Compel them to come in that
my house may be full —

A feast is nothing without
guests. The more there are
so that there is room enough
& food enough for all, the
better (!! Gods provision is
sufficient for all —

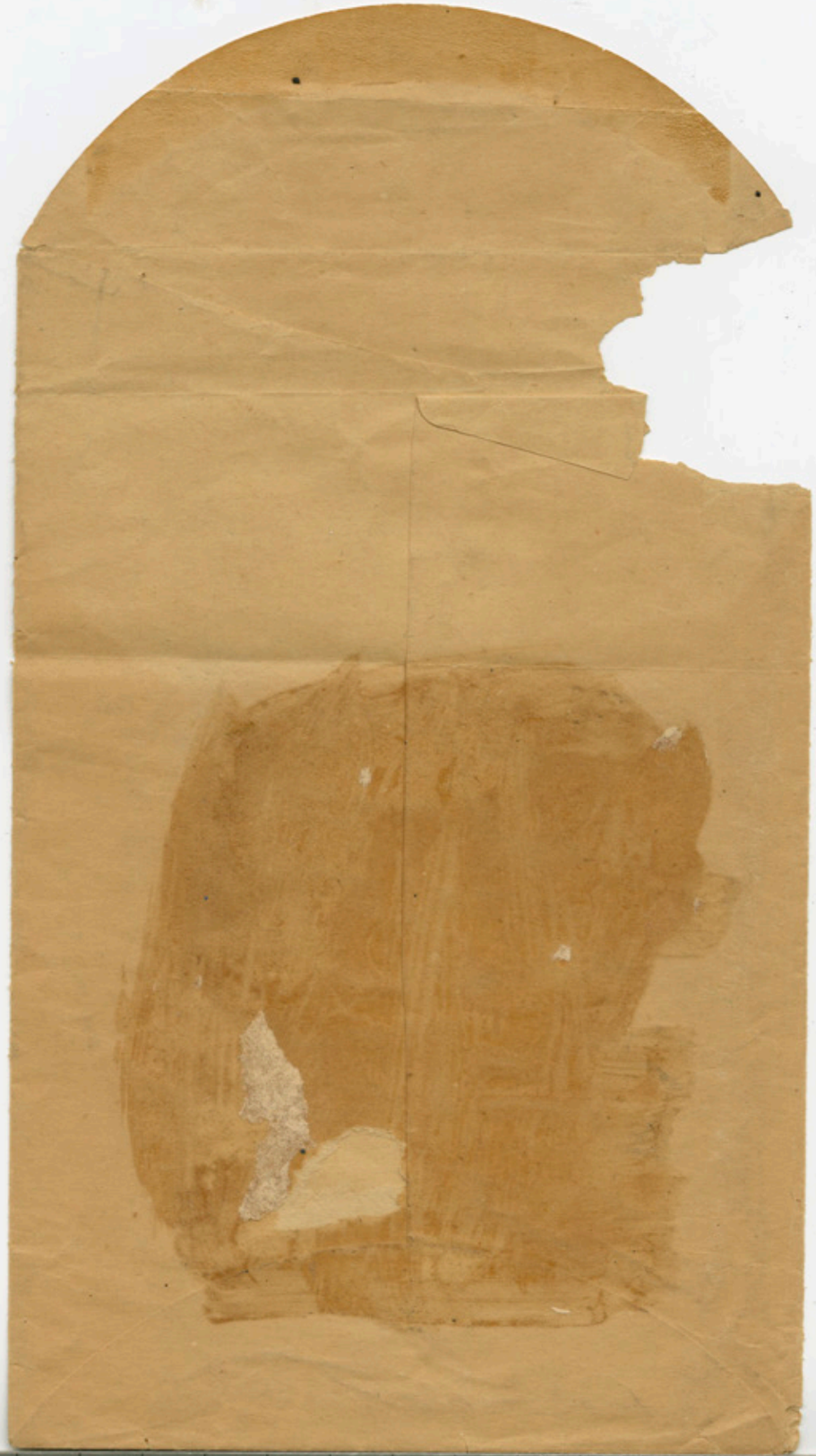
(2) A meagre company come
& the feast. Churches small
S.S. small, Congregations
small, ministry work
small, all the important
work of the Vineyard in
want of laborers — (3) Common
methods used to fill up
the company inadequate
because unsuccessful —
(4) Compulsion to be em-
ployed — what kind?
Moral, not physical —
Precedents of Camp meeting
&c &c

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(5) Sources of ~~supply~~ - not the well-to-do. well-shepherd - persecutions &c - ~~4 blue Orphans~~

(6) An open door - for ~~Scots to Assembly~~ but the compulsion is not force but influence - this is - (1) The Truth
(2) The Preacher
(3) The place
(4) The Worship
(5) " Worshippers. their character &c
(6) Social influences
(7) Excitement Enthusiasms
(8) Fears & dangers the unwarned
(9) Promises & the urged

(1) All can't have a Beecher for a Preacher



I was conversing with a rather peculiar specimen of humanity the other day from New Jersey or Illinois on the subject of Yankees, for whom he seemed to have a traditional respect. I remarked in reply by way of qualification to some of his laudations, Yes, but they do say that a mean Yankee is the meanest of all men. Wal, said he, with slowness & emphasis. They are a talented set & if one wins his talent that way, I reckon he would be might mean! I claim to know something of the race, having been born & lived in the most Eastern State & the Union five months since. I have been informed by a cultivated native of the border land between Mass & R.I. that R.I. & Conn people are less provincial than those of Eastern Mass. N.H. & Maine. Ct having come under the liberalizing & cosmopolitan influences of N.Y. fashions, trade & politics. But

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How do you like our
Western Country

Boston was always the hub of our
literary, social & commercial wheel.
and you may expect all the
narrowness, clannishness & provincialism
in these observations that such a
tradition & influence would be likely
to give: We are proud of our little
corner of the Union, not only because
it deserves our admiration, but because
because it needs it. Since nobody
admires or praises it: We confess
to a rocky soil, a severe climate, a
more limited trade, a more general
poverty than can be found in most localities,
~~most localities of the country~~
offend. Our crops are smaller & more
uncertain. Our farms are small not
suffice for a respectable competence
here. Our hills are far more fre-
quently remembered by the thousand
than our cattle: Our best crop is
in them
our children, & they decrease in
numbers with the progress of modern
ideas of the family. I need not
say much of the character of this
East product. The facts are before

you. I am a 3rd born in the West Town in Iowa, but has some young & hearty yankee vigor, & spirit. I am told, succeeding in drawing sufficient nourishment from your rich soil, & ordinary people to fill out to fair proportions his traditional lank, attenuated frame = among these peripatetic & hungry heroes, whose early nutriment was derived from the inhalation of Eastern winds & N.E. ideas, I drifted out upon the prairies of Ills. a little while ago, ~~(having crossed the father of waters~~ I) am here ~~bright~~ to reflect a few first impressions -

But I wish to add further preface them by calling your attention to the fact that all such impressions however vivid, they may be always need correction by the later ~~De Tocqueville, whose plaguing book deserves~~ & ~~made~~ experience ^ ^ by your attention, criticism & correction while I tell you how this western ~~impresses~~ strikes me in ~~the~~ first months of residence =

But here I am[4] arrested again by the somewhat unfortunate title a text of my Lecture. because not only a Yankee's a first impression are equivocal & uncertain generally, but the West is even far more so. Indeed the latest Authorities locate that indefinable region beyond the Rocky Mts. and so I find myself using the vocabulary of the last generation, when "the West" means East of the Mississippi. But I have fixed upon that designated term to designate the region lying north of the Ohio & west of Buffalo N.Y. & Pittsburg Pa. - It is a region so various, so boundless & so many sidedness that I may well claim no more than one who here & there dips a report of water from the Atlantic & from the Ocean quality. But still there are certain characteristics of this region & people which they have in common. There are certain things in which I, as an inspector

The Frenchman de Toqueville alone dropped his plumb it deeper into American Society than any other foreigner & understood us better than we did ourselves. congratulates himself that he did not publish till they had ~~corrected~~ revised his first impressions =

as like a unlike the older States communities of the Atlantic States It is some of the contrasts that will ~~notice~~ first mention =

1= The most noticeable of these is, of course, the vast extent of territory. the "much land" prospected to be prospected. This impresses the Maine Yankee all the more vividly because he is accustomed from childhood to the limits which the Ocean fixes to the State on the one side and the Queens prosperins on the other = His views are also circumscribed by the narrowness of horizon which the hills & Mts often compel. and when you lead him out 1200 miles & place him in the midst of an almost unbroken prairie & bid him look around. he has no measure by which to institute a comparison except he have been accustomed to go down to the ~~coast~~ Sea in Ships & do business on the great deep =

And then you move hundreds of
East, West, North & South and he
finds the same unlimited land-
the eye of Columbus & Salem at most have not prophetic
land, land, - and that what he sees
is the faintest possible representation
of what exists beyond his ken,
where regions equally vast are
daily being discovered, surveyed,
peopled & cultivated; and you
need not be surprised that with
all his nonchalance, his fancy fried
his conceit of knowing everything with
knowing - he is a little confused &
possibly incoherent when he writes
his brother Jonathan. Still on the
old farm in Maine, or undertakes to lecture about the
West.

But lest the denizens of these boundless
plains be called above measure by
the extraordinary breadth of the land
of their adoption, I wish to suggest -
that great size, is not incompatible with
~~great~~ littleness, ~~contain elements of as undesirable~~
~~nature as any for instance, as a~~

I have been told philosophically by big men are usually awkward, & often uncultivated men.

