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DEMOCRATIC PLEDGES.

The following pledges of the party have been carried out by President Wilson, the senate and the house of representatives:

1. A revision of the tariff downward. There was no procrastination, no creating tariff commission, no delay, but a united effort to revise the tariff downward. In the passage of the Simmons-Underwood bill, this promise was wholly and satisfactorily their protection.

2. An income tax which has been passed and which will force those persons who are recipients of governmental protection to support and pay for that protection.

3. Election of the United States senators by popular vote, which has been performed and made possible.

4. Currency reform, so that the money of the nation cannot be cornered by Wall street bankers and bring on a financial stringency and panic at their pleasure and for their profit. The passage of the Glass-Owen bill has settled this condition and we have performed what we promised.

5. A parcel post—and well it has been performed under democratic supervision every child knows, and it will greatly aid in the reduction of the high cost of living in the country.

6. Admission of Mexico and Arizona as states, which has been performed, addition of two more stars in the galaxy of our nation.

7. Enforcements of the anti-trust law, so that competition may be had and monopoly forbidden. The work is going on every day and a full performance of our promise being kept. (The dissolution of the Bell Telephone from the Western Union is a most recent example.)

We have only begun our work. Nine months have passed since we took charge of the government and it is no exaggeration to say that those nine months of democratic rule outshine with luster and splendor any four-year term of any republican president.

The Mexican situation has required tact, patience and wisdom, and it will be settled by President Wilson without the loss of life and property to the admiration and amazement of the world. At the same time we have been constructing the Panama canal, and will celebrate its completion in 1915 under democratic rule and supervision.

It is announced that Lieutenant Governor McKelvie will test in the courts the strength of the constitutional inhibition regarding a state officer running for one state office during the term for which he has been elected to another. We hope the law will favor Sammy, and that he will receive the republican nomination. If the democrats can't beat him they should never make another attempt to elect a governor.

Those who have been disposed to howl calamity in recognition of the first year of democratic rule will hardly be heard calling attention to the \$750,000,000 balance of trade in our favor, far beyond that of any former year. But it will not escape the notice of those who want to correctly understand what is going on outside of the camps of the political medicine mixers.—Lincoln Star.

When any outsider comes along to get up a special boom edition he always finds some fellows who will cheerfully aid him in carrying the money out of town, instead of giving it to the town paper, which is a boom edition every day in the week.

Omaha will ask that one of the regional banks be located in that city. And why not? It is centrally located—more so, really, than Kansas City, either of the Twin Cities or Denver. We are for Nebraska's metropolis for all the good things to be had.

For the most part men of all parties are honest, and whatever the political differences, they should not be permitted to cause ill-feelings. The question as to whether a man is a democrat, a progressive democrat, a republican or a progressive republican is not so important as his being a good neighbor and a patriotic American citizen.

The New York board of education has recently conducted a careful inquiry into the efficiency of female teachers and finds that married women, especially mothers, make better teachers than single women, and that widows are the best of all. Get married, girl, get married, if you want to make a business of school teaching.

Isn't this a time for all really patriotic Americans to stand behind the president, to trust to his undoubted wisdom and better information, to help him restore order to Mexico in the best and wisest way, and to prevent this nation from being stampeded into a mistaken and costly war by a selfish and conscienceless war party seeking some advantage?

Regardless of the statistics set forth by the conservation congress and the residents of Niagara Falls, N. Y., we still contend that a woman's tears are the world's greatest water power. Next to a woman's blood, a man dreads the sight of woman's tears more than any other liquid exhibition, and therefore will go further to dry them up. Women wanting their rights have long known how they can get them quicker by crying than by voting, which may explain a lack of interest in the latter direction. But conservation is a great institution, and women should want something worth while before crying for it. A man will get used to almost anything in time.

A rush to evade the new eugenics marriage law effective Monday, made the day the busiest on record for the Milwaukee county marriage license clerks. At the regular closing time eighty-four licenses had been issued and the office was so crowded with applicants that it was decided to issue licenses until midnight. The new law requires a thorough medical examination of both applicants for a license to wed. It also stipulates that but \$3 shall be charged by physicians for making the examination. Many doctors have declared that they will not make the necessary tests for this fee. A fear that county officials will refuse to issue licenses unless the medical certificates states that comprehensive blood tests have been made, caused the record demand for wedding permits in the closing days of the year.

MURDER WILL OUT.

