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LIBERTY OF CONSCIENCE.

Mr. Roosevelt Writes About Judge Taft's Religious Views.

Washington, Nov. 9.—"Secretary Taft's religious faith is purely his own private concern and not a matter for general discussion and political discrimination," says President Roosevelt in a letter he made public last night in which he answers numerous correspondents. The President says he detested the publication of the letter until now to avoid any agitation likely to influence the election. The letter follows:

November 6, 1908.
My Dear Sir: I have received your letter running in part as follows:

"While it is claimed almost universally that religion should potentiate into politics, yet there is no denying that it does, and the mass of the voters that are not Catholics will not support a man for any office, especially for President of the United States, who is a Roman Catholic."

"Since Taft has been nominated for President by the Republican party, it is being circulated and commonly urged as a reason for not voting for Taft that he is an apostate (Catholic) and wife and brother Roman Catholic."

"I received many such letters as yours during the campaign, expressing dissatisfaction with Mr. Taft on religious grounds; some of them on the ground that he was a Unitarian, and others on the ground that he was suspected to be in sympathy with Catholics. I did not answer any of these letters during the campaign because I regarded it as an outrage even to agitate such a question as a man's religious convictions, with the purpose of influencing a political election. But now that the campaign is over, when there is opportunity for men calmly to consider whether such propositions as those you make in your letter would lead. I wish to invite them to consider them, and I have selected your letter to answer because you advance both the objections commonly urged against Mr. Taft, namely: that he is a Unitarian, and also that he is suspected of sympathy with the Catholics."

"You ask that Mr. Taft shall 'let the world know what his religious belief is.' This is purely his own private concern, and it is a matter between him and his Maker, a matter for his own conscience; and to require it to be made public under penalty of political discrimination is to regulate the first principle of our government, which guarantees complete religious liberty, and the right to each man to act in religious affairs as his own conscience dictates. Mr. Taft never asked my advice in the matter, but if he had asked it, I should have emphatically advised him against thus stating publicly his religious belief. The demand for a statement of the candidate's religious belief can have no meaning except that there may be discrimination for or against him because of that belief. Discrimination against the holder of one faith means retaliatory discrimination against men of other faiths. The inevitable result of entering upon such a practice would be an abandonment of our real freedom of conscience and a reversion to the dreadful conditions of religious dissensions which in so many lands have proved fatal to true liberty, to true religion and to all advance in civilization."

"To discriminate against a thoroughly upright citizen because he belongs to some particular church, or because, like Abraham Lincoln, he has not avowed his allegiance to any church, is an outrage against that liberty of conscience which is one of the foundations of American life. You are entitled to know whether a man seeking your suffrage is a man of clean and upright life, honorable in all his dealings with his fellows, and fit by qualification and purpose to do well in the great office for which he is a candidate; but you are not entitled to know matters which lie purely between himself and his Maker. If it is proper or legitimate to oppose a man for being a Unitarian, as was John Quincy Adams, for instance, as is the Reverend Edward Everett Hale, at the present moment chaplain

of the Senate, and an American of whose life all good Americans are proud—then it would be equally proper to support or oppose a man because of his view on justification by faith, or the method of administering the sacrament of the gospel of salvation by works. If you once enter on such a career there is absolutely no limit at which you can legitimately stop.

So much for your objections to Mr. Taft because he is a Unitarian. Now, for your objections to him because you think his wife and brother to be Roman Catholics. As it happens, they are not; but if they were or if he were a Roman Catholic himself, it ought not to affect in the slightest degree any man's supporting him for the position of President. You say that 'the mass of the voters that are not Catholics will not support a man for office, especially for President of the United States, who is a Roman Catholic.' I believe that when you say this you fully slander your fellow countrymen. I do not for one moment believe that the mass of our fellow citizens, or that any considerable number of our fellow citizens, can be influenced by such narrow bigotry as to refuse to vote for any thoroughly upright and fit man because he happens to have a particular religious creed. Such a consideration should never be treated as a reason for either supporting or opposing a candidate for a political office. Are you aware that there are several states in this Union where the majority of the people are now Catholics? I should reprobate in the severest terms the Catholics in those states (or in any other states) who refused to vote for the most fit man because he happened to be a Protestant and my condemnation would be exactly as severe for Protestants, refused to vote for a Catholic. In public life, I am happy to say that I have known many men who were elected and constantly re-elected to office in districts where the great majority of the constituents were of a different religious belief. I know Catholics who have for many years represented constituencies mainly Protestant and Protestants who have for many years represented constituencies mainly Catholic; and among the Congressmen whom I know particularly well was one man of Jewish faith who represented a district in which there were hardly any Jews at all. All of these men by their very existence in political life refute the slander you have uttered against your fellow Americans."