We had a giantess, about seven feet 3 inches in height and well proportioned living in the next town to mine in N.E.. Her size neither added to her beauty or her usefulness. She was no better prepared by her size to work butter. knead bread. take stitches - wear panniers. chignons. hoops - dance gracefully among her countrymen. converse fluently. Elegantly. entertainingly. play a piano or sing a song than many persons of less altitude & weight. A dear old friend of mine. with a heart as big as his body measured 6 feet 4 inches & weighed 350 lbs. He was so big that when once I reposed behind him in a narrow room, I felt like "little boy blue" under a hayclock fast asleep. In the morning he arose and passed out of the door to enable me to get out of bed. But I never noticed that he had keener sense, profounder intellect or more effective muscle than many

A leper mean= Venice, Queen of the Adriatic had but a few square rods of solid land at the head of the ~~Adriatic~~ Sea, but she once ruled the commercial world, and held the balance of military power in Europe as against the invading hords of Mahomet - Holand dare only escape ~~the Sea~~ subsisting by hard labor, but she succeeded Venice as ruler of the Ocean - The Island of Great Britain is so pitiably small as to almost excite ~~call forth~~ the contempt of a patriotic American - but in wealth, laws, civilization, the mechanic arts - in intellectual culture - in literary advancement - in Eloquence, Social refinement & Religion - In greatness of influence on the destinies of the world in war & peace - where can you show me her peer today? Who so free during the past ages of human History as the Briton, shut in by their Alps & oppressed & hindered on every hand by the broad boundaries of Superior Nations? Going further back we remember Classic Greece, whose perfection

in * written language, and in Architecture & Statuary has never been reached by the most cultured of moderns, nor but little larger than a good sized Co. in the little Smaller Illinois -

We remember that Palestine, the home of the Jews, has given law and religion to Christendom as well as Jews.

And it seemed to me beneath the dignity of a recent Essay on Education by Mr Lowe of Emdenburg a British Minister, to depreciate the advantages of classical as compared with modern studies, by calling attention to the few acres of territory in the Peloponnesus. The fact is size, bigness is not an element, & possibly a very inferior one of true greatness - So much may a Yankee suggest in self-defence when you suggest that Ills. will cover nearly all N.E. including Cape Cod & the Housatonic Tunnel! ~~(& Iowa scarcely do left)~~

But my brother Yankees, let us not allow the world to ignore our vast extent of land. It is as yet our greatest & our glory. That fact Cheapens the soil and all

the products of the soil, and thus
offers a home and sustenance
to the exercise the poor the landless
of the world. It expands a mans
yankee soul to contemplate this immense
breath & length = Here is compelled to
adjust his ideas to a broader range
of things - must open his eyes to wider
prospects, and is just to his faculties
of work of "calculation" where the
increments, Elements, data of his
mental processes are simply marvellous
in point & number = No, we will not
endeavor to belittle the importance
of your immensity. but rather try
to stretch ourself to its comprehension =

It tired me more to walk a mile
in N.E. than two here. A journey of 200
Miles from my home to London Rapids
Ills, left an event than 100. months have
been at the East. The iron bridges that
span the Fathers of waters are less
wonderful to me those of one third
their dimensions near my early
home. A worn person like them is not

the product of 10 to 20 (11) years immigration taken. enterprise, it less a marvel than many which do not begin to rival it in population, wealth, public Spirit & future promise - & yet have been in existance for three generations. Yes. Size. Bigness. & Greatness in the country itself prepare are to expect the same quality in all human achievements - and so we Yankees having been here a little while & being ourselves built on the Omnibus plan, & being adjustible quantities, are on the whole benefitted by it if we do not bless the rest - we are, at least, taught to be like him who hopeth all things & believeth all things in the way of greatness & grandeur. ~~But if I can't attempt to expound our Country so as to compare with the size of our Country. Let me remember the chicken said to the elephant, "you're a baby sir yourself"~~

2. ~~Progress~~ material progress - Of course I cannot speak of what an indefinite number of ~~about them~~ I see with my own eyes ~~this be~~ ^ ^ ^

But when tempted to expand our
vanity to the dimensions of our country,
it will do us good to remember
the nursery rhyme. What the chicken
said to the ~~elephant~~ proud mosquito

I don't dispute your greatness
But you're a clumsy elf;
And tho' sir, altho: you're bigger
You're a baby like myself!

~~Ere these~~ Broad & otherwise almost ~~unfathomable~~ gulfs were settled ~~=~~
~~The dissection of R.R.s had supplied~~
~~a necessary condition of success.~~
Spencer. ~~The discovery~~ The Electric
~~Telegraph had done for ideas what~~
~~R. Roads had for commercial products~~
~~made interchange quick, easy, cheap.~~
Indeed, when I reflect on these two
marvellous inventions - I seem to realize
the old poetic conception of Faith = They
bring ~~the~~ distant things near - They solve
~~the~~ many old puzzling problems of Space
& Land - They make possible what otherwise
were impossible - They clasp hands at
a distance of thousands of miles from
Each other! They bring those in personal
contact & acquaintanceship who otherwise
would never have seen Each other this
side Eternity = What swift messengers of
intelligence are the lightnings = Now,
these wonderful discoveries of very
modern times - which were not known
in the childhood of our older men,
are so spontaneously incorporated

~~How the anticipating the workmans axe and the fences Scythe fell the forests and moved the grass.~~

into every fibre of this western
life - have here been so various and
extensive & applied. - that many
seem to think that they are chemical
& Western origin - adaptations & inventions
No. my friends, the fundamental ideas
of our RRs & Telegraphs, God not Gods, just into
mens minds & rolled them over & stirred
them up so as to be ready to help us
with, them when we needed them.

But with all these appliances made
ready for your hands. you never could
have accomplished one hundredth part
of what you have without some of the
grandest qualities of human nature!
Energy & pluck that cannot be too
highly admired & praised. By energetic application of these
(Cella) longer lines of Railway - a larger
number of magnificent & substantial
bridges. More lines & miles of Telegraph -
larger & more productive farms than
Rich towns of more rapid growth & greater commercial importance
can be found Elsewhere in the world.

And yet lest this just meed
of praise should feed too luxuriously
the hungry maw of our pride, allow
me to suggest, that rapid progress

in all material good does not comprise everything of value in life.- and indeed some nations have almost stood still ~~like~~ in acquiring wealth, but have gone on ~~rapidly~~ rapidly in other things of certainly no less moment= ~~progress in becoming a nation=~~ Indeed Rome was more virtuous- more virile. more manly. courageous. peace by far under Constantine than under Caesar. The progress in wealth was progress in luxury- ~~illness~~, ingloriously Effeminacy (what used to be called effeminacy) & Social Corruption= The common people of Russia are poor, but no peasantry can compare with them in intelligence and as has just been demonstrated in war, in Military virtues= In the Eastern States today, while there is a degree of material prosperity ~~beyond~~ such as our fathers never dreamed of yet it is an open question whether either the common School or the College is doing one half as much for the Education of the people at large as the same institutions did one half a century since= Progress in material things alone is a one sided abnormal growth. Our country may be a dwarf in the highest Civilization

and a giant in wealth. India has been richer for centuries than Scotland, Sweden, Russia, but the Hindoo is among the most degraded races ~~on a globe~~ that the world knows. We are familiar with such facts as these. A narrow-minded ignorant, coarse, fox rich man. An arrogant, showy vain soft-headed son or daughter of Shoddy. Horses. Lawns Flocks. Cattle. City lots. Wealth cannot make men & women. Possibly they may wear God's image. These are as helpless as ~~children~~ princes of whom Burns ~~says~~ sings:

A King can make a belted Knight
A marquis duke & a' that
An honest man's aboon his might
Guid faith, may ~~never~~ fa' that.

So, my dear transplanted Yankee friends, when you grow rich, as many of you are bound to do & have reason to think that your bills will be lengthy, & your heirs wealthy, don't let that consideration keep you from remembering that you may not have touched yet the highest civilization. Possibly may not

leave to your 17 daughters Lens the best things
life affords =

B = Culture - This is a broad word cover-
ing many things - I intend to apply
it to the progress. Social, intellectual, ~~Educational~~ ~~Social~~
moral & religious of which the people
give Evidence. (1) Social culture - This is
Evidenced by the style of eating, drinking
& sleeping. the laws of intercourse, the
air of the home. - and the manners of
the people: Civilized Society gives proof
of its existence by the Social habits of
~~the people~~ its members. = A Savage takes his food
beef aside by himself & eats it
with his fingers
in silence & alone - like a dog or a cat =
But civilized man spreads a table, gathers
his family & friends & the Stranger around
his board, prepares his food with hands.
partakes of it with conversation & courtesy =
He bestows thoughtful care upon what
~~he shall Eat~~ & how he shall eat = With
temperance & circumspection he supplies
the physical wants ~~of his nature~~ & elsewhere
Cherishes
and ~~cultivates~~ at table the manners

& customs that have for ages distinguished
cultivated Society. Abject poverty, the
~~privation of hard work~~ physical drudgery,- the absence of women
tend to resolve us back into the semi-
barbarous state= Society like mine, requires
age for refinement & richness - The west
is new. The demands of business and
work are urgent- seem to be paramount-
Leisure is almost unknown- Nine tenths
of the people have to struggle for years
for subsistence. The bread & butter question
is at first all absorbing- So habits of
life are formed which this generation
will not reform. Hard ~~& compels~~ seems to the
removal & unnatural swallowing of
necessary food- Carelessness & untidiness
of apparel- A mingling of business & newspaper literature
the shop in social intercourse- The
quietness, gentleness & freedom of refined
Social life can hardly be said to exist=
In these circumstances
Attempts at refinement in dress are apt
to result in exaggeration, showiness & extra-
gance, bad taste, showdy. Tables are loaded
& quantity seems to be the test of
hospitality. Indeed this idea, unconscious

