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## TO THE PUBLIC.

In view of the many inquiries that have been most naturally made during the past week, it becomes our duty to make a frank statement to the public.

Because of the fact that a number of persons are interested in the AMERICAN SENTINEL and job printing office; for the protection of all these interests the undersigned were by the Circuit Court for Carroll County, sitting as a Court of Equity, appointed Receivers, and will continue the publication of the AMERICAN SENTINEL and all the work of the office, under the same business and editorial management that existed before the death of Mrs. E. J. Rippard.

So far as the interests of the public are concerned there is no change whatever in the conduct of the office, and we solicit the continued patronage of subscribers and advertisers, assuring them that they will receive as in the past, faithful and efficient service.

E. O. GRIMES, Jr.,
W. L. SEABROOK,
Receivers.

Geo. L. Stocksdale and David E. Walsh, Attorneys.

## ADMINISTRATORS' SALE OF VALUABLE Real Estate and Personal Property and Bank Stock, in Westminster, Md.

The undersigned, administrators d. b. n. c. t. a., of David Fowble, late of Carroll county, Md., deceased, will sell at Public Sale, at the late residence of said deceased, at No. 115 East Green street, Westminster, on

SATURDAY, MAY 12th, 1906,

at 1 o'clock P. M., lot No. 21, of Fisher's Addition to Westminster, on Green street, adjoining the premises of Joseph E. Shreeve, fronting on said street 60 feet, running back 198 feet to an alley, improved by a large



BRICK DWELLING HOUSE, Stable, &c.

Possession given as soon as terms of sale are complied with.

14 ACRES, 1 ROOD and 21 SQUARE PERCHES of Land, situate near Warfieldsburg, adjoining lands of Joseph E. Shreeve.

33½ Shares of the Capital Stock of The Farmers and Mechanics National Bank of Westminster, Md., Book Case and Desk combined, 165 yards of Carpet, Brussels and Ingrain, in good condition; Hair Cloth Rocker and 6 Hair Cloth Chairs, Gilt Mirror, Walnut Bedsteads and Bedding, Mahogany Bureau, with Glass; Bureau with Glass, 1 one-horse Spring Wagon, Dayton Wagon, lot of Carpenter and other Tools, half doz. Windsor Chairs, Marble Top Mahogany Stand, Mahogany Hair Cloth Sofa, Walnut Hat Rack, Piano, Marble Top Stand, 2 Camp Chairs, Wardrobe, Marble Top Walnut Wash Stand.

Terms of Sale of Real Estate.—One-third cash on day of sale, or upon the ratification thereof; one-half in 6 months and one-half in 12 months from day of sale, credit payments to be secured by single bills of purchasers, with sufficient security, bearing interest from day of sale for all cash, at option of purchasers.

Terms of Sale of Personal Property.—Cash on all sums under $5.00; a credit of 6 months on all sums of and above $5.00, on note, with approved security, bearing interest from day of sale. No property to be removed until settled for.

MARY ELLEN PARKER,
MICHAEL E. WALSH,
administrators d. b. n. c. t. a. of David Fowble
Nicholas J. Walsh, auct. ap 13 5t

## Assignees' of Mortgagee Sale of a SMALL FARM,

Near Warfieldsburg, Carroll County, Md.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a deed of mortgage from David A. Brown to Margaret J. Knight, dated November 9th, 1899, and recorded among the real estate mortgage records of Carroll county, in liber J. H. B. No 43, folio 215, &c., and which said mortgage has been duly assigned to William Y. Frizell and W. Frank Thomas, and duly recorded as aforesaid, the undersigned will offer at Public Sale, on the premises situate near Warfieldsburg, on the public county road leading from Westminster to Mount Airy, on

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23rd, 1906,

at 2 o'clock, P. M., all that parcel of land containing

21 ACRES, 3 ROODS AND 10 PERCHES

of land, more or less, adjoining the lands of Vachel B. Sellman, Charles C. Cook and others, improved by a large and comfortable Brick House, with basement and pantries, in good condition; Frame Bank Barn, Blacksmith Shop, and all other usual outbuildings. Spring of Water at house; fine Meadow land and good Fruit of all kinds.



