

ADDENDUM II

57 Typewritten Pages Make Clear Mrs. Eddy Fulfilled Scriptural Prophecy

One cannot separate the revelation from the revelator. Through Mary Baker Eddy's writings we get a glimpse into the true nature of the woman through whom God has given the world the full and final revelation of the Christ that Jesus personified. Mrs. Eddy was urgent that we see her rightful place. In no other way can *we see our rightful place*.

We are grateful to the father of R. Conwell Shoup, who in the early 1930's persuaded the Christian Science Board of Directors to appoint a "Committee of Editors" to search the archives "for what Mrs. Eddy thought herself to be." This committee of six included three members who were positive Mrs. Eddy was not the prophesied woman of the Apocalypse, and three who were positive *she was*. After several years of researching all material available, *all six were convinced that Mrs. Eddy did consider herself to be the "woman."* They presented the Board with 57 typewritten pages of evidence demonstrating this fact.

In a letter to Lyman Johnson, dated November 5, 1941, Bliss Knapp states how this came about:

"...a committee of editors was selected, as you say, to

make an investigation. The committee consisted of the active and retired editors, who were Duncan Sinclair, Violet Ker Seymer, George Shaw Cook, Albert Gilmore, Judge Smith, and Stewart Booth. The committee had access to all of Mrs. Eddy's correspondence, published or unpublished, that was available, and their report consisted of fifty-seven typewritten pages of evidence that proved that she believed herself to be that woman. The committee and Directors then signed that report."

In an article in the *Journal* and in the June 5, 1943 *Sentinel* these 57 pages were reduced to the six points, which were later printed in a pamphlet entitled "Mrs. Eddy's Place."¹

The author of this book has made several (unsuccessful) attempts to obtain a copy of the original 57 pages; but actually we don't need them. A dear friend of the author's told her years ago that he had actually seen the 57 pages of typewritten evidence compiled by this committee of six editors. The author has also heard from Conwell Shoup, son of the man who persuaded the Board of Directors to make the search and he reports that his father had had a copy of the 57 typewritten pages.

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Mary Baker Eddy makes her place in Biblical prophecy plain in her writings. For instance:

1. In her Science and Health chapter, "The Apocalypse," the scriptural note states: "the time is at hand."
2. On page 546:18 she tells us, "Genesis and the Apocalypse . . . contain the deep divinity of the Bible"—Genesis because it tells us that all has already been made and it is perfect; and the Apocalypse, because it tells of the prophesied woman and of the "little book" which we know is Science and Health.
3. S&H, page 559:32, states that Revelation's twelfth chapter, concerning the woman, has "a special suggestiveness in connection with the *NINETEENTH CENTURY*."
4. S&H, page 560:2, says: "In the opening of the sixth seal, typical of six thousand years since Adam, the distinctive feature has reference to the *PRESENT AGE*."
5. Page 560:16-19 bears the marginal heading: "*TRUE ESTIMATE OF GOD'S MESSENGER*," another reference to Mary Baker Eddy. Here we are told how important it is to have a right estimate of "anyone whom God has appointed to voice His Word;" and that "without a correct sense of its highest *VISIBLE*

idea [Mary Baker Eddy], we can never understand the divine Principle"—the divine Principle that revelation told her *we are*. Persecuting those who voice the divine idea can hide this idea, she tells us.

6. Science and Health, page 561:10 informs us: "The Revelator saw also the spiritual ideal as a *WOMAN* clothed in light, a bride." "The hour is come; the bride (Word) [Mary Baker Eddy's writings] is adorned... [Mary Baker Eddy conceived 'man in the idea of God']" (My. 125:26).
7. This Bride, Word, comes from heaven (harmony, the reign of Spirit) and is wedded to the Lamb of Love, Jesus' teachings. The bride is the Word *individually available in all its parts to all*; hence it alone germinates the Tree of Life in each individual consciousness, bearing its twelve manner of fruits—"conceiving man [generic man] in the idea of God" (S&H 582:14). Mrs. Eddy tells us that "in divine revelation, material and corporeal selfhood disappear, and the spiritual idea is understood" (561:20).
8. "The woman in the Apocalypse *SYMBOLIZES* generic man, the spiritual idea of God..." (S&H 561:22). Generic man is God, since "Principle and its idea is one, *and this one is God...*" (S&H 465:17). Mrs. Eddy states that "This immaculate idea, represented first by man [Jesus] and according to the Revelator, last by woman [Mary Baker Eddy], will baptize with

fire; and the fiery baptism will burn up the chaff of error with the fervent heat of Truth and Love, melting and purifying even the gold of *HUMAN CHARACTER*" (S&H 565:18).

