

# The Fool-Killer

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Blood-Boils of Society, Church  
and State.

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Well, folks, I have decided to  
risk my chances on putting The Fool-  
Killer back to its old price. Print  
paper is still costing me twice as  
much as it did before the war; but  
the general trend of prices is down-  
ward, and I want to give my readers  
the benefit of all possible reduction,  
because I know times are hard and  
money scarce.

So please tell everybody you see  
and send word to the rest that they  
can now get The Fool-Killer again at  
the old price—25 cents for a single  
subscription, or 15 cents each in clubs  
of five or more at one time.

Now please rush in the subs like  
you did in the old days, and I'll do  
my level best to keep 'em awake.

## Let Us Talk It Over

Well, dear sinner friends, this is  
The Fool-Killer.

How does it set on your stomach?

If you like it you can get more at  
headquarters.

The Fool-Killer is not even a forty-  
seventh cousin to any other paper on  
earth.

It stands in a class by itself, and its  
field is as broad as the English  
language.

This paper wears no bell, muzzle,  
collar nor halter.

You can put that down to start with.

I am the fellow who works at the  
pump-handle on this rag of reform.

I never travelled any to speak of,  
but I have read a great deal, and  
have thunk some.

And then I started The Fool-Killer,  
just to quiet my nerves and to keep  
the old press from getting rusty.

From the ecclusion of these wooded  
hills there will go forth each month  
a bundle of literary dynamite that  
will shake the rotten foundations of  
society and cause the church of  
Mammon to at least turn over in its  
sleep.

The Fool-Killer is a monthly must-  
ard plaster for the blood-boils of  
Society, Church and State.

It is written with a red-hot poker  
dipped in razor-soup.

It rides the devil a-straddle without  
a saddle, and spurs him at every lope.  
It is salted with wit, peppered with  
humor, and seasoned with sarcasm.

Every line cuts like a whip, and  
every word raises a blister.

If you are a fool you had better not  
subscribe for The Fool-Killer. If you  
are wise you will, and that settles it.

JAMES LARKIN PEARSON  
Boomer, N. C.

## NUTS TO CRACK.

The Moody Bible Institute,  
located at Chicago, what-a-noise,  
has for the past two or three  
years been sending me occasion-  
al batches of its advertising  
literature with form letters urg-  
ing me to take up its correspon-  
dence courses in Bible study.

Well, I have looked into its  
teachings considerably and de-  
cided that is didn't know enough  
about the Bible to teach me any-  
thing, and so I haven't taken  
up any of its courses. But I  
have decided to ask the Moody  
Bible Institute a few questions  
and see if it can answer them.

So the following questions  
have been prepared and for-  
warded to Chicago with a re-  
quest for written answers. If  
I get the answers I will print  
them in The Fool-Killer for all  
you folks to see.

Moody Bible Institute,  
Chicago, Ill.

Gentlemen:

For the past two years or  
more I have been getting your  
advertising literature and your  
form letters urging me to take  
up your correspondence courses  
in Bible study. I have not yet  
decided to do so, but I have de-  
cided that you can help me in  
making my decision. If you  
will be so kind as to send me  
your written answers to the fol-  
lowing questions, and if your  
answers are satisfactory I will  
consider the matter of taking  
up some of your Bible Study  
courses. But if you cannot  
answer these questions, or if  
you try to dodge around them  
and make evasive answers, I  
shall have to conclude that you  
do not know enough about the  
Bible to teach me anything.

Now for the questions:

Was the Garden of Eden on  
the earth or up in heaven?

Was Adam created mortal or  
immortal?

If Adam had not sinned, would  
he ever have died?

If he had not died he would  
have lived forever, and wouldn't  
that have proved that he was  
immortal?

But on account of sin he DID  
die, and don't that prove that  
he was mortal?

Is there a difference between  
eternal life and immortality?

In other words, can a person  
live eternally and never die, and  
yet not be immortal?

If Adam had not sinned and  
thus brought death upon him-  
self, where would he have spent  
his endless life?

Would he have lived forever  
in the earthly paradise where he  
was placed, or would he have  
developed wings and flown away  
to some place beyond the stars  
called heaven?

If Adam could not go to  
heaven without dying, and could  
not die without sinning, doesn't  
that prove that sin and death  
are blessings to the race?

Did Adam and his race lose  
an earthly home or a heavenly  
home?

If Jesus Christ came to re-  
store to the race that which was

lost through Adam's fall, what  
will he restore?

Was Adam a human unit—a  
single individual—or was he two  
individuals in one?

