

WHY AM I A HEATHEN?

BY WONG CHIN KOO.

The moral element of all religion is the moral code controlling and regulating the relations and acts of individuals towards "God, neighbor, and self," and this intelligent "heathenism" was taught thousands of years before Christianity existed or Jewry borrowed it. Heathenism has not lost or lessened its since.

We heathen are a God-fearing race. We believe the whole universe creation—whatever exists and has existed—is of God and in God; that, figuratively, the thunder is His voice and the lightning His mighty hands; that everything we do, and contemplate going is seen and known by Him; that He has created this and other worlds to effectuate beneficent, not merciless, designs, and that all that He has done is for the steady, progressive benefit of the creatures whom He endowed with life and sensibility, and to whom as a consequence He owes paternal care, and will give paternal compensation and justice; yet His voice will threaten and His mighty hand chastise those who deliberately disobey His sacred laws and their duty to their fellow man.

"Do unto others as you wish they would do unto you," or "Love your neighbor as yourself," is the great Divine law which Christians and heathen alike hold, but which the Christians ignore.

This is what keeps me the heathen I am. And I earnestly invite the Christians of America to come to Confucius. — *The North American Review for August.*

AN OPEN LETTER TO ROBERT G. INGERSOLL.

REV. HENRY M. FIELD, D. D.

What then is the basis of this religion which you despise? At the foundation of every form of religious faith and worship, is the idea of a God. Here you take your stand; you do not believe in God. Of course you do not deny absolutely the existence of a Creative Power: for that would be to assume a knowledge which no human being can possess. How small is the distance that we can see before us! The candle of our intelligence throws its beams but a little way, beyond which the circle of light is compassed by universal darkness. Upon this no one insists more than yourself. I have heard you discourse upon the insignificance of a man in a way to put many preachers to shame. I remember your illustration from the myriads of creatures that live on plants, from which you picked out, as a representative of man, an insect too small to be seen by the naked eye, whose world was a leaf, and whose life lasted but a single day! Surely a creature that can only be seen with a microscope, cannot know that a Creator does not exist.

Having settled it to your own satisfaction that there is no God, you proceed in the same easy way to dispose of that other belief which lies at the foundation of all religion—the immortality of the soul. With an air of modesty and diffidence that would carry an audience by storm, you confess your ignorance of what perhaps others are better acquainted with, when you say, "This world is all that I know anything about, so far as I recollect." This is very wittily put, and some may suppose it contains an argument; but do you really mean to say that you do not know anything except what you "recollect," or what you have seen with your eyes? Perhaps you never saw your grandparents; but have you any more doubt of their existence than of that of your father and mother whom you did see? — *The North American Review for August.*

Does Stock Raising Pay?

Under this heading the *Cassia County (Idaho) Times* has the following:

"Does stock raising pay in Utah?" Is a question which Dr. Francis E. Roche can knowingly answer in the affirmative. In 1883 he invested a small sum in cattle, which have increased wonderfully. His investments in this line, so far, have been about \$10,000, and the increase in number and value brings it up to fully four times that amount. His ranch is most admirably adapted to raising cattle. It lies on the line of the Bear River, on the west side, and extends north, beyond Little Mountain northwest of Corinne, and in all aggregates 40,000 acres. Part of this he purchased from the government and part from the Southern Pacific Railway Company. He has 2,000 cattle on the ranch, besides 250 beef steers ready for market. He also has about 100 horses. Regarding the ranch, he says that the land produces astonishingly wherever water can be secured for irrigating. This he gets by means of two wind mills to pump water out of Bear River, and he is going to put up large tanks and a steam engine to increase his water supply. He has erected a number of fine buildings, among which are a fine residence, barns and other needed buildings. Of 4,000 trees set out, not one per cent. died, the others all well and growing rapidly. Last year he sold 120 beef steers, and put up 3,000 tons of hay for winter use. The winter range was so good that he only fed eighty tons of hay, and only lost five head of cattle out of the 1,400 out on the range. He

took care of 200 yearling calves through the winter for J. W. McNutt, and they wintered so well that only two died. These results are exceptionally good, and yet it is the result of the management of Dr. Roche, who had no experience in this class of business prior to his quitting his profession in California, four years ago, and coming here to make it a life occupation.

