

"THE CHURCH IN OUR TOWN"
Reflections and Observations of an Omaha Critic.

REASONS FOR ALLEGED FAILURE
Does Not Satisfy "The Intelligence of the People, Their Reason or Their Aspirations"—Truths of Science Ignored.

The church in Omaha is a failure, its teachings more false than truth, it ignores the truths of science, psychology and ethics, and does not satisfy the people's intelligence, their reason or their aspirations, are a few of the assertions made by Dr. L. A. Merriam in a paper contributed to Collier's Weekly series on "The Church in Our Town."

Ministers and church people generally will be interested in the reasons Dr. Merriam gives for his sweeping indictment, hence the paper, unabridged, follows:

The church in our town is not a success, because it does not teach the truth. The people are in earnest, and anxious to know the facts, and the truth, as to their origin, existence, purpose and function. The church does not satisfy their intelligence, their reason or their aspirations. The people would go to church if they were taught the truths of modern science, psychology and ethics, instead of the fables of antiquity, the folklore of an early and ignorant people, used by kings, priests and potentates, to enslave their minds, and make them submissive to the ruling classes, who always robbed them, just the same as they are doing everywhere today.

What Science Has Shown.
It matters not, whether this universal power or energy is called "The Great Spirit," "The Over-soul," "The Infinite," or "God." It exists, and all recognize it. Science has shown that matter has been analyzed, not only into molecules, and atoms, but also into ions, or elastic units of energy. Matter is latent energy, evolved out of cosmic ether, in which consciousness inheres, and its ultimate analysis is the universal mind of the Infinite. Whatever energy is but the expression of this universal mind, the expression of the Divine thought. Man, himself, is but an individual spark of the Infinite subject to nature's eternal laws, and ever in a state of constant flux, or onflow, from lower to higher forms of development.

Nature's Forces.
Mind is a subtle form of static energy, one of nature's forces, just as much as is light, heat, electricity, magnetism, or the force of gravity, and thought is a dynamic phase of mind. Thoughts are mental things and tend to become material things. Our desires are seed thoughts, which we sow and reap action. We each constitute a thought magnet, which attracts those that are like us, and if we live right, and think right, we can make our bodies finer and our mentalities greater.

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Smooth Worker
Is on the Wing

Soldier of Fortune and Pretended American About to Lose Citizenship.

If Captain Jorge Nelken Y. Waldberg, erstwhile of Argentina, pretended American, typical soldier of fortune and one of the few men who ever succeeded in selling the late Senator Mark A. Hanna a gold brick, does not return to Washington within the next sixty days, he is likely to lose his alleged American citizenship and be denied the protection of the American flag.

Captain Waldberg flourished in Washington twelve years ago, during the Spanish-American war, and a few years later, at the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo, he entered the late Senator Hanna, whose experience with him is said to have cost the senator several thousand dollars and to have given him an insight into Latin-American cleverness which he had not before known.

The captain came to Washington with a long military record. Having been born in Argentina, he has lived in half a dozen South American countries and been engaged in many revolutions in the cause of liberty. Exiled, when unsuccessful, he dropped into New York one day and organized a company of Greek fruit vendors, whom he took to Athens, claiming the Greek army and fought in the Graco-Turkish war.

After the war was over, Captain Waldberg took up with the Pan-American exposition. In this connection he succeeded in interesting Senator Hanna in the publication of a magazine, in which he found three Americans, with elaborate, write-ups of distinguished statesmen. Senator Hanna fell for his game and paid him a large sum of money for write-ups of President McKinley and himself and lent him his name to the undertaking. The publication failed and Senator Hanna was out a large sum of money and much expense.

Not long ago the captain turned up in Constantinople and became involved in some trouble there which prompted him to demand the protection of the American flag. He presented his case at the Embassy, and in endeavoring to establish the fact that he was a naturalized American citizen, some disclosures came to light regarding his papers which led the American charge to refer the matter to the State department.

The department in turn made inquiry at the district court, with the result that an order was issued requiring him to show cause within sixty days why his papers should not be canceled.

Extraordinary Crime Committed by a Jealous Portuguese
Lisbon, July 30.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—An extraordinary crime occurred in a factory at Lisbon, where a man who was responsible for the smooth running of a large machine called his sweetheart to him and she was led to the machine room and killed her with a razor. He then approached a large wheel, which was revolving with great rapidity, and dashed himself between the spokes. His body immediately rendered shapeless. The machine did not stop, and it was some time before the bodies were discovered.