If Adam was composed of  
two parts—soul and body—  
which part was the REAL  
Adam?

Which part was it that could  
think, feel, understand, and be  
responsible for its conduct?

Which part was it that sinned,  
the soul or the body?

If it was the soul that sinned,  
why did the innocent body have  
to suffer for it?

And if it was the body that  
sinned and was condemned, why  
is it said that souls have to  
be saved?

When God said to Adam, as  
recorded in Gen. 2:17, "for in  
the day that thou eatest thereof  
thou shalt surely die," which  
part of Adam was God talking  
to?

What does the word "thou"  
refer to in Gen. 2:17?

If you say it refers to the soul,  
then what does the same word  
"thou" refer to in Gen. 3:19?

How many different penalties  
were passed upon Adam for his  
sin?

Was one penalty pronounced  
against his soul and another  
against his body?

Is the penalty mentioned in  
Gen. 2:17 a different penalty  
from the one mentioned in Gen.  
3:19?

If there was just one penalty,  
what was it?

Does the Bible say it was  
death—a returning to dust?

Or does it say it was an end-  
less life of misery in a burn-  
ing hell?

Suppose that Adam and Eve  
had been created and placed in  
the Garden of Eden just as they  
were. And suppose they had  
sinned and been driven out just  
as they were. Suppose the same  
penalty had been pronounced up-  
on them that actually was pro-  
nounced. And after all that had  
happened just as it did, then  
suppose that no Saviour had  
come to redeem them—where  
would Adam and his race have  
spent eternity?

Did Jesus really die on the  
cross?

Or was it just his body that  
died?

If Jesus had an immortal soul  
that didn't die, and if that im-  
mortal soul was the REAL  
JESUS, then it seems to me that  
the preachers have been giving  
us a lot of bull about Jesus dy-  
ing for sinners. Why not just  
say that the house Jesus lived  
in died to save the house that  
man lived in, but that the REAL  
JESUS did not die and that the  
REAL MAN is not saved?

When Jesus raised Lazarus  
of Bethany from the dead, where  
did Lazarus come from—down  
from heaven or out from the  
tomb?

If the REAL LAZARUS had  
been in heaven four days, and  
then came back to live with his  
sisters again, can you explain

why he never told them a word  
about his wonderful trip and  
what he saw up there?

These are just a few questions  
that are bothering lots of peo-  
ple, and your answers to them  
will be eagerly awaited.

Yours truly,

JAMES LARKIN PEARSON.

Now, folks, we'll have to wait  
awhile and see what the Moody  
Bible Institute will do about  
these questions. If it answers  
them I will print its answers in  
this paper soon as possible, and  
if it hums and haws and tries  
to dodge the issue, I will tell  
you about that. In either case  
we are liable to have some fun.  
Tell everybody to keep an eye  
skinned and look out for the  
answers.

And say, by the way, here's  
how you can have some addition-  
al fun on your own hook: Take  
this paper and read these ques-  
tions to some of your orthodox  
friends and get their answers.  
If it don't cook their geese  
I'll treat.

## PARAGRAPHS.

Nine decent Republicans in  
the Senate. They voted against  
the seating of Huckleberry.

If Japan is allowed to have a  
Mutsu, it looks like some other  
nation ought to have a Jeffsu.

The new Senator from Pen-  
nsylvtucky is named Pepper, and  
he voted for Huckleberry. I  
should sneeze!

The rule is that when you buy  
and pay for a thing it belongs  
to you. Probably that's why  
the Senate allowed old Huckle-  
berry to hold his seat.

We used to hear the complaint  
that the proud fashionable wo-  
men "put everything on their  
backs." Well, you can't accuse  
'em of that these days.

If the sensible people of At-  
hens, Ga., do not go to church,  
the preachers will have no right  
to kick. They have not invited  
anybody but the fools.

An income is an awfully curi-  
ous thing. A man can't possi-  
bly live without it, and it is al-  
most equally difficult to live  
within it.

The Benited States Senate  
seems to be getting awful full  
of "bloccs." But that isn't at  
all surprising, because it has  
been full of "block-heads" all  
the time.

There is not a particle of use  
to expect any reform from a  
Senate that will permit old  
Huckleberry to have a seat in  
it. You might as well try to  
plant goober-peas in the moon  
or fish for tadpoles in the top of  
a haystack.

I see it stated in a dispatch  
from one of the fashion centers  
that girls are going to abandon  
galoshes. Now I am not going  
to ask what a galosh is. It  
might be something ugly.