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"GOD WITH US."

The New York Herald of last Sunday gives considerable space, in its editorial columns, to a signed article by a minister of the gospel on the subject of the omnipresence and abiding companlonship of Deity. . The reflections offered are commonplace, and contain nothing new as to the benefits of the belief that "God is with us." but they are of small importance. based on a text which, it seems to us, is not intended to convey any such idea as that adopted by the preacher, and which he has really perverted from its meaning. He quotes it thus at the head of the article: "Emmanuel-God with us-Matthew 1, 23." Reference to the passage will show that it is part of a prophecy to be found in Isaiah vii, 14 and is cited by Matthew as fulfilled in the birth of Jesus of Nazareth; it is this:

Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign: Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel."

Matthew gives the interpretation of the word, namely, "God with us," and after narrating the particulars of the birth of Jesus, the declaration of the angel to Joseph the carpenter concern-Ing Mary's conception, and other particulars of the great event, declares:

"Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet." &c. The name 'Emmanuel' was thus be-

stowed upon Jesus, because he was the Christ, the Messiah, the Son of God, who was "in the beginning with God," and who was "God manifest in the flesh;" that is to say, God with us; God dwelling with man; Deity present with humanity. There is no declaration of scripture more definite and positive spot, that this "new wine in an old botthan that.

But the New York minister proceeds. through a labored treatise, to divert the minds of his readers from the glad tidings conveyed in the story of the coming of the world's Redeemer, by a long | ter practice festina lenie on this prostring of platitudes about "a present instead of an absent God," who is

It will be observed that the exist. Are we to understand that the taxpaynew theory is in accordance with the ers did not vote on the appointment of philosophy that presupposes "creation" the committee, or that they did not vote on the action of the committee? If by an infinite intelligence. The phenomena of the universe are easier to ac the committee was duly appointed by the meeting, with power to select the count for that way, than by the assumption that everything "evolved," site, we should say "the ends of the law" would be met. If the committee like Topsy who "just growed."

was chosen to make a selection and re-

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of water would be assured,

without any appreciable results.

ORIGIN OF EVIL.

port action, it would be necessary to take a vote thereon. From the nature The old question of the origin of evil, of the case we should judge that the seis again raised by a contributor to Bibr ection of the site was duly authorized. liotheca Sacra, Dr. Jacob Cooper. He No one is a taxpayer who does not meintains the view that the power o pay taxes on property of which he or doing evil must belong to every moral she is the owner. In the case cited it agent: for, otherwise there could be no is not stated whether the widow puid morality, no virtue. Evil comes from taxes on her own property, or on that this possibility, he says, by the abuse left by her deceased husband. We of that liberty which every moral agent judge, however, that the assessment necessarily is endewed with.

was made on property that was his and On this question a great variety of therefore belonged to the estate at his opinions have been advanced. Some death. The payment on that would not have found satisfaction in the statemake her a taxpayer "in the eyes of ment that God did not originate anythe law." When she pays faxes asthing evil, but He concluded not to presessed on property of her own, she will vent it, for the reason that He forebe a taxpayor according to law. saw that the world would be better Questions on such matters, and inwith it. This seems to be the reasondeed on all questions gent to us, should ing of Leibnitz. But it suggests the be explicit and clear so that there will obvious question: If God saw that be no mistake as to their meaning. We the world would be better with, than think that some of our friends might without, sin, why did He not originate obtain local advice on subjects submitthat means of improvement, for the ted to the "News," or take the time betterment of the world? Others have and trouble to look them up themseen the point of this reasoning, and selves. But many folks seem to think maintained that God is the originator if they think at all, that newspapers of both good and evil, heaven and hell, are published to save them the cost of salvation and perdition, all for His own legal advice and the labor of investiglory.

gation. However, we are willing to set-The scriptures are not explicit on the tle disputes to save litigation, although question of the origin of moral evil. we have no time to waste on matters Its existence they point out, and prescribe the remody. The Apostle Paul speaks of the duality of the human nature and the tendency of the lower to prevail upon the higher, and the con-To read the jubilations of our con-

sequent prevalence of sin, or wrongemporaries over the purported grand doing. But this is rather a statement liscovery of a probable water supply of a fact than an explanation of its for this city, by boring for the "underorigin or source. flow" in Endgration canyon, the unin-Dr. Cooper attempts such an explana-

formed would be led to suppose that tion when he says that "a creation resomething new and startling has been quires that the thing formed must be developed, and that by the expenditure defective, and, if so, liable to go of a few thousand dollars a great flow astray." His argument is:

"If guarded ab extra to such degree as The truth is that this is an old proto render a lapse impossible, the ac-tion so necessitated would have no reject that has been tried and found wanting. There is a shaft of at least a ference to the actor, would not make him good, however excellent his action might be in itself; nor permit him to hundred feet depth now, at a point not very far from the place selected for the develop character for himself of any kind. For there would be no possibility proposed new experiment, which was sunk and piped three or four years ago building up this, unless there were such a choice between motives that by without tapping a vein. The sump at such a choice between motives that by acceptance or rejection the action could belong to the agent. For there must be an alternative to any line of conduct, in order to give it a moral quality. We have to deal with, not an imaginary, but a real world; not with a state of things wholly different from those by which character is developed. If there are to be such qualities es the mouth of the canyon has also been tapped for an increase of the supply It is barely possible that by going down deep enough, some subterranea: stream might be reached, but that is all those by which character is developed. If there are to be such qualities as righteousness, virtue, merit, as the re-sult of good action, there must be a condition by which these things are possible. And this can only be where there is an alternative which may be embraced by a free choice. If the work of mun en earth is to build us character. supposition and as one paper admits: 'No one knows how much this flow will amount to," We might add: Nor whether there is any underflow there It is evident to "a man up a tree," of man on earth is to build us character. of man on earth is to build us character, if his experience is disciplinary, by which he constantly becomes better fitted for greater good and a wider sphere of action, then he must have the responsibility of choosing for himself a course different from one which ap-noaled to the lower qualities in his naor on a rock overlooking the boring tle" is merely a diversion from the res. ervoir work decided upon, an attempt to get the city into a doubtful experiment ealed to the lower qualities in his nain place of working at something that

is a certainty. The council has bet-That is evil originates in the defects of human nature, necessarily belonging to anything that is created. And the pos-

Robert the Bruce. Robert, so far as known, was a bachelor. One of the first essentials for suppressing lynching is to devise a system whereby well known leaders of the nub can be identified. Pension Commissioner Ware has suf-

fered so much for his country from harsh and unjust criticism that he himself is criticid to a pension. And now Mr. Corey, Mr. Schwab's

successor as president of the great steel trust, has resigned. Perhaps no one will be able to hold the seat until a Galabad appears. Bulgaria is going to send a memoran-

dum to the powers on Turkish outrages. After it is received an ultimaturn may be sent the Porte, to be promptly pigeonholed.

Marshall Field, Chicago's groatest merchant and perhaps toremost citizen, is something more than a merchant. He is a farmer as well. He owns a farm of 7,000 acres in lowa, part of which is in Madison and part in Stanton county. His herd of shorthorn cattle comprises some of the most famous Herefords in this country, and the total value of his stock is close to \$250,000. Two thousand steers and 1,000 hogs are shipped from the ranch annually. To do this shows that he did not learn farming from Horace Greeley.

ON RELIGIOUS TOPICS.

The Christian Work and Evangelist. It would seem that two important ele-It would seem that two important ele-ments enter chiefly into a wise prepar-ation for old age. The mind must be provisioned with a view to lending help and encouragement when the years are upon us that no longer admit of study or much mental effort. And love-which must mean love to God and man -will sweeten age, and with its kind and luring influence will soften "the austerities of age," lend placidity to the countenance and brighten the path lending up toward the astern gate. leading up toward the castern gate.

Southwestern Christian Advocate.

