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## THE CHURCH THE ONLY SALVATION OF NEW YORK.

New York Cor. Charlotte Observer.  
Of late the newspapers here have been literally full of death and disaster. The epidemic of crime continues. A man murders his two children and then kills himself; a woman shoots herself on the floor; a rich man who she declares has ruined her; a husband attempts to kill his wife in the open street, and failing, turns his weapon on himself and inflicts a mortal wound; a prominent banker blows his brains out, etc., etc. It would take too much space to make a list of the horrible happenings in the greater New York during the past ten days. Perhaps in no other place of equal area on the globe, except where it is, has there been such a riot of violence.

Most of this violence has been such as no laws and no police could prevent. It is a result of the condition of modern society; it is the letter breaking out of the diseased body. But it will pass; there is nothing new in it; the body is not sick unto death; it will recover—at any rate, if it does not recover, it will not die for a long time yet.

Its chief physician, the Church, says it will get well. It says this bravely, in spite of the fact that the disease of its patient grows year by year. In other words, the number of people who must literally be saved lest they perish not merely in the other world, grows constantly. The more people, the more papers. The more people the more criminals.

But what would the people do without the churches? Last Sunday I attended the afternoon service at All Saints' Episcopal church up town near River-Drive. The service there is "high." I went there to hear the music, which is very, very beautiful. There is much ceremony—more than I ever saw before in any Protestant church; the preacher has two or three assistants and wears very gorgeous robes, and sings every word of the service, after the Roman Catholic fashion, the choir boys reciting. Somehow I could not help feeling that there was probably more dumb show than religion in that church; but at the close of the service the preacher said: "There are many poor in our parish. I have a list of their names and where they live. I will give a copy of the list to each of you who will take it. Next Thursday is Thanksgiving Day. When you buy your dinner for that day, buy something for some of these poor people on this list. It is a solid wall of relief that there would be Holy Communion on a certain day, prayer meeting on such an evening, young women's meeting at such a time; three services on Sunday, and something for the church people to do on almost every day in the week.

As I passed out of the door, I was devoted to the interests of that church and its work was handed me and I found it a list of honest poor people who wanted work and whom the church recommended. All of which shows that, back of all the form and ceremony, there is in this church a solid wall of religion which buttresses it and holds it true and steady and makes it a rock of refuge of the poor and the distressed. And so it is with most of the New York churches I believe. Only the minority goes to church in New York; but if the minority did not go, if the churches were turned into theatres, and the sad scenes being wide open, and the Sabbath made for man indeed as many men would have it made, then would the letter on the body politic soon grow to hideous leprosy, and the very fabric of society would rot. Undoubtedly the force that keeps New York out of hell is the church and only the church. And it is a blessed thing for the poor that it is the rich rather than the poor who go to church, that it is fashionable to go to church; for it is in the church that the rich learn of the poverty in their midst, and it is through the church that they help the poor.

**Edwin Allen, Dr. Hog.**  
Near Pine Bluff, N. C., just a short distance from the South Carolina line, quite a remarkable instance of swinish ferocity occurred recently. While Marshall Williamson, a negro school teacher, was absent from home, one of his children was attacked in his yard by a hog. One arm and one side of the child's face was eaten off by the vicious creature before the child was rescued. There were no grown people round at the time, and as the child was small, the brute made a meal of it without much trouble. The child died last night. As only children were present at the time, it is not known whether the child did anything to the hog to cause the attack, or whether the animal attacked without provocation.

**Make Yourselves Strong.**  
If you would resist pneumonia, bronchitis, typhoid fever and persistent coughs and colds. These ailments attack the weak and run down system. They can find no foothold where the blood is kept pure, rich and full of vitality, the appetite good and digestion vigorous, with Hood's Sarsaparilla, the one blood purifier.

Hood's pills cure liver ills, constipation, biliousness, jaundice, sick headache.

The strict manner in which the laws regarding personal insult are handled in Germany is illustrated not only by the numerous arrests of editors guilty of disrespect to princes, and the cases where men of high standing are fined and imprisoned for insulting laborers over men of the legal profession. Thus the state attorney of Bochum, in Westphalia, was fined 50 marks for making insulting remarks to a witness. He has also to bear the costs of the case.

The Bishop of Norwich, England, is not a Doctor of Divinity. In the impoverished condition of his diocese he thinks he can spend the \$350 better in helping poor clergy than in paying fees for an ornamental title.

Look out for colds at this season. Keep yourself well and strong by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great tonic and blood purifier.

## WEALTH OF THE STATES.

Kansas is worth \$160,801,689.  
Vermont is worth \$86,805,775.  
Arkansas is valued at \$86,409,364.  
The State of Maine is worth \$285,978,716.  
Oregon is estimated to be worth \$52,522,084.  
Delaware might be bought for \$59,951,643.  
South Carolina's wealth is estimated at \$183,560,185.  
Louisiana, sugar plantations and all, is worth \$189,102,439.  
Colorado was estimated at the last census at \$74,171,693.  
Texas has in its enormous territory a wealth of \$220,364,515.  
California was valued by the assessors of 1890 at \$584,758,036.

