iii. 19-21.) These Twelve were again pictured symbolically in Revelation as the crown of twelve stars, on the head of the symbolical Woman, who represented the Church of Christ. Again the Twelve are pictured in the symbolic New Jerusalem, which portrays the Church beyond the veil in Heavenly glory, as twelve foundation stones.—Revelation xxi. 14.

False or Pseudo-Apostles.

Of these Twelve alone Jesus said, "Whoever things ye bind on earth shall be bound in Heaven, and whatsoever things ye shall declare loosed," or non-essential, on earth shall be declared "loosed in Heaven"—so carefully would the Great Head supervise the words of those who were His mouthpieces to the Church.

With St. Paul we can then agree that "The Word of God is sufficient, that the man of God may be thoroughly furnished." (II Timothy iii. 15-17.)

The Emperor Constantine, a convert to Christianity, noted that the teachings of the various bishops were quite contradictory. Although not baptized, he recognized that if these teachers were Divinely guided their testimony would be harmonious.

Constantine, in A. D. 325, convened the Council of Nicea—called an "Apostolic Council," because the bishops were thought to be living apostles. Although Emperor Constantine proffered transportation free, only about one-third of the bishops attended—385. For days, weeks and months disputes prevailed; and finally the Emperor gave the decision respecting the wording of the Creed. And that Nicene Creed was promulgated as the Christian Faith; and the edict went forth that all who would not accept it should be banished. Thus uniformity of Faith was effected by a worldly prince.

For twelve centuries after this, Apostolic Succession continued, operating through "Apostolic Councils" and creeds. Is it any wonder that in all those fifteen centuries the Truth itself was buried under a mass of superstition, error, false doctrine?

Bible the Torch of Progress.

For four centuries the Bible has been coming back to the people. Proportionately liberty has been enlightening the world. Ignorance, superstition and persecution have been yielding to nobility and justice. We all praise God that we live in a day when it is no longer considered Godlike, Christlike, to persecute others!

But, alas! for the past fifty years the influence of the Bible is on the wane! Infidelity, styled Higher Criticism, is rapidly undermining faith in the Bible.

The present Pope, realizing the situation, has banned Higher Criticism in all Catholic institutions and has issued an order that the faith of all Catholic ecclesiastics and teachers be tested by oath. He sees, too, that faith in Apostolic Succession is gone from the masses, and that to preserve religious faith the masses must be directed back to the words of Jesus, the Twelve Apostles and the Prophets, as the only inspired authority on religion. We commend his course and rejoice in it.

Safe For a Short Distance.

A young man who is blessed with a Scotch kinsman need never fear that he will be allowed to hold too high an opinion of himself.

"What do you think of my project to study law?" asked young Witherby of his great-uncle, Robert Donaldson, a person whom he was desirous to propitiate.

"I should call it a very harmless amusement," said Mr. Donaldson dryly after a comprehensive survey of the young man's fatuous face and gay attire, "if not carried too far."

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E. T. MASS
SHERIFF

Candidate for Re-Election.
Democratic Nominee.

TO THE LEGAL VOTERS OF
CLACKAMAS COUNTY:

Being a candidate for re-election and believing my first duty to be to attend to the duties of the office to which I was elected and therefore being unable to interview the voters in person, I take this method of familiarizing the public of an outline of what has transpired in the sheriff's office. I desire to call attention to the fact that the 1910 tax roll was \$75,000 larger than 1909, the 1911 tax roll \$150,000 larger than 1910 that owing to the increase of population, etc., of the county, 1,000 more tax receipts were issued in 1910 than in 1909 and 3,500 more than when my opponent was last chief deputy sheriff. Therefore this office waited on 1900 more tax payers than did the sheriff of 1910, and 3,500 more tax payers than when my opponent was last chief deputy. There were 39 more cases in the Circuit Court in 1911, not including County Court cases, such as non-support of family or contributing to the delinquency of minors, etc., that there were 20 more in jail in 1911 than in 1910. As shown by the records kept by my opponent, there were only four men in jail in four years when he was last deputy sheriff, against 81 in my first year. The fees for serving civil papers in one year were one half more than the whole four years my opponent was deputy last.

That owing to increase of population there was a general increase in crime. There were two blind murder cases, one very brutal and atrocious, in which I made every honest and possible effort to apprehend the guilty parties, for which effort I was commended by the grand jury in their final report and the following letter which I hereby submit. If you approve of this record, I solicit your support for re-election.

E. T. MASS,
Sheriff.

TO THE LAW ABIDING CITIZENS
OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY

On account of recent attacks made for political purposes on the standing and official worth of Sheriff E. T. Mass, I am compelled by a sense of fairness and justice to make reference in this public manner to the revolting crime that robbed me of a beloved daughter and her husband and two beautiful and innocent grandchildren that were the joy and sunshine of my declining years. I refer to the murder of William Hill, his wife and two children.

I desire to say as emphatically as it is possible for human utterance to make it that in the official investigation undertaken by Sheriff Mass immediately following that foul crime, and which has been pursued with dogged determination and without intermission up to the present time, he has done all and more than could be expected of an honest, intelligent and efficient officer. More than this, he has accomplished that which had been given the support and assistance to which he was entitled by right and by law from the state's officials, would have enabled him to bring to justice the perpetrator of the foulest crime ever committed in the state.

