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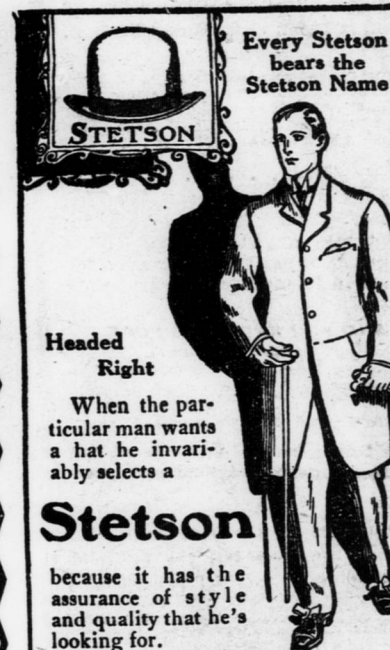
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CATAWBA TO BE HARNESS'ED.

Company Forming to Develop Electrical Power From River.

A mass meeting was held in the City Hall Thursday night for the purpose of awakening interest in the much mooted question of developing the Water power of Catawba river. It developed that a few of the local capitalists had taken the lead in the affair and had been quietly prospecting for some little time. More than that quite a little subscription was in evidence which when totalled amounted to about \$125,000. Most of this had been subscribed in Hickory in sums ranging from \$500 to \$20,000. A few names of gentlemen from Lenoir and Morganton etc were on the list.

Probably one hundred citizens were present at the meeting, most of whom were merchants and business men. There were in evidence quite a number of other professions.

After the men had assembled E. L. Shuford moved that Hon. J. D. Elliott be made chairman of the meeting; this was approved. Mr. Elliott on taking the chair stated in brief words the object of the meeting and then asked Atty E. B. Cline to address the meeting.

Mr. Cline received close attention throughout his remarks. He stated that in order to secure the electrical plant a sum of \$150,000 was needed and of this amount all but 25,000 had been subscribed; the meeting was for the purpose of raising the remainder. In concise terms he spoke of the necessity of the plant: If Hickory grew it must have new enterprises; enterprises must have motive power; wood could not be procured for fuel and coal was fast failing; there remained only electricity. Therefore, if Hickory wanted new enterprises electrical energy must be here for their motive power. The expense of electrical motive power was less than half of any other kind being supplied at \$20. per horse power. It was natural for a new enterprise to be located at a point where such motive power could be secured; at Hickory if possible if not then somewhere else. Now was the opportune time to build the plant because the material needed for its construction was to be had at a low price especially copper wire and cement.

Mr. Cline then explained that a tentative possession had been gained of about two miles of the Catawba bed and 850 acres of land adjacent. In these two miles there was a fall of twenty-eight feet and it was proposed to erect here a dam of the same height and erect an electrical plant of 5000 horse power. This the engineers had estimated to cost \$350,000 but if \$150,000 could be raised the plant could be bonded for the remainder. There was already a demand for the full amount of power that could be furnished.

Estimating the cost of running the plant at \$36,000 a year and allowing \$4,000 extra for a sinking fund the investment would realize about 30 per cent dividends.

In closing Mr. Cline showed that the enterprise would be of benefit to Hickory in other ways than financial.

After Mr. Cline's address A. A. Whitener, Dr. Ramsay and E. L. Shuford spoke briefly and the Mr. Elliott named Mr. Cilley and Dr. Ramsay as a committee raise the \$25,000.

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EDDYISM

Or Christian Science, so Called (Extracts)

St. Paul in this passage warn his son in the faith and his successor in the apostolic office against two dangers that beset him in the region of his religious life. He is to guard against the subtleties and deceptions of human philosophy, of science about God and man and life, falsely so called, which some in his day, professing, had erred concerning the true faith. They—the Apostles meant to say, had drifted away from the truth they had been taught and had swung off into man-made systems and foolish delusions. This appeal, thus to be on his guard, could not have been more apropos had the Apostle had in his mind that new religion which has sprung up in our day which is best described as "Eddyism." The dry, whitelight of publicity has for a year and more been mercilessly beating upon this nineteenth century revelation, so-called upon its founder, its history, its claims, bringing into the open its weak foundation, and the slender of truth running through it, laying bare to the everyday man and woman the mystery that has hung around Mrs. Eddy and her cult.

