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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE AGAIN.

Quite recently the people of Toronto were treated to a good deal of rubbish from Mr. Clarence C. Eaton, C.S.B., who is a member of the Board of Lectureship of the Mother Church, First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston.

Mr. Eaton told the people that the remarkable improvements wrought in the temperament, character, habits and deeds of men by Christian Science are the result of casting out of evils and devils. This is attracting more attention to-day than that of mere healing. He then made this statement:

“Thank God the mission of Mrs. Eddy has not been in vain. There is a vast multitude of people in this generation who momentarily give thanks that it was through her discernment, courage, and unswerving fidelity that their tears have been dried and their pain banished.” On the subject of sickness he further said: “It was possible for a man to be trained to the belief that two and two made five, and go on indefinitely in that belief. It was similar in the case of sickness and disease. Through long custom they had been reckoned as the necessary adjuncts of our material bodies, and Christian Science rectified this belief, asserting that God’s creation man was like the Maker, unchangeable. It asserted that there was neither legerdemain or hypnotism in the belief, simply that man being made in the image of God there was nothing on earth that could mar it.”

Of course, the whole scientific world knows that Mrs. Eddy was wrong. It would not be going too far to say that she was laboring under a delusion. It is not necessary to say that she was dishonest. Give her credit for being sincere. It remains, however, that her system of healing and philosophy is a wretched jumble of East Indian theosophy, and is paraphrased from what Quimby taught regarding that cult known