These statements are made by me with a full and intimate knowledge of the facts. That which is done can not be undone, and no human agency can return to me and mine the loved ones so brutally slain. But I can and do render the tribute of appreciation to the honest worth of Sheriff Mass. As a sorrowing father and grandfather I thank and honor him; as an old time resident of Clackamas County I commend to my friends and to those residents of the county who hold honesty and efficiency in an official office as motives of petty politicians.

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The Secret of Golf.

The true secret of successful golf is accurate iron play. A man cannot be a really first class player unless he is more or less a master of all manner of iron clubs. Dearly accurate approach will make up for many defects in wooden club play, and in consequence it is the iron clubs above any other with which a player should practice. I am not going to say that it is necessary for a player to be a complete master of every class of iron shot and to have intimate knowledge of the correct way of playing them, but I will say that it is absolutely necessary for a player who is anxious to attain any great measure of success to have a good command of his iron clubs.—Outing.

Adam's Mistake.

Eve had just come in from the wood, where she had gathered unto herself a fine new costume of autumn leaves.

"How do you like my new dress, Adie?" she said, striking an attitude before him.

"It's a peach," said Adam admiringly.

"No, dear; it's a maple," returned Eve.

It was about this time that it began to be rumored about that women have no sense of humor.—Lippincott's.

Roosevelt Vote Looms Immense

NEW YORK HERALD POLL CONCEDES HIM VICTORY.

Metropolitan Newspaper Bitterly Opposed to Progressive Candidates Finds Small Comfort for Any Others in Contest.

Though bitterly opposed to the election of Theodore Roosevelt, the New York Herald, by its own figures, gives the strongest hope of success to the Progressive Party yet held forth. To date the Herald has held two polls of the sentiment in various parts of the nation, and the conclusion to be drawn from both of these is that a Roosevelt landslide will occur in November.

The first poll, taken about two weeks ago, indicates that in New York Roosevelt will have a plurality of 239,000 over Taft, who will be his nearest competitor.

16,000 Over Wilson.
In Connecticut, in this same poll, the Herald concedes Roosevelt a plurality of 16,000 over Wilson and a plurality of 23,000 over Taft. Pennsylvania is conceded to Roosevelt without any doubt; and in Indiana the Herald sets forth that Roosevelt will have a plurality of at least 16,000 over Taft.

So startling did these conclusions seem to the Herald that a more extensive poll was taken, returns from which were published October 6. This second review of the political situation shows Roosevelt in undisputed lead in eleven states, and puts Taft in third place in all but five states, in these five his position being second by a narrow margin. In eleven other states covered by the poll Roosevelt support is shown to be growing at a remarkable rate, and tremendous votes in his favor are indicated.

More Roosevelt States.
Details of this second Herald poll show that in Wyoming every poll and straw vote taken gives Roosevelt a big lead over all. In Montana a safe plurality is indicated, while in Colorado a landslide of ten to one in Roosevelt's favor is indicated.

The Herald concedes Oregon to Roosevelt by 12,000 plurality. In California a plurality of between 100,000 and 150,000 is indicated for Roosevelt and Johnson, with a similar victory for the state Progressive ticket.
Nebraska, in spite of the efforts of Bryan, is regarded by the Herald as safe for Roosevelt, while Pennsylvania is shown to be still stronger for the Colonel than the first poll indicated.

Twice as Many as Taft.
Michigan is set down as favoring Roosevelt to the extent of 50,000 plurality. In Kentucky the Herald believes that Roosevelt will receive twice as many votes as Taft, while Kansas is reported as being overwhelmingly in the Roosevelt column. A plurality of over 100,000 is indicated in Illinois.

Aside from these states the Herald poll shows 50,000 votes for Roosevelt in Alabama; a third of the total vote in Georgia; a large percentage of the Confederate soldiers' vote in Arkansas; from 25,000 to 75,000 democratic votes in Tennessee, and a large vote in Louisiana.

Indiana is regarded as safe for Roosevelt; 25,000 votes are conceded him in Mississippi; Missouri shows a rapidly growing strength in his favor; and Maine and New Jersey are regarded as fertile soil for the growth of Roosevelt sentiment.

The Herald finds that in Massachusetts the fight is entirely between the Progressive Party and the Democrats, and Roosevelt is regarded as a favorite.
This report from a paper avowedly opposed to Roosevelt, is regarded as being one of the most striking indications of the strength of the Progressive Party leader.

Many Brokers in Line.

While speculators and capitalists are not in sympathy with Theodore Roosevelt or with the Progressive Party, it is interesting to note that in a poll taken of brokers and dealers in the New York stock exchange, 34 men were found who declared with vigor that they were for the Colonel. Three of these brokers said they were out and out Bull Moosemen; 29 declared that they were Republicans who were going to vote for Roosevelt, and two said they were Democrats, but were going to vote for Roosevelt for president.

Travelers Favor Colonel.