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TERMS OF SALE.—Cash: or, if desired, one-third cash upon ratification of sale; one-third in 6 months and the remaining one-third in 12 months from day of sale, the credit payments to be secured by the notes of the purchaser, bearing interest from day of sale.

For further information call upon the undersigned.

WILLIAM Y. FRIZZELL,
W. FRANK THOMAS,
Assignees of Mortgagee.
Geo. L. Stocksdale, M. E. Walsh, Solicitors.
Elias N. Davis, auct. my 27 4t

## STATEMENT SHOWING THE Condition of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Carroll County, Md, December 31st, 1905.

INCOME.

| | |
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| Received for premiums | $ 466 51 |
| Loan | 500 00 |
| Assessment on Premium Notes | 5,058 42 |
| Total income | $ 6,024 93 |

DISBURSEMENTS.

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|---|---|
| Net paid for losses | 5,712 72 |
| Salaries and Allowances to Agents | 654 20 |
| Incidentals | 124 43 |
| Taxes | 6 74 |
| Total Disbursements | $ 6,498 09 |

ASSETS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash in office | 184 68 |
| Premium Notes $417,720 06 | |
| Office Furniture &c | 50 00 |
| Premiums in course of collection | 483 67 |
| Total Admitted Assets | $ 718 35 |

LIABILITIES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Individual Expenses | 124 43 |
| Taxes | 6 74 |
| Borrowed Money | 500 00 |
| Salaries | 654 20 |
| Total Liabilities | $ 1,285 37 |
| Amount at risk in United States Dec. 31, 1905 | 5,157,608 00 |
| Amount Written in Maryland during 1905 | 569,921 00 |
| Premiums in Maryland in 1905 | 466 51 |
| Losses paid in Maryland in 1905 | 5,712 72 |
| Losses Incurred in Maryland in 1905 | 5,712 72 |

State of Maryland, Insurance Department. Commissioner's Office, Baltimore, February 3, 1906.

I hereby certify, that the above is a correct copy of the Statement of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Carroll County, Md., to December 31st, 1905, now on file in this Department.

BENJ. F. CROUSE,
ap 27 3t Insurance Commissioner.

## STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of the Westminster Fertilizer Company, a body corporate of the State of Maryland, that a meeting of said stockholders will be held at the office of said Company in Westminster, Carroll county, Maryland, on

SATURDAY, JUNE 2nd, 1906,

at the hour of 10 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of increasing the capital stock of said Company from $5,000 to $15,000, and for the transaction of any business that may properly come before said meeting.

By order.
EZRA C. BROWN, President;
A. H. HUBER, Secretary and Treasurer;
WM. U. MARKER,
GEORGE H. HUNT,
JNO. D. SCHAEFFER, of J.,
my 4 4t Board of Directors.

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New Underwear for men and boys, long or short sleeves, and drawers to match, in assorted colors as well as balbriggans, from 25c up.

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Do not think of buying Neckwear until you see our line, the largest and prettiest of them all.

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Best quality, Lowest prices.

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Do not overlook the Shoe Department. It is one of the best for quality, style and comfort. It has no superior. Combined with our prices makes this department alone worth your time looking over. We have them in all the correct and up-to-date styles, lasts and leathers, in both Shoes and Oxfords.

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## PUBLIC SALE OF VALUABLE PERSONAL PROPERTY.

By virtue of authority contained in the will of Ann L. Fowble, late of Carroll county, deceased, and an order of the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, the subscriber, Executor of said deceased, will sell at Public Sale, at the late residence of Ann L. Fowble,

on GREEN STREET, in Westminster.

