

## AN INFIDEL ANSWERED.

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ion and twenty lives were lost. The man had his joke. Mr. Ingersoll stops the Bible train, the Church train, and he thinks it a great joke, yet sweeping along come death, judgment and eternity.

He says the Bible and churches are declining. Why, one church, of which I am not a member, builds a church every day of the year. Here is the increase of Christianity: In the first century there were half a million; in the second there were two millions; in the third, five; in the fourth, ten; in the fifth, fifteen; in the sixth, twenty; in the seventh, twenty-four; in the eighth, thirty; in the ninth, forty; in the tenth, fifty; in the eleventh, seventy; in the twelfth, eighty; in the thirteenth, seventy-five; in the fourteenth, eighty; in the fifteenth, one hundred; in the sixteenth, one hundred and twenty-five; in the seventeenth, one hundred and fifty-five; in the eighteenth, two hundred; and in 1884 there are four hundred millions of Christians. (Applause.)

How is the Bible becoming obsolete? Four years ago in six weeks 2,500,000 Testaments were sold—sold, not distributed. The Bible is the most popular book in the world. Ten times as many are sold as the combined sales of any ten popular writers. [Applause.] What institution is nearest the hearts of the people? The postoffice! The court house? No! the church! (Applause.) Did you ever see a church burned? I have. I saw one burn; it was my own, I was interested. It was a cold sight to me; below zero on every face. I saw frozen tears. Many who had never been in the church wept because the church was near their hearts. Let diphtheria sweep along and take a loved one. Does the skeptic send for the Attorney General or a Justice of the Peace? No, he wants a minister. He wants a large room for the obsequies, but does not want a hotel or a theater; he wants a church. And he doesn't want the "Marseilles" or the "Star Spangled Banner" sung; he wants some of the words of Watts or Wesley or a Sunday School song. The most popular book is the Bible, the most popular institution is the church, the most popular being is Jesus. (Applause.) Thousands would die for him. I was on a stage coach near Dieppe, Switzerland. The mountain route was dangerous, and we had six horses. At a time when I thought the driver should take the reins in both hands he put them in his left, bared his head and held out his right hand. I looked at the object to which he pointed. It was a cross—the emblem of our religion.— (Applause.)

WHAT DO THESE INFIDELS OFFER as a substitute for religion? Suppose all the medicines were thrown into the river; a man in the hospital asked for anodyne for his ache, and is offered an essay on the mistake of J. Y. Simpson's discourse on chloroform. (Applause.) For the man who is having a leg cut off, give him fun—fun about doctors and their shops. Tickle the skeleton of death, apply the strengthening plaster of sarcasm, shake up the bottle of ribaldry and give after each meal. (Laughter.) And this is all the cure for the agony of the world. Oh! if there is anything meaner on earth than the attempt to take away the Bible, what can it be? Go down 1,000 feet in the pit of meanness, then 3,000 miles down its ladder, whose steps are 8,000 miles long. At its foot is a precipice 14,000 miles high. Jump to the bottom and you can touch that meanness. (Applause.) They snatch away the light of the world and have only a religion of "Don't Know." They believe in nothing. I prefer the apostle's creed. An infidel told an old minister he believed only in what he could explain. "Explain," said the minister, "why some cows have horns and some have none." (Laughter.) "Oh," said the man, "don't mean that. I believe only in what I have seen." "That is more remarkable," said the minister. "Do you believe you

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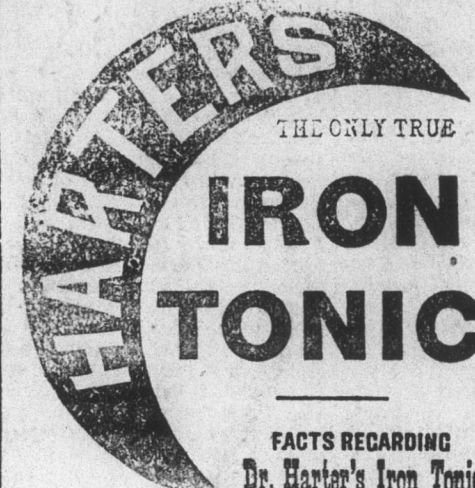
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R. Soda valerianatis.....gr. xxvii.  
Tincture nucis vomice.....m. lx.  
Tincture capsici.....ss. xlviii.  
Syrupus aurantii.....ss. lxxv.  
Aque.....ad os. vi.  
M. Sig.—Take one ounce in water half an hour before meals.  
For the second form:  
R. Alumina.....dr. ii.  
Tincture quassiae.....oz. i.  
Infusum quassiae.....oz. vi.  
M. Sig.—Dose, one spoonful after meals.  
For the third form:  
R. Ammoniac carbonatis.....dr. i.  
Tincture valerianae.....oz. v.  
Aque camphorae.....oz. v.  
M. Sig.—Take one ounce as directed on arising from bed.

Dr. Granville insists upon a regular hour for going to stool, at least to make an effort at evacuation. He proposes to establish in this way the normal habit, and thinks aperients in habitual constipation do no good.—Druggists' Circular.

SCROFULA.—This, in the past, was known as "King's Evil," probably from the fact that it prevailed in the families of royalty, among those who "fared sumptuously every day," or were the victims of a luxurious style of living. The name is derived from the Latin *scrofa*, "a sow," since it was long ago marked by an indolent swelling of the glands, particularly in the neck, followed by suppuration and breaking, in some instances running for a long time, because the supply of waste and putrid matters is still kept up by false habits of living, by a want of cleanliness, pure air and sunlight, the healing also proceeding slowly. From this fact, and many bad habits of living, the idea has prevailed among the ignorant, that these discharges are "running the life away," an idea too absurd to deserve a moment's thought. It may be that such half-created victims of sensuality may not live, even with all that nature can do by these discharges of putrid and poison matter, while a sudden check, this poison being thrown inward, would destroy life in a few hours; not only let this pass off, but urge its discharge by the use of poultices, or, far better, wet cloths, kept warm by bandages; and then direct attention to the removal of the causes, since such filthy suppurations are rarely, if ever, found among the Jews, or even blotches on the surface, or humors, or indeed in any non-pork-eating nation. The first cause to be removed is the use of the most diseased of all meats found on the tables of civilization—lard, and its concentrated filthiness—lard. Let the doubters carefully examine the entrails of the hog, the fat deposits, the neck, and see how many corrupt abscesses may be found in these fatty deposits, sometimes holding a quart of "matter," as dealers will assure you, if the hog is very fat and therefore very much diseased. To see, is to be convinced. Or, let them ask Moses, who was instructed by Jehovah, as seen in the eleventh chapter of Leviticus.

These victims at birth are "rickety," have large abdomens, joints, heads, flabby muscles, a clear skin filled with corruption, so filled and so slightly vitalized, that most of them, aside from a great deal of good nursing and training, will become consumptive. To avoid this, let them be subjected to correct treatment, as well cared for as are our favorite horses by the intelligent expert, or as are the pugilists while being trained for an ignoble, disgraceful fight! Let them be put on to a bread and milk diet, with eggs, fruits, potatoes, using but little meats, and then only the lean, plain fish, the bread being the genuine article, not the impoverished fine flour product. Let them be kept clean by washings daily, if they are warm afterward, (salt may be added,) rubbed or brushed thoroughly. Let them be regular in their meals and in all respects, sleeping as much as possible. But above all, let them have an abundance of out-door exercise, as much air and sun as possible, well clad and fed, and kept out of school till they are vigorous.—Dr. J. H. Hanaford.

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