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Ingersoll Memorial Services.

TALENT, Sept. 25, 1899.

The first meeting of the Wagner Creek Secular Sunday School after the summer vacation was held in the U. M. L. hall yesterday, and devoted to memorial services in honor of Robert G. Ingersoll.

There was a large attendance including many from neighboring towns. An interesting program was rendered consisting of a short address by W. J. Dean, music (which included a gramaphone entertainment furnished by young Master Burriss of Ashland, and which called forth a vote of thanks) recitations, readings, etc.

The following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, It is fitting and proper for the Freethinkers to hold in grateful remembrance one whose life work was devoted to freeing humanity from mental bondage in all its forms; therefore be it

Resolved, by the Wagner Creek Secular society: That by the death of Robert G. Ingersoll, Freethought has lost one of its greatest champions of mental liberty; one who by example as well as by matchless logic and eloquence has done as much towards the uplifting of the human race from the dismal depths of superstition as any other individual living or dead; that no one has done more to demonstrate to the thinkers of this world that the so-called Holy Scriptures are, for the most part, false in fact, absurd in theory and were "written by ignorance at the instigation of fear;" that he has by plain, yet unanswerable reasoning shown the uselessness of prayer, the absurdity of prophecy, the impossibility of miracle and the "infinite injustice" of vicarious atonement; that above all we should honor him for his noble efforts in defending the "Liberties of Man, Woman and Child."

Resolved, That this society sincerely mourns the death of Freethought's great leader and extends a heartfelt sympathy and condolence to his bereaved family.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the leading Liberal journals and also to the local papers for publication.

The following is the address delivered by W. J. Dean:

We have met to do honor to the memory of one of nature's greatest noblemen who has passed to that state called death; but though his eloqent voice is forever stilled; though his generous hand will not again be extended in sympathetic charity; though his kindly smile and magnetic presence has ceased to be seen and felt, yet his written words—words that express the purest and loftiest sentiment will go down the ages and be read by and be an inspiration to millions yet to be.

Considering the results of his teachings and influence as bearing upon the welfare and happiness of mankind, I feel justified in regarding Robert G. Ingersoll as one of the greatest men—none greater—that ever lived on this earth.

Allow me briefly to offer a few reasons for giving his so prominent a place in the galaxy of great names.

All along down the stream of historic time men have believed in supernatural beings, and, for the most part, these invisible gods, ghosts, devils and hobgoblins of earth, air and sky were monsters to be feared, therefore sacrifices and self-inflicted pains and punishments were resorted to to placate or buy off their terrible malice and wrath.

Now the constant fear on the part of man that his actions might not tally with the very fastidious and changeable notions of these supernatural monsters—that some slip of decorum or slight act of disobedience might bring down upon him their merciless anger, has caused more suffering both mental and physical, in this world than perhaps any other one cause that could be named.

To eradicate from the minds of men the belief that the people of this world are, or ever have been, subject to the changeable caprices of supernatural beings, formed a part of the great works of Robert G. Ingersoll, and for which we honor him

His most telling sentences were denunciations of the crimes and cruelties recorded in the Old Testament and his keenest reasoning and most scathing sarcasm were directed to the disabusing of men's minds of the belief that such fiendish acts were either commanded or sanctioned by a being of infinite mercy and goodness.

He could not believe there was a tyrant in the skies who commanded a certain chosen people to commit such cruel acts upon their neighbors—acts that would disgrace the characters of the lowest savage in the wilds of Africa—and for this we should honor him.

We should honor Ingersoll for his splendid efforts in ridiculing the doctrine of "blood atonement," notwithstanding it is the very foundation of the Christain religion. You know in the Old Testament there was no remission of sins without shedding of blood. Among the Jews in those good old times when they were under the immediate government of Jehovah, if any one committed a sin real or imaginary some blood had to be shed as an atonement; and there was always a certain ratio between the sin and the amount of blood required.

For a sin of some magnitude the blood of a score or so of bullocks might answer. For a lesser crime a few sheep, goats or lambs would be sufficient, while for a light offense a couple of turtle doves would do. For every sin great or small blood had to be shed. This satisfied the Almighty and cancelled the debt. In those good old days "every priest was a butcher and every sanctuary a slaughter house."

This more than barbarous system of blood atonement runs on like a scarlet thread through the Old Testament and finally culminates in the great sacrifice of Christ which under certain conditions was to pay the penalty of the sins of the whole people.

And this—and this—the suffering of one for the sins of another is the foundation doctrine of the boasted religion of love, mercy and justice!! Against this savage doctrine Ingersoll launched his most bitter invective. For this we should honor him.

But while the Old Testament recounts the most terrible and savage crimes and cruelties it is INFINITELY better than the New, and I use the word in its fullest sense. In the Old Testament, as Ingersoll has it, "when the Almighty had a man dead he let him alone. The muscles relaxed and the frown gave way to a smile." In the Old Testament no future punishment is threatened. The victim's troubles end with his last breath, but in the New Testament the trouble COMMENCES at death.

The sufferings of this life are as nothing compared with the endless torments in the lurid flames of hell.

