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MEXICO AND THE POPE

In view of the transcending events transpiring in Mexico today, I will give this paper on MEXICO, the sub-title of

THE DAWN

Who hath measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance?

Who hath directed the Spirit of the LORD, or *being* his counsellor hath taught him?

Lift up your eyes on high, and behold who hath created these *things*, that bringeth out their host by number: he calleth them all by names by the greatness of his might, for that *he is* strong in power; not one falleth.

They that wait upon the Lord shall renew *their* strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; *and* they shall walk, and not faint.

(Isaiah 40:12, 13, 26, 31)

To those leaning on the sustaining infinite, to-day is big with blessings. The wakeful shepherd beholds the first faint morning beams, ere cometh the full radiance of a risen day. So shone the pale star to the prophet-shepherds; yet it traversed the night, and came where, in cradled obscurity, lay the Bethlehem babe, the human herald of Christ, Truth, who would make plain to benighted understanding the way of salvation through Christ Jesus, till across a night of error should dawn the morning beams and shine the guiding star of being. The wisemen were led to behold and to follow this daystar of divine Science, lighting the way to eternal harmony.

The time for thinkers has come. Truth, independent of doctrines and time-honored systems, knocks at the portal of humanity. Contentment with the past and the cold conventionality of materialism are crumbling away. Ignorance of God is

no longer the steppingstone to faith. The only guarantee of obedience is a right apprehension of Him whom to know aright is Life eternal. Though empires fall, "the Lord shall reign forever."

(*Science and Health* by Mary Baker Eddy vii:1-21)

These are the latter days. The morning dawns for the watchers. We must not cease our vigils till we behold the sunrise of righteousness, and welcome our risen Christ at his reappearing through woman, our Leader and Guide to eternal Life. Let us not tarry in sense testimony, worshipping false phenomena, nor play with phantoms lighted by flickering sunbeams which fade and leave us in the night of mortal mind. May spiritual thought-force rend the veil which conceals the beautiful world of God's creation, till we behold the real man In His likeness. Spiritual communion must be sweeter to us than converse with error. If we love one we hate the other. "As the heart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after Thee, O God."

I *began* this religious warfare against *materialism*, so-called hypnotism, mesmerism, and the claim of evil, when I enlisted as a Christian Science soldier under the leadership of Mary Baker Eddy, (many) years ago. I am *continuing* in the battle of Truth, --- constantly wielding the sword of the Spirit, --- the Word of God, --- against the (material) world, the fleshly so-called mind, and all mortal mentality or evil. The Mind of Christ is as potent today as In the days of the prophets, and of Christ Jesus, and the Christian Scientist who has armed himself with the Mind of Christ is God-impelled to continue the Christian Science warfare against all so-called evil, until victory rests on the side of eternal Truth and Love.

(*Reminiscences, Sermons and Correspondence*, by Augusta E. Stetson, C.S.D. pages 723 and 958)

The entire Western Hemisphere belongs to Christ, and is free. The Holy Bible informs us, that "The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein." This is true; but there is an appearance of a dragon mentality manifesting a strong desire to control part, or all of it. This dragon will never control any portion of America --- that is, any portion of the entire American, or Western Hemisphere; and eventually its seeming control throughout the remainder of the earth will be wiped away, even as the mists disperse before the rising sun.

What is this dragon mentality? It is the anti-Christ. What are its characteristics? A

complete description of this evil mind was given to the world by the Revelator, John, two thousand years ago, under the dictation of Christ, who, during his brief mission in visible form, as a man, on earth, had stirred it up, and forced it to come out into the open. I will not quote at length from Revelation, for you may read John's vivid descriptions for yourselves. Some of the names for the dragon are Babylon, Mystery, the Mother of harlots, the great whore, that old serpent, the devil, Satan. Each of these names is descriptive of a particular quality of evil --- Babylon stands for confusion, being derived from the word Babel. Mystery, for hypnotism and occultism. Mother of harlots, for the Eve woman, the creator of flesh and blood; that old serpent, for the subtle serpentine suggestion, of pantheism or mind in matter, which St. John tells us, has deceived the whole world; the devil, another form of the word "evil", comprising the entire gamut of human woe, included in sin, sickness, disease and death; Satan, "the prince of this world", of whom Christ Jesus said, that he "cometh, and hath nothing in me."