ON

SATURDAY, MAY 19th, 1906,

at 1 o'clock, P. M., the following property, to-wit:

1 WALNUT BED ROOM SUIT,

containing 6 pieces, Beds and Bedding, Spreads and Quilts, Wash Stands, Rocking Chairs and other Chairs, Rugs, Cushions and Hassocks, Queensware and Glassware, Kitchen Utensils, COOKING STOVE, FIRE PLACE STOVE, Wash Tubs, Iron Kettle, Jellies and Fruits in Jars, Pictures and Vases. Also a lot of Fine Chickens, besides many other articles which cannot be enumerated here. All articles will positively be sold.

Terms of Sale.—All sums under $5.00, cash, and on all sums above $5.00 a credit of 6 months will be given, the purchasers giving notes with approved security, bearing interest from day of sale. No goods to be removed until settled for.

JOSHUA W. HERING,
Executor of Ann L. Fowble, deceased.
Elias N. Davis, auctioneer.
Chas. E. Hering, clerk. my 4 3t

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

This is to give notice that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, Md., letters of Administration on the estate of

SUSAN B. LITTLE,

late of Carroll county, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, to the subscriber, on or before the 16th day of November, 1906, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 16th day of April, 1906.

HENRY LITTLE,
ap 20 4t Administrator.

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

This is to give notice that the subscribers have obtained from the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, Md., letters of Administration on the estate of

GROVE A. SHIPLEY,

late of Carroll county, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, to the subscribers, on or before the 24th day of November, 1906; they may otherwise by law be excluded, from all benefit of said estate.

Given under our hands this 24th day of April, 1906.

ELIAS G. SHIPLEY,
GEORGE A. SHIPLEY,
ap 27 4t Administrators.

## ELECTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of The Wakefield Mills and Lime Company of Carroll County, Maryland, that a meeting of said stockholders of said Company will be held at the office of William B. Thomas & Son, Bankers, in Westminster, Maryland, on

MONDAY, THE 28th DAY OF MAY, A. D., 1906, between the hours of 9 and 10 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of electing seven directors to manage the affairs of the Company for the ensuing year; and for the transaction of any business that may properly come before said stockholders.

WILLIAM B. THOMAS, President.
W. FRANK THOMAS, Secretary.
ap 27 5t

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In the new colors and effects for summer. We sell the famous Monarch $1.00 Shirt and Imperial 50c Shirt. Best in the world for the money. A great special in Underwear. 50c quality Shirts and Drawers 38c.

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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

This is to give notice that the subscribers have obtained from the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, Md., letters Testamentary on the estate of

JULIA ANN INGELS,

late of Carroll County, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, to the subscribers, on or before the 30th day of November, 1906, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under our hands this 30th day of April, 1906.

ELIZABETH H. BROWN,
MARGARET L. J. BARNES,
my 4 4t Executors.

## PUBLIC SALE.

The undersigned, administrators of Grove A. Shipley, will sell at Public Sale, at No. 140 West Main street, Westminster, on

THURSDAY, MAY 17th, 1906,

at 12.30 o'clock, P. M., the following, to-wit: 2 HORSES, 2 SHOATS, 1 STICK WAGON, Road Cart, 2 Buggies, 2 Spring Wagons, Hay Carriage, 2 Mowing Machines, Plows, Harrows, Corn, Hay, Straw, &c. Also 1 Bedroom Suit, Parlor Suit, Beds, Bedding, Tables, Chairs, Carpet and Matting, Organ, &c. For further particulars see bills.

ELIAS G. SHIPLEY,
GEORGE A. SHIPLEY,
my 4 2t Administrators.

## ELECTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of The Wakefield Valley Railroad Company, that a meeting of said stockholders of said Company will be held at the office of William B. Thomas & Son, Bankers, in Westminster, Maryland, on

MONDAY, THE 28th DAY OF MAY, A. D., 1906, between the hours of 9 and 10 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of electing seven directors to manage the affairs of the company for the ensuing year; and for the transaction of any business that may properly come before said stockholders.