What is Christian Science after all? And first, we may say this so-called Christian Science is a sort of philosophy, a form of delusion before it is a religion, much less a science. It is, in plain words, the theory as old as man, that there is no reality save thought. In India, in Greece, by Plato, by Gautama, by Bishop Berkeley, by Spinoza, and by Kant, the German metaphysician, we have had Mrs. Eddy's ideas presented to us before and in far more scientific form. "The one reality," says Mrs. Eddy, is God, whose other name is Mind or Spirit. All is infinite Mind and its infinite manifestation. What seems to be matter is a mortal, material sense of that which is spiritual and perfect. Matter and mortal body are the illusions of human belief which seem to appear and disappear to mortal sense alone. What does Mrs. Eddy wish to express by these phrases? Simply this, that matter has no real existence. But no one has ever dreamed of doing what Mrs. Eddy has done, viz., make the philosophy of idealism in the minds of her followers a revelation handed down from heaven at a definite time and place, as the basis of a new and startling faith. Now we come to the crucial question, What is the difference, the vital vast difference between Christian Science and Historic Christianity, the Faith of the Ages? Surely this first, Historic Christianity, accepts things as they are. It takes in the entire sum of facts, as in all their reality, they enter into our vital experience. It sees the solid earth in its undeniable activity. It sees humanity in its unmistakable flesh and blood. It sees a vast physical universe, moving under inexorable laws, held together by the stress of co-ordinated forces. All this it sees, it accepts. It denies nothing, it refuses nothing. Christianity holds to the teaching of true science, viz., the gradual development of the material universe by the process we call evolution, which Jesus illustrates in his words, "First the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear." And so Christian Science is utterly unscientific, for science has no place for finality which Mrs. Eddy has always claimed for her revelation. God has taken time yea, sometimes ages to do His work, both in the solid earth beneath our feet and in the upward

movement of human development. And step by step the human soul has reared these landmarks and made them to stand as the adamantine rocks, viz., Marriage, the Family, the State, the Church. But denying the way of evolution, Christian Science becomes philosophical anarchy, and in its theory of things would make us break with the past, scatter to the winds all the institutions that man has built up at an incredible cost of life and limb and substitute for all that man has gained in government, industry, morals, and religion, a state in which every man would do what seemed right in his own eyes. This, then, is one indictment against Christian Science as a system of philosophy, or, as we plain people say, as an everyday working principle of life.

Let us look at "Eddyism" as a religion. As a religion it offers itself and its teaching to the people of this land. It is therefore important to lay bare its religious foundations. And first as a religion it is as full of defects, as it is fundamentally defective as a philosophy. From the days of Richard Kennedy she laid special stress on the impersonality of God. In the first and the third editions of Science and Health she writes, "God is not a person, God is principle." "Principle is Divine, one Life, one Truth, one Love." Principle is Mrs. Eddy's God, for which she has many synonyms; "God," "Mind," "Spirit," "Soul," "Substance." Before 1875 she was telling her pupils they could make no progress till they banished from their minds the thought of God as person. In one of her books she says "God is Love," but she adds, "Love is Principle, not person." Another phrase constantly in use is, "God is All in All," which being reversed reads, "All in all is God." This is pantheism, and from this she soon plunges into dualism. Mr. Mosley, her apologist, describes her dualism in these words: "The Immortal Mind and its universe of pure, perfect and immortal ideas is in direct opposition to the mortal mind and its seeming world of imperfections."—One of the strangest claims for Christian Science made by Mrs. Eddy is this, that Christian Science is the Holy Spirit, inasmuch as it is the promise made by Christ to send the Comforter to His disciples. And her teaching about our Lord is especially vague, heretical and irreverent.

Mrs. Eddy says, "Health is not a condition of matter, but of mind." Organic diseases she has cured as readily as functional diseases. Consumption in its last stages, malignant tubercular diphtheria, and cancer that defied all other human skill; Mrs. Eddy claims to have cured. Even leprosy is easy to relieve by Christian Science methods, and malformed limbs and brain diseases are scarcely worth regarding in the eyes of this school of therapeutics.

Dr. J. B. Huber, of New York, undertook an investigation on his own account of Christian Science healing. First, eliminating the downright failures which proved to be numerous, he made a careful examination of twenty so-called cures. In these cases there was no distinct proof of Christian Science methods. Some under examination broke down and restored to evasion. Some were cured, he found, of diseases which they diagnosed themselves.

Holding that there is no such thing as matter, she disavows the sacramental character of marriage, and says there is a time coming here on earth when "there shall be no more marrying nor giving in marriage." She and her system, therefore, discourage and tend to do away with marriage, and so with the

family and the home. No member of the Christian Science body is especially commissioned to solemnize marriages. In the Church Manual, with explicit direction about everything else, here is silence as to marriage, and the Mother Church in Boston which has a seating capacity of 3000, provision is made for a Sunday school of only 250. "Is marriage nearer right than celibacy," she asks and answers: "Human knowledge inculcates that it is, while Science indicates that it is not."