The 1,000-Mile Rate.

The action of the Denver and Rio Grande and Union Pacific in restoring 1,000-mile tickets, at the rate of 3 cents a mile, is the first indication that both roads intend to break through the iron-clad rules laid down by the roads upon the passage of the inter-state commerce bill. When the bill went into effect all pending practices of these roads were abolished, and the sale of 1,000-mile tickets and issuance of passes to commercial men and newspapers stopped. The Union Pacific, however, stood out for a continuance of the practice of issuing 1,000-mile tickets, but in obedience to the commands of the Central Traffic and Utah and Colorado association declined to issue 1,000-mile tickets.

The officials of the Denver and Rio Grande and Union Pacific held a consultation a few weeks ago, and decided to resume the practice of issuing 1,000-mile tickets. This was done yesterday. The Denver and Rio Grande issued tickets over their system for sale at the principal offices of the road, and the Union Pacific did likewise, the rate being fixed at 3 cents a mile. The Union Pacific also issued baggage scrip at 16 2/3 percent discount. These rates were decided on three months ago, but owing to the holding out of other mountain roads did not go into effect until yesterday. It is understood that the Burlington will soon restore the 1,000-mile tickets. — *Denver News, Aug. 2.*

Daily Mail.

Norman Fillmore writes from Salem, Utah County, to the effect that a daily mail service between that town and Spanish Fork commenced on the first last. He states that, in ten years, the population of Salem has increased from 150 to 700.

How BEAUTIFUL ARE THEIR FEET.—A practical man, a shoe dealer, says in an exchange: "My success in business, said a wealthy and retired shoe dealer, was due to my method of marking shoes. I changed the numbers on all my stock, making them a size and a half lower than they ought to be. A lady found that in buying at my store she could wear a shoe a size and a half smaller than if they were bought elsewhere. This brought trade and brought it big. A lady wearing fives could not resist buying a shoe which fit her and marked plainly three and a half. Men were the same, and there was no grumbling at prices. Such is human nature."



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LEGAL NOTICE.

In the Probate Court of the County of Salt Lake, Territory of Utah.

In the matter of the Estate of John McGuire, deceased.

Order appointing time and place for hearing Petition for Order to Sell Real Estate.

IT APPEARING TO THE HON. ELIAS A. SMITH, Judge of the said Court, by the petition of Annie McGuire, Administratrix of Estate of said deceased (herein filed, January 5th, 1887, praying for an order to sell real estate belonging to said estate) that it is necessary to sell the whole or some portion of the real estate and mining property for the purposes therein set forth.

It is hereby ordered: That all persons interested in said estate appear before the Probate Court of the County of Salt Lake, Territory of Utah, at the Court Room of said Court, in the Court House in Salt Lake City, on Monday, the 22nd day of August, A. D. 1887, at 11 o'clock a. m., then and there to show cause why an order should not be granted to the said administratrix to sell so much of the real estate of the said deceased as shall be necessary at public or private sale.

And it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published at least four successive weeks in the DESERT SEMI-WEEKLY NEWS, a newspaper circulated in Salt Lake County before said 22nd day of August, A. D. 1887.

Dated July 9th, 1887.

ELIAS A. SMITH, Probate Judge.

Territory of Utah, County of Salt Lake, ss.

I, John C. Cutler, Clerk of the Probate Court in and for the County of Salt Lake, in the Territory of Utah, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of an order appointing time and place for hearing petition for Order to sell Real Estate in the matter of the Estate of John McGuire, deceased, as appears of record in my office.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed [SEAL] the Seal of said Court, this 9th day of July, A. D. 1887.

JOHN C. CUTLER, Probate Clerk.

By H. S. CUTLER, Deputy. wtd

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