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## THE TWO ANGELS.

The following beautiful moeceau is an extract from Longfellow's Poem, "The Golden Legion."

There are two angels that attend unseen  
Each one of us, and in great books record  
Our good and evil deeds. He who writes down  
The good ones, after every action closes  
His volume, and ascends with it to God.  
The other keeps his dreadful day-book open  
Till sunset, that we may repent; which doing,  
The record of the action fades away,  
And leaves a line of white across the page.

There has been recently published the Life and Letters of DARWIN, edited by his son, and who, of course, makes out his father to be a very agreeable and kind-hearted man, and speaks of his "theories being generally accepted." This must be a mistake so far as his theory of the evolution of man from some lower animal is concerned; for it has not been "generally accepted." Most people believe that our original progenitor came forth from the great Creator a complete and perfect man, physically, mentally and morally, and has so continued, except when debased by sin, ignorance, superstition, and environments.

In his boyhood days, he says, "I do not believe that any one could have shown more zeal in the 'holy cause' than I did for shooting birds." Wonder where the 'holy' comes in.

In all his letters he seldom or never alludes to the religious element, or a belief in Christianity, although at one time he thought of being a clergyman. In a letter written in 1879, he says, "I may state that my judgment often fluctuates. . . In my most extreme fluctuations I have never been an atheist in the sense of denying the existence of God. I think that generally (and more and more as I grow older) but not always, an agnostic would be the more correct description of my state of mind."

He recognized the instinctive belief of mankind in the existence of such a Being, but says sadly, "With me the horrid doubt always arises whether the convictions of men's minds, which have been developed from the minds of the lower animals, are of any value, at all trustworthy!" O, when men stray from the Bible, what nonsense they fall into.

In a letter in his last illness, he used the expression, "I wish to God there were more such as you." etc., and on the approach of death, said, "I am not in the least afraid to die." Why should he be afraid, seeing, as he taught, that he was developed from a lower animal, or brute, and the Book speaks of a man dying as "the brute dyeth," without fear, thought, or anxiety as to the future.

The position of Johnstown and adjacent towns are a little difficult to understand without a map, or by those who have travelled over the ground. We have tried here to give some idea of the situation. The Lake, which was the cause of the disaster, was large and deep, high above the town, and at a right angle from the Conemaugh river, at a distance of about four miles. The first town struck was South Fork, where the flood turned short round into the river, carrying away

(South Fork.) Conemaugh river—— Johnst'n.

several towns before reaching Johnstown, distant from South Fork about 9 miles, or 13 miles from the Lake, following the course of the stream. After passing Johnstown, it took a turn nearly at a right angle till it reached a place called Ninevah, 10 miles away, when it turned back again, slanting away towards Blairsville, about 30 miles from Johnstown. In the neighborhood of Blairsville there were five bridges, three of which were carried away by the flood. Thence it passes on and enters the Alleghany river, above Pittsburg, 97 miles from Johnstown: thence into the Ohio river, the Mississippi, and so on into the gulf.

It is said there is much sickness now in Johnstown and the surrounding places in Conemaugh valley.

The School Directors of Johnstown have decided to open the schools on the 30th September, and, if they can raise sufficient funds, keep them open for eight months. If they could utilize the money, or even a reasonable portion of it, that is spent for ~~GRUM~~ RUM in that town, they would, no doubt, have all the funds they need for school purposes, and more, too. It is shown by a business directory of that town, that there are 51 saloons to only 36 grocery stores! A town that supports more groggeries than grocery stores, may have more drunkards than well-fed people.

Then, again, we have a private letter from Johnstown, in which it said, "The drinking that is done here now is much worse than ever, and you know there always was more than there should have been. The town is trying its best to live, with the help that others have given. Our streets are in bad condition. It is almost impossible to walk out for mud or dust. The churches are doing their best to get us back in our old ways, but it is up-hill work. What a pity it is that it is so much easier to go wrong than right."

[Wonder how much of the more than \$2,000,000 collected for this unfortunate people, has gone toward helping those 51 rum saloons and their keepers? We dare say they were among the most importunate and boldest applicants, though the least deserving.]

At Coney Island a Brooklyn man borrowed a ten dollar bill from a friend. Holding up the money, he said: "Much obliged for the Robinson Crusoe." "What makes you call it that?" "Because it's a loan on an Island!"—N. Y. Morning Journal.

"Man," says Bacon, "is certainly of kin to the beasts by his body; and if he be not of kin to God by his spirit, he is an ignoble creature."

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Borough Commissioners meet in the Town Hall on the 1st Wednesday evening in each month. Visitors admitted.

The Haddonfield Electric Light and Power Company have filed Articles of Incorporation in the office of the Camden County Clerk. The capital stock is \$25,000, with \$1000 paid in. The company propose to build and maintain works for the manufacture and distribution of electricity for lighting and other purposes. It is matter of congratulation that there is a prospect of having our streets better lighted, for there are some places even on Main street where pedestrians have to grope in much darkness with our present system of lighting. The incorporators are—

Frederick Sutton,	Nathan Lippincott,
Americus R. Underdown,	John H. Bell,
Walter E. Hunt,	Samuel Dunbar,
Bovman H. Shivers,	William C. Jones,
John R. Stevenson,	Charles H. Mann.

