

Fourth of July.

Despite the fact that the Fourth of July is past and gone, it was the hottest this city has experienced in many a year. It was ittingly fobserved, and as is the custom business of all kinds was suspended, and the people in general hied to the mountains and seaside resorts, while others whiled away the day at picnics and engaged in various pastimes.

JEWISH PARADISE NOT THE CHRISTIAN'S HEAVEN.

A New Biblical Interpretation.

Will It Dissolve Our Theological
Clouds and Refresh Us in
a Clearer Light?

PASTOR RUSSELL'S EXPOSITION



St. Louis, Mo., June 11.—Pastor Russell preached here twice today to great audiences. Both addresses were out of the ordinary and well calculated to make the hearers sit up and take notice.

We report one of these discourses from a text we never before heard treated and did not even know was in the Bible (Acts II, 34): "For David is not ascended into the heavens."

The Old Testament Scriptures we accept as of equal authority with the New Testament, said Pastor Russell, because Jesus and the Apostles so accepted them, and indeed based all of their teachings upon them.

In all the Old Testament, from Genesis to Malachi, not a single suggestion is offered of a change of nature from human to spiritual, nor of any other heaven than that which God had originally provided for man—the Garden of Eden. The hopes inspired in Israel by the Divine promises pointed them forward to the time when God's blessing would obliterate the curse of sin and death and uplift mankind from present degradation, back to the original perfection. The Seed of the woman, it was promised, should ultimately "crush the Serpent's head," destroying the evil that is in the world; and establishing a reign of righteousness instead of the reign of sin and death.

David's Soul In Hell.

As the Old Testament tells nothing about a Heavenly condition, likewise it tells nothing about a hell of fire or torment. Such devilish theories were invented by the heathen, from whom many Christians have since absorbed more or less of the false doctrines. The Law and the Prophets do refer to hell some sixty-six times, but the hell which they teach is the grave, the tomb, the state of death. From first to last all mankind, both good and bad, go to hell, *sheol*, the tomb.

The writers of the New Testament also were Jews, and it might here be noted that nowhere did they describe the Hell and Purgatory which we Protestants and Catholics conjured up during the Dark Ages. The New Testament, written in Greek, is in full accord with the Old Testament, written in Hebrew; the *sheol* of the latter is the *hades* of the former.

Pastor Russell quoted the Scripture, "Abraham slept with his fathers," and declared that Abraham's fathers were heathen. He called attention to the fact that good and bad, kings and princes and others, are, in the Scriptures, declared to have fallen asleep. So it was with David. These all sleep in the Bible hell—in the tomb. They are all unconscious; as the Scriptures declare, "The dead know not anything; their sons come to honor and they know it not; they come to dishonor and they perceive it not of them." "There is neither wisdom nor knowledge nor device in *sheol*, hell, the grave, whither thou goest"—whither all go (Job xiv, 21; Ecclesiastes ix, 10).

"Thou Wilt Not Leave My Soul In *Sheol*."

The Prophet David declared his faith in a resurrection of the dead when he wrote, "Thou wilt not leave My soul in hell (*sheol*, the grave), nor suffer Thine Holy One to see corruption" (Psalm xvi, 10). St. Peter (Acts II, 25-31) calls our attention to the fact that the Prophet David did see corruption, and hence that this statement was not in regard to himself but Jesus—that the soul of Jesus was not left in *sheol* (Greek, *hades*); and, additionally, that the flesh of Jesus was not allowed to

corrupt.

St. Peter was pointing out the fulfillment of this prophecy of the resurrection of Jesus from the dead on the third day, when he made use of our text, "David is not ascended into the heavens; *** his sepulchre is with us unto this day." St. Peter's argument is that David was in his sepulchre and was still dead, but that his words were a prophetic reference to Jesus' resurrection.

David Will Not Go to Heaven.

King David will not go to heaven, said Pastor Russell, and he will not desire to go to heaven, for the same reason that a fish has no desire to perch upon the limb of a tree nor a bird to make its home under the water. As these animals have natures distinct and are adapted to the conditions which God has provided, so the nature of man, even when brought to human perfection, will enjoy and appreciate more the earthly blessings which God has provided for him than he would enjoy the heavenly blessings which God has provided for the Elect "little flock"—"the Church of the First-Borns," whose names are written in heaven (Hebrews xii, 23).

WINS FIGHT FOR LIFE.

It was a long and bloody battle for life that was waged by James B. Marshon, of Newark, N. J., of which he writes: "I had lost much blood from lung hemorrhages, and was very weak and run-down. For eight months I was unable to work. Death seemed close to my heels, when I began, three weeks ago, to use Dr. King's New Discovery. But it has helped me greatly. It is doing all that you claim." For weeks, sore lungs, obstinate coughs, stubborn colds, hoarseness, la grippe, asthma, hay-fever or any other throat or lung trouble it is supreme. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by all druggists.

Tick Eradication.

Relief and profit for eradicating the tick. The U. S. Bureau of Animal Industry and the State Live Stock Sanitary Board have agreed upon a plan to modify the quarantined regulations so as to permit the shipment of cattle from Coahoma, Panola, Marshall, Benton, Monroe, Noxubee, Adams, Claiborne, Lowndes and Jefferson Counties to any part of the United States, at any time of the year for any purpose.