New Jersey's real and personal property is valued at \$702,518,361.  
Alabama, including cotton fields and iron mines, is worth \$122,807,928.  
Iowa, including its farm land and manufacturing, is worth \$308,671,251.  
Washington, including real and personal property, is valued at \$23,810,693.  
Utah, including the improvements made by the Mormons, is worth \$24,775,273.  
Illinois is a rich State, its property of all kinds reaching a total of \$727,815,131.  
The wealth of Wisconsin, including the pine forests, amounts to \$406,303,185.  
Kentucky, including blue grass land, blooded horses and tobacco, is worth \$380,743,334.  
Illinois is one of the wealthiest of the western States, its valuation reaching \$786,616,394.  
West Virginia's wealth, mostly in real estate and mines, is valued at \$146,991,688.

In wealth Pennsylvania ranks next to New York, having an assessed valuation of \$1,689,459,016.  
Florida has smaller valuation than most of the southern states, being estimated at only \$80,938,309.  
North Carolina, although a large part of its territory is uncultivable land, has a valuation of \$156,100,202.  
Connecticut is enormously rich in comparison to its size, having an assessed valuation of \$827,177,355.  
Ohio comes very close to Pennsylvania in the matter of wealth, having an assessed value of \$1,534,380,508.  
Georgia has developed greatly since the war, the estimate now reaching the respectable total of \$251,963,124.  
Minnesota has developed more rapidly than any other northwestern state. Its assessed valuation is \$258,028,687.  
Missouri ranks high among the central states, the assessed valuation of real and personal property being \$561,939,771.

Rhode Island, in proportion to size and population, is among the richest of our commonwealths, being assessed at \$252,536,678.  
Massachusetts is one of the richest of the States, having a valuation of real and personal property amounting to \$1,538,759,800.  
Virginia is not so wealthy as before the war, at least in the estimate of the first families, but still has a valuation of \$318,331,441.  
In 1850 the total wealth of this country was \$7,136,000,000, about \$308 per capita; in 1860 it had risen to \$16,150,000,000, or about \$311 per head; in 1870 it was \$30,090,000,000, or about \$730 per head; in 1880 it had risen to \$42,642,000,000, or \$870 per head, and in 1890 to \$62,600,000,000, or \$1,000 per head.

**The Gramophone.**  
Dr. Emile Berliner, a famous electrician, has recently invented a machine for reproducing sounds which bids fair to supplant the phonograph, on account of its cheapness and durable records. In an interview with Dr. Berliner correspondent of the Philadelphia Times says of it:  
It is called the "gramophone"—a talking machine that goes a step beyond the phonograph. Its records of human speech and of music are indestructible and can be cheaply multiplied to an indefinite extent by simple mechanical means. What it has to say or sing can be heard all over an ordinary sized house. So devoid of complexity is its construction that the complete apparatus will cost only \$18, and a smaller edition intended for the use of children will be sold for \$5. Gramophones are to be placed on the market within a short time.  
Phonographic cylinders are so fragile that their preservation for any length of time is very difficult. Even changes of temperature will crack them and make them useless. But the hard rubber records of the gramophone are more durable than the pyramids of Egypt. They will remain as perfect as ever. In future centuries it will not be considered strange to listen to the voice of people who have been dead for a great length of time. Gramophone records will be kept in the library, and the children will amuse themselves by listening to great-grandpa's voice in 1905 and the accents of great-grandma in 1916. It seems by no means impossible that some day people will record their last will and testaments by gramophone, so as to make dispute and expensive litigation out of the question.

**Condensed Testimony.**  
Chas. R. Hood, Broker and Manufacturer Agent, Columbus, Ohio, certifies that Dr. King's New Discovery has no equal as a Cough Remedy. J. D. Brown, Prop. St. James Hotel, Ft. Wayne, Ind., testifies that he was cured of a cough of two years' standing, caused by La Grippe, by Dr. King's New Discovery. B. F. Merrill, Baldwinville, Mass., says that he has used and recommended this medicine to his family, and would rather have it than any doctor, because it always cures. Mrs. Hemming, 213 E. 25th St., Chicago, always keeps it at hand and has no fear of croup, because it instantly relieves. Free trial bottles at P. B. Fetzner's Drug Store.

Frank comes into the house in a sorry plight. "Merry on us!" exclaims his father. "How you look! You are soaked." "Please, papa, I fell into the canal." "What with your new trousers on?" "Yes, papa, I didn't have time to take them off."

**Try Electric Bitters as a remedy for your troubles!** It is a bottle and get relief. This medicine has been found to be peculiarly adapted to the relief and cure of all Female Complaints, exerting a wonderful direct influence in giving strength and tone to the organs. If you have Loss of Appetite, Constipation, Headache, Fainting Spells, or are Nervous, Sleepless, Excitable, Melancholy or troubled with Dizzy spells, Electric Bitters is the medicine you need. Health and strength are guaranteed by its use. Large bottles only fifty cents at P. B. Fetzner's Drug Store.

