

they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover." Now, we make bold to assert that Mrs. Eddy did not possess these powers. When challenged to prove her claims of the ability to cure organic disease she remained silent. She did not speak with a new tongue, unless her wild statements in "Science and Health" be taken as her "new tongue."

But Mr. Dunn wishes to impress us with the merits of Christian Science and quotes this from Science and Health: "Jesus beheld in Science the perfect man, who appeared to him where sinning mortal man appears to mortals. In this perfect man the Saviour saw God's own likeness, and this correct view of man healed the sick. Thus Jesus taught that the Kingdom of God is intact, universal, and that man is pure and holy." This quotation sets forth Mrs. Eddy's teachings. We must either cast the New Testament over board, or we must reject Science and Health; but we cannot follow both. The above quotation is the antithesis of New Testament teachings.

If the power to perform miracles is conferred upon any one, we are sure that it was not upon Mrs. Eddy. Her commercialized system of healing and religion was not such as to appeal favorably to the Almighty. When Mrs. Eddy said she brought out a blossom on an apple tree in winter, she was either deceived herself, or she was trying to deceive other people. When she said she cured a tuberculosis bone that could be dented with the finger, she was either wrong as to the nature of the trouble, or she did not tell the truth.

It is monstrous to think that God will allow himself to be brought into such accord with the human mind, or the reverse, that disease will disappear, and all because of the silent prayer or mind healing method of some one who charges a fee for the bringing of the human mind and the divine mind into this perfect harmony. Science and Health, the textbook of Christian Scientists, teach that sin and disease are unreal. This is not the teaching of true religion and true science. Our bodies are not dilutions of mortal mind; but are real, and so are the many diseases to which it is subject. To teach anything else is to teach utter nonsense, as our senses and our judgment tell us.

To show very clearly how far the view of the unreality of things has carried the votaries of Christian Science let us quote the following from an article specially written for the Christian Science monitor of Boston, and appearing in the issue for 18th May, 1917: "Christian Science declares that the origin of disease is always due to false belief, that it is an inharmonious condition of the human mind made manifest in the human body. But as the body is itself a false concept of the human