And now to sum up and pronounce a just verdict upon this woman's character, this strange mortal who dares to put herself and her relation above that of the unapproachable man of Galilee, who denies in the face of every fact that she has ever been at fault in any step or act of her life, what do we find to be the mainspring and controlling trait in her personality? And we answer, with all due tribute to whatever is good in her character, that "love of money has been the root, and ambition and the goal of this woman's aspiration." Address by D. S. Moody.

THE LIST.

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We, the undersigned agree to subscribe the following amounts in the capital stock of a company to be formed to develop the water power on Catawba river near Hickory, N. C.

No expenditures to be made until at least \$150,000.00 in valid subscriptions be obtained. Shares to be \$100 each.

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C H Geitner	8,000
K C Menzies	6,000
J E Montague	1,100
J A Martin	1,000
W B Ramsay	2,000
J L Cilley	2,000
E B Cline	5,000
W L Sherrill	500
W H Nicholson	1,000
S L Whitener	1,000
C H Geitner	5,000
J L Riddle	1,000
P C Setzer	1,500
L Flagler	1,000
C C Bost	1,000
Bost & Newton	2,000
J C Temple	1,000
E A Sommers	1,000
W B Menzies	1,500
H F Elliott	1,000
F B Ingold	1,000
J W Elliott	2,500
E Lyerly	2,000
A M Kestler	10,000
F M Scroggs	1,500
Temple Sommers	.500
J R Whitener	.200
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CITY SCHOOLS.

Outline of Work.

The city school work will begin the year's work on Monday, August 31. On the first day pupils will be assigned to their grades, seats will be allotted, book lists given out, and lessons assigned. It is very necessary therefore that all pupils be present on the opening day.

Some changes have been made in the course of study in the schools, which changes, it is believed will add to the efficiency of the schools. The course of study has been arranged in accordance with the most approved educational principles, and is the equal of that in any of the city schools of the State. The fundamental idea running through all the ten grades is to give the pupils a thorough practical education, and also to give that mental training and culture necessary to the highest success in life. In the primary grades reading, writing and spelling receive most attention; in the intermediate grades reading, spelling, arithmetic and grammar are stressed most, with history and geography for general information and knowledge; in the high school department mathematics, English, history, science and Latin are of equal importance. This course of study provides both for practical utility and for mental culture. No child will have fewer than four nor more than five recitations a day, and it is believed that any child of average mental ability can do all the work outlined, without dropping any subject.

As a matter of information to all those concerned, a brief outline of the course of study is given.

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.

First grade:—Reading, Ward's Primers and Graded Classics No. 1; spelling, phonic and alphabet methods; writing, pencil and tablet.

Second grade:—Ward's First Reader, Graded Classics No. 2, Little People of Other Lands, Stores of Great Americans, Foust and Griffins Speller, Vertical copy book No. 1.

Third grade:—Stepping Stones to Literature No. 3, Classics Old and New third reader geographical nature reader, first physiology, history stories, Foust and Griffin's Speller, copy book No. 2, number work in division.

INTERMEDIATE DEPARTMENT.

Fourth grade:—Foust and Griffin's speller, fourth reader, history stories, primary arithmetic, language lesson book one, Tarr and McMurry's geography book one, copy book 3.

Fifth grade:—Spelling, reading, language lessons book one, Intermediate arithmetic, primary history, Tarr and McMurry's geography book two, copy book No. 4.

Sixth grade:—Spelling, Reed Kellogg's graded lessons in English, Reading, Intermediate arithmetic, Murry's new complete geography, second physiology, copybook 5.

Seventh grade:—Spelling, Buehler's English grammar, reading, advanced arithmetic, United States history, copybook No. 6, Murry's geography in fall term and first year Latin in spring term.

HIGH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

First year:—Advanced arithmetic, elementary algebra, English history, Collar and Daniel's first year Latin, Buehler's grammar.

Second year:—High school algebra and elementary geometry, Myer's general history, three books of Caesar, spelling and defining, Reed and Kellogg's higher lessons in English.

Third year:—Four books of plane geometry, history of United States and North Carolina history, algebra and high school arithmetic, Genung's Outlines of Rhetoric, Cicero's Orations and Virgil's Aeneid, Physics and Chemistry.