Ingersoll made it a rule never to deliver a lecture on religious topics without taking occasion to depict the doctrine of hell with all the burning eloquence at his command. Here he used his keenest satire, his most telling sarcasm. Think of it! The doctrine of an INFINITE punishment for a FINITE crime!!

"The doctrine of eternal punishment was born in the glittering eyes of snakes—snakes that hung in fearful coils watching for their prey. It was born of the howl and bark and growl of wild beasts. It was born of the grin of hyenas and of the depraved chatter of unclean baboons. I despise it with every drop of my blood."

Really, did ever a more utterly barbarous doctrine emanate from the brain of a madman than this? And to think that such a doctrine is one of the main pillars of a religion accepted by millions of people in this enlightened age!!

It has been said that Ingersoll knocked the bottom out of hell. It was retorted that this was impossible as hell was bottomless. But REALLY many of his opponents now frankly admit that through his valiant efforts the fires have cooled down until hades is now a comparatively comfortable locality

And for this noble work alone the human race should rise up as a unit and call him blessed.

Another absurdity claimed his attention—the doctrine that a certain belief is necessary to salvation, and that such belief can be DEMANDED of one.

As if belief was under the control of the will—a mere matter of volition, when it is plainly evident to every intelligent person that belief—genuine belief—is the result of evidence. It cannot be commanded.

For showing up this doctrine in its true light we honor Ingersoll.

We honor him for his most eloquent plea that a divine revelation to be reasonable, to be effective, to be just, should be given to each individual instead of to a few to be retailed to the many.

We honor him for his glowing periods in advocacy of absolute mental liberty—that when fetters of every form are stricken from the human mind man will enter upon an era of progress and development unparalleled by any period in the past.

We would offer a sincere tribute to his memory for his beautiful and pathetic utterances in defense of the rights of mother and child. His eloquent appeals in their behalf will rescund in sweet symphonies down the ages and form a part of the last syllables penned by man.

And, too, the pure and sublime poetry he has left as a legacy to the human race! Ingersoll touched all the chords of the human heart. His tender and beautiful prose poems will be read and re-read as long as love and sympathy are elements of human nature.

In a word, Ingersoll the model husband, Ingersoll the affectionate parent, Ingersoll the generous friend and true patriot, Ingersoll the peerless orator, Ingersoll who could never be bribed by flattery nor frightened by threat, Ingersoll whose quieting motto was

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"It comes from the lower walks of life," as the story teller would put it—those walks that the dainty woman of good fortune seldom sees the dismal and intricate windings of. But it is down among these winding ways that I think the echoes of the Christmas chimes and the hope that comes from the beautiful Christmas story mean most when they are heard, and so I will tell it.

There was small promise of a happier day than usual in the little two rooms "back" where an industrious little woman—what her name is does not matter—and her three tiny children, all as neat as new pins, sat and waited. Waited—for what?

It was Christmas eve, and there is always plenty to wait for on that eve—even Santa Claus himself might come! But the waiting in the little two rooms "back" was of the anxious sort. It was for an unsteady footstep. Holidays always meant that the footstep would be just a trifle more unsteady than at other times.

It was presently heard—just as the faintest sound of the chiming bells stole up to the two rooms "back"—but it was a lighter and more sober tread than the industrious little woman and her three neat toddlers had heard for a long time. It was the step that was the outcome of a good resolution made just a little in advance of the new year and in time to make Christmas day very bright for all in the two rooms "back."

There was a tiny Christmas tree next morning for the children, who had been hurried into bed as soon as the footsteps were heard in the court below, and there was a turkey for all, and "all that with the turkey goes."

This was a year ago and now a few days over. The little industrious woman does not do so many "family washings" nowadays as formerly, and when she took home her last small bundle of beautifully ironed linen to its owner on the Christmas eve that has just gone her face looked very rosy and smiling, for she said: "The children will have a good Christmas tomorrow. John he hasn't drank a drop for this night one year."—St. Louis Republic.

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Weather Report

From the U S Signal Office at Ashland, Oregon.

YEAR	Warmest	Cold'st	Rain Fall
1879	89°	18°	24.33 In
1880	99	13	15.10 "
1881	98	2	26.57 "
1882	97	6	15.79 "
1883	97	9	11.81 "
1884	90	9	17.16 "
1885	103	19	28.73 "
1886	99	17	21.31 "
1887	103	12	19.57 "
1888	101	3	21.80 "
1889	101	16	16.36 "
1890	99	5	20.26 "
1891	102	18	23.74 "
1892	99	21	15.58 "
1893	102	20	24.22 "
1894	100	10	22.28 "
1895	97	12	13.96 "
1896	103	15	24.25 "
1897	105	21	17.72 "
1898	104	13	15.57 "

Record for the year ending Dec. 31, 1898.

MONTH	TEMPERATURE Max.	Min.	Mean.	Rain Fall
January	64°	13°	35.3°	1.38
February	64	24	44.7	1.28
March	67	21	42.3	.68
April	86	25	52.4	.42
May	89	32	55.0	1.55
June	93	35	62.0	1.28
July	104	41	69.0	.22
August	102	44	71.5	1.94
September	99	35	62.0	.39
October	75	28	50.5	1.41
November	68	22	42.3	3.86
December	62	20	38.7	1.16

Total rain fall, 15.57.
Mean Temperature, 52.1.

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