They met on Saturday afternoon last, and organized as a company by electing the following-named officers:

Directors—Fred'k Sutton, Charles Mann, Walter E. Hunt, A. R. Underdown, Nathan Lippincott, Dr. B. H. Shivers, and John Bell.

President—Charles Mann.

Secretary—W. C. Jones.

Treasurer—Fred'k Sutton.

A site has been selected on Redman's Lane for the erection of a suitable building and works. This is conveniently near the railroad, on John Redman's property.

A Bazaar of Nations en costume and Supper, is advertised to be given by the Ladies of Grace Episcopal Church in the Jersey Building on the 26th and 27th of September, for the benefit of the Church building fund. Admission 10 cts. Admission and Supper 30 cts.

Leon Abbott has been nominated by the Democratic party as their candidate for Governor of New Jersey, to be voted for at the coming election. He has been Governor once before.

The Republicans of New Jersey have nominated Gen. Edward Burd Grubb, of Beverly, as their candidate for Governor, and, as a party, "Resents the intrusion of the liquor power as an organized force into the politics of the State," whatever that may mean.

Now comes the "lug of war," with three gubernatorial candidates in the field. We name them in the order in which they were nominated—all good and true men, of course, and willing to serve their country.

George H. M. site, of Somerset county, Prohibitionist.

Ex-Governor Leon Abbott, Democrat.

Gen. E. Burd Grubb, of Beverly, Republican.

A number of persons went from Haddonfield to attend a Convention of the Camden Baptist Association, held at Atlantic City, which commenced on Tuesday.

While J. J. Lerner was carrying a can of naphtha at the camping place on Ashland, it exploded, burning his hands and walls badly. Dressed by Dr. B. Shivers.

The Grand Jury of New York found two indictments against Mrs. Swinton and Joshua Mann, her son, and Eva Hamilton—one for grand larceny and one for conspiracy--in connection with the Hamilton affair.

Mrs. Angeline Hamilton has been sentenced to two years imprisonment for her assault upon Nurse Donnelly, who, we are inclined to think, was the worst of the two women; but both were bad.

We see it stated that Mrs. Kupp of the Nott cottage proposes to keep the clothing of Mrs. Hamilton, now in her possession, till somebody comes forward and pays for the care and keep of the child Beatrice, the reputed baby of Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton.

An important decision was recently made by a Judge in a Pittsburg Court. A man had been put off the train for refusing to pay the ten cents extra when purchasing a ticket on the car, to be refunded when arriving at some office of the company. The Judge decided against the railroad, and the man obtained a verdict of \$250.

**D**R. J. B. WOOD, DENTIST,  
No. 405 Cooper Street, Camden, N. J.

Thomas J. Godfrey, while playing at bass ball, at West Brighton, on Saturday last, was struck on the head by a ball, which fractured his skull, from which he died soon after.

Mr. Laconey, who is suspected to be the murderer of his niece, near Merchantville, has been lodged in the Camden co. prison. We somehow had an impression, from the first acct., that he was in some way implicated.

Geo. Lippincott, of Collingswood, has been nominated as a candidate for the Assembly by the Prohibitionists.

**INK**, BLACK, of a superior quality, made and sold at this office, at 5 and 10 cts. for small bottles, pints 30 and quarts 75 cts. Larger quantities as agreed upon. Does not corrode the pen, or get thick or sticky. Also, a very fine and brilliant **RED INK**.

**H**istorical Sketch of Haddonfield, by Judge John Clement, for sale at this office—very interesting. Price 20 cents.

George Clement, son of Alfred, started on a western tour a few days ago, to be gone for several weeks.

A marriage took place recently before a crowd of 15,000 people at the State Fair at Topeka, Kansas, in consideration of being presented with a full house-keeping outfit. The announcement of this marriage probably brought more money to the Fair than the outfit cost.

A woman in Reading, whilst heartily laughing at a theatrical performance, swallowed her teeth. She was thrown into spasms; carried out of the theatre, and died soon after, the teeth having lodged in her throat.

Rev. Henry Hall, formerly of Pennsylvania, but now pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Trinity church, San Francisco, Cal., has been appointed chaplain in the army.

At the Columbia Rolling Mills, after a strike of near seven months, the strike has been declared off. Most of the strikers' places have been filled, it is said, by non-union men who will be retained. "What has been gained?"

Joseph Metz, an Italian, whilst cleaning an arc out in New York, recently, happened to touch an electric live wire, and was instantly killed.

**SCHEISE BEFORE PILATE** is a wonderfully interesting picture, 11 1/2 by 22 inches, hand colorably printed in colors. Price only \$1. Can be had in the office of "The Basket," or sent by mail, post-paid, on receipt of price. This is a picture to study, showing the calm and serene expression of Jesus, with his hands crossed and bound in front of him, looking steadily at Pilate, on the right, who, with a troubled countenance, and working nervously with his hands, shows the uncertain state of his mind. There are about 20 human figures, with only one woman, and her countenance expresses sympathy.