Suggested by the greatness & influence
~~4 = Religion~~ of the Country itself runs
thro almost Everything. When a farmer
builds a house & escapes from his origi-
nal cabin. the dimensions are so grand
that it seems cold. unsocial. unfurnished
& almost unoccupied = Cosiness. home-
likeness. convenience. adaptation to the wants
of a farmer's family seem to be the
the last things considered: The house is con-
structed for guests, for company, for show
for almost anything but comfort = & they
will often tell you. we were cosier & happier
~~were poorer~~ in the little log house than
we are now. Then the farms are too large
to be thoroughly cultivated. the crops
too abundant & the economical house-
keeping abhorrent. Plans of work are so vast
& look itself so overwhelming
as to make, as one successful farmer in
Ills, expand me, a brute of a man & a
slave of his wife = What wonder then that
neatness of yards, houses, outbuildings &
person is exceptional. The clean clothing
is ~~worn~~ worn for Sundays & visits.
that one clean persons. unmoved by mud or

a dust of some sort about one. ~~The nature of the soil, the business of soft coal has much to do with this mass of abomination~~ My brief sojourn convinces me & my [illegible] that ten times the - It requires, ~~more~~, courage. self-denial & hard work to keep clean at the west than in N. E. - Here one, a thousand more obstacles to overcome - One is the ever present example of those animals, the aborigines of the Jews, which are here a chief Source of income, & almost, it would seem with some, household pets - Another is the fineness, oiliness, stickiness, blackness & (outside of C. Rapids) omnipresence of the nature mud - Another is the cheap & excellent fuel of the country which insidiously sends out infinitesimal particles that lodge & lay on ladies, delicate fingers & gentlemans, soil having faces & necks - which ~~sink~~ prick the finest & whitest linnen & begrime even the water of cisterns, so as to discolor the wash - Indeed I can think of few things more ~~while~~ except the Winter-wheaten loaf & the newly fallen snow -

As to Manners, many most people seem to have deferred the consideration of

the subject as well as its practice until they have finished the business which is always preying them = There are no kinder hearted, more hospitable & more generous people than have settled these western prairies. But the pressure of want & rush has compelled them to skip over some little things that make men & women lovely. and give Society an indescribable charm & fill out the Apostles idea of a christian gentleman, personified under the name of Charity = He suffereth long, and is kind. Envieth not = vaunteth not himself. is not puffed up. doth not behave unseemly. seeketh not his own. is not easily provoked thinketh no evil. rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth beareth all things, believeth all things hopeth all things & never faileth =

We Yankees need the admonition (as much as any) incorporated into our creed & life Be ye courteous =

Princeton
Nov. 1870

Manners ~~& Manufactures~~

A Recent writer has affirmed that Nothing is surer, or it would seem, more manifest than that during the last 20 years our manners and the morals of our Soc. have suffered a great & wide Spread deterioration - He declares, Americans, today are less courteous than their fathers, more less deferential to age & weakness, less careful in the suppression of selfishness - Coarser in their pleasures, more gross in living in all their views of life -

To this indictment another writer of acknowledged ability utters an indignant denial - and perhaps young American will endorse almost unanimously the denial & indignation - For, he cries, it is not true that age & prudence - and age that is grossly more & more tender of the rights of the weaker sex - and receiving her homage - Has not Intelligence increased - Intercommunication grown more frequent & general - Is there not more Sociality - more real Society, by which the rough angles & corners of manners are rubbed off -

and a general facility of intercourse increased? Is not wealth, one of the great refining forces of society, more generally diffused, bringing the luxuries of life within the reach of a larger No.? = Does not popular education elevate the standard of refinement. And the multiplication of our Schools and the acknowledged superiority of their advantages, tend to soften & improve the manners of the young? Does not the increase of those addicted to Scientific & learned pursuits, and Enlargement of the professional classes, the Lawyers, Doctors, Clergymen, also enlarge the bounds of Culture & therefore the Method by which Culture is manifested?

I am by prepared to pronounce a decision as between this Generation and the one immediately preceding them to remark upon some of the palpable & obvious barbarisms of our own time - I would not carelessly fall into the always popular habit of lauding the age, the place, the people among whom I live - and of drawing comparisons with some former period to the injury & discredit of my

Contemporaries - but having fixed upon a proper Standard of Excellence I must inquire how far we succeed in attaining unto it =

I hazard nothing in speaking before this Audience, if intelligent persons. many of them in the bloom of Youth, that the rules of manners referred to by the first writer quoted, are simply detestable - that the Society to some other nation less educated than Ours - to an age less cultivated - to a people less Christian = Boorishness. Coarseness. Vulgarity. Selfishness. Irreverance. Disrespect = Sensuality are qualities that all sensible, nor to say decent men and women very properly despise - They are not, with the exception of the last, among the topics of Every Theatre in the Sacred Desk - The pulpit very properly occupies itself with higher & more fundamental themes - They are not frequently subjects of Newspaper comment or argument = Nor do they fill a large Space in the higher periodical literature of the day - No Profession has for its object the teaching of Manners - and

I do not believe great progress can be attained by the study of a behaviour book - any more than one can acquire Epistolary grace by copying the forms of the complete letter writer. I am sure that the matter of gentlemanly & ladylike manners goes deeper than the canons of the Dancing Master and the postures of the ball-room - (Indeed if I were to except the habitual discoloration of the hair & the face - and the multiplication of showy jewelry upon the fingers & Ears - I know of nothing more unpleasant & unsatisfactory than the dancers ~~bow~~ Bow or the way they are taught to touch your gloved hand - It reminds one painfully of cheap perfumes and general vanity & shallowness =)

of acquired at all. It is done by imitation rather than study or instruction - In addition to the unconscious influence of the world at large there are three ~~four schools~~ to which we may trace a large portion of what we learn whether it be evil or good - the family, the School, and what is called Society - The last is so constituted & so often remote from our childhood & youth and, after all, so indefinite in its ideas & so infrequent in its influence that we may lay it aside at the outset - It is in America rather a place of exhibition than instruction -

But let us attend briefly to the other two - What ought they to teach? And what do they teach?

They ought to teach reverence for age - deference to weakness - respect for Superiors - patience under necessary restraint - they ought to insist on gentleness & politeness in intercourse - thoughtfulness with regard to little things little peculiarities of others - they ought to repress coarseness, undue familiarity with strangers - Cant. Bulgar. ~~Slang~~ Colloquialisms

they ought to be Schools of politeness- kindliness- simplicity and modesty of demeanor- and unselfish regard for the feelings & rights of others, even of our most intimate friends & nearest relatives- those from whom we differ have claims to be treated with respect- If they do not desere it- we cannot afford to do otherwise. Coarse, angry loud, boisterous, wrangling words degrade us more than they can injure another- The parent & the teacher- the brother & sister & schoolmate ought never to receive from any one of us anything but the most thoughtful & polite consideration=

Do they fulfill their mission. Do the family & ~~Sanctuary~~ the School inculcate such sentiments & cultivate such conduct in this our day? Our Saviour has suggested the one great test of all practicing things- By their fruits ye shall know them- What are the manners of those who are now coming upon the stage of active life- Were graduates of the home & School?-

Some of us can remember here and there one who is called a Gentleman of the old School - He may have been a farmer, a mechanic or Artizan - a day laborer or a Student - We will not soon forget the respectful bow - the thoughtful kindness for wounds little children the measured sentences and the general air - or Atmosphere as Dr Bushnell calls it, that is better felt than described:

You esteem Utica his talents & piety may command — & except the position Providence has assigned us in this age with no regrets for whatever was adventitious & artificial in the former period — But upon its naturally such more solemn themes — and in the sweeping away of old School customs and the introduction of the popular tastes. Fellow will not style of doing things the Preacher is apt to lose that degree of consideration & respect to which his Sacred calling by right entitles him. And the children are taught to treat him in no respect as their Pastor & Teacher — And the Sacred calling itself, letting go of its ancient dignity, has too often made too feeble Claims upon veneration or even respect — It is NOT our cloth. not our Social position — Not our Authority — our Salary &c — It is our ~~position~~ Office as Ministers Ambassadors of the K. of H. that we are bound to respect & maintain against all intrusion and then the world will honor us & our Master in us =

Acts 17- 26-

And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the Earth and hath determined the times before appointed and the bounds of their habitation;

In this first contact of Christianity with the heathen world at its best in art & culture, Christianity need not be ashamed of its apologetic preaches. Paul enlarges in the text on essentials that must have seemed to more

"the times" are determined and the nations located by some divine appointment & guidence. Then providence must & does direct & other & lesser things.

But tempted as I am to stop and conjecture the effect of this change and remarkable discovery on the minds of the hearers then present, I must forgo the temptation - and ask of you, my hearers, to accept these statements. In a general sense I will take it for granted that you do, and

ble to a Greek when
the first conversation
of Judson did to a
Hindoo. ~~as a Bhudist.~~
~~In One~~ text contains
an assertion of 4 facts
1. That God is the creator
of mankind
2. That mankind is
One in blood or
lineage.
3. ~~That the Providence of~~
God that the "the times"
are appointed and de-
termined by Jehovah.
4. That God located
the nations.
These assertions go to the
very depths of things
about which philosophy

has been in doubt.
nothing could be more
anti-polytheistic. This
One God. was ~~God~~ Lord of those
gods. ~~that~~ whose pictures
rose in beauty before
the preachers eyes ~~examining~~
not an attack on
prejudice, culture, art,
literature over religion
as the Greeks loved &
Cultivated these.
It was a declaration
~~God's~~ creatorship-
the highest attribute
conceivable in a being.
It was also an assertion
as those said of the
appointing and determining
power of Jehovah - such
few men are willing
to accept. For if the

We will pause a little to consider the 2d proposition.