The struggle now going on in Mexico, is frankly the expression of a determination of the Mexican people, to rid Mexico of the incubus of popery, with its Jesuitism, and to set the Mexican people free. This struggle has continued, without cessation, openly for a century and a quarter, or since the brave Hidalgo struck the first blow for freedom in 1810; and for the three hundred unspeakable years before Hidalgo, the cry of the Mexicans went up to God, for deliverance from the hand of the cruel papal Spanish Inquisition and slave system, and its hideous superstition, mummery, and travesty of the pure, sweet religion of Christ Jesus.

I have neither desire nor intention, to present popery in any light, one whit less blameworthy than its awful character warrants. Popery is the anti-Christ. The pope of Rome, as head of this, the most degraded, cruel, and today, powerless engine of human enslavement, ever devised in the subverted mind of animal man --- the pope of Rome is the anti-Christ, and his subjects, all papists, are members of his anti-Christian body. The underlying motive of popery, is an all-absorbing thirst for world power, world wealth, and world empire. This was the animus of the old Roman Empire; and the legions of the Caesars trampled the peoples of the whole known earth of that period, until the Goths, Visigoths Huns, and so-called barbarians --- so named by the monkish historians all direct descendants of the Israelites --- split the Roman Empire, and compelled it to crumble in the dust. But a powerful priesthood had developed in Israel, who had caught the spirit of oppression. Through the power which they exercised upon the consciences of men, they built up an ecclesiastical system, with a set of traditions, rules, and mummery, by means of which they controlled the entire Jewish nation, until Christ Jesus broke their hypnotic spell, in his vehement denunciations of them and their system. The common people heard him gladly, but the priests and scribes plotted for his destruction, which they sought to accomplish with the aid of the Roman power.

The Jewish-Roman plot of that period failed, for Christ rose triumphant over the grave, to begin his preparation for his second appearing, through woman, at which time he will complete his work, of breaking the entire hypnotism of anti-Christ. The dragon, after the events connected with the marvellous mission of Christ Jesus, gathered himself together, just as John prophesied he would do, and three centuries

after Jesus, organized himself into a visible body, partaking of both the ecclesiastical and secular or military powers, the pope gradually becoming the chief priest of the entire order, as well as its temporal head, the successor of the Caesars. How graphically the inspired John foretells this procedure, in his book of Revelation:

And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.

And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought, and his angels,

And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

(Revelation 12:3, 7 & 8)

The history of Mexico has been told, from station WHAP, in previous talks. A brief review may be of interest. In the 13th century, the Aztecs replaced the Toltecs, in the southern portion of what is now Mexico, and set up a highly civilized State, under their emperors and a well-developed system of democratic, or representative government. They attained, after two centuries, to a degree prosperity, peace, and culture, from which the Spaniards, under Cortez, in 1520, deposed them, in their lust for gold and the spread of Roman Catholicism. Then began a period, which was to last for three hundred years, or until the independence of Mexico from the yoke of Spain was proclaimed in 1824, as the direct result of the patriotism and courage of the Indian priest, Hidalgo, and his compatriot and helper, Matamoros. Both suffered martyrdom at the hands of the Spaniards.

The outward civil power of Spain --- the agent of the papacy --- in Mexico, having been crushed and driven out, the struggle was renewed openly by the papal clergy; and it has continued to this day. The papal system gradually acquired assumed possession of three-fourths of the wealth of the country, until the burden became intolerable; and the oppressed people found a God-sent and God-anointed deliverer in the Indian jurist, Juarez, himself having been educated for the priesthood, but spurning it to free his country from papal tyranny. The noble work of Juarez extended over a considerable period of the middle of the nineteenth century. The most notable result of it was the adoption of the Constitution of 1857 and the laws of 1859, by which the powers of the priesthood were curtailed to practically the vanishing point, and the way opened for the lands improperly held by them, to revert to the nation and her people. The clergy renewed the struggle, to prevent the enforcement of these laws, and even instigated the establishment of an empire in the Western Hemisphere, by offering, through Napoleon III, the papal-created "crown" of Mexico to Maximilian, in the hope that the United States, then in the throes of a civil war --- also the result of a Jesuit plot --- would be forced into the abandonment of the Republic adventure. But Truth again prevailed; Lincoln held the Union firmly together; and Maximilian fell, and, with him, the abortive papal empire.

