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If Miss Davenport committed suicide as is generally supposed, she was only following the route which women of her class usually sooner or later take.

It may seem singular that complaints are arising in Oregon of too little rain during the winter months but for the past month there has been but comparatively little rain and the farmers and fruit growers are fearing it will be detrimental to the crops.

The Roseburg Plumber says, "Burn your Montgomery Ward, and Sears, Roebuck & Co.'s catalogues and trade with home merchants."

This suggestion applies not only to Roseburg but every other place as well. If you should happen to want something not in stock, your merchant will see that you get it. At any rate patronize home institutions as far as possible and keep money at home.

It is only a month until the city election will occur. As yet there is little if any evidence of candidates for office. Thus far Frank H. Rosenberg is the only one who has been mentioned that we can learn of and it is said he is willing to accept the nomination for city recorder. It would be a very good idea for those interested to canvass the situation and be prepared to see that good selections are made.

Roosevelt in Politics.

Mr. Roosevelt has made his own precedents in politics as well as in statesmanship. Two years ago even his nomination was in doubt. He forced his rivals in his own party out of the field by frankly avowing his candidacy and compelling the party leaders to speak out in the hearing of the people and say whether they were for or against him. He secured resolutions of endorsement from state conventions a year in advance. He galloped over all opposition in his party, and when he had lassoed the nomination, he galloped over all opposition in the nation as well. Not only did he break all records in the size of his majorities, but he captured even the men who had voted against him. The democratic party hailed him after election as an exponent of democratic principles. Mr. Bryan gave his policies the seal of his own distinguished approval, and his measures won the cordial support of the democrats in congress. Every president professes to be not the chief of a party but of the American people, but never since James Monroe has there been one who could make that profession with such good reason as can Theodore Roosevelt.—Collier's Weekly.

Commercial Club.

The regular meeting of the Commercial Club was held Tuesday evening. The electric light question was again taken up and E. A. Johnson stated that he was ready to install the plant, if sufficient encouragement was given the enterprise. He will present the matter regarding a franchise at the next meeting of the town council.

Ways and means for encouraging a better attendance and larger membership of the club was also discussed. The citizens of this community should take enough interest in the development of this section to join hands with the Club and help push, but there seems to be a strong tendency to hold back and do nothing. The Club cannot expect to accomplish much unless the citizens wake up and take an interest.

The financial committee reported that they had paid Mr. Mires for expense at Salem, \$128.75, and that there would be a small fund left over for the Club treasury.—Drain Nonpareil.

COMMUNICATIONS

When Doctors Disagree, Etc.

For man absorbed in workaday life there is said to be a calming restful influence in the peaceful atmosphere supposed to appertain to religious services in a church.

Maybe there is. The writer visited a local church last evening (Sunday) and listened to an interesting discourse, which was, according to the speaker's preliminary remarks an explanation of Christian Science.

The preacher commenced by telling the story of an unworthy man who was brought before the great Alexander, and upon being asked his name replied: "My name is Alexander," whereupon the great ruler said: "Change thy name, or honor it."

He (the preacher) then promptly proceeded to tear to pieces—metaphorically—the text-book of Christian Science, written by Mrs. Bak or Eddy. With unerring precision he picked out Mrs. Eddy's weak points, one by one, and nearly every one "reminded him of a little story."

These "little stories"—some of them were slightly tinged with coarseness, and seasoned with a little vulgarity, one relating to an "aged brother" (to use the speaker's words) who requested his hostess to instruct him in the mechanism of a bath tub as he "had never taken a bath in his life." Another went into a detailed account of the comparative merits of different methods of removing vermin from a person's hair. These stories, considered as a part of a—presumably—religious service, were very edifying, but slightly defective as an "explanation" of the perhaps over-reaching enthusiasm of a writer in the cause of Christianity whose zealous honesty of purpose most liberal thinkers are willing to concede.

With very obvious self-satisfaction the speaker scored the "unscientific" character of Mrs. Eddy's theories; and the easy complacency with which he held Christian Science doctrine up to derision, and his apparent unconsciousness of the fact that, to the impartial scholar, the bible presents itself as almost a collection of scientific inconsistencies, were all very enjoyable and restful to one who is neither a Christian sectarian, or Christian Scientist, but merely a disinterested and consequently impartial listener.

Parentetically it may be said that in the trifling matter of natural and scientific inconsistencies the bible compares very unfavorably with the Koran, a fact which constitutes one of the most embarrassing obstacles to the Christian missionary who labors in the Orient.

With appropriate facetiousness the speaker ridiculed Christian Science as impracticable and unscientific in the light of "Knowledge—generalized, systematized and verified."

What a pity that Jesus did not have the advantage of this Cottage Grove preacher's advanced conceptions of "Knowledge—generalized, systematized, and verified." If he had he would never have made the mistake of spitting on the ground and curing the blind with a mixture of saliva and road dust; or of suggesting that the dead be left to be buried by the dead; or of turning water into wine; or of ordering a deputation of "evil spirits," to vacate their residence in a man's interior and transfer them to an adjacent group of unfortunate swine; or of permitting his disciples, in their ecstatic enthusiasm, to spread and report that he had raised the dead. All this was so deplorably unscientific, unsanitary, and impracticable in the light of "knowledge—generalized, systematized and verified."