In Monticello, N. Y., a few days ago a lawyer died suddenly in his office. A physician, called to attend him, discovered a woman by his side, who confessed that for fifteen years she had lived in a secret room in the lawyer's suite. The doctor disclosed the facts and the scandal has torn the town asunder. A curious situation now has developed. The people have worked themselves into a fury which demands a victim. And, amazing to relate, they have chosen the physician, kindly old man, for that part. He is the cause of the furor, they say; had he smugled the woman out of the office before the world knew the secret there would have been no scandal and the memory of this "prominent and influential citizen," who had lived a double life, would now be revered instead of joined to an ugly romance. Into what an abyss of error the human mind often tumbles, and not the least deplorable thing about it is that the common mind frequently is infected and a whole community falls into the same error; so came the burning of witches. These good village folk of Monticello do not realize that the truth cannot be suppressed, and though they feel a commendable desire to speak no ill of the dead they should know it is the man's deeds which cry aloud his secret, not the final witness of them. And they should understand that it is a wholesome law of nature which permits the unexpected light to penetrate the darkness that ever is the refuge of the vicious.

Gov. Morehead has been petitioned by a number of farmers to break the veterinarians' trust which exists in the state by virtue of the law requiring a man treating the diseases of stock to hold a certificate. It is alleged that many farmers are amply able and efficient in treating their own hogs for cholera, but they are not permitted to do so. Unquestionably that was not the purpose of an otherwise good law, but it was rather the design to keep out fake veterinarians and prevent them from charging farmers fat fees for flimsy service.

If the Wisconsin eugenics law becoming effective the first of the year and which is declared by the physicians of the state to be so stringent as to be almost impracticable, is enforced, there is a fairly strong likelihood that ten years hence Wisconsin will lead the union in the way of children born out of what is generally regarded as wedlock. Already an opinion is being published broadcast in that state that it requires only an agreement between a man and a woman to live together to make a common law marriage!

While General Villa did not eat his Christmas dinner in the City of Mexico, as was predicted, yet he seems to be in absolute control of the northern half of that country. He seems to have a penchant in getting next to Huerta's generals and putting them out of business for all time. He certainly has displayed great ability as a commander for a Mexican, much more so than Huerta or any of his gang.

Some democrats say Billy Thompson has been run for office too many times already to ever think of running for governor. We know of some others who are in the same boat.

Country papers which have been criticized for spelling it Xmas should not become despondent, when the New York American, which should have known better, never spells it any other way.

The city of Dayton, Ohio, has appointed W. H. Waite, a civil engineer, of Cincinnati, as its business manager. The entire finances of the city are to be turned over to Mr. Waite, and he will immediately formulate his plans as to what must be done and how the business is to be conducted. He is an autoocrat and the task of rebuilding the city will devolve upon him. They are gradually coming to the conclusion that the present system of city government is wasteful, inefficient and unpractical, and that the business of the city ought to be conducted by one head, just as private business is done. The plan is now in the experimental stage, but it promises to be an improvement upon the commission form of government. One man attends to the entire affairs of the city. He appoints his subordinates, controls the police, the management of the streets, the construction of sewers, sidewalks, paving and the like and is responsible for the success of the entire outlay.

Adams' bank and the cause given is the bank could not make collections and the withdrawals were very heavy. The bank, he says, will pay out. Captain Adams is one of the best known pioneers in the state, and has been prominent in politics, having been at times a prospective candidate for congress and for governor. Last fall he was a candidate for commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic of the nation.

It is reported from Washington that some of the most influential congressmen on the several committees are inclined to put the soft, soft pedal on the trust regulation program. Obviously there isn't any use in playing too loud. Nor should radicalism be permitted to run riot in the matter. But mere ill-be-good promises may soon be forgotten and there will be the same necessity for action there is now. Incidentally, too, some of the most enthusiastic advocates of the soft pedal policy now were some of the loudest critics and ranters at the colonel when ex-President Roosevelt declared there were good trusts and bad trusts. Trust the trust not; it may fooling thee!

We do not like to be eternally condemning any enterprise of the city, but if something isn't done soon to make a better lighting system in this town, there will be a general and everlasting wail go up that will resound from one end of the city to the other, and then something will be done—by the people. Warnings should be wisely heeded.

"I do not want men to die before guns for their country; I want them to live for their country." Thus spoke Secretary Bryan, the foremost citizen of Nebraska, to the Young Men's Christian association in Lincoln the other night in referring to the possibility of a war with Mexico. And he spoke the sentiments of 95 per cent of the people of these United States.

