

It would be interesting to point out the coincidences between the miracles wrought by the Great Teacher and those ascribed to these Heathen Divinities. Christ walked upon the water; Ha-yo-went-ha's canoe went without paddles. Christ raised the dead; Manabo-zho had a like power over the *ge-bi*, or departed spirit. Christ multiplied the loaves and fishes to feed the multitude; their Manitoes could create abundance in seasons of want. The parallel might be still further extended; nor would the comparison make all the so-called miracles seem less, but more, as being the result of a universal law that makes like marvels possible, at all times, and among all men; at least,—that causes like beliefs in them to take root among peoples widely diverse.

In whatever light they may be read, these legends will have a growing interest, as being the only records of the faith of a fast-passing race; and as the truest index of the inner life of a people that possessed noble traits, which it will be well to remember and cherish.

If the White Race, possessed of all the advantages of civilization, are to be judged by their highest attainments in Art, Science, Literature and the noblest examples of character that they have developed, surely the unlettered dwellers in the forest should not be subjected to a more rigorous rule. If Cicero was in any sense the height of Rome, then the eloquence of a Gar-an-gu-la, a Sa-go-ye-wat-ha and a Sken-an-do should be taken as the measure of the Indian's intellectual attainments. The same rule should apply in regard to other qualities, as the love of freedom, the power of endurance, of self-sacrifice and courage.