"I believe that this republic will endure for many centuries. If so there will doubtless be among its Presidents Protestants and Catholics, and very probably at some time, I have consistently tried while President to act in relation to my fellow Americans of Catholic faith as I hope that any future President who happens to be a Catholic will act towards his fellow Americans of Protestant faith. Had I followed any other course I should have felt that I was unfit to represent the American people."

"In my cabinet at the present moment there sit side by side Catholic and Protestant, Christian and Jew, each man chosen because in my belief he is peculiarly fit to exercise on behalf of our people the duties of the office to which I have appointed him. In no case does the man's religious belief in any way influence his discharge of his duties, save as it makes him more eager to act justly and uprightly in his relations to all men. The same principles that have obtained in appointing the members of my cabinet, the highest officials under me, the officials to whom is entrusted the work of carrying out all the important policies of my administration, are the principles upon which all good Americans should act in choosing, whether by election or appointment, the men to fill any office from the highest to the lowest in the land."

Yours truly,
THEODORE ROOSEVELT,
Mr. J. C. Martin,
Dayton, Ohio.

Raleigh, Nov. 12.—Governor Glenn today issued his Thanksgiving proclamation. He calls attention to the many blessings the State has enjoyed during the past year. No pestilence, famine or earthquake, no mob violence. The State out of debt and prosperous. There has been great educational advancement. Morally, virtue is overcoming vice and wrong giving way to right.

Hands cracked and bruised from husking, skin disease, tan, freckles, cuts relieved at once with Pinesalva Balm (acts like a poultice) draws out inflammation. Price 25c at the City Pharmacy and Palace Drug Store.

THANKSGIVING DAY

Proclamation by The Governor. Naming Thursday, November 26.

Another year has come and gone, bringing its sorrows and its joys, its reverses and its prosperity; but, if a true account is taken, we find our mercies largely exceed our ills; and, therefore, we have much for which to be thankful.

It is a beautiful custom for the President of the United States and the Governors of the various States once a year to issue a Thanksgiving Proclamation, asking the people 'to forget not all their benefits,' but to praise the Lord, 'who crowneth us with loving kindness and tender mercies,' and 'satisfieth our mouths with good things.'"

This Thanksgiving Day, set apart from all others, is no meaningless observance; neither should it be regarded simply as a day of pleasure or rest from ordinary labor, but as a day above all days, on which we can and should express gratitude to our Master for undeserved blessings, both to us individually and as a State and Nation.

We have, indeed, much for which to be thankful. During the year no encroaching relations with foreign powers have threatened the country with danger or marred our peace and happiness.

As a State, no pestilence, famine, earthquake or other dire evil, save rains and floods in certain sections, have visited our people; but, with this one exception, our crops have been abundant, bringing fair prices, and, in spite of a panic, producing distress in other States, our State to a great extent has been entirely free from want, employment paying profitable wages, our homes peaceful, and our lives happy and blessed.

O Not a single instance of mob violence has occurred during the year, but all have acquiesced in and obeyed the law, thus upholding the dignity and majesty of the State.

Tremendous progress has been made along lines of industry and thrift. The State is out of debt and so prosperous and aggressive in business activity that its name and fame have extended even to 'earth's remotest bounds.'"

Educationally we have made greater advancement than ever before, and are spending in the education of our youth as large a per cent, according to the value of our property, as any State in the Union. Thus 'living every boy and girl a chance for a liberal and sufficient education.'"

Morally, virtue is overcoming vice; wrong giving way to right; selfishness taking the place of interdependence, and the youth of our State being taught higher ideals and given nobler aspirations, thus enhancing the value of true manhood and advancing the cause of a higher civilization."

For these and many other blessings and benedictions, in order to give all an opportunity to express their heart's gratitude to a True God, I, R. B. Glenn, Governor of the State of North

Women as Well as Men Are Made Miserable by Kidney Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and lessens ambition, vigor and cheerfulness, so that a man or woman who is afflicted with weak kidneys is out of order or diseased.

Kidney trouble becomes so prevalent that it is not uncommon for a child to be born afflicted with weak kidneys. If the child urinates too often, if the urine scalds the flesh or if, when the child reaches an age when it should be able to control the passage, it is yet afflicted with bed-wetting, depend upon it, the cause of the difficulty is kidney trouble, and the first step should be towards the treatment of these important organs. This unpleasant trouble is due to a diseased condition of the kidneys and bladder and not to a habit as most people suppose.