Some mentry to set others right be-fore getting right themselves. A man should correct his own faults before he tries to correct the faults of other peo-ple-should put himself right with God and his fellowmen before he undertaket to bring others into about extentions with and his fellowmen before he uncertakes to bring others into right relations with God and men-should be sure that he is walking on the high plane of spirifual life before he preaches to others of the duty and privilege of attaining the "higher life." We often hear some member of the church crocking about member of the chilten croaking about the unspiritual condition of the church—the lack of spiritual power and life—the need of a revival. Well, tha surest way to secure a revival in the church and fill it with a spiritual at-mosphere, is for every member to repent of his own sins and sive himself wholly to Christ. "First cast out the beam out of thine own eye, and then shalt thou see clearly to cust out the mote out of thy brother's eye." JOSE James Gardiner Vose. Our Lord has made all the family re-ulonships more sacred. The spirit ationships more sacred. The spirit which would dissolve them, which yould dream of a nolier life than that And His Excellent MINSTRELS of the household, a discipline more sa-red then that of a godly family, is contrary to the spirit of Christ. Through 100 we learn to love our kindred and friends with a nobler love. The church is one great family—shares in the same purental care and heirs to a common inheritance. Joalousies may spring up between the fondest hearts and the most massioned love may may cool THIS AFTERNOON AND TONIGHT. Read what the Salt Lake Papers Said of most passionate love may grow cool - Matinee-Children, 25c; Adults, 50c. unless Christ purify it. He teaches us how to love brothers and sisters at ven our own children aright. He bids the church esteem men, bot for rank or fashion, but because they belong to Christ. Our Lord's dying words show-ed how dearly Hic lovel His mother, and were a refection of the love which the between .Salt Palace. he bestowed on His infant days. the bestowed on Fits intent days. No nother was ever more tender and choughtful; no child ever loved a moth-er so perfectly. There is no love like this, and he who posserses it will love his kindred better and seek to win them to the brotherhood of Carist. TONIGHT The Word and the Way. The little country place looked se noisy and ginet and its frees and lowers, that the visitor, fresh from the city's turnot, said to an old wean who was kultting in the shadow of man who was kalting in the shadow of the vines: "You must see a good deau of happinoss here." She was partially deaf and looked up deubtfully for o moment before she answered: "No, haven't seen him to far as I know. I'm VAUDEVILLE SHOW. not much acquainted around here and anyway, my eyes are so poor that I anyway, my eyes are so poor that I wouldn't know him if I saw him coming in the site." The olner visitor, sit-ling on the end of the porch, laughed softly. "You have your answer," she SEE OUR HEADLINERS. acitly, 'You have your answer, she said, as the two walked away, 'I fancy this matter of happiness is mostly a question of eyesight, after all. It's not living here or there, having this of MISS E. M. FYVIE-DENCH. at, but just knowing the blessed test when he comes in at our gate. For he loss come often, comes in an our gate. For he loss come often, comes in many ways and tarries long, if only we did not fail to recognize him. Our eyes are only opened when he is going out of the Northwestern Christian Advocate, There are different ways of meeting empirition, as all new know who have ever tried seriously to overcome it. Sometimes it must be met face to face and beaten down: but that is not the easiest nor the belt way. The great Dr. Chalmers of Scotland was cace rid-ing on a stage coach leside the driver when, notiving the peculiar handling of the while, he said: "John, why do you hit that off leader such a crack with your high? The john replied: "Away vender there's a white stone: that off leader is afraid of that stone; so, by the crack of my whip I want to get his thought off from it." The re-wark made a deep impression on Dr. There are different ways of meeting

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There was co: the train leaving last night owing to

"within the souls of men." Among modern divines there has been much discussion as to the direct application of the term Emmanuel and the fulfilment of Isaiah's prophecy concerning the virgin's son. But the different notions to get away from the grand, central, the Son to dwell among men, suffer and die for the sin of the world, and become the resurrection and the life to

all the posterity of Adam. Yet those disputing sectaries claim to be His ministers! They preach as authorized of Him to officiate in His name. But they befog the minds of men with their human theories and privale interpretations and thus obscure the great truths He came to unfold. and which He sent out His Apostles to proclaim to the world. If Jesus of Nazareth was not God with man; if He was not the revelation of the Father; if He did not represent God in person on earth then the message of His dis-

ciples to mankind was a myth. But the doctrine that the Father was the Son, that He is the perfect image and likeness of the Father, in His exact form and figure and attributes and perfections, runs counter to the vain philosophy of modern Christendom, in its invention, or rather adoption of the heathen ration, of an immaterial phantora everywhere present but having no shape or locality or substantial reality; and so the plain and pointed declaratime concerning Deity in the inspired teachings of Old and New Testament

writers, have to be reasoned away and made void through human interpretaand plants. tions and traditions. In the revelations of Christ of these latter days we have the same announcement concerning His Father and our Father. His God and our God, as that in the New Testament. Both are individuals in whose likeness we are formed. Jesus was "in the beginning" with the Father and participated in all the works of creation. He came to earth as the babe of Bethlehem and was God with man, even Emmanuel. He | this way:

returned to the Father. He will come again at the appointed time, but as King of kings and Lord of lords, and earth will receive her Ruler and Savior. He will redeem mankind from death, and all the rescued of Adam's race will rejoice in hailing the Great Emmanuel and with the angels will sing the glad anthem: "God is with us."

A SCHOOL-SITE QUERY.

"Editor 'News."

"Please answer through your columns the following: "First-When a notice is posted by

the school trustees calling a meeting for the purpose of voting on a school ite, does it answer the ends of the law to appeint a committee of three at that meeting to locate a site, without the taxpayers voting on the same? "Second-Is a videow a taxpayer whose husband died in August of last year, when she paid the taxes-in the even of the law?

eyes of the law?

"Respectfully, "T, R. G."

These questions are rather indefinite. They do not fully explain the situation.

CREATION, NOT EVOLUTION.