ELIAS O. GRIMES, President.
W. FRANK THOMAS, Secretary.
ap 27 5t


## GOOD NEWS!

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## THE KINGDOM OF THE TRUTH.

A Sermon by Rev. H. C. Cushing, D. D.

To this end was I born and for this cause came I into the world that I should bear witness unto the Truth. Every one that is of the Truth heareth my voice.—John 18c. 37v.

The charge of Kingship brought against Christ by his enemies was not honestly made. They knew He did not claim earthly dominion. That He did not, was in fact the very ground of their animosity against him. Pilate asked "Art thou the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered "Sayest thou this of thyself or did others tell it thee of me?" Pilate replied with some asperity, "Am I a Jew? Thine own people delivered thee unto me. What hast thou done?" Jesus said, "My Kingdom is not of this world. If my Kingdom were of this world then would my servants fight that I should not be delivered to the Jews. But now is my Kingdom not from thence." Pilate's curiosity was aroused. He had no jurisdiction in any Kingdom not of this world. So he turned to Jesus and said, "Art thou a King then?" Jesus answered, "Thou sayst that I am a King," and proceeded in the language of the text to declare himself a special witness to the Truth. In so saying we understand him as meaning to testify to the truth of his Kingdom (the very existence of which Pilate could not understand) and also, to the Kingdom of the Truth. The only Kingdom worthy of his reign. Pilate turned away from his presence asking with a sneer, What is truth? Pilate did not want truth. Expediency and worldly policy would do for him. But we want the answer to his question. To find the answer has been the aim of all the wisest and best men of all the ages. Truth is boundless as the universe. In the language of another "Truth is the very breath of God, part of his own eternity."

I can only offer a few brief definitions to aid you in understanding the nature of that Kingdom of which I am about to speak.

1st. Truth is conformity to fact. This is spoken truth or taught truth.

2nd. Truth is fact. Whoever discovers fact discovers truth.

3rd. Truth is law. The law of gravity is the truth that orders and rules the universe.

4th. Moral Truth demands order in the moral universe and is the law governing the relations among moral beings.

5th. Religious Truth demands order in the relations existing between man and his maker.

MY SUBJECT IS—"THE KINGDOM OF TRUTH."

I suppose we all understand from the teaching of both the Old Testament and the New, that it has the purpose of God, from the beginning, to set up a kingdom among men. There are several peculiarities specified about this kingdom. It was to be set up without hands. Small in its beginning, it was to grow until it filled the earth. It was to break in pieces and destroy, (disintegrate) all other kingdoms. It was to be diverse from all other kingdoms, and it was to last forever. Leaving out all other peculiarities of this kingdom, I propose to discuss only one, namely, *The Diversity of this Kingdom.*

This we hold to be its absolute and unmixed *truthfulness.*

Other kingdoms have some truth in them; enough to keep them alive for awhile. But no earthly government is founded in Truth and carried on in Truth. If you want proof look at France when she became Infidel. Look at Russia to-day, founded on the false principle of Autocracy, and now rocked from centre to circumference in the throes of a terrible revolution the end of which no human eye can see.

Take our own government, the best of which we have any knowledge, and see the miserable mistakes we have made, and the mistakes we continue to make, and the difficult and well nigh unsoloable problems that are everywhere confronting us. We have not yet learned how to govern a city or even a village so as to secure the best interests of all concerned.

Do you ask why it is that so little progress has been made in practical government? I answer it is because we have been trying to govern depraved subjects, by the hands of depraved rulers. It is because we do not ask what is true but what is expedient—not what is absolutely and eternally right but what will satisfy this man or that party. I once expressed a doubt to an eminent physician, as to the fact of a science of medicine. His reply was "The science is all right but the failure is in its application to our crooked and distorted humanity." It is so with human legislation. Our legislators vainly strive to *make* laws for us, forgetting all the time that there is but one lawgiver in all the universe; that is God.

As well might a scientest try to make a law of nature, as for legislators to try to make a moral law. Laws are discovered, not made.

