

A few Words for Pharaoh.

[LAWRENCE, of the Religious Telescope, seldom writes anything but what is good and to the point. The following is one of his latest--and best.]

Ever since we were old enough to go to church, we have heard old King Pharaoh spoken of in terms of disrespect. Preachers all seem to "have a pick at him," more especially at his heart, which, if you would believe them, was as hard as granite! They always tell one side of the story; let us give the other.

Pharaoh was king of Egypt, in Africa, a country once celebrated for its science, its corn crops, and its meadows. When the Pharaoh, about whose heart we hear so much, was on the throne, the Egyptians owned about two millions of slaves--descendants of a certain white man named Abraham. These slaves were multiplying very rapidly; were, in the main, contented; and were "better off," by far, than the most of us. Pharaoh and the Egyptians were much "attached to them," "provided for them," made all their laws, and they had nothing in the world to do but work, eat and be jolly. Their masters had all the trouble.

But they were multiplying too fast, so well off were they, and Pharaoh was induced to order, that after a certain day, all the male slave children born should be drowned or strangled like kittens. This looks bad, and the preachers have made the most of it; but, let us consider his motive. It was to make a slave insurrection impracticable. Now, we all know what a horrible thing a slave insurrection is. Stamp orators sometimes tell us of St. Domingo. Pharaoh thought his slaves might be incited by some miserable fanatic like John Brown to rise, and then what would they do but eat throats, burn houses, ravish their dusky mistresses, and run-pitchforks through the curly-headed children of their good masters? Who will say, that, in view of all these possible horrors, it was not best just to send the little Hebrew slave boys of one or two generations to heaven, where they would be better off?

It is true, too, that whipping and beating, even to death, were rather common, and that women, even, were not spared; but, to offset this, they had plenty of leeks, onions, and other savory things to eat, and all they could do. They had no concern of mind, no schools to attend, no laws to make, no cares to furrow their faces, nothing to do but work, eat and be jolly. We are certain, that, if a correspondent of the London Times had taken a boat-ride on the Nile in those days, he would have failed for language to describe the happy condition of the chivalrous Egyptian masters and their contented slaves.

But, alas! they were waked from this blissful dream of happiness by a passionate agitator named Moses, a well educated man, but, like too many now, he made a bugbear of himself by his ultraism. He was a kind of a Yankee interloper. When he saw an Egyptian beating a brother man, cruelly, instead of helping to subdue the wretch, as he should have done, he smote the oppressor so violently that he died from the blow. For this cause, Moses was obliged to run away. But he could not stay away. He heard something out of a burning bush one day, which inflamed his abolition notions, (fanatics are always having visions), so he went back to Egypt. When he got back, everything was going well. The country was flourishing, the people were united, taxes were low, and trade prosperous. If Pharaoh had hung him at once, a great deal of trouble would have been avoided. But Moses insisted on the emancipation of all the Hebrews. Think of that! Slavery was an old institution, the slaves were happy, and worth about \$200,000,000! How could Moses ask such a sacrifice of property? He claimed that God had sent him--that the Israelites were oppressed and all that; but Moses was a minister: what right had he to meddle with slavery in Egypt, a purely "political question?" The other preachers in Egypt were faithful to Amun, and let Slavery alone. How much better it would have been if Moses had done as our American Tract Society, and as several of our popular churches have done--pratched the Bible and kept out of the dirty water of politics! But nothing would satisfy him but emancipation.

Of course the pride of the Egyptians was touched. They were a chivalric race, with hot southern blood. They knew their rights. To show their contempt for Moses, they increased the tasks of their slaves, and whipped them harder. The Hebrews themselves intrusted Moses to go away and let them alone. But he went on, and kept up the excitement until the whole land was convulsed. Millions of slaves' worth of grain and stock were sacrificed, and there was mourning for the "first born" in every house.

At length Pharaoh was over persuaded, and like our weak-minded President, issued an edict of emancipation, and away the slaves went, en masse. But, after they were gone, his reason returned. There was "a reaction" in the public mind. The people failed to endorse the proclamation. Pharaoh's heart yearned for his poor slaves, who had no experience and could not take care of themselves; and so he started after them with a great army and had it not been for a sudden fresh water, he would in all probability have accomplished his humane designs. But the water in the Red Sea got too deep!

Lloyd F. Rhorbach and George W. Haupt of Sunbury have been admitted to the practice of law.

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