## CLEVELAND'S SILVER LETTER.

Charlotte Observer.  
In reply to the request of a correspondent, the Atlanta Journal reprints and re-publishes the famous anti-free coinage letter of President Cleveland, written before his nomination, in answer to an invitation to attend a meeting of the Reform Club of New York to discuss the coinage question. It was as follows:  
NEW YORK, February 10, 1891.  
E. ELLERY ANDERSON, Chairman:  
Dear Sir: I have this afternoon received your note inviting me to attend to-morrow evening the meeting called for the purpose of voicing the opposition of our city to "the free coinage of silver in the United States."

I shall not be able to attend and address the meeting as you request, but I am glad that the business interests of New York are at last to be heard on this subject. It surely cannot be necessary for me to make a formal expression of my agreement with those who believe that the greatest peril would be invited by the adoption of the scheme embraced in the measure now pending before Congress for the unlimited coinage of silver at our mint.

If we have developed an unexpected capacity for the assimilation of a largely increased volume of the currency, and even if we have demonstrated the usefulness of such an increase, these conditions fall far short of insuring us against disaster if, in the present situation, we enter upon the dangerous and reckless experiment of free, unlimited and independent silver coinage.

**Italian Politicians.**  
A friend of mine who has just returned from Italy, where he has been wandering for several months, told me an amusing story with regard to one of those railways that disfigure the high places of that delightful country, though doubtless to the lazy and the invalid, it is a blessing and a boon. My friend was seated in one of the cars near a stout matron as they made the start of a certain journey. "And in the back of my head," said the conductor, "the brake would not work!" said the stout lady in vile Italian. The conductor courteously explained that in such circumstances there was a second brake, a duplicate "safeguard," which might be relied on in such an unlikely emergency.

**A Good Point.**  
Col. Bob Ingersoll was victimized a few days ago in Missouri by a pickpocket who took from the Colonel's pocket \$250 in cash and a draft for \$700.

**A Boy Himself Once.**  
A consecrated minister was one Sabbath riding to his country appointment. As he rode along thinking on spiritual things, he saw a short distance before him, near the road on which he was traveling, a company of boys and dogs having an exciting rabbit chase. Then he went out and called his wife, telling her to go into the drawing room, and that he would join her in a few minutes. Soon after he heard a dreadful scream. "That will cure her of her fear of serpents," he smiled to himself, and purposely delayed his entry. When, at last, he went into the drawing room, he saw his wife lying on the floor and coiled around her another huge python, the mate of the one that lay dead on the hearth rug.

**Lawyer's Fees.**  
"What is the first thing you would do if retained to bring a suit?" asked an examiner of an applicant for a license to practice law. "Get up my fee," was the earnest reply which passed him. The spirit of the law was once acted upon by a New York lawyer.

**Washington Star.**  
"It's all right, Mary," he said, patiently. "Go into politics and run for the office if you want to. But remember one thing, the cartoonists'll be after you as soon as you're a candidate." "I don't care."

**Good for Every Body.**  
Everyone needs it at all times of the year. Malaria is always about, and the only preventive and relief is to keep the Liver active. You must help the Liver a bit, and the best helper is the Old Friend, SIMMONS' LIVER REGULATOR, the RED Z.

## THE TRUTH ABOUT SCHLATTER.

Atlanta Constitution.  
Since the departure of Francis Schlatter from Denver the people and the newspapers have greatly exaggerated his alleged crimes.

It is amazing to see the ferocity with which Cleveland is assailed by Democrats who three or four years ago when he was nominated in 1892 and who threw them up again when he was elected. Yet Cleveland is the very same man that all the country has known him to be since 1884. In him there has been no variability or shadow of turning.

**A Python Story.**  
The Reolin.  
Concerning pythons the following is a true story. A young lady in this country for a long time resisted her entreaties to go out to India with him as his wife. She had a horror of the wild animals she believed she might encounter there, especially serpents. At length, however, after he had issued a sort of ultimatum, she consented to accompany him. She did not, however, leave her fears behind her, and lived in constant terror of some day meeting what she so intensely feared. Her husband did his best to laugh her fears away, but without avail. Then he resorted to more drastic means. A huge python was killed in the neighborhood of his bungalow.

**He Must Have Been a Pop.**  
Some rare birds go to Congress. They tell a story now of a new Western Senator who got a friend to introduce him to the old Senators, when this dialogue ensued:  
"This is Mr. Gorman, Mr. Jones," said the gentleman in charge of the new member.  
"I didn't catch the name," said Mr. Jones.  
"Gorman," said the distinguished Marylander.  
"Member of the House?" inquired the new member.  
"No, sir; Senator."

**Little Dick.**  
"Papa, didn't you tell mamma we must economize?" Papa: "I did, my son." Little Dick: "Well, I was thinkin' that maybe, if you'd get me a pony, I wouldn't wear out so many shoes."

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