The same God who made the external universe and adapted man's physical nature to its conditions, also made and established a universal moral government, and has adapted man's moral constitution to the same; and but for human deprivity there would be no more difficulty in moral government than there is in adapting our physical natures to our natural environment. God proposes to set up among men a Kingdom of Truth to which Christ bare witness. A kingdom of absolute righteousness into which no defilement shall enter, neither anything that worketh abomination or maketh a lie.

The Kingdom of Nature is a Kingdom of Truth. The fall of man did not taint nature with deprivity. Every particle of the universe keeps in harmony with every other particle. The whole animal kingdon works out its destiny as the Creator intended. The scientist who closely studies nature will find out its secrets, and these will ever be used for the advantage of our race. Truth is one, and will respond to truth everywhere throughout the universe of God. Now it is clearly the purpose of Christ, our King, in bearing witness to the Kingdom of Truth so to establish his moral and spiritual empire as to have it correspond and harmonize with the Kingdom of Nature. We have therefore no controversy with the scientist in his own chosen sphere. We bid him God speed. He has made the powers of nature in a multitude of ways subservient to his will and to human needs. It may be in the outcome; it will be found that the scientist has been all unconsciously fitting up this world of ours for the coming of that millenial time when this kingdom shall come and Christ shall reign. When Christ says He came to bear witness to the Truth He means that his testimony is to the fact of an existing kingdom of the Truth, and to give this kingdom power to disentegrate and absorb all other kingdoms, and to endow it with such vitality as to outlast all other kingdoms and to endure forever.

Let us remember that He declared His purpose to bear witness to the Truth just before his cruel death on the cross, and his glorious resurrection on the Third day. In his death and resurrection he gave his testimony. Without this, there was no kingdom and no testimony to the truth. In the offering of himself on the cross there are two things to which he bare special testimony. *The fact of Sin* and the *fact of Salvation from Sin.*

*The Fact of Sin.* To this fact all human history, and every human conscience testify. Jesus testified to the fact of sin, not so much in words. He never reproached a sinner, and noted the fact of sin mainly in forgiving it. His witness to the fact of sin was written in blood—in his own blood.

Both Jewish and heathen altars reeked with blood and blazed with human sacrifices. On the part of the Heathen this was but the voice of a child crying in the night. It was the cry of conscious sin, with no assurance of pardon. With the Jew it was not only the cry of conscious guilt, but the expression of a blessed hope of pardon, and acceptance with God. It was then and there, this lesson was learned, "Without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sin." But painful experience must have taught them also, that "the blood of bulls and of goats could not take away sin." What then was the design of all these offerings and sacrifices? They all pointed to another and better sacrifice offered by Him of whom it was said:

"Thou art a Priest forever after the order of Melchizedek"—by one of whom it was written behold I come (in the volume of the Book it is written of me) to do thy will O God. Jesus the God-man became our Great High Priest, and offered himself to God rendering one only and all sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Thereby opening for us all, a new and living way whereby we may come to God. The second great Truth to which Christ gave witness is Salvation. He not only bore witness to the Kingdom of Truth but proved himself to be: "The Way, the Truth and the Life." Thus He opened wide the doors of the Kingdom to every creature and ever since we have heard only the voice of invitation saying come unto me and I will give you rest.

From the time the angels sang at the Redeemer's birth—from the time when John the Baptist said "Repent for the Kingdom of heaven is at hand—from the time when Jesus Christ and his disciples preached the gospel of the Kingdom, all down through the ages until now, the Kingdom of Heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force. This is so because the Kingdom of Heaven is the Kingdom of the Truth and every one has a right to the truth. It is so because the Kingdom of Heaven is a necessity and necessity knows no law, brooks no control. It was his overwhelming sense of need that aroused Jacob with courage to wrestle with the angel, and to cry out I will not let thee go. Many in every age have taken the Kingdom by force and God is well pleased to have them do so, for the great Salvation, is ours the purchase of our Redeemer's blood.