9. Mary Baker Eddy further identifies herself as the woman when she says (page 562:24): "Also the spiritual idea is typified by a woman in travail, waiting to be delivered of her sweet promise, but remembering no more her sorrow for joy that the birth goes on; for great is the idea, and the travail portentous."
10. She identifies herself again on page 118:6, when she speaks of Jesus' parable of the woman who hid the leaven in three measures of meal, and asks: "Did not this parable point a moral with a prophecy, foretelling the *SECOND APPEARING IN THE FLESH* of the Christ, Truth, hidden in sacred secrecy from the visible world?" The Christ, Truth came with the "little book," Science and Health, prophesied by Jesus to St. John, Revelation 10:2.
11. In *Miscellany*, page 346:29, Mary Baker Eddy again identifies herself as the woman, when she tells us: ". . . the manhood and womanhood of God have already been revealed . . . through Christ Jesus and Christian Science [with which the woman, Mary Baker Eddy, is one] His two witnesses."
12. She further identifies herself with every picture in

her book *Christ and Christmas* (see Gilman's *Recollections of Mary Baker Eddy*). *Christ and Christmas* represents the various editions of *Science and Health* from the first to the last. It presents the orderly process by which Christian Science is unfolded—first to Mrs. Eddy's consciousness, and then through her to the human consciousness. Alice Orgain states: "The progressive revisions of *Science and Health* were interwoven into the seamless vesture of Truth, which revisions as gathered into a whole in our last edition, identify Mrs. Eddy as the 'adorned' bride, or Word that has progressed to 'the city of our God, which has no boundary nor limit; for the bride is the 'adorned' (completed) Word. And nothing short of the boundless Word is the second scroll, the Message of Womanhood."

13. When Mrs. Eddy writes: "Those who look for me in person, or elsewhere than in my writings, lose me instead of find me" (*My*. 120:2), she directly identifies herself with the Message of the Woman, and hence with the woman herself.

The Destiny of the "Little Book"

Mrs. Eddy knew that the time is coming, and it is not far off, when all potentates together with every mortal man and woman within their domains shall bow before the angel with the "little book" whose "right foot is set upon the sea, and whose left foot is on the earth, and whose hands compass the universe."

Why did she know this? Because it is the Word of God, the Mind, Spirit, and Soul of man, of you. Therefore, while it would be wonderful to have the 57 pages hidden in the church Archives supporting its scribe's scriptural mandate, we actually have, in her *own published writings*, all the facts needed to identify her as fulfilling the prophecy of the woman of the Apocalypse.

The Fulfilling of Revelation 13:1-20

The Five-Member Board's Grab For Power

After Mrs. Eddy passed on, it was Mrs. Eddy's own students, in the highest eschelon of power, who fulfilled the dire predictions Jesus spoke of to St. John on the Isle of Patmos, as recorded in Revelation 13-20. Revelation 13:1 accurately prophesied: "And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns and upon his heads the name of blasphemy."

How was this prophecy by Jesus to St. John fulfilled?

After Mrs. Eddy passed on the five-member Board of Directors lost no time putting disobedience to the *Manual* estoppel clauses on the fast track. They continued to keep themselves in power, even though Mrs. Eddy's most important By-Law in the *Manual* said that this 5-member *temporary* Board could "fill a vacancy on this Board only *after* the candidate is approved by the Pastor Emeritus [Mary Baker Eddy]." (See *Church Manual* p. 26—the *Manual's* most important By-Law, and actually Mrs. Eddy's reason for writing the *Manual*.) Dis-

obedience to this By-Law was a recipe for disaster.

In their relentless pursuit of power this illegal five-member Board's latest fulfillment of Jesus' prophecy (Rev. 13:1&2) is their "Trademark" application, in Europe. They failed in the United States to get a trademark on the term "Christian Science," so they are now trying to get a trademark on the term "Christian Science," in Europe. But this too shall fail, as their many other attempts to disregard Mary Baker Eddy's sacred *Manual* By-Laws, have failed.

Loyal Christian Scientists will "tell the truth concerning the lie," as Mrs. Eddy pleaded.

Mary Baker Eddy's holy writings shall be free to go into all the world. Mrs. Eddy said, "The determination to hold Spirit in the grasp of matter is the persecutor of Truth and Love."

Disobedience to the *Manual's* explicitly stated By-Law that the five-member Board could not continue after Mrs. Eddy's passing (when a vacancy on that Board could not be filled unless it had the approval of the Pastor Emeritus [Mary Baker Eddy]) must be set right. When this fearful error has been corrected, love and healing will again prosper as they did in the pioneer days.

Our textbook makes it clear "that all men have one Mind, one Life, Truth and Love," and that "Mankind will become perfect in proportion as this fact becomes apparent . . . turning to no other, but the one perfect Mind to guide him, man is the likeness of God, pure and eternal, [will have] that Mind that was also in Christ" (S&H 467:9), and so be blessed as he "dwells in the consciousness of Love forever."