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THOSE WHO STRIVE WILL ATTAIN

'Mid the silence of the night,
When the mind had weary grown,
Seemed to come a vision, bright,
Of a poem yet unknown,
And I purposed, then, to write
Lines which ne'er the heart had
stirred,
But my inspiration blurred,
And those thoughts fled out of sight.
Then, I tried, so hard I tried,
Wishing all the while, I trow,
I could stem the low ebb-tide,
Quickened thought waves, now so slow,
Gather in, from scenes long past,
Brilliant thoughts, replete at last,
Could I weave them in just so
That this vision, thence, might last.
Then my mind began to act,
Darting, shooting here and there,
Ever searching, but, alas!
Mother Hubbard like, so there,
Like her cupboard it was bare,
Thus I found myself set back,
Theme so grand, dispelled like air,
For of knowledge I did lack.
Thus, while striving high to climb,
Being weary but alert,
I was led to thoughts sublime,
For I wove to make words rhyme,
And perceived 'tis not by spurt
That the mountain's top we gain,
But by steady climbing up
We shall Wisdom's dome attain.
Why should I, then, try to keep
Pace with men whose minds are
trained,
Men who lofty heights have gained?
Why should I, this rugged road,
Seek to traverse to the peak,
Fight for knowledge to obtain
Place of honor, and to reap
Praises from the world and fame?
Plain the answer comes to man,
God, the Lord, has laid the plan,
And His creature He invites,
To prepare and cross the span
Which divides a clime so biest,
From a world of sin and pain,
And for entrance to His rest,
Man must glorify His name.

SHOULD BE SEPARATE

There is open rupture, in France, between church and state, and there no doubt ought to be. Under present conditions and arrangements it could hardly be otherwise, especially when we consider each in its peculiar manner of governing.

The one purports to be God's way of ruling the people while the other is decidedly that of man; one purposes to rule by love, that is, that its subjects will do right because it is right and for the reason that they love to do so, while on the other hand, the state proposes that its subjects must do what the governing power decides is right, and it stands ready to enforce its demands by the power of its armies; thus we have one institution that purposes to rule by love and the other by force, and unite these into one machine, then church would claim the right to dictate as to what was right and the state would come after to enforce its demands and then—if you did not have hell what in the name of common sense would you have?

Governing principles so diverse in manner of ruling when united under one body of control, and that institution imperfect in knowledge, certainly will never bring about that universal peace which must char-

acterize the millennial reign.

We believe in divine rule, but it must needs be a ruler whose knowledge is infinite, and whose sense of justice is tempered by mercy; one who is able to understand the intents and purposes of the hearts of his subjects, otherwise there will be mistakes and so long as imperfect conditions exist there can be no general peace.

Take, for instance, conditions as they exist at the present; suppose that a trial of church and state were thought of in our own country, which one of all the hundreds of churches represented should or could be selected. Each claims to be right, and so far as we are aware, each claims to be led and guided by the Divine Spirit, yet there is such disagreement existing between most of them, at least, that it would not take a very wise man long to make the discovery that only the carnal spirit is represented, for we can readily discern that the Spirit of Truth is not, neither can be divided. Two men of diverse opinions on the same subject cannot both be right although each claim divine authority; both may be wrong but only one can be right, and the same is true of the many churches. If they disagree upon the principles of the gospel, they can not all be right, for the Spirit of Truth is not divided against itself.

If such attempt was made then the church with the greatest membership would stand the best chance of selection, and put state behind it to enforce its diction and we would have the history of the dark ages repeated.

In church we have leadership, those who think and teach, and in state we have the executive; unite these and the leadership becomes the executive power and if there was not infinite wisdom to lead, there would be almost anything but a reign of peace. The sword as a Christianizing influence would hardly be a success, and yet this is practically what church and state would become if closely allied under present conditions.

Tillamook is dispensing its saloon favors with an eye to getting rid of the "blind pig" business, one would judge by the record given of those to whom liquor license has been issued, as most of the licensees have been convicted of selling liquor without license and some of them, also, of gambling. This looks much like placing the lawless element in control to enforce order.

The Art of Carpentry.

How many common figurative expressions in our language are borrowed from the art of carpentry may be seen from the following sentence: "The lawyer who filed the bill, shaved the note, cut an acquaintance, split a hair, made an entry, got up a case, framed an indictment, impaneled a jury, put them into a box, nailed a witness, hammered a judge and bored a whole court, all in one day, has since laid down law and turned carpenter."

Contrary Human Nature.

"I suppose it is our natural contrariness which makes us do such paradoxical things."

"Such as what?"

"As makes us long for things when we are short."—Baltimore American.

Annoying.

First Angel—What is that spirit fussing in? Second Angel—She says her hair sticks out beyond her halo. —Harper's Bazar.

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