One can imagine how this preacher would have laughed, and the brilliant satirical gems of speech of which he would have delivered himself if he had witnessed Jesus performing these wholly unscientific acts. After listening to this gentleman's "explanation" and for the purpose of comparative information upon basic arguments, the writer inquired of a Christian Scientist: "What is your definition of God?"

The reply was: "Christian Science defines God as divine principle, the one infinite mind or intelligence, and he added, "Man is an atom or reflection of this Intelligence."

Now that definition does not strike one as remarkable for its suggestion of ignorance. It is the definition of the late Herbert Spencer, admittedly one of the world's greatest thinkers, and a truly religious man; religious in the profound and pure, not the common and prostituted sense of the word. It is the definition of the world's great scholars, past and present, sacerdotial and otherwise.

This preacher says that Christian Scientists "may go too far in their enthusiasm." Possibly, it is in the nature of all kinds of enthusiasm to go too far. If history may be relied upon, Christians have used such mildly corrective measures towards other Christians who disagreed with them, as decapitation, and burning at the stake. In the light of "Knowledge—generalized, systematized, and verified" it might be modestly suggested that such educational methods on the part of our Christian forefathers were possibly going a little too far.

Biblical reading is capable of most diversified interpretations, witness as resultant proof the numerous sects into which the Christian church is divided, and as a case in point the preacher, last evening, with generous impartiality grouped all who disagree with him—or rather all with whom he disagrees—as people who "go off on tangents." His particular sect presumably possesses the comprehensive characteristics of Euclid's "endless curve"; all others are "tangents."

If Jesus, the Nazarene, had never given his sublime philosophy to the world it might be reasonable to suppose that in the last 2000 years the popular ideas of the attributes of God would have run many times up and down the entire gamut of extravagant human thought, but since the advent of the Great Master, with his gentle personality, kindly thought, humane, indulgent, charitable disposition, and beautiful conception of

God, it might reasonably be expected that his followers, professed teachers of his word, would make at least a reasonably consistent effort to emulate his example. Sectarianism in its mediocre form seems to preclude the possibility of this being done, hence this preacher declares that those who "go off on tangents" divert attention from the exalting power of the Holy Spirit.

There was a noticeable ring in this declaration suggestive of jealousy, and it struck the writer as being the motif of the entire discourse, or diatribe—with the naturally sequent suggestion that the church organization would have sustained no loss and the speaker's reputation for intellectual acumen would probably have been enhanced, if he had—after taking up the collection—given utterance to this single sentence and dismissed the congregation. The great Nazarene was a builder; there are those who tear down. Jesus never rebuked those who were working for him, although their methods did not accord with his ideas,—except when their ignorant enthusiasm showed a tendency to uncharitableness or violence.

Men like this preacher satirize and denounce fellow workers in Christianity who happen to interpret the teachings of the Master in a manner differing from theirs.

Renan says, "The sublime and beautiful conception of God evolved from the mind of Jesus is the basis of his unique position in the world's history."

The peaceful, loving attributes of the God of Jesus displaced the just but otherwise warlike and sometimes bloodthirsty and vindictive God of those of earlier times. The name of Jesus will doubtless stand for all time as the great founder of a great church, eventually the church universal. The methods of Jesus' followers will vary as their number, and such of his professed teachers as choose to promote his work by adopting the methods of a mountebank must necessarily—by reason of their being out of harmony with the accepted principles of their master—remain in insignificant obscurity, their only reward, aside from their salary, being—to use Disraeli's term—the intoxication of their own verbosity.

In closing his remarks the speaker asked if any of his hearers desired to ask any questions, a challenge somewhat suggestive of the clown's announcement that anyone desiring to do so may step down out of the audience and ride the trick mule, well knowing the disinclination of the ordinary and untrained spectator to venture into the middle of the ring.

As told above this preacher last evening commenced his discourse with a story having for its climax the obligation "Change thy Name, or Honor it." To a narrow thinking bigoted sectarian this story is commended as worthy of thought. It has possibilities of inverse application.

D. E. WELSH,
Cottage Grove, Feb. 27th, '05

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Barley, rolled.....	.22 50
Oats.....	.27 00
Flour.....	4.30-4.75
Iran.....	21.00 per ton
Middling.....	25.00 "
Shorts.....	25.00 "
Chops.....	18.00 "

HAY.

Timothy.....	14 @ 15
Clover.....	11 @ 12
Grain.....	11 @ 12
Cheat.....	11 @ 12
Onions, per 100 lb.....	2.40 @ 2.57
Honey, per case.....	3.00 @ 3.25
Potatoes, new Oregon fancy.....	90 @ 1.00

BUTTER, EGGS, POULTRY, ETC.

Eggs, ranch.....	.25
" Eastern.....	.24

BUTTER

Extra creamery.....	22 1/2-27 1/2
Fancy creamery.....	20 @ 22 1/2
Dairy.....	17 @ 20 1/2

POULTRY.

Cheekens.....	11 @ 11 1/2
Springs.....	12-12 1/2
Broilers.....	12 1/2-13
Wild geese.....	2.50
Ducks.....	8.00-9.00
Pigeons.....	1.00-1.25
Hops.....	.25
Wool.....	.30-.31
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