

PRICE OF SOULS

The Confession of a Senator

Cincinnati, O., March 20, 1904.—The following are some of the pulpit utterances of Herbert S. Bigelow, who, at the Vine Street Congregational church, this morning, spoke on the topic, "The Price of Souls."

In the daily market quotations you will not find the price of souls. It would not be safe to argue from this that there are none for sale. Is there anywhere a livelier market than this traffic in the souls of men?

THE GOD SUCCESS.

Has every man his price? He, who says that, confesses that he has his price. Yet facts must not be ignored even to save our faith in human nature. This is an adulterous and sinful generation. Morality is at low ebb. Cynicism is the prevailing mood. Men of good repute plead their helplessness and knuckle down, leading lives of acknowledged perfidy. Success is their god. They have built an idol to him in the high places. This idol oozes corruption, but their devotion is unabated. Ephesus was never so mad with the worship of Diana.

Time was when men offered their living bodies to the idols of their gods. Today, they sacrifice their immortal souls. I would rather my son's body be destroyed by a sincere superstition than to have his soul corrupted by a cringing, craven success.

COARSE HANDS ON EVERYTHING.

The principals of the public schools of Cincinnati were asked at one of their recent meetings to say which they preferred, the large or small board plan for the schools of the state. The political power which has its coarse hands on everything in Cincinnati was known to favor a large board of ward politicians. There was

but one principal who raised his voice against the designs of the "organization." The rest voted a loud "Amen" to the demands of this public enemy. With many a principal that vote was a lie to the public. In private, they will say, "What was I to do? I have a family. I am poor." Let me say to those throughout the state who are fighting for an untrammelled public school system, that, notwithstanding their vote, the principals of Cincinnati wish you success, but they had not the courage to tell you so. We ought not to judge them. We ought to remember that they are living under the most hateful and vulgar political tyranny that ever lorded it over an American city. We cannot wholly condemn them when they refuse to sacrifice everything for a public that will do nothing for itself. Nevertheless, the man who shrinks from a plain duty to protect his position is not fit to be the mentor of our children.

MOTIVE OF THE CHAPMAN BILL.

A member of the Ohio senate, when the role was called on the Chapman bill the other day arose and said that his conscience told him that the bill was wrong, but that the party leaders demanded it and therefore he voted "Aye." The purpose of this bill is to make it increasingly easy to suppress good government by appeal to party prejudice. It could not have passed if the members of the general assembly had not put the hope of political preferment above the public good. In private, many of these members admit that they vote for wrong measures in obedience to party bosses. But it is rare to find one making a public confession of his subserviency.

HOW MEN ARE BOUGHT.

The price of souls is not regulated by the law of supply and demand. It depends upon what a man thinks of himself. You can buy some men for a night's lodging. Others you can buy with a railroad pass. Some think they ought to be worth a postoffice. Some are not too fastidious to take cash. Many are satisfied with a public contract or a tariff duty. Now and then, there is a big fellow who says: "If you want me to defend in public what I have denounced in private, then put the price high. Take me up into the mountain and let me see the Satrapy I am to govern. If I am to substitute the flimsy sophistries of imperialism for the eternal principles of the republic, if I am to try to dull the moral sense of the nation and lend my spotless reputation to a sordid and dishonorable cause, then pay me well. Even the servant of Mammon is worthy of his hire. Give me a place in the cabinet and glory without stint, and I will swear that despotism is one of the beatitudes and that the liberty of the many should wait for the convenience of the few."

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Lincoln, Feb. 1st, 1904. It is hereby certified, That the United States Health and Accident Insurance Co., of Saginaw, in the State of Michigan has complied with the Insurance Law of this State, applicable to such companies and is therefore authorized to continue the business of Accident and Health Insurance in this State for the current year ending January 31st, 1905.

SUMMARY OF REPORT FILED FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1903.

INCOME	
Premiums.....	\$644,554.31
All other sources.....	10,780.08
Total.....	655,334.39
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Paid policy holders.....	\$327,617.76
All other payments.....	270,386.66
Total.....	598,004.42
ADMITTED ASSETS	
Total.....	373,111.14
LIABILITIES.	
Unpaid Claims and Expenses.....	\$ 26,808.94
Unearned Premiums.....	26,128.63
All other liabilities.....	11,851.47
Capital stock paid up.....	200,000.00
Surplus beyond Capital Stock and other liabilities.....	108,322.10
Total.....	308,322.10
Total.....	173,111.14

Witness my hand and the seal of the Auditor of Public Accounts, the day and year first above written.

CHARLES WESTON,
Auditor of Public Accounts.

JOHN L. PIERCE, Deputy.

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Lincoln, Feb. 1st, 1904. It is hereby certified, That the Continental Casualty Company of Hammond, in the State of Indiana, has complied with the Insurance Law of this State, applicable to such companies and is therefore authorized to continue the business of Accident Insurance in this state for the current year ending January 31st, 1905.

SUMMARY OF REPORT FILED FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1903.

INCOME	
Premiums.....	\$ 1,830,634.27
All other sources.....	26,527.98
Total.....	1,857,162.25
DISBURSEMENTS	
Paid policy holders.....	\$ 883,238.83
All other payments.....	867,073.91
Total.....	1,750,312.74
ADMITTED ASSETS	
Total.....	1,344,206.79
LIABILITIES	
Unpaid Claims and Expenses.....	\$ 111,079.00
Unearned Premiums.....	819,733.23
All other liabilities.....	3,321.15
Capital stock paid up.....	300,000.00
Surplus beyond Capital Stock and other liabilities.....	118,895.41
Total.....	1,344,206.79

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