

PETROLEUMS SOURCE.

Another Plausible Theory Advanced As to How It Originated.

LIMESTONE ROCKS AND HYDROGEN

Were All That Was Needed to Produce the Subterranean Supply.

INCONCEIVABLE LIMITS TO THE SUPPLY

Petroleum is one of the most widely distributed substances in nature, but the question how it was originally produced has never yet been satisfactorily determined, and continues a problem for philosophers.

AMERICAN TIN FAVORED.

The Pittsburg Article Is of a Higher Class Than the Imported and Sells Better.

Congressman Niedringhaus Favors Reciprocity With South American Countries.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—(Special.)—Phelps, Dodge & Co. received this morning a carload of roof tin from the Apollo Iron and Steel Company, of Pittsburg, Pa.

How the Records Should Be Read.

The theories of its origin suggested by Reichenbach, Berthelot, Mendeleef, Peckham, and others, made no attempt to account for the existing variety in its chemical composition, in its specific gravity, its boiling points, and its acid content.

First—The existence of adjoining beds of limestone, gypsum, etc.

Second—The presence of volcanic action in close proximity to them.

Third—The presence of salt water in the wells.

All writers have noticed the presence of limestone close to the oil fields in the United States and Canada, in the Caucasus, in Burma, etc., but they have been most impressed by its being "fossiliferous," or shell limestone, and have drawn the erroneous inference that animal matter once contained in those shells originated petroleum; but no fish oil ever contained paraffin.

Petroleum Is Composed of Carbon.

All limestone rocks were formed under water, and are mainly composed of calcareous shells, corals, brachiopods, foraminifera—the latter similar to the foraminifera of "Atlantic ooze" and of English chalk beds.

Volcanic Action Had a Hand in It.

As evidence of volcanic action in close proximity to petroleum strata, the mud volcanoes at Baku and in Burma are described, and a sulphur mine in Spain is mentioned (with which the writer is well acquainted), situated near an extinct volcano, where sulphur is obtained from the neighboring chapel and other symptoms indicate that petroleum is not far off.

The Same Forces Now at Work.

It is explained that these effects must have occurred, not at periods of acute volcanic eruptions, but in conditions which may be, and have been, observed at the present time, wherever there are active soliflatus or mud volcanoes at work.

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PICTURES OF HADES.

How Some Christians Exercised Their Vivid Imaginations.

THE TORTURES OF THE DAMNED

Described With Words That Caused Terror Among the Sinners.

INEFFABLE MISERY WAS PORTRAYED

In one of his moral essays Pope speaks of a "soft Dean," who never mentioned hell to "ears polite"; and adds, in a note, "This is a fact." The "soft Dean" appears from the *Guardian* of the 31st of March, 1713, to have been an eminent divine, "most exactly well bred," who told his congregation at Whitehall that if they did not "vouchsafe to give their lives a new turn they must certainly go to a place which he did not think fit to name in that Courly audience."

Scenes That Dante Pictured.

In the second are carnal sinners tossed by warring winds, which are called Euphorbia, in the third gluttons bitten by Cerberus are exposed in a stinking land to storms of hail. In the fourth are the prodigal and the miser, each pushing a heavy weight up a hill which he has rolled down.

At the Bottom of Chaos.

Milton's hell is situated at the bottom of Chaos. Its description is, in short, an antarctic region of fire and ice, of dire hail and ever-burning sulphur. Its distance from heaven is three thousand miles, and its circumference is 100,000 miles.

Bodies Burned, but Not Consumed.

From the description of hell by Jonathan Edwards, that sturdy theologian, one sentence will probably be found more than sufficient: "Your bodies, which shall have been burning all this while in those glowing flames, shall not have been consumed, but will remain to roast through eternity!"

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How and when had she got in? Had the omnibus stopped or even slackened, unnoticed by me, in my strange absorption? No, no, how could it? Yet there the stranger sat. And that a singular face it was! What deadly pallor and painful melancholy in every line! What a wistful eye, that seemed full of unshed tears, and kept looking, looking at me, through me, into my soul, with an intense strained gaze that never wavered, and seemed every moment to grow deeper in its dumb agony of appeal as of one struggling for the speech of which God had bereft her tongue.

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