"God hath made all nations of one blood" mankind a unity, notwithstanding their diverse development. Theoretically one may believe this, and practically ignore it. Allow me to call attention to some considerations that point to and illustrate this unity. This need be unnecessary were it not that Satan glances at the contrary & tries to blind us to it.

Some of these (1) Colour of the skin. (2) diversity of features (3) differences of temperament (4) variety of languages (5) degrees of development (6) Race, Tribal or family traits (7) Hostility.

1. Colour is affected by climate and by race, but is not due to the direct influence of the sun. The Child of a man whose life is spent in the shade is not black like himself. The sun-burnt farmer resembles a son who does not labour like himself. Northern climates

the not only give us Indian white
hair light skin & eyes, while the
Malay, Hindoo & African under
Equatorial sun, and out of door
life are yellow, tawny or coal black.
Climactic influences & not creative
energy makes us differ in color.
2. Diversity of features can be accounted
for in part at least by diversity of
of character, which finds expression
itself in the face, the eye. in one
word in a high general human-
ness & in a high sensuous life is
A sensual and bestial life is
reflected in children children
faces -
3- The calm cool & fiery temperaments
may result alike from combined
Climactic and transmitted
habit - has been
4 - Language = clearly traced back
to a few great - stems, called
families. Its wonderful di-
versity & resolution in flexible
language has adapted to develope
since the early dispersions of
the race -

(5) The degrees of development in reasoning powers as seen in a Zulu or a Congo negro in his native state contrasted by civilization, and a cultivated European or American gentleman are to be accounted for by the ages of education which there races have been subject.

6- Tribal or race traits of manners sorts are their diseases the same cause and the great law of heredity, which makes families differ in the most cultivated society- and which repeats a type in an individual several generations removed from his original.

7- Hostility is almost a logical sequence of the differences above mentioned, but it seems to have owed something of its venomed virulence to instinctive aversions, prejudices and hatreds such as the human soul too frequently developes & harmlessly manifests.

I have simply alluded to considerations which may account in part for a pretty general feeling even among Civilized people that the race is not a unit: that some portions of it are no blood relations to others and that a feeling of repulsion, antagonism & hostility is not only natural, but being natural & common is commendable - But God made of one blood all nations. The Evidence of this can only be stated in part & cursorily -

1 = All men are traced back to certain localities. Historic verify finds them living at first in Western Asia & people the East

2 = Languages have their origin in the same localities - The great families of tongues seem to gather in the region of Arabia Persia India & Egypt etc

3 - Under similar physical, intellectual & moral conditions men assimilate in looks thoughts & character - Americ-

~~The~~ Colour approximates with intermarriage. The features are modified into similar forms by intercourse, especially by affection - temperament and modified, retaining distinguishing features losing hostility - (1) Language manifests its vigour the study of scholars having it to its world. (2) By the commercial, social 02) intercourse made possible by modern inventions, the people are learning Each others dialects - (3) The English language is becoming more & more the language of commerce, diplomacy, Colonization & missions. The scholars of Japan, China as well as those of India & Africa teach it (4) This great University called America is unifying the languages of all the world by the influence of common schools and other democratic institutions com- ing to its 60,000,000 of people. Class distinctions are recumbing & Commerce ~~not~~ which changes wealth from one family to another and

the rapid and unprecedented advance of what were once the lower classes in ~~Europe~~ Education & power & of self-control and Government: The swallowing up of minor states by great Empires as in Great Britain. Germany & Italy is fast obliterating not only the local dialects but "slogans" but frequent intermarriage promotes social intercourse intermarriage before which the Class, tribes, and races & long fade away. And Caste. Hostility not fostered by rulers or by the differences of race now disappearing, is dying out of the hearts of mankind.

Hence the "One blood" of mankind has probably never been so evident since this world's times as it is today. In no country is it so conspicuously demonstrated as in our own.

1) Christ ~~of~~ foretold this consummation - not included in so many words. But his prayer for the unity of his church - made up from all mankind - His prayer for the universal Kingdom of God on Earth - His love ~~for~~ and prayer for his worst Enemies - His life given for "the world" - His Spirit operating on "the world" - His Gospel given to preached to all "the world"; All these things indicate the Love will & purpose =

2) The unifying principle of love to Everybody which he exhibited and inculcated

(3) His nature as shown in his name "Son of Man"

(4) His power as indicated in his name Son of God - power of a Creator - ~~power of Saviour~~ to save create man so that having by his old nature, he should love by his new-born Spirit =

5= His blood speaking better things than that of the first murder Abel.

Contrast the sin. Gethsemane and the Garden ~~the~~ on the cross with the Blood which shed in Gethsemane and on the cross and stained the flowers of Eden. the blood of Abel. blackened and tarnished his murderer. Christ's only led him to offer an answered prayer for his. The first alienated the numbers of one family till then united. The last united men forever who till then were hostile. the killing of Abel brought vengeance. the killing of Christ secured mercy. the consequence of one death was driving out scattering. "cursing" "marking" "banishing" the result of the other is ~~pardon~~ divine Compassion. pardon & blessedness.

God created mankind of one blood. Christ Jesus reunites & saves what sin dissevered, alienated, damned.

Our despised orator of the Areopagus, after he has proved pagan poetry & accepted beliefs. after he has declared the great facts of natural theology does not leave Christ without witness for he has shown Christ, all men who rose from the dead Resurrection and Judges, is preached - and all men everywhere are called upon to repent and seek him who is nigh unto every one - "Offspring of God", so theirs then of proved pagan poets. Called even these pagans - "Offspring of God" "Children of God". Come back to Him - Come to Jesus, come to God of other - Such is the Exhortation of the Apostle.

Over

Brethren I believe in "progress" in the 19th Century. But I believe also in Christ ~~Without~~ whom there is brought to light ~~is~~ no Immortality & no resurrection, no all-embracing love - no complete Unity of mankind - no new life for a poor dead world, or one single dead sinner =

But standing around his cross & looking into his meek face I love to think of the Original love of the first-family as possible for all the children of God - I love to see indications of this - I love to feel Thanksgiving day & the entire family of man -

1- In common feelings of humanity - sympathy help in real trouble Charleston & others

2- England & America - missions - Moravian converts - Gen Booth

3- The world - the scene at Engl. House Yesterday - Jannie: Pestilence: Misery: Sin dying among the Death of the Son of God and The Kingdoms of this world become the Ks of Jesus Christ -

In the light of this subject the bodies & souls, the relief and the salvation of all kinds of persons become possible and indeed obligatory on you and me. They are our relations They belong to our family.

Thanksgiving is the day of sweet & kindly memories of home and family, but it ought to be no occasion of narrow sympathies or selfish Enjoyments. Let us go in heart & the South which has tried to adopt it and love our brethren there. Let us carry its spirit of grateful love with the poor hope of missing ones - to foreigners as well as natives in our own country. Let our heart leap over the Seas and embrace mankind today as our Lord's heart does. But let us not forget the weak & helpless members of our own household or in wider circle of our family - or our

Thro.

Our fellow neighbor - Our disagreeable acquaintance Our "Enemy" - Let us in the presence of any unfriendly Lay aside the old Samaritan antipathy social, national, political or religious and acknowledge the Brotherhood of nature, the Common humanity = created by God and redeemed by Christ = The "least of these" my brethren, is Our Lord in want.

All nations. One Blood =

1- There is something better than patriotism & broader & deeper than race & more Christian -

2= There is something broader than Puritanism or Protestantism - We is Christian - (to the church)

3= There is room for Christ's feeling to the world These are my brethren -

4= There is a call for a love like God's when He gave his son - like that of Christ for all men - like that of

Love is a debt to pay =

Matt 5. 21.

Thou shalt not kill.

The Sixth Commandment is here cited by Our Lord. He had first declared as to the Law of God that he came not to annul or abrogate - but to fulfill. i.e. to obey and help mankind to obey.

He corrects, and does away with the comments of the Jewish Rabbis: He leaves the substance of Gods Original Law untouched.

The command is then unmodified - It remains with all its original force obligatory upon mankind -

What does it mean?

(1) It means one human being must not take the life of another # unless he

III
A- No individual of the race has a right to take the life of another individual- Emotional Meaning-

Self-defence - Not with the purpose to kill
Suicide — No moment-
War — Without individual malice-
Capital punishment — Magistrate.

He meaneth not to send in vain-

"I" say the murder not only the actual murder shall suffer, but the feelings & words that prompt murder shall be [illegible]

Preciousness of Life

Seen in the Bible
Estimate of it=
(1/2) God Breath
(1) Law & penalty
(2) Gospel
(3) Seen in the light
of immortality=

(4) Probation=
Not only Precious but sacred
References
(1) Is. not sure life to
snatched- to save it
noble Lt. Rhodes-
(2) To commit suicide is
self murder
(3) Whole=
(5) Juries
(6) Judgment. Councils Hellfire

Why not kill=

Preciousness of Life

(1) Natural Reluctance
1) Dread of death
Love of existence
(2) Popular estimate of
the guilt of murder
(4) Laws for its punishment
(5) Love of the life of others.
Seen in depending a
friend - a child - mourning
the sick - employment
of a physician - almost
Every life is dear to some
one=

Ps. 103 - 1, 2, 3, 4 Vs. Who forgiveth all thine iniquities -

We have been searching through a year and through our lives to find occasions of thanksgiving. We have earned social & family blessings - have been surprised with national mercies - The absence of the pestilence has compelled to awaken our gratitude & also kindle our pity for our countrymen South who have suffered from the scourge ~~as well as to gratitude~~ - One cannot be a blind man without thanking God he has eyes - The message that fills the sea & fires the heaches makes us grateful that we all are not

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Sir & Engineers

Embarked in the foundered
vessel. When we walk along the
high ~~rocks~~ shore & look down upon
the floating bodies of the
drowned ~~Crew~~ driving with the
~~tide~~ tide in and out of
the ~~surging~~ Eddies - surging
upon the sharp rocks and
bruising the naked faces
& forms our shuddering
senses teach us to be thankful
for exemption from such a
fate - and that more very
near & dear to us are aboard
the ship
When ever the fitful gusts between
A sound came from the land
~~It~~ was the sound of the howling surf.
On the rocks and the hoarse sea-sound

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When the breakers right beneath her
Lows,
She drifted ~~a dreary~~ a dreary wreck,
And a whooping billow swept the crew
Like icicles from her deck.

