THE NEW PAGANISM.

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Dr. Elliot of Harvard has created a genuine sensation. He has cogitated, thought out and promulgated a new creed. The wonder is not that it is new. Nowadays almost anyone can make a creed. It is its originality, its differing from anything that was ever thought of before. Other professors have set forth views on the problems of the soul, but they were trite and stale. have set forth views on the problems of the soul, but they were trite and stale. They were stolen from Julian, the Apostate or Voltaire or Rousseau or Ingersoil or Elbert Hubbard or from the pages of our own Bystander. Dr. Crapsey sputtered about and strutted around and made a terrible luss, but even the welve-year-olds of his congregation knew that he was not giving out anything new. Dr. Foster of Chicago had the stage set, the reporters notified, the lights turned low and the whole thing rigged out, but he did not even fool the Baptists. And these have not been the rigged out, but he did not even fool the Baptists. And these have not been the only creed-makers. Every little notoriety-craving expounder of the Gospel, every little university prig, every little Ph. D. who has dipped into the Ologies or the Onimies has tried his hand at making a creed. To Dr. Elliot, however, belongs the distinction of having made a creed which is a unique as it is Ignatius of Antioch, Polycarp of Smyrna, Catharine of Alexandria and Agnes of Rome were heroic figures in the ages of Faith, but in this practical age of steam-heated flats and lunch-counters and summer excursions, their heroism and martyrdom have lost even the element interest. Glittering generalities will henceforth take the place of fixed dogmas. Fads and fancies, the dreams of philosomade a creed which is as unique as it made a creed which is as unique as it is original. The old platitude about man's reason being king of kings and Lord of Lords is what the boys would call "a veritable whisker." The old grand-stand pronunciamentos about Nature and Love and the realities of life have become avecadingly manufacture. The become exceedingly monotonous. The old slaps at the Bible have ceased even to be interesting. Dr. Elliot has a new religion and new priests. The doctors have been too busy with the lancet and too much engaged in medical controver-sies to give much attention to religious sies to give much attention to religious matters. Dr. Eiliot will put an end to all this. He will make the doctors the priests of his new dispensation. He will make them the judges in Israel, the men whose flual dictum will be taken in all matters pertaining to the immortality, howtal soul. There is no immortality, how-ever, in the doctor's theological system. It is the gospel of the present in strict contradi tinction to the future. Future compensations must be eliminated entirely. This is not new, but the doctor puts it in a new way. The originality of his creed is self-evident. Here are a

trine of bodily comfort and an easy con-science the substitute for the righteous-ness and holiness of Christian religion. From now on we may look in vair for the clear - ring-ing declarations of the old Athanasian creed. "For the right faith is that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is God and man. God of the substance of the Father, be-gotten before the worlds, and man of few of his fundamental planks:

"The new religion will admit no sacraments, except natural, hallowed customs, and it will deal with natural customs, and it will deal with natural interpretations of such rites. Its priests God of the substance of the Father, beginned to reconcile people to present ills by to reconcile people to present ills by

the promise of future compensation. It believe the advent of just freedom for mankind has been delayed for centuries by such premises. Preventien will be the watch word of the new religion, and skilful surgeon will be one of its ministers."

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We can see, according to the doctor, the watch word holds out to its votaries. A beautiful gospel, the capaciting ground far world bearwe can see, according to the doctor, that this expectation of future happiness has done much to check the onward march of human progress. It has helped to turn the thoughts of the poor, the lowly and the down-trodden from the real Heaven, which is plenty to eat, sufficient clothing, cheerful friends and comfortable surroundings. After all the struggles of the centuries, the blood of martyrs, the zeal of missionaries, and the heroism of apostolic men, the idea of Heaven must be entirely remodelled. The pig's We can see, according to the doctor,

zeal of missionaries, and the heroism of apostolic men, the idea of Heaven must be entirely remodelled. The pig's heaven is the true goal towards which humanity must strive—and abundance of corn, a nice bed of straw, sufficient protection against the weather's inclemencies and the cheerful society of brother pigs. This is the great ideal, the substitute for future blessedness and an eternity with God. The martyrs were fools, the Apostles idiots, and even Christ in the cheerful society of brother pigs. with God. The martyrs were fools, the Apostles idiots, and even Christ Himself a charlatan and arrogant imposter. Life is no ionger a field of battle. We must make it a bed of roses. We must close our eyes to all sadness and bitterness and suffering and sin and live in a heaven of pleasant smiles and honeyed words. Christianity, of course, has out lived its usefulness. There were great the hereafter.

words. Christianity, of course, has out lived its usefulness. There were good things in it, but it kept the hereafter too much in the oreground. It preferred a peaceful conscience to a full stomach and in this way was productive of many evils. Paul bending his neck under the sword and Peter and Andrew hanging on the Cross for the sake of RELIGIOUS CEREMONIES AT LORETTO On the Feast of St. Ignatius, July 31st, the

the sword and Peter and Andrew hanging on the Cross for the sake of principle were edifying spectacles for the old generations, but they were all in reality only hapless victims of gross delusions. Stephen praying for his prosecutors whilst the stones rained down upon his devoted head was a fit subject for the alienists.



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ion. Christ, the Redeemer, the Teacher, the Saviour and Regenerator of the world, is out of date, and a new Christ and a new Saviour has arisen. The leguminous diet of New England has been vindicated, and Back Bay of Boston, Mass., in the person of Dr. Elliot, has supplanted the Bible and made the doctrine of bodily comfort and an easy con-

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