If a man is active in public affairs he is branded as an ambitious politician. If he isn't active, he is said to lack interest in the welfare of the community in which he lives. A man simply can't be satisfactory, and gets along best by keeping closed, devoting eight or ten hours a day to business, being polite, honest and the like, and telling a few people now and then to go to h—hades.

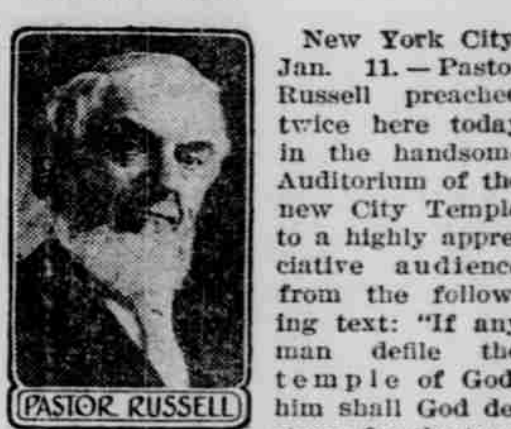
The year 1914 will be what we make it, so the man or woman who has resolved to be happy in a healthful, useful way, is taking the first step, as far as our individual lives are concerned, on the road to happiness.

OUR BODIES ARE GOD'S TEMPLES

Only the Regenerated Are the Sons of God.

BE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT

The Unregenerate—Their Privileges. "If the Spirit of God Dwell in You." Greater Privileges—Greater Responsibilities—Greater Honors and Glories. Saved to Human Perfection—Saved to Spirit Perfection—Earthly Glory. Heavenly Glory.



PASTOR RUSSELL

New York City, Jan. 11.—Pastor Russell preached twice here today in the handsome Auditorium of the new City Temple to a highly appreciative audience from the following text: "If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are."—1 Corinthians 3:17.

The Pastor declared that this Scripture could not be applied indiscriminately, with the same force, to all men. Only the Church are temples of God in the sense the Apostle here mentions; for only such as have been regenerated, begotten again by the Holy Spirit, are the sons of God. These have received a new life, and are Scripturally described as "New Creatures in Christ Jesus." To these, "Old things have passed away, and all things have become new." These have entered into a covenant with God through the merit of Jesus, who serves them as Advocate, imputing His righteousness to them, justifying them freely from their unintentional imperfections and weaknesses. Because they are thus justified by faith, God has accepted their sacrifice of earthly hopes and interests, and has made them New Creatures by begetting them with the Holy Spirit.

This, however, is only the beginning of their new experience. If faithful, they will still loyally comply with their Covenant of Sacrifice, and count no experience too hard in their endeavor to so live as to glorify God in their bodies and spirits, which are His. They will count it all joy when they pass through fiery trials, esteeming all things but loss and dross in comparison with the rewards which God has promised them. They follow their Redeemer through evil report, as well as through good report, seeking to walk in His steps. These, as New Creatures, are said to dwell in, or inhabit, the earthly body, using it merely as a servant in the doing of the will of God.

The distinction between these New Creatures, spirit-begotten, and the remainder of mankind (however just and well-intentioned) is very decided. We do not speak of humanity, ordinarily, as apart from their bodies; for cut off from the body, they would be dead. We speak of such separation as dissolution. As the union of life (vitality) with organism (body) forms the soul, or sentient being, so the separating of these two components causes the soul to cease. Thus death would be the end of humanity, had not God provided for the redemption of our race, and its restoration by resurrection. Its restoration will be merely a bringing back of that which death is now destroying; viz., human or earthly being.

Whoever realizes the majesty of God's work in human creation should also realize that anything done, either deliberately or carelessly, to injure God's workmanship would be sin, whether the injury be toward his own body—himself—or toward another. There is a Divine Law to the effect that whoever sins must suffer. Whoever would defile his body, either by impure thoughts, angry thoughts, malicious thoughts, or by misusing it, contrary to Divine arrangement, as by drinking, or by gluttony, or by defiling himself, or the temple of his soul, or by thought or act, every pondering to selfish appetite, is sure to bring about mental depravity of body or mind or both; and depravity is the process of death at work. And unless such depravity, or death, be overcome through Christ, the end thereof will be everlasting death. "The soul that sinneth, it shall die."—Ezekiel 18:4, 20.