Addison

And when I count thy mercies o'er
They fill me with surprise
Not all the sands upon the shore
So great a number rise.

But among these and other
divine blessings recorded by
preachers & sung by Psalmists
did you ever think of the
one mentioned in the text?

1 "Count" "Forgiveth all thine iniquities"
If so how large & weighty a
blessing does it seem to you?
One needs no reminder
to be thankful for diseases
healed. O if I could get well!

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Such was Christ to the
as the Seer saw him—
Anticipation, Realization
Memory. Such are the
names we give to that
in us which ministers
to our silences & sweetest
life! The Bible gives room
and reason for all these.
We look for the Messiah
with the prophets & kings
of the olden time. We sit
down with the Apostles
at the very table and witness
the very words & works foretold.
Then we remember!
Remember the night on
the hills of Judea. the
Bethlehem Cradle, the angel
song. the homage of the
Magi. the Manhood, the
ministry, the Garden the

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upper chamber, the Garden the cross, the new Sepulchre and the mount of Ascension

Thus our imagination & our love is kindled. God having provided these better things for us

Better to realize than to anticipate Christ. Better to recollect and experience his history, his doctrines and his Spirit than to have seen his face & heard the the gentle cadence of his sweet voice.

Brethren this is the greatest Christmas time the world has Ever seen.

All that Christmas means for grows with the development of man. As men grow in grace and knowledge

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is increase, the Empire of
Christ is widened.
The Latter day draws on.
To Christ Every knee shall bow
and Every tongue confess.
All things as well as
all men shall be subject
unto him - The whole crea-
tion shall forget its
groans & horrid cries.
The Mountains shall smell
with righteousness, the
trees of the field shall clap
their hands, the desert
shall more & more widely
become a watered Garden.
The redeemed of the Lord
shall return with singing
Sorrow & sighing shall flee
away. The Glory of Bethlehem
shall shine on Every land
& Every sea - The multitudes

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3 = But what is forgiven? What is this taken away for which the Psalmist now thank God so fervently?

II Allow me to quote the sincere words of a man who conduct was apparently irreproachable.

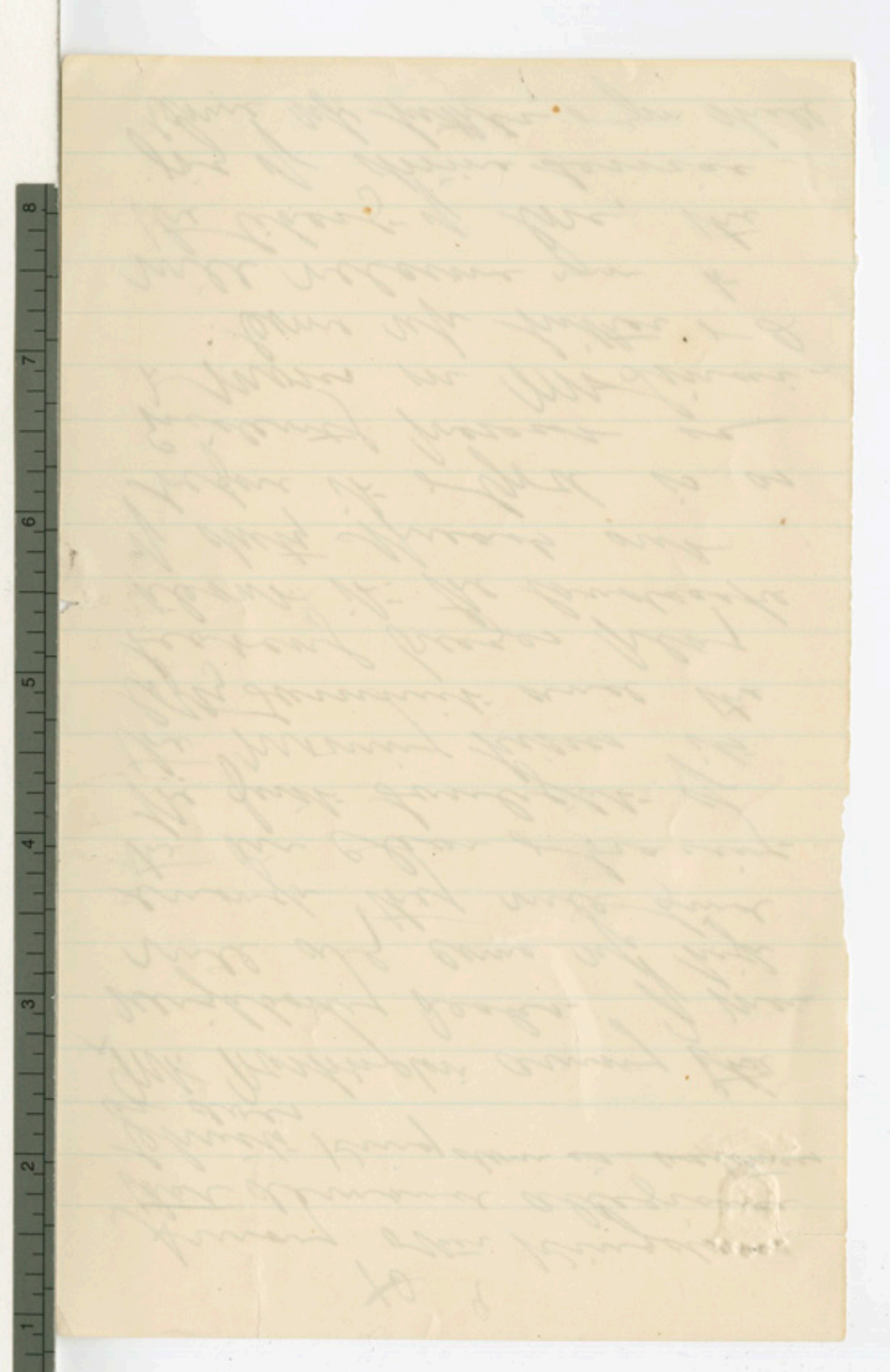
Read both or this pop

"Iniquities", another name for Sin - Sin another name for guilt - Sin "a transgression of the Law - That the despised definition.

Most young people are at first disposed to ask - "I a sinner! why what have I done so very bad? "All these commandments have I kept from my youth up" said a lovely young man to our Lord" He effected praise for his goodness - But Job was in quite a different frame - He

over the text—
Other things are well in
their place, but when that
place is made first the
key stone stops out of
the arch. The harmony
breaks down at the
key note. The main
spring is out of order.
But putting Christs
Kingdom first all things
may be added in order
& proportion. I complain
not of the use of instruction
& other means, but of the
substitution of human
societies and merely
persuits for the Kingdom
of God & its duties.
Seeking this all else
falls into place and
becomes by its power

Among other Kingdoms
that demand allegiance
Christs Kingdom is as tenacious
as does
Mt. Washington among the
neighboring peaks. If men
will only come up high
enough they will find
the air clear & bracing.
The first sunlight of
the morning kisses its
lofty summit and the
soaring breezes play
about it. The landscape
of piety spreads out
before it & God is as
evidently present as
he was to Moses on Mt Sinai.
Come up hither & I
will welcome you to
the liberty of love, the
joy of divine service.
Come up hither or you shall



9/12

Brit is for a thing out-
grown.

A letter from Mr Silas Coan
of Honolulu Hawaii received
yesterday says

Letter -

And is there not true to a
great extent now days of
the obscure king & country
of the Mid-Pacific, but also
of all the Kingdoms of Christendom?

— Sin -

Its origin - o

in the legal history -

" " " Observed forever

" " " Ordained & settled - Every - Eternal
" " - Conscience - a sovereign Good thing -
" " Seeking - Hell -

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Rt. E. Gladstone

We have high authority for saying that those who discard Christian belief as formd in Confessions of faith & decry the authority of the Scriptures - "have a very low Estimate both of the quantity and quality of Sin; & of its amount, spread like a deluge over the world, and of the subtlety, intensity & Virulence of its nature - I mean, he says, a low Estimate as compared with the denunciations of the Sacred writings, or with the language of the Christian Confessions = There are undoubtedly a few in whom natures degeneracy is not so very apparent. One Mother assumed a congratulatory on the conversion of her son in this way - "Divine Grace has found very little to do in William"!

A leading character in a recent English story is made to

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remark that "sin" has never been for him a word of weighty import"-

As a rule a certain class of writers have exhibited a very feeble Estimate of sin, as a factor in the condition of man & of the need-

Renan, the author of a most Sandwine & Surely "life of Jesus", speaks contemptuously of Sin. Salvation redemption & conversion as Unrealities- figments of a morbid conscience & imagination

Those who so readily discard the doctrines of divine redemptive grace have not fully felt the need of them" - Gladstone-

They have not "agonized" with St Paul- or circled & down & up from hell with Dante- Such Physicians have not sounded the principal peril in the disease of their patients-

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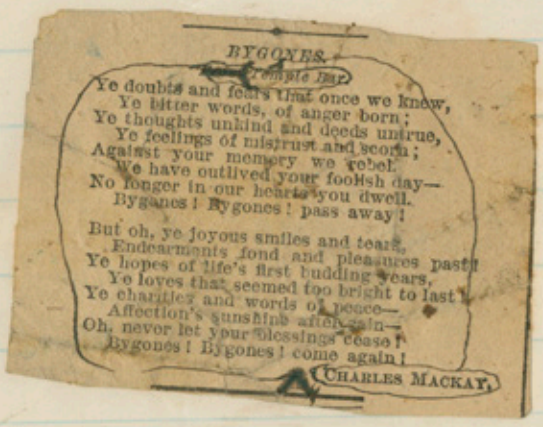
Everlasting

Christmas ~~fact~~ Gurney — Men will learn to love —

Language universal —
Commerce free
Missions world wide —
War defeated — abolished
(Truth & lighting) Faith in God —
Whittier — Salvation
Tennet — Norberean — Carnegie —
Agnostics

Forgetting the things behind —

Teaching
Faith & love
before —
Xmas
brings much
to be forgotten —
much to
be remembered



BYGONES.

