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RELIGIOUS THOUGHT

From Our Exchanges.

Dr. Campbell Morgan, in the London Daily Chronicle, gives his impressions of the way the American people understand and practise religion. He found in his experience in this country a widespread indifference in the matter of personal religion, which he attributed in part to the want of positive leadership. While ministers have been speculative and uncertain the people have become indifferent, but Dr. Morgan has seen signs everywhere of an awakening to the importance of direct evangelistic, and he believes that 'if the church does but know her day and opportunity, America is on the eve of a great religious revival. In the broadest sense of the word, I do not hesitate to affirm that the American people are in their deepest life a religious people. Deep down in the national soul, beneath all the indifference and speculation, is a profound sense of God and man's obligation to Him. It is the continuity until this hour of the Puritan strain.'—The Congregationalist.

If we keep in mind a regal throne, like that of an earthly monarch, only more magnificent, as befits the Deity—a celestial place, a train of angelic courtiers—and then place Christ on a far-away throne at the right hand of such a God, sitting in regal majesty, we not only remove him from us in distance and in sympathy and communion, but we externalize and materialize the entire character and functions both of him and his Father. But if we think of the Omnipresent God, everywhere revealing Himself—the Immanent Deity,



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resident as the Holy Spirit in His world and in the hearts of His creatures; and if we think of His throne as being the center of His manifestations to whomsoever beholds Him, we shall be saved from many an erroneous view which separates us from Him and His Son.—Western Christian Advocate.

The Christian discovers that Jesus expended all the resources of his gracious being in order to show us what God's nature is. This involved facing man's death and expressing God's sacrificial altruism. He that hath seen Christ hath seen the Father. By this vision men have made felicitous for them what would otherwise be intolerable. Here they rest their souls and find peace and strength. The mystical union involves Calvary. Without this supreme event the Father would not have been unveiled and the ultimate meaning of the life of man on earth would not have been disclosed.—Rev. Ozora S. Davis in Hartford Seminary Record.

And yet, when one feels the stirring of a desire to become better than he is, to leave off old ways of thought and purpose and conduct that are unsatisfying, and enter upon those that are better—when the currents of thought and feeling and aspiration set toward high, pure, and ennobling things—when the mind ceases to be absorbed with that which concerns self alone and to plan for others' welfare—when the heart kindles with that love toward others which prompts to acts of helpfulness, and is filled with gratitude to the Father of life and its opportunities—the one so thinking and feeling and doing has entered upon the Christian life.—The Universalist Leader.

There is nothing that so adds to power as to direct it with singleness of purpose toward a definite object; and when the aim is a noble one, and the desire leading to it is pure, there is nothing that so clarifies the vision and uplifts a man's nature. The greatness of a noble purpose, heroically pursued, enters into the life and character and so expands them that they burst the inclosing shell of past things and, discarding that which hitherto has satisfied, the new-found wings are directed toward the lofty height.—Our Homes.

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The California Ostrich.

A trolley ride of 20 minutes or more from Pasadena, with the finest of panoramic views on the way, takes us to the farm. Green valleys, sleepy foothills, quaint Moorish houses, strangely constructed bungalows and rose-entwined cottages pass in quick review. All of these so charm us that for the time we forget the object of our quest. But the loud call of the conductor, "All off for the Cawston ostrich farm," reminds us of our original intention, and we alight.

Here we look upon more lovely scenery, for the grounds all about the farm are most artistically ornamented. Trellises are covered with beautiful roses. Palm trees reach up and send their fan-like branches far out, making pleasant shade for warm days. Here are flowers of every hue, rich and beautiful under a high state of cultivation. A bed of scarlet poppies is blazing in the golden sunlight. Fountains send up and scatter cooling sprays, while goldfish dart here and there in their clear depths. Rustic seats under the live oaks, eucalyptus and pepper trees invite one to rest, while enticing paths lead to various parts of the grounds. Altogether we behold a scene of entrancing beauty.

We are here to see the ostriches, however, and here they come rushing towards us pell mell. Their wings are extended, and their great toes scarcely touch the ground, so eager are they for the oranges. They pick the yellow globules from the ground, or take them from the hand, and swallow them with one gulp, not crushing them in the least. I have seen an ostrich take a dozen oranges and swallow them one after another in rapid succession, giving its neck the appearance of a string of gray beads.

The ages of the members of this flock range from eight to nine months. How curious and greedy they are! We are made to retreat in double quick time as they poke their big flat heads with bulging eyes at us over the board fence, and snap their beaks close to our hat pins, watches and kodaks. After 40 days they are hatched, and

in four or five months after hatching the hen lays again, and another brood is brought forth. It is at times necessary to take a feeble young bird from its parents and raise it by hand. A baby ostrich four days old was being fed alfalfa from the hands of its keeper.

The birds are all of one color—a dingy, speckled gray—until they are 18 months old. Then the male changes to a glossy black, with the exception of white feathers under his tail and wings. The females always remain gray. The body of a full grown ostrich is more than two feet across, and as it stretches up its long neck it will measure from bill to toe seven or eight feet. The weight of an adult bird is from 300 to 400 pounds.

The price of a full grown ostrich varies from \$200 to \$300, and the price of a baby ostrich is \$25, while eggs are valued at from \$3 to \$15 each. Ostriches live to be from 60 to 70 years of age. When one first looks at a flock of these gigantic birds one exclaims: "Oh, what awkward, clumsy things!"

But look again! A great bunch of them comes sweeping towards us. Their toes daintily touching the ground, their

wings are raised or lowered, their necks craned this way or that, all with the finest grace and beauty of movement. Here is Major Roberts coming for an orange, his gait is as mining as that of any lady in a drawing room.—From the Pacific Monthly for April.

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G. Haroldson, a well-known farmer near Eugene, has disappeared from his home, and has not been seen nor heard of since Sunday. He has an invalid wife and children, who are alarmed over his mysterious absence.

The quarantine officer at Pendleton has been let out of his job—scarlet fever epidemic all over.

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