The same principle applies to all who would do evil to others, either by poisoning their minds or their morals, or by injuring their physical systems. Such a one would be doing violence to the work of God. He would be degrading his own manhood. The operation of Divine Law would surely bring him punishment, and these unheeded would ultimately bring death—"everlasting destruction."

the lesson and have turned from sin and become loyal and obedient to their Creator.

God's Temple the Church. St. Paul tells exactly what he refers to by this term, "Temple of God," saying, "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?" In the Wilderness, when God entered into covenant relationship with the Israelites, becoming their God and accepting them as His people under the Law Covenant, He manifested Himself in the Most Holy of their Tabernacle. The Divine presence was indicated by a great light called the Shekinah Glory, which shone out from between the Cherubim covering the Mercy Seat.

When the Israelites would draw near to God, they did so through His appointed servants, Aaron and his sons. These had access to God's presence. The Tabernacle was therefore the temple of God, because God was represented by His Spirit, or Power, or Presence, there. But it was called the Tabernacle because it was merely a tent, in contrast with the permanent building erected later by King Solomon. After its dedication, God appeared in that Temple instead of in the Tabernacle, and His presence was manifested in the same manner.

The Church is the antitypical Temple of God; but, as St. Peter points out, it is a Temple is not yet constructed. (1 Peter 2:4-6.) Each consecrated child of God, begotten of the Holy Spirit, is a living stone in preparation for a place in the glorious Temple of God, soon to be constructed. These living stones are God's workmanship. He works in them by the Spirit of Truth; and by His providence He shapes them, polishes them, develops their characters, and makes them ready for the coming building. Nevertheless, this Master-workman always recognizes the free will of His people. He works in them only as much as they are willing to let Him work, only in harmony with their prayers to be filled with His Spirit.

Some indeed draw back entirely. They are at liberty to draw back into perdition; or, as many do, they are at liberty to draw back from the full preparation for the Kingdom and the Temple, to hold back from the chiseling and polishing, so as to be unfit for a place in the Temple. As long as they do not draw back in heart, however, but remain loyal to the Lord, they will get a blessing, even though they will miss the chief blessing. This the Apostle shows in the preceding context, saying, "If any man's work abide, * * * he shall receive a reward. If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss; but he himself shall be saved, so as by fire"—because he has built upon the Rock.

The Temple Not Yet Built. According to St. Peter's picture, the living stones for the Temple are merely chiseled and polished during their earthly life; and not until the resurrection will these living stones come together as the Temple of God, to be fully indwelt by His Holy Spirit. Hence St. Paul was speaking merely of our earthly bodies as temples of the Holy Spirit. In other words, he was calling our earthly tabernacles temples. So in another place he declared, "We that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened; not that we would be unclothed [without a tabernacle, or body], but that we would be clothed upon"—with our Heavenly house, our spiritual bodies, which God has promised in the resurrection.

St. Paul's thought appears to be that wherever God may dwell is necessarily holy—His temple or His tabernacle; and that any willful or intentional deliberateness in sin, depraving that temple or tabernacle, would be an offense not only against it, but against God. Oh, if Christian people who have received the begetting of the Holy Spirit could but comprehend this lesson, we may be sure that it would have a powerful influence upon their lives!

Solomon's Typical Temple. Under Divine direction the stones and timbers for Solomon's temple were prepared before the work of constructing the temple began. We read that the whole building went together perfectly, without the sound of a hammer; i. e., there was no need to pound or chisel any part. Every stone was perfectly fitted for its place. This is very much the style of our modern construction. The huge stones in our great buildings are not chiseled on the spot during the process of construction, but in the quarry, and then are crated and brought to the building site all ready to be placed.

God, the great Architect of the spiritual Temple, planned and directed that earthly temple's construction so as to make of it an illustration of the real Temple of God, the Church in glory. In our earthly experiences we receive the chiseling and polishing necessary to our various places in the glorious Temple about to be built. Whoever resists these chiseling, or by unfitness escapes them, will thereby just so surely escape being a member of the Church in glory. We cannot afford to let that loss. We must therefore gladly submit ourselves to the Divine providences which shape our lives, our destinies, and prepare us for the glorious things which God has in reservation for those that love Him.

The resurrection of the Church is in the Bible called the First Resurrection, or Chief Resurrection; for all those who will participate in it will experience an instantaneous change from earthly conditions—"changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye." Each one thus changed is thereby fitted, or built, into his place in the Temple of Glory. This resurrection work is due to begin at the Second Coming of Christ, when the dead in Christ shall rise first. (1 Thessalonian

ans 4: 16.) Thus a considerable number of living stones will be laid simultaneously to their places in glory.

