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MEXICO

And the Jews' passover was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem,

And found In the temple those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting:

And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables;

And said unto them that sold doves. Take these things hence; make not my Father's house an house of merchandise.

And his disciples remembered that it was written, The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up.

(John 2:13-17)

The entire Western Hemisphere has been set apart, by Christ, the eternal Son of God, as God's "House;" into which, in violation of our sacred Monroe Doctrine, the Roman Catholic system of popery has intruded itself, to make merchandise, and to sell "doves," superstitious prayers to relics and dead saints, for money. As of old, Christ has entered his Temple, and he has prepared a scourge of small cords, with which he will drive popery out of the entire southern continent of the Western Hemisphere. This cleansing begins in Mexico, the southerly Republic of the northern continent of the Western Hemi-sphere. President Calles and the loyal Congress of Mexico are the scourge of small cards, which Christ Is to-day wielding with telling effect, and he is driving out these usurpers, who openly, and even violently defy the laws of the country which has sheltered, clothed and fed them.

In a recent talk on the subject of Mexico, I outlined, very briefly, the history of that country, from the earliest known period, down to the present day. A short resume of this history may serve to refresh the minds, of the radio audience, on this subject.

The earliest authentic historical data that we have, of Mexico, is the settlement of its southern portion, by the Toltec (so-called) Indians, about the 8th century. These Indians, who possessed a high civilization, later migrated to Central, and possibly to South America, and the Azteca took their place In Mexico, about the 13th century. The Azteca not only inherited the civilization of the Toltecs, but they were themselves highly developed in manufactures, especially in cloth, tapestries, and thread; in the science of astronomy; in the art of democratic government; and in a very wonderful psychological system based upon an intimate knowledge of the heavens, very nearly akin, if not identical, with that of Egypt. They had their Calendar Stone, their Signs of the Zodiac, and their Pyramid. The Roman Catholic Cathedral of Mexico City, said to

be the largest ecclesiastical structure on this continent, stands upon the site of the Aztec Pyramid, as all scholars know, the pyramid, is the symbol of spiritual man, and this symbol comes through the ages, from the Hebrews. Job is reputed to have been the designer and architect of the Great Pyramid of Gizeh, all of whose measurements and angles are symbolical, and are reduced to clear interpretation, by Anglo-Saxon scholars and mathematicians. This symbol, namely, the Pyramid, caps the spire of Mrs. Augusta E. Stetson's Church, First Church of Christ, Scientist, New York City, which Mrs. Stetson dedicated, in November, 1903, to Mary Baker Eddy, the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science.

In 1520, the Spaniard Cortez landed in Mexico, and soon subdued the Indians, under their Emperor, Montezuma, in the name of the pope and the Roman Catholic Church. From that time, until the year 1810, Mexico was subjected to the despotic tyranny of popery, including the Spanish Inquisition and the enforced labor of the Indians in the mines, and their forced acceptance of the Romish dogmatism. In the year 1810, a native Mexican country priest, named Hidalgo, gathered 100,000 Mexicans and led a revolt against the insufferable tyranny of the Roman Catholic hierarchy. While he was quickly apprehended, and executed, the fires which he lighted, resulted in the independence of Mexico from the Spanish yoke — the Spaniards always having been the active agents of the pope and the Romish system — in 1821. Her deliverer, General Iturbide, was proclaimed Emperor, in an outburst of popular gratitude and patriotism, but he abused his powers, and was later executed. Then began a struggle against the ecclesiastical hierarchy, which has continued to the present day. A Constitution was written, in 1824, which aimed at the disestablishment of the Roman Catholic Church, and the founding of a truly democratic form of government. The clericals formed a so-called Church Party, which was wholly reactionary in spirit; and the patriots organized, themselves into a Liberal Party. Between these extremes were the Moderates, who sided with one or the other.

As related in a former address on the subject of Mexico, the outstanding patriotic figure in Mexico is Benito Juarez. This patriot was a full blooded Mexican Indian, a man of great mental powers, deep learning --- he was the foremost Mexican jurist of his time -- a fine physique, an irreconcilable antipathy against the Roman Catholic system, and an unquenchable love for his country. It was chiefly through the instrumentality of Juarez, that the famous Constitution of 1857, based somewhat upon that of 1824, was written. This instrument was written for the purpose of lifting the yoke of Roman Catholicism from the neck of the Mexican people, who were never, and are not today, Roman Catholic. This was apparent, even to a French Roman Catholic prelate, the Abbé Emmanuel Domenech, Senior Director of the press of the Cabinet of the Emperor Maximilian, and ex-chaplain of the expeditionary corps. This prelate wrote, in his book on Mexico: "Besides, the Mexican is not a Catholic. He is simply a Christian because he has been baptized. I speak of the masses, and not of the numerous exceptions to be met within all classes of society. I say that Mexico is not a Catholic country."

The Constitution of 1917 was largely based upon the Constitution of 1857. its foreword reads as follows:

The present Constitution was promulgated on February 5, 1917. Of the entire 136 Articles, a little less than one-half were taken from the Constitution of 1857. A large share of the rest have been modified in their phraseology, without effecting substantial changes, and the remainder embody certain new principles to assure better social and economic conditions for the Mexican people.

Article 130 reads as follows:

The Federal authorities shall have exclusive power to exercise In matters of religious worship and outward ecclesiastical forms, such intervention as by law authorized. All other officials shall act as auxiliaries to the Federal authorities. . .

The ministers of religious creeds shall be considered as persons exercising a profession and shall be directly subject to the laws enacted on the subject.