The Darwinian theory of "natural selection," which at one time by many was considered the very highest perfection of light in the world of sciences, entertained are all strained attempts is about to be discarded entirely, as not in accordance with observed facts. A Christian doctrine of the coming of God | Dutch scientist, Hugo de Vries, claims that transformation of species, so far from being slow and gradual, is sudden and "spasmodic," where it occurs at all. He maintains that changes are

at all.

position.

produced in different ways, and that they sometimes are injurious to the creature and sometimes not. The cause is unknown. His view is diametrically opposed to that of Darwin, for he hold; that the struggle for existence sometimes suppresses the species, instead of creating them. And he bases his views, not on speculation but on actual observation. According to an account in Public Opinion, the great number of Mr. de Vries' attempts to observe this phenomenon were unsuccessful, but he was perfectly successful with the ona-

gre biennial. This plant was sown in manifested to man in the personality of the botanical garden of Amsterdam and was observed from 1886 to 1900. In 1887 a new type appeared, in 1888 two new species, and in 1900 in eight gen. erations de Vries obtained out of 50,* 000 plants which came from seeds 809 new individuals belonging to seven unknown species. The new species in no wise resembled the old, they appeared suddenly without preliminary or intermedlary, and the results obtained constitute a new and powerful argument in favor of the theory of sudden change to account for variation among animals

The Darwin theory has led some writers to compare the processes of nature to a relentless and philess war. fare, in which the weaker always perishes for the benefit of the stronger; thus an argument has been found against faith in a beaevolent, merciful First Cause in the universe. But this idea, too, is shown to be erroneous. A Danish naturalist has ascertained how natural selection works. He puts it

"The birch is in possession of a tract. Its branches are open and let down the sumhine to its base, where the beech atrikes root in the humus formed by the decomposition of birch-leaves. The beech arows up, and, being lenger-lived, it survives and prevails over the birch, whore seeds can effect no lodg-ment under the dense abaduw of the ch. Only in sterile or sandy macts akes or in marshy soil, can the birst

by many of in marshy soil, can the biryn hold its ground. We perceive in what the battle, the victory, and the defeat consist. No single birch perishes till its time is come, but it leaves fewer and fewer offspring, and it futures the soil for its supplanter. No tree has been driven out of its habitat: those that survive out of its capital: those that survive in inhospitable spots have been there from the first. It is battle by elimination, victory by supplanting, de-feat by disappearance. The vogetal elimination thus described is the type of all substitution of one species for another."

Nature, then, is not progressing through a conflict in which the strong ruthlessly destroy the weaker, as is too often the rule among the savages of the

human species. The conflicts that do occur in nature are abnormal, due to abnormal causes that will not always

sibility of going astray is necessary to the development of character in the direction of virtue.

This, obviously, is all the answer the question of the origin of evil is capable of receiving, in the present state of our knowledge concerning those things. But in the Doctrine and Covenants the truth relating to this topic is much more tersely stated: "And it must needs be that the devil should tempt the children of men, or they could not be agents unto themselves, for if they never hould have bitter, they could not know the sweet." Sec. xxix, 39 , Neither theplogy nor philosophy can at present go eper into this subject than did- the rophet in that brief sentence. Good, vil, sin, virtue are relative ideas. They annot exist without their opposites. A fe in virtue is one that is in conformty with the will of the Creator. Sin mes, when the individual abuses his lberty of action and goes contrary to hat will. The Book of Mormon shows hat there must needs be an opposition all things. Good and evil always existed as eternal opposites and are not creations in the common accepta-

tion of that term. Of course values are unsettled when the fluancial sea is agitated.

The famous clavicle blow did not prove to be the key to the situation.

Life in Cripple Creek has become alnost as strenuous as it is in Breathitt county:

The battleship Massachusetts has never had a scrap but she has had a bad scrape.

Too much punch gave Mr. Corbett stomach trouble and in consequence he lost the fight.

Whipping sheep herders to death is mly second in cruelty to burning negroes at the stake,

The Cripple Creek miners who have been called out might spend their time in reading "Called Back." times after he had left them.

The Building Trades have indersed ; General Miles favors General Black for commander-hi-chief of the G. A. E. And what is the reciprocity?

candidate for the presidency. Time alone can tell whether or not they have builded better than they knew.

There is a great demand for "swift justice" these days. Really what is most needed in the matter is sure justice.

It is said that radium will cure consumption. If it will then truly it will be one of the most valuable discoveries ever made

New York proposes to send to the St. Louis exposition a monster cheese veighing two ions. This is a miter mdertaking.

Los Angeles cociety still gives bicych parites. It will soon be presenting 'Pinafore" as the very latest thing is Italian opera.

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THE UPSIDE DOWN MAN. Curtain at 8:50. GALTAIR BEACH hours de star familie propriet an anti-Salt Lake & Los Angeles Ry. MONDAY. MONDAY. get his thought of from it." The re-burk made a deep impression on Dr. Chalmers and it is stated that he wort home card began his famous serinon on "The exculsive yower of a new affec-tion." That is the way the disciples whom Josus gathered about him were saved from desertion. In those trying times after he had left them. AUCUST 17th. Ladies' Day. All Ladies' Given FREE Transportation Water Delightful for Bathing FREEI FREE

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