Women as well as men are made miserable with kidney and bladder trouble, and both need the same great remedy. The mild and the immediate effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It is sold by druggists, in fifty-cent and one dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle, by mail free, also pamphlet telling of the thousands of testimonials letters received from sufferers cured. In writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure and mention this paper.

Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y.

CASITORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of
Chas. H. Pritchard

Carolina, do unite with the President of the United States in proclaiming Thursday, the 26th day of November, 1908 as a day of general thanksgiving and prayer.

On this day I hereby order all public offices to be closed and all business therein to cease, and most earnestly ask all business concerns, private and corporate, as far as practicable, to join with me in my efforts to make this day truly one of rejoicing and thanksgiving by closing their establishments and giving a general holiday to their employees.

I also request that all good people assemble in their usual places of worship at 11 o'clock to return thanks to God for all His goodness and to consecrate themselves afresh to lives of truth and usefulness, as well as renew their vows of fidelity and love to their State, Country and God.

On this day let us not forget the widow, orphan and all other helpless and needy persons, but giving to them of our substance as God has prospered us.

And let us do nothing, as good citizens, to mar the joy, peace and sanctity of this Thanksgiving Day.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State to be affixed.

Done in our city of Raleigh this the eleventh day of November, 1908, and in the one hundred and thirty-third year of our American Independence.

By the Governor,
R. B. GLENN.

A LETTER OF THANKS.

Congressman Charles R. Thomas to the Democracy of the Third Congressional District of North Carolina.

Having received a letter from Chairman A. H. Eller of the State Democratic Executive Committee in which he extends to me his thanks for my great interest and zeal in the campaign and for, as he says, 'Your wonderful powers of organization which have kept the Third district upon the bed rock of Democracy while others have drifted away.'"

I have written him a letter in which I have stated that the thanks and complimentary illusions are due to the leaders in every county of the Third district and the privates in the ranks who have won for us the victory.

It is an annual thing for me, in this public way, to make any allusion to the election after it is over, but I feel that it is my duty, and it is my desire, in my heart to extend this year in a public way to every Democrat of the Third district and every friend of mine my very sincere and heartfelt thanks for their votes and strong support which have again given me the opportunity to serve them in Congress. There has never been an hour in my life, when any office I have held at the hands of the people has not been regarded by me as a public trust, and every citizen of the district, from the highest to the humblest has found that idea to be the cardinal principle of my public life.

I owe an especial debt of gratitude to the Democratic chairman of the counties composing the Third district and I extend my thanks to them as well as every loyal Democrat and every friend who supported me and rolled up such a majority, as will increase the influence which I now have with men of all parties, the leaders, as well as the rank and file in the House of Representatives in the Congress of the United States.

Yours very sincerely,
CHARLES R. THOMAS.

WELL, NOW.

It Looks Like There Is Cause For Action.

(Special to the ARGUS.)

Asheville, Nov. 14.—Mrs. Sophia Eastman, who is figuring in a sensational suit here, will be married Tuesday, at Buck Shoals, to Baker Everett Edwards. She is charged by V. E. McBees with living under the same roof with Edwards with no other woman present, and contrary to State law. The charge comes up for a hearing some time after the marriage.

The civil suit brought by Mrs. Eastman against Col. McBees to recover title to Buck Shoals will be heard on Monday.

William Prescott Harrison and Mrs. Heaton Owsly, brother and sister of Mrs. Eastman, arrived today for the marriage ceremony.

INTIMATIONS OF DIVINITY.

What Lovers of Nature See in Woods and Fields.

Nature—what is it? What does it mean? Planned by the Immortal Architect of the universe, built by Him who holds the world in the hollow of His hand, toned with the master-stroke whose heroic panorama, in all the splendor of its ravishing beauty, its sumptuous variety and throbbing spirit, hath appealed for ages to the hopes and aspirations of the world's famed artists in their vain struggles to preduce with brush even a crude imitation. Nature, the outward expression of the divine entity.

There stands a sturdy oak, the growth of a century, its branches reaching out in a rare combination of symmetry that bespeaks the unerring eye for form. It hath been tested, was found true. Character marks every limb; the inherent right to live is stamped an every bough. For generations it hath withstood the storms of heaven, hath defied the roaring winds of night, hath awayed to and fro under the weight of winter's angry tempests, hath battled with the rush of rains beating against its massive trunk. 'Tis a measuring post in the landscape, a majestic figure in the assembly of tones.

