

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE NOT CHRISTIANITY.

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for sin, or sickness, or death. These are delusions and utterly devoid of reality. Disease is only bodily fear. "I learned," says Mrs. Eddy, "that sickness is an illusion" and that "disease is fear made manifest in the body, whether this fear takes the form of cancer, consumption, small-pox, or an injured limb" (p. 425). "Sin is a high degree of insanity," and "sickness is always hallucination" (p. 426). "The sin and the sinner, the disease and the cause, death and dying. It is well to be cheerful in sickness; to be hopeful is better; but to understand that sickness is a delusion... is best of all" (p. 341-342). "Tumors, ulcers, inflammation, pain, deformed limbs, are all dream-visions" (p. 301). "The illusion named death, sickness, and sin, are all that can be destroyed. The 'human' body cannot die, because it has no life of its own" (p. 417). Mrs. Eddy gives to her pupils this interesting formula: "If exposure to a draught of air, while in a state of perfect health, is followed by colds, dry cough, influenza, congestive symptoms in the lungs, or hints of inflammatory rheumatism, your mind-remedy is as follows" (p. 314). "Fear is the foundation of all sickness" (p. 267). "Man is incapable of sin, sickness, and death... hence man cannot depart from his holiness. No sin can endow man with the capacity or freedom to sin" (p. 341). Mrs. Eddy calls sin, sickness and death, "nothingness." And, yet, strange to say, she has a cure "nothingness." An easy matter, surely, seeing there is nothing to cure. She frankly admits this and tries to evade its absurdity by asserting another absurdity, namely, that sin, sickness and death belong to "the nothingness of error" (p. 388-389). These are facts about "Christian Science" that Judge Ewing forces to mention, and which she has suppressed them is obvious enough. He either does not believe them, or else he felt that such a recital would be pronounced absurd by any intelligent audience.

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text-book. If it be a Gospel at all it is not the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ; it is another gospel, and those who preach it occupy a most unenviable position. Its text-book is a jumble of unmeaning phrases, its claims are most absurd, and its pretentious reasonings are the quintessence of nonsense. These are "facts" about "Christian Science" that those who hear of it do well to ponder. It has been said that with two exceptions, "Christians Science" is all right. These exceptions are: First, it is not science, and second, it is not Christian. The value of this criticism lies in the fact that it expresses the exact truth.

An Extract from Judge Ewing's Lecture, Published by Request.

In connection with Dr. McLeod's sermon, the following extract from a lecture delivered by Judge Ewing in Syracuse on Dec. 3 has interest. We print it at the request of David N. McKee, reader in the Christian Science church: Doubtless there are many points involved in Christian belief and conduct, respecting which you and Christian Scientists are in perfect accord; a brief reference to these will, I think, bring us a little closer together, possibly inspiring, at least, to prosecute the inquiry of the hour in the pleasing assurance that we are equally earnest and honest in our search for truth. It is well to know the edge of God—Whom to know aright is life everlasting."

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This and That.

It is rumored two companion washeries will be erected this year in Keyser valley. There is a larger demand for small coal than can be supplied by the usual operations at the big breakers, without crushing the larger sizes, and that results in big waste. The Oxford washery, operated by the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company, which has been idle since last August, has resumed work, owing to the big demand for fuel grades of coal. The washery has a capacity of 250 tons per day and will be enlarged in the near future. About fifty carpenters are engaged in building the new structure will be one of the largest and most modern washeries in this section and will cost about \$25,000. Work is being rushed and it is expected the structure will be completed about April 1. There will be four shakers, thirty-three feet in length. The refuse will be washed into the abandoned mine workings.

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