

RELIGIO-SCIENTIFIC SKETCHES ON HUMAN PROGRESS



THE SEVENTH DAY OR EPOCH

In this presentation, we are following a line of thought which seems to be growing in acceptance among Bible students. We are living in the Seventh Creative Epoch, or Day—that began where the Sixth Day closed, after God had created Adam in His own image and likeness.—Genesis 1:26, 27.

God there rested from His work—from creating. He foreknew the permission of Sin and its dire effects upon humanity. He foreknew the steps He would take in providing ultimately a Redeemer for the race, and that the Redeemer would select a little company of believers, figuratively styled the Bride of Christ. To this Redeemer and His Bride, God intended to give the dominion, control of Earth. God purposed that Messiah's Kingdom of Righteousness should eventually uplift the willing and obedient from Sin and Death conditions.

God rested from His work of creating in that He did not actively employ His Power to overthrow Sin and uplift mankind. God rested the matter in the hands of the Redeemer, Jesus, to be accomplished through His sacrifice for sins and His glorious Reign for the release of mankind from Sin and Death. The Church, God's new creation of this rest period, is Heavenly, not earthly.—2 Corinthians 5:17; Hebrews 3:1; 4:1-4.

It is claimed that, according to the Bible chronology, six thousand years from Adam have already passed. If so, the thousand years of Messiah's Reign, which is to close the great Seventh Epoch-Day, is near at hand.

According to this beautiful theory, the work of Messiah in His thousand-year Reign soon to begin will complete the Creation. Not only will the race be brought to human perfection, but incidentally man will have obtained the needed experience in respect to good and evil. Meantime, also, the Earth will be gradually coming to a state of perfection—Paradise restored world-wide. Both human perfection and the perfection of the Earth were fittingly represented in Eden, when Adam was in his Maker's image—a King.

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Neutrality

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authorized act of Great Britain into a war in which we meddle not and which we wish to avoid if justice to all parties and from all parties will enable us to avoid it. In the case where we found ourselves obliged by treaty to withhold from the enemies of France the right to arm in our ports, we thought ourselves in justice bound to withhold the same right from France also, and we did it. Were we to withhold from her supplies of provisions, we should in like manner be bound to withhold them from her enemies also, and thus to shut to ourselves all the ports of Europe where corn is in demand. This is a dilemma which Great Britain has no right to force on us, and for which no pretext can be found in any part of our conduct. She may indeed feel the desire of starving an enemy nation, but she can have no right of doing it at our loss or of making us the instruments of it.

Extracts from the Third Annual Message of Thomas Jefferson (Ford Ed. VIII, 272) October 1803.

1) Let it be our endeavor, as it is our interest and desire, to cultivate the friendship of the belligerent nations by every act of justice and incessant kindness, receive their armed vessels with hospitality, but to administer the means of annoyance to none. To establish in our harbor such a police as may maintain law and or-

der, to restrain our citizens from embarking individually in a war in which this country takes no part; to punish severely those persons, citizens or aliens who shall usurp the cover of our flag for vessels not entitled to it, infecting thereby with suspicion those of real Americans and committing us to controversies for the redress of wrongs not our own.

To Thos. Pinckney, Sept., 1793.

... The loss of our produce destined for foreign markets, or that loss which would result from an arbitrary restraint of our markets is a tax too serious for us to acquiesce in. It is not enough for a nation to say we and our friends will buy your produce. We have a right to answer that it suits us better to sell to their enemies as well as their friends. Our ships do not go to France to return empty, they go to exchange the surplus of our produce for surpluses of other kinds which they can spare and we want, and which they can furnish on better terms and more to our mind than Great Britain, or her friends. We have a right to judge what market best suits us, and they have none to forbid us.

To James Madison, (1785.)

Nothing will bring the British to reason but physical obstruction applied to their bodily senses. We must show that we are capable of foregoing commerce with them, before they will be capable of consenting to an equal commerce.

To Caesar A. Rodney.

... Their (the English) merchants established among us the bonds by which our own are chained to their feet and the banking combinations interwoven with the whole, have shown the extent of their control. . . This is the British influence to which I am an enemy, and which we must subject to our government or it will subject us to that of Great Britain.

This was written in March, 1815. It was prophetic.—E. K.)

POLAND A DESERT; FUTURE IS DARK

Every Second Man In the Country Is Now a Refugee.

PEOPLE IN WANT OF FOOD.

Robert Crozier Long Makes Extended Tour of Country and Finds Great Devastation and Much Suffering. Tells Exactly What He Has Seen and What People Face.