Ye doubts and fears that once we knew,
Ye bitter words, of anger born;
Ye thoughts unkind and deeds untrue,
Ye feelings of mistrust and scorn;
Against your memory we rebel.
We have outlived your foolish day—
No longer in our hearts you dwell.
Bygones! Bygones! pass away!

But oh, ye joyous smiles and tears,
Endearments fond and pleasures past!
Ye hopes of life's first budding years,
Ye loves that seemed too bright to last!
Ye charities and words of peace—
Affection's sunshine after rain—
Oh, never let your blessings cease!
Bygones! Bygones! come again!

CHARLES MACKAY.

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12 & 13 ✱

How eminently & impressively
has the words of a recent writer
already proved -

The three terms
"Sin", "Righteousness" & "Judgment"
compose an organic whole.
If a single part be torn
away the rest will bleed
to death" - J.R.

Righteousness is not seen to be
righteousness except in contrast
with Sin - What day would
be without any shadow
of a night - What Sunlight
would be if there were
never a cloud or a storm
Such righteousness does not seem if there be
no Sin -

What call or place is there for
"Judgment" whether it be
that of conscience or of God?

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The defeat of Israel on the borders of the land of Canaan -

The corruption of Judges & kings the cause of national decay and banishment - The ~~bleeding~~ bleeding & healing force in Jewish Eyes when John cried Behold the Lamb! The ~~crucifix~~ demon behaviour crucifixion of Christ -

The very essential & fundamental weakness and vice of the heathen world at its best - Illustrated in his Hero again Gladstone's Assignment of Greek & Roman Civilization -

The Greek and Roman ages.

Philosophy & Art-
creative genius and practical
energy existed before Christ &
Christianity. But in spite
of them, the Greek & Roman
ages lost
1= The creed as a future life
2= Human respect for woman
3= The law of purity
4= Divine duty and religious
5= Established self- worship
and will-worship

Stop.

All men are confronted with
1- the mystery of pain.
2- Nature's caprice on the face of
Creation. Embarrassed and almost
3- "Free agency" & Environment
heredity and

Christ teaches-
1- How pain may be made a helper
2- Evil transmuted into good
4- A vision of futurity
5= An experience of reality-
4- a reception of God into
the heart-
5- All things work for good

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that which resists & grieves the
Holy Ghost itself.
Where it came from, I know
not - When it will be
annihilated no one knows -
It is a sad, present, & damning
fact!
It creeps at your door
& mine. Its poisonous breath
has invaded homes far
more than pestilential winds
can at open windows or
noisome odors from open
sewers - Alas, it has crept
in & coiled itself among and lives
and thrives in
in the interior rooms of
& warmest corners
Every soul! How do I know?
Is not this a slander of mine
a libel on God? No: it is
a sad fact & one which
Each of us
the heart sees & feels -

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Consecration necessary to acceptance with God

To consecrate is to set apart to sacred uses - to dedicate to God - to sanctify - to hallow - It is composed of two Latin words that signify together sacred - It means to gather up into one those things that are apart and to consider them henceforth sacred - they are the Lords - When one tenth of the fruits of the Earth was selected & set apart for religious uses it was said to be consecrated - When the best of the flocks or herds were selected for sacrifice they were consecrated - When a Temple to God was erected it was consecrated - When Priests were set apart or Kings anointed with holy Oil they were consecrated - Hezekiah allows the people to bring in their offerings to the Lord and he accepts them because they themselves are consecrated to the Lord

Like the communion bread these persons are separated from the common ordinary use and given up to a sacred work & duty - =

2 Chron. 29. 31—

And Hezekiah answered and said. now ye have consecrated yourselves unto the Lord. come near and bring Sacrifices & thank-Offerings into the House of the Lord.

The people of Israel had willingly followed the Idolatrous leadership of Ahab their ~~apostate~~ King. The whole land was filled with heathen Shrines & even the Temple had been polluted with the filthy worship of unclean Gods.

Under the direction & command of the godly Hezekiah the Temple was purified after 16 days laborious toil — the Vessels belonging to its Service that had been sold, stolen, polluted were restored or replaced. The Levites sang the Song of the Lord mingling their Voices with the trumpets of the Priests — And the Congregation worshipped — The true Service of the Temple was then restored and the Congregation filled again the Courts of the Temple — And then as if he were offering a great gift. a boon. a privilege — Hezekiah says text —

Ex

2d Peter 3d 10.

The earth and the works therein shall be burned up"

"This is fact - It depends for its verity on no truths of Science - and need be deduced from no other facts of Religion - If this was the only statement bearing on the subject in the Bible - it would be sufficient - One single ~~declaration~~ assertion of the great God is enough = But we may pause a moment before this with a view to realize its significance - When an Earthquake ~~overthrew~~ buried Herculaneum & Pompeii in the year And when the same kind of a calamity overtook the populous city of Lisbon many of the people felt as they will when the Earth is burned up - So when with a whirling tempest the flames swept all the works of man and man himself before them in Chicago recently, it

was a miniature picture of the great burning Day - But how small. how feeble how inadequate the picture. Not 1/3 of one city - but the whole of it will be burned - not one city only but every one on the Earth - Not the city only but all the towns, not the towns only but the remotest house upon the prairie or in the forest. The great mountains will topple over and fall down like great wreaths of our pyred cities. The flame will leap the lakes & the Ocean, & finally undermine & swallow up all the waters of the world. ~~Flame~~

Consolidation of Churches.

Is there not danger that this
proces of uniting two churches
into one may go too far, in the
future if it has not already? The
Arguments in favor are usually
such as these. Our congregations
Sabbath Schools and Church members
will be increased in number. All
our pecuniary burdens for building,
repairs, Salary of Pastor and incidentals
will be diminished, and and
our "Strength" meaning cash capital.
will be increased. We will avoid
the chronic complaint of Deficiency taxation.
We can have one first class minister
on a high Salary instead of two second
class men, each receiving less than a
living support. Then Churches that
separated for no better reason than
a quarrel growing out
of family or political feuds, naturally fall
together again when the cause of sepa-
ration is removed. Allow me to suggest

some considerations that ought to weigh against the course indicated.

1. The new congregation is almost certain to be smaller than both ~~combined~~ compared together before the union. Dissatisfied persons will take that occasion to absent themselves. A Presbyterian House of Worship was recently built and occupied by such persons in a neighboring city. What is true of the congregation will generally be true of the church membership, the Sabbath School, the prayer meetings. There will be less responsibility felt by individuals as to attending and sustaining these. In such a great Church, so numerous and wealthy can take care of these things. no place there for humble efforts and few talents!

2. The new Church Edifice will accommodate fewer hearers than the two old ones. It will be more remote from many of the people than one or the other of the displaced

Nowadays

There is a tendency to bring
together communities persons of like principles and
desirable and exclude all others. I doubt the
moral expediency of this. To be sure
Brother Jones may found a moral
temperate & even religious colony
in Nebraska and its future Colonists
may all be up to a certain moral
standard. But the effect of this exclusive
aggregation of good people is not
always best on each other. The very
absence of bad men in a community
gives greater ~~freedom~~ liberty than is always
best to the good. and goodness itself, in this ~~state~~ wisely mixed by nature
when it is the only thing yet to be
theirs superficial, mannerism and
priggish. And then what are we
in cities and towns where the
good are in a small minority
to do - if all our best families are
drawn away and concentrated in
some holy community. One thing that
is deplorable as exist the point where

No race of founders has accomplished more. It needed pluck, & perseverance. muscle & brain to thus establish on these prairies what that which is greater than many a single Empire nation of Antiquity. But lest we talk overmuch above measure we do well to recollect how much nature has done for us - How she gratuitously gave us illimitable lands. how she enriched the soil by a 1000 Sabbatical years. dropping her leaves & mowing her grapes to get ready for the human seed-time & harvest - How she, anticipating the woodmans axe - stored the very Earth with fuel - and prepared in her deep underground coal seas reservoirs - which in due time should flow forth in fountains of living light - just when the coming millions should need it =

Let us remember too how human ingenuity - I had almost said, inspiration. prepared before this generation the chief weapons. by which it has triumphed over the opposing forces of Nature - The idea of the Steam Engine was conceived & clothed in form before these vast plains were to be harnessed by R. Rds or these rivers navigated by Steamers.

The discovery of the electric telegraph had accomplished. for thought what RRs had for commercial products - making interchange quick Easy & comparatively - cheap

A most intensely interesting story has been written by a Scottish Presbyterian minister. He published in Scribners Monthly the character, 2d in importance, is sensitive to morbidness and is driven by his excited feelings to suicide. He was passionate self-willed. profane, atheistic & finally mad. Never was he submissive to God. never believing. never trustful. and yet the Author more than intimates that as his chance to reform was not as fair in this world as it might have been, he will have another & better in the world of the future. This seemed to many as it seems to me unscriptural. Whereupon Dr Holland the Editor of Scribners Monthly which justly makes greater pretensions to Christianity. and any other of our magazines & literary Monthly. remarks.