Our Monroe Doctrine clearly provides that the European system --- which is

popery, shall not be permitted in any portion of the Western Hemisphere. The direct result of this mighty pronouncement, by President Monroe, with the aid of Adams and Jefferson, was to establish forever, the independence of all the South American States, which had freed themselves from the papal Spanish yoke. The independence of Mexico was proclaimed just after the Monroe Doctrine was given to the world. Christ Jesus said, "Ye can discern the face of the sky, but can ye not read the signs of the times, ye hypocrites?" The Western Hemisphere has been reserved, from the time that the greatest Seer of the ages, Christ Jesus, foretold that he would "prepare a place" for his people, as the portion of the earth's surface where Christ would appear the second time, and the era of earth's oppression would recede, and the dawn of the new era, the revealing of the "new heaven and new earth," would appear. Christ is on the earth; he never left the earth, because he is the Son of God; and the very assumption by the pope of Rome, to occupy the place of Christ on earth, in itself constitutes the pope, the anti-Christ.

One word as to the controversy over the land and oil laws of Mexico, and their relation to American business. These laws were passed in 1917, the Constitution which was adopted in that year being largely based upon the Constitution of 1857. The prime struggle in Mexico, the issue which has engrossed the energy, patriotism, yea, the zeal of the Mexican people, for "freedom to worship God" continuously for more than a century, has been to expel the papal system from their land. This is in strict accord with the Monroe Doctrine of the United States of America, and is the inevitable result of its operation. Christ rules the entire Western Hemisphere, and the rule of Christ today, is as efficacious, when taught, as our own Puritan forefathers, when they founded this nation, intended that it should be taught, through our public school system and the free use of the Holy Bible --- in the healing of the people, as in the days of Jesus. It is the genius of the Anglo-Saxon peoples, to enforce the teaching of the Master, to proclaim the coming reign of the Christ, at his second appearing through WOMAN, now close at hand, and to lift the pall of oppression, first from the Western Hemisphere, and eventually from all the world. We deny, in the name of Christ, the right of a papist, Alfred E. Smith, to sit in the Governor's chair of the State of New York, as well as the right of any papist to exercise the franchise in the United States of America, since all Roman Catholics, being subjects of a foreign potentate, the pope of Rome, are aliens. Under authority of our Monroe Doctrine, we extend this denial to all Roman Catholics in Mexico, and deny them the right to citizenship in that country.

If Americans have, through the generosity of the Mexican people, acquired Mexican lands, which, in turn, they may have developed to Mexico's gain, as well as their own, they must remember, that "the earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof", and be ready to lay their wealth at the feet of Christ, for the advancement of his kingdom on earth; otherwise, they will lose it, as did the rich man, of whom Jesus said, "Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee, and then whose shall these things be?" The speaker has direct knowledge of the Mexican situation, through many years of mental contact with the Mexican people in business relations, and through having visited their country, coming in touch with their institutions, and studying earnestly and with great interest, their marvellous history. The speaker's

great love for America, which, to him, includes the Western continents, from the land of the Eskimos to Cape Horn, as Christ's own land, is the imperious and ruling motive of this and all similar addresses. The marvellous dawn of the on-coming age of righteousness, when Christ shall reign, and human woe, sin, sickness and death shall recede to their own bottomless pit, "prepared for the devil and his angels", has already arisen on the mental horizon of the spiritually enlightened. The hypnotism of popery can no longer hide the light of the DAY OF CHRIST.

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