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PUMP GUN, LOVE AND LAW SUIT
Ludicrous Entanglement in Court at Ogden, Utah.

CHAMPION SHOT OF THE WEST
Husband Leaves Legacy in the Shape of Royalty on Pump-gun Invention and Widow Goes to Law for Results.

Nellis Bennett Stuart, well known in Omaha Gun club circles because of the fact that she is the champion woman rifle shot of the west, has just won a peculiarly interesting lawsuit in the courts of Weber county, Utah—a suit in which she is a ludicrous intermingling of ardent love, cold, clammy business and a pump-gun.

The pump-gun, in fact, or rather the royalty supposed to come through pump-gun sales, was the basis of the suit. In the process of litigation, all of the love was shot away, but Mrs. Bennett-Stuart came out victorious and henceforth, John Douglas Pederson, defendant, must pay to the fair winner one-fourth of 35 cents for each pump-gun sold.

Here is how it all came about: A. L. Bennett, first husband of the heroine of this story, was a champion shot. He made a life study of fire arms, and as a result, he invented a pump-gun which, like other inventions, he needed money with which to complete his invention. Enter: John Douglas Pederson, with money. Exit: A large share of Bennett's interest in the pump-gun. Then, with money to back him, Bennett soon perfected his gun and brought it into the limelight to such extent that the Remington Arms company purchased the right to manufacture, paying outright in cash a lump sum of \$6,000, with an understanding to the effect that for each gun manufactured and sold a royalty of 35 cents should be paid. Pederson was to have three-fourths of the cash payment of \$6,000, also three-fourths of the coming royalties.

Just Like an Inventor.
Bennett, with the proverbial poor luck of the inventor, died just before the close of the deal with the Remington Arms company, but Pederson paid the \$6,000, or one-fourth, to Mrs. Bennett.

Afterwards, but whether he was madly in love or only pretending to be, he made a legal contract with the lady concerning the gun in question herein, and he must fulfill it even if he escapes a great many other promises he made her and never kept.

A Wedding Feast in Little Italy.
The Little Italy of Kansas City threw rice, candy and some money recently, also there were motor car and cab rides for some 250 residents of that district, not to mention refreshments, solid and liquid, and dancing for some 500.

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RIVAL OF THE DREYFUS CASE
Arrest of Russian Baron Starts Trouble.

CORRESPONDENT FOR NEWSPAPER
Charged with Revealing Forbidden Information to the Austrian Powers.

ST PETERSBURG, July 30.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—The arrest of Baron von Ungern-Sternberg promises to develop into an affair rivalling in dramatic interest the famous Dreyfus affair. That a member of the Duma will be involved seems certain and it may be officials of the War department may be drawn into the net.

The formal accusation against him is that of communicating to Austria a report of a secret sitting of the Duma dealing with the new distribution of the Russian army. A printed copy of the report was found among the papers seized at his house. As he is a Russian subject and an ex-officer, this charge is undoubtedly serious.

Some of the sums was 150 rubles (15) received from Count Spannocchi. It is inferred that an attempt will be made to trace the disclosure of the secret report to St. Mikuloff. His wife said that her husband was personally well acquainted with Count Spannocchi and had occasionally borrowed money from him and other members of the embassy staff.

Caroline's Health Improves.
I understand that the czarina's health shows great improvement. While her majesty is still extremely nervous the attitude which it was feared for a time would result in complete loss of reason have ceased and the royal physicians now hold out the hope that with complete rest the health of her majesty may be restored. The czar is in better health and spirits than he has been for years.

Moving Pictures for China
Japanese Firms Are Making Enormous Sums Out of the New Craze.

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WANTED
BRICK MAKER!

Our town is building so fast that we have THREE LUMBER YARDS, all of them doing more than they can handle. What we want is a BRICK PLANT. Got ALL THE LUMBER WE WANT but we WANT A BRICK MAN WHO CAN MAKE BRICK. Will make a first class proposition to the right man.



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"Demons of Hades"
"A Dissipated Slave"

Skepticism of a Former Prominent Dakota Public Official Overcome and He Made a New Man In Three Days By The Neal Three Day Drink Habit Cure
A Remarkable Letter—Read It

Captain G. A. Ludlow, Manager Neal Institute, Sioux Falls, S. D.
My Dear Sir:—A few weeks ago I entered your institute, a miserable, discouraged, dissipated slave to a long standing liquor habit. When I first read of your "Three Day Cure" I had little faith in it, for it did not seem possible for you to do in three days what I had striven to do for nearly twenty years by the exertion of my will power as far as I was able to exert it.