What is the work which Christ has left his people to do? To preach the Gospel to every creature: All other Ends are subordinate to this. The question whether I am personally to be saved is not so much a question of feeling as one of personal obedience. If I do the works that Christ has commanded I may safely leave the question of Salvation to Him without anxious fear: I must pray. because no one is saved without prayer but more for this reason. that no man can do his measure of good in the world & he prayer less. I must examine myself to see if I be in the faith. but the surest test of my being in the faith is that I am in Christs work. I have finished the work which God gave me to do in the highest praise possible

I must add to my faith knowledge. To this end I hear the Gospel preached every Sabbath. I should search the Scriptures & ponder them at home. But knowledge is nothing unless it is power. If I have no broader, deeper manhood, no purer, higher life and do not exert a wider & weightier influence for Christ on earth. If my hearing it profiteth me little. Be ye not hearers only but doers of the word.

I must have a true creed. yes, you must. Your character & life will suffer irreparably from a false belief. But if my creed, if your creed or in spite of it you are dull stupid, machine & unprofitable as a Christian. You had better reopen your creed & see if it be not either too

weak a too strong. Too weak in that it does not excite you to ceaseless activity. Too strong in that you rest on its faithfulness & perfection for the Salvation of yourself & the whole world. Yes the Son of man has gone to Heaven and left to every man his work. To the impenitent, the work of repentance. Such a Repentance as will show its meet fruits.

To the Disciple the work of watchfulness. But all the men in a factory, a City, or an Army are not on the watch. Every man ~~has~~ must be ready at the call for work. Whether it be defence or aggression. But an Army unless soon wears & demoralizes, if the principal and only business of the great mass was

Average No. who attend public Worship

" " Year

1. Weekly remembering
Prayer meeting
Public worship
Communion

Luke. 16. 39.

She have a
Sister called Mary, which also
sat at Jesus feet heard
his word.

Bethany. char of Mary

1: She was not ~~idle~~ indolent.
The fact that sat down at
such a time. may have been
indicative for more of her
self-denial than if she
had continued doing the com-
mon service as the needed
for a common guest. She could
not so quickly as any when
the occasion demanded it.
for when at the grave of
Lazarus. the Master came
& called for her she rose
up quickly & came to him.
Such occasion called she could do

2: ~~That She was a self-denying~~
something.

~~sig disciple~~

2 Mary was quiet, trustful receptive,

3 = Mary was a good listener. If Xt's ministers say anything proper & legitimate - it is as if X. spoke - An attentive hearer is next to an active doer of the word a great blessing to a Pastor or Church

4. Mary was a humble minded disciple - She came not to question or rebuke but to hear & obey - Martha found fault, fretted & - Does thee not care? Mary was satisfied with him

that if any body Leads them into Sin. God knows & punishes the Offender as he deserves=

Jesus came to save that which is Lost- a Lost race- and so the infants of that race- We learn then they come into the world Mantled & their ancestors sins, but guarded by an Angel & saved by Jesus-

Do you say they need no Physicians, they were never sick? I say with such sin as ours we need a good Dr.

No wonder they praised him! His proud enemies, hating their childlike cry & Shouts along the road & in the very Temple of God Hosanna to the Son of David- and said unto him rebuking & mocking them what these say- And Jesus replied (Ps. 8.) Yea - Have ye never read, Out of

March 10. 13-

And they brought young children unto him that he should touch them; and his disciples rebuked those that brought them.

But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, & said unto them. Suffer the little children to come unto me & forbid them not: for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven- Verily I say unto you whosoever shall not receive the K. of G. as a little child, shall not enter therein.

And he took them up in his arms and put his hands upon them and blessed them-

Matt. 18. 1-

At the same time, the disciples came unto Jesus saying - Who shall be greatest in the K. of H.? And J. called a little child unto him - (blessed child, to be called out from among others, to come to J.) & set him in the midst of them, and said verily I say unto you, except ye be converted ( ) and become as little children ye shall not enter into the K. of H. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the K. of H. And whosoever receiveth one such little child in my name, receiveth me. But whosoever (cause to sin) shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, & that he were drowned in the depths of the Sea. Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones: for I say unto you that in Heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in Heaven. For the S. of man is come to save that which is lost -

It seems that little children have angels to watch over them even while on earth - not an angel of obscure place & inferior rank - but a presence Angel - Se

Page. 14. near the bottom - ought very
man to "go to work with his own hands"
in the sense of manual labor for his
bread? — Our Saviour, the Apostles, Geo Müller=

Page. 20. near the top - No "Sect" (i.e. a
branch of the Church,) ever pledges a
man to build it up exclusively - if
it did - it would be no longer a
Church. Christians band together to
be God's instruments in working
for a man's support, while he gives
himself exclusively to "preaching the
word"= He may depend on God as
truly as if he had no human
guaranty=

I can see nothing more unscriptural
in an association of believers for God's
glory in a Church, than in a family.
One may be even more sectarian
a selfish out of any church than in
one. He that glorieth, let him not
glory in his being in a Sect= or out
of a Sect, but "in the Lord"=

(Over)

It troubles me, my dear brother, that you can excuse yourself from public worship, & can find no other sufficient reasons but those single ones set apart for God on the Sabbath. for conversation & prayer with the sick: If it be my duty to preach & to lead the devotions of the people, it is your duty to hear and join. It seems to me you lose more influence by refusing cooperation & fellowship, than you gain by your independence. See. Epistles to the Churches Rev.:

the Indian but with the Government in its agents.
Here is the ~~public~~ injustice and public shame: We go to ~~save the soul of~~ the Red Man, not ^ believing in the romantic theories of early poets and novelists, as we are falsely accused of doing, but with a knowledge of the blackest facts. We go with Christ's Gospel to save his soul.
The present Administration is making an earnest effort to give us a fiell unobstructed by wicked provocations and outrageous crimes ~~on the part~~ ^ in the name of the republic and the White Race

P.M. #

Cong Church 200
120

M. E. C. 150
110

P.M.

M. Ch. 100

120

P.M.

Lutheran 70
50

S.S.

P.M.

Baptist 40

S.S. 50

P.M.

Presbyterian 150

S.S. 120

P.M.

Prov. 3. 9 & 10. Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase: So shall thy barns be filled with plenty.

Ex. 25-1. And the Lord spake unto Moses saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring me an Offering: of every man that giveth it willingly with his heart, ye shall take my Offering.

Judges. 29. 9. Then the people rejoiced for that they offered willingly, because with perfect heart they offered willingly to the Lord: And David the King also rejoiced with great joy.

Mal. 3. 8. Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say wherein

And they murmured at her. Jesus said let her alone. Why trouble ye her? She hath wrought a good work on me. For the poor ye have with you always, (& whensoever ye will ye may do them good) but me ye have not always. She hath done what she could. Verily I say unto you wheresoever this Gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world, this also that she hath done shall be spoken of, for a memorial of her.

have we robbed thee? In tithes and
offerings. Bring ye all the tithes into the
storehouse, that there may be meat in my
house, and prove me now herewith,
saith the Lord of hosts. if I will not open
you the windows of heaven, and pour you
out a blessing, that there shall not be
room enough to receive it. and all
nations shall call you blessed, and
ye shall be a delightsome land.
1 Cor. 16. 2 Upon the first day of the week
let every one of you lay by him in store, as
God hath prospered him.
Rom. 14. No one liveth to himself Acts 4/24
Neither said any that aught he possessed
was his own Acts 10. 4 Thy prayers and

thine alms have come up for a memorial before God. Heb. 13.16 with such sacrifices God is well pleased. Mar. 12, 41. Jesus sat over against the treasury & beheld how the people cast money into the treasury & many that were rich cast in much. and a certain poor widow cast in two mites that make a farthing. They did cast in of their abundance but she of her want did cast in all that she had even all her living. Mark. 14. 3. There came a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of Spikenard very precious: and she brake the box & poured it on his head. Some said. why this waste! It might have been sold for 300 pence & given to the poor

He is Prince above princes as a man born to us after us. He is the son of our King and to have Empire from sea to sea, shore to shore. He is the wonder worker of all time. the wisdom of all the wise men, charts in all knowledge. He speak as never man spoke yet to be heard and understood by common people. He is God in almightiness His Father like, encircling loving, defensive love is not crushed by his being our Elder brother.

He is a Prince. ~~as heir to a throne~~ and already a reigning monarch and will have a softer throne, Even that of the universe.

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How many have a poor
sufferer has it cured in his
heart this pleasant Sabbath
morning! Indeed I am sick
nothing so precious as health.
How very touching the fact
that so many of our Lords
Miracles were healings of
bodily ailments — so many
of his parables illustrated
the same thing — But we
sometimes forget the comparative
and estimate which Jesus
placed upon bodily & Spiritual
healing. It is brought out
most fully in answer to
the the insinuation of the
Enemies that for his
blood — when they, with
intent of cavilling, spoke
of blasphemy cried
who is this that forgiveth

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sins also!" Christ did not
never in that Claim, and
when the spectators needed a
demonstration ~~to their~~
~~senses was demanded~~ he
declared - "that ye may know
that the Son of man hath power
on Earth to
forgive sins, ~~also~~ (he said
unto the sick of the palsey)
"Arise take up thy bed and
go into thy house!"
"Thy sins are forgiven thee. Go
in peace!" What greater comfort
than these
did he ever speak who spake as
never man spake! And again
"To whom much is forgiven
loveth much"-
Surely amid the entire
Catalogue of temporal, spiritual
& Eternal mercies, the forgiveness
of sin should have a fundamental
and immovable place -
But why? Let us see - and

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Now most of all dearly Beloved
we want this for the New Year
the Mind of Christ
all needed good - all proper
& desirable prosperity - make your
out of this -

Let us remember how
much shorter our time than
last year at this hour & how
much more rapid its progress:

We know of many giving
their hearts & [illegible] to us -
Thank God -

Now is the time to awake out
of our sleep - Now is our salvation
nearer than when we believed -

O prepare ye the way of the Lord -
Don't wait for the New Year
to begin a better life - to
obtain the smile of X -

Now is the time

Sermon - Sh W. met the young & gifted preacher at the door - With "How do you do, Sh White." "I am glad you have come, God is able to bless even the very feeblest instrument daily" - Bro. White never forgot that —

As they used to say of their Minister in Milton if God will keep him humble, he will keep him poor!

