

The Bible a Universal Book

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The Bible is not intended exclusively for Christians. The word "Christian" occurs in it only three times. The reading of it makes Christians and Christians get most out of it, for they believe, love and study its pages. But the Bible is for the wicked as well as for the good. Its law, as Paul declares, is for evildoers, while its Gospel is for all who will accept it.

If you would trace the history of the material universe, you may have any theory of evolution or mutation, but you will come at last to a point where you need and must have the first words of Genesis: "In the beginning God." If you study the history of nations and would trace them to their origin and early developments, you cannot do without the Bible. If you would know the history of jurisprudence and would be a well-equipped lawyer or judge, you must study the Bible, for it contains the foundation of law and all civilized nations.

History of Literature.

If you would study the history of literature you must know your Bible, for hundreds of thousands of volumes in our great libraries were written because the Bible exists. Theology, which is the science of God, the greatest science in the world, is unintelligible without the Bible; and archaeology, that fascinating science, which with pick and shovel has unearthed the buried treasures of Egypt and Assyria, is inexplicable without the Bible. The poet's corner cannot be appreciated without a knowledge of the Bible. It will be conceded by all lovers of poetry that among the greatest English-speaking poets are Shakespeare, Tennyson, Longfellow and Browning, and a knowledge of the Bible is absolutely essential to an understanding of any one of them. They teem with Biblical allusions. Milton and much of Byron are sealed books to the man ignorant of the Bible. Indeed, if you would write poetry, you cannot become great if you ignore the great thoughts about God, eternity, life, love and immortality which the Bible contains. Take out of English literature the classic books that demand a knowledge of the Bible for their proper appreciation, and you have blotted the sun out of our literary sky.

The History of Art.

Would you study the history of art in sculpture and painting, you must be acquainted with the Bible, for the best paintings of the old masters and the finest statuary were inspired for the most part by scenes and ideals drawn from the Bible. You must remain ignorant of the genius of Raphael and Michelangelo if you refuse to know the Bible, for the scenes and characters they depicted with brush and chisel were Biblical. The paintings of Dore, Tissot and Sargent, modern master artists, cannot be understood without a knowledge of the Bible. The great musicians, whose masterpieces have thrilled the souls of millions, cannot be interpreted and appreciated without a knowledge of the Bible. Handel's oratorios of the "Messiah," "Esther," "Saul," "Joshua," "Jephtha" and "Israel in Egypt," all of them masterpieces of musical composition, cannot be understood without a knowledge of the Bible. Mendelssohn's "Elijah" and Beethoven's "Mount of Olives" are enigmas without Biblical knowledge.

He is "the Son of Man." There is something exceedingly emphatic in that expression. "Son of Man," writes Frederick W. Robertson; "our Master is not called the Son of Mary, but as if the blood of the whole human race were in his veins. He calls himself the Son of Man. He was not the Asiatic. He was not the European. He was not the Jew. He was not the type of that century stamped with its peculiarities. He was not the mechanic. He was not the aristocrat. But he was the man." No one could mistake Mohammed for such a "Son of Man." He was a son of Arabia, and nothing more. The Koran is, therefore, a sectarian book, and Mohammedanism is cruelly sectarian. Buddha was a son of India, and nothing more. No one could mistake him for a "Son of man." His writings are, therefore, sectarian. They are not adapted to the occidental mind. Confucius was a son of China, and nothing more. His writings are therefore sectarian in their national narrowness. Zoroaster was just a son of Persia. Only Christ is the universal Man.

WINTER WHEAT CROP

HE REALIZED \$38 PER ACRE. HIS OATS \$37 PER ACRE IN SOUTHERN ALBERTA, WESTERN CANADA.

Coaldale, Alta, Can., Nov. 19, 1907.
Sir: I beg to say that this year we had 349 acres of grain, consisting of 197 acres of spring wheat and 152 acres of oats. The average yield of wheat was 38 bushels per acre and oats 74 bushels. We were offered \$1.00 per bushel for wheat and 50 cents for oats, making the acre values for the two crops \$38.00 and \$37.00 respectively.

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Yours truly,

W. H. PAWSON, JR.

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Yours truly,

F. S. LEFFINGWELL.

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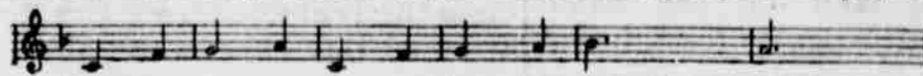
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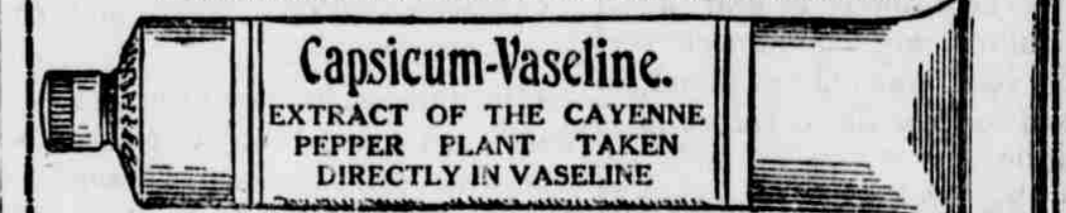
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