London.—Robert Crozier Long, author and special correspondent, has written an account of his extended tour of the war devastated districts of Poland. In it he says:

"'Finis Poloniae,' Kosciusko's epitaph on his country, has been realized.

"A tour of central and south Poland and the Polish parts of Galicia convinces me of that. I visited all the chief towns and many villages, or ruins of villages, in 10,000 square miles of country lying between the Austro-German lines and the Vistula in a semicircle from the Bzura to the Nida. I visited also the basin of the Dunajec and Willoka, the theater of the sanguinary May day outbreak. The country is a desert, the home of nomads. I got my first glimpse of it on the Bzura, west of Warsaw, where during a four months' artillery duel every habitation has disappeared.

"I reached this battle front first after dusk and from an observation tower saw the remnants were gaunt, erect pillars. This is typical of burnt out Poland. A street of frame cottages, often straw thatched, catches fire from the first shell and only ugly rows of brick chimneys are left.

"Isolated factories all have been destroyed, mostly by airmen's bombs on the suspicion that they were staff headquarters. Thirty villages either were burned or blown up.

"The governor of Radom assured me that in his province 500 villages had been burned. Refugees assure me that in a circle extending thirty miles around Lodz only five villages were spared.

"Poland's population is suffering as no Europeans have suffered since the Thirty Years' war. Every second man is a refugee. Warsaw has 60,000 refugees, a third of them Jews. In Radom I found 15,000 refugees, in Kielce 20,000.

"A Warsaw rabbi assured me that 100,000 Jews from the towns of Lodz, Piotrkow and Lowicz are without homes. Many refugees still tramp the roads, begging desparingly from people themselves beggars. Many thousands are huddled in the tottering fragments of cottages, while 10,000 are shivering in the abandoned trenches and terraced Russian dugouts at Skaryszow.

"I met many refugees without food or money and mostly ill clad. Near Ostrowiec was a dreary procession of men in thick sheepskin coats without other clothing, women in men's trousers and children in dresses improvised from shawls.

"Such is Poland's present. The future will be even worse. The country, ravaged and irreclaimable, begins to resemble the primeval Sarmatian waste. Roads, forests and even fields have vanished.

"The roads which have been repaired cannot bring food to civilians, for all are crowded by parallel transport columns. The fields were destroyed by transport and artillery trains, which, finding the roads too narrow, spread right and left, obliterating farms.

"Winter grain was not sown, and there is no seed grain for spring.

"The worst, because it is irremediable, is the forest destruction. Some woods have been hewn wholesale to make causeways through morasses, some to pave roads, some to make a clear field for artillery, some shelled to bits because they afforded shelter for troops, some drenched with petroleum and burned. This forest devastation means for Poland generations of beggary."

FIRMNESS; ARE WE LACKING

A reputation for firmness is a valuable asset, not only for an individual, but for a nation also.

There was a time when an order or ultimatum issued by the United States government was taken seriously by other nations, knowing Uncle Samuel was always ready to enforce his demands. This reputation has, heretofore, kept her at peace with the world and yet command respect.

During the civil war the French invaded Mexico against the protests of the United States. When the war was over and America had control of the seas and her armies were ready to be turned into Mexico the French promptly retired.

In the boundary dispute between Great Britain and Venezuela the former proceeded against the latter in defiance of the expressed wish of America until President Cleveland sent his Venezuela message, "Arbitrate or fight." The British chose the former.

Germany hoisted her flag over the customhouse of Venezuela against the expressed wish of America. President Roosevelt assembled our whole fleet at Guantanamo, then requested Germany to haul down her flag. The request was complied with.

Huerta shook his fist at the American flag. President Wilson ordered him to salute it. Huerta laughed in his face. Today Huerta is an honored guest of this country.

During the present European war, England has seized American ships on the high seas carrying non-contraband goods, holding them contrary to International laws and against the protest of the United States.

Protest after protest has been sent to Germany in regard to the rights of neutral ships on the high seas.

It is hinted that our battleship fleet in its cruise around the world was permitted, (by Japan) to go to the Pacific Ocean only on the assurance that it would be out of that ocean by a fixed date. That peace with Japan to this date has been secured by the present administration and war averted by the assurance that America would speedily retire from the Phillipine Islands.

There is certainly a reason for such a change in the attitude of nations toward the United States, and there is reason to view it with alarm. On the frontier in early days a man was respected according to the size of his six-shooter and his disposition to use it. This holds good with nations as well.

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