

TURNING WAR TO REAL USE

Man's Destructive Spirit to Be Made Constructive.

FEATURES OF A NEW RELIGION

How Good for All May Be Brought Out of What is Now Only Evil and of No Value in Any Particular.

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Science and hygiene offer an excellent use of man's propensity for destruction. Instead of hunting beautiful birds and deer, killing happy and harmless animals, let man turn his whole mental forces on the most effective method of ridding the land of mosquitoes and fleas and such other insects and reptiles as destroy comfort or endanger health. Were all the hunters who infest our woods and seashore resorts at this time of year, braving the silence with their irritating rifle shots and leaving earth and water strewn with the dead creatures they have killed only for sport, were all these men to study the problem of mosquito and fly elimination, the world would soon become a more comfortable and pleasant place for the sojourn of human beings.

There is not the slightest need of having one's enjoyment of the outdoor life marred by the little pests which carry disease on back and wing.

Havana, the hotbed of mosquitoes and yellow fever, was made sanitary and safe from their attacks in a brief time by the concentrated thought and untiring effort of one man.

America should have an organization in each state for the purpose of clearing every locality of the insects which are a menace to health and comfort.

And every village and town should have its organizations; until as much shame would cling to the locality infested with mosquitoes or flies as now clings to the housekeeper who permits beds to be unsanitary.

Education in making us realize that insects are to be classified like plants. That just as we remove poison ivy from a garden, so we must remove poison insects from the atmosphere in order to promote the best insects of humanity.

While we know this fact now as a scientific truth, comparatively little is being done about it by people who ought to be making the world a more comfortable dwelling place.

In the orient, plagues and maladies of the eyes are alarmingly prevalent through the ignorant superstitions of the people, who believe it is wrong to even brush away a fly that settles on the body of a man or child; and who regard it a sin to kill an insect.

The Jains are one of the many religious sects which flourish in India; for just as in the Christian lands there are countless sects all basing their beliefs and creeds upon the Bible, so in the orient may be found as many varying orders, all pointing to the Vedas for proof of their claims to righteousness.

The Vedas, like the Bible, have had many interpretations beside which the lack of education in India leaves a large percentage of the people victims of hordes of priests, who cater to their superstitions, in order to keep them under subjection of the priest-made laws. The Jains, however, are intelligent and many educated men and a few educated women are to be found among them. Their one mania is a virtue gone rank, until it has become a vice; as any virtue may become if not guided by common sense and good judgment.

The Jains, like the majority of the oriental religious sects, believe it is a sin to take life. "You cannot give life; you must not take it," they say. But the Jains have carried the idea to such an extreme that they carefully refrain from destroying insect life. Flies and fleas and vermin of all kinds are permitted to live; and the only way the followers of the faith are enabled to endure existence under such conditions is by the most scrupulous cleanliness.

Their temples are oftentimes very beautiful and notably clean, yet all of them are not of this order, and it is stated that the keepers of some of these temples find the fleas so numerous that they hire street beggars to sit inside in order to give the hungry fleas something to feed on.

A man of scientific knowledge induced a Jain to look through a microscope at a drop of drinking water, and afterward he asked the Jain how he reconciled himself to the fact that he destroyed so much life with every swallow of water. The man replied that ever since he had looked through the microscope he had taken pains to drink water only in the dark. But the light of education will eventually dissipate all such darkness.

These wonderful and inspiring works, the Vedas, nowhere teach anything that can be construed into approval of human or animal sacrifice; yet the Brahmmins, who claim to be true Vedantists, have so perverted the original teachings that all over India, at certain seasons, the most horrible slaughter of fowls and goats occurs as part of their religious festivals.

I visited an old deserted city at Amber, India, which was in its prime 1,000 years ago. Now the keepers of these temples, the golden and caretakers, and, of course, the numerous priests, the pests of India, alone occupy its palaces. But upon the altar of their bloodthirsty goddess, Kali, a goat has been sacrificed every morning for 1,000 years.

It is gratifying to read that the British government is taking the matter in hand. A morning paper contains the following: "The season of goat and fowl killing has approached in the festivals of Kali and Vyarrer. Our government agent has by his orders prevented the wholesale slaughter. The act is praiseworthy and the general public is grateful."

To propitiate the gods of blood, three animals are permitted to be killed, and others have the tips of their ears cut to answer the purpose of sacrifice.

The government agent has also put a stop to the excessive use of liquor in these festivals.

The leading Brahmmins of the modern day are enlightened men of wide education, and it seems incredible that they have been so long in coming into prominence as opposing these terrible barbaric rites.

The Marahia of Cachmere (before the government agent took the matter in hand) sent out an edict that on his large estates of hundreds of acres no animal should be slaughtered for sacrifice or for food. It was his action which encouraged the government to make an effort toward reform of this ancient barbaric custom.