Travelers from The Dalles to Portland upon an O.-W. R. & N. train were polled for an expression of political preference on October 7, and the balloting showed a good lead for Colonel Roosevelt. The vote stood: Roosevelt 74, Wilson 21, Taft 20 and Debs 4. Just before the train left The Dalles a poll was taken in one of the leading hotels, and showed the three leading candidates about evenly favored, the figures being 21, 29 and 19.

Roosevelt is Favored.

Employees of the commercial department of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company are more than two to one in favor of Roosevelt for President, according to a straw vote taken recently.

Buttons in Demand.

A number of cigar stores in Portland have been giving away Roosevelt, Wilson and Taft buttons with each purchase. Two of these stores have already been forced to send for a new supply of Roosevelt buttons, but the Wilson and Taft signs seem to hold out well.

Tillamook County Right.

A poll of Nestucca precinct, Tillamook county, taken by John Heilenbrand, Progressive committeeman, shows the following result: Roosevelt 30, Wilson 20, Taft and Debs 5 each.

CATTLE MARKET HAS INCREASED STRENGTH

The Portland Union Stock Yards Company reports as follows: Receipts for the week were 1262, 56 calves calves, 3633 hogs, 5880 sheep and 26 horses.

There was some little difference of opinion among buyers and sellers as to whether or not the cattle market was as high last week as any time during the fall. There was an undeniable stiffening in prices as compared with the week previous and it was generally conceded that the market was full strong and in some particulars higher than last week. A glance at the scales will show steers at \$7 and cows at \$6.50.

The hog market was strong to 15c higher this week. Buyers stated that the advance in price was due to the extreme quality of the offering. There has not been a great deal of quality to the hogs that have been offered this fall. Growers have not taken the trouble to finish their hogs, rushing them into the market in only a fairly fat condition. This has had a tendency to reflect on the prices.

The sheep market was fully strong throughout.

Prevailing Oregon City prices are as follows:

DRIED FRUITS—(Buying), Prunes on basis 6 to 8 cents.
HIDES—(Buying), Green hides 5c to 7c; salted 7c; dry hides 12c to 14c; sheep pelts 30c to 85c each.
EGGS—Oregon ranch eggs 35 and 38 cents case count.
FEED—(Selling), Shorts \$27; bran \$25; process barley \$38 per ton.
FLOUR—\$4.60 to 5.50.
POTATOES—New, about 50c to 60c per hundred.
POULTRY—(Buying)—Hens 11c; spring 13c, an droosters 8c.
HAY—(Buying), Clover at \$9 and \$10; oat hay best \$11 and \$12; mixed \$10 to \$12; alfalfa \$15 to \$16.50; Idaho timothy \$20; whole corn \$40; cracked \$41.
OATS—\$26; wheat \$1.05 bushel; oil meal selling about \$55; Shay Brook dairy feed \$1.30 per hundred pounds.

Butter, Poultry, Eggs.

BUTTER—(Buying), Ordinary country butter 30c and 35c; fancy dairy 80c roll.

Livestock, Meats.

BEEF—(Live Weight), Steers 5 1-2c and 6 1-4c; cows 4 1-2 and 5c; bulls 3 1-2c.

MUTTON—Sheep 3c to 5c.

PORK—10 12c and 11c.

VEAL—Calves 12c to 13c dressed, according to grade.

CHICKENS—11c.

MOHAIR—33c to 35c.

Fruits

APPLES—70c and \$1; peaches 50c and 65c; crab apples 2c lb.

VEGETABLES

ONIONS 1c lb; peppers 7c lb; tomatoes, 50c; corn 8c and 10c a doz.

Monsoon Forecasts.

To make a monsoon forecast the weather prophet of the Indian government must study the meteorological phenomena of Africa, South America and Australia as well as those of the Himalayas and Central Asia.

A Good Rule.
When thou wishest to give thyself delight think of the excellences of those who live with thee—for instance, of the energy of one, the modesty of another, the liberal kindness of a third.—Marcus Aurelius.

A Dead One.
"The doctor says that I will live about a year."
"That will be a great change for you."
"What will?"
"Living."—New York Press.

Heligoland's Sundays.
The Sabbath begins in Heligoland at 6 o'clock on Saturday evening, when the church bell is rung, and ceases on the following day at the same hour. At one time no vessel was permitted to leave the port during the Sabbath.

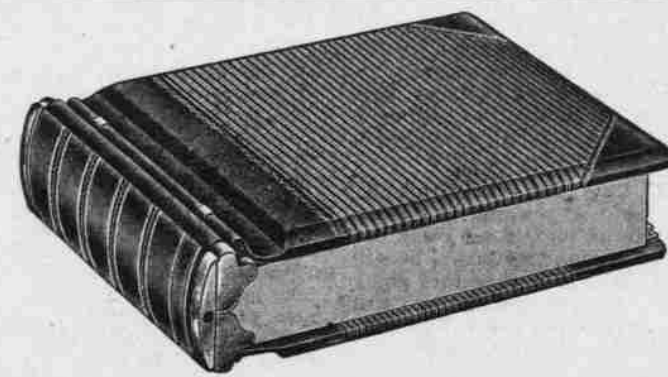
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