Then will follow the change of the remaining members of the Church. As the Apostle explains, we which are alive and remain shall be changed. Each will be changed in an instant, not slowly; but all will not be changed in the same instant or moment. The processes will gradually continue during the time called in the Bible the Harvest; and by the conclusion of the Harvest the last of these living stones will have passed beyond the veil, "changed." Then the Temple will be finished. The next step in the Divine program will be that which was typified by the glory of the Lord coming into Solomon's temple and filling it, after it had been completed.

"Presented With Exceeding Joy." In considering what may be the antitype of the filling of that temple with God's glory, we may not speak with too great positiveness. We may merely give our conjecture. We may give the resurrection change will give to each member of the Church class a personal glory; as it is written, "Sown in weakness, raised in power; sown in dishonor, raised in glory; sown an animal body, raised a spiritual body." But the glory filling Solomon's temple cannot seemingly refer to this personal glory. Rather, it must signify the honor which God will give to the Church and of which the Savior spoke, saying that whosoever would confess Him before men, He would confess before the Father and before the holy angels. This would be the filling of the Church with the Divine glory.

Other Scriptures tell us that the Redeemer will present us blameless and irreprovable before the Father with exceeding joy. This will be glory for us! Having received the Savior's "Well done!" to receive finally the Father's approval and by Him to be honored before the holy angels will be to fill the Church, the Temple of God, with Divine Glory. But perhaps still more than this is meant. Perhaps it means that when the Father shall receive the Church He will glorify her by communicating of His power, authority, to her, investing her, in association with the Lord Jesus, the Heavenly Bridegroom, with the Divine authority and power to take hold of the nation's affairs for its rescue from sin and death, in connection with the binding of Satan for a thousand years and the blessing of all the families of the earth with the knowledge of the glory of God.

The Atonement Day in Type. In everything God caused typical Israel to perform typical ceremonies, illustrative of various features of the Divine Plan. The Atonement Day sacrifices represented the "better sacrifices" of Jesus, our great High Priest. He first offered up Himself, at Jordan, finishing His work at Calvary. Beginning at Pentecost, He has been offering up all those whom He accepts as members of His Body. The death of the last member of the Body of Christ, which is the Church, will mean the completion of the great High Priest's better sacrifices. It will mean the passing of all the members of His Body into death, according to the flesh, but into membership in the Body of the High Priest on the spirit plane, as spirit beings. It will mean that the High Priest complete will then be beyond the second veil.

As the first work of the typical priest beyond the veil on the Atonement Day was the sprinkling of the blood upon the Mercy Seat on behalf of all the people, so the antitype of this will mean the presentation to God of the merit of the better sacrifices of Christ on behalf of all the world of mankind. The type shows us that this merit will be acceptable. As then the high priest went forth from the Most Holy to the presence of the people, and lifted up his hands and blessed them, so this signifies that Christ and the Church will, after receiving the Father's blessing for mankind, go forth to bestow their blessings upon the whole world, during the thousand years of Messiah's Kingdom—to take away the curse and to give, instead, the Divine blessing of Restitution of all things lost through Adam and redeemed by Jesus.

The Glory-Filled Temple. All through the thousand years of Messiah's Kingdom God will be in His glorified Church, which will be therefore the glorious Temple of the Lord, from which will proceed to mankind all the blessings of instructions necessary for their full recovery to Divine favor. There will be no more atonement days, no more sin-offerings; for as St. Paul points out, the better sacrifices completely cancel sin. But there will be sacrifices; as it is written, "Then shall they offer whole burnt offerings upon Mine altar." During Messiah's Kingdom the offerings of the people, which will be presented through the Church, the Temple, will be the offering, or devotion, of themselves—their time, their talent, their influence, to be used in joyful service. Such consecration God is always pleased to receive. They will not be sin-offerings; for all the sin-offerings are accomplished in advance by the antitypical High Priest. His better sacrifices cover every feature of sin that is forgivable at all. All willful sins receive punishment, in proportion to willfulness—in proportion to knowledge and opportunity.

How glad we are to know of our privileges in connection with the glorious Temple which God is constructing! Oh, may we all as living stones submit ourselves, our wills, to God, to be finished in full conformity to His will! How glad we are that subsequence all mankind will have the privilege of approaching God through us—through this spiritual Temple, which is the Christ—Jesus the Head, and the Church the Body!