No sooner does one hear the voice of the Son of God than he lives—springs into new life and seeks a new environment. He is a child of the truth, and is drawninto the Kingdom of Truth with a force that amounts almost to violence. You cannot keep one who is 'of the Truth' from entering into the Kingdom of Truth. You may speak of different kinds of truth and for some purposes this is well, but in fact, Truth is one and indivisible, and he who is of the Truth prizes it above all things else and seeks immediate deliverance from the dominion of error and presses his way into the Kingdom of Truth. I propose now to inquire into the exact meaning of the phrase.

"EVERY ONE THAT IS OF THE TRUTH."

Bishop Butler says something to the effect that many a man's probation turns upon his willingness or unwillingness to seek for the Truth, and our Saviour says about the same thing when He charges the evil man with unwillingness to come to the light. A moment's reflection will teach us that no man can come to God while knowingly embracing a false principle. If he prefers anything to Christ he cannot come to Christ. What is true is always right, and what is false is always wrong. Our moral constitution is adjusted to what is true in morals, as our physical self is adjusted to the facts of nature. But there is just this difference between the two cases:

In the natural world there is truth—absolute truth. We never receive contradictory answers to the same question. But in the moral world, owing to human depravity, and the possession of free agency, we sometimes receive various and contradictory replies to the same question. There is a Kingdom of Falsehood as well as a Kingdom of Truth—a Kingdom of Darkness as well as a Kingdom of Light, and these two kingdoms are in daily and eternal conflict. Our gospel of Salvation is designed to show man the truth and to bring him out of darkness into light. If in any case, it fails; it is because of the perversion of the nature to which it is applied. If our Gospel be hid it is hid to them that are lost—to them whose minds are blinded by the god of this world.

The man who prefers light to darkness—truth to falsehood need not fail to enter the Kingdom of God. But these are people who seem to have no settled views on the subject of religion, and no sound principles of morals. They are driven about by every wind of doctrine. They may be right in conduct but never right in principle. If they are right it just happened so, and if they are wrong it just happened so. Such people are not of the Truth. They will never hear the voice of the Son of God and live. Others there are who while confessing themselves sinners are striving to be better and in the judgment of the master may be not far from the Kingdom of God.

There are still others, straight out, downwright sinners. They are not striving to be better, nor are they pretending to be better than they are. They are far enough from the Kingdom of God, yet the principle of Truth is in them, and they may yet hear the voice of Christ and live.

Such a man, if I mistake not, was Andrew Jackson. He was violent, reckless and profane, yet he was truthful and brave, and utterly incapable of meanness, and we have reason to bevieve that he found his way into the Kingdom of Truth. To enter this Kingdom one must *love* the Truth as embodied in Him who is the way, the truth and the life. He must believe the Truth and obey the Truth, satisfied that nothing but truth can stand the judgment of God.

He who enters the Kingdom of Truth must believe the truth to which Christ bare witness on the cross. He must fully realize the fact that he is a sinner, and he must realize as fully that Jesus Christ is his Saviour, and King. He must receive as unmixed truth every word of Christ. When Jesus announces the Golden Rule, he must believe that He here lays down the true principle governing human intercourse. When Jesus says love your neighbor as yourself, we must believe that He here lays down the true law of social life. When he says Love your enemies, we must believe that he lays down the only law of peace among men, and when He says Forgive, He declares the only way of peace to our own souls. And when His Apostle says, "Love is the fulfilling of the Law," he lays down the great principle of Truth on which the Kingdom is based.

It would be the grand triumph of science, if some great principle, or law could be discovered in which every other natural law is involved or embraced. But we can point you to a glorious principle, *The Law of Universal Love,* which embraces the whole moral system—which is at once the foundation and the capstone, of both moral science and religion. When we accept this great truth we grasp the key to the Kingdom of Truth. We enter that kingdom by a new birth, for he that loveth is born of God and knoweth God.

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