Many of the herds of cattle in the above mentioned counties are now entirely free from ticks and it is the desire of the Federal and The State Department to open to them the best markets of the country, as a reward for the earnest co-operation of the cattle owners.

Every person acquainted with the tick questions realizes that when cattle are shipped from the quarantined area they are obliged to be billed as Southern cattle for immediate slaughter and shipped only to markets where there are separate pens reserved for quarantined cattle.

These cattle must be sold for immediate slaughter; it matters not whether they are cows, stockers, feeders or fat steers, all are treated alike. As there is no competition for cattle in the quarantined pens at the market, the price paid for them is from 1-2 to 2 cents per pound less than for corresponding classes of cattle in the free sections. Every head shipped as free cattle under the new ruling should on a conservative estimate mean an additional profit of five dollars for the owner. If there are not more than two hundred cars of cattle shipped from Madison county in the next two months containing an average of thirty head to the car, the increased profit on them will amount to thirty thousand dollars. It is readily seen that the expense of eradicating ticks is more than over-balanced by the first seasons profits from the shipment of free cattle and each succeeding year the profits will increase; the number of cattle will double and quadruple, there will be better cattle and cattle will be raised

and finished for the butchers block right at home.

The following regulations will govern the movement of cattle for inter state shipment, which must be supervised by federal inspectors.

REGULATION:—In Counties of Mississippi in which all cattle are being handled in accordance with the laws, rules and regulations of the Mississippi Live stock Sanitary Board governing the control and extermination of contagious, infectious and communicable diseases of live stock the following regulations will apply.

REGULATION:—Cattle that have been dipped regularly every two weeks for three months in arsenical solution under the supervision of a State Live Stock Inspector, and on inspection, are found to be free from ticks may be furnished with a certificate signed jointly by the Secretary Live Stock Sanitary Board and an inspector of the Bureau of Animal Industry, entitling the owner of cattle so certified to drive them over the public roads to the Railroad dipping vat in which they are again dipped in arsenical solution under the supervision of a bureau inspector in a dipping vat approved by the Secretary of Agriculture which is located in connection with the stock pens so that after dipping they may be handled only through non-infected pens and chutes into cleaned and disinfected cars, after which they may be shipped into free area in accordance with the regulations of the United States Secretary of Agriculture for purposes other than immediate slaughter.

(Signed) J. A. KIERNAN,
Inspector in Charge.

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Dr. W. F. Bolton and family of Vacherie, La. and Mr. P. S. Miller and family of the same town are visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Neal parents of Mrs. Bolton and Miller.

Mrs. R. N. Hunter and children who have been the cherished guests of her parents, Mr and Mrs. R. B. Neal returned Tuesday to her home Charlotte N. C; accompanied by her sister Miss Genevieve Neal.

That Vardaman received a perfect ovation at Meridian Tuesday night, is evidenced by the reception accorded him. It was a Vardaman gathering in toto, and the demonstration in his behalf denoted his popularity. Though assailed and traduced by the opposite faction he is still on top and will remain so until the votes are counted out. declaring his election. His lucky star is shining resplendent and is in the ascendancy.

Mrs. Lillian Freeman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Jones, arrived in the city Wednesday from Meridian, where she has been employed in a lucrative position for several months. Mrs. Freeman is a lady of refinement and is possessed of a genial disposition. She will remain here a month recuperating.

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NO JOKE.

It has been for sometime a joke that John Henry "beat Bilbo up." It's no longer a joke, for yesterday morning at 7:50 o'clock when the train arrived on the I. C. R. R. on which Senator Bilbo was. Mr. John Henry entered the smoker and came within an inch of beating the life out of him.

Bilbo had spoken at Columbus and was to have spoken at Sturgis at 9:30 in the morning and in the afternoon at Louisville. He was accompanied to Jackson by his attending physician, Dr. Murphy, where he would be placed in a sanitarium for treatment. His skull was fractured and several other bad bruises upon his head, arms and hands.

Let the circumstances be what they may that lead up to this tragedy, it is one of the most regrettable incidents that ever took place within the county. It is not an occasion of rejoicing but one of sorrow and sadness.

Rev. J. L. Futrelle and wife, of Berkeley, Cal., are visiting in the home of Mr. W. O. Page.

Mr. Futrelle it will be remembered by older citizens was pastor of the Methodist church here about 1872-74 and Mrs. Futrelle as Miss Mary Critz, sister of Mr. S. B. and Miss Kate Critz and Mrs. W. O. Page, of our city. This is their first visit back here within 20 or 25 years possibly, and their friends are real glad to meet them. Mr. Futrelle will fill the Methodist pulpit next Sunday morning at the usual hour, and everybody cordially invited.

Circuit Clerk, M. R. Fulgham returned home Sunday from Greenwood Springs, where he spent a profitable week at that popular health resort. He claims to be very much benefited, and we are sure that he has increased in weight at least an ounce, maybe more.

We see that Mr. H. Sikes has returned from Greenwood Springs, whither he spent a week as the companion of his daughter, Mrs. Peay, who has been much benefited.

Prof. and Mrs. C. D. Saunders, of Greenwood, spent Saturday and Sunday in the home of his sister, Mrs. R. B. Neal. Old friends are glad to greet him in his old home.