God kept Brother White humble thro: that salutation of old Sh Kendall =



150
12
1800

135
2
270
250
520
10
30

Again I must refer to the field open before us. At the West & in the newest territories Congn. is popular now. So at the South.

Shall we go forward?

Is not our part in the Pilgrim inheritance a peculiar one. Is it not directly [illegible]

While others rise with us in their reverence for the Sab. & the Bible. Can any rise with us in the liberty which Xt makes us free. The largest possible liberty of development. self-government. and Christian effort. This is our motto.

Two things are necessary to the success of such churches.

1. A great degree of intelligence in ministry & particularly membership.

2. Proposed Rule. Such as gives large charity &c

Here our best Lessons may be learned at Plymouth Rock

Hill.

The Pilgrim fathers are at rest,
Go stand on the hill where they lie,
When the earth's warm breast is in verdure dressed,
And summer's throned on high.

The earliest ray of the golden day
On that hallowed spot is cast,
And the evening sun, as he leaves the world,
Looks kindly on that spot last.

The Pilgrim spirit is not dead:
It walks in the noon's broad light:
And watches the bed of the saintly dead
With the watching stars by night.

It watches the bed of the brave who bled,
And shall guard that ice-bound shore,
Till the waves of the bay where the Mayflower lay
Shall foam and freeze no more.

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smite his own breast and cry "God be merciful to me a sinner"!

2- But what is the forgiveness for which the Psalmist is grateful. He elsewhere describes it as a kind of forgetting- i.e. a treating of the man as if he never was other than righteous- "Thou hast cast all my sins behind thy back," is a vivid figure- As far as East from West, so far hast thou removed our iniquities from us- It is called cleansing as if the result of washing what was filthy- It is as if one becomes as white as bleached wool or newly fallen snow- God is the Author of forgiveness- Man its object & recipient-

~~4~~ 3/12

Where can we better see Christ in the light of the text—

God
Forgiveness
Dignity
All

Author

1 God our father, is the ^dispenser of Christ mercy ^through Christ his incarnate Son ~~acts~~

He might do it immediately— He has so done it— But now hath he committed ^both ~~all~~ Judgment ^and mercy unto Christ— ~~Not~~ the Pope, but the Saviour is Vicar— not the Priest— but the ^great High Priest— not the Church, but ^He reigns over the Church— ^Not the creature, but the ^the Author of Life— We need no Virgin Mary to present us— Christ is our Intercessor— We need to purchase no prayers for our deliverance— Who cannot

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(1) Care for our beloved dead.
(2) Early in the morning - self-denial
(3) God prepares the way before us when we have a duty to perform
(4) ministering Spirits come when needed - riches in form & without Legions of angels -
(5) Fear, the natural thing at the Sepulchre - Ghosts - Supernatural
(6) Truth - He is risen
David's Prophecy Ps. 16. x 24 & 11 own words after the Supper -
7 - angels knew Xst would - may have Christ himself
8 - They remembered

carried on the war, by money, prayer, suffering and blood, never "hated the South." We have "malice towards none". We never had. We propose to retain the government in our own hands still, not to perpetuate sectional bitterness, but because we constitute the only party having character enough to grant forgiveness and amnesty that mean anything. What possible significance is there in ~~the~~ Greeley forgiving Davis whom he would have willingly befriended in the height of his criminality and whom he actually bailed, in consistency with his own previous feelings towards the traitor and his crew?

H.

gave thee a grave ~~sig~~-
Bon- many an
Isaiah ~~Israel~~ nice Penecost
~~Can say~~ "the Spirit of
the Lord is upon me! How
~~nor~~ Scriptural & local
~~has~~ is becoming universal.
Traveller to the Times of Peace
Lo, the son of God has come-
On every throne men
Erect- God ~~designs~~ to
sit. He puts himself
Even upon the cross
that Emblem of universal
hatred & cruelty-
He presides over invention-
discovery, liberty, law
development & progress-
Now that the messengers
of peace, take the place
of the ancient war

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~~12~~ 9 3/4

What are the "clean" "unclean" distinctions of Leviticus for, but to make sharp the distinction between sin and sinlessness.

What mean the penalties for disobedience first ~~picked~~ upon the Israelites on his account & then concentrated on the discovered guilt of Achan & his household!

Hear the heart broken cry of the ~~wicked~~ shepherd king. "Against thee & thee only have I sinned!" that thou mightest be clear when thou judgest.

When the Holy Spirit takes the ~~vacant~~ place ~~of~~ made vacant by the Ascension of Jesus Christ. His first work for the world was to convince it of its sin condition - its sin

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Embassies which, with
Ostentatious arms threw
down the gauntlets of
strife - Now that seas
are crossed telegraphs
& flyers employed to
preach peace to them that
afar off or well or to them
that are nigh -
Just now, as it seems to
me. The Prince of Peace
is getting ready to ascend
his throne -
Hush your strife O human
tongues - Keep quiet howling
Beasts - Be as still as
the fishes ye hissing ser-
pents - Christ Lord is
on sea & land -
The ideal is to be the real
that Christmas song is to sing the

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He forgiveth all thine iniquities

"Thine" personal nature of sin & personal need of pardon -

"All" thine iniquities - not one rescinded -

1- Let us believe that Revivals are Gods
2- Let us pray them for a Revival
3- Let us work for one - Institute
the means - attend & prosecute them -
& pour our souls waiting for it=

Come to the meeting

You needn't, sir tell you all
our hearts, but you may
come now

1: Because Christ crucified is the object of Pauls faith & so the subject of his thought & preaching

~~2. Christ crucified is distasteful to the world~~

2: Because the doctrines of the cross are antagonistic to those of the world. They contemplate another foundation & another standard of righteousness

3. Because the life of a Christian (that is, his affections his motives, aims & Spirit) are opposed to the life of the world. The so conflict that one or the other must kill. Application
The danger of Sin is conformity to the world.
It is easy to despising his cross joining his Enemies & receiving his proud Anathema:

1. Prepare Object specific
[illegible] Pass Book
to the Budget [illegible]
Budget & Planning
[illegible]
[illegible]

2. Prepare DC declaring
the Code as Restricted
Officer of the Peace.
Get Certificate Counter Signa-
ture & Provide Certified
Certificate

3. Prepare the [illegible] or
Division (Use a Div Officer
Log Books, Pens & Ethics)
or Officer & the [illegible]
Date Issued - Have employee Sign on
Receipt [illegible] & Date
The Division Employee & the Issuer
Is Issue a Identifying Div Code
Issue Duration & Recovery Date

Paul did not do

1= Did not address the people of Corinth with excellency of speech

2= nor with excellency of wisdom

3= He was a witness giving in before the eyes of mankind the testimony which God gave him

4 He was sufficient.

4= His speech was in demonstration of the Spirit & of power

5= Because he did not wish them to hang their souls salvation on a human sermon but to rest that great matter on the power of God

We are called today to witness
one of those providences of God - that
makes one of the strongest arguments -
by which the text can be sustained -
If it be true that the mother
wife daughter Sister cannot
be spared - what will Endure?

She was these & a Disciple of Christ

Joined the Church first before I came -

Died well - Hear her words
& obey them -
Begin to live more for God

of the tenderest sensibilities of his hearers- He may be rich. may be high in Office and Social rank- but he has not the instincts ~~and~~ or the culture of a gentleman-

his feet against any - his heart bleeds & his ~~body~~ tears are shed & his whole system droops - So it is no cause of surprise that one so kind & thoughtful of his friends as was J. should on hearing their heartfelt stories of their journeys & toils - say text - He knew they required rest - Rest not merely for enjoyment, but for recuperation - not merely to revivalize their bodies, but to refresh their minds, by communion with one another & with God. Where the mind moved for a while be filling up and not altogether running out. It was a change of scene, of association, of work as well as rest from labor. And indeed this is the best kind of Rest -

It is not so much that the yoke galls the ox, but that it galls always in the same spot. wearing the wound deeper & deeper, that wearies & perhaps kills him - One can carry a burden a long way by shifting hands & positions - Our days would soon destroy us were it not for our nightly repose. A farmer could ill endure a perpetual haying

Our Fast Day meetings were very interesting. 2 more cases of apostacy at B. Ile. were remembered Especially in prayer. Fuller's letter was excellent & to the point - Prof Smyth's ditto - I do hope that the temperance movement may advance the cause of Christ - Hiram's case if he is disposed to speculate, is a very sad one - I have no doubt that his mother was on her knees hours last Thursday - Are there no human means to reach & rescue him? Has he been invited to join the "circle"!

I would visit him if I thought it would do any good -

O how wicked are we to stand aloof & criticize & condemn when we ought to pity - & try to save -

Seed - inside q- how a seed
sets - corn, fruit, rice, cocoa-
nut - Pith wood & hoppy wood -
Marshy — Outside qs - Ma-
hau sapwood & heart-wood
Heart-dead & sap - living -
Prop. - Chemical action —
Illustrate - Not-graduated, make -
Inside layer dies every year & takes
no on the outside — The inner
wood remains for many years —
Coral — Fairy rings - Lichen -
Lichenoid —