The government caused the cessation of suttee, the burning of widows on the husband's funeral pyre, and to the government we must look for the driving out of many of the other customs of

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MISS DOROTHY KALMAN of Grand Island, Neb., who will wed with Michael Levy of Omaha, on New Year's eve.

ignorance and superstition which blot the face of India.

When the Christian missions undertake to do away with these bloody sacrifices by religious teachings the Indians point to the fact of our innumerable slaughter houses where thousands of animals are slain in place of every one sacrificed in India. They also ask the Christians why it is any worse to sacrifice animals than it is for the Christian God to sacrifice His Son.

But when the law speaks in India there is no argument to be made, and to the government—not to the missionaries—must we look for such reforms. The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals should be strengthened also and given more men and means to carry on their work.

Mohammedans are supposed to destroy no life save such as is necessary for food. Yet in Java the sultans both keep wild tigers and lions in cages for their own amusement, and two travelers were informed by the keepers of these cages that for a small sum of money a live dog would be tossed into the cage for the entertainment of the travelers. They declined the proffered "pleasure," but learned that agents were on the watch continually for stray dogs which were captured for the food of these wild pets of the Mohammedan sultans.

It will require a thousand years to Christianize the Orient. It is a more reasonable effort to try to make good Buddhists in that land than poor Christians.

Many Buddhists engaged in hard manual labor eat meat, but there are no Buddhist butchers to be found in the Orient. The educated Buddhists are extremely tolerant of other religions, believing more in the spirit of devotion than the form of worship.

Someone has called buddhism "divine socialism."

In the Orient today this socialism needs to be dragged out of the hands of useless and innumerable priests, and put into the hearts and minds of the people. (Copyright, 1912, by the Star Company. Great Britain rights reserved.)

Nebraskans at the Hotels.
H. A. O'Hara of Alliance, George H. Davis of Rock Island, E. E. McGinnis of Burwell and George P. Gaven of Grand Island are at the Henshaw.

Bob Latta of Tekamah, A. J. Smith of Lemoyne, Mrs. J. B. Jones of Murdock, W. Dawson of Lincoln and T. E. Young of Berlin are guests of the Merchants.

George Jaquet of Merna, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Young of Alliance, C. A. Black of Hastings, J. R. Shields of Fullerton and William J. Voss of Columbus have taken rooms at the Paxton.

E. H. Riggs and family of Brewster, J. E. Hanna of Superior and Amos Kauffman of Cozad are staying at the Millard.

Lena Burns and Elsie Piper of Ashland, Fred J. Hurts of Lincoln, E. C. Taylor of Hastings and Frank R. Leach of Fullerton are at the Loysa.

Key to the Situation—See Advertising. Persistent Advertising is the Road to Big Returns.

The Best Wedding Book

December 12, 1888—Dr. Edward W. Lee and Miss Mary M. Dundy joined hands at the residence of the bride's mother. The bride was given away by her mother.

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SOCIETY PLANS WATCH FETES

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Baltimore, New York and Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Lester Kirachbraun and small daughter of Chicago will arrive Friday to spend the holidays with Mrs. Kirachbraun's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hiller.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund V. Krug arrived from St. Louis Saturday morning and are at the home of Mrs. Krug's mother, Mrs. J. F. Coad.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Keeline have returned from a visit with Mrs. Keeline's sister, Mrs. Louis Jaques and Mr. Jaques in Chicago.

Mrs. F. H. Black of Rushville, Neb., who was one of the delegates at the state suffrage convention, left Saturday for her home.

Mrs. David Degann and small daughter, Henrietta, of Chicago, are expected Sunday to be the guests of Mrs. Degann's father, Mr. Albert Heller.

Mrs. Ralph W. Moody and two children of Chicago, arrived Saturday morning to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Campbell, on Georgia avenue.

Miss Lillian Morgan of Portland, Ore., will arrive Saturday with Miss Greta Lane to spend the holidays. Both young women are attending National Park seminary, near Washington, D. C.

Mrs. David Frenkle of Cleveland, O., formerly Miss Hattie Morris of this city, accompanied by her son and daughter, Edwin and Dorothy, is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Max Morris, 2322 Harney street.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beaton, who went to Honolulu on their wedding trip, have written friends that they are having a delightful time and have been much entertained by friends in Honolulu. Mr. and Mrs. Beaton are expected home for the holidays.

Mrs. Verona Pollack Roach of Denver is a guest at the Paxton hotel and will spend a few days in Omaha. Mrs. Roach is the mother of Mr. Channing Pollack, the artist, and was formerly Mrs. Alexander Pollack of Omaha and will be at home to her friends at the hotel while here.

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This season has produced many worthy novelties, such as the crying and laughing doll—the talking and sleeping doll—in the comical doll an amusement will be found for every child. Here also you will find doll fittings, such as shoes, stockings, hats, etc.

Crane's Stationery in fancy Christmas boxes.

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