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It is said that man, by nature, is a religious animal, and true to his instincts he builds meeting-houses. But christianity, the soul of civilization, civilizes the religious passion in man, leading him out of the letter of dead forms into the spirit and soul of true worship. Meeting-houses belong, not to christianity, but to Judaism. Christianity worships God in the living temple of the human soul, a temple which the Creator himself made for that very purpose. Christianity, therefore, would build *eating*-houses, rather than meeting-houses, as places of true worship. Christ, evidently, was more at home on festival occasions where eating and drinking were going on, than in the synagogues among self-righteous Pharisees. To save the body by purifying the passions and appetites, was just as much the mission of Christ as saving the soul. The two interests were combined. "Man shall not live by bread alone." His twofold nature requires two kinds of food; a mixed diet, visible and invisible. One is just as real as the other, and they should be taken together. Every meal a sacrament—the Lord's supper. Christianity will build Hotels rather than Churches, instituting daily meetings after dinner, and evening gatherings after supper. Landlords and stewards

will supplant dyspeptic preachers, and like Stephen of old, will be full of inspiration and power. Communism combines the four great interests of humanity, physical, moral, intellectual and spiritual, regarding them all as public interests. So our buildings are public buildings for the common good of all. Community workshops are primary schools, the operatives are students preparing for the university. Hotels conducted by the Community spirit will be homes for students of both sexes. When Communism is rightly understood, the better class, lovers of improvement, will seek for admission to our workshops as the best place for laying an educational foundation. c.

It may not be known, generally, that our people have for some time past, been using one of Mr. Barnes Davis's horses for his keeping, with the stipulation that the horse should not go to the depot only twice a day, and then not to be drove singly, as on some occasions he had been known to run, when used alone. Well, Mr. D. heard that we had violated the contract, and he came over in great wrath a few days ago, and talked pretty hard and swore some, though he said he waited after hearing it till he thought his anger had pretty well subsided.

Mr. Woolworth brought up the subject last night, and considerable criticism fell on Mr. Clark and G. R. Kellogg, who were the chief transgressors.— It was thought they would do well to go and see Mr.

D., confess their fault and thus clear the Community as a whole, from any participation in the wrong.—General dissatisfaction was also expressed at our people taking a horse to keep in such a way. Mr. Woolworth offered to pay Mr. D. all the damage he required for the extra use of the horse, but he said it was not money he wanted he felt misused; and we felt so too.

Mr. Bloom sent in a note to the family last night from which we extract the following:

“For the kind greeting and hospitality extended to me, I thank you, one and all.—During my brief visit here, I have availed myself of this providential opportunity to get nearer to God. Hence I have spent much of my time in deep reflection, and lived mainly on the word of God, having little demand for bodily sustenance or outward action. I have earnestly desired that this visit might be fruitful to God, and that my spirit might be pleasing to the Community. Here really is my home; and at last, I believe I have reached home, home, dear, dearly loved home. And in bodily presence wherever I may be, still in spirit I will evermore be home.

“The great barrier that has in the past so constantly obstructed the attainment of my ideal, has been completely removed; for which I most heartily thank God. Time will heal all soreness and efface all unpleasant associations.—I confess my love for Mr. and

Mrs. Noyes and the Community, and all the family of Christ in heaven and on earth."

While destroying worms this morning and reflecting on their ravages and ugliness, the pleasant and consoling prophecy of Joel came to mind. After telling of the great and good things which the Lord would do for the people and land, in the good time coming, he says in the 2nd. chapter 24th. verse: "And the floors shall be full of wheat and the fats shall overflow with wine and oil. And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the canker-worm, and the caterpillar and the palmer-worm, my great army that I sent among you. And ye shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God." Then he goes on to tell of other great and glorious blessings that the faithful may attain, so that we may go on with good heart destroying evil and cultivating good. A LISTENER.

Mr. Reynolds had some conversation the other day, with a man from Michigan about fruit. He said that peaches were very abundant in that State; he had forty acres of this delicious fruit which he had sold for \$15,000, and only fifteen acres were in a good bearing condition, the remainder being young trees. He said our preserved fruits were considered the best in the country and were sought after in Michigan with the greatest avidity.

It rains gently and steadily this morning, much to our gratification.