Yonder towers a stately pine, the embodiment of perpetual health and strength, a tribute to the nurturing soil whence it sprang. The winds of the four seasons have sighed, moaned and wailed their plaintive nocturnes through its myriads of pine for decades. It hath furnished music befitting the picture.

Beyond the two big measuring pillars lies a stretch of dunning fields bathed in glints of a kindly sunlight and here and there a pale purple or a dark gray caught from a cloud languidly drifting with a congenial no-nonsense breeze. The scheme of colors changes under reflections from a variegated sky, and in the distance the deep blue vista seems to melt into a paler tint, until a light gray haze-line disappears into an invisible something—we know 'net what. The clouds in their rare prismatic changes move slowly over the picture, lending delicacy of tones, each seemingly more mysteriously drawn than the other. Every shade appealing to a deep sense of the aesthetic, that separates man from beast is blended in rarest harmony to quicken the love of the beautiful, to touch the heart, to thrill the soul.

A mystic silence more eloquent than the tongue of man, with only a faint suggestion of melody through the tree-tops, as if from some ancient harp-string under the deft touch of one who loves music that bubbles from the font of feeling, pervades the scene a little while. Then from a vine-clad trunk of an old oak the high lyric notes of a house-loving wren in an impromptu of happiness offers an expression of gratitude to the unknown power that gave it life and health and sunshine. A shy wee cricket stealthily feels its way from beneath a tuft of grass and lichen clinging about the base of a lonesome cedar, and modestly contributes its voice to the symphony of light and music and color.

Then comes one of those gorgeous heaven-sent sunsets to crown the view, shedding a flood of rich old gold, delicate violet, exquisite crimson, soft blue and a hundred rare-blended shades of light o'er the beauty of the outline. Each hue seems to melt into the other like the throbbing notes of an air from the deep G string of an old violin under the inspired touch of a master-hand.

Nature, we call it.—And no words to

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But you cannot be well if you neglect taking Hood's Sarsaparilla when you know you should take it. Impure blood, poor appetite, headache, nervousness, that tired feeling—by these and other signs your system demands Hood's. Get a bottle today.

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describe it. Nor can there ever be, because 'tis so far higher and better than the product of the poet's fancy, the musician's dream, the artist's vision. We call it Nature for want of a better name. What is it? Whence came it all? 'Tis God's House—a palace which could have come only from the Omnipotent Creator of all good things; from Him who said: "Let there be light, and there was light;" from the Great Scientist who controls all laws and principles of science; from the gigantic intellect that foresaw and prepared for all things from the creation of the universe down through the vista of time; from the conception and plans of the great intangible mathematician, the superhuman architect who built not for a generation, not for a century, but for the ages here, for eternity hereafter. Can poor, weak, fallen man look upon this nobly-planned edifice, gaze in wonder on the harmonious perfection of the great spiritual structure, throbbing with life, and dare question the divine origin and execution of it all? Ah! the pity of frail, helpless man's narrow sphere of achievement, man's cramped and narrow view of life, man's pined little realm of power! Even though his doubts be sincere, blinded by prejudice and steeped in ignorance, they be no less pathetic than contemptuous. How can a responsible being look upon God's House in all its majesty, its permanent endurance, its wondrous beauty, and conjure up the grim spectre of skepticism?

It would be thrilled by His boundless power to plan and build; if thou wouldst feel His existence as the Omnipotent Giver of all good things; if thou wouldst seek the imperishable truth, enter into the great gateway of God's House—Nature; drink deep from the fountain of its countless beauties and ask thyself: "If the Creator can build so noble an edifice as a feast for the eyes of man here on earth, what can He do when He tries Himself in eternity?"

ITCHING HUMOR ON LITTLE BOY

His Hands were a Solid Mass, and Disease Spread All Over His Body—In Four Days the Child was Entirely Cured—Mother Strongly

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PIMPLES

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Receiver's Sale.
North Carolina, Wayne County.
In the Superior Court, November Term 1908.
A. G. Johnson vs. B. B. Joyce

By virtue of the power, contained in an order of the Superior Court in the above entitled case, the undersigned Receiver will on MONDAY, December 15th, 1908, at 12 o'clock M., sell to the highest bidder for cash at the premises of the said plaintiff of Johnson and Joyce, located near Shertwicks cross roads, and near Dr. J. E. Persons place, this County, two small boiler engines and all the appurtenances thereto attached for sawing and logging, including log skids and all property of every description located there belonging to said partnership and A. G. Johnson. The same will be sold separately or in bulk to suit the purchaser. Any information desired, will be gladly furnished by the Receiver.
This the 2nd day of November, 1908.
J. E. Peterson, Receiver.

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