The Constitution also forbids religious organizations to own property, or to establish or direct schools of primary instruction. These, and similar laws, regulating the conduct of ecclesiastics in public places, are the subject of controversy between the Roman Catholic hierarchy and the Government of Mexico.

I have been called to task, rather severely, because of my statements against the Roman Catholic system, and my denunciation of its activities in the Western Hemisphere. Epithets have been employed, and accusations of intolerance, bigotry and persecution brought against me. My addresses, however, contain no abuse, vilification, or the use of epithets against anyone. An understanding of true, scientific Christianity, as taught by Christ Jesus and Mary Baker Eddy, teaches me that man Is made in the image and likeness of God, and that this is true of every man, woman and child on the earth, in his spiritual reality. Personal hatred, therefore, of anyone, is out of the question, since this would contradict and invalidate, not the spiritual truth of man's perfection as the child of God, in his spiritual reality, which remains forever intact but the understanding and practice of this truth, on the part of the individual. God, according to the Holy Bible, made man — spiritual man, not the flesh man --- in His, God's image and likeness; and God has never rescinded His work, nor lowered His standard, either of Himself, or of man in His image. This is the sublime teaching of Christ.

There is, however, a seeming opposer to Christ and his teaching, which St. John, the beloved disciple, calls the anti-Christ, the great red dragon, Babylon, and the scarlet woman. This dragon, produces a flesh man, an Adam-Eve man, whom Christ Jesus denounced, as the children of their father, the devil. The propensities of the flesh are devilish; for Christ Jesus said "Ye are of your father, the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the

truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own, for he is a liar, and the father of it." (John 8:44)

The great scourge of the earth, since the time of Jesus, has been, and is today, Roman Catholicism, or popery, that is, the so-called papal system. It is an extraneous force of evil, imposing itself upon the children of earth, with the arrogance, cruelty and blasphemy of anti-Christ. A thousand years ago, the peoples of Scandinavia were primitive Christians, following the teaching of Christ Jesus, received by them directly from the Apostle Paul, and, as one author tells us, from the personal visit of Jesus himself to the countries of the North. Their chief writing, called the Edda, is virtually a Norse version of St. John's Book of Revelation. Yet we are told by popish historians that the world of that day was entirely papal. The early Britons were Christians, practicing the precepts of Christ Jesus; yet popery was thrust upon them, in the name of Christianity, through the agency of Augustine, in the sixth century. That the British people were never Roman Catholic, was demonstrated in their throwing off the papal yoke, in the time of the Reformation. So also, the socalled Indians of Mexico, who today comprise the bulk of the population of Mexico, possessed a highly spiritual religion of their own, which they probably inherited from their Hebrew ancestry, directly from the Hebrew prophets. But Roman Catholicism was thrust upon them, at the point of the sword; and they are demonstrating today, the words of the Abbé Domenech, that "Mexico is not a Catholic country."

That which is known or visualized in the mind of the world as the "pope" is the mouthpiece, or concentrated embodiment of all evil. St. John says it is "a man" that is the mouthpiece, or visible head of this seeming universal, or catholic spirit of evil, a man whose number according to St. John is 666, and who has his authority from "the beast," impersonal evil, or the belief of life in matter, or flesh.

Through a marvellous demonstration, clearly foretold in the Revelation of St. John, Christ, at his second appearing is breaking through the hypnotism of this belief, and the empire of the pope is crumbling since it is built upon a lie.

While the pope is "a man," or a specific individual, the term "pope" may be defined as "a kind of man," or " a papal man, the kind of man who is the objectification of the belief of life in matter, or in other words, the flesh and blood, or animal or natural man. The perpetuation of this kind of man, the so-called flesh man, is popery; all who believe in it are papists, and the head of this papal system, which is mental and physical slavery, is THE POPE, or chief papist, the exponent of the falsity of the belief of life in matter. Christ Jesus clearly distinguished between the spiritual man, whom God creates and governs, and the flesh, or animal man, in his marvellous talk with Nicodemus. Paul also declares, in the ninth chapter of his Epistle to the Romans, that "the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God."

After the manner of the serpent, which is a Scriptural symbol of the natural or flesh man, the pope has sought to hide himself behind the walls of the Vatican, or, in metaphor, under the guise of "a prisoner of the Lord." In this hour, Christ, the representative of the real, or spiritual man, who is immortal, because he is made in the image and likeness of God, --- Christ is forcing the dragon, or pope, out of his lair, into the open, in order that the judgment of God against the dragon, the pope,

may be executed, through Christ and Christ's chief fighting angel, Michael, in the sight of the whole earth. The forces of the dragon, the pope, are preparing for the final battle in the United States, when they will meet Christ "in the air." The result of this battle of Armageddon, is foretold in St. John's Revelation, and the dragon shall be "cast down to earth." In Mexico, under the operation of the Monroe Doctrine, as now being executed by Christ and his hosts, the beginning of the end of popery in the Western Hemisphere is taking place, for Christ is soon to reappear, first in the Western World, and eventually in all the earth, as "King of kings and Lord of lords."

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord, He has loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword. He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored.

Our God is marching on.

He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat.

He Is sifting out the hearts of men beneath His judgment seat.

Be swift, my soul, to answer Him; be jubilant, my feet!

His Truth is marching on.

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea.

With a radiance in his bosom that transfigures you and me.

As he lives to make men holy, let us live to make men free.

Our God is marching on!

(Julia Ward Howe -- The Battle-hymn of the Republic.)

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